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                   FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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     UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
                                      ) No. SA CV 03-251-GLT (MLGx)
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                     Plaintiff,
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                                        ORDER FOR PERMANENT INJUNCTION
                                      ) BY CONSENT AGAINST ALAN M.
                v.
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                                        HOVEY
     SAMUEL J. DeANGELO; JOE
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     GORDON SHIELDS, a/k/a
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     HOVEY; JEFFREY R. WRIGHT;
     KELLY DAVID, a/k/a DAVID
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     KELLY; and WESTERN TAX
     SERVICE, INC.,
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                      Defendants.
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         IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by the United States of
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   America and defendant Alan M. Hovey ("Hovey") pursuant to
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   Internal Revenue Code Sections 7402 and 7407 (Title 26, United
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   States Code):
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- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1340 and 1345 and 26 U.S.C. §§ 7402 and 7407.
- 2. On March 11, 2003, the United States commenced this action seeking to enjoin Hovey and the other defendants permanently from acting as income tax return preparers and from engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C. Section 6694, "Understatement of Taxpayer's Liability by Income Tax Return Preparer."
- 3. The complaint alleged in material part that the defendants continually or repeatedly engaged in such conduct, understating the tax due (and overstating the refund due) on customers' federal income tax returns by claiming false and inflated itemized deductions for charitable contributions and employee business expenses.
- 4. On July 30, 2003, the Court preliminarily enjoined the defendants (except for defendant Joe Gordon Shields, who previously entered into a permanent injunction by consent) from engaging in any conduct prohibited by I.R.C. Section 6694, including but not limited to overstating the allowable amount of charitable contributions and/or employee business expenses on the returns they prepared for compensation.
- 5. On April 14, 2004, the defendants herein, along with others, were indicted on related criminal charges in *United*States v. Samuel Joseph DeAngelo, et al., No. SA CR 04-68(A)-JVS.

 The instant action was stayed pending the outcome of the criminal proceedings and the completion of IRS audits of returns prepared

by the defendants.

- 6. On June 6, 2007, Hovey entered into a Plea Agreement, which was filed under seal in the criminal case. He received a sentence of two months.
- 7. On October 11, 2007, the Court lifted the stay in the instant proceeding.
- 8. To resolve the claims against him in the instant proceeding, Hovey agrees to be bound by the terms set forth in the following paragraphs.
- 9. Pursuant to I.R.C. Section 7407(b) and I.R.C. Section 7402(a), Hovey, along with any agents, servants, employees, attorneys, or other persons in active concert or participation with him, is HEREBY PERMANENTLY ENJOINED from:
 - a. Engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C.

 Section 6694, including but not limited to preparing
 tax returns or claims for refund that overstate the
 allowable amount of charitable contributions and/or
 employee business expenses. In furtherance of this
 injunction, Hovey, along with any agents, servants,
 employees, attorneys, or other persons in active
 concert or participation with him, shall comply with
 all applicable laws, regulations and administrative
 procedures in preparing any return containing
 deductions for charitable contributions and/or employee
 business expenses, including, but not limited to, (i)
 ensuring that such deductions are allowable and

properly documented at the time the return is prepared or filed in accordance with applicable Treasury Publications and the official instructions to Form 1040, Sch. A to Form 1040, Form 2106 and 2106-EZ, and Form 8283, retaining copies of such documentation for examination by the IRS, (ii) explaining these deductions to each customer and pointing them out to the customer their location(s) on the return before the customer signs the return, (iii) completing and attaching any and all required Treasury Forms for such deductions, including but not limited to Form 8283 for Noncash Charitable Contributions totaling \$500 or more and Form 2106 or 2106-EZ for Employee Business Expenses, and (iv) ensuring that such deductions are properly itemized and reported on Schedule A of the return in accordance with the official instructions thereto and the relevant Treasury Publications. Further, Hovey, along with any agents, servants, employees, attorneys, or other persons in active concert or participation with him, is permanently enjoined from advising or suggesting that a taxpayer's cost basis in goods donated to a charitable organization may be used as the fair market value of those goods for purpose of determining the taxpayer's charitable deduction amount.

b. Engaging in conduct subject to penalty under I.R.C.

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- Section 6701, including preparing or assisting in the preparation of a document related to a matter material to the internal revenue laws that he knows will (if so used) result in an understatement of another person's tax liability;
- c. Instructing, advising, or assisting other persons to understate their federal tax liabilities;
- d. Engaging in any other conduct that interferes with the proper administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws; and
- e. Misrepresenting any of the terms of this Permanent Injunction By Consent.
- 10. Hovey is ordered to mail a copy of this Permanent Injunction By Consent within 14 days of entry to all persons and entities for whom he prepared (or helped to prepare) any federal income tax return, amended return, refund claim, or other federal tax-related document since the preliminary injunction was entered herein on July 30, 2003. Hovey shall file a certificate of compliance, signed under penalty of perjury, within 15 days of the entry hereof.
- 11. Hovey shall turn over to the United States within 14 days of the entry hereof a complete list of all persons for whom he has prepared (or helped to prepare) any federal tax return, amended return, refund claim, or other federal tax-related document since July 30, 2003, such list to include each such person's name, address, phone number and/or email address, social

security number or employer identification number, and the tax period(s) to which or for which each such return, amended return, or refund claim relates. The list shall include all customers whose returns Hovey helped to prepare, even if those returns were filed listing someone else as preparer or listing someone else's social security or employer identification number as preparer, or listing someone else's electronic filing number. Further, Hovey shall simultaneously turn over a list identifying (by name, address, phone number and/or email address, and social security number/EIN) all customers whose returns have been audited by the IRS since July 30, 2003, along with copies of the subject returns.

12. Nothing in this Permanent Injunction by Consent shall be construed to compromise, preclude or otherwise affect any other proceedings against or involving Hovey, civil or criminal, whether not pending or hereafter commenced. The United States may engage in discovery under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to monitor compliance with the terms of this injunction, and this Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of implementing and enforcing this injunction and all additional orders necessary and appropriate to the public interest. Hovey waives any right he may have to appeal from this Permanent Injunction By Consent.

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13. The parties hereto shall bear their respective costs, including any possible attorneys' fees or other expenses of this litigation.

IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED.

DATED: January 14, 2008

ANDREW J. GUILFORD UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAILING

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. I am employed by the Office of the United States Attorney, Central District of California. My business address is 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 7211, Los Angeles, California 90012.

On January 14, 2008, I served

(PROPOSED) ORDER FOR PERMANENT INJUNCTION BY CONSENT AGAINST ALAN M. HOVEY

on each person or entity name below by enclosing a copy in an envelope addressed as shown below and placing the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place shown below following our ordinary office practices. I am readily familiar with the practice of this office for collection and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid. Date of mailing: January 14, 2008

Place of mailing: Los Angeles, California

See attached list

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on: January 14, 2008, Los Angeles, California.

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