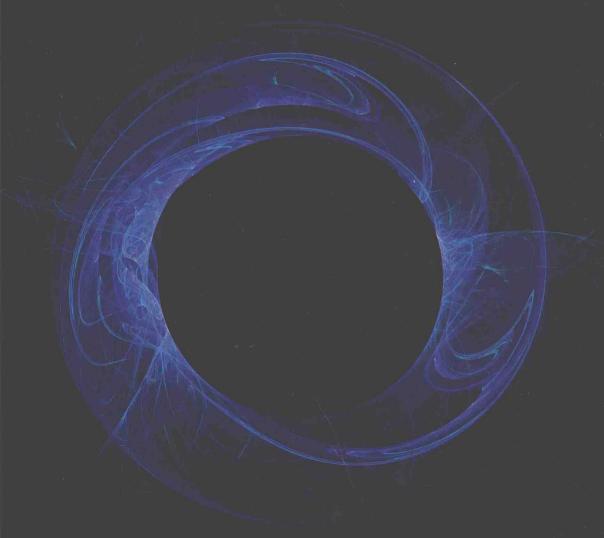
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A man should choose a friend who is better than himself. There are plenty of acquaintances in the world; but very few real friends.

-Chinese proverb

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List of Abbreviations

The following provides a list of the main abbreviations used in this book.

3ML Third Money Laundering Directive 2005

ABFA Asset Based Finance Association
ACD Authorized Corporate Director
ADR American Depositary Receipt

AIC Association of Investment Companies

AIM Alternative Investment Market
AML Anti-Money Laundering

APER The FSA's Approved Persons Sourcebook

ARA Asset Recovery Agency

ARROW Advanced Risk Response Operating Framework

ATCSA Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act

ATS Alternative Trading System
Basel I BCBS Capital Accord 1988

Basel II BCBS Revised Capital Adequacy Framework 2004

BBA British Bankers Association

BCBS Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

BCD Banking Consolidation Directive BCSB Banking Code Standard Board

BIMBO Combination of a management buy-in and buy-out

BIS Bank for International Settlements

BOE Bank of England

BVCA British Venture Capital Association

CA 06 Companies Act 2006

CARD Consolidated Admissions and Reporting Directive 2001

CASS The FSA's Client Assets Sourcebook

CC Competition Commission

CCA Consumer Credit Act 1974 or 2006

CCARs Consumer Credit (Advertisements) Regulations 2004

CD Certificate of Deposit
CDS Credit Default Swap

CEBS Committee of European Banking Supervisors

CEO Chief Executive Officer

CESR Committee of European Securities Regulators

CFO Chief Financial Officer
CI Compliance Institute
CJA Criminal Justice Act 1993

COAF The FSA Sourcebook for Complaints against the FSA

COBS The FSA's Conduct of Business Sourcebook

COLL The FSA's Collective Investment Scheme Sourcebook

COND The FSA's Threshold Conditions Sourcebook

CP Commercial Paper

CPD Continuing Professional Development
CRD Capital Requirements Directive 2006

CTF Counter Terrorist Financing

CTF Child Trust Fund

DBERR Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

DEPP The FSA's Decision Procedure and Penalties Manual

DGS Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive
DIE Designated Investment Exchange

DISP The FSA's Dispute Resolution: Complaints Sourcebook

DMD Distance Marketing Directive
DMO Debt Management Office
DPA Data Protection Act 1998

DTR The FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules Sourcebook

EA Enterprise Act 2002 EAW European Arrest Warrant

EBRD European Bank of Reconstruction and Development

ECAs Export Credit Agencies
ECD E-Commerce Directive 2000

ECHR European Convention on Human Rights ECN Electronic Communication Network

EEA European Economic Area

EFP International Uniform Exchange for Physical Transaction Agreement

EG The FSA's Enforcement Guide
ERA Employment Rights Act 1996
ESC European Securities Committee
ESD European Savings Tax Directive

ETFs Exchange Traded Funds

EU European Union

Euronext LIFFE London International Financial Futures Exchange

FAIFs Fund of Alternative Investment Funds

FATF Financial Action Taskforce
FCA Financial Conduct Authority
FCD Financial Collateral Directive 2002
FCPA Foreign Corrupt Practices Act 1977

FEOMA Foreign Exchange and Options Master Agreement FINRA US Financial Industry Regulatory Authority

FIT The FSA Sourcebook containing the Fit and Proper Test for Approved

Persons

FIU Financial Intelligence Unit

FOA Futures and Options Association FOIA Freedom of Information Act 2000 FOS Financial Ombudsman Service

FOTRA Free of Tax to Residents Abroad (relating to securities)

FRNs Floating Rate Notes

FSA Financial Services Authority FSAP Financial Services Action Plan

FSCS Financial Services Compensation Scheme FSMA Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

FSSC Financial Services Skills Council FTSE Financial Times Stock Exchange

FX Foreign Exchange

FXJSC Foreign Exchange Joint Standing Committee

GDR Global Depositary Receipt

GEN The FSA's General Provisions Sourcebook
GMRA Global Master Repurchase Agreement
GMSLA Global Master Securities Lending Agreement
GP General Partner (in a limited partnership)

