

Ontario Securities Commission Commission des valeurs mobilières de l'Ontario

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IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. S.5, AS AMENDED

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IN THE MATTER OF WEALTH STEWARDS PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT INC. and SUSHILA LUCAS (Subsection 8(4) of the Act and Rule 9.2 of the OSC Rules of Procedure)

ORDER

WHEREAS Wealth Stewards Portfolio Management Inc. ("Wealth Stewards") is registered as an adviser in the category of portfolio manager and the majority of the accounts advised by Wealth Stewards are managed by an appropriately registered sub-adviser;

AND WHEREAS on June 13, 2014, a Director of the Compliance and Registrant Regulation branch of the Ontario Securities Commission (the "Commission") issued a decision with respect to the registrations of Wealth Stewards and Sushila Lucas ("Lucas") that:

- (a) the registration of Wealth Stewards be suspended indefinitely;
- (b) the registration of Lucas as ultimate designated person ("UDP") and chief compliance officer ("CCO") be suspended for a period of three years;
- (c) the registration of Lucas as an advising representative be suspended for a period of six months;
- (d) Lucas successfully complete the *Partners*, *Directors and Senior Officers Course* (the "PDO") before applying for reinstatement of registration as a UDP;
- (e) Lucas successfully complete both the PDO and the *Chief Compliance Officers*Qualifying Exam before applying for reinstatement of registration as a CCO; and
- (f) Lucas successfully complete the *Conduct and Practices Handbook Course* before applying for reinstatement as an advising representative (the "Director's Decision");

AND WHEREAS on June 18, 2014, Wealth Stewards and Lucas (together the "Applicants") requested a hearing and review of the Director's Decision by the Commission pursuant to subsection 8(2) of the *Securities Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.S.5, as amended (the "Act") (the "Hearing and Review") and pursuant to subsection 8(4) of the Act, the Applicants requested a stay of the Director's Decision pending the disposition of the Hearing and Review;

AND WHEREAS on June 23, 2014, on the consent of the parties, the Commission ordered that the Director's Decision be stayed until the conclusion of the Hearing and Review by the Commission, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) the stay order shall continue in force until the parties have the opportunity at the Hearing and Review to address the issuance of a further stay order by the Panel presiding over the Hearing and Review, and shall continue in force until August 29, 2014 or upon further order of the Commission;
- (2) the Applicants shall serve and file the record of the proceeding before the Director, any statement of fact and law and shall comply with Rule 14.5 of the *OSC Rules of Procedure* by August 19, 2014;
- (3) Staff of the Commission shall deliver any record in response, any statement of fact and law and shall comply with Rule 14.5 by August 25, 2014;
- (4) the Hearing and Review shall be heard on August 28 and 29, 2014;
- (5) the Applicants shall post a link to the Director's Decision and this Order on the homepage of the Wealth Stewards website forthwith with a description of the links;
- (6) the Applicants shall provide a copy of the Director's Decision and this Order to all existing clients;
- (7) Wealth Stewards may state on its website and when providing the Director's Decision to clients that "the decision to suspend the registration of Wealth Stewards was stayed on terms pursuant to the decision of the Commission dated June 23, 2014. An application for a hearing and review of the Director's Decision under section 8 of the Act has been requested and is scheduled for August 28 and 29, 2014 before a panel of the Commission," and may not otherwise make any

- public statements on its website or in any press release that is inconsistent with the Director's Decision and/or this Order;
- (8) the Applicants shall not accept any new clients in respect of Wealth Stewards' portfolio management business;
- (9) the Applicants shall ensure that all currently sub-advised managed accounts continue to be sub-advised by an appropriately registered portfolio manager;
- (10) any contact or communication between Wealth Stewards and its clients in respect of its portfolio management business must be made solely by Lucas, and any recommendations in respect of any managed accounts advised by Wealth Stewards must be made solely by Lucas; and
- (11) until further order by the Commission, Wealth Stewards shall not permit Bruce Deck to withdraw any funds or otherwise receive any compensation whatsoever in respect of Wealth Stewards' portfolio management business accrued between the date of the Director's Decision and the date of the decision on the Hearing and Review;

(the "Stay Order");

