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CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

U.S. SECURITIES AND
EXCHANGE COMMISSION

ALBERT J. JOHNSON INDICTED

The Fort Worth Regional Office announced that on August 5 a federal grand jury in Houston, Texas returned a seven-count indictment charging Albert J. Johnson of Houston with mail fraud and conspiracy in connection with the sale of securities.

The indictment alleges that Johnson, while vice president of Hibbard, O'Connor & Weeks, Inc. and acting as a trader for its subsidiary, Hibbard & O'Connor Government Securities, Inc. (HOGS), made false statements to two customers, 4-M Company and National Western Life Insurance Company, to induce them into entering into fictitious repurchase agreements with two non-existent California financial institutions. The indictment charges that the object of Johnson's scheme was to apply the securities received in the repurchase agreements, in part, to working capital needs of HOGS. According to the indictment, HOGS diverted \$4.2 million of \$5.6 million forwarded to it as margin money by 4-M Company and National Western.

If convicted, Johnson could be sentenced to a maximum of 35 years imprisonment and/or a \$16,000 fine. The indictment was presented by the Department of Justice's Fraud Section with the U.S. Attorney's Office upon referral from the Commission. The Commission's investigation of HOGS has previously resulted in civil and administrative actions brought by the Commission. (U.S. v. Albert J. Johnson, S.D. Tex., CR-H-83-119). (LR-10096)

WILSON NORMAN ELLIS INDICTED

The Fort Worth Regional Office announced that on August 9 a federal grand jury in Dallas, Texas, returned a three-count indictment charging Wilson Norman Ellis of Abilene, Texas with securities, mail and wire fraud in purchases of securities through two area brokers.

The indictment alleges that Ellis ordered 259,100 shares of American Quaser Petroleum Co. stock in January 1983 through an Arlington, Texas broker-dealer without intending or having the means to pay for the securities. According to the indictment, the broker-dealer purchased the stock at Ellis' request, through its clearing broker. The indictment further charges that Ellis' failure to pay for the stock at the time required for settlement caused the two brokerage firms to lose in excess of \$600,000. (U.S. v. Wilson Norman Ellis, N.D. Tex., CR-4-83-137). (LR-10099)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

NEW YORK MUNICIPAL FUND FOR TEMPORARY INVESTMENT, INC.

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 12 to request a hearing on an application filed by New York Municipal Fund for Temporary Investment, Inc., an open-end, diversified, management investment company, and Henry M. Watts, Jr., a proposed director of the Fund, requesting an order under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 declaring that Mr. Watts shall not be deemed an "interested person" of the Fund within the meaning of Section 2(a)(19) of the Act solely by reason of his status as an officer, director and employee of Mitchel, Schreiber, Watts & Co., Inc., a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. (Rel. IC-13440 - Aug. 16)

UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 12 to request a hearing on an application filed by Union Bank of Switzerland and its subsidiary, UBS Finance (Delaware) Inc., for an order, under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, exempting them from all provisions of the Act so that they may offer and sell commercial paper in the United States. (Rel. IC-13442 - Aug. 17)

EQUITABLE VARIABLE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

An order has been issued on an application filed by Equitable Variable Life Insurance Company (EVLICO), Separate Accounts I and II of EVLICO, and The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, granting exemptions from the provisions of Sections 2(a)(32), 2(a)(35), 18(i), 22(c), 22(d), 27(c)(1), and 27(f) of the Act and Rules 63-2(b)(1), (b)(10), (b)(12), (b)(13) and (c), 22c-1 and 27f-1 in the issuance and funding of certain single premium variable life insurance policies. (Rel. IC-13443 - Aug. 18)

FINANCIAL TAX-FREE MONEY FUND, INC.

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 12 to request a hearing on an application by Financial Tax-Free Money Fund, Inc., an open-end, diversified, management investment company, for an order under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 exempting Applicant: (1) from the provisions of Section 2(a)(41) of the Act and Rules 2a-4 and 22c-1 to permit it to calculate its net asset value per share based on the amortized cost method of valuation and to value certain rights to sell its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers, and banks; and (2) from the provisions of Section 12(d)(3) of the Act to permit Applicant to acquire from brokers and dealers the aforesaid rights to sell portfolio securities. (Rel. IC-13444 - Aug. 18)

INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND, INC.

