

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

JOSEPH A. MERRICK, Individually and on
behalf of all others similarly situated,


Plaintiff,

- versus -

STIFEL FINANCIAL CORPORATION, et al.

Defendants.

Case No. 08-cv-01167-HEA

11.17.08
So Ordering


~~REDACTED~~ **ORDER APPOINTING THE STIFEL GROUP AS LEAD PLAINTIFF
AND APPROVING LEAD PLAINTIFF'S SELECTION OF COUNSEL**

Upon consideration of the motions and supporting papers filed by the movants for lead

Plaintiff in the above captioned action and for good cause shown, *and subject to Defendants' reservation of Rights as provided in their withdrawal of their opposition,*
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion of the Stifel Group for Appointment as Lead Plaintiff and Approval of selection of counsel is **GRANTED**.
2. Class members the Stifel Group are hereby **APPOINTED** to serve as Lead Plaintiff pursuant to Section 21D(a)(3)(B) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(3)(B), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.
3. The law firm of Carey & Danis, LLC and Stueve Siegel Hanson, LLP are hereby **APPOINTED** to serve as Lead Counsel for the Class, pursuant to Section 21D(a)(3)(B) of the Exchange Act 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(3)(B), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, in the above captioned action.

SO ORDERED