STATE OF CALIFORNIA BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL PROTECTION AND INNOVATION

TO: Collaborative Financial Consulting, LLC Jason T. Reynolds
433 N. Camden Drive, Suite 970
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER (For violations of sections 25210, 25230 and 25401 of the Corporations Code)

The Commissioner of the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation ("Commissioner") finds that:

- 1. The Department of Financial Protection and Innovation ("Department") regulates California investment advisers and broker-dealers, under the Corporate Securities Law of 1968 (Corporations Code, § 25000 et seq.) (CSL).
- 2. At all relevant times, Collaborative Financial Consulting, LLC ("CFC") is and was a Delaware limited liability company, with its principal place of business at 433 N. Camden Drive, Suite 970, Beverly Hills, CA 90210.
- 3. At all relevant times, Jason Reynolds (CRD# 732394) ("Reynolds") is and was the sole operator of CFC.
- 4. At all relevant times Reynolds and CFC conducted business via the telephone number (310) 770-1265 and the email jreynolds@collaborativefc.com. They also maintained a public profile on Yelp.com that offered Personal Financial Consulting: Retirement Planning, and Investment Management.
- 5. From March 1996 through June 26, 2019, Reynolds was an investment adviser representative of various, licensed investment adviser firms, but was terminated on June 26, 2019, and since then has not been employed by any registered broker-dealer or investment advisor nor has he or CFC ever applied to the Commissioner to conduct business as a broker-dealer or investment adviser in California.

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6.	Despite his termination, Reynolds and CFC continued to engage in the business of an
investmen	t adviser including soliciting clients via flyers and emails; offering investment adviser
services; to	outing specific stocks; and gaining access to at least one client's investment account.
Reynolds a	and CFC have provided investment advisory services in California to at least 10 clients,
collecting	at least \$54,500 in investment advisory fees.
7.	The CSL defines "broker-dealer" in Corporations Code section 25004 as "any person

- n engaged in the business of effecting transactions in securities in this state for the account of others or for his own account." Section 25210, subdivision (a), prohibits a broker-dealer from effecting "any transaction in, or induce or attempt to induce the purchase or sale of, any security in this state unless the broker-dealer has first applied for and secured from the commissioner a certificate, then in effect, authorizing that person to act in that capacity."
- Reynolds and CFC offered, sold, and effected securities transactions, in California, 8. including, purchasing and selling securities on multiple occasions for at least one customer through their FIDELITY investment accounts, without a registration
- 9. In connection with these securities transactions, Reynolds and CFC made untrue statements of material facts, including but not limited to:
- Falsely representing that Reynolds was a Registered Representative. In fact, he has not been a Registered Representative since June 26, 2019.
- b. Falsely representing that securities and advisory services were offered through "Independent Financial Group, LLC (IFG), a registered broker-dealer and investment advisor. Member FINRA/SIPC." In fact, Reynolds has not been employed by IFG since February 21, 2019.
- Falsely representing that Reynolds holds licenses in CA, NV, ID, PA, NY, c. WV, GA, and TN. In fact, he has held no licenses in CA, NV, ID, PA, WV, GA, and TN since July 22, 2019, and has not held a license in NY since February 21, 2019.
- Falsely representing that Reynolds holds Series 7, 63, and 66 Licenses. In fact, d. he has not held such licenses since June 26, 2021.
- Promising a 30%+ Profit on every trade. In fact, under Reynolds' management, the investor's accounts achieved negative returns.

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Based upon the foregoing, the Commissioner of Financial Protection and Innovation, finds that Reynolds and CFC have effected transactions in securities as broker-dealers without having first applied for and secured from the Commissioner a certificate, then in effect, authorizing these persons to act in that capacity, in violation of Corporations Code section 25210.

Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Jason Reynolds and Collaborative Financial Consulting, LLC are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from effecting any transaction, in, or inducing, or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of, any security in this state, unless and until they have first applied for and secured from the Commissioner a certificate authorizing them to act as a broker-dealer, or unless exempt.

Further, the Commissioner is of the opinion that Reynolds and CFC have conducted business as an investment adviser in this state without first securing from the Commissioner a certificate, then in effect, authorizing them do so or unless they are exempt, in violation of Corporations Code section 25230. Moreover, neither Reynolds nor CFC are exempt from Corporations Code section 25230.

Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Jason Reynolds and Collaborative Financial Consulting, LLC are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from acting as an investment adviser in the State of California unless and until they have first applied for and secured from the Commissioner a certificate authorizing them to act as an investment adviser, or unless exempt.

Further, the Commissioner is of the opinion that CFC and Reynolds offered, bought, and sold securities, in this state, by means of a written or oral communication which included an untrue statement of material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statement made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in violation of Corporations Code section 25401.

Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Jason Reynolds and Collaborative Financial Consulting, LLC are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from offering or selling or buying or offering to buy any security in the State of California, by means of any written or oral communication which includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors, and consistent with the purposes, policies, and provisions of the CSL.

DATED: August 24, 2022 Sacramento, California

CLOTHILDE V. HEWLETT Commissioner of Financial Protection and Innovation



By: MARY ANN SMITH **Deputy Commissioner Enforcement Division**