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Mr. Patrick Walsh
Case Administrator
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RE: Case Name: Mouayad Shammami vs. Broad Street Securities, Inc., Pershing LLC, etal.
Case Number 08-01510

Dear Mr. Walsh:

Please consider this letter my personal response to Claimant, Mouayad Shammami's Motion for Entry of Default Judgment in the case referenced above. I recently received a copy of the Motion, and since I do not have the financial means to hire an attorney to respond on my behalf, I hope that you will allow this letter from me into the record. I request that this motion for a default judgment be denied, and that the arbitration against me be dismissed.

To begin, I have no idea where Mr. Shammami's "expert", John Nordbeck, came up with \$208,000+ in damages to Mr. Shammami! This is a total misinterpretation of Mr. Shammami's account, and simply an attempt to take advantage of the fact that I do not have the ability to defend myself adequately, thus leaving Mr. Shammami's attorney free to come up with whatever amount he thinks he can get away with. I have never seen any schedules or worksheets that may have been prepared to back up Mr. Nordbeck's conclusion. As indicated in previously submitted documents, in September of 2007 Mr. Shammami's attorney attempted to bully and extort \$25,000 from Broad Street by sending a letter to the firm demanding money, and then immediately withdrawing it (while swearing at the Firm Principal, Mary Mada, when she simply stated that she was required to have our Firm counsel review any such letter). (Exhibits A, B, and C) Obviously this \$25,000 more than covered any "losses" that Mr. Shammami might have felt he had incurred. Otherwise, his attorney would not have tried to settle for this amount.

Mr. Shammami was, for several years, our firm's most active day trader! Obviously, calculations regarding things like turnover ratio (which I am assuming contributed to Mr. Nordbeck's "expert conclusion") have no place in calculating the activity in his day trading account. I'm sure you would agree that such calculations are more appropriate when looking at activity in conservative accounts such as IRAs. As indicated in documents you have already received, Mr. Shammami had no intention of opening a "conservative" account; account

documents list his Investment Objective as "Speculation", his Risk Tolerance as "Aggressive and Speculation", and his Net Worth as \$3,540,000. This account was opened and operated by Mr. Shammami from day one as a day trading account, and he requested and received approval from our Clearing Firm to have the account coded as a day trading account so that he could receive same-day credit in his margin account to accommodate his frequent trading activity. At times when his trading activity increased, Mr. Shammami was asked on several occasions to review the activity in his account and, if he agreed with it, sign a letter indicating that all trades were authorized and approved by him, and that the activity conformed with his investment objectives. (Exhibits D, E, and F) In addition, Mr. Shammami even requested and received a reduction in his transaction costs – specifically because he was doing such a large number of trades.

Regarding my ability to pay any judgment, I am out of the security business and have relinquished my licenses. I was recently forced to sign an Offer of Settlement with FINRA, because I did not have the money to hire an attorney to respond to FINRA allegations of deficiencies in conjunction with a firm audit. I have been unemployed since July 2009 and I am currently collecting unemployment benefits (which are due to expire in about 6 weeks). I am actively seeking new employment, but nothing is on the horizon yet. Not only do I not have the resources to fight this action, I also do not have the resources to pay any judgment – no matter what the amount. I have already relayed this fact to Mr. Shammami's counsel.

As you know, Broad Street Securities is no longer in business. The primary reason that I was forced to close Broad Street was that I became aware that the Firm was having financial problems, primarily due to the fact that my previous partner and the Firm Compliance and Sales Supervisory Principal, Mary Mada, *and Alfred Allos's supervisor*, had been misappropriating huge sums of money from the company and concealing the fact by preparing "incorrect" financial reports for me. When this came to light, Ms. Mada abruptly resigned from the Firm. Unfortunately, before any action could be taken on my part to recover any money, Ms. Mada died. I was left holding the proverbial "bag" and had to close operations. All of the personal financial resources I had were invested in Broad Street over the 14 years it was in operations. Now they are gone and I have been left with nothing.

I hope that this letter will suffice as a response, and that it will be forwarded to the appropriate Arbitration Panel Members. I have also forwarded a copy to Donald D. Sullivan, Mr. Shammami's Counsel. If there is anything else I need to do, I would appreciate you notifying me. I can be contacted at the address above, or via e-mail at yunawta@gmail.com.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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