

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF: )  
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CENTRAL CHARLOTTE, LLC, ) File Number: 1500550  
BUSINESS TRUST SERVICE )  
COMPANY OF AMERICA, )  
CLEMENTE PADILLA ZARATE )  
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ORDER OF PROHIBITION

TO RESPONDENT(S): Central Charlotte, LLC  
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WHEREAS, a Temporary Order of Prohibition was issued by the Secretary of State on May 27, 2016 which temporarily prohibited **Respondent Central Charlotte, LLC, Respondent Business Trust Service Company of America, and Respondent Celemente Padilla Zarate** from offering or selling securities and rendering investment advice in or from the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State or his duly authorized representative;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act"), the failure to request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of the Temporary Order shall constitute an admission of any facts alleged therein and constitute a sufficient basis to make the Temporary Order final;

WHEREAS, the Respondents have failed to request a hearing on the matters contained in the Temporary Order within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of said Temporary Order and the Respondents are hereby deemed to have admitted the facts alleged in the Temporary Order;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has adopted the Findings of Fact contained in the Temporary Order as the Secretary of State's Findings of Fact as follows:

**FRAUD OR DECIEPT**

1. **Central Charlotte, LLC** ("Respondent CC") purports to be an Illinois registered entity with its principal place of business located at 1605 Curtis Bridge Road, Wilkesboro, NC 28697. Its website claims its address is 269 West Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60606, which does not exist. After careful review, it is believed Respondent CC is not the North Carolina registered limited liability company Central Charlotte, LLC with its principal place of business located at 1605 Curtis Bridge Road, Wilkesboro, NC 28697 and falsely holds itself out to be.
2. **Clemente Padilla Zarate** ("Respondent Zarate") is an individual with the last known address of Alvaro Obregon 933, Oblatos, Guadalajara, Jalisco 44380, Mexico. Respondent Zarate's name is listed as the registrant for Respondent CC's PayPal account. Respondent Zarate's name is also listed as the contact for Respondent CC's website.
3. **Business Trust Service Company of America** ("Respondent BTSC") purports to be an entity with its principal place of business located at 2360 Corporate Cir., Ste. 400, Henderson, NV, 89074. On information and belief, such entity does not exist, was not formed in Nevada, and is not authorized to conduct foreign business as an entity. After careful review it is believed Respondent BTSC is not the Nevada registered domestic business trust, Business Trust Services Corporation of America with the same principal place of business address as Respondent BTSC purports to have, located at 1605 Curtis Bridge Road, Wilkesboro, NC 28697.
4. Respondent CC and Respondent BTSC maintained websites for potential investors. Respondent CC's website was CentralCharlotteLLC.com, which is no longer active.

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- Respondent BTCS uses BTSCAmerica.com, which is still active as of the date of this Order of Prohibition.
5. Respondent CC is registered in Illinois, but under false assertions purporting to be a properly registered North Carolina entity, Central Charlotte, LLC when it is in fact not. Respondent CC falsely uses the name and principal address of the actual Central Charlotte, LLC registered in North Carolina as well.
  6. On information and belief, Respondent CC took down its website after the properly registered North Carolina entity, Central Charlotte, LLC contacted them.
  7. Respondent CC solicited investors through its website. Its website centralcharlottellc.com stated: "We serve only individual investors, just like you. That's why we have proper licenses and offices." Its website also purported Respondent CC deals in "dedicated brokerage, exchange-traded funds and stocks."
  8. Respondent BTSC works with Respondent CC to sell securities.
  9. Respondent BTSC does not legally exist and falsely uses an extremely similar name and the same principal address of an actual company, Business Trust Services Corporation of America registered in Nevada.
  10. Respondents have not responded to any communication from the Department, including the Temporary Order of Prohibition (TOP) sent May 27, 2016.
  11. On information and belief, three representatives of Respondent CC- Broker Jessica Rodriguez, Gabriel Bamboa, and Legal Representative Christopher Barral- have continued to solicit investors despite the TOP.
  12. After extensive research and on information and belief, in addition to selling securities, the Respondents are involved in timeshare fraud targeting Mexican citizens.
  13. Section 12.A of the Act provides it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to offer or sell any security except in accordance with the provisions of this Act.
  14. Section 12.F of the Act provides it is a violation to engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business in connection with the sale or purchase of securities which works or tends to work a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser or seller thereof.
  15. Section 12.G of the Act provides it is a violation to obtain money or property through the sale of securities by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
  16. Section 12.H of the Act provides it is a violation to sign or circulate any statement or document required by any provision of this Act or pertaining to any security knowing or

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having reasonable grounds to know any material misrepresentation therein is false or untrue.

17. Section 12.I of the Act provides it is a violation to employ any device, scheme or artifice to defraud in connection with the sale or purchase of any security, directly or indirectly.
18. The facts alleged in paragraphs 1 through 15 above show conduct by Respondents that violates Sections 12.A, 12.F, 12.G, 12.H, and 12.I of the Act. In particular: Respondents use false entities to obtain Illinois investor funds.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act, **Respondent Central Charlotte, LLC, Respondent Business Trust Service Company of America, and Respondent Clemente Padilla Zarate** are **PROHIBITED** from rendering investment advice and from offering or selling securities in or from this State until the further Order of the Secretary of State.

**NOTICE:** Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of Section 12.D of the ACT. Any person or entity that fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of this Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony for each offence.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/3-101 *et seq.*] and the Rules and Regulations of the Act (14 Ill. Admin. Code, Ch. 1 Sec. 130.1123). Any action for judicial review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.

Dated this 26th day of July 2016.



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