An order has been issued under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940: (1) exempting Institutional Investors Capital Reserve Fund, Inc. (Reserve Fund), Institutional Investors Fixed Income Fund, Inc. (Fixed Income Fund) and Institutional Investors Option Income Fund, Inc. (Option Fund) from the provisions of Sections 10(a), 15(c), 17(a)(1), 20(a), 22(d) and 24(d) of the Act and Rule 20a-1; (2) exempting Fixed Income Fund and Option Fund from the provisions of Section 22(e) of the Act; and (3) exempting Reserve Fund from the provisions of Section 2(a)(41) of the Act and Rules 2a-4 and 22c-1 to permit it to value its portfolio instruments using the amortized cost method. (Rel. IC-13445 - Aug. 18)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

The following registration statements have been filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933. The information noted below has been taken from the cover page and the facing sheet of the prospectus and registration statement and will appear as follows: Form, Name, address and phone number (if available) of the issuer of the security; Title and the number or face amount of the securities being offered; Name of the managing underwriter (if applicable); Whether the offering is a rights offering; File number and date filed; Assigned Branch; if the registration statement is a New Issue; and [S] denoting SHELF REGISTRATION pursuant to Rule 415.

- (S-18) MEDICAL MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, 1835 Orangewood Ave., Suite 304, Orange, CA 92668 (714) 978-0162 - 2,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Rooney, Pace Inc. The company intends to operate industrial medical clinics. (File 2-85685-LA - Aug. 5) (Br. 5 - New Issue)
- (S-18) AMERICAN STRATEGIC METALS, INC., 251 North Front St., Suite 3, P.O. Box 1010, Monument, CO 80132 (303) 481-3100 - 16,000,000 units. The company recovers selected strategic metals from specialized scrap materials for sale to industrial users. (File 2-85687-D - Aug. 5) (Br. 6 - New Issue)
- (S-18) THRUST RESOURCES, INC., 353 East 200 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84111 (801) 328-0260 - 5,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: First Equities Corp., Crandall Bldg., 10 West First South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101. (File 2-85739-D - Aug. 9) (Br. 8 - New Issue)
- (S-18) WINTERHALTER, INCORPORATED, 3853 Research Park Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (313) 662-2002 - 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: First Heritage Corporation. The company is engaged in designing, developing, producing, and distributing data communication software. (File 2-85762-C - Aug. 11) (Br. 9 - New Issue)
- (S-18) OMICRON INDUSTRIES, INC., 2620 South 900 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119 (801) 974-2327 - 6,066,250 shares of common stock, Class A. (File 2-85768-D - Aug. 11) (Br. 8 - New Issue)