GTMA Grid Trade Master Agreement

HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs

HR Human Resources

HRA Human Rights Act 2000

ICA International Compliance Association
ICC International Chamber of Commerce
ICD Investor Compensation Directive 1997
ICMA International Capital Market Association
ICO Information Commissioner's Office

ICOM International Currency Options Master Agreement

ICVC Investment Company with Variable Capital

IEC Act Investment Exchanges and Clearing Houses Act 2006
IEEPA International Emergency Economic Powers Act
IFEMA International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement
IFXCO International FX and Currency Option Master Agreement

ILSA Iran and Libya Sanctions Act

IMLPO Institute of Money Laundering Prevention Officers
IOSCO International Organization of Securities Commissions

IPO Initial Public Offering ISA Individual Savings Account

ISD Investment Services Directive 1993

ISDA International Swaps and Derivatives Association

ISMA International Securities Markets Association (now ICMA)

ISP 98 International Standby Practices issued by the ICC and the Institute of

International Banking Law and Practice

IT Information Technology

JMLSG Joint Money Laundering Steering Group

KPI Key Performance Indicator KYC Know Your Customer L/C Letter of Credit

LBMA London Bullion Market Association
LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate
Loan Market Association

LMA Loan Market Association

LME London Metal Exchange

LP Limited Partner (in a limited partnership arrangement)

LSE London Stock Exchange
MAD Market Abuse Directive 2003

MAR The FSA's Market Conduct Sourcebook

MBIs Management Buy-Ins MBOs Management Buy-Outs

MEFISLA Master Equity and Fixed Interest Stock Lending Agreement

MiFID Markets in Financial Instruments Directive 2004

ML The FSA's Money Laundering Sourcebook (no longer in force)
ML Regs UK Money Laundering Regulations, as updated from time to time

MLA Mandated Lead Arranger

MLRO Money Laundering Reporting Officer
MPBR More Principles Based Regulation
MTF Multilateral Trading Facility

MTNs Medium Term Notes

N2 The date the FSA became the UK's 'single financial services regulator' and

the date on which FSMA took effect (1 December 2001)

NASD US National Association of Securities Dealers (now merged into FINRA)
NASDAQ National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations

NCA National Crime Agency

NCIS National Criminal Intelligence Service (replaced by NCA)

NDF Non-Deliverable Forward
NIPs Non-Investment Products Code

NPL Non-Performing Loan NUR Non-UCITS Retail Scheme

OEIC Open-Ended Investment Company (also known as an ICVC)

OFAC Office of Foreign Assets Control in the US

OFT Office of Fair Trading

OSLA Overseas Securities Lending Agreement

OTC Over the Counter

PA dealing Personal Account Dealing

PACE Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984

PEP Personal Equity Plan

PIBS Permanent Interest Bearing Shares
PIDA Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998

POCA Proceeds of Crime Act 2002
PRA Prudential Regulation Authority

PRIN The FSA's Principles for Businesses Sourcebook

QIS Qualified Investor Schemes
RAO Regulatory Activities Order
RDC Regulatory Decisions Committee
REITs Real Estate Investment Trusts

RIE Recognized Investment Exchange

RIPA Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

Sarbox Public Company Accounting Reform and Investor Protection Act of 2002,

also known as the Sarbanes-Oxley Act

SFO Serious Fraud Office

SHCOG Securities Houses Compliance Officers Group

SIFMA Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association

SII Securities and Investment Institute
SMMLG Sterling Money Markets Liaison Group

SOCAP Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

SRO Self-Regulatory Organization

SUP The FSA's Supervision Sourcebook

SYSC The FSA's Senior Management Arrangements, Systems and Controls

Sourcebook

TACT Terrorism Act (2000 or 2006)

T-Bills Treasury Bills

TBMA The Bond Market Association (now part of SIFMA)

T&C Training and Competence
TCF Treating Customers Fairly
TRUP Transaction Reporting User Pack

UCITS Undertakings for Collective Investment of Transferable Securities UCP 600 ICC's Uniform Customs and Practices for Documentary Credits

UCPD Unfair Commercial Practices Directive

UCR rules ICC Uniform Rules for Documentary Collections

UNCITRAL United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

URC 522 ICC's Uniform Rules for Collections

UTCCRs Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts Regulations 1999

VAT Value Added Tax VCTs Venture Capital Trusts

Preface to the First Edition

(Or, How Not to be an Execution Officer)

ong ago, when the finance world appeared as weird and as unfamiliar to me as life on another planet, I applied for my first job in banking. I didn't know anything about broking or investments and found the interview a little daunting to say the least. Amidst all the confusion, what really stuck in my mind that day was my interviewer – someone with the curious job title of 'Compliance Officer'. In my bewilderment I found that by the time I returned home, with quite uncanny perception many might still say, the personage of 'Compliance Officer' had become in my mind the 'Execution Officer'. And a very sinister sounding person this seemed to be.

Fast forward a couple of months . . .

