UNITED STATES OF AMERICA before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

JOHN V. JOHNSON

ORDER VACATING NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STATISTICAL RATING ORGANIZATION AND MUNICIPAL ADVISOR BARS

John V. Johnson seeks to vacate an administrative order, dated June 22, 2015 (the "Order"), to the extent that it bars him from association with any nationally recognized statistical rating organization ("NRSRO") or municipal advisor.¹ The NRSRO and municipal advisor bars at issue were imposed based solely on conduct occurring prior to July 22, 2010, the effective date of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.² Accordingly, in our discretion, we vacate the Order to the extent it prohibits John V. Johnson from associating with any NRSRO or municipal advisor, but otherwise leave the Order unmodified.

By the Commission.

Brent J. Fields Secretary

¹ See John V. Johnson, Advisers Act Release No. 4123, 2015 WL 3826731 (June 22, 2015).

² See Koch v. SEC, 793 F.3d 147, 158 (D.C. Cir. 2015).