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er broker Preston Semel asked a federal court to halt x n:x named:x-c named:x-c v:e-i-i-h q:i-h-h a:e-p n_of:x-i v:e-i-p q [21725002] The suit , filed in federal court in Manhattan , also asks that the Comex 's nine-month suspension of Mr. Semel be lifted , pending the broker 's appeal of the disciplinary measure q:i-h-h n_of:x-i _ v:e-i-p _ p:e-u-i a:e-p _ n_of:x-i _ v:e-i-h _ q:i-h-h _ a:e-p _ n:x [21725004] The Comex accused the 39-year-old Mr. Semel of "fraudulent conduct " and improper trading q:i-h-h named:x-c v_of:e-i-p-i q:i-h-h a:e-p n:x named:x-c _ a:e-u n:x _ a_for:e-p v:e-i-p The disciplinary proceedings stem from trading in April 1987 . q:i-h-h a:e-p n:x v_from:e-i-i _ v:e-i-p p:e-u-i mofy:x-c yofc:x-c _ Mr. Semel and his firm , Semel & Co. , have appealed the Comex decision and the sanctions to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission n:x named:x-c _ q:i-h-h _ n:x _ named:x-c _ n:x _ q:i-h-h _ n:x _ p:e-u-i _ q:u-h-h _ n:x _ p:u-h-h _ n:x The commission denied Mr. Semel 's request that the fine and suspension be delayed pending the appeal q:i-h-h n_of:x-i v_to:e-i-p n:x named:x-c _ n_for:x-h _ q:i-h-h n:x _ n:x _ v:e-i-p a:e-p-u q:i-h-h n:x _ The lawsuit states that unless the sanctions are halted pending an appeal, the broker and his firm "will be irreparably injured and their business will be totally and permanently destroyed."

q:i-h-h n:x v_to:e-i-h-i _ x:e-h-h q:i-h-h n:x _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ a:e-e _ v:e-i-p _ q:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e Already the firm has paid \$ 211,666 of the fine , the suit said , and it will have to liquidate additional assets in order to pay the rest a:e-e q:i-h-h n:x _ v_for:e-i-i-i n:x card:i-i-c p:e-x-i q:i-h-h n:x _ q:i-h-h n:x _ v_groundal:e-h _ v:e-i-p _ a:e-p n:x x:e-h-h x:e-h-h _ v_for:e-i-i-i q:i-h-h n:x A spokesman for the Comex could n't be reached to comment q:i-h-h n:x p:e-u-i q:i-h-h named:x-c neg:e-h neg:e-h v:e-i-p x:e-h-h v_on:e-i

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