

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

IN RE MUTUAL FUNDS INVESTMENT LITIGATION

MDL DOCKET 1586

Case No. 04-md-15863

Columbia sub-track

PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- A. **IF YOU DIRECTLY HELD YOUR SHARES WITH COLUMBIA, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM.** This includes shares held directly through Columbia's transfer agent, Columbia Funds Services, Inc. The Settlement Administrator will have access to the company's data on your positions in the Columbia Mutual Funds.
- B. **For shares that were NOT held directly with Columbia**, to recover as a member of the Class based on your claims in the Columbia Sub-Track of the action entitled *In re Mutual Funds Investment Litigation* (MDL No. 1586), Case No. 04-md-15863 (the "Actions"), you must complete this Proof of Claim and Release form ("Proof of Claim"). If you fail to submit a Proof of Claim by the deadline (December 8, 2010), your claim may be rejected and you may be precluded from receiving any recovery from the Settlement Funds created in connection with the proposed Settlements of the Actions. If you have any question as to whether or not you are required to submit a Proof of Claim, please contact the Settlement Administrator.
- C. Submission of this Proof of Claim, however, does not assure that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement Funds created in the Actions.
- D. YOU MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT YOUR PROOF OF CLAIM VIA MAIL POSTMARKED **ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 8, 2010**, ADDRESSED TO THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR AS FOLLOWS:

In re Mutual Funds Investment Litigation – Columbia Sub-Track
c/o Rust Consulting, Inc.
Claims Administrator
P.O. Box 2338
Faribault, MN 55021-9038

If you are NOT a member of the Class, as defined in the Short-Form Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlements of Class and Derivative Actions and Settlement Hearing ("Mail Notice") which you may have received in the mail or in the Long-Form Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlements of Class and Derivative Actions, Motion For Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, and Settlement Hearing ("Long-Form Notice"), found at www.Columbiamutualfundlitigation.com, DO NOT submit a Proof of Claim.

- E. If you are a member of the Class, you are bound by the terms of any judgment entered in the Actions, WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM.

II. INSTRUCTIONS FOR CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION SCHEDULE

- A. If you purchased and/or held shares in any of the Columbia Mutual Funds directly from Columbia Funds Services, Inc. during the period November 1, 1998 through February 25, 2004, inclusive (the "Class Period"), and held the Columbia Mutual Fund shares in your name, then you are the beneficial owner as well as the record owner and do not have to file a Proof of Claim. If, however, your Columbia Mutual Fund shares were registered in the name of a third party, such as a brokerage firm, then you, as the ultimate shareholder, are the beneficial owner and the third party is the record owner. If a third party is the record owner of your Columbia Mutual Fund shares, then you need to file a Proof of Claim. Your broker will not file a Proof of Claim for you. If you held Columbia Mutual Fund shares through a retirement or college savings plan, contact your plan sponsor or administrator to determine what procedure you will need to follow to participate in the settlement.

- B. Use Part I of this form entitled “Claimant Identification” to identify each owner of record (“nominee”), such as your brokerage firm, if different from the beneficial owner of the Columbia Mutual Fund shares which form the basis of this claim. Part 1 of the form must contain identification information for you, as well as for the third party through which you held your Columbia Mutual Fund shares. THIS CLAIM MUST BE FILED BY THE ACTUAL BENEFICIAL OWNER(S), OR THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF SUCH OWNER(S) OF THE SHARES OF THE COLUMBIA MUTUAL FUNDS UPON WHICH THIS CLAIM IS BASED.
- C. All joint purchasers must sign this claim. Executors, administrators, guardians, conservators and trustees must complete and sign this claim on behalf of persons or entities represented by them and their authority must accompany this claim and their titles or capacities must be stated. The Social Security (or taxpayer identification) number and telephone number of the beneficial owner may be used in verifying the claim. Failure to provide the foregoing information could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of the claim.

III. INSTRUCTIONS FOR SCHEDULE OF TRANSACTIONS

- A. In the space provided below, supply all required details of your holdings in the Columbia Mutual Funds. If you need more space, attach separate sheets giving all of the required information in substantially the same form. Sign and print or type your name on each additional sheet.
- B. Please provide the requested information with respect to **all** of your holdings in the Columbia Mutual Funds during periods requested below. Failure to report all such information may result in the rejection of your claim.
- C. You will also need to submit supporting documentation concerning the number of shares you held in the Columbia Mutual Funds at various times. In most cases, information contained in your year-end mutual fund statements from the relevant time period will be sufficient. Failure to provide this documentation could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of your claim. If you did not hold any shares as of a particular date, you do not need to submit documentation of your lack of holdings.
- D. The requests are designed to provide the minimum amount of information necessary to process the most simple claims. The Settlement Administrator may request additional information as required to efficiently and reliably calculate your losses. In some cases where the Settlement Administrator cannot perform the calculation accurately or at a reasonable cost to the Class with the information provided, the Settlement Administrator may condition acceptance of the claim upon the production of additional information and/or the hiring of an accounting expert at the Claimant’s cost.

