

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
**Before the**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
**Release No. 67940 / September 27, 2012**

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING**  
**File No. 3-12341**

**In the Matter of**

**WEISS RESEARCH, INC., MARTIN  
WEISS, AND LAWRENCE  
EDELSON**

**RESPONDENTS.**

**ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF  
FINAL INVOICES FOR THE TAX  
ADMINISTRATOR AND PLAN  
ADMINISTRATOR, TRANSFERRING  
REMAINING FUNDS AND ANY FUTURE  
FUNDS RETURNED TO THE FAIR FUND  
TO THE U.S. TREASURY, TERMINATING  
THE FAIR FUND, AND DISCHARGING  
THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR**

On June 22, 2006, the Commission issued an Order Instituting Public Administrative and Cease-and-Desist Proceedings, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions and a Cease-and-Desist Order Pursuant to Sections 203(e), 203(f), and 203(k) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (Release No. IA- 2525) against Weiss Research, Inc., Martin Weiss, and Lawrence Edelson (collectively, "Respondents") for violations of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 in connection with their operation of an unregistered investment adviser and the production and distribution of materially false and misleading marketing materials. Among other things, the Commission ordered that Respondents pay a total of \$2,166,143 in disgorgement, prejudgment interest, and civil penalties, and authorized the creation of a Fair Fund pursuant to Section 308(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

On August 23, 2007, the Commission issued an Order Approving Distribution Plan, (Release No. 34-56310). On April 22, 2009, the Commission issued an Order Directing Disbursement of Fair Fund (Release No. 34-59813), authorizing the distribution of \$1,462,208.00 to claimants who: (1) subscribed to a Weiss Research premium service publication at any point between September 1, 2001, through December 31, 2004; and (2) had during that same period an auto-trading arrangement with a broker-dealer to execute automatically all trading recommendations contained in the Weiss Research publication ("subscribers"). On May 11, 2010, the Commission issued an Order Approving Application of Distribution Administrator for Fees and Expenses and Directing Disbursement of Fair Fund (Release No. 34-62075), ordering that the Plan Administrator's fees and expenses in the amount

of \$13,013.50 be paid from the Fair Fund and that the Plan Administrator distribute \$4,315.50 to an additional payee.

The \$2,166,143 Fair Fund earned \$176,312.63 in interest, paid \$205,370.12 in Plan Administration Expenses, and disbursed \$33,727.56 to the U.S. Treasury for federal tax payments and investment expenses and \$750 in District of Columbia and state tax payments. Ultimately, \$1,466,523 of the Fair Fund was distributed to 245 subscribers, who were compensated for their payment of subscription fees to Weiss Research. The average payment was in the amount of \$5,993. The lowest payment was in the amount of \$295, and the highest payment was in the amount of \$24,564. All but two payments went to individuals. The two non-individual payees were limited liability companies based in the United States.

The Plan Administrator submitted a Final Accounting of the Fair Fund pursuant to Rule 1105(f) of the Commission's Rules on Fair Fund and Disgorgement Plans. The Commission approved the Final Accounting. According to the Final Accounting, all liabilities, with the exception of payments of Tax Administrator and Plan Administrator final invoices, have been satisfied, and \$636,084.22 remains in the Fair Fund after distributions to all the 245 eligible investors.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Payments of the final invoices in the amount of \$1,982.48 to the Tax Administrator and \$1,215 to the Plan Administrator are authorized;
2. The remaining balance in the Fair Fund and any future funds returned to the Fair Fund shall be sent to the U.S. Treasury;
3. The Fair Fund is terminated; and
4. The Plan Administrator is discharged.

By the Commission.

Elizabeth M. Murphy  
Secretary