

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

BURTON W. WIAND, as Receiver for OASIS :
INTERNATIONAL GROUP, LTD.; OASIS :
MANAGEMENT, LLC; AND SATELLITE :
HOLDING COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRIS AND SHELLEY ARDUINI, et al

Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION NO: 8:20-cv-00862-VMC-TGW

**DEFENDANT, GREGORY CORCORAN,
CERTIFICATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
TO SET ASIDE ENTRY OF DEFAULT AND/OR
DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

Defendant, GREGORY CORCORAN, DECLARES as follows

1. I am a defendant in the captioned case and as such have knowledge of the following facts related to this matter.
2. In early May of this year, I received a packet of documents from Englander Fischer that I believed were sent to me for informational purposes to advise that an action was filed seeking to obtain restitution from various individuals and entities that operated a Ponzi scheme disguised as a legitimate business venture to trade in the foreign exchange market.
3. I invested \$25,000 with Oasis a few years back with the expectation that this was a legitimate business. I am simply one of the investors in what I believed was an entity that was pursuing federal exchange investment opportunities.
4. When I received the Complaint and waiver, I did not see my name on the abbreviated caption and had no idea that I was a defendant in the action. I simply

believed that the receiver was sending me paperwork for informational purposes.

I thought they simply wanted me to sign the waiver to acknowledge receipt of the paperwork.


5. I next received the attorney's Motion and realized for the first time that I was an actual defendant in the suit and that they were seeking to enter a default judgment because I had not filed an Answer.
6. I reviewed the Complaint in depth and learned that I was a defendant based upon the allegation I received false profits from the scheme.
7. Upon information and belief, the Clerk entered default against me on July 17, 2020 according to information supplied by receiver's counsel, Englander Fischer.
8. I am not conversant in the handling of legal matters but understand in speaking with John Waechter, Esq. of Englander Fischer on August 19, 2020 that he could not withdraw an application that he filed that I understand seeks to enter a default judgment against me for failing to file an Answer to this matter.
9. I also reviewed Exhibit A to the Complaint as saw there was an accounting summary that suggested that I received thousands of dollars of false profits which I dispute ever receiving. I spoke to the receiver's lawyer to report this and asked for documentation that their experts had that show I actually received the funds listed on that document. I have also been trying to research my bank records to prove that I did not receive all the funds that are attributed to me so I can defend myself against the allegation that I was paid \$19,311.51 in profits. Plaintiff has not attached any proofs to their motion for default judgment such as cancelled checks to support the claim that I was paid this amount of money in false profits.

10. I dispute this allegation and seek to vacate the entry of default to allow me to file an Answer so that I can defend this claim against me.
11. I do not have counsel and plan to appear in this action pro-se.
12. On August 20, 2020 I sent an Answer to the Clerk's office certified mail and also sent a copy of that Answer to the Receiver counsel, also by certified mail.
13. This application is not filed to delay this matter and granting the application will not hinder any party in pursuing the claim. The matter is only a few months old on the court calendar and the Receiver is apparently in possession of the financial records of the entities so there is no potential for lost evidence due to the delay in the filing of my Answer.
14. I dispute the figures on Exhibit A that suggest I was paid over \$19000 when the sum of my investment in this company was \$25,000. The Receiver's Complaint suggested that Oasis boasted 12% returns and the figures on Exhibit A simply do not make sense.
15. My failure to timely file an Answer was due to mistake or inadvertence in not recognizing that I was a party to this suit.
16. Further, my failure to file an Answer was due to excusable neglect.
17. I am ready and willing to defend this case and engage in discovery to establish meritorious defenses.

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 8/21/20

Respectfully submitted,


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