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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF IDAHO

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,) Case No.: CV 09-075-E-EJL
Plaintiff,))
and	
COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION,) Case No.: CV 09-076-E-EJL) The Honorable Edward J. Lodge
Plaintiff,)
vs. DAREN L. PALMER and TRIGON GROUP, NC., a Nevada Corporation, Defendants.) NINTH REPORT OF R. WAYNE) KLEIN, RECEIVER (FOR PERIOD) ENDING MARCH 31, 2011))
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R. Wayne Klein, the Court-Appointed Receiver (the "Receiver") of Trigon Group, Inc. ("Trigon") and the assets of Daren L. Palmer (the "Receivership Entities" and/or "Palmer"),

hereby submits this Ninth Report for the period of January 1, 2011 through March 31, 2011 (the "Reporting Period").

I. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The regulatory enforcement actions by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) were commenced on February 26, 2009. That same day, the Court entered orders imposing an asset freeze and appointing Wayne Klein as Receiver. On October 23, 2009, the Court entered an order finding Mr. Palmer in contempt of previous orders of the Court. On July 19, 2010, the Court entered final judgment against Mr. Palmer and Trigon in the SEC matter, based on the consent of the defendants. On October 4, 2010, the Court granted summary judgment against Palmer in the CFTC action. Copies of these orders and judgments are posted on the Receiver's website.

II. SETTLEMENTS WITH OBJECTORS, INITIAL DISTRIBUTION PAYMENTS

In June 2010, the SEC submitted its proposed distribution plan to the Court. Objections were filed on behalf of a group of six investors (Objectors). The Court held a hearing on November 3, 2010 in Pocatello, to consider the objections. Subsequent to the hearing, the Court stayed entry of its ruling to allow the Objectors and the Receiver to seek a settlement of the claims of Objectors.

On January 18, 2011, the Objectors, the Receiver, and the SEC participated in an all-day mediation session in Salt Lake City. The mediation resulted in a settlement agreement. On February 4, 2011, the Receiver filed a motion seeking Court approval of the settlement with the Objectors. The Court issued an order approving the settlements on March 7, 2011. The order

directed the Receiver to make distribution payments to Objectors and those investors who were the subject of the SEC's recommended distribution plan.

The Receiver also entered into separate settlements with two other investors who were not part of the Objector group. These settlements ensure that these investors cannot object to any future distributions. Notices of these settlements were given to the Court and no objections to these settlements were filed.

On March 10 and 11, 2011, cashier's checks totaling \$2,000,000.00 were mailed to the investors identified in the SEC's distribution plan. The Receiver also mailed a \$1,000,000.00 cashier's check to the attorney for the Objectors. A Hawaii timeshare interest owned by the Palmers will be transferred to the group of Objectors. Separately, settlement checks were sent to Hal Wright (\$15,105.35) and Lucille Duke (\$3,146.98). With these settlement payments, any future distributions will be divided among only those identified in the SEC's distribution plan.

The payments to the Objectors, Wright, and Duke equal 8.8855% of their allowable claim amounts. With these settlements, the Objectors, Wright, and Duke have waived all claims for any future distribution payments from funds recovered by the Receiver in the future.

Accordingly, as the Receiver sells real estate held in the Receivership and concludes litigation it

has filed, the proceeds will be distributed among the 24 investors whose claims remain.

The distribution payments and settlements followed significant efforts by the Receiver and the SEC including frequent communications with investors, providing information to the Objectors about assets and different distribution scenarios, calculating the financial effects of alternative distribution plans, and evaluating the effects of other settlement proposals.

III. DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING PROPERTY OF THE RECEIVERSHIP

Since January 1, 2011, the following developments have occurred relating to properties under the control of the Receiver, or which the Receiver asserts should be in the Receivership:

- 1. <u>Rigby Apartments</u>. These properties were sold on December 17, 2010. During this Reporting Period, the Receiver received a refund of premiums after the property insurance was canceled. The property manager delivered to the Receiver \$20,465.65 in net rental income from the properties.
- 2. <u>Idaho Falls Mansion</u>. The partially completed mansion in Idaho Falls is still being marketed by a real estate agent. There have been no offers received on the property. The building contractor continues to assist in ensuring the property is maintained and in facilitating marketing efforts by the real estate agent. In March, the insurance carrier that provides property and casualty insurance on the property sent notice that the policy had been canceled. The Receiver worked with the contractor to satisfy conditions set by the insurer and the policy was reinstated and renewed. The Receiver continues to pay expenses associated with the protection and maintenance of the mansion including utility expenses, insurance costs, and security measures.
- 3. <u>Building Lot in St. George, Utah</u>. The Receiver holds title to a building lot in the Sand Hollow Resort Subdivision, near St. George, Utah. The Receiver plans to market this lot for sale, although the surfeit of lots for sale in the subdivision (and the entire county) likely means a higher price will be obtained for the property by waiting for economic conditions to improve. The Receiver pays monthly homeowner dues on this property.

