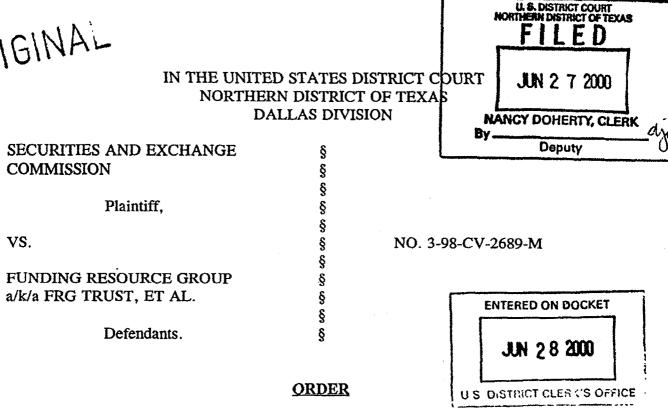
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This is a civil action initiated by the Securities and Exchange Commission involving an alleged "ponzi" scheme to defraud investors out of more than \$14 million through the sale of prime bank securities. Michael J. Quilling has been appointed as Receiver over various entities, including Funding Resource Group, Howe Financial Trust, MVP Network, Inc., Hammersmith Trust, LLC, and their principals. In that capacity, Quilling has filed numerous lawsuits to recover monies allegedly paid to others in furtherance of this illegal "ponzi" scheme. Quilling is also working with the SEC in the instant case. In an effort to control the costs of this litigation and maximize the return of funds to defrauded investors, the Court determines that the Receiver should prepare a litigation budget for this proceeding.1 Accordingly, the Receiver is ordered to complete the following budget by July 25, 2000:

<sup>1</sup> The Receiver has already been paid more than \$800,000 for work performed in this case.

Stage	Total Hours (Estimate)	Attorney Compensation (Hourly Rate)	Estimated Costs	Total
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Pleading Preparation				***************************************
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The Receiver shall also provide the Court with a good faith estimate of the amount of money he realistically expects to recover on behalf of the defrauded investors as a direct result of this lawsuit.

Upon review of this budget, the Court will either approve or disapprove the projected attorney's fees and expenditures and establish a mechanism for the payment of fees to the Receiver.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 27, 2000.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE