promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general to protect investors and the public interest and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers and dealers.

The Exchange believes the proposed change to the exchange groupings of options exchanges within the routing fee table furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act and is reasonable, equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because the proposed change will continue to apply in the same manner to all Members that are subject to routing fees. The Exchange believes the proposed change to the routing fee table exchange groupings furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act and is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade and is not unfairly discriminatory because the proposed change seeks to recoup costs that are incurred by the Exchange when routing customer orders to away markets on behalf of Members and does so in the same manner to all Members that are subject to routing fees. The costs to the Exchange to route orders to away markets for execution primarily includes transaction fees and rebates assessed by the away markets to which the Exchange routes orders, in addition to the Exchange's clearing costs, administrative, regulatory and technical costs. The Exchange believes that the proposed re-categorization of certain exchange groupings would enable the Exchange to recover the costs it incurs to route orders to Nasdaq MRX. The per-contract transaction fee amount associated with each grouping approximates the Exchange's all-in cost (plus an additional, non-material amount) to execute the corresponding contract at the corresponding exchange.

## B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange believes its proposed recategorization of certain exchange groupings is intended to enable the Exchange to recover the costs it incurs to route orders to away markets, particularly Nasdaq MRX. The Exchange does not believe that this proposal imposes any unnecessary burden on competition because it seeks to recoup costs incurred by the Exchange when routing orders to away markets on

behalf of Members and other exchanges have similar routing fee structures.<sup>11</sup>

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section  $19(b)(3)(\tilde{A})(ii)$  of the Act,<sup>12</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) 13 thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

### **IV. Solicitation of Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

#### Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an email to *rule-comments@* sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–PEARL–2020–31 on the subject line.

# Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-PEARL-2020-31. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (http://www.sec.gov/ rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements

with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-PEARL-2020-31, and should be submitted on or before January 7, 2021.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{14}$ 

#### J. Matthew DeLesDernier,

 $Assistant\ Secretary.$ 

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IA-5646]

### Notice of Intention to Cancel Registration Pursuant to section 203(H) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940

December 14, 2020.

Notice is given that the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") intends to issue an order, pursuant to section 203(h) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the "Act"), cancelling the registration of Family Office Partners, Inc. [File No. 801–110022], hereinafter referred to as the "registrant."

Section 203(h) of the Act provides, in pertinent part, that if the Commission finds that any person registered under section 203 of the Act, or who has pending an application for registration filed under that section, is no longer in existence, is not engaged in business as an investment adviser, or is prohibited from registering as an investment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See supra note 6.

<sup>12 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>13 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

<sup>14 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

adviser under section 203A of the Act, the Commission shall by order, cancel the registration of such person.

Section 203A of the Act prohibits an investment adviser from registering with the Commission under certain circumstances. Rule 203A-2(d) under the Act provides an exemption to this prohibition, permitting an adviser to register with the Commission if the adviser would otherwise be required to register as an investment adviser with 15 or more state securities authorities ("multi-state adviser exemption"). The registrant indicated on its most recently filed Form ADV that it is relying on the multi-state adviser exemption to register with the Commission and that it has no clients and no assets under management.1 It appears that the registrant is not eligible for the multistate adviser exemption because it is not required to register as an investment adviser with 15 or more state securities authorities. Therefore, it appears that the registrant is prohibited from registering as an investment adviser with the Commission. Furthermore, the registrant has not filed a Form ADV annual updating amendment as required by rule 204-1 under the Act.<sup>2</sup> Therefore, it appears that the registrant is not in existence or otherwise not engaged in business as an investment adviser. Accordingly, the Commission believes that reasonable grounds exist for a finding that the registrant is not eligible to be registered with the Commission as an investment adviser and that the registration should be cancelled pursuant to section 203(h) of the Act.