AND WHEREAS on July 31, 2014, the Applicants advised the Commission that they were pursuing a sale of the assets of Wealth Stewards and expected that an application pursuant to section 11.9 or 11.10 of National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations* ("NI 31-103") in respect of Wealth Stewards would be filed with the Commission by August 14, 2014 and, as a result, the Applicants sought an adjournment of the Hearing and Review to September 25 and 26, 2014;

AND WHEREAS on August 1, 2014, on the consent of the parties, the Commission made the following order (the "August 1, 2014 Order"):

(1) subject to the modifications to the Stay Order set out herein, the Stay Order is extended until the parties have the opportunity at the Hearing and Review to address the issuance of a further stay order by the Panel presiding over the Hearing and Review, and in any event shall continue in force no later than September 26, 2014;

- (2) the Hearing and Review scheduled pursuant to the Stay Order is adjourned to September 25, 2014 commencing at 10:00 a.m. and shall continue on September 26, 2014 commencing at 10:00 a.m.;
- (3) paragraph (2) of the Stay Order is deleted and replaced by the following:

The Applicants shall serve and file the record of the proceeding before the Director, any statement of fact and law and shall comply with Rule 14.5 of the *OSC Rules of Procedure* by September 16, 2014;

(3) paragraph (3) of the Stay Order is deleted and replaced by the following:

Staff of the Commission shall deliver any record in response and any statement of fact and law, and shall comply with Rule 14.5, by September 22, 2014;

(4) paragraph (7) of the Stay Order is deleted and replaced by the following:

Wealth Stewards may state on its website and when providing the Director's Decision to clients that "the decision to suspend the registration of Wealth Stewards was stayed on terms pursuant to the decision of the Commission dated June 23, 2014. An application for a hearing and review of the Director's Decision under section 8 of the Act has been requested and is scheduled for September 25 and 26, 2014 before a panel of the Commission;" and

(5) Wealth Stewards may not otherwise make any public statements on its website or in any press release that is inconsistent with the Director's Decision and/or this Order;

AND WHEREAS on August 22, 2014, Wealth Stewards filed an application pursuant to section 11.10 of NI 31-103 in respect of a proposed sale of all outstanding shares of Wealth Stewards (the "Section 11.10 Application");

AND WHEREAS on September 12, 2014, the Applicants advised the Commission that they seek an adjournment of the Hearing and Review to November 6 and 7, 2014 and to an extension of the timelines set out at paragraphs (2) and (3) of the August 1, 2014 Order to allow

additional time for the Director to consider the section 11.10 Application and for the parties to engage in discussions regarding a possible settlement of the Hearing and Review;

AND WHEREAS Staff consents to the adjournment request and to the extension of the timelines set out in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the August 1, 2014 Order;

AND WHEREAS the Commission is of the opinion that it is in the public interest to make this order;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- (1) subject to the modifications to the Stay Order set out in the August 1, 2014 Order and herein, the Stay Order is extended until the parties have the opportunity at the Hearing and Review to address the issuance of a further stay order by the Panel presiding over the Hearing and Review, and in any event shall continue in force until no later than November 7, 2014;
- (2) the Hearing and Review scheduled pursuant to the Stay Order and adjourned pursuant to the August 1, 2014 Order is further adjourned to November 6, 2014 commencing at 10:00 a.m. and shall continue on November 7, 2014 commencing at 10:00 a.m.;
- (3) paragraphs (2) and (3) of the August 1, 2014 Order are deleted and replaced by the following:
 - (a) The Applicants shall serve and file the record of the proceeding before the Director, any statement of fact and law and shall comply with Rule 14.5 of the *OSC Rules of Procedure* by October 27, 2014;
 - (b) Staff of the Commission shall deliver any record in response and any statement of fact and law, and shall comply with Rule 14.5, by November 3, 2014;
- (4) paragraph (4) of the August 1, 2014 Order is deleted and replaced by the following:

Wealth Stewards may state on its website and when providing the Director's Decision to clients that "the decision to suspend the registration

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of Wealth Stewards was stayed on terms pursuant to the decision of the Commission dated June 23, 2014. An application for a hearing and review of the Director's Decision under section 8 of the Act has been requested and is scheduled for November 6 and 7, 2014 before a panel of the Commission;" and

(5) Wealth Stewards may not otherwise make any public statements on its website or in any press release that is inconsistent with the Director's Decision, the Stay Order, the August 1, 2014 Order and/or this Order.

DATED at Toronto this 18th day of September, 2014.

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