

Dear Ms. Barbara Sweeney:

I am a licensed insurance professional and I sell variable products.

The NASD's proposal for specific suitability and disclosure on the sale of Variable Annuities (VA's) is both redundant and unnecessary.

I firmly believe that those that engage in misleading sales practices should be aggressively prosecuted.

Enforce existing regulations!

Prospectuses already disclose fees, risks, and expenses associated with VA's. The NASD needs to educate the consumer to carefully read the prospectuses they receive. Finally, the proposal appears to be a "solution in search of a problem". The level of sales problems in the VA marketplace is minimal and does not support the claims made by the NASD. I urge the NASD to withdraw the proposed rule.

Sincerely,

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