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The Most-Read Securities Law360 Guest Articles Of 2025

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This year, popular securities guest article topics explored sweeping shifts in U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission leadership and enforcement priorities following the change in presidential administrations, particularly its evolving stance on crypto, as well as the implications of Delaware corporate law amendments and emerging trends in securities class actions.

May 19, 2025

What We Lost After SEC Eliminated Regional Director Role

Former U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Regional Director Marc Fagel discusses the recent wholesale elimination of the regional director position, the responsibilities of the job itself and why discarding this role highlights how the appearance of creating a more efficient agency may limit the SEC's effectiveness.

June 2, 2025

At 'SEC Speaks,' Leaders Frame New Views

At the Practising Law Institute's recent SEC Speaks conference, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission leadership highlighted the agency's significant priority changes, including in enforcement, crypto and artificial intelligence, say attorneys at Perkins Coie LLP.

Jan. 6, 2025

Predicting What's Next For SEC By Looking At Past Dissents

While Paul Atkins' nomination to be the next chair of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has taken center stage, an analysis of Republican Commissioners Hester Peirce and Mark Uyeda's past votes and dissents provides a preview of where enforcement may shift in the new administration, say attorneys at Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP.

March 4, 2025

What Remedies Under New Admin's SEC Could Look Like

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is likely to substantially narrow the remedies it pursues over the next few years, driven by the mounting challenges it faces in court, as well as the views of its incoming chair and fellow Republican commissioners on injunctions, penalties and disgorgement, say attorneys at Milbank LLP.

March 27, 2025

Paul Atkins' Past Speeches Offer A Glimpse Into SEC's Future

Following Paul Atkins' Thursday Senate confirmation hearing, a look at his public remarks while serving as a commissioner at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission between 2002 and 2008 reveals eight possible structural and procedural changes the SEC may see once he likely takes over as chair, say attorneys at Covington & Burling LLP.

Aug. 29, 2025

Drafting M&A Docs After Delaware Corp. Law Amendments

Attorneys at Greenberg Traurig LLP discuss how the March and June amendments to the Delaware General Corporation Law affect the drafting of corporate and M&A documents, including board resolutions, governing documents, and books and records demands.

July 1, 2025

Is SEC Moving Away From Parallel Insider Trading Cases?

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's apparent lack of follow-up in four recent criminal cases of insider trading brought by the Justice Department suggests the SEC may be reconsidering the expense and effort of bringing parallel civil charges for insider trading, say attorneys at Dentons.

March 14, 2025

Why A Rare SEC Dismissal May Not Reflect A New Approach

While the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's pending dismissal of its case against Silver Point is remarkable to the extent that it reflects a novel repudiation of a decision made during the prior commission, a deeper look suggests it may not represent a shift in policy approach, say attorneys at Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP.

April 16, 2025

Limit On SEC Enforcement Authority May Mean Fewer Actions

Following a recent U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission final rule revoking the Enforcement Division director's long-standing authority to issue formal investigation orders, it's clear the division is headed for a new era of limited autonomy, marked by a significantly slower pace of SEC investigations, say attorneys at Ballard Spahr LLP.

Jan. 29, 2025

More Environmental Claims, More Greenwashing Challenges

As companies prepare for the 2025 greenwashing landscape, they should take heed of a D.C. appellate decision that shows that environmental claims are increasingly subject to attack and provides plaintiffs with a playbook for challenging corporate claims of sustainability, say attorneys at Sidley Austin LLP.

Nov. 20, 2025

SEC Focused On Fraud As Actions Markedly Declined In 2025

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's enforcement activity in its fiscal year 2025 was its lowest in 10 years, reflecting not only a significant decline in the commission's workforce, but also Chairman Paul Atkins' stated focus on fraud and individual wrongdoing and a new approach to crypto regulation, say attorneys at Covington & Burling LLP.

Sept. 16, 2025

Rebutting Price Impact In Securities Class Actions

Defendants litigating securities cases historically faced long odds in defeating class certification, but that paradigm has recently begun to shift, with recent cases ushering in a more searching analysis of price

impact and changing the evidence courts can consider at the class certification stage, say attorneys at Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP.

Oct. 3, 2025

Despite Fraud Focus, SEC Still Targeting Technical Violations

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under Chairman Paul Atkins has emphasized its back-to-basics strategy, focusing on identifying and combating fraud and manipulation, but at the same time, it has continued to pursue nonfraud-based actions targeting technical rule violations, a trend that will likely continue, say attorneys at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP.

Aug. 4, 2025

The Pros, Cons Of A Single Commissioner Leading The CFTC

While a single-member U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission may require fewer resources and be more efficient, its internal decision-making process would be less transparent to those outside the agency, reflect less compromise between competing viewpoints and provide the public with less predictability, says former CFTC Commissioner Dan Berkovitz.

March 10, 2025

Examining Trump Meme Coin And SEC's Crypto Changes

While the previous U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission tended to view most crypto-assets as securities, the tide is rapidly changing, and hopefully the long-needed reevaluation of this regulatory framework is not tarnished by an arguable conflict of interest due to President Donald Trump's affiliation with the \$Trump meme coin, say attorneys at Thompson Coburn.

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