

Incentive Compensation Rules Proposed for Investment Advisers

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On May 6, 2016 the Securities and Exchange Commission (“**SEC**”) joined the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Housing Finance Agency and the National Credit Union Administration in approving substantially identical proposed rules pursuant to Section 956 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the “**Proposed Rule**”). The Proposed Rule imposes significant restrictions on incentive-based compensation arrangements at large financial institutions. The SEC’s version of the Proposed Rule, which differs significantly from the original rule as proposed in 2011, applies specifically to investment advisers and broker-dealers.

This memorandum focuses on how the Proposed Rule will affect investment advisers. For a more general discussion of the Proposed Rule, please see the May 12, 2016 Davis Polk Visual Memorandum, “[Incentive Compensation for Financial Institutions: Reproposal](#) .”

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