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11	SAN FRANCISCO	DIVISION
12	UNITED STATES COMMODITY	
13	FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION,	
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15	v.	Civil Action No. 3:10-cv-02654-SC
16		3.10-CV-02034-3C
17	HIGHLANDS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a California	
18	limited partnership, and	
19	GLENN KANE JACKSON, an individual,	
20	Defendants.	
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22	[PROPSED] CONSENT ORDER FOR AND OTHER EQUITABLE RELIES	
23	HIGHLANDS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.	
24	I. INTRODU	CTION
25	On June 17, 2010, Plaintiff Com	modity Futures Trading
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28	Highlands Capital Management, L.P. (	("Highlands") and Glenn Kane
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Jackson ("Jackson") (collectively "Defendants") seeking injunctive and other equitable relief, as well as the imposition of civil penalties, for violations of 7 U.S.C. §§ 6b(a)(2)(A)-(C) (Supp. II 2009). The Court entered an exparte statutory restraining order against Defendants on June 17, 2010.

The Complaint alleges that from June 2008 and continuing until December 2009, Highlands and Jackson, individually and in his capacity as founder, manager, employee, and/or agent of Highlands, fraudulently solicited members of the general public (hereinafter referred to as "pool participants") for the purported purpose of trading off-exchange foreign currency contracts ("forex") in two limited partnerships, Highlands Private Clients ("Private Clients") and Highlands Capital Partners ("Capital Partners") (collectively the "Pools"). As part of the solicitation of pool participants, Defendants made false claims, both written and spoken, regarding Jackson's success and background as a forex trader, including the forex trading track record of the Pools. Specifically, Jackson sent false account statements and trading summaries and made verbal statements to pool participants claiming that Defendants were engaging in profitable forex trading when, in fact, they were not. Defendants used only a portion of those pool participants' funds to trade forex (which trading resulted in net losses).

On June 15, 2010, Jackson was arrested after being charged by the Marin County, California District Attorney with a 38 count complaint alleging investment fraud based on the same conduct alleged in the Commission complaint. People of the State of California v. Glenn K. Jackson (Docket No. SC170537A) (Superior Court of California, Marin County) (Simmons, J.) (hereinafter, the "Jackson Criminal Action").

### II. CONSENTS AND AGREEMENTS

To effect settlement of all charges alleged in the Complaint against Defendants Highlands and Jackson without a trial on the merits or any further judicial proceedings, Defendants:

- Consent to the entry of this Consent Order for Permanent Injunction and Other Equitable Relief Against Defendants Highlands and Jackson ("Consent Order");
- 2. Affirm that they have read and agreed to this Consent Order voluntarily and that no promise, other than as specifically contained herein, or threat has been made by the Commission or any member, officer, agent or representative thereof, or by any other person, to induce consent to this Consent Order;
  - 3. Acknowledge service of the summons and Complaint;

- Admit the jurisdiction of this Court over them and the subject matter of this action pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1
   (2012);
- 5. Admit the jurisdiction of the Commission over the conduct and transactions at issue in this action pursuant to 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.(2012);
- Admit that venue properly lies with this Court pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1(e)(2012);

