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Private Funds: A New Age Old problems, new rules, emerging risks

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Our Agenda

Part One: What happened? (Background)

Part Two: What's happening? (Exams, Enforcement)

Part Three: What happens next? (Practice Tips)

Part Four: Final thoughts



Part One: What happened?

Dodd-Frank (2010)

Post-recession exams/enforcement

2020 Risk Alert

- Fees, expenses
- Conflicts
- Disclosures
- MNPI

2022 Risk Alert

- Disclosures (again)
- Marketing rule
- Books and records
- Due diligence
- Hedge clauses

2023 Risk Alert

Newly registered advisers



Part One: What happened? (cont)

New rules

- Marketing rule (2020)
 - Hypothetical, net v. gross performance
 - Substantiation
- Form PF
 - From disclosure to prudential regulation?

Proposed rules

- Private fund compliance
- ESG disclosure
- Custody rule
- Outsourcing rule
- And many, many more



Part Two: What's happening (exams)?

Questions have gotten deeper, more thorough, with longer lookbacks.

Focus includes:

- Marketing rule
- Books and records (off-channel communications)
- ESG
- Outside vendors
- Valuations, fees, expenses
- Disclosures
- Conflicts
- Liquidity



Part Two: What's happening? (Enforcement)

At least 113 cases against private fund advisers or their executives since 2018:

- Registration: 17
- Custody rule: 13
- Valuations: 11
- Disclosures: 11
- Conflicts: 9
- MNPI: 3



Part Three: What happens now?

Compliance Tips



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