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DECISION IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING

SANCTIONS IMPOSED ON OFFICERS AND BRANCH MANAGER OF CONRAD & CO., INC. The SEC today announced the issuance of an order barring Thomas D. Conrad, Jr., president of the former broker-dealer firm of Conrad & Company, Inc. of Hyattsville, Md., and Roland L. Gonzales, Jr., former branch manager of the firm, from association with any broker or dealer. The Commission also suspended Margaret J. Conrad, Conrad's wife and the firm's executive vice-president, from association with any broker-dealer for one year effective December 20, 1971.

The sanctions imposed by the Commission were based on its findings that Conrad violated the registration, record-keeping and confirmation requirements of the securities act in connection with the offer and sale of bonds of Svanholm Research Laboratories by a firm employee, and that Gonzales violated the antifraud provisions by misappropriating over \$26,000 paid to the firm by customers for securities purchases. The Commission also considered the hearing examiner's findings, unchallenged on review, that the Conrads failed to exercise proper supervision, aided and abetted the firm's improper extension of credit to customers, and shared responsibility for the firm's failure to comply with net capital, record-keeping and reporting requirements.

Conrad & Company did not seek review of the examiner's order revoking its broker-dealer registration, and that order has become final. (Rel. 34-9417)

COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

SECURITIES NORTHWEST INC. ENJOINED. The SEC Seattle Regional Office announced that on December 7 a Federal District Court in Seattle permanently enjoined Securities Northwest, Inc., of Seattle, from violating the net capital provisions of the Federal securities laws, and entered an order on application by the SEC and SIPC decreeing that customers of the firm are in need of protection afforded by the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970 and appointed George W. Mc Broom, Esq. as trustee for liquidation of the business of Securities Northwest.

The defendants, without admitting or denying the allegations of the Commission's complaint consented to entry of the orders. (LR-5254)

REQUIRE TRANSCOASTAL TO FILE REPORTS. The Commission announced today that the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia on December 2, 1971 entered an order, pending final determination of this case with the consent of the parties, against Transcoastal Industries Corporation of New York requiring that company to file a current report on Form 8-K setting forth the company's financial condition as of November 30, 1971 and other reports which are due between the date of the Court's order and December 10, 1971. (LR-5255)

COMPLAINT CITES FIVE INDIVIDUALS, FOUR CORPORATIONS. The SEC New York Regional Office announced that on December 13, 1971 the Commission filed a complaint in Federal district court of New York seeking a permanent injunction against five individuals and four corporations, enjoining them from further violations of Sections 5(a) and 5(c) (registration provisions) of the Securities Act of 1933.

Named as defendants were Caldwell Industries, Inc. of Hicksville, N. Y., Emanuel Fields of East Orange, N. J., Charles S. Licht of New York, Action Enterprises, Inc., of Havertown, Pa., Jack Shapiro of Havertown, Pa., Scientist's Pool of Miami, Fla., Paul McEvoy of Pelham Manor, N. Y., Sinclair S. Robinson of Miami, and Caldwell Construction Corp., address unknown.

The Commission's complaint also seeks an injunction against defendants Caldwell, Fields, Licht, Action, Scientist's McEvoy, Robinson and Construction further violations by those defendants of Section 17(a) (anti-fraud) of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 10(b) (anti-fraud) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. (LR-5256)

THIRTEEN INDIVIDUALS, TEN COMPANIES CITED IN NEW YORK. The SEC New York Regional Office announced that on December 13, 1971, the Commission filed a complaint in the Federal district court of New York seeking a preliminary and permanent injunction against thirteen individuals and ten corporations, enjoining them from further violations of Sections 5(a) and 5(c) (registration provisions) of the Securities Act of 1933. Named as defendants were: Emanuel Fields of East Orange, N. J. and New York; Securities Data Center, Inc., Convan Corporation, Unidat Corporation, Zeinitron Corporation, General Time Sharing, Inc., United States Computer Corp., Robert Weiss, Jerome Kline, all of New York, Howard Louis, Livingston, N.J., Donald Braverman of Bayside, N. Y., Thomas Wanderon of Naples, Fla., Theodore Zucker, of Merrick, N. Y., Hortense Fields of East Orange, N. J., Financial Investors Equity Legal Diversified Services of Livingston, N. J., Virginia Wanderon of Naples, Fla., Samsondale Capital Corp., Von Naples, Fla., Denton Management Corp., of Merrick, N. Y., Michael Kaufman of Woodland Hills, Calif., Frederick Von Hesse also known as Freddie Hesse of Oradell, N. J., Louis Kaye of New York, Robin Baron of Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., and Baron & Co. of Jersey City, N. J.