Notice is also given that any interested person may, January 8, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., submit to the Commission in writing a request for a hearing on the cancellation, accompanied by a statement as to the nature of his or her interest, the reason for such request, and the issues, if any, of fact or law proposed to be controverted, and he or she may request that he or she be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. Any such communication should be emailed to the Commission's Secretary at Secretarys-Office@sec.gov.

At any time after January 8, 2021, the Commission may issue an order cancelling the registration, upon the basis of the information stated above, unless an order for a hearing on the cancellation shall be issued upon request or upon the Commission's own motion. Persons who requested a hearing, or who requested to be advised as to whether a hearing is ordered, will receive any notices and orders issued in this matter, including the date of the hearing (if ordered) and any postponements thereof. Any adviser whose registration is cancelled under delegated authority may appeal that decision directly to the Commission in accordance with rules 430 and 431 of the Commission's rules of practice (17 CFR 201.430 and 431).

**ADDRESSES:** The Commission: Secretarys-Office@sec.gov.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>3</sup>

#### J. Matthew DeLesDernier,

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–90652; File No. SR–NYSEArca-2020-77]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Order Instituting Proceedings To Determine Whether To Approve or Disapprove a Proposed Rule Change To Amend NYSE Arca Rule 8.601–E To Adopt Generic Listing Standards for Active Proxy Portfolio Shares

December 11, 2020.

### I. Introduction

On August 31, 2020, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act" or "Exchange Act") 1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, 2 a proposed rule change to amend NYSE Arca Rule 8.601–E to adopt generic listing standards for Active Proxy Portfolio Shares. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on September 21, 2020.3 On October 30,

2020, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Exchange Act,4 the Commission designated a longer period within which to approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.<sup>5</sup> The Commission has received no comments on the proposed rule change. The Commission is publishing this order to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons and to institute proceedings pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act 6 to determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed rule change.

# II. Description of the Proposed Rule Change

Earlier this year, the Commission approved the Exchange's proposal to adopt listing standards for Active Proxy Portfolio Shares as set forth in NYSE Arca Rule 8.601–E.7 Active Proxy Portfolio Shares are securities (a) issued by an investment company ("Investment Company") registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act") organized as an open-end management investment company that invests in a portfolio of securities selected by the Investment Company's investment adviser consistent with the Investment Company's investment objectives and policies; (b) issued in a specified minimum number of shares, or multiples thereof, in return for a deposit by the purchaser of the Proxy Portfolio<sup>8</sup> and/or cash with a value equal to the next determined net asset value ("NAV"); (c) when aggregated in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The registrant filed its most recent Form ADV, which was an "other-than-annual amendment," on May 31, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Rule 204–1 under the Act requires any adviser that is required to complete Form ADV to amend the form at least annually and to submit the amendments electronically through the Investment Adviser Registration Depository.

<sup>3 17</sup> CFR 200.30-5(e)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 89874 (September 15, 2020), 85 FR 59338 ("Notice").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 90296, 85 FR 70696 (November 5, 2020). The Commission designated December 20, 2020, as the date by which the Commission shall approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change.

<sup>6 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

<sup>7</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 89185 (June 29, 2020), 85 FR 40328 (July 6, 2020) (SR-NYSEArca-2019-95) (Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 6 and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 6, to Adopt NYSE Arca Rule 8.601–E to Permit the Listing and Trading of Active Proxy Portfolio Shares and To List and Trade Shares of the Natixis U.S. Equity Opportunities ETF Under Proposed NYSE Arca Rule 8.601–E) ("Active Proxy Portfolio Shares Approval Order").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Rule 8.601–E(c)(3) defines the term 'Proxy Portfolio'' as a specified portfolio of securities, other financial instruments and/or cash designed to track closely the daily performance of the Actual Portfolio of a series of Active Proxy Portfolio Shares as provided in the exemptive relief pursuant to the 1940 Act applicable to such series. Rule 8.601–E(c)(2) defines the term "Actual Portfolio" as identities and quantities of the securities and other assets held by the Investment Company that shall form the basis for the Investment Company's calculation of NAV at the end of the business day.