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Sincerely,

Ed Garlich
*Managing Director,
 Head of Policy Research*



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WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2006	
12:00 p.m.	<i>Luncheon</i> <i>A Global Overview of the Economies and the Markets</i> Laura Pendergest , Chief Investment Officer, Stanford Financial Group of Companies <i>The 2006 Elections and Their Impact on Congress</i> Ron Elving , Senior Washington Editor, National Public Radio
2:00 p.m.	<i>The 2007 U.S. Economic Outlook</i> Dr. Lyle E. Gramley , Former Federal Reserve Board Governor, Senior Economic Adviser, Stanford Policy Research
2:45 p.m.	<i>Break</i>
3:00 p.m.	<i>America: The Land of Opportunity</i> The Honorable John Edwards , 2004 Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate and Former United States Senator from North Carolina
4:00 p.m.	<i>The American Political Landscape-2006 & Beyond</i> Andrew Card , White House Chief of Staff (2000-2006)
5:00 p.m.	<i>Reception</i>
6:00 p.m.	<i>Welcoming Remarks</i> James M. Davis , Director and CFO, Stanford Financial Group of Companies
6:15 p.m.	<i>The Political Argument Today</i> George Will , Pulitzer Prize Winning Political Columnist
7:15 p.m.	<i>Dinner</i>
8:15 p.m.	<i>Cocktail Reception</i> Presidential Suite
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2006

7:00 a.m.	Continental Buffet Breakfast
7:45 a.m.	A View of the Equity Market and Leading Industry Groups John A. Mendelson , Senior Vice President and Head of Stanford Market Analysis Group
8:15 a.m.	The Latest Developments and Challenges Facing the Middle East Ambassador Dennis Ross , Washington Institute for Near East Policy
9:00 a.m.	Latin American Landscape Ambassador Peter Romero , President and CEO, Experior Advisory
9:45 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.	The Global Oil Outlook Luis Giusti , Senior Adviser, Center for Strategic and International Studies
11:00 a.m.	Port and Global Supply Chain Security: Where are we Heading? Stephen Flynn , Jeane J. Kirkpatrick Senior Fellow for National Security Studies, Council on Foreign Relations
12:00 p.m.	Luncheon <i>The Future of Asia</i> The Honorable Richard Armitage , Deputy U.S. Secretary of State (2001-2005)
2:00 p.m.	Conference Concludes
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Laura Pendergest

Chief Investment Officer, Stanford Financial Group of Companies

Ms. Pendergest is the Chief Investment Officer of the Stanford Financial Group of affiliated companies. These companies provide brokerage, banking, trust services and investment banking to an international client base with a broad range of investment products.

As a financial executive, Ms. Pendergest is a specialist in technical and fundamental analysis in the global investment markets. In this capacity, she is responsible for overseeing portfolio composition and maintenance and manages corporate proprietary trading and research. In addition, she is an officer with the holding company of the retail brokerage firm, Stanford Group Company. She also sits on the Strategic Investment Committee for Stanford Group of Companies.

Also, Ms. Pendergest has been the author of monthly global reports distributed by the company, including the publication of the Stanford Review and SIB Report.

Ms. Pendergest has received two degrees in Mathematics: Her B.A., Magna Cum Laude from Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, Miss., and her M.S., with honors, from Mississippi State University, Starkville, Miss.

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Ron Elving

Senior Washington Editor, National Public Radio

Ron Elving is the Senior Washington Editor for National Public Radio, where he directs coverage of the capital and of national politics and where he is frequently heard as a news commentator. He has been a recipient of the DuPont – Columbia University Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism. He was previously the political editor for USA Today and for Congressional Quarterly.

Mr. Elving is an adjunct professor at George Mason University and has also taught at American, Georgetown and Marquette.

He also writes the weekly NPR website column WATCHING WASHINGTON and has been published by the Brookings Institution and the American Political Science Association. His book, *Conflict and Compromise: How Congress Makes the Law*, was published by Simon & Schuster in 1995 and is now a Touchstone paperback.

He came to Washington in 1984 as a Congressional Fellow with the American Political Science Association and worked for two years as a staff member in the House and Senate.

He received his bachelor's degree from Stanford University and master's degrees from the University of Chicago and the University of California – Berkeley.



Dr. Lyle E. Gramley

Former Federal Reserve Board Governor, Senior Economic Adviser, Stanford Policy Research

Lyle E. Gramley is a Senior Economic Adviser to the Stanford Policy Research, which provides political, economic and industry research for institutional and corporate investors. Mr. Gramley joined Stanford Policy Research in June 2002. Prior to joining, Mr. Gramley was a Consulting Economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association from 1985 through May 2002.

Previously, Mr. Gramley was one of the seven Governors of the Federal Reserve Board, serving in that capacity from 1980 to 1985. In 1977, Mr. Gramley became a member of the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA), where he continued until his appointment to the Federal Reserve Board in May 1980.

Earlier, Mr. Gramley had spent many years as a staff economist in the Federal Reserve System, first with the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and later with the Federal Reserve Board. In 1977, prior to his appointment to the CEA, Mr. Gramley was Director of the Board's Division of Research and Statistics.

Mr. Gramley's fields of specialization include economic forecasting and monetary policy. His experience in both areas is extensive. In his capacity as Director of the Division of Research and Statistics at the Federal Reserve Board, Mr. Gramley was the senior economic forecaster at the Federal Reserve. As a Member of the CEA, Mr. Gramley headed the Carter Administration's forecasting team.

Born in Aurora, Illinois, Mr. Gramley did his undergraduate work at Aurora University and Beloit College. He performed his graduate work at Indiana University, receiving the Ph.D. degree in economics in 1956.

