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Quarterly Disciplinary Update

NASD Regulation Office
Of General Counsel
Announces The
Publication Of The
Disciplinary Update

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Executive Summary

The NASD Regulation, Inc. (NASD Regulation) Office of General Counsel (OGC) announces the quarterly distribution of a new publication entitled the *Disciplinary Update*. The *Disciplinary Update* will contain straightforward summaries designed to be of instructional value for compliance officials and registered persons. It will focus on factual and legal findings and the sanctions imposed in recent disciplinary decisions and settlements involving registered representatives.

Questions/Further Information

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NASD Regulation OGC Announces Publication Of The *Disciplinary Update*

The NASD Regulation OGC announces the publication of the *Disciplinary Update*. The purpose of the *Disciplinary Update* is to provide registered representatives with a summary of select, recent disciplinary actions involving misconduct by registered representatives. The sampling includes settlements and decisions in litigated matters. This document is intended to be easily read and understood by non-lawyers so that it can be most useful to compliance officers and registered persons.

The goal is for the *Disciplinary Update* to serve as a teaching tool that compliance officers can share with all individuals associated with their firms. The *Disciplinary Update* will not report on every

disciplinary decision and settlement. It will report only on selected settlements, Hearing Panel, National Adjudicatory Council, and Securities and Exchange Commission decisions (in NASD disciplinary matters) that NASD Regulation OGC believes would be useful to report in this fashion. Since the *Disciplinary Update* is not intended to be used for legal research, the summaries will not include references to case names or numbers or other identifying factors. Rather, the summaries will be organized by subject matter and will include a brief discussion of facts, findings, and sanctions.

The *Disciplinary Update* is not intended to replace or supplement the disciplinary information and decisions found on the NASD Regulation Web Site (www.nasdr.com) or announced in *NASD Notices to Members*. The decisions and settlements referenced in the *Disciplinary Update* are subject to the restrictions regarding the release of disciplinary information contained in IM-8310-2 (Release of Disciplinary Information) in the *NASD Manual*.

The *Disciplinary Update* will be published quarterly on the NASD Regulation Web Site under the "Brokers" section. NASD Regulation will alert member firms about the posting of this document via the weekly e-mail broadcast sent to NASD Executive Representatives.

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