UNITED STATES OF AMERICA before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 Release No. 3822 / April 23, 2014

Admin. Proc. File No. 3-15579

In the Matter of

STEPHEN E. GAGNON

NOTICE THAT INITIAL DECISION HAS BECOME FINAL

The time for filing a petition for review of the initial decision in this proceeding has expired. No such petition has been filed by Stephen E. Gagnon and the Commission has not chosen to review the decision on its own initiative.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given, pursuant to Rule 360(d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice,¹ that the initial decision of the administrative law judge² has become the final decision of the Commission with respect to Stephen E. Gagnon. The order contained in that decision is hereby declared effective. The initial decision ordered that, pursuant to Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Stephen E. Gagnon is barred from associating with any broker, dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

For the Commission, by the Office of the General Counsel, pursuant to delegated authority.

Jill M. Peterson Assistant Secretary

¹ 17 C.F.R. § 201.360(d).

² Stephen E. Gagnon, Initial Decision Rel. No. 573 (Mar. 12, 2014), 108 SEC Docket 09, 2014 WL 954008.