## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS Release No. 2304/February 11, 2015

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-16349

In the Matter of

BARBARA DUKA

ORDER ON AGREED MOTION TO CONVERT HEARING DATE TO TELEPHONIC PREHEARING CONFERENCE

The Securities and Exchange Commission issued an Order Instituting Administrative and Cease and Desist Proceedings (OIP) against Respondent Barbara Duka (Respondent) on January 21, 2015, pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act of 1933, Sections 15E(d) and 21C of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. A hearing is currently scheduled for February 23, 2015.

On February 11, 2015, the Division of Enforcement sent this Office an Agreed Motion to Convert Hearing Date to Telephonic Prehearing Conference (Motion). The Motion represents that Respondent was served with the OIP on or about January 30, 2015, and that Respondent consents to a hearing date later than sixty days after service. Motion at 2. The Motion requests that the scheduled hearing be converted to a telephonic prehearing conference to be held at 11:00 a.m. EST on February 23, 2015, or at such other time as is convenient for the Administrative Law Judge. *Id.* In support of this request, the Motion represents that the parties have conferred and agreed that a prehearing conference will expedite the disposition of the proceedings and improve the quality of the hearing. *Id.* 

Accordingly, the Motion is GRANTED IN PART. It is ORDERED that the hearing scheduled for February 23, 2015, is POSTPONED *sine die*, and a telephonic prehearing conference shall be held on February 25, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. EST.

Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge