

2019 FINRA Regulation Best Interest Conference

December 18, 2019 | Washington, DC

FINRA's Regulation Best Interest Conference is a one-day event designed to bring regulators, executives and industry practitioners together to learn more about Regulation Best Interest (Reg BI).



Agenda | Wednesday, December 18

8:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Networking Breakfast
9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.	Welcome Remarks — Chip Jones, FINRA Member Relations and Education
9:05 a.m. — 10:00 a.m.	Regulation Best Interest: Understanding Your Disclosure, Standard of Care, Conflict of Interest and Compliance Obligations
	 Reg BI imposes a number of new obligations on broker-dealers when making securities or investment strategy recommendations to retail customers. Panelists discuss the new requirements and effective practices to help broker-dealers manage their Reg BI obligations. Moderator: James (Jim) Wrona, FINRA Office of General Counsel Panelists: Evan Charkes, Bank of America Michelle Kelley, LPL Financial, LLC Emily Westerberg Russell, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Networking Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Form CRS: What You Need to Know
	 Join panelists as they discuss Form CRS, its impact on the industry and effective practices. Moderator: Meredith Cordisco, FINRA Office of General Counsel Panelists: Alicia Goldin, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rema Holland, Wells Fargo Advisors Wendy Lanton, Lantern Investments, Inc.
11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Networking Break
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2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Networking Break
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Fireside Chat
	 Session Introduction by FINRA President and CEO Robert Cook Moderator: Robert (Bob) Colby, FINRA Chief Legal Office Panelists: Dalia Blass, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Peter (Pete) Driscoll, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Brett Redfearn, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Networking Break
3:45 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.	A Conversation With FINRA Examiners and the SEC's Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations
	Attend this session to hear from OCIE and FINRA staff about how they intend to examine and inspect for compliance with Reg BI, including a discussion of implementation challenges.
	Moderator: • William (Bill) St. Louis, FINRA Member Supervision
	Panelists: • Scott Gilbert, FINRA New York District Office
	 John Polise, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Yvette Panetta, FINRA Member Supervision
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4:40 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. 4:45 p.m.	Closing Remarks—Chip Jones, FINRA Member Relations and Education Conference Adjourns
4.45 p.m.	Conference Adjourns



Continuing Education (CE) Credits

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Speakers as of December 4, 2019

Speaker	Company
Steve Bee	Edward Jones
Dalia Blass	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Evan Charkes	Bank of America
Robert (Bob) Colby	FINRA Chief Legal Office
Robert Cook	FINRA
Meredith Cordisco	FINRA Office of General Counsel
Mark Cresap	Cresap, Inc.
Peter (Pete) Driscoll	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Jennifer (Jen) Duran	FINRA Enterprise Data Platforms
Scott Gilbert	FINRA Member Supervision
Alicia Goldin	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Rema Holland	Wells Fargo Advisors
Chip Jones	FINRA Member Relations and Education
Michelle Kelley	LPL Financial, LLC
Wendy Lanton	Lantern Investments, Inc.
Julia McCafferty	FINRA Enterprise Data Platforms
Robert (Rob) Molinari	Commonwealth Financial Network
Yvette Panetta	FINRA Member Supervision
John Polise	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Brett Redfearn	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Emily Westerberg Russell	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Joseph (Joe) Savage	FINRA Office of Regulatory Analysis
Thomas (Tom) Selman	FINRA Office of Regulatory Analysis
E. Michael Serbanos	Raymond James Financial
William (Bill) St. Louis	FINRA Member Supervision
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- speakers;
- sessions;
- continuing education;
- maps; and
- networking opportunities.

Registration | Hotel and Travel Information

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Fees

The conference is free for the first two attendees from each FINRA Member firm.

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Hotel Information

Capital Hilton 1001 16th St. NW Washington, DC 20036

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