

the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) on the implementation of leading employment practices in an effort to remove any unnecessary barriers to the recruitment, hiring, retention and advancement of Hispanics in the Federal workplace. The Council is an advisory committee composed of Federal employees and Hispanic organizations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The charter for the Hispanic Council on Federal Employment publishes as follows:

1. Committee's Official Designation (Title). The Hispanic Council on Federal Employment.

2. Authority. This charter establishes the Hispanic Council on Federal Employment in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. The Commission is in the public interest and supports the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) in performing its duties and responsibilities under 5 CFR part 950.

3. Objectives and Scope of Activities. The purpose of the Commission is to advise the Director of OPM on the implementation of leading employment practices in an effort to remove any unnecessary barriers to the recruitment, hiring, retention and advancement of Hispanics in the Federal workplace.

4. Description of Duties. The Council shall provide recommendations to the Director of OPM on the implementation of initiatives involving the recruitment, hiring, and advancement of Hispanics in the Federal workforce. Its activities shall include, to the extent permitted by the law:

a. Reviewing leading practices in strategic human resources management planning;

b. Providing advice on ways to increase outreach to Hispanic communities, with a focus on Veterans, students, and people with disabilities;

c. Recommending any further actions, as appropriate, to address the underrepresentation of Hispanics in the Federal workforce where it occurs;

d. Recommending any further actions, as appropriate, to promote successful retention and advancement efforts including training of department and agency personnel;

e. Implementing recommendations for innovative ways to improve the

dissemination of information about Federal employment to the Hispanic communities; and

f. Recommending any further actions, as appropriate, to address the underrepresentation of Hispanics in the Federal workforce where it occurs.

5. Agency Official to Whom the Commission Reports. The Commission will report recommendations to the OPM Director.

6. Support. OPM is responsible for providing administrative services and support to the Commission.

7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years. The estimated annual operating expenses of the Council are \$12,000.00 (.25 FTE). These expenses include funds to cover actual staff time (including benefits) devoted to preparation for meetings and technical discussions at meetings, expenses for preparing and printing discussion materials and administrative costs for filing the charter, preparing **Federal Register** notices, preparing minutes of the meetings, etc.

8. Designated Federal Officer (DFO). The Director of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, at OPM shall be appointed as the DFO of the Council. The DFO will approve or call all Council and subcommittee meetings, prepare and approve all meeting agendas, attend all Council and subcommittee meetings, adjourn any meeting when they determine adjournment to be in the public interest, and chair meetings when directed to do so by the official to whom the Council reports.

9. Estimated Number of Frequency of Meetings. The frequency of meetings will be determined by the Co-Chair of the Council with the approval of the DFO, and the committee is expected to convene once every two months.

10. Duration. It is expected that the Commission will conclude its work in approximately one year.

11. Termination. December 31, 2015.

12. Membership and Designation. The Council will include a total of approximately 22 Federal workers and non-government individuals, including Regular Government Employees and Representative Members. The Council members will represent various perspectives from Hispanic that have experience in working on Federal employee, Hispanic student, Veterans, persons with disabilities and/or employment issues affecting Hispanic communities, while other Council members will provide technical expertise regarding strategic human resources management planning and the merit systems principles. The Director of OPM may also designate other

members of the Council. Such additional members may include, but are not limited to: (1) The Chief Human Capital Officers of other Executive agencies; and (2) Members who are designated on an ex officio basis and who may be invited to contribute to projects, as particular skills and expertise are needed.

13. Subcommittees. The Co-Chairs of the Council, with the Agency's approval, are responsible for directing the work of the Council, including the creation of subcommittees necessary to carry out the Council's mandate. All subcommittees will report to the Council and will not provide advice directly to the Agency.

14. Recordkeeping. The records of the Council, as well as any formally and informally established subcommittees, shall be maintained in accordance with General Records Schedule 26, Item 2 or other appropriate agency records disposition schedule. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to applicable exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Katherine L. Archuleta,

Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Excepted Service

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from November 1, 2014, to November 30, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Services and Performance Management, Employee Services, (202) 606-2246.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific authorities established or revoked each

month in the **Federal Register** at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/. OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

Schedule A

05. Department of the Treasury (Sch. A, 213.3105)
 (a) Office of the Secretary—
 (1) Not to exceed 20 positions at the equivalent of GS–13 through GS–15 or Senior Level (SL) to supplement permanent staff in the study of complex problems relating to international

financial, economic, trade, and energy policies and programs of the Government, when filled by individuals with special qualifications for the particular study being undertaken. Employment under this authority may not exceed 4 years.

05. Department of the Treasury (Sch. A, 213.3105)
 (h) Office of Financial Stability—
 (1) Positions needed to perform investment, risk, financial, compliance, and asset management requiring unique qualifications currently not established by OPM. Positions will be in the Office

of Financial Stability at the General Schedule (GS) grade levels 12–15 or Senior Level (SL), for initial employment not to exceed 4 years. No new appointments may be made under this authority after December 31, 2012.