- (S-1) THE MEDIPLEX GROUP, INC., 2101 Washington St., Newton, MA 02162 (617) 969-0480 - 1,040,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: Prudential-Bache Securities and Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation. The company operates and manages an integrated network of inpatient and outpatient alcohol and substance abuse facilities. (File 2-85920 - Aug. 18) (Br. 6 - New Issue)
- (N-1) ALLIANCE MORTGAGE SECURITIES INCOME FUND, INC., 140 Broadway, New York, NY 10005 (800) 332-5353 - an indefinite number of common stock. (File 2-85921 - Aug. 18) (Br. 16 - New Issue)
- (S-1) TACO VILLA, INC., 212 Pilot Rd., P.O. Box 6504, Midland, TX 79711 (915) 563-4290 - 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Adams, James, Foor & Company, Inc. The company owns and operates Taco Villa fast food Mexican-style restaurants. (File 2-85922 - Aug. 18) (Br. 4 - New Issue)
- (S-6) HUTTON UTILITY TRUST, FOURTEENTH PUBLIC UTILITY EQUITY SERIES, One Battery Park Plaza, New York, NY 10004 - 10,000,000 units of beneficial interest. Depositor: E. F. Hutton & Company Inc. (File 2-85930 - Aug. 18) (Br. 18 - New Issue)
- (S-1) HMS COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC., Resource Sciences Park, 4524 East 67th St., Building 9, Tulsa, OK 74153 (918) 494-0992 - 1,800,000 shares of common stock. The company conducts a diversified computer-related business. (File 2-85931 - Aug. 18) (Br. 10 - New Issue) [S]
- (S-11) BALCOR REALTY INVESTORS 83-SERIES II, The Balcors Bldg., 10024 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, IL 60077 - 10,000 limited partnership interests. (File 2-85932 - Aug. 18) (Br. 5)
- (S-3) FIRST SECURITY CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY, One First Security Plaza, Lexington, KY 40507 (606) 231-1000 - 150,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-85934 - Aug. 18) (Br. 1)
- (S-1) UNITED OKLAHOMA BANKSHARES, INC., 2401 Exchange Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73108 (405) 232-1261 - 600,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Bacon Stifel Nicolaus. (File 2-85935 - Aug. 18) (Br. 2 - New Issue)
- (S-11) HUTTON/GSH COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES 3, One Battery Park Plaza, New York, NY 10004 - 80,000 preformation units of limited partnership interest. (File 2-85936 - Aug. 18) (Br. 5 - New Issue)
- (S-2) CP NATIONAL CORPORATION, 120 Montgomery St., San Francisco, CA 94104 (415) 397-8580 - \$15 million of convertible debentures, due 1998, \$10 million of convertible debentures, due 1999, and an indeterminable number of shares of common stock. Underwriter: Edward D. Jones & Co. The company is a diversified communications and energy service company which furnishes telephone, gas and electric services. (File 2-85937 - Aug. 18) (Br. 8) [S]
- (S-1) MODULAIRE INDUSTRIES, 744 Montgomery St., San Francisco, CA 94111 (415) 433-2323 - 800,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc. The company sells and leases mobile office trailers and relocatable modular buildings. (File 2-85938 - Aug. 18) (Br. 10 - New Issue)
- (S-1) ESPRIT SYSTEMS, INC., 100 Marcus Dr., Melville, NY 11747 (516) 293-5600 - 1,100,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Prudential-Bache Securities. The company designs, develops and markets video display terminals. (File 2-85939 - Aug. 18) (Br. 9 - New Issue)
- (S-6's) NUVEEN TAX EXEMPT BOND FUND, SERIES 274; MULTI-STATE, SERIES 104, 209 South La Salle St., Chicago, IL 60604 - an indefinite number of units (each Series). Depositor: John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated. (File 2-85940; 2-85956 - Aug. 18) (Br. 18 - New Issues)
- (S-8) WASHINGTON NATURAL GAS COMPANY, 815 Mercer St., Seattle, WA 98111 (206) 622-6767 - \$5 million of participations. (File 2-85941 - Aug. 18) (Br. 8)
- (S-14) ADAMSVILLE BANCORP, INC., 224 Main St., Adamsville, TN 38310 (901) 632-3346 - 15,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-85942 - Aug. 18) (Br. 1 - New Issue)
- (S-3) OFFSHORE LOGISTICS, INC., 900 East University Ave., Lafayette, LA 70505 (318) 233-1221 - 3,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-85943 - Aug. 18) (Br. 4)

