

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
**Before the**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
**Release No. 69949 / July 9, 2013**

**INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940**  
**Release No. 3622 / July 9, 2013**

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING**  
**File No. 3-15372**

**In the Matter of**

**MATTHEW M. TAYLOR,**

**Respondent.**

**ORDER INSTITUTING  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(b) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
AND SECTION 203(f) OF THE  
INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940,  
MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING  
REMEDIAL SANCTIONS**

**I.**

The Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public administrative proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (“Advisers Act”) against Matthew M. Taylor (“Respondent”).

**II.**

In anticipation of the institution of these proceedings, Respondent has submitted an Offer of Settlement (the “Offer”) which the Commission has determined to accept. Solely for the purpose of these proceedings and any other proceedings brought by or on behalf of the Commission, or to which the Commission is a party, Respondent consents to the Commission’s jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of these proceedings and to the entry of this Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings Pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of

1934 and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions (“Order”), as set forth below.

### III.

On the basis of this Order and Respondent’s Offer, the Commission finds that:

1. Taylor, age 34, is a resident of Florida. From 2005 to 2007, Taylor was a registered representative associated with Goldman, Sachs & Co. (“Goldman”), a registered broker-dealer and investment adviser. From 2001 to 2005 and 2008 to 2012, Taylor was a registered representative associated with another registered broker-dealer and investment adviser.

2. On April 3, 2013, Taylor pled guilty to one count of wire fraud in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Section 1343 before the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, in United States v. Matthew Taylor, Crim. Information No. 1:13-CR-00251 (WHP). Taylor is scheduled to be sentenced on July 26, 2013.

3. The count of the criminal information to which Taylor pled guilty alleged, inter alia, that in December 2007, Taylor willfully and knowingly devised and executed a scheme to accumulate and then conceal an unauthorized \$8.3 billion position in a trading account he managed while working at Goldman’s New York office. Taylor’s unauthorized trading resulted in significant losses to Goldman. In order to conceal those trading losses, Taylor fabricated trades to Goldman’s internal systems. Taylor devised and executed this scheme in order to restore his professional reputation and increase his performance-based compensation at Goldman.

### IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent Taylor’s Offer.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act and Section 203(f) of the Advisers Act that Respondent Taylor be, and hereby is barred from association with any broker, dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization and barred from participating in any offering of a penny stock, including: acting as a promoter, finder, consultant, agent or other person who engages in activities with a broker, dealer or issuer for purposes of the issuance or trading in any penny stock, or inducing or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of any penny stock.

Any reapplication for association by the Respondent will be subject to the applicable laws and regulations governing the reentry process, and reentry may be conditioned upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the satisfaction of any or all of the following: (a) any disgorgement ordered against the Respondent, whether or not the Commission has fully or partially waived payment of such disgorgement; (b) any arbitration award related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; (c) any self-regulatory organization arbitration award to a

customer, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order;  
and (d) any restitution order by a self-regulatory organization, whether or not related to the conduct  
that served as the basis for the Commission order.

By the Commission.

Elizabeth M. Murphy  
Secretary