+UNITED STATES OF AMERICA before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

SCOTT D. FARAH

ORDER VACATING INVESTMENT ADVISER, MUNICIPAL SECURITIES DEALER, MUNICIPAL ADVISOR, TRANSFER AGENT, AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STATISTICAL RATING ORGANIZATION BARS

Scott D. Farah seeks to vacate an order, dated February 9, 2011 (the "Order"), to the extent that it bars him from association with an investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization.¹ The bars at issue were imposed based solely on conduct occurring prior to July 22, 2010, the effective date of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.² Accordingly, in our discretion, we vacate the Order to the extent it prohibits Scott D. Farah from associating with an investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization, but otherwise leave the Order unmodified.

By the Commission.

Brent J. Fields Secretary

¹ See Scott D. Farah, Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63882, 2011 WL 457962 (Feb. 9, 2011).

² See Bartko v. SEC, 845 F.3d 1217, 1225 (D.C. Cir. 2017); Commission Statement Regarding Decision in *Bartko v. SEC* (Feb. 23, 2017), *available at* https://www.sec.gov/news/statement/commission-statement-regarding-bartko-v-sec.html.