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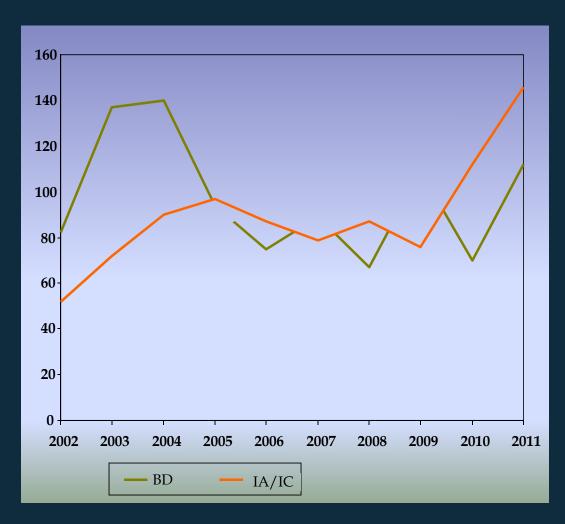
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Examinations & Enforcement Issues



- **146** cases against advisers and mutual funds
- 30% increase over FY 2010
- 92% increase from FY 2009
- 112 cases against brokers (70 in FY 2010)
- Cases against advisers, mutual funds and brokers represent 35% of SEC's enforcement docket

SEC Examination & Enforcement Developments

- Changes in Exam and Enforcement Programs
 - Establishment of Asset Management Unit in Enforcement
 - Enforcement-OCIE Coordination
 - Dodd Frank Act Whistleblower Provisions
 - Hiring Specialized Personnel in OCIE and Enforcement
 - Technology Resources & Analytical Tools

- Areas of Enforcement Focus
 - Compliance & supervision
 - Performance claims, including aberrational performance
 - Selective disclosure
 - Valuation
 - Turn-key mutual fund solutions and inexperienced advisers
 - Mutual fund fees
 - Error correction
 - Insider trading

Areas of SEC Examinations Focus

- Complex Entities
 - New shops
 - PE shops
 - Quant shops
- New or Risky Products
 - Retailization of complex investments
- Portfolio management activities that increase risk of investor loss
- Lack of due diligence on investment vehicles or managers and undisclosed conflicts
- Manipulative activity, such as front-running and insider trading

- Valuation practices and any conflicts
- Performance and advertising
- Compliance, supervision, and risk management
 - Cost cutting
 - Outside business
 - "Dual and affiliated registrants transitioning broker-dealer customers into advisory clients"
 - "Ineffective compliance and risk management [for] complex investments and/or investment strategies."
- Custody arrangements that increase the potential for misappropriation

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