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The Honorable John Edwards

2004 Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate and Former United States Senator from North Carolina

John Edwards was born in Seneca, South Carolina and raised in Robbins, North Carolina, a small town in the Piedmont. There John learned the values of hard work and perseverance from his father, Wallace, who worked in the textile mills for 36 years, and from his mother, Bobbie, who ran a shop and worked at the post office. Working alongside his father at the mill, John developed his strong belief that all Americans deserve an equal opportunity to succeed and be heard.

A proud product of public schools, John became the first person in his family to attend college. He worked his way through North Carolina State University where he graduated with high honors in 1974, and then earned a law degree with honors in 1977 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

For the next 20 years, John dedicated his career to representing families and children just like the families he grew up with in Robbins. Standing up against the powerful insurance industry and their armies of lawyers, John helped these families through the darkest moments of their lives to overcome tremendous challenges. His passionate advocacy for people like the folks who worked in the mill with his father earned him respect and recognition across the country.

In 1998, John took this commitment into politics to give a voice in the United States Senate to the people he had represented throughout his career. He ran for the Senate and won, defeating an incumbent Senator.

In Congress, Senator Edwards quickly emerged as a champion for the issues that make a difference to American families: quality health care, better schools, protecting civil liberties, preserving the environment, saving Social

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Security and Medicare, and reforming the ways campaigns are financed.

As a member of the Select Committee on Intelligence, Senator Edwards worked tirelessly for a strong national defense and to strengthen the security of our homeland. He authored key pieces of legislation on cyber, bio, and port security.

Senator Edwards brought a positive message of change to the 2004 presidential primaries. During the primary season he spoke about the two Americas that exist in our country today: one for people at the top who have everything they need and one for everybody else who struggle to get by. This powerful message resonated with voters all across America.

After the Democratic primaries, Senator John Kerry picked Senator Edwards to serve as his running mate in the 2004 general election, and Senator Edwards crisscrossed the country and campaigned tirelessly on Senator Kerry's behalf.

Today, he is the Director of the Center on Poverty, Work, and Opportunity at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Senator Edwards and his wife, Elizabeth, whom he met when both were law students at Chapel Hill, were married in 1977. They have had four children, including: their eldest daughter, Catharine, who lives in New York; seven-year-old Emma Claire, and a five-year-old son, Jack. Their first child, Wade, died in 1996.

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Andrew Card
White House Chief of Staff (2000-2006)

On November 26, 2000, Andrew H. Card, Jr., was appointed to be Chief of Staff in the presidential administration of Texas Governor George W. Bush. Mr. Card was chosen because of his impressive service record in the public and private sector, including serving in the administrations of two former presidents. Mr. Card's last day was April 14, 2006, making him the second-longest serving White House chief of staff.

From 1992 until 1993, Mr. Card served as the 11th U.S. Secretary of Transportation under President George Bush. In August 1992, at the request of President Bush, Secretary Card coordinated the Administration's disaster relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Andrew. Later that year, Secretary Card directed President Bush's transition office during the transition from the Bush Administration to the Clinton

Administration.

From 1988 to 1992, Mr. Card served in President Bush's administration as Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff. He managed the daily operations of the White House staff and participated in the full range of economic, foreign, and domestic policy development.

Mr. Card served in President Reagan's administration as Special Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs and subsequently as Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, where he was liaison to governors, statewide elected officials, state legislators, mayors and other elected officials.

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Prior to being named Chief of Staff for the presidential administration of Governor Bush, Mr. Card was General Motors' Vice President of Government Relations since 1999. Mr. Card directed the company's international, national, state and local government affairs activities and represented GM on matters of public policy before Congress and the Administration.

From 1993 to 1998, Mr. Card was President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Automobile Manufacturers Association (AAMA), the trade association whose members were Chrysler Corporation, Ford Motor Company and General Motors Corporation. The AAMA dissolved in December 1998.

He served in the Massachusetts House of Representatives from 1975-1983. In 1982, Mr. Card was named Legislator of the Year by the National Republican Legislators Association and received the Distinguished Legislator Award from the Massachusetts Municipal Association.

Currently, he serves on the board of directors at Union Pacific Corporation.

Mr. Card graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering. He attended the United States Merchant Marine Academy and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and has received numerous honorary degrees and awards.

A native of Holbrook, Massachusetts, Andy, and his wife Kathleene, have three children and four grandchildren.

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James M. Davis

Director and CFO, Stanford Financial Group of Companies

From Mississippi (USA) to financial centers on four continents, James M. Davis has helped to shape one of the most comprehensive financial services corporations in the world.

Davis graduated from Baylor University's Hankamer School of Business in Waco, Texas. But, it was the relationship with his college roommate, Chairman, R. Allen Stanford, which would set him on a career journey that has lasted more than 33 years.

Through clear vision, hard work and true entrepreneurial spirit, Stanford Financial Group (SFG) has become a network of global financial and affiliated services.

Stanford Financial now employs nearly 4,000 people in over 95 business units located in North and South America, the Caribbean and Europe.

Today, James Davis serves as Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Stanford Financial Group of Companies representing over \$25 billion in assets under management or administration. He has been named to all of the boards and major committees of the SFG affiliates - many of which he serves as Chairman.

Davis is also the author of numerous articles on global investing and investment portfolio management, which have been published in various foreign and U.S. periodicals including Latin Finance, Stanford Review, SIBL Report and Eagle Magazine.

Aside from his significant role in SFG, James Davis takes to heart the financial, educational and spiritual needs

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of every community served by the Stanford companies. He sits on the Advisory Board of Derek Prince Ministries, the Professional Advisory Board of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as well as the Board of Hero House in Antigua, the Board of Directors of the Memphis Sports Development Corporation in Memphis, Tenn., and the Advisory Council for the Rudi Scheidt School of Music at the University of Memphis.

