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# ENFORCEMENT TRENDS AND ISSUES

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# Agenda

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## **SEC Enforcement Developments and Trends**

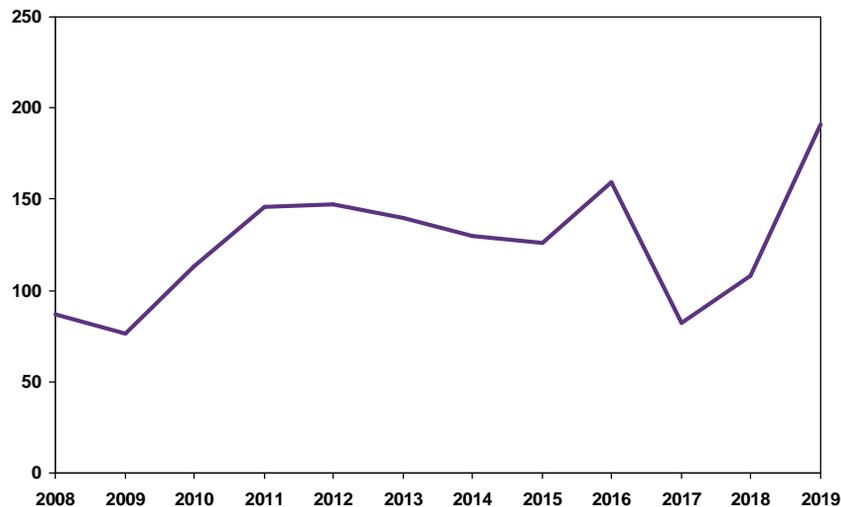
- 2019 Enforcement Statistics
- Current Trends and COVID-19 Priorities

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## **Notable Enforcement Cases Involving Private Funds**

# SEC Enforcement Statistics

**Number of Investment Adviser and Investment Company Actions**



Year	Number of IA/IC Actions
2008	87
2009	76
2010	113
2011	146
2012	147
2013	140
2014	130
2015	126
2016	159
2017	82
2018	108
2019	191

# SEC Enforcement Priorities and Trends

## “Main Street” Investor Protection

## COVID-19 Era Enforcement Priorities

- Business continuity
- Record retention
- Selective disclosures
- Redemption-related misconduct
- Insider trading

## Challenges Associated with Remote Investigations

- Remote testimony
- Access to documents in response to subpoenas

# Notable SEC Cases Affecting Private Fund Advisers

Lessons learned from recent SEC actions against private fund advisers:

## Disclosures Regarding Risk Monitoring Controls

- Effectiveness and authority of risk management functions and technology

## Fees and Expenses

- Improper charging of employee and other expenses to private funds

## Conflicts of Interest

- Related party transactions
- Undisclosed compensation

## Trading Practices and Valuation

- Pricing of odd lots vs. round lots
- Improper cross trades
- MNPI policies and procedures
- Failure to use observable inputs

# FRESH FROM THE SEC: DISCUSSION WITH G. JEFFREY BOUJOUKOS, FORMER REGIONAL DIRECTOR, PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL OFFICE, US SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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In his time as a partner at Morgan Lewis before joining the SEC, Jeff represented broker-dealers, clearing firms, investment advisers, mutual funds, and individuals regarding matters pending with the SEC in Washington, DC, and in its regional and district offices across the United States. Additionally, Jeff represented clients in connection with matters before SROs and state authorities such as the Attorney General offices of New York, New Jersey, and Ohio.

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Ivan previously served at the SEC from 1998 to 2005, and from 2001 to 2005 was an assistant regional director for enforcement in the SEC's Miami office. While at the SEC, he led the investigation of a major hedge fund collapse, brought the first SEC case involving illegal hedge fund short selling, and prosecuted cases involving accounting fraud, insider trading, FCPA violations, market manipulation and broker-dealer/investment adviser violations. Several of those cases involved cross-border issues and investigative efforts throughout Europe and Latin America. Also before joining Morgan Lewis, Ivan was regulatory counsel for a financial services firm, where he advised on trading issues and compliance matters. He also served on several securities industry committees that focused on fixed income trading and securitized products. Ivan frequently speaks at securities industry and hedge fund conferences.

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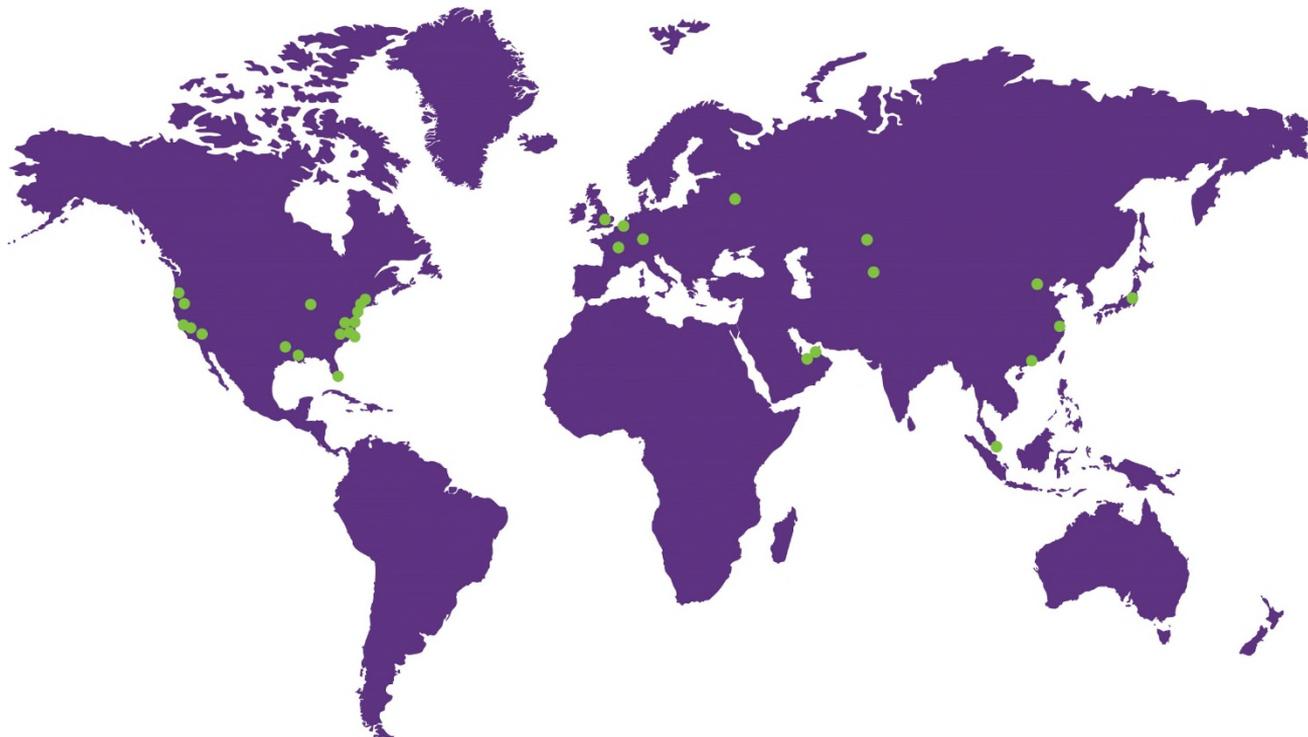
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