

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS LANSING

SHELLY EDGERTON DIRECTOR

Complaint No. 328455

### TREASURE ENTERPRISE, LLC Unregistered

#### FINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

The FINE must be paid by cashier's check or money order, with the Complaint No. clearly indicated on the check or money order, made payable to the State of Michigan, and sent to the address indicated below. Payment cannot be made by credit card.

The FINE is not due until after the SEC receivership closes. Once the FINE has been overdue for at least six months, it may be referred to the Michigan Department of Treasury for collection. Questions may be directed to Final Order Monitoring staff at (517) 241-9180.

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CORPORATIONS, SECURITIES & COMMERCIAL LICENSING BUREAU
Final Order Monitoring – Securities & Audit Division
P.O. Box 30018 – Lansing, MI 48909

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| Complaint No.: 328455 | Total Amount Due: \$40,000.00 |
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## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS CORPORATIONS, SECURITIES & COMMERCIAL LICENSING BUREAU

In the matters of:

TREASURE ENTERPRISE, LLC Unregistered

Complaint No. 328455

and

LARRY HOLLEY and PATRICIA GRAY Unregistered

Complaint Nos. 328456, 329665 330129, 330260, 330722

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Issued and entered
This 30 th day of August, 2017

### CONSENT ORDER RESOLVING NOTICE AND ORDERS TO CEASE AND DESIST

A. Relevant information and statutory provisions, under the Michigan Uniform Securities Act (2002) (the Act), 2008 PA 551, MCL 451.2101 et seq.:

- 1. On August 11, 2016, the State of Michigan, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau (the "Bureau") and the Director of the Bureau who serves as the Administrator of the Act ("the Administrator") issued Notice and Orders to Cease and Desist to Treasure Enterprise, LLC, and its agents Larry Holley and Patricia Gray (together, "the Respondents"). On January 13, 2017, the Administrator issued a second Notice and Order to Cease and Desist to Patricia Gray.
- 2. None of the Respondents are registered under the Act.
- 3. The Respondents were represented by, and had the advice of, legal counsel throughout the process of resolving the cease and desist orders in Michigan.

#### B. AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

The Respondents and the Administrator (collectively, "the Parties") agree that the Notice and Orders to Cease and Desist will be resolved with the following conditions:

- 1. The Parties agree that the Notice and Orders to Cease and Desist will become final as of the mailing date of this Order.
- 2. The Respondents agree that they will not conduct any business in Michigan regulated under the Act.
- 3. The Respondents agree to waive any assertion or claim under MCL 451.2412(9)'s one-year time limit on the Administrator's action after knowledge of material facts bars the Administrator from using the facts set out in the Notice and Orders if and when considering future applications for registration by the Respondents.
- 4. All fines in this matter will be deferred until the receivership closes in United State Securities and Exchange Commission v Treasure Enterprise, LLC, et al, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Case No. 17-cv-10963. The Administrator agrees to reduce the fines in the Notice and Orders as follows:

Treasure (Complaint No. 328455): \$80,000.00 reduced to \$40,000.00

Patricia Gray (Complaint Nos. 329665, 330129, 330260, 330722): \$180,000.00 reduced to \$90,000.00

Larry Holley (Complaint No. 328456): \$80,000.00 reduced to \$40,000.00

The fines must be paid by check or money order payable to the "State of Michigan," contain the Respondent's identifying information (name and associated complaint numbers identified above), and be mailed to:

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Lansing, MI 48909

- 5. If any portion of the fines are overdue for at least six months, the Administrator may refer the overdue portion to the Michigan Department of Treasury for collection action against the relevant Respondent(s). In addition, the Administrator reserves the right to pursue any other action or proceeding permitted by law to enforce payment of the fines.
- 6. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Administrator retains the right to pursue any action or proceeding permitted by law to enforce compliance with the provisions of this Consent Order, and that failure to comply with this Consent Order may result in the reinstitution of the relevant cease and

desist order(s), pending any other action the Administrator chooses to take as a result of the Respondents' failure to comply.

- 7. The Parties further agree that this matter is a public record required to be published and made available to the public, consistent with section 11 of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.241. The Administrator currently publishes copies of orders issued under the Act to the Bureau's website and includes a summary of order content in monthly disciplinary action reports separately published on the Bureau's website. The Administrator will also update its Form U6 filed with the CRD.
- 8. The Respondents understand and intend that by signing this Consent Order, they are waiving the right, pursuant to the Act, the rules promulgated under that Act and the Uniform Securities Act (Predecessor Act), 1964 PA 265, MCL 451.501 et seq., and the Administrative Procedures Act, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 et seq., to prior notice and a hearing before an administrative law judge, at which the Bureau would be required to defend any disciplinary action taken under Section 604 (6) of the Act, MCL 451.2604, by presentation of evidence and legal authority and at which the Respondents would be entitled to appear with or without an attorney to cross-examine all witnesses presented by the Bureau and to present such testimony or other evidence or legal authority deemed appropriate.