Schedule B

No Schedule B authorities to report during November 2014.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during November 2014.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Effective date
Department of Agriculture	Office of the Deputy Secretary	Confidential Assistant	DA150021	11/18/2014
Department of Commerce	Office of the Under Secretary	Senior Advisor for Trade and Strategic Initiatives.	DC150012	11/6/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary and Director General for United States and Foreign Commercial Service.	Senior Director	DC150016	11/10/2014
	Office of the Deputy Secretary	Deputy Chief Data Officer	DC150020	11/10/2014
	Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration.	Senior Director for Management and Performance and Chief of Staff for Administration.	DC150019	11/13/2014
Commission on Civil Rights	Office of Commissioners	Special Assistant	CC150001	11/13/2014
Department of Defense	Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs).	Special Assistant for Strategy, Plans and Forces.	DD150013	11/13/2014
	Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs).	Speechwriter	DD150018	11/13/2014
	Washington Headquarters Services	Defense Fellow	DD150019	11/17/2014
	Office of the Secretary of Defense	Advance Officer (3)	DD150020	11/21/2014
			DD150021	11/21/2014
			DD150028	11/21/2014
Department of the Army	Office of Assistant Secretary Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs).	Special Assistant(Manpower and Reserve Affairs).	DW150003	11/25/2014
Department of Education	Office of Innovation and Improvement.	Special Assistant	DB150016	11/14/2014
	Office for Civil Rights	Confidential Assistant	DB150017	11/14/2014
	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant	DB150019	11/24/2014
	Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs.	Special Assistant	DB150022	11/24/2014
Department of Energy	Office of Public Affairs	Digital Communications Specialist	DE150010	11/4/2014
Environmental Protection Agency ...	Office of the Administrator	Special Assistant	EP150006	11/10/2014
	Office of Advance Staff	Deputy for Advance	EP150007	11/13/2014
Department of Health and Human Services.	Office of the Secretary	Confidential Assistant	DH150023	11/4/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.	Special Assistant for Preparedness and Response.	DH150027	11/10/2014
	Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.	Outreach Coordinator	DH150029	11/10/2014
		Director, Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.	DH150026	11/13/2014
		Regional Director, San Francisco, California, Region IX.	DH150035	11/14/2014
	Office of Communications	Senior Advisor	DH150039	11/26/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.	Communications Director for Human Services.	DH150040	11/26/2014
Department of Homeland Security ..	Ombudsman, Citizenship and Immigration Services.	Public Affairs Specialist	DM150013	11/3/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs.	Intergovernmental Affairs Coordinator.	DM150024	11/7/2014
	Office of the Executive Secretariat	Writer-Editor	DM150025	11/7/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.	Senior Director	DM150026	11/7/2014
	United States Customs and Border Protection.	Special Advisor	DM150029	11/17/2014
	Office of the Under Secretary for Science and Technology.	Advisor	DM150030	11/17/2014
		Advisor	DM150032	11/18/2014

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Effective date
Department of the Interior	United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement.	Special Assistant	DM150034	11/18/2014
	Secretary's Immediate Office	Special Assistant	DI150010	11/14/2014
Department of Justice	Office of Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management. Bureau of Reclamation	White House Liaison	DI150011	11/14/2014
		Senior Advisor	DI150009	11/20/2014
	Executive Office for United States Attorneys.	Advisor	DI150007	11/25/2014
Department of Labor	Office of the Attorney General	Counsel	DJ150016	11/3/2014
	Employment and Training Administration.	Special Assistant	DJ150020	11/24/2014
Office of Management and Budget	Office of the Secretary	Director of Center for Workforce Industry Partnerships.	DL150010	11/7/2014
		Scheduler	DL150012	11/14/2014
	Women's Bureau	Senior Advisor	DL150014	11/20/2014
Office of Science and Technology Policy.	Legislative Affairs	Confidential Assistant	BO150004	11/17/2014
Small Business Administration	Office of Science and Technology Policy.	Special Assistant	TS150003	11/25/2014
Department of State	Office of Communications and Public Liaison.	Deputy Assistant Administrator for Communications and Public Liaison.	SB150008	11/6/2014
	Office of the Under Secretary for Management.	Special Assistant	DS150007	11/10/2014
Department of Transportation	Office of the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights.	Senior Advisor	DS150008	11/10/2014
	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant	DT150007	11/5/2014
	Office of Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.	Director of Governmental Affairs ...	DT150010	11/13/2014
Department of the Treasury	Office of the Assistant Secretary (Public Affairs).	Associate Director for State and Local Governmental Affairs.	DT150013	11/25/2014
		Senior Advisor	DY150008	11/14/2014
		Special Assistant	DY150009	11/14/2014

