DONALD W. SEARLES Cal. Bar No. 135705 1 Email: searlesd@sec.gov PETER DEL GRECO Cal. Bar No. 164925 2 Email: delgrecop@sec.gov 3 Attorneys for Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission 4 Michele Wein Layne, Regional Director Lorraine Echavarria, Associate Regional Director 5 John W. Berry, Regional Trial Counsel 444 South Flower Street, Suite 900 Los Angeles, California 90071 Telephone: (323) 965-3998 6 7 Facsimile: (213) 443-1904 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 12 13 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE Case No. CV 15-07425 (RGK)(GJSx) COMMISSION, 14 Plaintiff, CONSENT OF STEVE CHEN TO 15 ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND ORDERS: (1) VS. 16 FREEZING ASSETS; (2) STEVE CHEN, USFIA, INC. APPOINTING A PERMANENT 17 RECEIVER; (3) PROHIBITING THE DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS; ALLIANCE FÍNANCIÁL GROUP, INC., AMAUCTION, INC., 18 **AND (4) REQUIRING** ABORELL MGMT I, LLC. ABORELL ADVISORS I, LLC **ACCOÚNTIÑGS** 19 ABORELL REIT II, LLC, AHOME REAL ESTATE, LLC, ALLIANCE 20 NGN,INC., APOLLO REIT I, INC., APOLLO REIT II, LLC, AMKEY, INC., US CHINA CONSULTATION 21 ASSOCIATION, and QUAIL RANCH 22 GOLF COURSE, LLC 23 Defendants. 24 25 Whereas, on September 22, 2015, Plaintiff Securities and Exchange 26 Commission ("SEC") filed this action against Defendants Steve Chen ("Chen"), and 27 USFIA, Inc., Alliance Financial Group, Inc., Amauction, Inc., Aborell Mgmt I, LLC, 28

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Aborell Advisors I, LLC, Aborell REIT II, LLC, Ahome Real Estate, LLC, Alliance 1 2 NGN, Inc., Apollo REIT I, Inc., Apollo REIT II, LLC, Amkey, Inc., US China 3 Consultation Association, and Quail Ranch Golf Course, LLC ("the Entity Defendants") (collectively, "the Defendants"), alleging violation of the federal 4 5 securities laws; and WHEREAS, on September 28, 2015, the Court granted the SEC's Ex Parte 6 Application for a Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") and Orders: (1) Freezing 7 8 Assets; (2) Appointing a Temporary Receiver: (3) Prohibiting the Destruction of Documents; (4) Granting Expedited Discovery; and (5) Requiring Accountings and 9 10 Order To Show Cause Re Preliminary Injunction and issued a TRO that, among 11 other things, ordered Defendants to show cause as to why a preliminary injunction should not be granted; and 12

WHEREAS, Chen consents to the entry of a preliminary injunction and appointment of a permanent receiver over the Entity Defendants;

IT IS HEREBY CONSENTED, STIPULATED AND AGREED by the SEC and Chen:

- 1. Chen waives service of process under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(d)(3) as to the summons and Complaint in this action and admits the Court's jurisdiction over him and over the subject matter of this action (with respect to the instant Complaint only).
- 2. Chen acknowledges that he was properly served with a copy of the Complaint, the TRO and all papers submitted by the SEC in support thereof.
- 3. Chen does not contest the entry of a preliminary injunction and appointment of a permanent receiver over the Entity Defendants.
- 4. Without admitting or denying any allegations of the Complaint (except as to personal and subject matter jurisdiction under the instant Complaint, which Chen admits), Chen consents and stipulates to the entry of a preliminary injunction in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

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represents that no threats, offers, promises, or inducements of any kind have been made by the SEC or any member, officer, employee, agent, or representative of the SEC to induce him to enter into this Consent and Stipulation.

7. Chen agrees that the Court may enter a preliminary injunction in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1 without further notice or hearing.

Dated: October 2, 2015

Steve Chen Defendant

Dated: October 2, 2015

/s/ Donald W. Searles

Donald W. Searles
Peter Del Greco
Attorneys for Plaintiff
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION

PROOF OF SERVICE 1 I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action. My business address is: 2 U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, 444 South Flower 3 [X]Street Suite 900, Los Angeles, California 90071 Telephone No. (323) 965-3998; Facsimile No. (323) 965-3908. 4 On October 5. 2015, I caused to be served the document entitled CONSENT OF 5 STEVE CHEN on all the parties to this action addressed as stated on the attached service list: 6 **OFFICE MAIL:** By placing in sealed envelope(s), which I placed for 7 collection and mailing today following ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this agency's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing; such correspondence would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the same day in the ordinary course of business. 8 9 **HAND DELIVERY:** I caused to be hand delivered each such envelope to the 10 office of the addressee as stated on the attached service list. 11 **UNITED PARCEL SERVICE:** By placing in sealed envelope(s) designated by United Parcel Service ("UPS") with delivery fees paid or provided for, which I deposited in a facility regularly maintained by UPS or delivered to a [] 12 13 UPS courier, at Los Angeles, California. **ELECTRONIC MAIL:** By transmitting the document by electronic mail to the electronic mail address as stated on the attached service list. [X]14 15 []**E-FILING:** By causing the document to be electronically filed via the Court's CM/ECF system, which effects electronic service on counsel who are 16 registered with the CM/ECF system. 17 **FAX:** By transmitting the document by facsimile transmission. The 18 transmission was reported as complete and without error. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. 19 20 21 Date: October 5, 2015 /s/ Amanda C. Liston Amanda C. Liston 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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