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9	IN THE UNITED STATE FOR THE DISTRIC	ES DISTRICT COURT
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11	Federal Trade Commission,	12-cv-2246-PHX-FJM
12	Plaintiff,	STIPULATED FINAL JUDGMENT
13	vs.	STIPULATED FINAL JUDGMENT
14	ELH Consulting, LLC, et al.,	
15	Defendants.	
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1	Plaintiff and Defendants 3Point14 Consultants, LLC, also d/b/a Elite Planning
2	Group, and Rares Stelea ("Stipulating Defendants"), have agreed to entry of
3	this Stipulated Final Judgment and Order for Permanent Injunction ("Order")
4	by this Court in order to resolve all claims against Stipulating Defendants in
5	this action. Plaintiff and Stipulating Defendants have consented to entry of this
6	Order without trial or adjudication of any issue of law or fact herein. The
7	Receiver did not file an objection, and the time for doing so has expired.
8	NOW THEREFORE, Plaintiff and Stipulating Defendants, having
9	requested the Court to enter this Order, and the Court having considered the
0	Order reached between the parties, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED,
1	ADJUDGED, AND DECREED as follows:
2	<u>FINDINGS</u>
3	1. This is an action by the Commission instituted under Sections
4	13(b) and 19 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 53(b) and 57b, the Telemarketing
5	Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6108, and the TSR, 16 C.F.R. Part 310. Pursuant to
6	these Sections of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Act, the Commission has
17	the authority to seek the relief contained herein.
8	2. The Commission's Complaint states a claim upon which relief
9	may be granted under Sections 5(a), 13(b), and 19 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C.
20	§§ 45(a), 53(b), and 57b, and Section 6(b) of the Telemarketing Act, 15 U.S.C.
21	§ 6105(b).
22	3. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this case
23	and personal jurisdiction over the Stipulating Defendants.
24	4. Venue, process, and service of process are proper.
25	5. The activities of Stipulating Defendants, as alleged in the
26	Complaint, are "in or affecting commerce" as "commerce" is defined in
27	Section 4 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 44.
28	6. Stipulating Defendants neither admit nor deny any of the

allegations set forth in the Commission's Complaint, except as specifically

stated in this Order. Only for purposes of this action, Stipulating Defendants admit the facts necessary to establish jurisdiction.7. Stipulating Defendants waive: (a) all rights to seek judicial

- review or otherwise challenge or contest the validity of this Order; (b) any claim that any of them may have against the Commission, its employees, representatives, or agents; (c) all claims under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, as amended by Pub. L. 104-121, 110 Stat. 847, 863-64 (1996); and (d) any rights to attorney's fees that may arise under said provision of law. The Commission and Stipulating Defendants shall each bear their own costs and attorney's fees incurred in this action.
- 8. This Order is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other civil or criminal remedies that may be provided by law.
  - 9. Entry of this Order is in the public interest.

"Individual Defendant" means Rares Stelea and by whatever

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- 2 "Person" means a natural person, an organization or other legal entity, including a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, limited liability 3 4 company, association, cooperative, or any other group or combination acting as an entity.
  - 9. "Plaintiff" means the Federal Trade Commission ("Commission" or "FTC").
    - "Receiver" means Peter S. Davis of Simon Consulting, LLC. 10.
  - "Stipulating Defendants" means 3Point14 Consultants, LLC, 11. also d/b/a Elite Planning Group and Rares Stelea; and their successors and assigns, as well as any subsidiaries, and any fictitious business entities or business names created or used by these entities, or any of them.

I.

## PROHIBITED PRACTICES

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Stipulating Defendants and their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service or otherwise, whether acting directly or through any trust, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, subsidiary, division, or other device, in connection with procuring services from third parties including, but not limited to, affiliate networks, payment processors, banks or other financial institutions, marketing affiliates, customer service providers, lead brokers, web designers, and fulfillment houses, are permanently restrained and enjoined from:

- Α. Making, or assisting others in making, directly or indirectly, expressly or by implication, any false or misleading material representation, including, but not limited to, misrepresentations about:
  - 1. The affiliation between any person or entity seeking to procure services and any other person or entity;

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merchant agreement between Stipulating Defendants and Global Payments, Inc., and/or Century Bankcard Services, LLC; and (2) the balance remaining in the 3Point14 account at Bank of America Bank into which processed credit card charges were deposited, in favor of the Receiver;

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C. All funds paid pursuant to this Order shall be deposited into a fund administered by the Commission or its agent to be used for equitable relief, including, but not limited to, consumer redress, and any attendant expenses for the administration of such equitable relief. Stipulating Defendants shall cooperate fully to assist the Commission in identifying consumers who may be entitled to redress pursuant to this Order. If the Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that direct redress to consumers is wholly or partially impracticable or funds remain after redress is completed, the Commission may apply any remaining funds for such other equitable relief (including consumer information remedies) as it determines to be reasonably related to Defendants' practices alleged in the Complaint. Any funds not used for such equitable relief shall be deposited to the United States Treasury as disgorgement. Stipulating Defendants shall have no right to challenge the Commission's choice of remedies under this Section. Stipulating Defendants shall have no right to contest the manner of distribution chosen by the Commission. This judgment for equitable monetary relief is solely remedial in nature and is not a fine, penalty, punitive assessment or forfeiture;

