

| Agency | Organization | Title | Request No. | Date vacated |
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| DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. | Office of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. | Senior Advisor to the Principal Deputy Administrator. | DH170108 | 02/18/2018 |
| | Office of Federal Emergency Management Agency. | Press Secretary | DM170275 | 02/12/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations. | Advisor to Intergovernmental Relations. | DU170087 | 02/03/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | Office of the Administration | Briefing and Book Coordinator | DU170114 | 02/03/2018 |
| | Office of the Attorney General | Counselor | DJ170094 | 02/04/2018 |
| | Office of Public Affairs | Press Assistant | DJ170051 | 02/09/2018 |
| | Office of the Secretary | Deputy Director of Scheduling | DL170060 | 02/03/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF LABOR | Office of the Secretary | Special Assistant (Scheduler) | DS170164 | 02/03/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF STATE | Office of Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs. | Governmental Affairs Officer | DT170092 | 02/03/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. | Office of the Administrator | Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance. | EP170075 | 02/17/2018 |
| ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. | Office of Communications | Senior Vice President For Communications. | EB180003 | 02/03/2018 |
| EXPORT-IMPORT BANK | Office of Communications | Deputy Director | PM170050 | 02/03/2018 |
| OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT. | Office of Congressional, Legislative, and Intergovernmental Affairs. | Deputy Chief of Staff | PM170037 | 02/17/2018 |
| | Office of the Director | | | |

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Excepted Service

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from April 1, 2018 to April 30, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Services and Performance Management, Employee Services, 202–606–2246.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific authorities established or revoked each month in the **Federal Register** at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/. OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

Schedule A

No Schedule A Authorities to report during April 2018.

Schedule B

91. The Office of Personnel Management (Sch. B, 213.3291)

(b) Center for Leadership Development—No more than 72 positions of faculty members at grades GS–13 through GS–15. Initial appointments under this authority may be made for any period up to 3 years and may be extended in 1, 2, or 3 year increments.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during April 2018.

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|-----------------------------|---|---|-------------------|----------------|
| DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE | Office of Farm Service Agency | State Executive Director—Rhode Island. | DA180170 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of Communications. | Press Assistant | DA180165 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations. | Confidential Assistant | DA180149 | 04/13/2018 |
| | | Staff Assistant | DA180157 | 04/13/2018 |
| | | Associate Director | DA180159 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of Rural Business Service ... | Senior Advisor | DA180166 | 04/27/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ... | Office of the General Counsel | State Director—Puerto Rico | DA180168 | 04/16/2018 |
| | | Senior Counsel (2) | DC180130 | 04/20/2018 |
| | | | DC180131 | 04/20/2018 |
| COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS | Office of Commission on Civil Rights. | Special Assistant | CC180001 | 04/20/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE | Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness). | Director of Communications for Personnel and Readiness. | DD180080 | 04/06/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DD180083 | 04/20/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DD180078 | 04/11/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY | Office Assistant Secretary Army (Civil Works). | Special Assistant (Civil Works) | DW180021 | 04/06/2018 |