## 7. Waive:

- (a) any and all claims that they may possess under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 (2012) and 28 U.S.C. § 2412 (2012), and/or the rules promulgated by the Commission in conformity therewith, 17 C.F.R. §§ 148.1 et seq. (2013), relating to, or arising from, this action;
- (b) any and all claims that they may possess under the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-121, §§ 201-253, 110 Stat. 847, 857-868 (1996), as amended by Pub. L. No. 110-28, § 8302, 121 Stat. 112, 204-205 (2007), relating to, or arising from, this action;
- (c) any claim of Double Jeopardy based upon the institution of this action or the entry in this action of any order imposing a civil monetary penalty or any other relief, including this Consent Order; and
  - (d) any and all rights of appeal from this action;
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- 8. Consent to the continued jurisdiction of this Court over them for the purpose of implementing and enforcing the terms and conditions of this Consent Order and for any other purpose relevant to this action, even if Defendants now or in the future reside outside the jurisdiction of this Court;
- 9. Agree that they will not oppose enforcement of this Consent Order by alleging that it fails to comply with Rule 65(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and waive any objection based thereon;
- employees under their authority or control shall take any action or make any public statement denying, directly or indirectly, any allegation in the Complaint or the Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law in this Consent Order, or creating or tending to create the impression that the Complaint and/or this Consent Order is without a factual basis; provided, however, that nothing in this provision shall affect their: (a) testimonial obligations, or (b) right to take legal positions in other proceedings to which the Commission is not a party. Defendants shall undertake all steps necessary to ensure that all of their agents and/or employees under their authority or control understand and comply with this agreement; and
- 11. Admit to all of the findings made in this Consent Order and all of the allegations in the Complaint.
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12. Agree to provide immediate notice to this Court and the Commission by certified mail, in the manner required by paragraph 46 of Part VI of this Consent Order, of any bankruptcy proceeding filed by, on behalf of, or against them, whether inside or outside the United States, and

13. Agree that no provision of this Consent Order shall in any way limit or impair the ability of any other person or entity to seek any legal or equitable remedy against Defendants in any other proceeding.

### III. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Court, being fully advised in the premises, finds that there is good cause for the entry of this Consent Order and that there is no just reason for delay. The Court therefore directs the entry of the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, permanent injunction and equitable relief pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2012), as set forth herein.

## THE PARTIES AGREE AND THE COURT HEREBY FINDS:

## A. Findings of Fact

## 1. The Parties To This Consent Order

14. Plaintiff Commodity Futures Trading Commission is an independent federal regulatory agency that is charged by Congress with administering and enforcing the Commodity Exchange Act, ("Act") 7 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq., and the Commission's

Regulations ("Regulations") promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. \$\\$ 1.1 et seq. (2013).

- 15. Highlands Capital Management, L.P. is a California limited partnership with its principal place of business listed as 220 Jackson Street, Third Floor, San Francisco, California 94111. Highlands was formed in January 2006 and is the general partner of the Pools purportedly with the exclusive right and authority to manage, operate, and conduct the business of the Pools. Highlands is not, and has never been, registered with the Commission.
- 16. Glenn Kane Jackson resides in Healdsburg, California 94920. Jackson was a founder, incorporator, director, manager, officer, employee, and/or agent of Highlands and held himself out to the public as the person in charge of Highlands. Jackson was also the "forex trading advisor" and manager of the Pools. Jackson is not, and has never been, registered with the Commission.

## Background

- 17. From approximately June 2008 through December 2009 ("the relevant period"), Defendants solicited and accepted at least \$998,000 from pool participants for the purported purpose of trading forex.
- 18. Defendants offered pool participants subscriptions to two limited partnerships, Private Clients and Capital Partners,
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the terms of which were communicated to pool participants by
Defendants verbally and through Private Offering Memoranda,
Agreements of Limited Partnership, and related documents.
According to Defendants' representations, the pool participants'
money was to be pooled in the name of the Pools and traded by
Jackson with the purported goal of capital growth through forex
trading. Pool participants' partnership interests in the Pools
were to grow (or shrink) depending on the profits (or losses)
from Defendants' forex trading.

- 19. The Private Offering Memoranda and related documents for both of the Pools provided that Highlands would act as the general partner to each with the exclusive right and authority to manage, operate, and conduct the business of the Pools. In order to subscribe to the Pools, pool participants were required to grant Highlands an irrevocable limited power of attorney concerning all partnership business.
- 20. The Private Offering Memoranda for both of the Pools provided for withdrawal (upon 30 day notice), of a pool participant's funds within 10 days of the end of each calendar quarter. The Private Offering Memoranda further provided that Highlands could suspend withdrawals by pool participants if: (i) the markets were closed or trading was suspended, (ii) regulatory or contractual prohibitions prevented the liquidation of sufficient "portfolio securities" to fund the withdrawals,

(iii) the sale of "portfolio securities" would "seriously prejudice" the interests of non-redeeming pool participants, or (iv) there was a "breakdown in the means of communication normally used" to determine the value of the partnership's "investments."

