

STATE OF OKLAHOMA
DEPARTMENT OF SECURITIES
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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73102



In the Matter of:

Barren Resources, Inc.,
Gary Byron Hogan, and
William L. Moore,

Respondents.

ODS File No. 09-069

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST
AND
NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Order to Cease and Desist

Pursuant to Section 1-602 of the Oklahoma Uniform Securities Act of 2004 (Act), Okla. Stat. tit. 71, §§ 1-101 through 1-701 (Supp. 2003), the Oklahoma Department of Securities (Department) conducted an investigation into the activities of Barren Resources, Inc., Gary Byron Hogan and William L. Moore (collectively, the "Respondents"), in connection with the offer and/or sale of securities in the state of Oklahoma.

Based thereon, the following Findings of Fact, Authorities, and Conclusions of Law are submitted to the Administrator of the Department ("Administrator"), or his designee, in support of the issuance of an order to cease and desist.

Findings of Fact

1. At all times relevant hereto, Barren Resources Group, LLC (Barren) was a Nevada limited liability company with its principal place of business in Jeffersonville, Indiana. In approximately November of 2007, Barron issued, offered, and sold oil and gas interests ("Interests") to an eighty-four year old Oklahoma investor ("Investor").

2. At all times material hereto, Gary Byron Hogan (Hogan), an individual and the President of Barren, was a resident of the state of Kentucky. Hogan is not, and has never been, registered in any capacity under the Act. At all times material hereto, Browning offered and/or sold the Interests on behalf of Barren.

3. At all times material hereto, William L. Moore (Moore), an individual and Vice President of Barren, was a resident of the state of Kentucky. Moore is not, and has never been,

registered in any capacity under the Act. At all times material hereto, Moore offered and/or sold the Interests on behalf of Barren.

4. In 2007, Investor received a “cold call” from Hogan who offered an investment in an oil and gas project in Tennessee. In November of 2007, Investor wrote a check to “BRG 2007-6 Project” to purchase an Interest in the Tennessee project for Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000).

5. Moore endorsed and deposited Investor’s check on behalf of Barren in the First Savings Bank in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

6. Investor has not received any proceeds from the BRG 2007-6 Project.

7. Respondents have failed to respond to Investor and Barren’s telephone number has been disconnected.

8. The Interests offered and/or sold by Respondents in the state of Oklahoma were not registered pursuant to Section 1-301 of the Act.

To the extent any of these Findings of Fact should be considered Conclusions of Law, they should be so considered.

Authorities

1. Section 1-102 of the Act provides in pertinent part:

(32) “*Security*” means a[n]...investment contract...[or] fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights.

2. Section 1-301 of the Act provides:

It is unlawful for a person to offer or sell a security in this state unless:

1. The security is a federal covered security;
2. The security, transaction, or offer is exempted from registration under Sections 6 through 8 of this act [Sections 1-201 through 1-203 of this title]; or
3. The security is registered under this act.

3. Section 1-402 of the Act provides:

A. It is unlawful for an individual to transact business in this state as an agent unless the individual is registered under this act as an agent or is exempt from registration as an agent under subsection B of this section.

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D. It is unlawful for a broker-dealer, or an issuer engaged in offering, selling, or purchasing securities in this state, to employ or associate with an agent who transacts business in this state on behalf of broker-dealers or issuers unless the agent is registered under subsection A of this section or exempt from registration under subsection B of this section.

4. Section 1-604 of the Act provides in pertinent part:

A. If the Administrator determines that a person has engaged, is engaging, or is about to engage in an act, practice, or course of business constituting a violation of this act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act or constituting a dishonest or unethical practice or that a person has materially aided, is materially aiding, or is about to materially aid in an act, practice, or course of business constituting a violation of this act or a rule adopted or order issued under this act or constituting a dishonest or unethical practice, the Administrator may:

1. Issue an order directing the person to cease and desist from engaging in the act, practice, or course of business or to take other action necessary or appropriate to comply with this act[.]

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B. An order under subsection A of this section is effective on the date of issuance. Upon issuance of the order, the Administrator shall promptly serve each person subject to the order with a copy of the order and a notice that the order has been entered. The order must include a statement of the reasons for the order, and notice that, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of a request in a record from the person, the matter will be scheduled for a hearing and the hearing shall be commenced within fifteen (15) days of the matter being set for hearing. If a person subject to the order does not request a hearing and none is ordered by the Administrator, within thirty (30) days after the date of service of the order, the order, that may include a civil penalty or costs of the investigation if a civil penalty or costs were sought in the statement accompanying the order, becomes final as to that person by operation of law. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the Administrator, after notice of and opportunity for hearing to each person subject to the order, may modify or vacate the order or extend it until final determination.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Interests are securities as defined by Section 1-102 of the Act.
2. Respondents offered and sold unregistered securities in and/or from the state of Oklahoma, in violation of Section 1-301 of the Act.
3. Hogan transacted business in this state as an unregistered agent, in violation of Section 1-402 of the Act.
4. Moore transacted business in this state as an unregistered agent, in violation of Section 1-402 of the Act.
5. Barren employed or associated with two unregistered agents, in violation of Section 1-402 of the Act.
6. The Administrator has the authority to order Respondents to cease and desist from engaging in an act, practice, or course of business constituting a violation of the Act.
7. It is in the public interest to order Respondents to cease and desist from engaging in an act, practice, or course of business constituting a violation of the Act.

To the extent any of these Conclusions of Law are more properly characterized as Findings of Fact, they should be so considered.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that Respondents cease and desist from engaging in any act, practice, or course of business constituting a violation of the Act or a rule adopted or order issued under the Act to include, offering and selling unregistered securities, employing or associating with unregistered agents, and/or transacting business as an agent without benefit of registration.

Witness my Hand and the Official Seal of the Oklahoma Department of Securities this 2nd day of September, 2009.

(SEAL)



IRVING L. FAUGHT, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF SECURITIES

Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

Pursuant to Section 1-604 of the Act, the Administrator hereby gives notice to Respondents of their right to request a hearing. The request for hearing must be received by the Administrator within thirty (30) days after service of the Order to Cease and Desist (Order). The request for hearing must be in writing and Respondents shall specifically admit or deny each allegation that is contained in the Order.

Within fifteen (15) days after receipt of a request for hearing from Respondents, this matter will be scheduled for hearing. The hearing shall commence within fifteen (15) days of the matter being set for hearing. Notice of the date, time and location of the hearing shall be given to Respondents. If a hearing is requested, the Administrator, after notice of and opportunity for hearing, may modify or vacate the Order or extend it until final determination.

If Respondents do not request a hearing within thirty (30) days after the date of service of the Order and none is ordered by the Administrator, the Order becomes final as to Respondents by operation of law.

Witness my Hand and the Official Seal of the Oklahoma Department of Securities this 2nd day of September, 2009.

(SEAL)



IRVING L. FAUGHT, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF SECURITIES

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 2nd day of September, 2009, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Recommendation was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery restricted, with postage prepaid thereon addressed to:

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