

Client Alert

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SEC Seeks Comments on FINRA Proposal to Require Hyperlinks to BrokerCheck on Member Firms' Websites

The Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") is seeking comments on a proposed rule change by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") that would amend FINRA Rule 2210 (Communications with the Public) to require each of a member's websites to include a readily apparent reference and hyperlink to BrokerCheck on (i) the initial webpage that the member intends to be viewed by retail investors and (ii) any other webpage that includes a professional profile of one or more registered persons who conducts business with retail investors. The proposal would not apply to a member that does not provide products or services to retail investors, or a directory or list of registered persons limited to names and contact information. The proposed rule change is available <u>here</u>. You can submit comments to the SEC by submitting a hard copy, by using the SEC's internet comment form link available under SR-FINRA-2015-022 at this <u>link</u>, or by sending an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u> with File Number SR-FINRA-2015-022 in the subject line. Comments on the proposed rule change must be submitted on or before August 3, 2015.

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