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CANADIAN AND NEVADA PROMOTERS SUED FOR SECURITIES LAW VIOLATIONS *State Seeks Return of More Than \$3 Million of Investor Funds in Dominican Republic Resorts*

Boise, Idaho . . . The Idaho Department of Finance has filed a civil lawsuit in Ada County District Court against seven individuals and three companies who sold investments to over 40 Idahoans in two resorts located in the Dominican Republic. Named in the suit are Derek F.C. Elliott, James B. Catledge, David Brimley, Steve Cabezud, Barbara Nagel, John Thompson, Trevor Walker, Sun Village Juan Dolio Associates, LLC, Impact, Inc. and Impact Net Worth, LLC. These individuals and entities operated, or were otherwise located in the Dominican Republic, Canada, Nevada, California and Idaho. The complaint alleges violations of the registration and anti-fraud provisions of the Idaho Uniform Securities Act.

The Department's complaint alleges that the defendants offered and sold over \$3 million in various types of unregistered resort-related securities to Idaho investors, and that misrepresentations and omissions of material facts occurred in connection with the offer and sale of the investment interests. More specifically, various defendants are alleged to have:

1. misrepresented that the investments were safe;
2. misrepresented that investors would receive a fee simple deeded title to their portion of the resort property;
3. misrepresented the terms of an allegedly fixed-term income investment that was actually a 45 year resort time-share interest, and
4. violated the mortgage loan originator licensing provisions of the Idaho Residential Mortgage Practices Act.

The State initiated the suit after the primary promoters, Derek Elliot, James Catledge, Sun Village Juan Dolio Associates, LLC and Impact, Inc. failed to adhere to the terms of previous Consent Orders that required more disclosure and refund offers to Idaho investors. While refund offers and additional disclosures were provided to Idaho investors, the promoters failed to make refund payments as promised. The seven count complaint seeks a permanent injunction, investor restitution of over \$3 million and civil penalties.

Department of Finance Press Releases and a copy of the civil complaint can be found on the Internet via the worldwide web at <http://finance.idaho.gov> and may be obtained by contacting the Department at (208) 332-8004 or Idaho toll-free at 1-888-346-3378.

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