Without SBA's prior written approval, the Associate must not:

- (1) Have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the Portfolio Concern that exceeds, or has the potential to exceed, 5 percent of the Portfolio Concern's equity.
- (2) Have served for more than 30 days as an officer, director or other participant in the management of the Portfolio Concern before you provided Financing.
- (3) Receive any income or anything of value from the Portfolio Concern unless it is for your benefit, with the exception of director's fees, expenses, and distributions based upon the Associate's ownership interest in the Concern.
- (f) 1940 and 1980 Act Companies: SEC exemptions. If you are a 1940 or 1980 Act Company and you receive an exemption from the Securities and Exchange Commission for a transaction described in this §107.730, you need not obtain SBA's approval of the transaction. However, you must promptly notify SBA of the transaction and satisfy the public notice requirements in paragraph (g) of this section.
- (g) Public notice. Before granting an exemption under this §107.730, SBA will publish notice of the transaction in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

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§ 107.740 Portfolio diversification ("overline" limitation).

- (a) General rule. This §107.740 applies if you have outstanding Leverage or intend to issue Leverage in the future. Unless SBA approved your license application based upon a plan to issue less than two tiers of Leverage, you may provide Financing or a Commitment to a Small Business if the resulting amount of your aggregate Financings and Commitments to such Small Business and its Affiliates does not exceed 30 percent of the sum of:
- (1) Your Regulatory Capital as of the date of the Financing or Commitment; plus
- (2) Any Distribution(s) you made under \$107.1570(b), during the five years preceding the date of the Financing or

Commitment, which reduced your Regulatory Capital; plus

- (3) Any Distribution(s) you made under §107.585, during the five years preceding the date of the Financing or Commitment, which reduced your Regulatory Capital by no more than two percent or which SBA approves for inclusion in the sum determined in this paragraph (a).
- (b) Lower overline limit. If SBA approved your license application based upon a plan to issue less than two tiers of Leverage, the applicable percentage of the amount computed in paragraphs (a)(1) though (a)(3) of this section will be:
- (1) 20 percent if the plan contemplates one tier of Leverage.
- (2) 25 percent if the plan contemplates 1.5 tiers of Leverage.
- (c) Outstanding Financings. For the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, you must measure each outstanding Financing at its original cost (including any amount of the Financing that was previously written off).

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§ 107.750 Conditions for financing a change of ownership of a Small Business.

You may finance a change of ownership of a Small Business only under the conditions set forth in this section.

- (a) The Financing must:
- (1) Promote the sound development or preserve the existence of the Small Business:
- (2) Help create a Small Business as a result of a corporate divestiture; or
- (3) Facilitate ownership in a Disadvantaged Business.
- (b) The Resulting Concern (as defined in paragraph (c) of this section) must:
- (1) Be a Small Business under §107.700;
- (2) Have 500 or fewer full-time equivalent employees; or meet one of the appropriate debt/equity ratio tests:
- (i) If you have outstanding Leverage, the Resulting Concern's ratio of debt to equity must be no more than 5 to 1; or
- (ii) If you have no outstanding Leverage, the Resulting Concern's ratio of debt to equity must be no more than 8 to 1.