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IIROC Fines Former Kaslo Investment Advisor Richard Hewat

April 16, 2019 (Vancouver, BC) – On December 20, 2018, a Hearing Panel of the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC) accepted a Settlement Agreement, with sanctions, between IIROC staff and Richard Hewat.

Richard Hewat admitted that he made unsuitable recommendations with respect to the accounts of three clients. He also executed trades in a client account without authorization.

Specifically, Mr. Hewat admitted to the following violation:

- (a) Between June 2011 and December 2016, Mr. Hewat failed to use due diligence to ensure that recommendations were suitable for three clients, contrary to Dealer Member Rule 1300.1(q); and
- (b) Between July 2014 and December 2016, Mr. Hewat conducted unauthorized trades in a client account, contrary to Dealer Member Rule 29.1 and Consolidated Rule 1400 (after September 1, 2016).

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Richard Hewat agreed to the following penalty:

- (a) \$10,000 fine;

The Settlement Agreement is available at:

http://www.iiroc.ca/documents/2019/4c0769cb-a864-4bbe-8565-591d4a324370_en.pdf



IIROC formally initiated the investigation into Mr. Hewat's conduct in May 2017. The violations occurred while he was a Registered Representative with the Kaslo sub-branch of Leede Jones Gable Inc. Mr. Hewat is no longer a registrant with an IIROC-regulated firm.

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.

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