

**U.S. District Court
Southern District of New York (Foley Square)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:08-cv-09060-DC**

Copeland v. Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V. et al

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Nature of suit: 850 Securities/Commodities
Assigned to: [Judge Denny Chin](#)
Cause: 15:78m(a) Securities Exchange Act
Jurisdiction: Federal Question
Jury demand: Plaintiff

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Docket Proceedings[Reverse Proceedings](#)

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			MANUALLY-COLLECTED COMPLAINT
1	Oct. 22, 2008	1	COMPLAINT against Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V., Fortis NV, Herman Verwilst, Jean-Paul Votron, Maurice Lippens. (Filing Fee \$ 350.00, Receipt Number 666973)Document filed by Christopher Copeland.(rdz) (mbe). (Entered: 10/27/2008)
2	Oct. 22, 2008		SUMMONS ISSUED as to Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V., Fortis NV, Herman Verwilst, Jean-Paul Votron, Maurice Lippens. (rdz) (Entered: 10/27/2008)
3	Oct. 22, 2008		Magistrate Judge Michael H. Dolinger is so designated. (rdz) (Entered: 10/27/2008)
4	Oct. 22, 2008		Case Designated ECF. (rdz) (Entered: 10/27/2008)
5	Nov. 20, 2008	2	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V. served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
6	Nov. 20, 2008	3	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Fortis Bank served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept.. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
7	Nov. 20, 2008	4	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Fortis NV served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept.. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
8	Nov. 20, 2008	5	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Maurice Lippens served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept.. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
9	Nov. 20, 2008	6	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Herman Verwilst served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
10	Nov. 20, 2008	7	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. Jean-Paul Votron served on 11/12/2008, answer due 12/2/2008. Service was accepted by Anthony Butler, Legal Dept.. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Nespole, Gregory) (Entered: 11/20/2008)
11	Dec. 03, 2008	8	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by James Robert Warnot, Jr on behalf of Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V., Fortis NV (Attachments: # 1 Appendix Certificate of Service)(Warnot, James) (Entered: 12/03/2008)
12	Dec. 03, 2008	9	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Paul M. Alfieri on behalf of Fortis, Fortis Bank S.A. /N.V., Fortis NV (Attachments: # 1 Appendix Certificate of Service)(Alfieri, Paul) (Entered: 12/03/2008)
13	Dec. 05, 2008	10	STIPULATION AND ORDER that defendants need not answer, move against, or otherwise respond to the original complaint filed in this Action on 1022/08. Upon appointment of Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel, Plaintiff will file an amended complaint and Defendants will have 45 days to answer or move against the Amended Complaint. (Signed by Judge

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			Denny Chin on 12/5/08) (cd) (Entered: 12/05/2008)
14	Dec. 12, 2008		***NOTE TO ATTORNEY TO E-MAIL PDF. Note to Attorney Gregory Mark Nespole for noncompliance with Section (14.3) of the S.D.N.Y. Electronic Case Filing Rules & Instructions. E-MAIL the PDF for Document 1 Complaint to: case_openings@nysd.uscourts.gov. (laq) (Entered: 12/12/2008)
15	Dec. 15, 2008	11	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Michael Svetkey Feldberg on behalf of Fortis Bank SA/NV (Feldberg, Michael) (Entered: 12/15/2008)
16	Dec. 15, 2008	12	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by David C. Esseks on behalf of Fortis Bank SA/NV (Esseks, David) (Entered: 12/15/2008)
17	Dec. 22, 2008	13	ENDORSED LETTER addressed to Judge Denny Chin from Mario Alba dated 12/22/08 re: This firm has recently been retained to represent two institutional investors who wish to make a motion for appointment as lead plaintiff in the above referenced actions. Accordingly. the client must file its motion no later than December 22, 2008. ENDORSEMENT: The motion may be filed without a pre-motion conference. So Ordered. (Motions due by 12/22/2008.) (Signed by Judge Denny Chin on 12/22/08) (js) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
18	Dec. 22, 2008	14	MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s). Document filed by Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada, Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Alba, Mario) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
19	Dec. 22, 2008	15	DECLARATION of Mario Alba Jr. in Support re: 14 MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s).. Document filed by Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada, Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A - First notice, # 2 Exhibit B - certifications, # 3 Exhibit C - loss chart, # 4 Exhibit D - firm resume)(Alba, Mario) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
20	Dec. 22, 2008	16	MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: 14 MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s).. Document filed by Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada, Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands. (Alba, Mario) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
21	Dec. 22, 2008	17	MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s)., MOTION to Appoint Counsel Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP as Lead Counsel. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Attachments: # 1 Certificate of Service)(Bruckner, Gustavo) (Entered: 12/22/2008)

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<u>22</u>	Dec. 22, 2008	18	MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: 17 MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Counsel Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP as Lead Counsel. MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s).. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Bruckner, Gustavo) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
<u>23</u>	Dec. 22, 2008	19	DECLARATION of Gustavo Bruckner in Support re: 17 MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Counsel Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP as Lead Counsel. MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s).. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1, # 2 Exhibit 2, # 3 Exhibit 3, # 4 Exhibit 4, # 5 Exhibit 5)(Bruckner, Gustavo) (Entered: 12/22/2008)
<u>24</u>	Jan. 12, 2009	20	MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: 14 MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada and Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands to serve as lead plaintiff(s). And In Opposition to the Competing Motion. Document filed by Labourers Pension Fund of Central and Eastern Canada, Employers Retirement System of the Government of the Virgin Islands. (Rosenfeld, David) (Entered: 01/12/2009)
<u>25</u>	Jan. 20, 2009	21	NOTICE of Withdrawal of Motion re: 17 MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s). MOTION to Appoint Counsel Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP as Lead Counsel. MOTION to Appoint Christopher Copeland to serve as lead plaintiff(s).. Document filed by Christopher Copeland. (Bruckner, Gustavo) (Entered: 01/20/2009)
<u>26</u>	Feb. 03, 2009	22	ORDER APPOINTING LEAD PLAINTIFFS AND APPROVING SELECTION OF LEAD COUNSEL, that Labourers' Pension Fund CEC and U.S. Virgin Islands GERS are hereby appointed Lead Plaintiffs for the Class pursuant to Section 21 D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and The law firm of Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP is hereby appointed Lead Counsel. ENDORSEMENT: and no opposition to this motion having been received, and no other motion for appointment of lead plaintiff having been filed, except for such motion that was later withdrawn. (Signed by Judge Denny Chin on 2/3/09) (pl) Modified on 2/3/2009 (pl). (Entered: 02/03/2009)