# 3. Fraudulent Solicitation

- 21. As part of the solicitation of pool participants,

  Jackson made false representations regarding his past success
  and background as a forex trader as well as his track record
  trading the Pools.
- 22. For example, Jackson claimed to have never experienced a single losing year trading forex. Defendants' domestic forex trading accounts managed and controlled by Jackson, however, consistently incurred net losses each year.
- 23. Jackson also provided pool participants with copies of his resume suggesting that he had obtained Series 7 and Series 63 certifications from the National Association of Securities Dealers when, in fact, Jackson had never been certified as such.
- 24. Jackson knew that the foregoing representations made to pool participants about his background and trading history were false. Jackson made these false statements with the intent to mislead pool participants.

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# The Money Trail

- 25. Based on Jackson's misrepresentations and omissions regarding his forex trading success and background, from June 2008, and continuing until December 2009, pool participants wired at least \$998,000 to Defendants for trading forex.
- 26. During the relevant period, Defendants traded and lost approximately \$426,000 and returned approximately \$329,000 to pool participants in response to their requests. Approximately \$243,000 was misappropriated by Defendants.

# False Account Statements

- 27. Beginning as early as August 2008 and continuing through December 2009, Defendants sent account statements and other documents to pool participants showing that Defendants' forex trading was generating consistent profits.
- 28. For example, Defendants sent at least one pool participant an IRS K-1 tax form showing profits for 2008 of \$63,000 on his partnership interest of \$370,000. Other pool participants received statements showing quarterly returns for the third quarter of 2009 of 20.74%. Defendants also sent pool participants trading summaries for two purported Private Clients' forex trading accounts showing 80.6% and 12.85% returns, respectively, for the trading period November 2007 through December 2008. All of these statements were false.

29. Defendants knew that the foregoing account statements and other representations about Defendants' forex trading made to pool participants were false. Defendants made these false statements with the intent to mislead pool participants.

# 6. Denial of Pool Participants' Withdrawal Requests

- 30. Although Defendants honored withdrawal requests from pool participants totaling approximately \$329,000, Defendants responded to other withdrawal requests with delay and numerous explanations as to why the pool participants' money could not (or would not) be returned.
- 31. For example, in early 2009 Jackson assured some of the pool participants that their money would be returned "next week," "next month," or on a specified date. None of these assurances was honored. Instead, Jackson offered the pool participants various excuses for failing to return their money, including:
  - a) that the pool participants' money was "tied up due to new Commission regulations;"
  - b) that there had been "margin problems" at the futures commission merchant ("FCM") through which Defendants' forex trades were purportedly cleared;
  - c) that the partnership agreement gave Jackson unfettered discretion over the pool participants'

funds and that he was not required to return the money unless he determined that it was in the best interest of the partnership.

32. Each of these explanations was false and inconsistent with the terms of participation in the Pools.

# Jackson's Control of Highlands

33. Jackson was the founder, principal, manager, and agent of Highlands and of the Pools and at all material times held himself out to the public as such. Jackson solicited pool participants to trade forex through the Pools and, in doing so, sent partnership offerings, subscription agreements, account statements, and related documents to pool participants and prospective pool participants. Jackson also carried out and controlled all forex trading conducted on behalf of the pool participants through the Pools. At all material times, Jackson maintained control of bank and other accounts where pool participant funds were held.

#### B. Conclusions of Law

### Jurisdiction and Venue

34. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2012), which provides that whenever it shall appear to the Commission that any person has engaged, is engaging, or is about to engage in any act or practice constituting a violation of any provision of the Act or any

rule, regulation, or order promulgated thereunder, the

Commission may bring an action in the proper district court of

the United States against such person to enjoin such act or

practice, or to enforce compliance with the Act, or any rule,

regulation or order thereunder.

