

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING)
COMMISSION,)
)
Plaintiff,)**

vs.

Civil Action No.: 04CV 1512

**EQUITY FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC,)
TECH TRADERS, INC., TECH)
TRADERS, LTD., MAGNUM)
CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LTD.,)
MAGNUM INVESTMENTS, LTD.,)
VINCENT J. FIRTH, ROBERT W.)
SHIMER, COYT E. MURRAY, and J.)
VERNON ABERNETHY,)
)
Defendants.)**

Honorable Robert B. Kugler

ORDER

This matter came before the Court in connection with the applications of the Equity Receiver and his counsel seeking interim compensation and expense reimbursement for their continuing efforts to carry out the Court’s directives in its April 1, 2004 Order, including the administration of the receivership estate for the period from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007. The Court, having reviewed the applications and considered the statements of counsel, is satisfied that the relief sought is reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, and it is hereby ORDERED:

1. Reed Smith Sachnoff & Weaver (“RSSW”) is awarded interim compensation in the amount of \$_____ for services provided and expense reimbursement in the amount of \$_____ for expenses incurred and advanced from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007. The Receiver is authorized to pay RSSW a total of \$ _____ from funds of the

receivership estate in satisfaction of this award. The Receiver is further authorized to deduct the amount of \$68,883.00 from the distribution amount to be determined on account of the aggregate Sterling claim, which amount represents the professional fees incurred in connection with the Sterling investor claims during the First Quarter of 2007.

2. Pepper Hamilton LLP is awarded interim compensation in the amount of \$_____ for services provided and expense reimbursement in the amount of \$_____ for expenses incurred and advanced from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007. The Receiver is authorized to pay Pepper Hamilton LLP a total of \$_____ from funds of the receivership estate in satisfaction of this award.

3. FGМК, LLC is awarded interim compensation in the amount of \$_____ for services provided and expense reimbursement in the amount of \$_____ for expenses incurred and advanced from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007. The Receiver is authorized to pay FGМК, LLC a total of \$_____ from receivership funds held for Shasta Capital Associates, LLC.

So Ordered.

August ____, 2007

BY THE COURT

United States District Judge