

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
SECRETARY OF STATE
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT**

**IN THE MATTER OF: LARRY BATES, INDIVIDUALLY and
FIRST AMERICAN MONETARY CONSULTANTS, INC, their
managers, members, agents, employees, affiliates, successors and
assigns.**

Case No.1300235

ORDER OF PROHIBITION

TO RESPONDENTS:

**Mr. Larry Bates
3780 Winwood Farms LO
Middleton, Tennessee 38052-4555**

**First American Monetary Consultants, Inc.
3740 Business Drive, Suite 101
Memphis, Tennessee 38125**

WHEREAS, a Temporary Order of Prohibition was issued by the Secretary of State on June 10, 2013, which prohibited **Larry Bates and First American Monetary Consultants, Inc**, their partners, managers, members, officers and directors, agents, employees, affiliates, successors and assigns (“Respondents”) from offering or selling securities in or from the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State or his duly authorized representative;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the “Act”), the failure to request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of the Temporary Order shall constitute an admission of any acts alleged therein and constitute a sufficient basis to make the Temporary Order final,

WHEREAS, the Respondents have failed to request a hearing on the matters contained in the Temporary Order within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of said Temporary Order and the Respondents are hereby deemed to have admitted the facts alleged in the Temporary Order;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has adopted the Findings of Fact contained in the Temporary Order as the Secretary of State’s Findings of Fact as follows:

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1. That Larry Bates ("Bates") resides at 3780 Winwood Farms LO, Middleton, Tennessee 38052-4555.
2. That First American Monetary Consultants, Inc. ("FAMC") is a corporation registered for business in the State of Tennessee, incorporated in Colorado, with its principal place of business at 3740 Business Drive, Suite 101, Memphis, Tennessee 38125.
3. That Bates does business in and from Tennessee as CEO and chief economist for FAMC.
4. That Bates and FAMC shall be known collectively as "Respondents".
5. That at all relevant time herein, Respondents made general solicitations to Investors by means of Information Radio Network, Inc. and Information Radio Network/IRN USA Radio News which are carried nationwide to Illinois and other States, and by which these individuals and entities transact business with clients involving the sale and purchase of gold, silver and precious metals. That around July 2010, Illinois resident Investor DK verbally committed to purchase gold Swiss Francs from FAMC (the "Transaction") for the sum of \$262,000
6. That subsequently, within Seven (7) days, Illinois resident Investor DK became unsure of his decision to enter the Transaction, and happened to discuss the matter with a second gold seller ("Gold-Seller 2").
7. That Gold-Seller 2 told Illinois resident Investor DK that he could rescind the Transaction with FAMC by a letter delivered within seven (7) days
8. That Illinois resident Investor DK was able to use the information given him by Gold Seller 2, of which Respondents had known but had not given notice to Investor DK, to rescind the Transaction.

Violation of Section 12.K of the Act

9. That the activities set forth in paragraphs 4 through 8 above constitute the offer and sale of a Mineral Investment Contract or Mineral Deferred Delivery Contract, as those terms are defined at Sec 2.26, and 2.27 of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 (815 ILCS 5) (the "Act").
10. That Section 12 K of the Act provides that it shall be a violation of the provision so of this Act for any person, when offering or selling any mineral investment contract or mineral deferred delivery contract to engage in any transaction practice or course of business that operates as a fraud or deceit upon any customer, prospective customer or offeree.
11. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondent violated Section 12 K of the Act.

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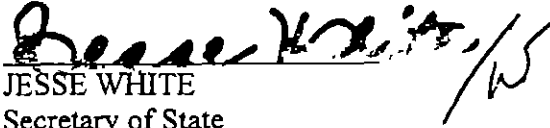
12. That the aforementioned findings are based upon credible evidence.
13. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated sub-section K of Section 12 of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order permanently prohibit the person from offering or selling any Mineral Investment Contract or Mineral Deferred Delivery Contract in this State
14. That the entry of this Order prohibiting Respondents, Larry Bates, and FAMC, from offering or selling Mineral Investment Contracts or Mineral Deferred Delivery Contracts in the State of Illinois is in the public interest and for the protection of the investing public and is consistent with the purposes intended by the provisions of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.E(2) of the Act, Respondents **Larry Bates and First American Monetary Consultants, Inc.**, their managers, officers and directors, agents, employees, affiliates, representatives, successors and assigns are **PROHIBITED** from offering or selling Mineral Investment Contracts or Mineral Deferred Delivery Contracts in or from this State until the further Order of the Secretary of State.

NOTICE: Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of Section 12.D of the ACT. Any person or entity that fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of this Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony for each offence.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/3-101 *et seq.*] and the Rules and Regulations of the Act (14 Ill. Admin. Code, Ch. 1 Sec. 130.1123). Any action for judicial review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.

Dated: This 1st day of August, 2013.


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