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

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS Release No. 5388/December 15, 2017

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING

File No. 3-17650

In the Matter of

:

JOE LAWLER

ORDER

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The Securities and Exchange Commission instituted this proceeding with an Order Instituting Proceedings on October 28, 2016, pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. On March 21, 2017, an Initial Decision Making Findings and Imposing Sanction by Default barred Joe Lawler from the securities industry. *Joe Lawler*, Initial Decision Release No. 1117, 2017 SEC LEXIS 887 (A.L.J.).

The parties' attention is directed to the Commission's November 30, 2017, order concerning administrative proceedings. *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10440, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724 (Remand Order). The Remand Order ratifies the appointment of the undersigned as an Administrative Law Judge and directs her to "[r]econsider the record, including all substantive and procedural actions taken by an administrative law judge" in proceedings, such as this one, pending before the Commission in which she has issued an initial decision. Examination of the record discloses that the Chief Administrative Law Judge has ratified her designation of the undersigned as the presiding administrative law judge in this proceeding. Pursuant to the Remand Order, any party may submit any new evidence relevant to the undersigned's reexamination of the record by January 5, 2018. If a party submits new evidence, the other party may comment on it by January 19, 2018.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/S/ Carol Fox Foelak
Carol Fox Foelak
Administrative Law Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Joe Lawler, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 4326, 2016 SEC LEXIS 4144 (C.A.L.J. Nov. 7, 2017); *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 5247, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3780 (C.A.L.J. Dec. 4, 2017) (designating, and ratifying the designation of, the undersigned).