

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

<b>In the Matter of:</b>	)	
Israel Macias	)	
Former Financial Services Officer	)	AA-EC-05-29
Union Bank of California, NA	)	
San Francisco, CA	)	

**STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America (“Comptroller”) intends to initiate removal and cease and desist proceedings against Israel Macias (“Respondent”) pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and (e) (as amended) for unsafe and unsound banking practices relating to improper fee reversals while employed at the Union Bank of California NA;

WHEREAS, in the interest of cooperation and to avoid the costs associated with future administrative and judicial proceedings with respect to the above matter, the Respondent, without admitting or denying any wrongdoing, desires to enter into this Consent Order (“Order”) issued pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and (e).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises, it is stipulated by and between the Comptroller, through its duly authorized representative, and Respondent that:

Article I

JURISDICTION

(1) Union Bank of California NA (“Bank”) is a national banking association, chartered and examined by the Comptroller, pursuant to the National Bank Act of 1864, as

amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. Accordingly, the Bank is an “insured depository institution” as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c)(2).

(2) Respondent was a Financial Services Officer of the Bank and is an “institution-affiliated party” of the Bank as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u), having served in such capacity within six (6) years from the date hereof (see 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(3)).

(3) Pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), the Comptroller is the “appropriate Federal banking agency” to maintain an enforcement proceeding against institution-affiliated parties. Therefore, Respondent is subject to the authority of the Comptroller to initiate and maintain these removal and cease and desist proceedings against him pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and (e).

## Article II

### ORDER OF PROHIBITION

(1) With respect to the institutions and agencies set forth in paragraph (2) of this Article, Respondent hereby agrees that he shall not:

- (a) participate in any manner in the conduct of their affairs;
- (b) solicit, procure, transfer, attempt to transfer, vote, or attempt to vote any proxy, consent, or authorization with respect to any voting rights;
- (c) violate any voting agreement previously approved by the “appropriate Federal banking agency,” as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q) (as amended);  
or
- (d) vote for a director, or serve or act as an “institution-affiliated party,” as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u) (as amended).

(2) The prohibitions in paragraph (1) of this Article apply to the following institutions and agencies:

- (a) any insured depository institution, as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c);
- (b) any institution treated as an insured depository institution under 12 U.S.C. §§ 1818(b)(3), (b)(4) or (b)(5), including, but not limited, to any subsidiary of such institution, or treated as a savings and loan holding company or subsidiary under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b)(9) (as amended);
- (c) any insured credit union under the Federal Credit Union Act;
- (d) any institution chartered under the Farm Credit Act of 1971;
- (e) any appropriate Federal depository institution regulatory agency; and
- (f) the Federal Housing Finance Board and any Federal Home Loan Bank.

(3) The prohibitions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Article shall cease to apply with respect to a particular institution if Respondent obtains the prior written consent of both the Comptroller and the institution's "appropriate Federal financial institutions regulatory agency," as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(D) (as amended).

(4) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e), (i), (j), and (h) (as amended).

Article III

CEASE AND DESIST ORDER FOR RESTITUTION

(1) Respondent hereby consents to the payment of restitution to the Bank in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000). Respondent shall pay the restitution according to the procedure and schedule set out in this Order.

- (a) Upon execution of this order, Respondent shall submit a check payable to the Union Bank of California for one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) at the address stated in (c) below;
- (b) Beginning on December 1, 2005, and on the first business day of each month thereafter (or the first business day after each date), Respondent shall make a minimum payment of \$150 (or the remaining balance of restitution owed, if the balance is less than \$150) until the entire \$5,000 amount is satisfied.
- (c) Respondent shall make all payments by a check made payable to the Union Bank of California. The checks should be sent to:

Jeanne Mercer, Vice President & Senior Investigator  
Union Bank of California  
Risk Investigations Department  
Mail Code B01401  
3151 East Imperial Highway  
Brea, CA 92821

(d) Respondent shall deliver a copy of each check to:

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency  
Director, Enforcement & Compliance Division  
Mail Stop 8-10  
250 E. Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20219

The docket number of this case should be entered on the check.

(e) Within seven (7) days from the issuance of this Order, Respondent shall notify the Director of the Enforcement & Compliance Division (“Enforcement Director”) of his current address, by completing the form attached hereto as Appendix A.

(2) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. §§ 1818 (b), (h) or (i) (as amended).

#### Article IV

### BANKRUPTCY

(1) If Respondent files for bankruptcy protection, Respondent shall notify the Enforcement Director within ten (10) days of the filing and shall provide a copy of the filing to the Enforcement Director.

(2) In any bankruptcy proceeding in which it is or may be contended that Respondent’s obligation to pay restitution pursuant to this Order is subject to discharge, Respondent will in no manner contest the assertion of the Comptroller or any agent, officer or representative of the United States, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523(a) or otherwise, that the restitution obligation in the Order arises out of acts which result in claims not dischargeable in bankruptcy.

Article V

WAIVERS

- (1) By executing this Order, Respondent waives:
  - (a) the right to the issuance of a Notice under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and (e);
  - (b) all rights to a hearing and a final agency decision pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and (e) and 12 C.F.R. Part 19;
  - (c) all rights to seek judicial review of this Order;
  - (d) all rights in any way to contest the validity of this Order; and
  - (e) any and all claims for fees, costs or expenses against the Comptroller, or any of its agents or employees, related in any way to this enforcement matter or this Order, whether arising under common law or under the terms of any statute, including, but not limited to, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 and 28 U.S.C. § 2412.

(2) Respondent shall not cause, participate in or authorize the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) to incur, directly or indirectly, any expense for the payment of restitution under this Order, or any legal (or other professional) expense relative to the negotiation and issuance of this Order except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359; and Respondent shall not, directly or indirectly, obtain or accept any indemnification (or other reimbursement) from the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) with respect to such amounts except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359.

(3) Respondent acknowledges that he has read and understands the premises and obligations of this Order and declares that no separate promise or inducement of any kind has

been made by the Comptroller, its agents or employees to cause or induce the Respondent to agree to consent to the issuance of this Order and/or to execute this Order.

(4) It is hereby agreed that the provisions of this Order constitute a settlement of these removal and cease and desist proceedings contemplated by the Comptroller. The Comptroller agrees not to institute proceedings for the specific acts, omissions, or violations referenced in the first whereas clause, hereof, unless such acts, omissions, or violations reoccur.

(5) It is further agreed that the provisions of this Order shall not be construed as an adjudication on the merits and, except as set forth above in paragraph (4), shall not inhibit, estop, bar, or otherwise prevent the Comptroller from taking any action affecting the Respondent if, at any time, it deems it appropriate to do so to fulfill the responsibilities placed upon him by the several laws of the United States of America.

(6) Respondent understands that nothing herein shall preclude any proceedings brought by the Comptroller to enforce the terms of this Order, and that nothing herein constitutes, nor shall Respondent contend that it constitutes, a waiver of any right, power, or authority of any other representatives of the United States or agencies thereof, including the Department of Justice, to bring other actions deemed appropriate.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands.

/s/ John W. Quill for Ronald G. Schneck  
Ronald G. Schneck  
Director  
Special Supervision Division

11/2/05  
Date

/s/  
Israel Macias

10/26/05  
Date