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## **Enforcement Notice Decision 16-0239**

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## **IN THE MATTER OF Robert Adrian Crandall – Penalty Decision**

**October 17, 2016 (Fredericton, New Brunswick)** – Following a penalty hearing held on September 7, 2016, a Hearing Panel of the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC) imposed the following penalties on Robert Adrian Crandall:

- (a) a prohibition on re-registering with IIROC for a period of five years;
- (b) a fine of \$150,000;
- (c) a requirement to successfully re-write the Conduct and Practices Handbook exam as a condition of re-registration; and
- (d) a period of strict supervision for 18 months should he return to the industry.

Mr. Crandall is also required to pay costs in the amount of \$ 35,000.

The penalty decision can be found at:

<http://docs.iiroc.ca/DisplayDocument.aspx?DocumentID=EBB2629F54324C82982C32F79B7174BF&Language=en>

In an earlier decision dated May 26, 2016, the Hearing Panel found that Mr. Crandall had committed the following violations:

- (a) Between July 2006 and June 2012, he engaged in excessive trading in the accounts of his client, which was not within the bounds of good business practices and was unsuitable for the client, contrary to IIROC Dealer Member Rule 1300.1 (o) and (q) (IDA Regulation 1300.1 (o) and (q) prior to June 1, 2008);
- (b) Between July 2006 and June 2012, he engaged in unauthorized discretionary trading in the accounts of his client, without the accounts first having been approved as



discretionary accounts, contrary to Dealer Member Rule 1300.4 (IDA by-law 1300.4 prior to June 1, 2008); and

- (c) Between July 2007 and October 2010, he made unsuitable recommendations for the accounts of his client, contrary to Dealer Member Rule 1300.1(q) (IDA by-law 1300.1(q) prior to June 1, 2008).

The Hearing Panel's liability decision dated May 26, 2016, is available at:

<http://docs.iiroc.ca/DisplayDocument.aspx?DocumentID=4179AFA352F5414B81E2E58201F96844&Language=en>

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 Mr. Crandall's conduct in July 2013. The violations occurred while he was a Registered Representative with the Fredericton branch of Wellington West Capital Inc. and its successor National Bank Financial, both IIROC-regulated firms at the relevant times. Mr. Crandall is no longer a registrant with an IIROC-regulated firm.

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