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STATE ORDERS TIMOTHY GRANT TO CEASE SALE OF VIATICAL SETTLEMENT CONTRACTS

HONOLULU – The Commissioner of Securities, Tung Chan, issued a *Final Order against Timothy Grant, a salesperson of Money Wise Financial Services, Inc.

The Final Order prohibits Timothy Grant from making any offers, sales, or solicitations of securities in the State of Hawaii unless properly registered. The Final Order also imposes a total administrative penalty of \$25,000.00 against Timothy Grant. The order found Grant offered, sold and transacted in unregistered securities in the form of viatical settlement contracts while he was not duly registered as a securities salesperson in the State of Hawaii.

State securities laws require securities such as viatical settlement contracts, as well as individuals or entities soliciting or transacting in securities, to be registered with the state.

Viatical or life settlement contracts are interests in the death benefits of terminally ill or older Americans. The insured gets a percentage of the death benefit in cash. Investors get a share of the death benefit when the insured later dies, after a fee is paid to the viatical investment broker. Because of uncertainties in predicting when a terminally ill person is going to die, these investments must be considered extremely speculative securities.

Anyone who has been solicited by or transacted with Timothy Grant or Money Wise Financial Services, Inc. with respect to securities or who may have information regarding this matter are urged to contact the State Securities Enforcement Branch.

Securities Enforcement Branch

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*The Final Order was superceded and replaced by the Consent Order dated October 11, 2007

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