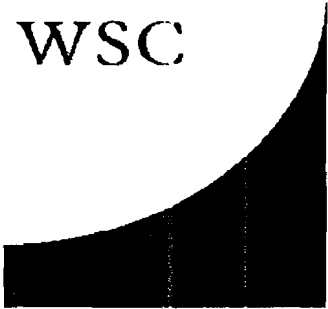


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• **Comments:** Clients have been calling me questioning why the SEC has not re-instituted the

Uptick Rule to lessen the volatility in the markets and seriously end the downside of their Retirement Accounts.

It is recognized that your tenure has only begun; however your background with the SEC is long term and this matter should be addressed with priority.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.