**MUST BE POSTMARKED
NO LATER THAN:
DECEMBER 8, 2010**

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
*In re Mutual Funds Investment Litigation -
Columbia Sub-Track*
Case No. 04-md-15863

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PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT USING BLACK OR BLUE INK.

PART I: CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION - (COMPLETE EITHER SECTION A OR B AND THEN PROCEED TO C. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT.)

A. Complete this Section ONLY if the Beneficial Owner is an individual, joint, or IRA account. Otherwise, proceed to B

Last Name (Beneficial Owner)	First Name (Beneficial Owner)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name (Joint Beneficial Owner, if applicable)	First Name (Joint Beneficial Owner)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Name of IRA Custodian, if applicable	
<input type="text"/>	

If this account is an IRA, and if you would like any check that you MAY be eligible to receive made payable to the IRA account, please include "IRA" in the "Last Name" box above (e.g., Jones IRA).

B. Complete this Section ONLY if the Beneficial Owner is an Entity; i.e., corporation, trust, estate, etc. Then, proceed to C.

Entity Name
<input type="text"/>
Name of Representative, if applicable (Executor, administrator, trustee, c/o, etc.)
<input type="text"/>

C. Account/Mailing Information:

Specify one of the following:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/> UGMA Custodian	<input type="checkbox"/> IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership
<input type="checkbox"/> Estate	<input type="checkbox"/> Trust	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="text"/>	
Number and Street and P.O. Box		
<input type="text"/>		
City	State	Zip Code
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Foreign Province and Postal Code	Foreign Country	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Telephone Number (Day)	Telephone Number (Evening)	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
E-mail Address	Account Number	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Enter Taxpayer Identification Number below for the Beneficial Owner(s).		
Social Security No. (for individuals)	or	Taxpayer Identification No.
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>



QUESTIONS? VISIT www.Columbiamutualfundlitigation.com OR CALL 1- 877- 690-7105



PART II: HOLDINGS IN THE COLUMBIA MUTUAL FUNDS

Please report in the table below the number of shares you held in any of the Columbia Mutual Funds listed below at the end of each year. If you held such shares in more than one account, please complete a separate table for each such account.

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Name of Beneficial Holder:							
Columbia Mutual Fund ¹	Shares Held on November 1, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1999	Shares Held on December 31, 2000	Shares Held on December 31, 2001	Shares Held on December 31, 2002	Shares Held on December 31, 2003
¹ If you owned more than one class of stock in any of these Columbia Mutual Funds, sum the amounts for the classes.							
COLONIAL SMALL CAP VALUE FUND							
COLUMBIA ACORN INTERNATIONAL FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY ACORN INTERNATIONAL FUND)							
COLUMBIA ACORN INTL SELECT FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY ACORN FOREIGN FORTY FUND)							
COLUMBIA EUROPE FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY NEWPORT EUROPE FUND)							
COLUMBIA WORLD EQUITY FUND (F/K/A COLUMBIA GLOBAL EQUITY FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY NEWPORT GLOBAL EQUITY FUND))							
COLUMBIA GROWTH STOCK FUND (N/K/A COLUMBIA LARGE CAP GROWTH FUND, F/K/A LIBERTY GROWTH STOCK FUND (F/K/A STEIN ROE GROWTH STOCK FUND))							
COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND							
COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL STOCK FUND (F/K/A COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL STOCK FUND, INC.)							
COLUMBIA MID CAP GROWTH FUND (F/K/A COLUMBIA SPECIAL FUND, INC., F/K/A COLUMBIA MID CAP GROWTH FUND, INC.)							
COLUMBIA MID CAP VALUE FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY SELECT VALUE FUND)							

Name of Beneficial Holder:

Columbia Mutual Fund ¹	Shares Held on November 1, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1999	Shares Held on December 31, 2000	Shares Held on December 31, 2001	Shares Held on December 31, 2002	Shares Held on December 31, 2003
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¹ If you owned more than one class of stock in any of these Columbia Mutual Funds, sum the amounts for the classes.

