

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

September 30, 2011

Via E-mail
Jon R. Sabes
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GWG Holdings, Inc.
220 South Sixth Street, Suite 1200
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Re: GWG Holdings, Inc.

Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement on Form S-1

Filed September 20, 2011 File No. 333-174887

Dear Mr. Sabes:

We have reviewed your response letter and amended registration statement each filed on September 20, 2011 and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

<u>Consolidated Financial Statements</u> Consolidated Balance Sheets, page F-2

1. Please revise the balance sheet and any related financial information throughout your filing to give retroactive effect to the stock split. Refer to Staff Accounting Bulletins Topic 4:C.

## Note 10. Noncontrolling interest, page F-19

2. We note your response to prior comment four. Please revise your disclosure to clarify that the allocation of net income or loss and comprehensive income or loss attributable to the controlling and noncontrolling interests is based on the terms of the substantive profit and loss sharing agreement memorialized in the GWG Life Settlements LLC Amended and Restated Operating Agreement dated as of September 30, 2009.

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We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Act of 1933 and all applicable Securities Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. Please allow adequate time for us to review any amendment prior to the requested effective date of the registration statement.

You may contact Dana Hartz at (202) 551-3648 or Don Abbott at (202) 551-3608 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Jennifer Riegel at (202) 551-3575, Daniel Greenspan at (202) 551-3623 or me at (202) 551-3715 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Daniel Greenspan for

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