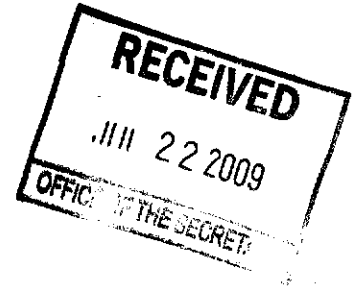


To: Secretary of the Commission
Attention: Elizabeth M. Murphy
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In Re: Release No. IC-28758; 812-13619
Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Total Return et al Notice of Application

Request to file Reply to letter dated July 21, 2009 in response to the Request for Hearing filed with the Secretary dated June 29, 2009

By Fax 202-772-9324

Howard I. Kastel and Joan H. Kastel respectfully request the opportunity to Reply to the letter filed by Morgan Lewis on behalf of their clients, the Applicants, Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Total Return Strategy Fund et al. We respectfully state we intend to file a reply by FAX on or before July 28, 2009, seven days from the date of Applicants' Response.

In support of this request, we respectfully advise the commission that we did not become aware of the Application until June 26. We also call the attention to the fact that the Request for Hearing was served on Applicants on June 29 and Applicants Counsel required 22 days to prepare and file the Response.

Howard L. Kastel

Dated: July 22, 2009

Copy by Fax 202-739-3001 and email to Thomas S. Harmon, Partner Morgan Lewis and email to Nuveen Investments Attn.