Starting in his carriage house, Mr. Davis was also instrumental in founding a non-denominational, multicultural, community church in Guntown, Miss., that now includes Faith Christian School, a non-profit institution, with grades K-12.

In Memphis, Tenn., where the Stanford Financial offices of the CFO are based, Mr. Davis has directed significant corporate community support to the Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Memphis Arts Council, The Salvation Army, LeBonheur Children's Hospital and numerous other charitable and cultural organizations. He is also seriously committed to the progress of education in our communities.

Recently, James Davis turned his attention back to his roots and become an integral part of the Main Street Association and its work with the renovation and redevelopment in Baldwin, Miss.,. This initiative includes three downtown buildings including a restaurant named the Old Post Office Restaurant located aptly in the historic 1914 Post Office building featuring high-end interior design and a menu of haute-southern cuisine.

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George Will
Pulitzer Prize Winning Political Columnist

George F. Will's newspaper column has been syndicated by *The Washington Post* since 1974. Today it appears twice weekly in just under 500 newspapers in the United States and in Europe. In 1976, he became a regular contributing editor of *Newsweek* magazine, for which he provides a bimonthly back-page essay. In 1977 he won a Pulitzer Prize for commentary in his newspaper columns.

Altogether seven collections of Mr. Will's *Newsweek* and *Washington Post* columns have been published, the most recent being *With A Happy Eye But...: America and the World, 1997-2002* (2002). Mr. Will has also published three books on political theory, *Statecraft as Soulcraft: What Government Does* (1983), *The New Season: A Spectator's Guide to the 1988 Election* (1987) and *Restoration: Congress, Term Limits and The Recovery of Deliberative Democracy* (1992). In 1990, Mr. Will published *Men At Work: The Craft of Baseball*, which topped *The New York Times* bestseller list for two months. In 1998, Scribner published *Bunts: Curt Flood, Camden Yards, Pete Rose and Other Reflections on Baseball*, a best-selling collection of new and previously published writings by Mr. Will on baseball. In July 2000, Mr. Will was a member of Major League Baseball's Blue Ribbon Panel, examining baseball economics.

In 1981, Mr. Will became a founding panel member on ABC television's *This Week*.

Mr. Will was born in Champaign, Illinois, educated at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, Oxford University and Princeton University, where he earned his Ph.D. He has taught political philosophy at Michigan State University, the University of Toronto and Harvard University. Mr. Will served as a staff member in the United States Senate from 1970 to 1972. From 1973 through 1976, he was the *Washington* editor of *National Review* magazine. Today, Mr. Will lives and works in the Washington, D.C. area.

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John A. Mendelson

Senior Vice President and Head of Stanford Market Analysis Group

Mr. Mendelson is a technical analyst with Stanford Group Company. His in-depth reports highlight market trends that he sees emerging based on the technical factors he follows, as well as his views on specific industry groups. Mr. Mendelson was recently recognized again by Institutional Investor magazine, as II's Second Team All America for Technical Research. Prior to joining Stanford, he was head of Market Analysis for Schwab Capital Markets as well as for both Morgan Stanley and Dean Witter. He is a graduate of Princeton University.



Ambassador Dennis Ross
Washington Institute for Near East Policy

Ambassador Dennis Ross is Counselor and Ziegler Distinguished Fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. For more than 12 years, Ambassador Ross played a leading role in shaping U.S. involvement in the Middle East peace process and dealing directly with the parties in negotiations. He served as Special Middle East Coordinator in the Clinton administration and as director of the policy planning staff at the State Department in the George H.W. Bush administration. A regular commentator on the Fox News Channel, Amb Ross is a frequent contributor to the Washington Post, Financial Times, Los Angeles Times, and U.S. News and World Report. He is the author of *The Missing Peace: The Inside Story of the Fight for Middle East Peace*. His next book, *Statecraft and Restoring America's Place in the World* will be published next spring.



Ambassador Peter Romero
President and CEO, Exporior Advisory

Peter F. Romero is the CEO of Exporior Advisory, a Washington DC-based consulting firm that specializes in international business and political advising. Mr. Romero has over twenty-six years of experience negotiating in international markets and politics. He has advised major U.S. corporations on national and local strategies regarding environmental, indigenous, labor, and political issues. In addition, he advises U.S. and foreign companies on capital raising, selecting local partners, acquisitions, and mergers in association with several investment banks.

From July 2001 to April 2003 Mr. Romero served as Managing Director of Violy, Byorum & Partners (VB&P). During this time, he led the advisory and consultancy practice at VB&P, which included foreign-venue dispute resolution and bidding (both public and private). Additionally, Mr. Romero is a board advisor to U.S. and foreign corporations on commercial and financial matters in connection with governmental affairs.

Formerly, Mr. Romero was the Assistant Secretary of State of the new Western Hemisphere Affairs Bureau (an area that stretches from Canada to Chile), where he was the highest-ranking Hispanic in the career U.S. Foreign Service. A twenty-four-year career diplomat, he previously served *inter alia* as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador and Chief of Mission of our Embassy in San Salvador.

The bureau Ambassador Romero led is responsible for promoting U.S. interests in the Western Hemisphere in support of strengthening democratic institutions, expanding U.S. trade opportunities and attaining sustainable economic development, including the start of free trade negotiations with Chile.

Ambassador Romero promoted enhanced cooperation on counternarcotics, crime, and poverty reduction. On counternarcotics, he was a principal architect of the Forward Operations Location (FOLS) concept, which now forms the lynchpin of our national security strategy. Ambassador Romero was responsible for making and

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defending budget proposals before the U.S. Congress and executing an annual operations budget in excess of \$2 billion.

