## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SECURITIES DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING whether there has been a violation of the Securities Act of Washington by: Order No. S-03-177-04-CO01

CONSENT ORDER

RACHEL MACDUFF,

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Respondent.

### INTRODUCTION

9 Pursuant to the Securities Act of Washington, Revised Code of Washington Ch. 21.20, et seq., the Securities Division and Respondent Rachel MacDuff do hereby agree to this Consent Order in settlement 10 11 of the matters alleged herein. On or about July 8, 2003, Respondent Rachel MacDuff, through her 12 attorney, contacted the Securities Division, disclosed the violations enumerated below, and has 13 cooperated with the Securities Division's investigation. In consideration of Respondent Rachel 14 MacDuff's cooperation in this matter, the Securities Division will accept this Consent Order in lieu of further administrative proceedings in this matter as to Rachel MacDuff. Nothing contained in this 15 16 Consent Order shall preclude the Securities Division from investigations or further proceedings as to any other potential respondents in this matter. Respondent Rachel MacDuff neither admits nor denies the 17 18 Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as set forth below:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

### I. <u>Respondent</u>

1. Rachel MacDuff ("Rachel"), a resident of Bremerton, Washington, was a registered securities salesperson and investment adviser representative in the State of Washington from

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December 2000 through December 2003. From October 23, 2000 through July 18, 2002, Rachel was employed by RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. From August 16, 2002 through February 3, 2003, Rachel was employed by First Wall Street Corp. From January 24, 2003 through December 31, 2003, Rachel was employed by First Montauk Securities Corp. Rachel is not currently registered as a securities salesperson or investment adviser representative with the State of Washington.

#### II. Nature of the Conduct

2. Throughout the mid 1990's, Rachel and her husband, Richard MacDuff ("Richard"), attended stock investment seminars held by Wade Cook Seminars Inc. ("Wade Cook Seminars").<sup>1</sup> Wade Cook Seminars promoted investment strategies involving, *inter alia*, various types of options trading. Starting in at least October 1998, Richard began to trade equities and options using strategies promoted by Wade Cook Seminars.

3. On or about July 24, 1998, Richard and Rachel formed a Nevada corporation, Peak Olympic Financial, Inc. ("POF") with the assistance of Wade Cook Seminars. Richard and Rachel opened trading accounts in the name of POF. On or about February 10, 1999, Richard and Rachel formed Olympic Income Group L.P. ("OIG"). POF was the general partner of OIG. Richard, Rachel and their three children were the limited partners. The State of Nevada issued a certificate of limited partnership to OIG on April 7, 1999. At about the same time, Richard and Rachel opened a bank account in the name of POF through the Wells Fargo Bank in Las Vegas, Nevada; Richard and Rachel were signatories on that account.

In October 2000, the Washington State Attorney General, the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions, and the Federal Trade Commission entered into consent decrees with Wade Cook Financial Corp. and Wade Cook Seminars Inc. to settle charges that the entities engaged in misleading advertising about the profits earned by Wade Cook and his followers from the use of his trading strategies. CONSENT ORDER

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4. Starting in approximately February 2000 and continuing at least through August 2000, Richard, Rachel, and Chris Peckham ("Peckham") solicited investments in a pooled investment fund in the name of POF and/or OIG. Approximately 66 investors provided Richard and Rachel, through POF, a total of approximately \$687,500. The majority of the investors were residents of Kitsap County, Washington.

5. Investors were told that their principal was guaranteed. To evidence the guarantee, investors received signed, undated checks drawn upon the POF Wells Fargo bank account. The checks were signed by Richard and made payable to the investors in the amount of their investment. Investors were also told that a 5% monthly rate of return was guaranteed, but that actual returns were expected to be between 10% and 20% per month.

6. Investor funds were primarily deposited in a POF brokerage account held at Muriel Siebert & Co. Inc. Richard engaged in equities and options trading in this account. Richard's trading strategy included buying and selling equities at a high velocity, buying and selling calls (using a strategy known as "covered call writing"), and buying and selling puts (using strategies known as "bull put spreads" and selling "naked puts"). Richard's trading strategy incurred significant losses in the account. For the second quarter of 2000, the account suffered a loss of approximately 28%.

