

Capital Markets Tribunal

Tribunal des marchés financiers 22nd Floor 20 Queen Street West Toronto ON M5H 3S8 22e étage 20, rue Queen ouest Toronto ON M5H 3S8

IN THE MATTER OF MICHAEL PAUL KRAFT and MICHAEL BRIAN STEIN

File No. 2021-32

Adjudicators: Andrea Burke (chair of the panel) M. Cecilia Williams Sandra Blake

July 2, 2024

ORDER

(Subsection 127(1) and section 127.1 of the *Securities Act*, RSO 1990, c S.5)

WHEREAS on March 4, 2024, the Capital Markets Tribunal held a hearing at 20 Queen Street West, 17th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, to consider the sanctions and costs that the Tribunal should impose on Michael Paul Kraft and Michael Brian Stein as a result of the findings in the Reasons and Decision on the merits issued on October 20, 2023;

ON READING the materials filed by the parties, and on hearing the submissions of the representatives for the Ontario Securities Commission and the representatives for each of Kraft and Stein;

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. with respect to Kraft:
 - a. pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection 127(1) of the *Securities Act* (**Act**), trading in any securities or derivatives by Kraft shall cease for a period of three years from the date of this order, except that Kraft shall be permitted to trade:
 - i. mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, government bonds, and guaranteed investment certificates (**GICs**);
 - ii. securities or derivatives for the account of any registered retirement savings plan (**RRSP**), registered retirement income fund (**RRIF**) and tax-free savings account (**TFSA**), as defined in the *Income Tax Act*,

RSC 1985, c 1 (5th Supp) (the *Income Tax Act*), in which Kraft has sole legal and beneficial ownership;

- iii. solely through a registered dealer in Ontario, to whom Kraft must have given a copy of this order; and
- iv. only after the amounts in subparagraphs 1(g) and 1(h) have been paid in full;
- b. pursuant to paragraph 2.1 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, the acquisition of any securities by Kraft is prohibited for a period of three years from the date of this order, except that Kraft shall be permitted to acquire:
 - i. mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, government bonds, and GICs;
 - ii. securities for the account of any RRSP, RRIF, and TFSA, as defined in the *Income Tax Act*, in which Kraft has sole legal and beneficial ownership;
 - iii. solely through a registered dealer in Ontario, to whom Kraft must have given a copy of this order; and
 - iv. only after the amounts in subparagraphs 1(g) and 1(h) have been paid in full;
- c. pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, any exemptions contained in Ontario securities law do not apply to Kraft for a period of three years from the date of this order;
- d. pursuant to paragraphs 7 and 8.1 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, Kraft shall immediately resign any positions that he holds as a director or officer of an issuer or registrant;
- e. pursuant to paragraphs 8 and 8.2 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, Kraft is prohibited from becoming or acting as a director or officer of any issuer or registrant for a period of four years from the date of this order;
- f. pursuant to paragraph 8.5 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, Kraft is prohibited from becoming or acting as a registrant or as a promoter for a period of four years from the date of this order;
- g. pursuant to paragraph 9 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, Kraft shall pay an administrative penalty in the amount of \$200,000 to the Commission; and
- h. pursuant to section 127.1 of the Act, Kraft shall pay to the Commission

\$150,000, for the costs of the investigation and hearing; and

- 2. with respect to Stein:
 - a. pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, trading in any securities or derivatives by Stein shall cease for a period of four years from the date of this order, except that Stein shall be permitted to trade:
 - i. mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, government bonds, and GICs;
 - ii. securities or derivatives for the account of any RRSP, RRIF, and TFSA, as defined in the *Income Tax Act*, in which Stein has sole legal and beneficial ownership;
 - iii. solely through a registered dealer in Ontario, to whom Stein must have given a copy of this order; and
 - iv. only after the amounts in subparagraphs 2(g) through 2(i) have been paid in full;
 - b. pursuant to paragraph 2.1 of subsection 127(1) of the *Act*, the acquisition of any securities by Stein is prohibited for a period of four years from the date of this order, except that Stein shall be permitted to acquire:
 - i. mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, government bonds, and GICs;
 - ii. securities for the account of any RRSP, RRIF, and TFSA, as defined in the *Income Tax Act*, in which Stein has sole legal and beneficial ownership;
 - iii. solely through a registered dealer in Ontario, to whom Stein must have given a copy of this order; and
 - iv. only after the amounts in subparagraphs 2(g) through 2(i) have been paid in full;
 - c. pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, any exemptions contained in Ontario securities law do not apply to Stein for a period of four years from the date of this order;
 - d. pursuant to paragraphs 7 and 8.1 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, Stein shall immediately resign any positions that he holds as a director or officer of an issuer or registrant;

- e. pursuant to paragraphs 8 and 8.2 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, Stein is prohibited from becoming or acting as a director or officer of any issuer or registrant for a period of three years from the date of this order;
- f. pursuant to paragraph 8.5 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, Stein is prohibited from becoming or acting as a registrant or as a promoter for a period of three years from the date of this order;
- g. pursuant to paragraph 9 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, Stein shall pay an administrative penalty of \$150,000 to the Commission;
- h. pursuant to paragraph 10 of subsection 127(1) of the Act, Stein shall disgorge to the Commission the amount of \$29,345; and
- i. pursuant to section 127.1 of the Act, Stein shall pay to the Commission \$50,000, for the costs of the investigation and proceeding.

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