First as U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador, and then as Assistant Secretary of State, Ambassador Romero played a key role in support of the peaceful resolution of the border dispute between Peru and Ecuador. His diplomatic negotiation skills also bore fruit in the peace accords, with their implementation and management of a \$270 million assistance budget between 1991 and 1993 in El Salvador. Ambassador Romero first conceived of "Plan Colombia" and was the principal State Department official to convince the U.S. Congress to appropriate \$1.2 billion in support of the Plan.

Ambassador Romero continues to be sought after for his expertise in investment strategies, national reconciliation, and conflict resolution. He advises Presidents and cabinet members of governments throughout the hemisphere.

Ambassador Romero received the Department's highest award, the Distinguished Honor Award in 2001, the prestigious Equal Employment Opportunity Award in 1998, the Baker-Wilkins Award for leadership of an overseas mission in 1993, and the Walter J. Stoessel Award in recognition of his highly distinguished career, as well as several Superior Honor Awards. He received the highest civilian award from Colombia, the Order of Boyacá, for his contribution to national security and development in that country.

Ambassador Romero is on the board of Special Olympics International, the Stanford Financial Group, the Americas Foundation, the Inter-American Economic Council and was a founding member of the Hispanic Council on International Relations. He is the 2001 recipient of the Roberto Clemente Award from Boricua College for his distinguished public service.

Born in New York, Peter Romero received a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from Florida State University. He speaks fluent English, Spanish and Italian.

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Luis Giusti

Senior Adviser, Center for Strategic and International Studies

Luis Giusti, a petroleum engineer and private consultant, has been a senior adviser at CSIS since April 1999, principally in energy and Latin American affairs. In addition, he is a member of the advisory boards of Riverstone-Carlyle and the Stanford Financial Group. He is also a member of the board of governors and special adviser to the chairman of the Centre for Global Energy Studies in London. Between September 2000 and September 2005 he was a non-executive director of Royal Dutch Shell. In academia, he is a member of the advisory boards of the Institute for Latin American Studies at Babson College, The Energy Institute of the University of Houston, the Maguire Energy Institute at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, and the Institute of Global Studies at George Washington University. He was a member of the task force that issued Strategic Energy Policy Challenges for the 21st Century (Council on Foreign Relations and Institute of Energy of Rice University, 2001). Giusti began his career at Shell Corporation in Venezuela after which, in 1976, he joined Maraven, S.A., an operating affiliate of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PDVSA). At PDVSA he held diverse positions related to exploration and production, refining, corporate planning, and marketing. In 1994 he was appointed chairman and CEO of the corporation, a job he held until March 1999. Under his leadership, the Venezuelan petroleum sector underwent major reform, which included an opening to private participation, with resulting estimated foreign direct investments of about \$30 billion for the period 1995 to 2004. Over the last five years of his tenure at PDVSA, the company continued to consolidate its international downstream position by completing major deals with Mobil, Phillips, Chevron, and Amerada Hess. He graduated in 1966 from the University of Zulia, Venezuela, and received an M.S. in petroleum engineering from the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1971. He is a member of the Advisory boards of Energy Intelligence Group (publisher of PIW, Oil Daily and Energy Compass) and the Inter American Dialog. He is a frequent speaker and publisher in the Oil & Gas circuit.



Stephen Flynn

Jeane J. Kirkpatrick Senior Fellow for National Security Studies, Council on Foreign Relations

Stephen Flynn is a researcher, independent advisor, and frequent commentator on homeland security, global trade and maritime transportation security, and emergency preparedness. He is the author of the critically acclaimed and national bestseller, *America the Vulnerable*. In February 2007, Random House will publish his new book, *The Edge of Disaster: Surviving Catastrophe and Terrorism*. Dr. Flynn is the inaugural occupant of the Jeane J. Kirkpatrick Chair in National Security Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. Since 9/11 he has provided congressional testimony on homeland security matters on 17 occasions. He spent 20 years as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Coast Guard including two commands at sea, served in the White House Military Office during the George H.W. Bush administration, and was director for Global Issues on the National Security Council staff during the Clinton administration. He holds a Ph.D. and M.A.L.D. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and a B.S. from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.



The Honorable Richard Armitage
Deputy U.S. Secretary of State (2001-2005)

Beginning March 2005, Richard L. Armitage became President of Armitage International. Previously, his nomination as Deputy Secretary of State was confirmed by the Senate on March 23, 2001. He was sworn in on March 26, 2001.

Prior to returning to government service in 2001, Mr. Armitage was President of Armitage Associates L.C. from May 1993 until March 2001. He had been engaged in a range of worldwide business and public policy endeavors as well as frequent public speaking and writing.

From March 1992 until his departure from public service in May 1993, Mr. Armitage (with the personal rank of Ambassador) directed U.S. assistance to the new independent states (NIS) of the former Soviet Union.

From 1989 through 1992, Mr. Armitage filled key diplomatic positions as Presidential Special Negotiator for the Philippines Military Bases Agreement and Special Mediator for Water in the Middle East. President Bush sent him as a Special Emissary to Jordan's King Hussein during the 1991 Gulf War.

In the Pentagon from June 1983 to May 1989, he served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

In May 1975, Mr. Armitage came to Washington as a Pentagon consultant and was posted in Tehran, Iran, until November 1976. Following two years in the private sector, he took the position as Administrative Assistant to Senator Robert Dole of Kansas in 1978. In the 1980 Reagan campaign, Mr. Armitage was senior advisor to the

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Interim Foreign Policy Advisory board, which prepared the President-Elect for major international policy issues confronting the new administration. From 1981 until June 1983 Mr. Armitage was Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for East Asia and Pacific Affairs in the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

Born in 1945, Mr. Armitage graduated in 1967 from the U.S. Naval Academy, where he was commissioned an Ensign in the U.S. Navy. He served on a destroyer stationed on the Vietnam gunline and subsequently completed three combat tours with the riverine/advisory forces in Vietnam. Fluent in Vietnamese, Mr. Armitage left active duty in 1973 and joined the U.S. Defense Attache Office, Saigon. Immediately prior to the fall of Saigon, he organized and led the removal of Vietnamese naval assets and personnel from the country.

