

STATE OF ALABAMA
ALABAMA SECURITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
STRATUS MARKETING GROUP, INC.) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
AMERICAN INTERNET RESEARCH INSTITUTE) NO.CD-2001-0004
JOHN BONO)
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RESPONDENTS)

CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

The Alabama Securities Commission ("Commission"), having the power to administer and provide for the enforcement of all provisions of Title 8, Chapter 6, Code of Alabama 1975, the Alabama Securities Act, upon due consideration of the subject matter hereof, and having confirmed information of the offer and or sale of securities into, within, or from the State of Alabama, has determined as follows:

RESPONDENTS

1. STRATUS MARKETING GROUP, INC. ("RESPONDENT STRATUS"), is represented to be a marketing company with a business address of 320 South Flamingo Road, Suite 264, Pembroke Pines, FL 33027.
2. AMERICAN INTERNET RESEARCH INSTITUTE ("RESPONDENT AMERICAN"), is represented to be an internet stock company with a business address of 320 South Flamingo Road, Suite 264, Pembroke Pines, FL 33027.
3. JOHN BONO ("RESPONDENT BONO"), is represented to be an agent of RESPONDENT STRATUS with a business address of 320 South Flamingo Road, Suite 264, Pembroke Pines, FL 33027.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

4. The Commission is in receipt of information that, RESPONDENT BONO, acting as an agent of RESPONDENT STRATUS, engaged in the offer and/or sale of investment contracts involving the internet stock of RESPONDENT AMERICAN to Alabama residents, that were neither registered nor exempt from registration in the state of Alabama.

5. Review of the files of the Commission, disclosed no record of registration for RESPONDENTS STRATUS, AMERICAN, or BONO as a securities dealers or agents in the state of Alabama.

6. Review of the files of the Commission, disclosed no record of registration, nor exemption from registration, of the securities of RESPONDENT AMERICAN.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

7. RESPONDENTS STRATUS, AMERICAN, and BONO, are not registered as securities dealers or agents in the State of Alabama.

8. Transacting business in the State of Alabama as a securities dealer or agents while unregistered is a violation of § 8-6-3(a), Code of Alabama, 1975.

9. The securities of RESPONDENT AMERICAN offered by RESPONDENTS STRATUS and BONO, as set forth in paragraph 4, above, are not registered, nor exempt from registration in the state of Alabama.

10. The sale of unregistered, non-exempt securities into, within, or from the state of Alabama is a violation of § 8-6-4, Code of Alabama, 1975.

This order does not prevent the Alabama Securities Commission from seeking such other civil or criminal remedies as are available to it under the Alabama Securities Act.

This order is appropriate in the public interest for the protection of investors and consistent with the purpose of the Alabama Securities Act.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, RESPONDENTS STRATUS MARKETING GROUP, INC., AMERICAN INTERNET RESEARCH INSTITUTE, and JOHN BONO, immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from further offers or sales of any security into, within or from the State of Alabama.

Entered at Montgomery, Alabama, the 12 day of January, 2001.



ALABAMA SECURITIES COMMISSION
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By:



JOSEPH P. BORG
Director