35. Venue properly lies with this Court pursuant to
7 U.S.C. § 13a-1(e)(2012), because the Defendants reside in this
jurisdiction and the acts and practices in violation of the Act
occurred within this District.

# Violation of Sections 4b(a)(2)(A)-(C) of the Act: Fraud in Connection with Forex

- 36. 7 U.S.C. §§ 6b(a)(2)(A)-(C) (Supp. II 2009), provide, in relevant part, that it is unlawful for any person, in or in connection with any order to make or the making of a forex contract for or on behalf of any other person, (A) to cheat or defraud or attempt to cheat or defraud another person, (B) willfully to make or cause to be made to the other person any false report or statement or willfully to enter or cause to be entered for the other person any false record, or (C) willfully to deceive or attempt to deceive such other person by any means whatsoever in regard to any such order or contract or the disposition or execution of any such order or contract.
- 37. By the conduct described in paragraphs 14 through 33 above, from at least June 18, 2008, through December 2009, in or

in connection with forex contracts, made or to be made, for or on behalf of, or with, other persons, Defendants violated 7

U.S.C. §§ 6b(a)(2)(A)-(C) (Supp. II 2009), by, among other things, knowingly (i) misappropriating pool participant funds, (ii) misrepresenting Jackson's background and trading success as a forex trader, and (iii) making or causing to be made false account statements, trading summaries, and tax forms to pool participants misstating the value of and trading activity in their accounts.

- 38. Defendants engaged in the acts and practices described above knowingly or with reckless disregard for the truth.
- 39. At all relevant times, Jackson controlled Highlands and the Pools, directly or indirectly, and did not act in good faith or knowingly induced, directly or indirectly, Highlands's conduct alleged in this Complaint. Therefore, pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13c(b) (2012), Jackson is liable for Highlands's violations of 7 U.S.C. §§ 6b(a)(2)(A)-(C) (Supp. II 2009).
- 40. The foregoing acts, misrepresentations, omissions, and failures of Jackson occurred within the scope of his employment or office with Highlands, therefore, Highlands, is liable for those acts, omissions and failures pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 2(a)(1)(B) (2012), and 17 C.F.R. § 1.2 (2013).
- 41. Unless restrained and enjoined by this Court, there is a reasonable likelihood that the Defendants will continue to
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engage in the acts and practices alleged in the Complaint and in similar acts and practices in violation of the Act.

### IV. PERMANENT INJUNCTION

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 42. Based upon and in connection with the foregoing conduct, pursuant to 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2012), Defendants are permanently restrained, enjoined and prohibited from directly or indirectly cheating or defrauding, or attempting to cheat or defraud, other persons in or in connection with any order to make, or the making of, any forex contract that is made, or to be made, for or on behalf of, or with, any other person in violation of 7 U.S.C. § 6b (2012).
- 43. Defendants are also permanently restrained, enjoined and prohibited from directly or indirectly:
  - a) Trading on or subject to the rules of any registered entity (as that term is defined in 7 U.S.C. § 1a (2012));
  - futures, options on commodity futures, commodity options (as that term is defined in 17 C.F.R. § 1.3(hh) (2013)) ("commodity options"), security futures products, swaps (as that term is defined in 7 U.S.C. § 1a(47) (2013), and as further defined in 17 C.F.R. § 1.3(xxx) (2013)), and/or foreign

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- C) Having any commodity futures, options on commodity futures, commodity options, security futures products, and/or forex contracts traded on their behalf;
- d) Controlling or directing the trading for or on behalf of any other person or entity, whether by power of attorney or otherwise, in any account involving commodity futures, options on commodity futures, commodity options, security futures products, swaps, and/or forex contracts;
- Soliciting, receiving or accepting any funds from e) any person for the purpose of purchasing or selling any commodity futures, options on commodity futures, commodity options, security futures products, swaps and/or forex contracts;
- f) Applying for registration or claiming exemption from registration with the Commission in any capacity, and engaging in any activity requiring such registration or exemption from registration

with the Commission, except as provided for in 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9) (2013); and/or

G) Acting as a principal (as that term is defined17 C.F.R. § 3.1(a) (2013)), agent or any other officer or employee of any person (as that term is defined in Section 1a of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1a (2012)) registered, exempted from registration or required to be registered with the Commission except as provided for in 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9) (2013).