He has received numerous U.S. military decorations as well as decorations from the governments of Thailand, Republic of Korea, Bahrain, and Pakistan.

On December 15, 2005, Mr. Armitage was awarded a KBE and became a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Mr. Armitage currently serves on the Board of Directors of ManTech International Corporation and Transcutaneous Technologies, Inc. (TTI) and is a member of The American Academy of Diplomacy. He was most recently awarded the Department of State Distinguished Service Award. He has been awarded the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service four times, the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Award for Outstanding Public Service, the Presidential Citizens Medal, presented by the President to citizens who have performed exemplary deeds of service, and the Department of State Distinguished Honor Award.

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Edward V. Garlich Jr.
SVP, Sr. Managing Director and Energy Analyst

Mr. Garlich is the Senior Managing Director of Stanford Policy Research. He covers energy policy and geopolitical strategy. He began his career as an aide to former Sen. Gordon Allott (R-Colo.). He has worked on a number of senatorial and presidential campaigns and was an analyst with the Center for Strategic and International Studies at Georgetown. He was also a member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London. In addition, Mr. Garlich was a government affairs specialist with a number of national trade associations. Mr. Garlich received his bachelor's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and did graduate work at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.



Anne Mathias, CFA
SVP, Director of Research

Ms. Mathias serves as Stanford Policy Research's Director of Research and covers pension and retirement issues. Prior to joining Stanford, Ms. Mathias was a General Partner in health care and biotech private equity funds investing in the United States and internationally. She has also served as a Senior Consultant for an international management consulting practice of Deloitte & Touche. She became a CFA Charterholder in 1999 and is a member of the CFA Institute. She received a bachelor's degree (Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa) in Spanish from the University of Maryland and a master's degree (with honors) in International Affairs from Georgetown University. She speaks Spanish and French.

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David E. Baker, Brig. Gen. (USAF, Ret.)
SVP, National Security/Defense Analyst

Gen. Baker covers the aerospace/defense sector; national security policy/strategy; technology related to global information operations for commercial and military purposes; and the war on terror, including cyber-terrorism. He was a highly decorated combat veteran fighter pilot and most recently served on the Joint Chiefs of Staff as the Deputy Director of Operations. In addition, the General flew over 20 combat missions in the F-15E during Operation Desert Storm. He received a BBA from Hofstra University and a MBA from the University of Hawaii (Beta Gamma Sigma). He is a 1996 graduate of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) program and an alumnus of the Collège de la Défense Nationale (Canada), the Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management, and the Air War College.

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David Blaszcak
SVP, Medical Technology Analyst

Mr. Blaszcak specializes in the area of medical technology, pharmaceutical, and health services policy issues. Prior to joining Stanford, Mr. Blaszcak worked in the Office of the Administrator at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. He worked on the implementation of the Medicare Modernization Act, working with key administration officials in HHS, White House staff, and the office of the Senate Majority Leader. In addition, Mr. Blaszcak has prior experience with state government and the health insurance industry. He is a member of the American College of Health Care Executives and the Center for Health Transformation. He earned a bachelor's degree in Health Administration and a master's in Public Policy from the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

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Gregory K. Frykman, M.D.
SVP, Pharmaceutical Analyst

Dr. Frykman covers the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry with a focus on scientific, medical and regulatory aspects of cancer therapies. Formerly, Dr. Frykman worked as a medical reviewer in both the Division of Oncology Drug Products and the Center for Biologics at the Food and Drug Administration. He remains on the active medical staff at Montgomery General Hospital. He earned a bachelor's degree in Physics and a Medical Doctorate, both from Loma Linda University; an Internal Medicine residency at the USC-Los Angeles County Medical Center; a Medical Oncology fellowship at the Johns Hopkins University; and additional training in Developmental Therapeutics at the National Cancer Institute. He is ABIM board certified in Internal Medicine, Hematology and Medical Oncology.

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Paul Gallant

SVP, Cable & Media Analyst

Mr. Gallant covers cable, satellite and broadcast policy for Stanford Policy Research. Prior to joining Stanford, Mr. Gallant served as legal advisor for media policy to FCC Chairman Michael Powell. Previously he had served as legal advisor on telecommunications issues to FCC Commissioners James Quello and Gloria Tristani. He also held senior government affairs posts with Qwest Communications and Broadband Office. Mr. Gallant earned a law degree from Catholic University and a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University.



Paul L. Glenchur
SVP, Telecom Services Analyst

Mr. Glenchur covers issues in the telecommunications and cable industries. Prior to joining Stanford, he served as an attorney in the Common Carrier and Cable Bureaus of the Federal Communications Commission. He was previously associated with the Washington, D.C., firm of Miller & Chevalier and served as an official in the Office of Congressional Affairs at the U.S. Department of Energy. He has also served as a judicial law clerk in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Mr. Glenchur earned a law degree from Hastings College of Law at the University of California. He is a member of the State Bar of California, the District of Columbia Bar, and the Federal Communications Bar Association. Mr. Glenchur graduated with honors from the University of California, Berkeley.



