



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

November 14, 2018

Kori L. Ogrosky
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
PACWEST BANCORP
9701 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700
Beverly Hills, CA 90212

Re: PACWEST BANCORP
Registration Statement on Form S-4
Filed November 8, 2018
File No. 333-228275

Dear Ms. Ogrosky:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Jessica Livingston at 202-551-3448 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance
Office of Financial Services