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| DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ... | Office of the Secretary | Confidential Assistant (Protocol) | DB180041 | 04/09/2018 |
| | Office of the General Counsel | Attorney Advisor | DB180039 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of Communications and Outreach. | Confidential Assistant | DB180042 | 04/27/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY | Office of National Nuclear Security Administration. | Senior Advisor | DE180066 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of the Secretary | Executive Support Specialist | DE180070 | 04/10/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DE180071 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of the Chief Financial Officer | Special Assistant | DE180067 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of Management | Senior Congressional Correspondence Advisor. | DE180068 | 04/20/2018 |
| GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. | Office of Northwest/Arctic Region .. | Senior Advisor for Technology and to the Regional Administrator. | GS180026 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of General Counsel | Counsel | GS180025 | 04/16/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. | Office of Administration for Children and Families. | Policy Advisor | DH180053 | 04/04/2018 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. | Senior Advisor and National Spokesperson. | DH180108 | 04/04/2018 |
| | Office of Administration for Community Living. | Policy Advisor | DH180063 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. | Director of Strategic Communications. | DH180106 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. | Director of Communications | DH180112 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs. | Senior Advisor | DH180092 | 04/16/2018 |
| | Office of the Secretary | Advisor | DH180104 | 04/17/2018 |
| | | Policy Advisor | DH180123 | 04/20/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DH180132 | 04/23/2018 |
| | | Deputy Director of Scheduling | DH180128 | 04/30/2018 |
| | | Deputy Chief of Staff | DH180114 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. | Director of Strategic Projects and Policy Initiatives. | DH180124 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources. | Special Assistant | DM180147 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of Federal Emergency Management Agency. | Director, Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. | DM180111 | 04/10/2018 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. | Director of Digital Strategy | DM180150 | 04/06/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. | Office of United States Customs and Border Protection. | Staff Assistant | DM180153 | 04/11/2018 |
| | Office of the Chief of Staff | Confidential Assistant | DM180159 | 04/11/2018 |
| | Office of Housing | Advisor (2) | DU180061 | 04/06/2018 |
| | | | DU180050 | 04/16/2018 |
| | | | DU180062 | 04/06/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations. | Congressional Relations Specialist | DU180062 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of the Chief Information Officer. | Senior Advisor | DU180065 | 04/24/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR | Secretary's Immediate Office | Director of Scheduling and Advance. | DI180038 | 04/06/2018 |
| | | Senior Advance Representative | DI180048 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of the Solicitor | Attorney Advisor | DI180033 | 04/17/2018 |
| | Office of Assistant Secretary—Fish and Wildlife and Parks. | Senior Advisor | DI180050 | 04/17/2018 |
| | Office of Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. | Senior Advisor | DI180058 | 04/24/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF LABOR | Office of Employment and Training Administration. | Special Assistant | DL180062 | 04/06/2018 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy. | Senior Counsel and Policy Advisor | DL180064 | 04/16/2018 |
| | Office of the Deputy Secretary | Counselor | DL180070 | 04/16/2018 |
| | | Confidential Assistant and Director of Scheduling. | DL180077 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of Mine Safety and Health Administration. | Chief of Staff | DL180061 | 04/27/2018 |
| NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION. | Office of the Secretary | Special Assistant | DL180079 | 04/27/2018 |
| | Office of Communications | Senior Advisor/Press Secretary | NN180018 | 04/27/2018 |
| | | Executive Assistant | NN180019 | 04/27/2018 |
| NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES. | National Endowment for the Humanities. | Executive Assistant | NH180002 | 04/16/2018 |

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| OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. | Office of General Government Programs. | Confidential Assistant | BO180013 | 04/13/2018 |
| | | Deputy for Legislative Affairs (Appropriations). | BO180014 | 04/13/2018 |
| OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY. | Office of Legislative Affairs | Senior Policy Advisor and White House Liaison. | QQ180005 | 04/24/2018 |
| OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT. | Office of the Director | Attorney-Advisor (General) | PM180022 | 04/06/2018 |
| OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT. | Office of the General Counsel | Senior Counsel and Advisor | PM180020 | 04/20/2018 |
| | | Deputy Residence Manager | RV180001 | 04/06/2018 |
| PRESIDENTS COMMISSION ON WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS. | Official Residence of the Vice President. | Assistant Director for Operations and Recruitment. | WH180001 | 04/12/2018 |
| SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. | Presidents Commission on White House Fellowships. | Senior Advisor | SB180024 | 04/02/2018 |
| | | Legislative Assistant (2) | SB180025 | 04/02/2018 |
| | Office of the Administrator | Special Assistant | SB180022 | 04/17/2018 |
| | | White House Liaison | SB180026 | 04/20/2018 |
| | Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs. | Special Assistant | SB180023 | 04/30/2018 |
| | | Special Advisor | SB180027 | 04/27/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF STATE | Office of Administration | Special Assistant | DS180042 | 04/06/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DS180041 | 04/16/2018 |
| | Office of Capital Access | Special Assistant | DT180016 | 04/13/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DT180033 | 04/13/2018 |
| | Office of Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor. | Deputy Director of Scheduling and Advance. | DT180027 | 04/24/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DT180039 | 04/16/2018 |
| | Office of Bureau for Education and Cultural Affairs. | Special Assistant | DT180042 | 04/27/2018 |
| | | Speechwriter | DT180046 | 04/27/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. | Office of Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs. | Director of Public Affairs | DT180047 | 04/27/2018 |
| | | Personal Aide | DY180057 | 04/05/2018 |
| | Office of the Secretary | Senior Advisor | DY180058 | 04/16/2018 |
| | | Senior Advisor | DY180058 | 04/16/2018 |

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during April 2018.