Lyle E. Gramley
Senior Economic Advisor

Mr. Gramley specializes in economic forecasting and monetary policy issues. Prior to joining Stanford Policy Research in 2002, he was a Consulting Economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association. Previously, Mr. Gramley was one of the seven Governors of the Federal Reserve Board and served in that capacity for five years. Mr. Gramley spent many years as a staff economist in the Federal Reserve System, and in 1977, Mr. Gramley served as a member of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. Mr. Gramley completed his undergraduate work at Aurora University and Beloit College and earned his Ph.D. in economics from Indiana University.



Jeremy Grant
SVP, Identity Solutions Analyst

Mr. Grant covers the biometrics, ID management and RFID industries analyzing the current and future market for the emerging ID management industry. Mr. Grant has a decade of experience in the biometrics and ID management business, both in industry and government. Prior to joining, Stanford, Mr. Grant was Vice President in the Intelligent Technologies Division of Maximus, Inc., where he led the division's Security and Identity Management practice. In this position, he played a major role in a number of the federal government's largest identity management programs. Mr. Grant has a B.S from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor and has done graduate work at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.



Francesca McCann
SVP, Sr. Water Industry Analyst

Ms. McCann covers the water industry, including water utilities and equipment/treatment companies and has developed niche coverage of the international water sector. Ms. McCann received her MBA from the UCLA Anderson School with a concentration in International Finance. Her professional career includes a political appointment at the U.S. Department of Energy, international work in Latin American trade policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and business development at the French Embassy. Ms. McCann holds a bachelor's degree in International Political-Economy from Colorado College. She is fluent in Spanish and speaks French and German.

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Mr. McMinimy specializes in agribusiness, food products and the tobacco industry. Prior to joining Stanford Policy Research, he was a statistician and editor for the United Nations Food & Agriculture Organization in Rome. He also was Associate Editor for Milling and Baking News. Prior to that, Mr. McMinimy was an agriculture policy analyst for the Congressional Research Service, and he served as a legislative aide to Rep. Dan Glickman (D-Kan.), the former Secretary of Agriculture. Mr. McMinimy began his career as a commodity analyst for tropical products for Schnitker Associates, a Washington-based consulting firm. He received his bachelor's degree in History from the University of Delaware, and speaks Italian and French.

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Ms. Millward covers the emerging homeland security industry analyzing major homeland security policy, programs, and spending on the nation's airports, seaports, first responders, critical infrastructure facilities, and land border crossings. Prior to joining Stanford, she was an equity research associate analyst at JP Morgan Chase, covering global communications technology companies. She was also an investment officer at the World Bank, working on investment manager selection and portfolio construction for the Bank's \$12 billion pension plan. She began her career in corporate finance at Enron, analyzing and structuring energy and telecom capital deals. Ms. Millward received her MBA from Georgetown University and bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of California, Riverside.

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SVP, Chief Political Strategist

Mr. Valliere covers politics, and federal monetary and tax policy. He began his career at *The Washington Post* and later became Chief Congressional Correspondent and then News Editor of "*F-D-C*" *Reports*, a trade publication that monitors the drug and cosmetic industries. He is a frequent guest on CNBC's "Market Wrap," as well as a frequent co-host of "Squawk Box." Mr. Valliere earned a bachelor's degree in Journalism from The George Washington University, where for several years he taught a course in newsletter writing.

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Mr. Weissenstein covers health care services and pharmaceutical policy issues. He was formerly the Washington Bureau Chief for *Modern Healthcare* magazine, and a reporter for *Advertising Age* magazine. He began his career as a Certified Public Accountant in the Chicago office of Ernst & Young. Mr. Weissenstein earned a bachelor's degree in Accounting at Millikin University, Decatur, Illinois, and a master's degree in Journalism at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

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Mr. Mendelson is a technical analyst with Stanford Group Company. His in-depth reports highlight market trends that he sees emerging based on the technical factors he follows, as well as his views on specific industry groups. Mr. Mendelson was recently recognized again by Institutional Investor magazine, as II's Second Team All America for Technical Research. Prior to joining Stanford, he was head of Market Analysis for Schwab Capital Markets as well as for both Morgan Stanley and Dean Witter. He is a graduate of Princeton University.

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Mr. Evans is a technical analyst with Stanford Market Analysis. Prior to joining Stanford, Evans was a vice president of market analysis with the Leerink Swann & Companies and previous to that spent four years as an analyst with Charles Schwab's Capital Markets division. Mr. Evans received a bachelor's degree from Wittenberg University and holds a Certified Market Technician (CMT) designation.

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From: Davis, James
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2002 8:55 PM
To: SFGC Global
Subject: Memphis Update

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-----Original Message-----

From: Sheppard, Heather
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2002 3:50 PM
To: Davis, James
Subject:

To: SFGC Global

From: James M. Davis, CFO

Date: October 17, 2002

Subject: Memphis Office Update

Within our corporate strategic plan, a major goal is to conceive, plan, and implement a comprehensive investment strategy for the Stanford Group of Companies. At issue here is the desire to bring the wealth management concept to our many separate units that serve thousands of customers worldwide. We are presently building a wealth management framework that will be instrumental in guiding the creation and implementation of the various business models for all of our companies for the ultimate benefit of all our esteemed customers. Up until now, much of this framework and action and interaction by company has been intuitive. However, we are working on the formal strategic investment plan scheduling early first quarter 2003 to begin company-by-company small group meetings for the purpose of review, input, and enhancement. In these small group meetings, we will further refine individual applications of the investment strategy so that each department, each company, each division, and each unit understands fully how their teams relate to the plan and how the plan relates to their teams.

