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Rulemaking Update

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Adopted and Still Active

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Amendment to section 3(c)(1) of the Investment Company Act. Increases dollar threshold for a fund to qualify as a "qualifying venture capital" from \$10 million to \$12 million aggregate capital contributions and uncalled committed capital. The rule also allows the SEC to adjust for inflation every five years.	Proposed: Feb 14, 2024	
	Adopted: Aug 21. 2024	
	Effective/Compliance Date: 30 days after publication in the federal register (publication pending)	
Final Rule adopted by FinCEN. The rule, among others, (1) adds certain Registered Investment Advisers ("RIA") and Exempt Registered Advisers ("ERA")	Proposed: Feb 13, 2024	
	Adopted: Aug 28, 2024	
establishes minimum standard for Anti Money Laundering/Countering the Financing of Terrorism programs by such RIAs and ERAs, and (3) requires such RIA and ERAs to report suspicious activities to FinCEN.	Effective/Compliance Dates: Jan 1, 2026	
Enhancements to Regulation S-P require advisers to adopt incident response programs to address cyber breaches and broaden the scope of information covered under the safeguarding and disposal rules, among other changes.	Proposed: March 15, 2023	
	Adopted: May 16, 2024	
	Effective Date: Aug. 2, 2024	
	Compliance Dates: Dec. 3, 2025 for larger entities, June 3, 2026 for smaller entities	
Amendments to Form PF (1) require separate reporting for each private fund in "master-feeder arrangements" or "parallel fund structures," and aggregated reporting for "parallel managed accounts" relating to each reporting fund and (2) increase the scope and granularity of information required by Form PF's sections.	Proposed: August 10, 2022	
	Adopted: Feb. 8, 2024	
	Effective Date: March 12, 2025	
These amendments are in addition to the amendments to Form PF that the SEC adopted on May 3, 2023, listed below.	Compliance Date: June 12, 2025	
Rule changes would impose specialized disclosure requirements with respect to IPOs by SPACs and in subsequent business combinations between SPACs and private operating companies, and would deem any business combination transaction involving a reporting shell company, including a SPAC, to involve a	Proposed: March 30, 2022	
	Adopted: January 24, 2024	
	Effective Date: July 1, 2024	
sale of securities. A new rule would also establish a safe harbor under the Investment Company Act for SPACs that satisfy certain conditions.	Compliance Dates: July 1, 2024, except for 17 CFR 229.1610 (inline XBRL tagging requirement), which is June 30, 2025	
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New rules further define the phrase "as part of a regular business" in the statutory definition of "dealer" under the Securities Exchange Act in ways that would cause certain market participants that assume "dealer-like" roles (e.g., by acting as liquidity providers in the markets) to have to register as a dealer or a government securities dealer. The rules may scope in certain registered investment advisers or their private funds (mainly hedge funds).	Proposed: March 28, 2022	
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	Compliance Date: April 29, 2025	
Rule changes modernize beneficial ownership reporting by accelerating current deadlines for Schedule 13D and Schedule 13G filings. Instead of rule text changes, the adopting release provided	Proposed: Feb. 10, 2022	
	Adopted: Oct. 10, 2023	
guidance on cash-settled derivatives and 13D groups.	Effective/Compliance Dates: Feb. 5, 2024 (Sep. 30, 2024 for new Schedule 13G filing deadlines)	
Amendments to Form PF impose new quarterly current event reporting, add new categories of information to be collected, and expand information reporting for certain existing categories. Upon the occurrence of a triggering event, advisers would file a current event report within 60 days of the applicable fiscal quarter end.	Proposed: Jan. 26, 2022	
	Adopted: May 3, 2023	
	Effective/Compliance Dates:	
	Dec. 11, 2023 for current event reporting	
	June 11, 2024 for all other amendments	
Rule and Form amendments require 13(f) filers to report on Form N-PX how they voted proxies related to executive compensation matters (<i>i.e.</i> , "say-on-pay" votes). Managers will be required to file their first reports by Aug. 31, 2024, covering the period of July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024.	Proposed: Sep. 29, 2021	
	Adopted: Nov. 2, 2022	
	Effective/Compliance Date: July 1, 2024	
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Carried Interest	Proposd legislation aims to close the carried interest "loophole". If adopted, (1) carried interest will no longer be taxed as investment income and instead will be taxed at ordinary income tax rates and (2) taxation on carried interest cannot be deferred but instead will be taxed in the year such carried interest is earned. While the proposed legislation currently only targets partnerships, it can potentially impact different types of vehicles that operate in manners similar to a partnership.	Proposed: Feb 06, 2025	
Customer Identification	Proposed rule, if adopted, would require registered investment advisers and exempt registered advisers to adopt written customer identification programs. The program must include procedures for (1) verifying the identity of each customer to the extent reasonable; and (2) maintaining records of the information used to verify a customer's identity, including, name and address.	Proposed: May 13, 2024 Comments Due: July 22, 2024	
Adviser Outsourcing	SEC-registered advisers would be required to (1) undertake due diligence assessments before engaging service providers for certain core advisory-related services and functions and (2) periodically monitor the service providers' performance and reassess the appropriateness of the outsourcing arrangement. Related books and records requirements include a provision specifically addressing the retention of outsourced recordkeepers.	Proposed: Oct. 26, 2022 Comments Due: Dec. 27, 2022 Proposed Transition Period: 10 months	A consortium of advocacy groups submitted a comment letter urging the SEC to withdraw the rule proposal, or to exclude client relationships advisers have with private funds, in light of the Fifth Circuit's Private Fund Adviser Rules holding regarding limits on Advisers Act statutory authority.
ESG Investment Practices	SEC-registered advisers and exempt reporting advisers would be required to include new narrative disclosures in brochures and census-like information in Part 1-A of their Form ADVs regarding Environmental, Social or Governance ("ESG") factors the advisers consider implementing in their investment strategies, with separate ESG reporting for each private fund the advisers are required to identify in Part 1A. More extensive requirements would apply to the ESG investment practices of regulated investment companies and business development companies	Proposed: May 25, 2022 Comments Due: Aug. 16, 2022 Comment Period Re-Opened: Oct. 7, 2022 Comments Due: Nov. 1, 2022 Proposed Transition Period: One Year	

