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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:

Beverly A. Mumper, CPA, PS, CRD 116893 and Beverly Ann Mumper, CRD 3023427

Respondents

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO:

Order No.: S-23-3578-23-SC01

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE REGISTRATIONS, IMPOSE FINES, AND CHARGE COSTS

ON TO: Beverly A. Mumper, CPA, PS CRD 116893 Beverly Ann Mumper, CRD 3023427

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Please take notice that the Securities Administrator of the state of Washington has reason to believe that Respondents, Beverly A. Mumper, CPA, PS and Beverly Ann Mumper, have violated the Securities Act of Washington. The Securities Administrator believes those violations justify the entry of an order to revoke Respondents' registrations, to impose fines, and to charge costs pursuant to RCW 21.20.110. The Securities Administrator finds as follows:

TENTATIVE FINDINGS OF FACT

Respondents

1. Beverly A. Mumper, CPA, PS ("Mumper PS") is a Washington corporation with a principal place of business in Montesano, Washington. It has been registered as an investment adviser with the Washington State Securities Division ("Securities Division") since November 30, 1998. The investment adviser's Central Registration Depository ("CRD") number is 116893.

2. Beverly Mumper is a resident of Montesano, Washington. Ms. Mumper is an investment adviser representative and the owner of Mumper PS. Ms. Mumper's CRD number is 3023427.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE REGISTRATION, IMPOSE FINES, AND CHARGE COSTS 3. Each investment adviser registered with the Securities Division must make annual filings with the director after the investment adviser's fiscal year-end.

4. An investment adviser must, under WAC 460-24A-060, file with the director a fiscal yearend balance sheet within 120 days following the end of the fiscal year-end. The Securities Division reviews these balance sheets to determine whether the investment adviser meets the minimum financial requirements as set forth in WAC 460-24A-170.

5. Mumper PS has a fiscal year-end of December 31. Its 2022 year-end balance sheet was due by April 30, 2023.

6. In addition, an investment adviser must, under WAC 460-24A-205, file an annual updating amendment to its Form ADV within 90 days after the end of its fiscal year. This annual amendment must include any changes to Form ADV Parts 1 and 2. The Securities Division reviews the annual updates to Form ADV to determine whether the investment adviser is making necessary disclosure to investors and track where the adviser's books and records are stored. Mumper PS's updating amendment was due by March 31, 2022 for 2021's annual amendment, and by March 31, 2023 for 2022's annual amendment.

7. The Securities Division sent Respondents reminders by electronic mail, by regular mail, and by telephone to remind Respondents to file a balance sheet and the annual updating amendments.

8. Mumper PS filed its 2022 year-end balance sheet on May 23, 2023, which was 23 days after it was due.

9. On February 23, 2023, the Securities Division called the Respondent and requested Mumper PS's annual updating amendment. Further, on May 30, 2023, the Securities Division left a voicemail message requesting Mumper PS's annual updating amendment.

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10. As of the date of this order, Mumper PS has not provided an annual updating amendment for 2021 and 2022.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent Mumper PS willfully violated WAC 460-24A-205 by failing to file an updating amendment to its Form ADV for 2021 and 2022. Such conduct is grounds for an order to revoke an investment adviser registration under RCW 21.20.110(1)(b), to impose fines under RCW 21.20.110(1)(b), and to charge costs under RCW 21.20.110(7).

2. Respondent Mumper PS willfully violated WAC 460-24A-060 by failing to timely file a 2022 year-end balance sheet. Such conduct is grounds for an order to impose fines under RCW 21.20.110(1)(b) and to charge costs under RCW 21.20.110(7).

3. Respondent Beverly Mumper, as the person who owns Mumper PS, is responsible for Mumper PS's violations of WAC 460-24A-205 and WAC 460-24A-060. Such conduct is grounds for an order to revoke an investment adviser representative registration under RCW 21.20.110(6), to impose fines under RCW 21.20.110(6), and to charge costs under RCW 21.20.110(7).

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE REGISTRATIONS

Pursuant to RCW 21.20.110(1), and based upon the above Tentative Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Securities Administrator intends to enter an order revoking the investment adviser registration of Mumper PS and the investment adviser representative registration of Beverly Mumper.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO IMPOSE FINES

Pursuant to RCW 21.20.110(1), and based upon the Tentative Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Securities Administrator intends to order that Respondents shall be jointly and severally liable for and shall pay a fine of at least \$5,000.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CHARGE COSTS

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE REGISTRATION, IMPOSE FINES, AND CHARGE COSTS Pursuant to RCW 21.20.110(7), and based upon the above Tentative Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Securities Administrator intends to order that Respondents shall be jointly and severally liable for and shall pay costs of at least \$1,000.

AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE

This Statement of Charges is entered pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 21.20 RCW and is subject to the provisions of Chapter 34.05 RCW. The Respondents may make a written request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING accompanying this Order. If a respondent does not request a hearing in the allowed time, the Securities Administrator intends to adopt the above Tentative Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as final and enter an order revoking the respondent's registration and imposing the fine and charging the costs sought.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS <u>13</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2023.



Approved by:

Brian Guerard Chief of Enforcement

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/s/

William M. Beatty Securities Administrator

Presented by:

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Sara Lewis Financial Legal Examiner

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