As an integral part of our overall investment strategy, over the past three and one half years I have been working with Laura Pendergest Amy and her investment research team to create a world-class portfolio research management and trading division. Historically, my office has implemented the Board of Director's investment management philosophy by using the global expertise of proven advisory relationships. This has been a successful model. However, the Stanford Group has grown immensely over recent years and the strategy of the Board of Directors, with respect to investment management, has been modified so as to directly manage our various portfolios, trading activities, and research in an ever-increasing way. To that end, Laura has hired and trained an elite group of managers and analysts; as a consequence, over the past twenty-four months we have measurably increased the hands-on management of a large part of our traditional portfolios and the lion's share of economic and market research. On the alternative investment front, Laura's team has conceived, planned, and

implemented some half dozen trend following trading systems. These systems have been exhaustively back-tested through the alpha testing stage and two of the systems have completed beta testing and are now trading live with spectacular results. Therefore, we are still executing our tried and true investment philosophy, but with significantly more direct hands on management.

Investments and Research Division:

The most important resource of any company division, department, unit, or project is the human element. I believe in growth, for without it our group will wither on the vine. We have experienced considerable growth company wide and in the Investments and Research division - in quality and quantity. Consistent growth is primarily a product of a strong resource of talent.

Leading the growth on the investment front has been our Managing Director of Investments and Research, Laura Pendergest Amy. Laura came to Stanford from Mississippi State University six years ago after receiving her Master's Degree in Mathematics with honors. Following an intensive three-year management and technical training program as a Research Analyst and Proprietary Trader, Laura was promoted to Portfolio Manager where she had personal responsibility for several hundred million dollars of assets under management. It was during her tenure in this position that she single-handedly built the investment and research division as we know it today.

Earlier this year, Laura was promoted to the position of Managing Director of Investments and Research, reporting to the Chief Financial Officer, and as such the Investment Committee of the Board of Directors. In this position Laura oversees research, proprietary trading, portfolio management and implements investment strategy for the Group. Laura and her team manage in excess of 1.6 billion in assets as they interact globally for the benefit of the Stanford companies, especially for SIBL, STCL, BOA and SFG.

Please join me and offer congratulations to Laura for her recent promotion and for the job she and her team have done this year.

As we continue to grow I urge you to utilize the Memphis team in any way that you feel will bring value to your operation. Laura is the manager of this office. Contact Laura with all Investments and Research issues and other day-to-day concerns where the Memphis office is involved.

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From: Ventrice, Ed [EVentrice@StanfordEagle.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 5:20 PM
To: Case 3:09-cv-00724-PP Document 44-4 Filed 05/24/10 Page 55 of 66 PageID 4624
Chaisson, Scott S.
Cc: Green, Jason
Subject: Fw: Wall st journal in beginning of july

Scott what's the deal with this, is this place a ticking time bomb?
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----- Original Message -----

From: Bohs, Brenda
To: Bober, Michael
Cc: MacDonald, Michael; Ventrice, Ed
Sent: Mon Jul 14 11:00:51 2008
Subject: RE: Wall st journal in beginning of july

Hi:
I had Derik check Bloomberg and this is all he found:

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The SEC issued subpoenas yesterday to two former Stanford Group employees asking for information about the CD sales by its offshore bank, Stanford International Bank Ltd. The subpoenas also demanded sales-training materials for the CDs and so-called mutual fund wrap programs, which are portfolios of diversified mutual funds. The companies are owned by billionaire R. Allen Stanford.

The subpoenas were provided to Bloomberg News by Mike O'Brien, the Houston-based attorney for two former employees, Charles Rawl and Mark Tidwell. They are both suing Houston-based Stanford Group, accusing the company of forcing them to resign because they did not want to participate in illegal activities that they say Stanford Group was requiring them to carry out.

Stanford Group spokeswoman Lula Rodriguez said the company is "not aware of any formal actions by the SEC related to either Mr. Tidwell or Mr. Rawl or connected to any of our clients."

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KVT-13

"Oh the web we weave"
Let's hope they are lying
And sgc is not doing something underhanded

This message has been sent by my blackberry wireless device Michael S MacDonald VP Investments Stanford Group Company
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EXHIBIT 2

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

LAWRENCE J. DE MARIA,)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
)
STANFORD FINANCIAL GROUP,)
COMPANY and THE IDEA)
ADVERTISING GROUP, INC.,)
)
Defendants.)
/

CASE NO. 06-05417 CA ((21))

AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, LAWRENCE J. DE MARIA (“DE MARIA”), by and through his undersigned attorney, sues Defendants, STANFORD FINANCIAL GROUP COMPANY (“STANFORD FINANCIAL”) and THE IDEA ADVERTISING GROUP, INC., (“IDEA”), and alleges as follows:

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Plaintiff, DE MARIA, is an individual, *sui juris*, and at all times material to this action was, a resident of Miami-Dade County, Florida.
2. Defendant, STANFORD FINANCIAL is, and at all times material to this action was, a Florida corporation, which has its principal office in Houston, Texas and does business in Miami-Dade County, Florida.
3. Defendant, IDEA, is, and at all times material to this action was, a foreign corporation, which has its principal office in Houston, Texas and does business in Miami-Dade County, Florida.
4. STANFORD FINANCIAL and IDEA were both employers of DE MARIA.

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5. From 1997 through 2003, DE MARIA served as President of the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce in New York, New York.

6. In or about 2003, while working for the Chamber of Commerce, DE MARIA was solicited by Defendants' Human Resources Manager, Sonja Liggett ("Liggett"), regarding the opportunity to serve as Managing Editor for STANFORD FINANCIAL's corporate magazine, the *Stanford Eagle*. DE MARIA declined the solicitation at that time. However, later in the year, Liggett again approached DE MARIA, this time regarding the opportunity to serve as Defendants' Director of Corporate Communications.

7. DE MARIA interviewed for the Director of Corporate Communications Position, meeting with the president of IDEA, Linda Wingfield ("Wingfield"), and R. Allen Stanford ("Stanford"), who is, and at all times material was, the president and Chairman of the Board of STANFORD FINANCIAL.