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during November 2014.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization number	Vacate date
Department of Commerce	Office of Public Affairs	Director of Digital Strategy	DC120070	11/1/2014
	Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration.	Senior Director for Performance and Business Process Improvement.	DC120136	11/15/2014
Department of Energy	Office of Public Affairs	Assistant Press Secretary	DE130119	11/1/2014
	Office of the Deputy Secretary	Special Advisor	DE130113	11/1/2014
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.	Office of the Secretary of Commissioners.	Confidential Assistant	DR140006	11/9/2014
Department of Health and Human Services.	Health Resources and Services Administration and Office of the Administrator.	Special Assistant	DH130111	11/1/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.	Special Assistant to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.	DH110108	11/1/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.	Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.	DH140122	11/1/2014
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.	Deputy Director	DH090232	11/15/2014
Department of Homeland Security.	Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.	Special Assistant	DH140017	11/15/2014
	United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement.	Special Assistant	DM110235	11/1/2014
	Office of the Chief of Staff	Special Assistant	DM130137	11/1/2014
Department of Housing and Urban Development.	White House Liaison	DM130171	11/1/2014
	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant	DM140151	11/1/2014
	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant	DU130041	11/1/2014
	Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer.	Advance Coordinator	DU130047	11/1/2014

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization number	Vacate date
	Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations.	Congressional Relations Officer	DU130048	11/15/2014
Department of the Interior	Secretary's Immediate Office ...	White House Liaison	DI130054	11/1/2014
Department of Justice	Office of Legislative Affairs	Legislative Assistant	DJ100152	11/7/2014
	Executive Office for United States Attorneys.	Counsel	DJ130035	11/15/2014
	Antitrust Division	Senior Counsel	DJ130066	11/22/2014
Department of Labor	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.	Senior Policy Advisor	DL130023	11/1/2014
	Office of the Solicitor	Senior Counselor to the Solicitor.	DL130015	11/1/2014

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

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Katherine Archuleta,

Director.

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investment trusts that are within and outside the same group of investment companies as the acquiring investment companies, and (b) permit funds of funds relying on rule 12d1–2 under the Act to invest in certain financial instruments.

On December 16, 2014, a notice of the filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 31381). The notice gave interested persons an opportunity to request a hearing and stated that an order granting the application would be issued unless a hearing was ordered. No request for a hearing has been filed, and the Commission has not ordered a hearing.

The matter has been considered and it is found, on the basis of the information set forth in the application, as amended, that granting the requested exemption is appropriate in and consistent with the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of the Act.

It is also found that the terms of the proposed transactions are reasonable and fair and do not involve overreaching, and the proposed transactions are consistent with the policies of each registered investment company concerned and with the general purposes of the Act.

Accordingly,

It is ordered, that the relief requested under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Act from sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act, under sections 6(c) and 17(b) of the Act from sections 17(a)(1) and (2) of the Act, and under section 6(c) of the Act for an exemption from rule 12d1–2(a) under the Act by Wilshire Mutual Funds, Inc., et al. (File No. 812–14350) is granted, effective immediately, subject to the conditions contained in the application, as amended.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

Brent J. Fields,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 31456]

Investment Company Act of 1940

February 12, 2015.

In the Matter of Wilshire Mutual Funds, Inc., Wilshire Variable Insurance Trust, Wilshire Associates Incorporated, SEI Investments Distribution Co., 1299 Ocean Avenue, Suite 700, Santa Monica, CA 90401, (812–14350)

Order Under Section 12(D)(1)(J) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Granting an Exemption from Sections 12(D)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act, under Sections 6(C) and 17(B) of the Act Granting an Exemption from Sections 17(A)(1) and (2) of the Act, and under Section 6(C) of the Act for an Exemption from Rule 12d1–2(A) under the Act

Wilshire Mutual Funds, Inc., Wilshire Variable Insurance Trust, Wilshire Associates Incorporated, and SEI Investments Distribution Co. filed an application on August 19, 2014, and an amendment to the application on November 10, 2014, requesting an order under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) granting an exemption from sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act, under sections 6(c) and 17(b) of the Act granting an exemption from sections 17(a)(1) and (2) of the Act, and under section 6(c) of the Act for an exemption from rule 12d1–2(a) under the Act. The order would (a) permit certain registered open-end management investment companies that operate as “funds of funds” to acquire shares of certain registered open-end management investment companies and unit

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–74267; File No. SR–BOX–2015–009]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BOX Options Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Regarding the Acceptance of the Transfer, by Citadel Securities, LLC (“Citadel Securities”) to Its Affiliate, Citadel Securities Principal Investments, LLC, of Citadel Securities’ Ownership Interest in BOX Options Exchange, LLC and BOX Holdings Group, LLC, an Affiliate of the Exchange

February 12, 2015.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”),¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on January 29, 2015, BOX Options Exchange, LLC (the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to accept the transfer, by Citadel Securities LLC (“Citadel Securities”) to its affiliate, Citadel Securities Principal Investments LLC, a Delaware limited liability

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.