IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT, R.S.N.S. 1989, CHAPTER 418, AS AMENDED ("Act")

-AND

IN THE MATTER OF STRATUS FINANCIAL GROUP INTERNATIONAL AND KEN POWERS (collectively the "Respondents")

<u>Order</u>

(Sections 134(1) and 134(1A) of the Act)

WHEREAS the Director of Enforcement for the Nova Scotia Securities Commission ("Commission") submitted a Notice of Application dated the 13th day of May, 2015;

AND WHEREAS the Respondents were provided an opportunity to be heard by way of written response;

AND WHEREAS the Respondents did not provide a written response to this application;

AND WHEREAS proper service was effected upon the Respondents and an Affidavit of Service was filed with the Commission;

AND UPON reviewing and considering the submissions of counsel for the Director of Enforcement;

AND UPON the New Brunswick Financial and Consumer Services Tribunal having found that the Respondents contravened the securities laws of that jurisdiction and having ordered sanctions against the Respondents in its Decision issued January 30, 2015;

AND UPON the Commission determining it is in the public interest to issue this order reciprocating the sanctions ordered by the New Brunswick Financial and Consumer Services Tribunal pursuant to section 134(1A)(c) of the Act;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Pursuant to subsection 134(1)(b) of the Act, that the Respondents cease trading in securities in Nova Scotia permanently;
- 2. Pursuant to subsection 134(1)(b) of the Act, that the trading in any securities offered by the Respondents is prohibited in Nova Scotia permanently;
- 3. Pursuant to subsection 134(1)(c) of the Act, that any exemptions contained in Nova Scotia securities laws do not apply to the Respondents permanently;

- Pursuant to subsection 134(1)(d)(ii) of the Act, that Powers is prohibited from becoming or acting as a director or officer of any issuer, registrant or investment fund manager permanently; and
- 5. Pursuant to subsection 134(1)(e)(i) of the Act, that the Respondents are prohibited from disseminating to the public, or authorizing the dissemination to the public, any information or material that pertains to the trading of securities.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, the 7th day of July, 2015,

NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

Paul Radford, Q.C.

Vice Chair