# Upside Protocol Audit Report

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### **About Jamil**

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## Disclaimer

The Jamil Hallack team makes all effort to find as many vulnerabilities in the code in the given time period, but holds no responsibilities for the findings provided in this document. A security audit by the team is not an endorsement of the underlying business or product. The audit was time-boxed and the review of the code was solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contracts.

### Risk Classification

|            |                       | Impact                |                           |                      |
|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Likelihood | High<br>Medium<br>Low | High<br>H<br>H/M<br>M | Medium<br>H/M<br>M<br>M/L | Low<br>M<br>M/L<br>L |

## **Audit Details**

The findings described in this document correspond to the following commit hash

470800e6f2262ed44d38258f627eaea1c02283d6

## Scope

- ./contracts/UpsideProtocol.sol
- ./contracts/UpsideMetaCoin.sol

## **Protocol Summary**

Upside is a social prediction market (think Polymarket + reddit) where you win money by being early on viral tweets, Spotify songs, YouTube videos, etc.

#### Roles

• Owner: Sets fee parameters; Sets staking contract address; Claims fees; Changes name / symbol of a MetaCoin; Disables whitelist; Withdraws liquidity; Sets tokenization fees; Whitelists addresses for transfers

## **Executive Summary**

#### Issues found

| Severity | Number of issues found |
|----------|------------------------|
| High     | 0                      |
| Medium   | 0                      |
| Low      | 0                      |
| Info     | 7                      |
| Total    | 7                      |

## **Findings**

## [I-1] Missing Array Length Consistency Check in setMetaCoinWhitelist()

#### Summary

The setMetaCoinWhitelist() function assumes the input arrays are of equal length without enforcing it.

#### Vulnerability Details

If the arrays differ in length, this could cause out-of-bounds errors or result in incomplete whitelist updates, potentially leading to unexpected contract behavior.

#### **Proof of Concept**

```
function setMetaCoinWhitelist(
   address[] calldata _metaCoinAddresses,
   address[] calldata _walletAddresses,
   bool[] calldata _isWhitelisted
) external onlyOwner {
   for (uint256 i; i < _metaCoinAddresses.length; ) {
      metaCoinWhitelistMap[_metaCoinAddresses[i]][_walletAddresses[i]] = _isWhitelisted
      unchecked { ++i; }
   }
}</pre>
```

**Remediation** Add a validation to ensure all input arrays are the same length before proceeding.

```
require(
   _metaCoinAddresses.length == _walletAddresses.length &&
   _walletAddresses.length == _isWhitelisted.length,
    "Length mismatch"
);

Reference:
UpsideProtocol.sol#L321-L333
```

# [I-2] Misleading Timestamp Emitted in WithdrawLiquidityTimerStarted Event

#### Summary

The WithdrawLiquidityTimerStarted event in the withdrawLiquidity() function emits the unlock timestamp instead of the actual time the cooldown was triggered.

#### Vulnerability Details

This may mislead off-chain systems expecting the real-time start of cooldown periods.

#### **Proof of Concept**

```
emit WithdrawLiquidityTimerStarted(block.timestamp + WITHDRAW_LIQUIDITY_COOLDOWN); // mi
Remediation Emit the current block timestamp:
emit WithdrawLiquidityTimerStarted(block.timestamp);
Reference:
UpsideProtocol.sol#L364
```

# [I-3] Missing Zero Address Validation in claimDeployerFees() function

#### Summary

The function claimDeployerFees() can transfer tokens to the zero address, potentially resulting in irreversible token loss.

#### Vulnerability Details

This function does not check if the <u>recipient</u> is non-zero, which may lead to accidental fund burns by deployers or dApps interacting with this method.

#### **Proof of Concept**

```
{\tt IERC20Metadata(\_metaCoinAddress).safeTransfer(\_recipient, fees); /\!/ \textit{no validation}}
```

#### Remediation

Define a custom error (e.g., error InvalidRecipient();) and add a zero address check before proceeding:

```
if (_recipient == address(0)) revert InvalidRecipient();
```

#### Reference:

UpsideProtocol.sol#L301-L307

## [I-4] Missing Zero Address Validation in claimProtocolFees()

#### Summary

The claimProtocolFees() function allows the owner to transfer protocol fees to the zero address.

#### **Vulnerability Details**

Since the zero address is not a valid recipient, sending fees there results in unrecoverable loss of funds.

#### **Proof of Concept**

IERC20Metadata(liquidityTokenAddress).safeTransfer( recipient, fees); // unsafe

#### Remediation

Define a custom error (e.g., error InvalidRecipient();) and add a zero address check before proceeding:

```
if (_recipient == address(0)) revert InvalidRecipient();
```

#### Reference:

UpsideProtocol.sol#L417-L423

## [I-5] Missing Zero Address Validation in setStakingContractAddress()

#### Summary

The setStakingContractAddress() function allows setting the staking contract to a zero address.

#### Vulnerability Details

Setting the staking contract to the zero address can cause any funds sent there to be lost and unrecoverable.

#### **Proof of Concept**

stakingContractAddress = \_newStakingContractAddress; // no check

#### Remediation

Define a custom error (e.g., error InvalidRecipient();) and add a zero address check before proceeding:

```
if (_newStakingContractAddress == address(0)) revert InvalidStakingContract();
```

#### Reference:

Upside Protocol.sol #L427-L431

## [I-6] Missing Zero Address Validation in swap()

#### Summary

The \_recipient parameter in swap() function is not validated, which could result in tokens being permanently lost if a zero address is passed.

#### Vulnerability Details

If \_recipient == address(0), the contract transfers tokens to the zero address, effectively burning them. This introduces an unnecessary risk of user funds being lost permanently.

#### **Proof of Concept**

In UpsideProtocol.sol, the following line in the swap() function transfers tokens without validating \_recipient:

```
IERC20Metadata(_metaCoinAddress).safeTransfer(_recipient, amountOut); // unsafe if _rec
```

#### Remediation

Define a custom error (e.g., error InvalidRecipient();) and add a zero address check before proceeding:

```
if ( recipient == address(0)) revert InvalidRecipient();
```

#### Reference:

UpsideProtocol.sol#L291-L296

## [I-7] Missing Zero Address Check in setTokenizeFee()

#### Summary

The setTokenizeFee() function allows inserting a zero address as a fee token address.

#### Vulnerability Details

If the fee token address is set to the zero address, any fees sent will be lost.

#### **Proof of Concept**

### Remediation

Define a custom error (e.g., error InvalidFeeToken();) and add a zero address check before proceeding:

```
if (_tokenizeFeeAddress == address(0)) revert InvalidFeeToken();
```

#### Reference:

Upside Protocol.sol #L435-L438