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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING	)	
COMMISSION,	)	
	)	No.: 04-cv-1512 (RBK)
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
EQUITY FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC,	)	<b>ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT</b>
TECH TRADERS, INC., TECH	)	<b>OF MARRONGELLE CLAIM</b>
TRADERS, LTD., MAGNUM	)	
INVESTMENTS, LTD., MAGNUM	)	
CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LTD.,	)	
VINCENT J. FIRTH, ROBERT W.	)	
SHIMER, COYT E. MURRAY, and J.	)	
VERNON ABERNETHY,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

This matter having been brought before the Court by Stephen T. Bobo, as Equity Receiver for defendants Equity Financial Group, LLC, Tech Traders, Inc., Tech Traders, Ltd., Magnum Investments, Ltd., Magnum Capital Investments, Ltd., Vincent J. Firth, and Robert W. Shimer, by his attorneys, for approval of a settlement of the Receiver's objection to the claim of Jeffrey Marrongelle ("Marrongelle"); and the Court having reviewed the motion and no objections to the motion having been filed, and the terms of the settlement appearing to be fair and reasonable;

IT IS this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2006, hereby:

**ORDERED** that the Equity Receiver's Motion for approval of the settlement reached concerning the Receiver's objections to Jeffrey Marrongelle's claim against Shasta Capital Associates, Ltd is **GRANTED**;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that:

1. The claim of Marrongelle against Shasta Capital Associates, Ltd. is hereby allowed in the amount of \$100,000 but distributions on this claim are subject to the credit set forth in paragraph 3 below.
2. The Receiver's objection to the Marrongelle claim is withdrawn with prejudice.
3. Distribution to be paid on Marrongelle's claim are subject to a \$25,000 credit in favor of the receivership estate. This credit shall be applied in stages: \$15,000 shall be credited against the initial 36.5% interim distribution being paid on account of allowed Shasta claims, and \$10,000 shall be credited against any subsequent distributions payable on Marrongelle's claim.
4. The Receiver is authorized to disburse the net amount of \$21,500 to Marrongelle, which is 36.5% of \$100,000, less the initial \$15,000 portion of the credit.
5. Any subsequent distributions to Marrongelle shall be reduced by the remaining credit balance of \$10,000.
6. The Receiver shall transfer to the Tech Traders' account the value of all credits applied against Marrongelle's distributions.

7. By virtue of this settlement, Marrongelle does not waive any claims he may have against Edgar Holding Group, Robert W. Shimer, Tech Traders, Inc., Tech Traders, Ltd., Magnum Investments, Ltd., Magnum Capital Investments, Ltd., Equity Financial Group, LLC, Vincent J. Firth, Coyt E. Murray, and J. Vernon Abernethy.

SO ORDERED:



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis J. [unclear]", is written above a solid horizontal line.