- 4. <u>Unimproved Property in Ammon, Idaho</u>. The Receiver also holds unencumbered title to a 2.13-acre lot on Ammon Road in Idaho Falls. The property has been listed for sale at a price of \$399,900.00.
- 5. <u>Palmer Hawaii Timeshare Interest</u>. This property will be transferred to the Objectors as part of the settlement with them.
- 6. <u>Timberline Real Estate Subdivision</u>. The Receiver holds title to one building lot in the Timberline Estates subdivision in Idaho Falls. The Receiver has determined to not spend receivership monies to pay off a \$380,000.00 lien on 19 other properties in this subdivision.
- 7. <u>Pheasant Grove Building Lot</u>. The Receiver holds title to a residential building lot in the Pheasant Grove subdivision in Idaho Falls. There have been no offers on this property during the past quarter.
- 8. Commercial Building Lot in Meridian, Idaho. The undeveloped commercial building lot in Meridian, Idaho is the subject of ongoing litigation with Sight & Sound Design and other parties. The Receiver participated in mediation efforts with one of the parties to this litigation and believes settlements will be concluded soon with two of the defendant groups in this litigation.

IV. OTHER ASSETS OF THE RECEIVERSHIP

- 1. <u>Horse</u>. The Receiver still has one performance horse that was owned by the Palmers. The horse is at a training facility in Idaho Falls, where it is being cared for and offered for sale.
- 2. <u>Jewelry</u>. Some of the high-end jewelry that was recovered from the Palmers has been sold. Other items are still being marketed by O.C. Tanner. Due to national and local economic conditions, the Receiver has determined that additional time is likely to yield higher prices for

these items, so they are being left on consignment with the jeweler, rather than selling them at wholesale liquidation prices.

3. <u>Real Estate Investment Trust</u>. The Receiver continues to earn dividends on a \$5,000.00 interest in a real estate investment trust. The Receiver is hoping that these interests can be redeemed or sold in a secondary market transaction when the economy improves.

V. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

In addition to the settlements with the Objectors and other investors, the Receiver reached a settlement of his lawsuit against Elaine Talbot. On February 16, 2011, the Receiver participated in an all-day mediation that resulted in a settlement agreement. Under the settlement agreement, Talbot paid \$20,000.00 to the Receiver and agreed to pay an additional \$70,000.00 by December 31, 2012 – or transfer property in Island Park to the Receiver.

The Receiver has had substantive settlement discussions with a number of other defendants that have been sued by the Receiver. It is hoped that some of these discussions will yield settlement agreements in the near future.

VI. DEVELOPMENTS IN EXISTING LITIGATION

Litigation efforts continue in the lawsuits filed by the Receiver. Developments include:

- Tracking the developments of two cases that are in bankruptcy;
- Settlement discussions with the defendants in several of the lawsuits;
- Analyzing the answers to complaints in cases filed in late 2010;
- Providing substantial discovery responses requested by certain parties;
- Responding to a motion to dismiss by Capital One;

- Responding to multiple motions by the Piano Gallery and Doyle Beck, seeking to preclude the Receiver from submitting his report about the existence of a Ponzi scheme and to preclude the Receiver from testifying at trial;
- Submitting to the Court several stipulations by defendants, agreeing not to contest the Receiver's conclusion that Trigon was operated as a Ponzi scheme;
- Analyzing financial conditions of defendants, to determine whether there was sufficient demonstration of a financial inability to pay amounts owed and, therefore, whether a reduction in settlement demands is warranted;
- Responding to motions to dismiss filed by several groups of defendants in the
 litigation surrounding the real estate located in Meridian, Idaho that was transferred to Palmer by
 Sight and Sound by Design; and
- Participating in a court-supervised mediation effort with the Piano Gallery. The mediation effort was not successful.

VII. ONGOING ANALYSIS

Analysis projects undertaken by the Receiver during the quarter include:

- Analyzing payments made to particular defendants to respond to discovery requests in litigation;
- Reviewing information provided by banks in response to subpoenas seeking information about funds transferred overseas:
- Gathering information on assets, liabilities, and asset sales for use in preparing tax returns for Trigon.