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DESCRIPTION

Cybersecurity

More detailed and prescriptive than the existing SEC cybersecurity guidance and rules, the proposed rules would (1) impose new reporting and disclosure obligations on SEC-registered advisers relating to cybersecurity incidents and risks and (2) potentially require advisers to enhance their cybersecurity policies and procedures.

RELEVANT DATES

Proposed: Feb. 9, 2022

Comments: Due April 11, 2022

Comment Period Re-Opened: Mar.

15, 2023

Comments Due: May 22, 2023

COMMENTS

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Subject to Re-Proposal or Injunction

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RELEVANT DATES

COMMENTS

Predictive Data Analytics

Proposed rule changes would address certain conflicts of interest associated with investment advisers' or broker-dealers' use of predictive data analytics in investor interactions.

Proposed: July 26, 2023 Comments Due: Oct. 10, 2023 Chair Gensler has signaled publicly that the rule is likely to be reproposed. Any reproposal is administratively the same as a proposal, i.e., open for public comment for at least 30 days that would be followed by an Adopting Release, which suggests that final rules before year end is unlikely. In addition, a consortium of advocacy groups submitted a comment letter urging the SEC to withdraw the rules, or to exclude client relationships advisers have with private funds, in light of the Fifth Circuit's Private Fund Adviser Rules holding regarding limits on Advisers Act statutory authority.

Custody (a.k.a. Safeguarding Rule)

Proposed rule changes would significantly amend and redesignate Rule 206(4)-2 under the Investment Advisers Act and make related recordkeeping and reporting changes to address how investment advisers safeguard client assets.

Proposed: Feb. 15, 2023 Comments Due: May 8, 2023 Comment Period Re-Opened: Aug. 23, 2023

Comments Due: Oct. 30, 2023
Proposed Transition Period: One
Year; for advisers with AUM \$1 bn
or less, 18 Months

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Public Company Climate-Related Disclosures (a.k.a. ESG for Public Companies)

Final rules require U.S. public companies, including BDCs and real estate investment trust ("REITs"), to evaluate and adapt their disclosure controls and procedures, management processes, and governance structures around climate-related risks and provide extensive climate-related information in their registration statements and periodic reports.

Proposed: March 21, 2022 Adopted: March 6, 2024 Effective Date: May 28, 2024 Implementation stayed: April 4, 2024 Litigation seeking to overturn the Climate rules has been filed in several Courts of Appeals and procedural steps are being taken to determine which court will hear the case. In the interim, the Fifth Circuit has stayed the application of the rules, which were not going to come into effect until March 2026 in any event.

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