

81-14-1. Registration procedures for investment advisers and investment adviser representatives.

(a) General provisions.

(1) Each applicant shall be at least 18 years of age. If the applicant is not an individual, then the directors, officers, managing partners, or managing members of the applicant shall be at least 18 years of age.

(2) Each applicant shall be registered or qualified to engage in business as an investment adviser or investment adviser representative in the state of the applicant's principal place of business.

(3) Each registered investment adviser shall maintain registration under the act for at least one investment adviser representative.

(b) Application requirements for investment advisers.

(1) Initial application.

(A) IARD filing requirements. Each applicant for initial registration as an investment adviser shall complete form ADV in accordance with the form instructions and shall file the form, including parts 1 and 2 and all applicable schedules, with the IARD. In addition, the applicant shall submit to the IARD the fee required by K.A.R. 81-14-2 and any reasonable fee charged by FINRA for filing through the IARD system.

(B) Direct filing requirements. Each applicant for initial registration as an investment adviser shall file the following documents with the administrator, unless the documents are filed electronically with the IARD:

(i) the proposed client contract written in accordance with K.A.R. 81-14-5(d)(13);

(ii) a privacy policy written in accordance with K.A.R. 81-14-5(d)(12)(B);

(iii) supervisory procedures written in accordance with K.A.R. 81-14-4(b)(19);

(iv) financial statements that demonstrate compliance with the requirements of K.A.R. 81-14-9(d);

(v) a brochure written in accordance with K.A.R. 81-14-10(b), unless the applicant intends to use part 2 of form ADV as its brochure; and

(vi) any other document related to the applicant's business, if requested by the administrator.

(2) Annual renewal. The application for annual renewal registration as an investment adviser shall be filed with the IARD. The application for annual renewal registration shall include the fee required by K.A.R. 81-14-2 and any reasonable fee charged by FINRA for filing through the IARD system.

(3) Updates and amendments.

(A) Each investment adviser shall file with IARD, in accordance with the instructions in form ADV, any amendments to the investment adviser's form ADV. An amendment shall be considered to be filed promptly if the amendment is filed within 30 days of the event that requires the filing of the amendment.

(B) Within 90 days after the end of an investment adviser's fiscal year, the investment adviser shall file with the IARD an annual updating amendment to form ADV.

(c) Application requirements for investment adviser representatives.

(1) Initial application. Each applicant for initial registration as an investment adviser representative under the act shall complete form U-4 in accordance with the form instructions and shall file the form U-4 with the CRD, except as otherwise provided by order of the administrator. The application for initial registration shall include the following items:

(A) Proof of compliance by the investment adviser representative with the examination requirements of subsection (e);

(B) the fee required by K.A.R. 81-14-2; and

(C) any reasonable fee charged by FINRA for filing through the CRD system.

(2) Annual renewal. The application for annual renewal registration as an investment adviser representative shall be filed with the CRD. The application for annual renewal registration shall include the fee required by K.A.R. 81-14-2 and any reasonable fee charged by FINRA for filing through the CRD system.

(3) Updates and amendments. Each investment adviser representative shall be under a continuing obligation to update the information required by form U-4 as changes occur. Each investment adviser representative and any associated investment adviser shall file promptly with the CRD any amendments to the representative's form U-4. An amendment shall be considered to be filed promptly if the amendment is filed within 30 days of the event that requires the filing of the amendment.

(d) Effective date of registration.

(1) Initial registration. Each registration shall become effective on the 45th day after the completed application is filed, unless the application is approved earlier by the administrator. However, if the administrator or the administrator's staff has notified the applicant of deficiencies in the application, the application shall not be considered complete until an amendment is filed to resolve the deficiencies.

(2) Transfer of employment or association. If an investment adviser representative terminates employment by or association with an investment adviser registered under the act or a federal

covered investment adviser who has filed a notice under K.S.A. 17-12a405, and amendments thereto, and begins employment by or association with another investment adviser registered under the act or a federal covered investment adviser who has filed a notice under K.S.A. 17-12a405, and amendments thereto, and the successor investment adviser or federal covered investment adviser files an application for registration for the investment adviser representative within 30 days after the termination, then the application shall become effective in accordance with K.S.A. 17-12a408(b), and amendments thereto.

(e) Examination requirements.

(1) General requirements. Each individual applying to be registered as an investment adviser or investment adviser representative under the act shall provide the administrator with proof of obtaining a passing score on either of the following:

(A) The series 65 uniform investment adviser law examination; or

(B) the series 7 general securities representative examination and the series 66 uniform combined state law examination.

(2) Requirements for individuals registered on January 1, 2000. An individual who was registered as an investment adviser or investment adviser representative in any jurisdiction in the United States on January 1, 2000, shall not be required to meet the examination requirements for continued registration, except under either of the following conditions:

(A) If the administrator requires examinations for any individual found to have violated any state or federal securities law; or (B) if the administrator requires examinations for any individual whose registration has lapsed, as specified in paragraph (e)(3).

(3) Lapsed registration. If an individual has met the examination requirements of paragraph (e)(1) but has not been registered as an agent or investment adviser representative in any jurisdiction for the previous two years, the individual shall be required to comply with the examination requirements of paragraph (e)(1) again before applying for registration.

(4) Waivers. The examination requirement may be waived or modified by the administrator pursuant to K.S.A. 17-12a412(e), and amendments thereto, and the examination requirement shall not apply to any individual who currently holds one of the following professional designations:

(A) Certified financial planner (CFP), awarded by the certified financial planner board of standards, inc.;

(B) chartered financial consultant (ChFC), awarded by the American college, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania;

(C) personal financial specialist (PFS), awarded by the American institute of certified public accountants;

(D) chartered financial analyst (CFA), awarded by the institute of chartered financial analysts;

(E) chartered investment counselor (CIC), awarded by the investment counsel association of America, inc.; or

(F) any other professional designation that the administrator may by regulation or order recognize.

(f) Expiration, renewal, withdrawal, and termination.

(1) Each registration shall expire on December 31, and each application for renewal shall be filed not later than the deadline established by the IARD or CRD.

(2) If an investment adviser representative's association with an investment adviser is discontinued or terminated, the investment adviser shall immediately file a form U-5 with the CRD. If the investment adviser representative commences association with another investment adviser, that investment adviser shall file an initial application for registration for the investment adviser representative.

(3) If an investment adviser desires to withdraw from registration or if registration is terminated by the administrator, the investment adviser shall immediately file a form ADV-W with the IARD. The form ADV-W shall be completed in accordance with the instructions to the form.

(4) Termination of an investment adviser's registration for any reason shall automatically constitute cancellation of the registration of each investment adviser representative that is affiliated with the investment adviser.

(5) Each application that has been on file for six months without any action taken by the applicant shall be considered withdrawn.

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