- (S-1) ANGSTROM ROBOTICS & TECHNOLOGIES, INC., 4026 Cherry St., Cincinnati, OH 45223 (513) 541-3010 - 2,750,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: M. H. Meyerson & Co. Inc., 15 Exchange Pl., Jersey City, NJ 07302 (201) 332-3353 or (800) 526-3166. (File 2-85945 - Aug. 18) (Br. 8 - New Issue)
- (S-14) HOME FINANCIAL CORP., 32 North Stone Ave., Tucson, AZ 85701 (602) 623-7771 - 2,802,229 shares of common stock. (File 2-85946 - Aug. 18) (Br. 2 - New Issue)
- (S-6's) TAX EXEMPT SECURITIES TRUST, MULTISTATE SERIES 40; TAX EXEMPT SECURITIES TRUST, SERIES 90, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105 - 15,000 units (each Series). Depositors: Smith, Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105, Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated, Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated and L. F. Rothschild, Unterberg, Towbin. (File 2-85947; 2-85948 - Aug. 18) (Br. 16 - New Issues)
- (S-1) CHEMICAL FABRICS CORPORATION, Water St., P.O. Box 476, North Bennington, VT 05257 (802) 447-1131 - 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb Incorporated and F. Eberstadt & Co., Inc. The company develops, manufactures and markets high-performance engineered coated fabrics. (File 2-85949 - Aug. 18) (Br. 7 - New Issue)
- (S-1) JEFFERIES GROUP, INC., 445 South Figueroa St., Suite 3300, Los Angeles, CA 90071 (213) 624-3333 - 1,750,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: The First Boston Corporation. The company is engaged in equity securities brokerage and trading. (File 2-85950 - Aug. 18) (Br. 1 - New Issue)
- (S-3) THE MEAD CORPORATION, Mead World Headquarters, Courthouse Plaza Northeast, Dayton, OH 45463 (513) 222-6323 - 191,205 common shares. Underwriters: Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated. The company and its affiliates manufacture and sell paper, paperboard, pulp, lumber and other wood products. (File 2-85951 - Aug. 18) (Br. 8) [S]
- (F-2) KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES (KONINKLIJKE LUCHTVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ N.V.), 55 Amsterdamsseweg, Amstelveen, The Netherlands 20-499123 - 1,340,000 common shares. Underwriters: Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, The First Boston Corporation, Algemene Bank Nederland N.V. and Pierson, Heldring & Pierson N.V. (File 2-85953 - Aug. 18) (Br. 3)
- (S-1) CYPERTEK COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC., 6133 Bristol Pkwy., Culver City, CA 90230 (213) 649-2450 - 1,200,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated. The company is engaged in the design, development, marketing and service of proprietary application software products and systems. (File 2-85954 - Aug. 19) (Br. 9 - New Issue) [S]
- (S-3) CHEMLAWN CORPORATION, 8275 North High St., Columbus, OH 43085 (614) 888-3572 - \$15 million of convertible subordinated debentures, due 2008. Underwriter: Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated. The company is engaged in providing lawn care service. (File 2-85955 - Aug. 19) (Br. 6) [S]
- (S-8) NORTH ATLANTIC INDUSTRIES, INC., 60 Plant Ave., Hauppauge, NY 11788 (516) 582-6500 - 171,300 common shares. (File 2-85957 - Aug. 18) (Br. 10)
- (S-1) SYNERGEX CORPORATION, 4974 East Clinton Way, Fresno, CA 93727 (209) 252-4000 - 2,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Sutro & Co. Incorporated. The company is a wholesale distributor of drugs and medical and surgical supplies. (File 2-85958 - Aug. 19) (Br. 4 - New Issue)
- (S-3) CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY, 1720 North First St., San Jose, CA 95112 (408) 298-1414 - \$35 million of first mortgage bonds, Series AA. Underwriters: Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. The company owns and operates water systems. (File 2-85959 - Aug. 19) (Br. 8) [S]

REGISTRATIONS EFFECTIVE

- Aug. 4: Fine Art Acquisitions, Ltd., 2-83769-NY; The LTV Corporation, 2-85017; Ladd Furniture, Inc., 2-84430; MacMillan Bloedel Limited, 2-84413; Province of Ontario, 2-85313; Recognition Equipment Incorporated, 2-84163; Satellite Syndicated Systems, Inc., 2-84418; Symbol Technologies, Inc., 2-84851; Widergren Communications, Inc., 2-83873.
- Aug. 5: Churchill Technology Inc., 2-84132-D; Southmark Corporation, 2-85237.
- Aug. 8: Pharmaco-Medico Systems Corp., 2-84453-D.