UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

Plaintiff,

v.

PINNACLE PAYMENT SERVICES, LLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:13-cv-03455-TCB

STIPULATED FINAL
ORDER FOR PERMANENT
INJUNCTION AND SETTLEMENT
OF CLAIMS AS TO DEFENDANT
NICHOLE ANDERSON

Plaintiff, Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), commenced this civil action on October 21, 2013, pursuant to Section 13(b) of the Federal Trade Commission Act ("FTC Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 53(b), and Section 814(a) of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1692*l*(a). On motion by the FTC, on October 21, 2013, this Court entered an *ex parte* temporary restraining order ("TRO") with asset freeze, appointment of receiver, and other equitable relief (Dkt. No. 7) against Defendants Pinnacle Payment Services, LLC, Velocity Payment Solutions, LLC, Heritage Capital Services, LLC, Performance Payment Processing, LLC, Credit Source Plus, LLC (an Ohio company), Credit Source Plus, LLC (a Georgia company), Reliable Resolution, LLC, Premium Express Processing, LLC (an Ohio company), Lisa J. Jeter, Hope V. Wilson, Nichole C. Anderson, Angela J.

Triplett, and DeMarra J. Massey. On November 4, 2013, after a hearing on an order to show cause, the Court entered a preliminary injunction (Dkt. No. 40) against Defendants. On December 16, 2013, the FTC filed its amended complaint ("First Amended Complaint") (Dkt. No. 72) adding as defendants Tobias Boyland, Dorian Wills, Capitol Exchange, LLC, Global Acceptance, LLC, Freestar World,

7.	This action and the relief awarded herein are in addition to, and not in lieu of, other remedies as may

which is the collection of any debts, or who regularly collects or attempts to collect, directly or indirectly, debts owed or due or asserted to be owed or due another. The term also includes any creditor who, in the process of collecting its own debts, uses any name other than its own which would indicate that a third person is collecting or attempting to collect such debts. The term also include any person to the extent such person receives an assignment or transfer of a debt in default solely for the purpose of facilitating collection of such debt.

6. "Defendants" means Pinnacle Payment Services, LLC, Velocity Payment Solutions, LLC, Heritage Capital Services, LLC, Performance Payment Processing, LLC, Credit Source Plus, LLC (an Ohio company), Credit Source Plus, LLC (a Georgia company), Reliable Resolution, LLC, Premium Express Processing, LLC (an Ohio company), Premium Express Processing, LLC (a Georgia company), Capitol Exchange, LLC, Global Acceptance, LLC, Freestar World, LLC, Heritage Management Services, LLC, Nationwide Payment Processors, LLC, National Processors Group, LLC, Pioneer Capital Services, LLC, Platium Express, LLC, Rapid Resolution, LLC, Solution Processing, LLC, Windfall Management Systems, LLC, Tobias Boyland, Dorian Wills, Lisa J. Jeter, Hope V. Wilson, Nichole C. Anderson, Angela J. Triplett, and DeMarra J. Massey.

- 7. **"Financial-related product or service"** means any product, service, plan, or program represented, expressly or by implication, to:
 - A. provide to any consumer, arrange for any consumer to receive, or assist any consumer in receiving, an extension of consumer credit;
 - B. provide to any consumer, arrange for any consumer to receive, or assist any consumer in receiving, credit repair services;
 - C. provide to any consumer, arrange for any consumer to receive, or assist any consumer in receiving, any secured or unsecured debt relief product or service;
- 8. "**Person**" means a natural person, organization, or other legal entity, including a corporation, partnership, proprietorship, association, cooperative, or any other group or combination acting as an entity.
- 9. "Regulated depository institution"

payment contained in any promissory note or contract secured by any dwelling or other collateral; or (F) negotiate, obtain, or arrange (i) a short sale of a dwelling or other collateral, (ii) a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, or (iii) any other disposition of a mortgage, loan, debt, or obligation other than a sale to a third party that is not the secured or unsecured loan holder. The foregoing shall include any manner of claimed assistance, including, but not limited to, auditing or examining a person's application for the mortgage, loan, debt, or obl

commercial debt or any program that gathers, organizes, or stores consumer information relating to a debt or debt collection activities.

Provided, that Section I.C. shall not prohibit the Stipulating Defendant from engaging in any activity involving or related to the advertising, marketing, promoting, offering for sale, or selling of any portfolio of consumer or commercial debt, if the Stipulating Defendant is the employee of a regulated depository institution and engages in the activity in the context of such employment. This proviso shall not be construed to limit the licensing or regulatory powers of any federal, state, or local government agency or other entity regulating depository institutions.