COLUMBIA NEWPORT ASIA PACIFIC FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY NEWPORT ASIA PACIFIC FUND)							
COLUMBIA NEWPORT GREATER CHINA FUND							
COLUMBIA NEWPORT JAPAN OPPORTUNITIES FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY NEWPORT JAPAN OPPORTUNITIES FUND)							
COLUMBIA NEWPORT TIGER FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY NEWPORT TIGER FUND)							
COLUMBIA SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND							
COLUMBIA SMALL CAP VALUE FUND							
COLUMBIA SMALL COMPANY EQUITY FUND (F/K/A LIBERTY SMALL COMPANY EQUITY FUND)							
COLUMBIA TECHNOLOGY FUND							
COLUMBIA YOUNG INVESTOR FUND (N/K/A COLUMBIA STRATEGIC INCOME FUND)							
GALAXY UTILITY INDEX FUND							
LIBERTY SMALL COMPANY GROWTH FUND							
LIBERTY GROWTH STOCK FUND							
LIBERTY NEWPORT GLOBAL EQUITY FUND (N/K/A COLUMBIA WORLD EQUITY FUND)							



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Columbia Mutual Fund ¹	Shares Held on November 1, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1998	Shares Held on December 31, 1999	Shares Held on December 31, 2000	Shares Held on December 31, 2001	Shares Held on December 31, 2002	Shares Held on December 31, 2003
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LIBERTY NEWPORT INTL EQUITY FUND							
LIBERTY SELECT VALUE FUND (N/K/A COLUMBIA MID CAP VALUE FUND)							
LIBERTY YOUNG INVESTOR FUND							
NEWPORT TIGER FUND							
SR CAPITAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND							
SR DISCIPLINED STOCK FUND							
SR INTERNATIONAL FUND							
SR MIDCAP GROWTH FUND							
WANGER FOREIGN FORTY							
WANGER INTERNATIONAL SMALL CAP FUND							
WANGER US SMALLER COMPANIES FUND							

YOU MUST READ AND SIGN THE RELEASE ON PAGE 5. FAILURE TO SIGN THE RELEASE MAY RESULT IN A DELAY IN PROCESSING OR THE REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM.

If you require additional space, attach extra tables in the same format as above. Copies of account statements or other documentation evidencing your holdings in the Columbia Mutual Funds during the relevant periods should be attached.



PART III: SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION OF COURT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- 1. I (We) submit this Proof of Claim and Release under the terms of the Settlements described in the Mail Notice and Long-Form Notice. I (We) also submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the District of Maryland with respect to my (our) claim as a Class Member and for purposes of enforcing the release set forth herein and any Judgments which may be entered in the Actions. I (We) further acknowledge that I (we) am (are) bound by and subject to the terms of any Judgment that may be entered in the Actions.
- 2. I (We) agree to furnish additional information to the Settlement Administrator to support this claim if required to do so.
- 3. I (We) am (are) a Class Member as defined in the Settlements and am (are) not one of the persons or entities excluded from the Class¹ and that I (we) have NOT requested to be excluded from the Class.

PART IV: RELEASES

- 1. I (We) hereby acknowledge full and complete satisfaction of, and do hereby fully, finally and forever settle, discharge and release all Released Claims against all Released Parties, Bear Stearns Released Parties, Security Brokerage Released Parties and Canary Released Parties, as those terms are defined in the respective Settlements as set forth in the Long-Form Notice on pages 15-17.
- 2. A release in a particular Settlement shall be of no force or effect unless and until the Court gives final approval to that particular Settlement and the Effective Date of that particular Settlement occurs.

PART V: REPRESENTATIONS

- 1. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer, voluntarily or involuntarily, any matter released pursuant to this release or any other part or portion thereof.
- 2. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have included information about all of my (our) holdings in the Columbia Mutual Funds during the relevant periods and the number of shares of such Columbia Mutual Funds held by me (us) at the end of each year during the relevant periods.
- 3. I (We) certify that I am (we are) not subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406(a) (1) (c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

NOTE: If you have been notified by the Internal Revenue Service that you are subject to backup withholding, please strike out the language that you are not subject to backup withholding in the certification above.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Maryland and the United States of America that the foregoing information supplied by the undersigned is true and correct and that this Proof of Claim and Release form was executed

this ___ day of _____, _____ in _____, _____, _____
(Month) (Year) (City, State, Country)

[Redacted signature box]

(Sign your name here)

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¹ Excluded from the Class are: (i) any and all defendants named in any action that is part of the Columbia Subtrack of MDL-1586; (ii) for defendants who are natural persons, members of their immediate families (parents, spouses (current or former), siblings, and children), their heirs, successors or assigns, and any person acting on their behalf for purposes of collecting a payment under this Settlement; (iii) for defendants that are legal entities, their parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors or assigns; (iv) any entity in which any defendant has, or during the Class Period had, a controlling interest; and (v) all Columbia portfolio managers during the Class Period (defined as the person or persons with primary responsibility for the day-to-day management of the investment portfolio of a Columbia Mutual Fund during the Class Period).



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REMINDER CHECKLIST

1. Please sign the Certification section of the Proof of Claim and Release on Page 5.
2. If this claim is being made on behalf of joint claimants, both must sign.
3. Remember to attach supporting documentation, if available.
4. Do not send original account statements.
5. Keep a copy of your Proof of Claim and Release form and all documents submitted for your records.
6. If you desire an acknowledgment of receipt of your claim form, please send it Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
7. If you move, please send the Settlement Administrator your new address.

**THESE FORMS AND YOUR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 8, 2010.**