

**Examiner of the Wellington Companies  
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March 15, 2001

***ALL INVESTORS OF THE WELLINGTON COMPANIES***

Re: *Investments with the Wellington Companies, Guardian First Limited, Castlerock Consulting, LLC; John E. Brinker, Jr., Gary J. Bentz, et al.; Case Number: IP01-0259-C-H/G*

Dear Investor:

On February 27, 2001, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission commenced a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana against certain individuals, namely John E. Brinker, Jr., and Gary J. Bentz, as well as a number of companies which were owned or controlled by Messrs. Brinker and Bentz. A specific listing of those companies is included with this letter on an attachment as Exhibit "A." Generally these companies are referred to as the "Wellington Companies."

On the date of the filing of the above described litigation, I was appointed by the Court to act as an "Examiner." The Court directed me to prepare an accounting which is to include, among other things, information about all funds that may have been paid to Mr. Brinker, Mr. Bentz or any of the Wellington Companies. According to information which I have received, you may have been an investor in one of the Wellington Companies and the purpose of this letter is to determine the accuracy of this information and the amount of your investment. I would appreciate your filling out the attached form and returning it to me in the self addressed, stamped envelope which I have provided for your use in order to prepare the accounting which has been requested of me by the Court.

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Your prompt response to this inquiry will be most appreciated.

Sincerely,  
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## ***EXHIBIT "A"***

### ***(NAMES USED BY WELLINGTON COMPANIES)***

- Castlerock Consulting, LLC
  - Guardian First Limited, Inc.  
(Nevada Corporation)
  - Guardian First Limited, Inc.  
(Grenada Corporation)
  - Wellington Bank and Trust Limited
  - Wellington Capital Holdings Limited, Inc.
  - Wellington Capital Holdings, Ltd.
  - Wellington International Investments, Inc.
  - Wellington First International Investment, Inc.
  - Alpha Advantage, II, Inc.
  - 1185 Family L.P.
  - Steadfast Ministries, Inc.
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