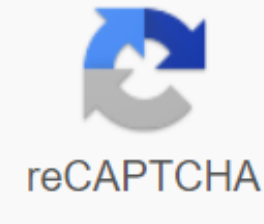




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[7] References[edit] Further reading[edit] External Links[edit] MANHATTAN (CN) – A CEO of the International Gemological Institute took millions of dollars by using the gemstone authenticator as his personal piggy bank, as a major shareholder claims in court. Vazon Investments sued the International Gemological Institute and its co-CEOs Roland Lorié and Jerry Ehrenwald in a derivative slicing complaint in New York County Supreme Court. Lorié also holds 60 percent of vazon, Luxembourg company, which holds 50 percent of IGI. However, a Luxembourg court appointed a provisional director to temporarily administer Vazon for Lorié's alleged misconduct, as stated in 4 June. Shows. claims that Lorié's mismanagement was extended to THE IGI, which he used as his personal piggy bank. Ehrenwald told Courthouse News: My lawyers advise me not to comment. The lawsuit has no value. The International Gemological Institute describes itself as the world's largest independent laboratory for diamond testing and classification with 19 offices worldwide. Among other things, Lorié transferred and embezzled funds from the corporate accounts of one or more Igi group companies to its personal and third-party accounts and granted loans from one or more Igi group companies in favour of the defendant Ehrenwald (who, together with Lorié, is one of the two IGI directors and owns 50 percent of his equity capital). Lorié even admitted stealing more than 7.1 million dollars from the IGI group, the complaint states. Lorié repaid the money but caused a rift with another OWNER of IGI, Marc Brauner, who owns 40 percent of IGI shares, according to the complaint. Vazon claims Brauner discovered other suspicious transfers approved by Lorié. For example, at Lorié's behest, an IGI Dubai employee was paid to transfer USD 535,000 from IGI Dubai to his personal account and then to a third party in the United States. There were also unexplained transfers of millions of dollars from IGI Dubai's accounts to Lorié's personal accounts, the lawsuit states. One or more loans were also granted to Ehrenwald for unknown reasons. For example, an amount of USD 857,281 was transferred to Ehrenwald as a loan from THE IGI Dubai. However, Lorié later admitted that the loan was forged and that Ehrenwald had simply given the money. According to information and belief, this was a method of compensating Ehrenwald for his share of the funds that he and Lorié wrongly diverted from the IGI. Vazon alleges that Brauner also found that 4 million dollars in royalties that should have been paid to IGI Antwerp were sent to IGI Dubai and paid to Lorié as consultancy fees. Vazon calls it part of a pattern of misconduct and mismanagement by Lorié, who continues to pull assets out of the company. Vazon asked the court to appoint a temporary insolvency administrator for IGI and seeks punitive damages for breach of fiduciary duties, reckless misconduct, waste of company assets, unjust enrichment, abuse of controls and other charges. Vazon is represented by Michael Elkin with Winston & Straw. Straw.

