

TITLE 15—ELECTED OFFICIALS
Division 30—Secretary of State
Chapter 51—Broker-Dealers, Agents, Investment Advisers, and Investment Adviser
Representatives

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

15 CSR 30-51.070 Minimum Net Worth Requirements for Investment Advisers The Secretary is amending section (1), adding a new section (2), and amending section (3).

PURPOSE: This amendment gradually increases the minimum capital required of investment advisers over a ten-year period.

(1) *[Every]* **Except as provided in section (3) of this rule, every investment adviser domiciled in this state shall have and maintain a net worth [(assets minus liabilities), to include all cash, securities, and tangible assets] of not less than [five thousand dollars (\$5,000) except as provided in section (2) of this rule.] the following amounts by January 1 of the indicated year:**

Year	Minimum Net Worth
Before January 1, 2027	\$5,000
2027	\$6,000
2028	\$7,000
2029	\$8,000
2030	\$9,000
2031	\$10,000
2032	\$12,000
2033	\$14,000
2034	\$16,000
2035	\$18,000
2036 and after	\$20,000

(2) For purposes of this rule, the term “net worth” shall mean an excess of assets over liabilities, as determined by generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (U.S. GAAP), but shall not include the following as assets:

(A) In the case of an individual, prepaid expenses (except as to items properly classified assets under generally accepted accounting principles), deferred charges, goodwill, franchise rights, organizational expenses, patents, copyrights, marketing rights, unamortized debt discount and expense, all other assets of intangible nature,

home, home furnishings, automobiles, and any other personal items not readily marketable;

(B) In the case of a corporation, advances or loans to stockholders and officers; and

(C) In the case of a partnership, advances or loans to partners.

[(2)] (3) An investment adviser domiciled in another state must only comply with the net worth requirement of its home state.

*AUTHORITY: sections 409.4-411(a) and 409.6-605, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed June 25, 1968, effective Aug. 1, 1968. Amended: Filed May 21, 1969, effective Aug. 1, 1969. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed June 1, 2026.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: The Secretary of State's Office estimates costs may range from \$0 to \$3,255,000.00 in the aggregate for investment advisers to comply with the increases in the net worth minimum requirement.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Securities Division of the Office of Secretary of State by e-mail at securities@sos.mo.gov or mail at P.O. Box 1276, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*