

Stipulated Award
NASD Regulation, Inc.

In the Matter of the Arbitration Between:

Boston Investment Group, LLC, Claimant vs. National Securities Corporation and Robert Thorson, Respondents.

Case Number: 99-02980

Hearing Site: Seattle, WA

REPRESENTATION OF PARTIES

Claimant, Boston Investment Group, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Claimant"): Bruce Wilcox, Esq., Lukins & Annis, P.S., 1600 Washington Trust Center, 717 W. Sprague Avenue, Spokane, WA 99201-0466.

Respondents, National Securities Corporation and Robert Thorson (hereinafter referred to as "Respondents"): Patrick Hinton, Hinton & Roth, P.O. Box 3962, Truckee, CA 96160.

CASE INFORMATION

Statement of Claim filed on or about: June 30, 1999

Claimant signed the Uniform Submission Agreement: June 25, 1999

Statement of Answer filed by Respondents, on or about: September 2, 1999

Respondents did not sign the Uniform Submission Agreement

CASE SUMMARY

Claimant asserted the following causes of action: Unsuitability and churning.

Unless specifically admitted in its Answer, Respondent denied the allegations made in the Statement of Claim and asserted the following defenses: All of the disputed trades were suitable; Claimant failed to state a claim upon which relief could be granted; the claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitation; any losses that were sustained were caused by market conditions; Claimant failed to mitigate the losses and; the claims are barred by the doctrines of estoppel and contributory negligence.

RELIEF REQUESTED

Claimant requested:

Compensatory Damages
Punitive Damages
Attorneys' Fees
Other Costs

\$250,000
Treble damages.
Unspecified.
Costs and commissions.

Respondents requested:

Non-Monetary Relief :

The claims be dismissed with
prejudice and that Claimant bear all
costs.

OTHER ISSUES CONSIDERED AND DECIDED

Respondents National Securities Corporation and Robert Thorson did not file with the NASD Regulation, Inc. Office of Dispute Resolution a signed/executed Uniform Submission Agreement. As a member firm and associated person, respectively, Respondent National Securities Corporation and Respondent Robert Thorson are required to submit to arbitration pursuant to the Code, and, having answered the claim, are bound by the determination of the Panel on all issues submitted.

AWARD

In accordance with the terms reached by the Claimant and Respondents in the settlement agreement they reached in this matter, the Panel rules as follows:

The Panel recommends the expungement of all reference to the above captioned arbitration from Respondent National Securities Corp., Inc. and Respondent Robert Thorson's registration records maintained by the NASD Central Registration Depository ("CRD"), with the understanding that pursuant to NASD Notice to Members 99-09, Respondents must obtain confirmation from a court of competent jurisdiction before the CRD will execute the expungement directive.

FEES

Pursuant to the Code, the following fees are assessed:

Filing Fees

NASD Regulation, Inc. will retain or collect the non-refundable filing fees for each claim:

Initial claim filing fee	= \$300
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Member Fees

Member fees are assessed to each member firm that is a party in these proceedings or to the member firms that employed the associated persons at the time of the events giving rise to the dispute. In this matter, the member firms is a party.

Member surcharge	= \$1500
Pre-hearing process fee	= \$ 600
Hearing process fee	= \$ 0

Fee Summary

Claimant hereby is solely liable for:

Initial Filing Fee

= \$ 300

Total Fees

= \$ 300

Less payments

= \$1425

Balance Due NASD Regulation, Inc.

= \$1125

Respondent, National Securities Corporation, hereby is solely liable for:

Member Fees

= \$2100

Total Fees

= \$2100

Less payments

= \$1500

Balance Due NASD Regulation, Inc.

= \$ 600

All balances are due to NASD Regulation, Inc. and are payable within 30 days of the service date of this Award.

Fee Summary

Claimant hereby is solely liable for:

<u>Initial Filing Fee</u>	= \$ 300
<u>Total Fees</u>	= \$ 300
<u>Less payments</u>	= \$1425
<u>Balance Due NASD Regulation, Inc.</u>	= \$1125

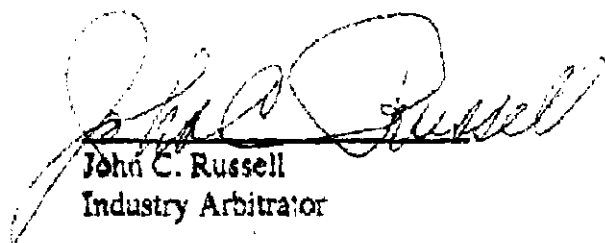
Respondent, National Securities Corporation, hereby is solely liable for:

<u>Member Fees</u>	= \$2100
<u>Total Fees</u>	= \$2100
<u>Less payments</u>	= \$1500
<u>Balance Due NASD Regulation, Inc.</u>	= \$ 600

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Concurring Arbitrators' Signatures


John C. Russell
Industry Arbitrator

3/27/00
Signature Date

William J. Bender, J. D.
Public Arbitrator

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Michael R. E. Sanders, Esq.
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