8. DE MARIA was told that, as director, he would be in charge of all corporate communication, and he would also be the chief writer and editor for Defendants. DE MARIA was told that he would serve as the "right hand" of Stanford and would be invited to all board meetings. DE MARIA was to unify all corporate communication functions and the position was described as one of influence.

9. In or about December 2003, DE MARIA accepted the position of Director of Corporate Communications for Defendants.

10. In order to effectively do his job, DE MARIA needed to obtain a comprehensive understanding as to STANFORD FINANCIAL's business and the role of its key employees, many of whom were to be profiled in the *Stanford Eagle*. To that end, DE MARIA began asking probing

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questions about STANFORD FINANCIAL's business model and, more specifically, how STANFORD FINANCIAL earned its revenue. DE MARIA learned that STANFORD FINANCIAL was primarily involved in real estate development, financial services and also controlled an offshore bank, Stanford International Bank, located in Antigua.

11. As DE MARIA continued to gather information and ask questions, he became increasingly marginalized within the company. He was rarely given access to Stanford and was never allowed into a board meeting. Far from being treated like an executive of influence within the company, DE MARIA found himself essentially having to answer to three to four assistants of Stanford. In fact, Stanford's chief of staff thwarted DE MARIA's communication with Stanford and even went so far as to hire a New York public relations firm to perform the job functions DE MARIA was hired to do.

12. In the early part of 2004, Wingfield took another position and was replaced by Mr. Ron Rossi ("Rossi").

13. In the Fall of 2004, DE MARIA objected to, raised concerns and provided information about the following practices he reasonably believe were taking place on the part of STANFORD FINANCIAL:

- a. The majority of deposits into Stanford International Bank based in Antigua came from South Americans seeking to hide their money;
- b. STANFORD FINANCIAL was using fraudulent and misleading claims to attract new money from investors into the company;
- c. STANFORD FINANCIAL was falsifying its financial disclosures.
- d. STANFORD FINANCIAL was operating a "Ponzi" or pyramid scheme, taking new money to its offshore bank, laundering the money and using the money to

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finance its growing brokerage business, which did not have any profits of its own, and to attract clients with artificially high yields on certificates of deposits;

- e. Stanford and STANFORD FINANCIAL were making cash payments to politicians in Antigua and heavily financing select American senators and congressmen who were supportive of weakening American money laundering laws.

14. The violations of law raised by DE MARIA include, but may not be limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1341 (Frauds and Swindles), 18 U.S.C. 1343 (Fraud by Wire, Radio or Television);

15. In or about December 2004, shortly after DE MARIA raised concerns as set forth above, Rossi told DE MARIA that Stanford was not satisfied with DE MARIA's work and, as such, on or about December 6, 2004, Defendants terminated DE MARIA.

16. Notwithstanding the reason given by Defendants for DE MARIA's termination, DE MARIA asserts that he was terminated for objecting to and raising concerns about practices of his employers that he reasonably believed violated federal and state laws, rules and regulations.

17. Plaintiff has retained the undersigned attorney to represent him in this action and is obligated to pay said attorney a reasonable fee for his services.

18. All conditions precedent to bringing this action have been waived or are otherwise excused.

COUNT I
VIOLATION OF FLORIDA'S PRIVATE WHISTLEBLOWER ACT

19. This is an action for violation of Florida's Private Whistleblower Act, §§448.101-448.105, Florida Statutes ("Whistleblower Act"), with damages in excess of \$15,000.

20. Plaintiff reasserts the general allegations as set forth above and incorporates the same herein by this reference.

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21. Plaintiff is within the protected class of individuals as defined under §448.01, Florida Statutes.

22. Defendants STANFORD FINANCIAL and IDEA are, and at all material times were, “employers” as envisioned by §448.101, Florida Statutes.

23. During his employment with STANFORD FINANCIAL and IDEA, Plaintiff became aware of, objected to, and raised concerns about certain policies and practices of these Defendants, as more specifically described in paragraph twelve (12) above, which violated state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

24. STANFORD FINANCIAL’s and IDEA’s actions constituted prohibited employment practices pursuant to the Whistleblower Act.

25. As a result of STANFORD FINANCIAL’s and IDEA’s violations of the Whistleblower Act, Plaintiff has been damaged.

26. Plaintiff is entitled to the recovery of reasonable attorney’s fees and costs pursuant to Section 448.104, Florida Statutes.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, LAWRENCE J. DE MARIA, prays for relief against Defendants, STANFORD FINANCIAL GROUP COMPANY and THE IDEA ADVERTISING GROUP, INC., as follows:

- a. That Plaintiff, have and recover from the Defendants actual damages suffered as a result of these Defendants’ violations of the Whistleblower Act;
- b. That Plaintiff, have and recover from the Defendants all front and back pay, medical expenses, insurance benefits, pension benefits and all such other legal and equitable relief recoverable under the Whistleblower Act;
- c. That Plaintiff, have and recover from these Defendants compensatory damages recoverable under the Whistleblower Act;

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- d. That Plaintiff, have and recover from these Defendants all costs and attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff in connection with the prosecution of this action; and
- e. That Plaintiff, have and recover from these Defendants such other and further relief as this Court may deem just, necessary and proper.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff, LAWRENCE J. DE MARIA, hereby demands trial by jury as to all claims triable by right of jury under Florida law.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by facsimile and regular mail to counsel for Defendants, Neil F. McGuinness, Esq., Bennett, Aiello, Henry & McGuinness, LLP, The Ingraham Building Suite 808, 25 Southeast Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33131-1603, fax no: (305) 358-9031 on this 18th day of April, 2006.

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