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Rulemaking Update

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Adopted and Still Active

| TOPIC | DESCRIPTION | RELEVANT DATES | COMMENTS | |
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| Division of Enforcement Authority | The SEC revoked the authority of the Director of the Division of Enforcement to issue formal orders of investigation, a power the Director had since 2009. The SEC will revert to its historical practice of having the Commission approve new investigations and issuances of subpoenas. | Adopted: March 11, 2025 | | |
| Dollar Threshold to Qualify as a VC Fund | Amendment to section 3(c)(1) of the Investment Company Act. Increases dollar threshold for a fund to qualify as a "qualifying venture capital fund" 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: Sept. 30, 2024 | | |
| AML Policies and Procedures | Final Rule adopted by FinCEN. The rule, among other things, (1) adds certain Registered Investment Advisers ("RIA") and Exempt Reporting Advisers ("ERA") to the definition of "financial institutions" under the Bank Secrecy Act (a necessary step for the SEC and FinCEN to proceed with a proposal to require certain advisers to implement customer identification programs), (2) 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. | Proposed: Feb 13, 2024 | Industry groups have been pushing for guidance and an extension of compliance dates. | |
| | | Adopted: Aug 28, 2024 Effective/Compliance Dates: Jan 1, 2026 | | |
| Regulation S-P | 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 | Industry groups have been pushing for guidance and an extension of compliance dates. | |
| | | Effective Date: Aug. 2, 2024 Compliance Dates: Dec. 3, 2025 for larger entities, June 3, 2026 for smaller entities | | |
| Form PF (Round 2) | 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. These amendments are in addition to the amendments to Form PF that the SEC adopted on May 3, 2023, listed below. | Proposed: August 10, 2022 | Annual filers submit 2024 annual amendments (due April 30) on current version of Form PF and 2025 annual amendments on the new version. | |
| | | Adopted: Feb. 8, 2024 | | |
| | | Effective Date: March 12, 2025 Compliance Date: June 12, 2025 | | |

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| SPACs | Rule changes impose specialized disclosure requirements with respect to IPOs by SPACs and in subsequent business combinations between SPACs and private operating companies, and generally deem any business combination transaction involving a reporting shell company, including a SPAC, to involve a sale of securities. The rule also establishes a safe harbor under the Investment Company Act for SPACs that satisfy certain conditions. | Proposed: March 30, 2022 | | |
| | | Adopted: January 24, 2024 | | |
| | | Effective Date: July 1, 2024 | | |
| | | Compliance Dates: July 1, 2024, except for 17 CFR 229.1610 (inline XBRL tagging requirement), which is June 30, 2025 | | |
| Dealer Registration | New rule further defined the phrase "as part of a regular business" in the statutory definition of "dealer" under the 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. Certain RIAs and their private funds (mainly hedge funds) potentially within the rule's scope. | Proposed: March 28, 2022 | On February 19, 2025, | |
| | | Adopted: Feb. 6, 2024 | the SEC withdrew its appeal to the Fifth Circuit | |
| | | Effective Date: April 29, 2024 | of the N.D. Tex. order | |
| | | Compliance Date: April 29, 2025 | vacating the rule on November 21, 2024. | |
| Beneficial Ownership Reporting | 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 guidance on cash-settled derivatives and 13D groups. | Proposed: Feb. 10, 2022 | On February 11, 2025, | |
| | | Adopted: Oct. 10, 2023 | the SEC issued one new and one updated FAQ | |
| | | Effective/Compliance Dates: Feb. 5, 2024 (Sep. 30, 2024 for new Schedule 13G filing deadlines) | regarding eligibility for Schedule 13G reporting. | |
| Form PF | 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 | | |
| Reporting of Certain Proxy Votes | 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 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 | Proposed 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 | Proposed rule, if adopted, would require RIAs and ERAs to adopt | Proposed: May 13, 2024 | Companion rule to AML Policies and |
| Identification | 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. | Comments Due: July 22, 2024 | Procedures Rule (see above), which has a compliance date of Jan. 1, 2026. |
| Adviser | SEC RIAs would be required to (1) undertake due diligence | Proposed: Oct. 26, 2022 | In a March 17 speech, Acting |
| Outsourcing | 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. | Comments Due: Dec. 27, 2022 Proposed Transition Period: 10 months | Commissioner Uyeda reiterated concerns with some existing rule proposals, including this rule. |
| | | | In July 2024, a consortium of advocacy groups submitted a comment letter urging the SEC to withdraw the rule proposal, or to make it applicable to "retail customer" client relationships, not private fund client relationships, in light of the Fifth Circuit's Private Fund Adviser Rules holding regarding limits on Advisers Act statutory authority. |

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Subject to Re-Proposal or Injunction

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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 In a March 17 speech, Acting Commissioner Uyeda reiterated concerns with some existing rule proposals, including this proposed rule. While former Chair Gensler had signaled publicly that the rule was likely to be reproposed, it is not yet known whether this rule will be part of the SEC's rulemaking agenda under the Trump Administration. A reproposal is administratively the same as a proposal (i.e., open for public comment, followed by publication of an Adopting Release).

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Custody (a.k.a. Safeguarding Rule)

Proposed rule changes would significantly amend and redesignate Rule 206(4)-2 under the 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 In a March 17 speech, Acting Commissioner Uyeda reiterated concerns with some existing rule proposals, including this proposed rule. He cited commenters' concerns about the breadth of the rule's custodial requirements and noted he has directed the Staff to work with the crypto task force to explore alternatives, including withdrawing the proposal.

Previously former Chair Gensler had signaled publicly that the rule was likely to be reproposed. A reproposal is administratively the same as a proposal (i.e., open for public comment, followed by publication of an Adopting Release).

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 trusts, 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: TBD (had originally been May 28, 2024 but was stayed and now the SEC has dropped its defense of the rule)

Litigation seeking to overturn the Climate rules was filed in several Courts of Appeals and subsequently consolidated into the Eighth Circuit. On March 27, 2025, the SEC stated that it would no longer defend the rules. On April 24, 2025, following a request by several states, the Eighth Circuit issued an order giving the SEC 90 days to indicate whether it will review or reconsider the rules. The Fifth Circuit had previously stayed the rules' effective date so they had never come into effect.

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