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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF BANKS COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No. 19CV169

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WALTER CHARLIE PRESSLEY a/k/a CHIEF GEES-DUE OO-NEH-GAH USTI,

Defendant.

FINAL STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

Plaintiff Georgia Department of Banking and Finance ("DBF") filed an Amended Petition for Citation of Contempt against Defendant Walter Charlie Pressley, a/k/a Chief Gees-Due Oo-Neh-Gah Usti, ("Pressley"). The Amended Petition was served upon Pressley on October 26, 2019 and Pressley filed an answer on November 26, 2019. The parties, through counsel, have requested the entry of this Stipulation and Consent Order as a final disposition of this matter. Therefore, with the stipulation and consent of the parties and for good cause found, the Court finds as follows:

STIPULATED FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On October 16, 2018, this Court entered an Order Granting Motion for Default Judgment in Civil Action No. 17CV262 (the "Injunction"), in which Pressley, along with related entities under his control¹, was permanently enjoined from violating certain Orders to Cease & Desist issued by DBF under the Financial Institutions Code of Georgia, O.C.G.A. § 7-1-1, et. seq.,

¹ These entities owned, operated, or controlled in whole or in part by Pressley, which include but are not limited to "SCNRFP Central Bank," "International Treaty Bank," and "Alfa International Bank," shall be referred to collectively herein as the "Related Entities."

by, *inter alia*, ceasing all banking activities, using banking nomenclature, and providing any financial products or services from within the State of Georgia.

- 2. On or about February 25, 2019, Pressley requested that Google deindex material from its search engine related to the Injunction and the Orders to Cease and Desist DBF had issued to Pressley and the Related Entities. The deindexing of material prevents the documents from appearing in Google's online search results. As part of this request to deindex material, Pressley submitted to Google a purported "Ex Parte Specialty Order" prepared by Pressley and issued on February 21, 2019 by a person claiming to be a judge in the State of Georgia named Rodney Bearden (the "Ex Parte Order"). Mr. Bearden is not a judge in the State of Georgia with jurisdiction or authority to enter the Ex Parte Order, nor was the Ex Parte Order docketed in any civil action in any court of the State of Georgia. The Ex Parte Order, which was sent to Google without this Court's knowledge and without authorization or ratification by this Court, purported to vacate this Court's Injunction.
- 3. Subsequent to February 25, 2019, Pressley caused the Ex Parte Order to be publicized and published on certain websites of the Related Entities and that of the POH Society, referenced below.
- 4. At least through August 23, 2019, Pressley continued to publish the website of Alfa International Bank ("AIB"), a Related Entity that offered financial services in violation of DBF's Cease and Desist Orders and which had been expressly enjoined by the Injunction.
- 5. At least through June 28, 2019, Pressley published a website for the People of the Heart Society ("POH Society") which purported to be a "sovereign private financial institution" operated by the Southern Cherokee Nation and the Red Fire People ("SCNRFP"), an entity² in

² SCNRFP is not a federal- or state-recognized Indian tribe.

which Pressley is a control person and high-ranking officer. That website indicated that the POH Society is located within the boundaries of the SCNRFP in Sautee Nacoochee at Yonah Mountain, Georgia and contained Pressley's telephone number as the contact number for the POH Society. Pressley was a Director of the POH Society, which advertised itself as offering banking and financial products and services, including accepting deposits, asset management, transfers, account management, internet financial services, private trust accounts, debit cards, secure cash pickup service, electronic checking, electronic wallets, money transfers internationally, KTT wiring, merchant processing services, blockchain P2P systems, and private deposit boxes. The POH Society's website provided an online portal for consumers to access the financial services offered by the POH Society from any location, including from within the State of Georgia.

- 6. At least through November 6, 2019, Pressley published a website for People of the Heart Society Banking ("POHS Banking"), which purported to be a "state-owned financial institution" operated by SCNRFP. That website indicated that POHS Banking provided financial products and services such as deposits, loans, debit cards, payment services, payroll, group accounts, corporate banking, commodities trading, and asset management. Pressley's telephone number was listed as the contact telephone number for POHS Banking.
- 7. On and after March 11, 2019, the "Funding" tab of SCNRFP's website, which was published by Pressley, advertised the POH Society as its "offshore funding institution," provided a link to the POH website, and described the services offered by the POH Society as "creative funding methods" better than the "same old banking."
- 8. As of January 8, 2021, the "Funding" and "ETMO" tabs of SCNRFP's website, along with hyperlinked documents referenced therein as "Document 8a," "Document 8b," and "Document E", continued to advertise financial products and services. Specifically, those pages,

collectively, advertised financial services "better than the same old banking," referenced compliance with the Basel Accords, referenced a Trust Account form, and stated that the entity is not a retail bank open to the public but rather "only for the purpose of only member citizens and governments." The hyperlinked documents, collectively, described services using the terms "banking," "financial center," "Financial center to include a sovereign private banking system," "brings banking... through the ETMO", "CRS banking exemption", "the ability to provide money from our banking to the central or national bank of the Hosting Nation in several ways to include trading", and "Financial center that is approved legally exempt from FACTA and CRS." Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act and Common Reporting Standard are relevant for someone offering "banking services."

CONSENT CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Each of the stipulated facts numbered 2 through 8, above, which occurred knowingly and after the date of entry of the Injunction, violated the Injunction and were in contempt of this Court's order that Pressley and the Related Entities refrain from any further violations of DBF's Orders to Cease & Desist issued under the Financial Institutions Code of Georgia, O.C.G.A. § 7-1-1, et. seq.
- 2. The parties stipulate and agree, however, that as of the date of entry of this order, Pressley has represented to the Department that he has purged this contempt by taking corrective action and ceasing the violative activities set forth in stipulated facts numbers 2 through 8, above, to the satisfaction of DBF. Therefore, the parties submit, and the Court agrees, that no sanctions for contempt are necessary at this time and that each party shall bear their own costs and attorney's fees.

- 3. Pressley is cautioned, however, that the permanent Injunction remains in full force and effect and this Court retains jurisdiction to enforce said Injunction in the future. Pressley shall continue to comply with all terms and conditions of the Injunction and refrain from any further violations thereof.
- 4. Pressley is further cautioned that in the event further violations of the Injunction occur and are proven to this Court, the Court reserves the right to issue all appropriate sanctions for contempt, including but not limited to fines and imprisonment.
- 5. Pressley verifies that he has read the foregoing stipulated findings of fact and conclusions of law, has had his attorney explain to him the terms of this order and the consequences for non-compliance, and understands the terms of the order and consequences of non-compliance, as shown by Pressley's signature below. SO ORDERED this // day of January, 2021.

Chief Judge Joseph H. Booth Superior Court of Banks County

Consented to:

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