Through their signatures, the Parties agree to the above terms and conditions.

Dated: 8/7/17

Signed:

Treasure Enterprise

Dated: 8/7/17

Signed:

Larry Holley

Dated: 8/7/17

Signed:

Patricia Grav

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| Approved by:   |               | ×   |
| Dated:   | Signed:       | Timothy L. Teague Securities & Audit Division Director Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau |
| C. ORDER   |               |   |
| The Administrator NO   | W, THEREFO    | ORE, ORDERS:  |
|  | ACCORD WI     | N THIS CONSENT ORDER ARE BINDING<br>TH THE FULLY EXECUTED STIPULATION   |
| Julia Dale, Administrat                                      | tor and Corpo | orations, Securities & Commercial Licensing   |

Treasure Enterprise, et al

**Bureau Director** 

| Treasure Enterprise, et al |  |
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| Consent Order              |  |
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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Harrell D. Milhouse Respondents' Attorney

Approved by:

Dated: 8-18-17

Signed:

Timothy L. lague

Timothy/L. Teague

Securities & Audit Division Director Corporations, Securities & Commercial

Licensing Bureau

#### C. ORDER

The Administrator NOW, THEREFORE, ORDERS:

THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THIS CONSENT ORDER ARE BINDING AND EFFECTIVE, IN ACCORD WITH THE FULLY EXECUTED STIPULATION CONTAINED HEREIN.

Julia Dale, Administrator and Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau Director

# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS CORPORATIONS, SECURITIES & COMMERCIAL LICENSING BUREAU

In the Matter of:

Complaint No. 328455

TREASURE ENTERPRISE, LLC Unregistered

Respondent.

Issued and entered
This day of August, 2016

#### NOTICE AND ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST

Julia Dale, the Director of the Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau (the "Administrator"), pursuant to her statutory authority and responsibility to administer and enforce the Michigan Uniform Securities Act (2002), 2008 PA 551, as amended, MCL 451.2101 *et seq.* ("Securities Act"), hereby orders Treasure Enterprise, LLC ("Respondent") to cease and desist from offering and selling unregistered securities, and to cease and desist from continuing to directly or indirectly make any untrue statements of material fact, or omit to state material facts necessary in order to make statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, contrary to the Securities Act. Respondent is notified of the opportunity to request a hearing in this matter.

#### I. BACKGROUND

#### A. The Respondent

1. Treasure Enterprise, LLC is a Michigan limited liability company. Treasure Enterprise, LLC is not registered in any capacity pursuant to the Securities Act in Michigan, nor has it registered any securities offerings pursuant to the Securities Act in Michigan.

#### B. Findings of Fact

- 1. The Bureau conducted an investigation of Respondent's activities.
- 2. The investigation developed evidence that Respondent sold a security in the form of a note to an investor. (Exhibit 1 Promissory Note). The investor was sixty years of age or older at the time of the transaction.
- 3. The note was not registered pursuant to the Securities Act, nor has Respondent identified any applicable exemption, exception, preemption, or exclusion from the Securities Act.
- 4. The note issued by Respondent to the investor stated that it would pay an annual investment return of 15% to the investor; however, Respondent and its agents omitted to state to the investor that the issuer might not be able to pay the note if the business did not generate sufficient income. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the issuer of the security might not have the financial ability to pay the return as promised.
- 5. The note issued by Respondent to the investor stated that it would be paid by a date certain; however, Respondent omitted to state that it might not be able to pay the note as promised on the date certain due to liquidity of the issuer; principal due under the note was not paid on the date promised. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the investment may be illiquid, and that the issuer might not be able to pay the return on the note as promised.
- 6. Respondent's agents, in offering and selling the note to the investor, stated that Respondent was a "real estate investment company"; however, Respondent and its agents failed to disclose any risks associated with the real estate business that could affect the investor's return. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the real estate market is not risk-free, and that risks in the market might affect return on the investment.

#### II. RELEVANT STATUTORY PROVISIONS

1. Section 102c(c) of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2102c(c), defines "Security", in part, as:

a note; stock; treasury stock; security future; bond; debenture; evidence of indebtedness; certificate of interest or participation in a profit-sharing agreement; collateral trust certificate; preorganization certificate or subscription; transferable share; investment contract; voting trust

certificate; certificate of deposit for a security; fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights; put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on a security, certificate of deposit, or group or index of securities, including an interest in or based on the value of that put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on that security, certificate of deposit, or group or index of securities, put, call, straddle, option, or privilege entered into on a national securities exchange relating to foreign currency, an investment in a viatical or life settlement agreement; or, in general, an interest or instrument commonly known as a "security"; or a certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase, any of the foregoing...

