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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

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## **COMMISSIONERS:**

Jon Leibowitz, Chairman Pamela Jones Harbour William E. Kovacic J. Thomas Rosch

In the Matter of

DIRECTORS DESK LLC, a limited liability cr2Rd6.0a0000 TO. liabi

## U.S.-EU SAFE HARBOR FRAMEWORK

- 5. The U.S.-EUSafe Harbor Framewok provides a method for U.S. companieto transfer personadata outside of Exorpe that is consistent with the requirements of the Eropean Union Directive on Data Protection ("Directive"). Eracted in 1995, the Directive sets forth European Union (EU") requirements for privay and the portection of pesonal data. Amongother things, it requires EUMember States to implement **isla**tion that prohibits the transfeof personal dataoutside the EU, with exceptions, unless the European Commission ("EC") has made adetermination that the reprient jurisdiction's laws ensure the potection of such preonal data *See* Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and the Council (Oct. 24, 1995)*vailable at* http://eurlex.europa.eu/exUriServ/LexUriServ.do@ri=CELEX:31995L0046:EN:HTM L. This determination is commonly referred to as meeting the EU's "adequacy" standard.
- 6. To satisfy the EU adequacy standard for certain commercial transfers, the U.S. Department of Commerce "Commerce") and the EC negliated the U.S.-EU Saf Harbor Framework, which went into effect in

- 10. In February 2008, respondet did not renew its set/setification to the Safe Marbor, and Commerce updated respondent's status to "not current" on its public website. Until August 2009, respondent did not reanites self-cetification to the Safe-larbor and vas in "not current" status on Commerce's website. (Exhibit B, Declaration of Damon C. Greer).
- 11. Respondent has disseminated **buse** to be disseminated priogapolicies and statements on the <u>ww.directorsdesk.om</u> website, includingbut not limited to, the following statements

Directors Desk is a praicipant in the Safe-larbor program developed by the U.S. Deprament of Commercand the European Union. We have errified that we adhee to the Safe Harbor PrivacyPrinciples ageed upon by the U.S. and the E.UFormore information about the SafHarbor and to view our errification, visit the U.S. Deprament of Commerce SafeHarbor web site.

Exhibit C, December 2008 Privacy Policy.

- 12. Through the means described in Pargraph 11, espondent peresented, expression by implication, that it is a current participant in the Safelarbor.
- 13. In truth and in fatc from February 2008 to August 2009, respondent svanot a current participant in the State Habor. Therefore, therepresentations set forth in Paratagph 11 symplement (n Feite