VIII. ASSISTING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

The Receiver provided assistance to various government agencies as part of their regulatory and enforcement efforts. This assistance included:

- Gathering information for the FBI on certain Trigon transactions;
- Researching and providing information to a federal prosecuting agency;
- Providing information requested by the U.S. Department of Labor relating to certain investor transactions;
- Researching information requested by the Idaho Department of Finance on which investors paid their funds to Trigon or others; and
- Working closely with the SEC in efforts to negotiate resolution of the Objections to the Distribution Plan.

IX. OTHER ACTIVITIES

Other activities of the Receiver have included responding to inquiries from investors and posting information on the Receiver's website about the current status of recovery efforts.

X. FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES OF THE RECEIVER

<u>Funds Recovered and Paid Out.</u> During this Reporting Period, the Receiver received \$571,742.23, which has been deposited into bank accounts controlled by the Receiver. These receipts are:

FUNDS PAID TO THE RECEIVER			
Date	Amount	Source	Purpose
1/3/11	\$518,020.55	Bank of Commerce	Final payment on settlement agreement
1/10/11	591.48	Western Comm. Ins.	Refund of insurance on Rigby apartments.
1/12/11	\$2,150.00	Borrower	Payment on promissory note owed to D. Yost
1/28/11	\$20,465.65	Reliable Prop. Mgt.	Net proceeds from apartment rentals.
2/4/11	\$2,150.00	Borrower	Payment on promissory note owed to D. Yost

FUNDS PAID TO THE RECEIVER			
Date	Amount	Source	Purpose
3/11/11	\$2,150.00	Borrower	Payment on promissory note owed to D. Yost
3/25/11	\$20,000.00	Elaine Talbot	Partial settlement payment
3/31/11	\$2,150.00	Borrower	Payment on promissory note owed to D. Yost
3/31/11	\$4,064.55	Zions Bank	Interest on savings account
Total	\$571,742.23	And the second s	

The Receiver paid out \$3,000,000.00 from these accounts in distributions to investors, \$18,252.33 in settlement payments to investors, and another 147,378.06 for expenses of the Receivership. These expenditures are listed in the chart below.

FUNDS PAID OUT BY THE RECEIVER			
Date	Amount	Recipient	Purpose
1/3/11	\$10.00		Wire transfer fee (deposit: Bk. of Commerce)
1/6/11	\$462.00	Omni Security Syst.	Annual mansion security monitoring contract
1/10/11	\$125,494.50	Klein & Associates	Receiver fees for April – October 2010
1/21/11	\$140.00		Furnace servicing (mansion)
1/21/11	\$70.85	1	Electricity for mansion
1/21/11	\$678.71	Intermountain Gas	Natural gas for mansion
2/1/11	\$42.00	Sand Hollow HOA	Homeowners Dues for St. George property
2/1/11	\$27.98	Harland Checks	Check printing.
2/18/11	\$538.19	Intermountain Gas	Natural gas for mansion
2/18/11	\$62.48	City of Idaho Falls	Electricity for mansion
3/1/11	\$42.00	Sand Hollow HOA	Homeowners Dues for St. George property
3/10/11	\$2,000,000.00	Investors	Distribution payments to investors
3/11/11	\$1,000,000.00	Objecting investors	Settlement payment
3/11/11	\$15,105.35	Hal Wright	Settlement payment
3/18/11	\$3,146.98	Lucille Duke	Settlement payment
3/21/11	\$473.02	Intermountain Gas	Natural gas for mansion
3/25/11	\$53.16	City of Idaho Falls	Electricity for mansion
3/25/11	\$42.00	Sand Hollow HOA	Homeowners Dues for St. George property
3/25/11	\$18,441.17	Archibald Insurance	Annual insurance for mansion.
3/25/11	\$800.00	James Huegli	Mediator fee for Talbot mediation
Total	\$3,165,630.39		

Payments for Receiver Fees and Legal Fees. The Court approved the Receiver's Fourth Application for Approval of Fees and Expenses on December 28, 2010. The \$125,494.50 in fees for the Receiver was paid on January 10, 2011.

Case 4:09-cv-00075-EJL -LMB Document 131 Filed 04/15/11 Page 10 of 11 Bank Account Balances. Bank accounts maintained by the Receiver had the following

balances as of March 31, 2011:

Bank	Туре	Balance
Wells Fargo	Checking	\$38,033.73
Zions Bank	Checking	\$1,030.14
Zions Bank	Savings	\$660,079.38
Total		\$699,143.25

XI. CONCLUSION

The Receiver respectfully submits this Ninth Report for the period from January 1, 2011 through March 31, 2011.

The Receiver verifies under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED THIS 15 day of April, 2011.

R. Wayne Klein

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15 day of April, 2011, I electronically filed the foregoing NINTH REPORT OF R. WAYNE KLEIN, RECEIVER (FOR PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 2011) with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which sent a Notice of Electronic Filing to the following persons:

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