### V. RESTITUTION

44. The Defendants' violations of the Act merit the award of significant restitution. However, the Court recognizes that Jackson is subject to a criminal restitution obligation of \$3.8 million entered in the Jackson Criminal Action for the same misconduct at issue in this civil action. Because the criminal court has already awarded restitution to defrauded customers in an amount greater than would be warranted in this case, the Court is not ordering additional restitution against Defendants in this Consent Order.

### VI. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

45. <u>Cooperation</u>: Defendants shall cooperate fully and expeditiously with the Commission, including the Commission's Division of Enforcement, and any other governmental agency in

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this action, and in any investigation, civil litigation, or administrative matter related to the subject matter of this action or any current or future Commission investigation related thereto.

Notice: All notices required to be given by any 46. provision in this Consent Order shall be sent certified mail, return receipt requested, as follows:

Notice to Commission:

Director, Division of Enforcement U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission 1155 21st street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

Notice to Defendants Jackson and Highlands:

1083 Vine Street #196 Healdsburg, CA 95448

All such notices to the Commission shall reference the name and docket number of this action.

- 47. Change of Address/Phone: In the event that there is an address and/or telephone number change for any Defendant, that Defendant shall provide written notice to the Commission by certified mail of any change to his telephone number and mailing address within ten (10) calendar days of the change.
- 48. Entire Agreement and Amendments: This Consent Order incorporates all of the terms and conditions of the settlement among the parties hereto to date. Nothing shall serve to amend

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or modify this Consent Order in any respect whatsoever, (a) reduced to writing; (b) signed by all parties unless: hereto; and (c) approved by order of this Court.

- 49. Invalidation: If any provision of this Consent Order or if the application of any provision or circumstance is held invalid, then the remainder of this Consent Order and the application of the provision to any other person or circumstance shall not be affected by the holding.
- 50. Waiver: The failure of any party to this Consent Order or of any Pool Participant at any time to require performance of any provision of this Consent Order shall in no manner affect the right of the party or Pool Participant at a later time to enforce the same or any other provision of this Consent Order. No waiver in one or more instances of the breach of any provision contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed to be or construed as a further or continuing waiver of such breach or waiver of the breach of any other provision of this Consent Order.
- 51. Continuing Jurisdiction of this Court: This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this action to ensure compliance with this Consent Order and for all other purposes related to this action, including any motion by Defendants to modify or for relief from the terms of this Consent Order.

- 52. <u>Injunctive and Equitable Relief Provisions:</u> The injunctive and equitable relief provisions of this Consent Order shall be binding upon Defendants, upon any person under their authority or control, and upon any person who receives actual notice of this Consent Order, by personal service, e-mail, facsimile or otherwise insofar as he or she is acting in active concert or participation with Defendants.
- 53. <u>Authority</u>: Jackson hereby warrants that he is the founder and manager of Highlands, and that this Consent Order has been duly authorized by Highlands and he has been duly empowered to sign and submit this Consent Order on behalf of Highlands.
- 54. Counterparts and Facsimile Execution: This Consent
  Order may be executed in two or more counterparts, all of which
  shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become
  effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each
  of the parties hereto and delivered (by facsimile, e-mail, or
  otherwise) to the other party, it being understood that all
  parties need not sign the same counterpart. Any counterpart or
  other signature to this Consent Order that is delivered by any
  means shall be deemed for all purposes as constituting good and
  valid execution and delivery by such party of this Consent
  Order.

	55. Defendants understand that the terms of the Consent		
1	Order are enforceable through contempt proceedings, and that, in		
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3	any such proceedings they may not challenge the validity of this		
4	Consent Order.		
5	56. There being no just reason for delay, the Clerk of the		
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13	United States District Judge Northern District of California		
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