7. On or about June 8, 2000, investors were asked to exchange their "guarantee" checks for promissory notes. The promissory notes provided that investors would receive their original principal of their investment, plus 8% interest, by June 1, 2001. Richard and Rachel signed each note as borrowers and Peckham signed as a witness.

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To date, approximately \$193,270 has been repaid to investors.

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### III. <u>Registration Status</u>

9. Peak Olympic Financial Inc. and Olympic Income Group L.P. are not currently registered under the Securities Act of Washington, RCW Ch. 21.20 et seq., as investment advisers or brokerdealers in the State of Washington and have not been previously so registered. Peak Olympic Financial Inc. and Olympic Income Group L.P. are not currently registered to offer or sell securities in the State of Washington and have not been previously so registered.

Richard MacDuff is not currently registered under the Securities Act of Washington, RCW
Ch. 21.20 et seq., as an investment adviser, investment adviser representative, broker-dealer or securities salesperson in the State of Washington. Richard MacDuff was registered with the State of Washington as a securities salesperson from December 8, 2000 through December 31, 2003. He was also registered as an investment adviser representative from February 20, 2003 through December 31, 2003.

Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the following Conclusions of Law are made:

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The offer and/or sale of investments in the POF/OIG fund and the promissory notes, as described above, constitute the offer and/or sale of securities as defined in RCW 21.20.005(10) and (12).

2. Rachel MacDuff has violated RCW 21.20.040 by offering and/or selling said securities while not registered as an investment adviser, investment adviser representative, broker-dealer or securities salesperson in the State of Washington.

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3. The offer and/or sale of said securities was made in violation of RCW 21.20.010 because, as set forth in the Findings of Fact above, Rachel MacDuff has engaged in a scheme or artifice to defraud, made untrue statements of material fact, or omitted to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

### **CONSENT ORDER**

Based upon the foregoing,

IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondent Rachel MacDuff shall cease and desist from engaging in acts and practices in violation of the Securities Act of Washington, RCW 21.20.010 and 21.20.040.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondent Rachel MacDuff shall not make application for nor be granted a broker-dealer, investment adviser, securities salesperson, or investment adviser representative license for a period of one year from the entry of this Consent Order by the Securities Administrator.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondent Rachel MacDuff shall offer partial restitution to all POF/OIG investors in the amount of Two Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars and Ninety Two Cents (\$225,899.92). Said restitution shall be distributed on an equitable and pro-rata basis prior to the entry of this Consent Order by the Securities Administrator.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that for any person or entity not a party to this Consent Order, this Consent Order does not limit or create any private rights or remedies against Respondent Rachel MacDuff, limit or create liability of Respondent, or limit or create defenses of Respondent to any claims.

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1	IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the advice of legal counsel has been obtained by Respondent
2	Rachel MacDuff prior to the execution of this Consent Order and Respondent is satisfied with the
3	representation she has received. The Respondent enters into this Consent Order freely and voluntarily
4	and with a full understanding of its terms and significance.
5	IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Securities Division has jurisdiction to enter this Consent
6	Order.
7	IT IS FURTHER AGREED that Respondent Rachel MacDuff shall continue to cooperate with the
8	Securities Division in this and any related investigations.
9	IT IS FURTHER AGREED that in consideration of the foregoing, Respondent Rachel MacDuff
10	waives her right to a hearing on this matter and waives her right to judicial review of this matter pursuant
11	to RCW 21.20.440.
12	DATED this <u>9th</u> day of November, 2004.
13	Approved for entry by:
14	/s/
15	John W. Wolfe, WSBA #8028 Wolfe Leinbach
16	Attorney for Rachel MacDuff
17	Signed by:
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# THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2004 BY:

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MICHAEL E. STEVENSON Securities Administrator

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