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The Commission's complaint also seeks an injunction against defendants Fields, SDC, Unidat, Convan, Zeintron, GTS, USCC, Louis, Weiss, Kline, Braverman, Wanderon and Zucker to prevent further violations by those defendants of Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder - the anti-fraud sections. (LR-5257)

LIBERTY PETROLEUM PERMANENTLY ENJOINED. The SEC Chicago Regional Office announced that on December 9 the Federal district court at Toledo permanently enjoined Liberty Petroleum Corporation, an Ohio corporation, and Paul L. Liberty, its president from violating the registration provisions of the Federal securities laws in the offer and sale of fractional undivided interests in oil and gas leaseholds in Ohio.

The defendants consented to the entry of the order without admitting or denying the allegations contained in the Commission's complaint. (LR-5258)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

AMERICAN DUALVEST FUND INCORPORATED. The Commission issued an order exempting American Dualvest Fund Incorporated of New York from Sections 18(a)(2)(B) and 18(a)(2)(E) of the Investment Company Act and modified a prior Commission order subject to the condition that Fund file with the Commission on a quarterly basis, a statement as to its Income Shares "asset coverage" calculated in accordance with Section 18(h) of the Act until such time as the "asset coverage" exceeds 200%. (Rel. IC-6894)

KEYSTONE CUSTODIAN FUNDS, INC., ERWIN D. CANHAM. The Commission issued an order exempting Erwin D. Canham from the definition of an "interested person" as that term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act with respect to the Funds or any principal underwriter of such Funds solely by reason of his status as a director of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. (Rel. IC-6895)

NATIONAL SECURITIES FUNDS. The Commission issued an order granting temporary relief to Charles A. Foehl, Jr., a director of National Securities Funds, of New York, from the definition of interested person under Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act as it applies to Fund and to Foehl. (Rel. IC-6896)

ISI INSTITUTIONAL FUND A, INC., ISI INSTITUTIONAL FUND B, INC. The Commission issued an order giving interested persons until January 7, 1972 to request a hearing on application of ISI Institutional Fund A, Inc., and Fund B, Inc., of San Francisco, for an order declaring that applicants have ceased to be investment companies as defined in the Act. In August 1968 each applicant filed notification pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933. Both applicants were designed for investment by qualified pension, profit-sharing and other employee trusts etc. Applicants 33 Act registrations became effective on October 13, 1969, however no shares were ever purchased except by the persons who had provided the initial capital and each is now in process of dissolution. (Rel. IC-6897)

MACI GROWTH FUND, INC. The Commission issued an order giving interested persons until January 7 to request a hearing on application of MACI Growth Fund, Inc., of Minneapolis, for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. The company represents, among other things, that it ceased making any further public offering of its shares on April 30, 1971, that at a shareholders meeting on October 28, 1971 they adopted resolutions providing for a plan of voluntary corporate dissolution and the appointment of a trustee under that plan and that it is exclusively engaged in effecting its complete dissolution. (Rel. IC-6898)

MISCELLANEOUS

TRADING SUSPENSIONS CONTINUED. The SEC has ordered the suspension of over-the-counter trading in the common stock of Coatings Unlimited and in the securities of Continental Vending Machine Corporation for the further ten-day period December 17-26, 1971, inclusive.

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective December 14: Cayman Corp., 2-41660; Time Industries, Inc., 2-42436. Effective December 15: Amacan Resources, Inc., 2-39639 (90 days); Brentwood Originals, Inc., 2-41620 (90 days); Clark Equipment Co., 2-42189; Feld Leasing Co., Inc., 2-42091; First National State Bancorporation, 2-42267; Gulton Industries, Inc., 2-41655; Lindal Cedar Homes, Inc., 2-41641 (90 days); R. H. Medical Services, Inc., 2-41624; New England Merchants Co., Inc., 2-41093; Norton Simon, Inc., 2-42429; Peg Leg Bates Country Club, Inc., 2-41524 (90 days); Purolator, Inc., 2-42515; SBD Electronic Systems, Inc., 2-38842 (90 days); USLife Mutual Funds Management Corp., 2-38647; Vail Associates, Inc., 2-42147; Vertifile, Inc., 2-42263 (90 days).

NOTE TO DEALERS. The period of time dealers are required to use the prospectus in trading transactions is shown above in parentheses after the name of the issuer.