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**In The United States District Court
For The District Of New Jersey
Camden Vicinage**

Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Equity Financial Group LLC,
Tech Traders, Inc., Tech Traders, Ltd.,
Magnum Investments, Ltd., Magnum
Capital Investments, Ltd., Vincent J. Firth,
Robert W. Shimer, Coyt E. Murray, and
J. Vernon Abernethy,
Defendants.

Hon. Robert B. Kugler
District Court Judge

Hon. Ann Marie Donio
Magistrate

**Civil Action No: 04-1512
(RBK)**

**CFTC Joinder in Receiver's
Motion for Determination of
Pending Objection**

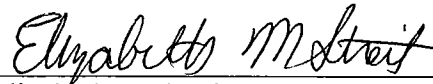
Plaintiff Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or the “Commission”) joins in the Motion of Stephen T. Bobo, Equity Receiver, for Determination of Pending Objection (Docket Doc 572-2) and also requests that the Court resolve the pending objections of the Receiver and the CFTC to the disputed claim of Alison Shimer, wife of Defendant Robert Shimer, by disallowing that claim in its entirety.

In its Objection to the Claims of Certain Claimants, filed May 20, 2005 (Docket Doc 210), the Commission noted that by the date of the \$150,000 investment in Tech Traders made ostensibly in the name of Defendant Shimer’s wife, his joint account with Alison had already received over \$210,000 that originated with Tech Traders. Docket Doc 210 at 7. Since those Objections were filed, the Commission has learned that the \$150,000 investment came from a mortgage Robert Shimer obtained on property he inherited from his father. *See* Docket Doc. 572-2 at 4 and attachments thereto. Thus, the \$150,000 is Robert Shimer’s money, invested in the name of his wife to distance it from him.

As the evidence at trial showed, Robert Shimer makes a habit of hiding his money in the names of other people or entities. *See* Docket Doc 565, Proposed Finding of Fact 46. The evidence at trial also showed that he profited from this massive fraud more than anyone else. *See* PL. Ex. 1147. He should not be allowed to profit further from the fraud he helped perpetuate by recovering any part of the funds this Court froze for the benefit of defrauded investors. The Commission therefore joins in the Receiver’s motion and requests that the claim in the name of Alison Shimer be denied in its entirety.

Date: November 14, 2007

Respectfully submitted,



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The undersigned non-attorney, Venice Bickham, does hereby certify that on November 14, 2007 she caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing *CFTC's Joinder in Receiver's Motion for Determination of Pending Objection* to be served upon the following persons via First U. S. mail:

On behalf of Equity Financial Group

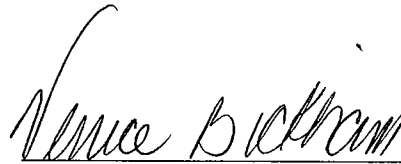
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