- D. Stipulating Defendants relinquish all dominion, control, and title to the funds paid to the fullest extent permitted by law. Stipulating Defendants shall make no claim to or demand for return of the funds, directly or indirectly, through counsel or otherwise;
- E. In accordance with 31 U.S.C. § 7701, as amended, Stipulating Defendants are hereby required, unless they already have done so, to furnish to the Commission their taxpayer identifying numbers (social security number or employer identification number), which shall be used for purposes of collecting

1	however, that, in all other respects, this Order shall remain in full force and
2	effect, unless otherwise ordered by the Court; and
3	C. Any proceedings instituted under this Section shall be in addition
4	to, and not in lieu of, any other civil or criminal remedies that may be provided
5	by law, including, but not limited to, contempt proceedings, or any other
6	proceedings that the Commission or the United States might initiate to enforce
7	this Order. For purposes of this Section, Stipulating Defendants waive any
8	right to contest any of the allegations in the Commission's Complaint.
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- 1. Each Stipulating Defendant must report any change in: (a) any designated point of contact; or (b) the structure of any Corporate Defendant or any entity that Stipulating Defendant has any ownership interest in or directly or indirectly controls that may affect compliance obligations arising under this Order, including: creation, merger, sale, or dissolution of the entity or any subsidiary, parent, or affiliate that engages in any acts or practices subject to this Order.
- 2. Additionally, Stipulating Defendant Rares Stelea must report any change in: (a) name, including aliases or fictitious name, or residence address; or (b) title or role in any business activity, including any business for which he performs services whether as an employee or otherwise and any entity in which he has any ownership interest, and identify its name, physical address, and Internet address, if any.
- C. Each Stipulating Defendant must submit to the Commission notice of the filing of any bankruptcy petition, insolvency proceeding, or any similar proceeding by or against such Stipulating Defendant within 14 days of its filing.
- D. Any submission to the Commission required by this Order to be sworn under penalty of perjury must be true and accurate and comply with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, such as by concluding: "I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on:\_\_\_\_\_" and supplying the date, signatory's full name, title (if applicable), and signature.
- E. Unless otherwise directed by a Commission representative in writing, all submissions to the Commission pursuant to this Order must be emailed to DEbrief@ftc.gov or sent by overnight courier (not the U.S. Postal Service) to: Associate Director for Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer

1	Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW,
2	Washington, DC 20580. The subject line must begin: FTC v. ELH
3	Consulting, LLC, et al. (FTC Matter No. X130004).
4	VII.
5	<u>RECORDKEEPING</u>
6	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Stipulating Defendants must create
7	certain records for 20 years after entry of the Order, and retain each such record
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A. Within 14 days of receipt of a written request from a representative of the Commission, each Stipulating Defendant must: submit additional compliance reports or other requested information, which must be sworn under penalty of perjury; appear for depositions; and produce documents, for inspection and copying. The Commission is also authorized to obtain discovery, without further leave of court, using any of the procedures prescribed by Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 29, 30 (including telephonic depositions), 31, 33, 34, 36, 45, and 69.

B. For matters concerning this Order, the Commission is authorized to communicate directly with each Stipulating Defendant. Stipulating Defendant must permit representatives of the Commission to interview any employee or other person affiliated with any Stipulating Defendant who has agreed to such an interview. The person interviewed may have counsel present.

C. The Commission may use all other lawful means, including posing, through its representatives, as consumers, suppliers, or other individuals or entities, to Stipulating Defendants or any individual or entity affiliated with Stipulating Defendants, without the necessity of identification or prior notice. Nothing in this Order limits the Commission's lawful use of compulsory process, pursuant to Sections 9 and 20 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 49, 57b-1.

## IX.

## **COOPERATION WITH FTC COUNSEL**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Stipulating Defendants shall, in connection with this action or any subsequent investigations related to or associated with the transactions or the occurrences that are the subject of the FTC's Complaint, cooperate in good faith with the FTC and appear, or cause their officers, employees, representatives, or agents to appear, at such places and times as the FTC shall reasonably request, after written notice, for

1	interviews, conferences, pretrial discovery, review of documents, and for such
2	other matters as may be reasonably requested by the FTC. If requested in
3	writing by the FTC, Stipulating Defendants shall appear, or cause their officers,
4	employees, representatives, or agents to appear, and provide truthful testimony
5	in any trial, deposition, or other proceeding related to or associated with the
6	transactions or the occurrences that are the subject of the Complaint, without
7	the service of a subpoena.
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9	DISSOLUTION OF ASSET FREEZE
10	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the freeze on the assets of
11	Stipulating Defendants pursuant to the Stipulated Preliminary Injunction
12	entered in this action shall be lifted permanently. A financial institution shall
13	be entitled to rely upon a letter from Plaintiff stating that the freeze on
14	Stipulating Defendants' assets has been lifted.
15	XI.
16	<u>SEVERABILITY</u>
17	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this Order are
18	separate and severable from one another. If any provision is stayed or
19	determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force
20	and effect.
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XII. **JURISDICTION** IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for purposes of construction, modification, and enforcement of this Order. IT IS SO ORDERED. DATED this 11th day of June, 2013.