

**Securities and Exchange Commission  
Advisory Committee on Small and Emerging Companies  
Minutes of December 17, 2014 Meeting<sup>1</sup>**

The Securities and Exchange Commission Advisory Committee on Small and Emerging Companies was convened at 9:30 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on December 17, 2014, at the Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington D.C. The meeting concluded at 3:25 p.m.

In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C.–App.1, the meeting was open to the public.

**Advisory Committee members in attendance:**

Stephen M. Graham, Co-Chair  
M. Christine Jacobs, Co-Chair  
Charles Baltic  
John J. Borer, III  
Dan Chace  
Shannon L. Greene  
Sara Hanks  
John Hempill  
Richard L. Leza  
Sonia Luna  
Catherine V. Mott  
David J. (D.J.) Paul  
Timothy Reese  
Timothy Walsh  
Gregory C. Yadley  
Javier Saade, Small Business Administration Observer

**SEC Commissioners in attendance for a portion of the meeting:**

Mary Jo White, Chair  
Commissioner Luis Aguilar (via videoconference)  
Commissioner Daniel Gallagher  
Commissioner Kara Stein

**SEC staff in attendance for all or a portion of the meeting\*:**

Keith F. Higgins, Director, Division of Corporation Finance

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<sup>1</sup> A webcast of the meeting and copies of the materials distributed at the meeting are available at: <http://www.sec.gov/info/smallbus/acsec.shtml>.

Sebastian Gomez, Office Chief, Office of Small Business Policy, Division of Corporation Finance

Julie Z. Davis, Senior Special Counsel, Office of Small Business Policy, Division of Corporation Finance

Rachita Gullapalli, Financial Economist, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

Michael Seaman, Special Counsel, Division of Corporation Finance

*\*List does not reflect additional SEC staff who may have been present as part of the audience*

**Presentations were given by:**

Michael Seaman, Special Counsel, Division of Corporation Finance

Rachita Gullapalli, Financial Economist, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

David M. Certner, Legislative Counsel and Legislative Policy Director, AARP

Marianne Hudson, Executive Director, Angel Capital Association

**Description of meeting proceedings:**

The Committee discussed the definition of “accredited investor” and outlined recommendations for the Commissions’ consideration. The Committee agreed that the final recommendations would be voted on at a future meeting. The full proceedings of the meeting are reflected in the transcript appended as Attachment A. Copies of the slides presented by speakers are appended in Attachment B and Attachment C.

**CO-CHAIR CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify the accuracy of these minutes of a meeting of the Securities and Exchange Commission’s Advisory Committee on Small and Emerging Companies.



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Stephen M. Graham  
Committee Co-Chair

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March 9, 2015

Date



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M. Christine Jacobs  
Committee Co-Chair

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March 9, 2015

Date

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Transcript of the meeting as prepared by Diversified Reporting Services, Inc.

Attachment B: “Accredited Investor Pool” slides as presented by Rachita Gullapalli

Attachment C: “Angel Investors, Innovated Startups and the Accredited Investor Definition” slides as presented by Marianne Hudson