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IIROC Fines Former Vancouver Financial Advisor Pei-Ying Patty Chen

October 5, 2018 (Vancouver, BC) – On September 24, 2018, a Hearing Panel of the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC) accepted a Settlement Agreement, with sanctions, between IIROC staff and Pei-Ying Patty Chen.

Ms. Chen admitted that she failed to disclose outside investment accounts to her employer – contrary to IIROC Dealer Member Rule 29.1. As a result, her employer was not in a position to properly supervise Ms. Chen's personal trading.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Ms. Chen agreed to the following penalty:

- (a) A fine of \$15,000; and
- (b) To re-write and pass the Conduct and Practices Handbook course prior to any re-registration with IIROC.

Ms. Chen also agreed to pay costs in the amount of \$2,500.

The Settlement Agreement is available at:

http://www.iiroc.ca/Documents/2018/cc7c3a2c-7992-4a27-b9b2-921b0252a9f3 en.pdf

The Hearing Panel's decision will be made available at www.iiroc.ca.

Documents related to ongoing IIROC enforcement proceedings – including Reasons and Decisions of Hearing Panels – are posted on the IIROC website as they become available. Click here to search and access all IIROC enforcement documents.



IIROC formally initiated the investigation into Ms. Chen's conduct in September 2016. The conduct occurred while she was a Registered Representative with a Vancouver branch of CIBC Investor Services Inc., an IIROC-regulated firm. Ms. Chen is no longer a registrant with an IIROC-regulated firm.

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