PROHIBITED MISREPRESENTATIONS RELATING TO FINANCIAL RELATED PRODUCTS OR SERVICES

II. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulating Defendant and her officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons or entities in active concert or participation with any of them who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service, facsimile transmission, email, or otherwise, whether acting directly or through any corporation, subsidiary, division, or other device, in connection with the advertising, marketing, promotion, offering for sale or sale of any financial-related product or service, are hereby permanently restrained and enjoined from:

- A. Misrepresenting or assisting others in misrepresenting, expressly or by implication, any material fact, including but not limited to:
 - 1. The terms or rates that are available for any loan or other extension of credit;
 - 2. Any person's ability to improve or otherwise affect a consumer's credit record, credit history, or credit rating or ability to obtain credit;
 - 3. That any person can improve any consumer's credit record, credit history, or credit rating by permanently removing negative information from the consumer's credit record, credit history, or credit rating, even where such information is accurate and not obsolete;
 - 4. Any aspect of any secured or unsecured debt relief product or service, including but not limited to, the amount of savings a consumer will receive from purchasing, using, or enrolling in such secured or unsecured debt relief product or service; the amount of time before which a consumer will receive settlement of that consumer's debts; or the reduction or cessation of collection calls;
 - 5. That a consumer will receive legal representation;

- 6. That any particular outcome or result from a financial-related product or service is guaranteed, assured, highly likely or probable, or very likely or probable;
- 7. The nature or terms of any refund, cancellation, exchange, or repurchase policy, including, but not limited to, the likelihood of a consumer obtaining a full or partial refund, or the circumstances in which a full or partial refund will be provided to the consumer; and
- 8. Any other fact material to consumers concerning any financial-related product or service, such as: the total costs; any material restrictions, limitations, or conditions; or any material aspect of its performance, efficacy, nature, or central characteristics; and
- B. Advertising or assisting others in advertising credit terms other than those terms that actually are or will be arranged or offered by a creditor or lender.

CONSUMER INFORMATION

III. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulating Defendant and her officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons or entities in active concert or participation with any of them who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service, facsimile transmission, email,

COOPERATION

V. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulating Defendant must fully cooperate with representatives of the FTC and the Receiver in this case and in any investigation related to or associated with the transactions or the

indirectly controls, must deliver a copy of this Order to: (1) all principals, officers, directors, and LLC managers and members; (2) all employees, agents, and representatives who participate in conduct related to the subject matter of the Order; and (3) any business entity resulting from any change in structure as set forth in the Section titled Compliance Reporting. In any other business, such as one in which the Stipulating Defendant is an employee without any ownership or control, the Stipulating Defendant must deliver a copy of this Order to all principals and managers of the business before participating in conduct related to the subject matter of this Order. Delivery must occur within 7 days of entry of this Order for current personnel. To all others, delivery must occur before they assume their responsibilities.

C. From each individual or entity to which the Stipulating Defendant delivered a copy of this Order, the Stipulating Defendant must obtain, within 30 days, a signed and dated acknowledgment of receipt of this Order.

COMPLIANCE REPORTING

VII. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulating Defendant make timely submissions to the FTC:

activities, including any business for which the Stipulating

Defendant performs services whether as an employee or

otherwise and any entity in which the Stipulating Defendant has
any ownership interest; and (c) describe in detail the Stipulating

Defendant's involvement in each such business, including title,
role, responsibilities, participation, authority, control, and any
ownership.

- B. For 10 years following entry of this Order, the Stipulating Defendant must submit a compliance notice, sworn under penalty of perjury, within 14 days of any change in the following:
 - 1. The Stipulating Defendant must report any change in: (a) any designated point of contact; or (b) the structure of any entity that the 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, the Stipulating Defendant 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 the Stipulating Defendant performs services whether as an employee or otherwise and any entity in which the Stipulating Defendant has any ownership interest, and identify its name, physical address, and Internet address, if any.

- C. The Stipulating Defendant must submit to the FTC notice of the filing of any bankruptcy petition, insolvency proceeding, or any similar proceeding by or against the Stipulating Defendant within 14 days of its filing.
- D. Any submission to the FTC 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 FTC representative in writing, all submissions to the FTC 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

Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580. The subject line must begin: *FTC v. Pinnacle Payment Service*, *et al.*, Matter Number X140002.

RECORDKEEPING

- VIII. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulating Defendant must create certain records for 10 years after entry of the Order, and retain each such record for 5 years. Specifically, the Stipulating Defendant for any business in which the Stipulating Defendant, individually or collectively with any other Defendants, is a majority owner or directly or indirectly controls, must maintain the following records:
 - A. Accounting records showing the revenues from all goods or services sold, all costs incurred in generating those revenues, and the resulting net profit or loss;
 - B. Personnel records showing, for each person providing services, whether as an employee or otherwise, that person's: name, addresses, and telephone numbers; job title or position; dates of service; and, if applicable, the reason for termination;
 - C. Complaints and refund requests, whether received directly or indirectly, such as through a third party, and any response;

- D. All records necessary to demonstrate full compliance with each provision of this Order, including all submissions to the FTC; and
- E. A copy of each advertisement or other marketing material.

COMPLIANCE MONITORING

- IX. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, for the purpose of monitoring the Stipulating Defendant's compliance with this Order, including the financial representations upon which part of the judgment was suspended and any failure to transfer any assets as required by this Order:
 - A. Within 14 days of receipt of a written request from a representative of the FTC, the 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 FTC 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 FTC is authorized to communicate directly with the Stipulating Defendant. The Stipulating Defendant must permit representatives of the FTC to interview any employee or other person affiliated with the Stipulating Defendant

8th August

