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Webcast: Expect Sweeping Changes to the SEC Next Year: An Insider's Preview

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Join us for an insider view of what to expect at the SEC in the new administration. During this 60-minute webcast we discuss our expectations for the regulatory agenda of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in 2025 and beyond. This will impact all public companies, funds, and financial market participants. Our panelists include Gibson Dunn Partner Brian Lane, who served as Counsel to SEC Chairman Arthur Levitt and was the Director of the Division of Corporation Finance from 1996 to 1999; Gibson Dunn Partner Tom Kim, who served as Chief Counsel and Associate Director of the Division of Corporation Finance from 2007 to 2013, and as Counsel to SEC Chairman Christopher Cox from 2006 to 2007; Gibson Dunn Partner Tina Samanta, who has represented clients in investigations conducted by the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; and Gibson Dunn Counsel Lauren Cook Jackson, who is an expert in broker-dealer regulation and regularly represents registrants in investigations and enforcement proceedings. **Key topics covered include:**

- Crypto what are the possible paths forward for issuers and intermediaries? Is there a best path? What about "tokenization" of securities?
- Climate disclosures will any version of the final rule ever take effect? What about other ESG disclosures?
- Gensler-era rulemakings in general what should be revisited and revised?
- Areas of reform for public companies, investment companies, broker-dealers and Wall Street?
- Is the SEC too big?
- What to expect from the new chairman-designee and a Republican-majority Commission

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