2. Section 301 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2301, states:

A person shall not offer or sell a security in this state unless 1 or more of the following are met:

- (a) The security is a federal covered security.
- (b) The security, transaction, or offer is exempted from registration under sections 201 to 203.
- (c) The security is registered under this act.
- 3. Section 503(1) of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2503(1), states:

In a civil action or administrative proceeding under this act, a person claiming an exemption, exception, preemption, or exclusion has the burden to prove the applicability of the exemption, exception, preemption, or exclusions.

4. Section 501 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2501, states:

It is unlawful for a person, in connection with the offer, sale, or purchase of a security or the organization or operation of a Michigan investment market under article 4A, to directly or indirectly do any of the following:...

(b) Make an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading...

#### III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent, Treasure Enterprise, LLC, offered and sold an unregistered security in the form of a note, and has not identified a relevant exemption,

- exception, preemption, or exclusion from Securities Act registration requirements, contrary to section 301 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2301.
- 2. Respondent, Treasure Enterprise, LLC, in connection with the offer and sale of securities, omitted to state material facts necessary to make other statements made not misleading in light of the circumstances under which they were made in the following ways:
  - a. The note issued by Respondent to the investor stated that it would pay an annual investment return of 15% to the investor; however, Respondent and its agents omitted to identify to the investor the risk that the issuer might not be able to pay the note if the business did not generate sufficient income. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the issuer of the security might not have the financial ability to pay the return as promised.
  - b. The note issued by Respondent to the investor stated that principal and interest would be paid by a date certain; however, Respondent omitted to state that it might not be able to pay the note as promised on the date certain due to liquidity of the issuer. The principal of the note was not paid at maturity as promised. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the investment will be illiquid, and that the issuer might not be able to pay on the note as promised.
  - c. Respondent's agents, in offering and selling the note to the investor, stated that Respondent was a "real estate investment company"; however, Respondent and its agents failed to disclose any risks associated with the real estate business that could affect the investor's return. A reasonable investor might consider it important to her investment decision to know that the real estate market is not risk-free, and that risks in the market might affect return on the investment.

#### IV. ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, pursuant to section 604 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2604, that:

A. Respondent shall immediately CEASE AND DESIST from continuing sell unregistered securities and from directly or indirectly making any untrue statements of material fact or omitting to state material facts necessary in order to make other statement made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, contrary to the Securities Act.

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- B. Pursuant to section 604(2) of the Securities Act, this Notice and Order to Cease and Desist is IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE.
- C. In her Final Order, the Administrator, under section 604(4) of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2604(4), intends to impose civil fines of \$80,000.00 against Respondent.
- D. Pursuant to section 508 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2508, a person that willfully violates the Securities Act, or an order issued under the Securities Act, is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 10 years or a fine of not more than \$500,000.00 for each violation, or both. An individual convicted of violating a rule or order under this act may be fined, but shall not be imprisoned, if the individual did not have knowledge of the rule or order.
- E. The Administrator retains the right to pursue further administrative action against Respondent under the Securities Act if the Administrator determines that such action is necessary and appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors and is authorized by the Securities Act.

#### V. NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Section 604 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2604, provides that Respondent has 30 days beginning with the first day after the date of service of this Notice and Order to Cease and Desist to submit a written request to the Administrator asking that this matter be scheduled for a hearing. If the Administrator receives a written request in a timely manner, the Administrator shall schedule a hearing within 15 days after receipt of the request. The written request for a hearing must be addressed to:

Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau Regulatory Compliance Division P.O. Box 30018
Lansing, MI 48909

#### VI. ORDER FINAL ABSENT HEARING REQUEST

A. Under section 604 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2604, the Respondent's failure to submit a written request for a hearing to the Administrator within 30 days after the service date of this **NOTICE AND ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST** shall result in this order becoming a **FINAL ORDER** by operation of law. The **FINAL ORDER** includes the imposition of the fines cited described in section IV.C., and the fine amounts set forth below will become due and payable to the Administrator within sixty (60) days after the date this order becomes final:

\$80,000.00 – Treasure Enterprise LLC, under section 604 of the Securities Act, MCL 451.2604.

B. CIVIL FINE payments should be payable to the STATE OF MICHIGAN and contain identifying information (e.g., names and complaint numbers) and mailed to the following address:

Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau Final Order Monitoring P.O. Box 30018
Lansing, MI 48909

- C. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order within the time frames specified may result in additional administrative penalties, including the summary suspension or continued suspension of all registrations held by Respondent under the Securities Act, the denial of any registration renewal, and/or the denial of any future applications for registration, until full compliance is made. Respondent may voluntarily surrender or withdraw a registration under the Securities Act; however, the surrender or withdrawal will not negate the summary suspension or continued suspension of the relevant registrations or any additional administrative proceedings if a violation of this Order or the Securities Act occurred.
- D. Failure to pay the civil fines within six (6) months after this Order becomes final may result in the referral of the civil fines to the Michigan Department of Treasury for collection action against Respondent.

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Julia Dale

Director, Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau

Date S/II/IC