## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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: NOTICE OF PROPOSED PLAN
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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Rule 1103 of the United State Securities and Exchange Commission's ("Commission") Rules on Fair Fund and Disgorgement Plans ("Commission's Rules"), 17 C.F.R. § 201.1103, that the Division of Enforcement has submitted to the Commission a proposed plan of distribution (the "Plan") for the distribution of monies paid in the above-captioned matters.

On August 17, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Instituting Administrative and Cease-and-Desist Proceedings Pursuant to Sections 15(b) and 21C of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Sections 203(f) and 203(k) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, and Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions and a Cease-and-Desist Order ("Order")¹ against Roger T. Denha ("Denha"). The Order required Denha to pay a total of \$616,618.00 in disgorgement, prejudgment interest, and a civil money penalty to the Commission and created a Fair Fund, pursuant to Section 308(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended (the "Fair Fund"), so the penalty, along with the disgorgement and prejudgment interest, could be distributed to investors harmed by Denha's conduct described in the Order. The Order further provided that the Fair Fund is to also include

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exchange Act Rel. No. 83873 (Aug. 17, 2018).

the funds collected in a related proceeding, *In the Matter of BKS Advisors LLC*, in which BKS Advisors LLC was ordered to pay a \$75,000.00 civil money penalty.<sup>2</sup>

The Fair Fund is comprised of the \$691,618.00 paid by the Respondents.

The Fair Fund is subject to the continuing jurisdiction and control of the Commission and has been deposited at the United States Department of Treasury's Bureau of the Fiscal Service in an interest-bearing account.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT**

Pursuant to this Notice, all interested persons are advised that they may obtain a copy of the Plan from the Commission's public website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov/litigation/fairfundlist.htm">http://www.sec.gov/litigation/fairfundlist.htm</a>. Interested persons may also obtain a written copy of the Plan by submitting a written request to Nancy Chase Burton, United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-5876. All persons who desire to comment on the Plan may submit their comments, in writing, no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice:

- 1. to the Office of the Secretary, United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090;
- 2. by using the Commission's Internet comment form (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/litigation/admin.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/litigation/admin.shtml</a>); or
- 3. by sending an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>.

Comments submitted by email or via the Commission's website should include "Administrative Proceeding File Nos. 3-18648 and 3-18649" in the subject line. Comments received will be publicly available. Persons should submit only information they wish to make publicly available.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Order Instituting Administrative and Cease-and-Desist Proceedings, Pursuant to Sections 203(e) and 203(k) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions and a Cease-and-Desist Order, Advisers Act Rel. No. 4987 (Aug. 17, 2018).

## THE PLAN

The Net Fair Fund<sup>3</sup> is comprised of the \$691,618.00 in disgorgement, prejudgment interest, and civil money penalties paid by the Respondents, minus the Reserve. The Plan proposes to distribute the Net Fair Fund to investors who were harmed as a result of Denha's and BKS's fraudulent allocation or "cherry-picking" scheme and who suffered losses as calculated by the methodology described in paragraph 11 of the Plan.

For the Commission, by its Secretary, pursuant to delegated authority.

Vanessa A. Countryman Acting Secretary

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Plan.