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Request No. | Date vacated |
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| COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION. | Office of the Chairperson | Senior Advisor | CT170012 | 04/28/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ... | Office of Public Affairs | Senior Speechwriter and Press Assistant. | DC170071 | 04/18/2018 |
| | | Associate Director for Intergovernmental Affairs. | DC170073 | 04/28/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. | Office of Assistant Secretary Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. | Chief of Staff | DH170211 | 04/05/2018 |
| | | Policy Advisor | DH170138 | 04/03/2018 |
| | Office of Administration for Children and Families. | Special Assistant | DH170127 | 04/06/2018 |
| | | Senior Advisor to the Administrator | DH170309 | 04/15/2018 |
| | Office of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. | Director of External Affairs | DH170136 | 04/05/2018 |
| | | Communications Advisor | DH170087 | 04/03/2018 |
| | Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs. | Director of Boards and Commissions. | DH170177 | 04/08/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant to the Secretary for Advance. | DH180034 | 04/20/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. | Deputy White House Liaison | DM170183 | 04/13/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant | DU180036 | 04/14/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. | Office of the Secretary | Counsel | DJ170090 | 04/07/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | Office of Government National Mortgage Association. | White House Liaison | DJ170172 | 04/30/2018 |
| | | Speech Writer | DL170063 | 04/17/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF LABOR | Office of Legal Policy | Special Advisor | DS170165 | 04/13/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF STATE | Office of the Attorney General | | | |
| | Office of Public Affairs | | | |
| | Office of the Secretary | | | |

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| DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. | Office of the Chief of Staff | Personal Aide to the Secretary | DY170073 | 04/07/2018 |
| DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. | Office of the Secretary | Special Assistant | DT170052 | 04/14/2018 |
| | | Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance. | DT170106 | 04/28/2018 |
| GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. | Office of Federal Acquisition Service. | Executive Director | GS170045 | 04/14/2018 |
| | Office of Strategic Communications | Associate Administrator for Strategic Communications. | GS170023 | 04/21/2018 |
| OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. | Office of the Administrator | Senior Advisor for Technology | GS170021 | 04/21/2018 |
| | Office of Washington Headquarters Services. | Defense Fellow | DD170125 | 04/14/2018 |
| PRESIDENTS COMMISSION ON WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS. | Presidents Commission on White House Fellowships. | Confidential Assistant | WH170007 | 04/14/2018 |
| SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. | Office of the Chairman | Confidential Assistant | SE140003 | 04/05/2018 |
| SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. | Office of the Administrator | Assistant Administrator for Intergovernmental Affairs. | SB170012 | 04/12/2018 |
| | Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs. | Legislative Assistant | SB170027 | 04/14/2018 |

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Section 4(c) of Schedule A to the FINRA By-Laws Relating to Qualification Examination Fees

September 4, 2018.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 20, 2018, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by FINRA. FINRA has designated the proposed rule change as “establishing or changing a due, fee or other charge” under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act³ and Rule 19b–4(f)(2) thereunder,⁴ which renders the

proposal effective upon receipt of this filing by the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

FINRA is proposing to amend Section 4(c) of Schedule A to the FINRA By-Laws to: (1) Establish the fee for the Securities Industry Essentials™ (“SIE™”) examination; (2) revise the fees for the Investment Company and Variable Contracts Products Representative (Series 6), General Securities Representative (Series 7), Direct Participation Programs Representative (Series 22), Securities Trader (Series 57), Investment Banking Representative (Series 79), Private Securities Offerings Representative (Series 82) and Operations Professional (Series 99) examinations; (3) revise the administration and delivery fee for the Municipal Securities Representative (Series 52) examination; and (4) remove the Order Processing Assistant Representative (Series 11), United Kingdom Securities Representative (Series 17), Canada Securities Representative (Series 37 and Series 38), Options Representative (Series 42), Corporate Securities Representative (Series 62) and Government Securities Representative (Series 72) examinations and the associated fees. The proposed rule change relates to the restructuring of the FINRA representative-level qualification examination program. The proposed rule change also makes certain non-substantive technical changes to the table of fees under Section 4(c).

The text of the proposed rule change is available on FINRA’s website at <http://www.finra.org>, at the principal office of FINRA and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, FINRA included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. FINRA has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

In July 2017, the SEC approved a proposed rule change to restructure the FINRA representative-level qualification examination program.⁵ The rule change, which will become effective on October 1, 2018,⁶ restructures the examination

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 81098 (July 7, 2017), 82 FR 32419 (July 13, 2017) (Order Approving File No. SR–FINRA–2017–007). For ease of reference, FINRA revised the titles of some of the registration categories as part of SR–FINRA–2017–007. For instance, FINRA changed “Limited Representative—Investment Company and Variable Contracts Products” to “Investment Company and Variable Contracts Products Representative.” This proposed rule change refers to the titles that were approved as part of SR–FINRA–2017–007, though the changes are not yet effective.

⁶ See *Regulatory Notice* 17–30 (October 2017).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(2).