Amazingly I got the job (I wasn't even quite sure what it was at that first interview!) and started work as a junior on a team of stockbrokers. But some higher power had plans for me and a few months further down the line the firm was restructured. The broking team that I worked for was 'demerged' and became an entity in its own right. As that was a time when both regulator and regulated had a rather more cavalier attitude towards Compliance than they do today, I, as a financial services fresher, was informed that I was to be the new entity's very own 'Execution Officer'.

By now, I had more of an idea of what Compliance was all about and I must admit that I was not too thrilled to have landed this role – it was not an area that sent even the faintest shiver of excitement down my spine. The idea of having a job that involved learning lots of rules simply to 'get people into trouble' for not obeying the regulator's every command did not seem like my idea of fun. But, being young and somewhat ambitious, I was not immune to the career potential of having what I considered to be such an important sounding job title embossed on my business cards. So I went for it and suddenly . . . I was a real, live Compliance Officer! Or to be correct, I was a very confused and bewildered individual, *masquerading* as a Compliance Officer, who at intervals of scary regularity was required to sign off as such on official documents that were despatched to the regulator of the day, the Securities and Futures Authority.

I was armed with my fantastic new business cards and my shiny new rulebook, but what was I actually meant to do with them? I was aware that a rule breach was bad, and I knew that there were many, many rules out there that could be breached. But I was not very familiar with these rules or the legislation that had given rise to them; nor, being a relatively new recruit, did I know my firm very well, and I certainly wasn't very familiar with the finance industry.

I was simply not well placed to apply the few rules I did know to the business activities in which my firm engaged, and I regret to say that I was guilty of making more than a few of the classic mistakes:

- I'd select a rule, jump out from the rulebook behind which I had laid my ambush, and tell some poor, unsuspecting sales person that he was doing it all wrong, and that he'd better stop it pretty sharpish, with all sorts of threats of what would happen if he didn't. I don't think it occurred to me to propose an alternative approach to the one I was banning.
- I spent too much time with my head buried in rulebooks and regulatory notices, but I did not share my knowledge by providing training. How could I complain about someone doing something he did not know he should not have done because I had not given him proper guidance?
- I told the business what not to do without giving a reason why, or the consequences if they continued to do it.
- I worried more about keeping the regulator happy than I did about practical business solutions to regulatory problems.

Not surprisingly, my efforts were about as welcome as the news that we all had the Black Death! It simply seemed that, at every move I took, I was going to prevent some sort of business initiative or other. I'd be met with the resentful cries of my colleagues that things weren't done that way where their pals worked, or the rule I was quoting simply did not apply to their type of business. I was completely at a loss. Were *they* right? Was I right? I didn't know and, equally, I didn't know how to find out.

I felt that someone's head was going to roll; either mine, my colleagues' (or the regulator's!) and I began to be haunted by my old visions of the Execution Officer. In fact that's very much what I must have been perceived as being. I was scary. The whole thing was scary, and what was most scary was that my name was on that all-important dotted line that led straight to the regulator's door.

In desperation I headed to the City Business Library to find a reference book to help me, but unfortunately, when I reached the section that should have been marked 'Handy and User-Friendly Guidebooks for Compliance Officers', the shelf was bare. My kindly and more seasoned Compliance industry colleagues had omitted to provide me with any guidance about what I was meant to be doing or how I was meant to be doing it.

To be fair to them, however, I'm sure they had neither the time nor the energy to consider writing about what they were doing: most of them were too busy fire fighting, like me. Back then, there were far fewer Compliance professionals than there are today, and from the dealings I had with my peers it seemed that I was not the only scary member of the fraternity. Everyone seemed to be faced with much the same problem: Compliance had zero 'street cred'! The profession was new and suffered from an extreme lack of respect. It was often deemed worthy only of staff who had failed in all other areas. Or it was used as a cosy final resting place for elderly grandees of the firm who were gently being eased into retirement.

Many Compliance Officers had inadequate resources and undeveloped Compliance infrastructures. And so many of the new Compliance initiatives that they did take were met with such resentment and resistance that the easiest option was often to scare people into submission by threatening them with the regulator, who, in those days, seemed much less focused on what was good for business than it is today. It's not surprising that we earned the nickname of 'Business Prevention Officers'.

But all that was a few years ago. Today the regulator would never (we hope!) allow that type of worst case scenario in which a totally novice Compliance Officer is left in charge of a

regulated firm. Both the Compliance profession and the regulator have moved on since then, and so have I. I soon realized that 'being scary' was not what it was all about. I began to wake up to the fact that . . .

COMPLIANCE OFFICERS ARE GREAT!!!

In fact, far from being their worst nightmare, we deserve to be every financial services practitioner's best friends! This view may not sound particularly familiar but it's true. Think about it. There are massive benefits to be gained from a Compliance function that is operating to its full potential and is properly aligned with the business. Just stop for a second and remind yourself of all the many benefits you bestow on your colleagues. If you need a little help thinking of why you should be the very light of their life, then just turn to Chapter 2, Section 2.4.1 ('What are the Benefits of Compliance, Regulation and the Compliance Officer?') to get some ideas.

Luckily many business managers are also beginning to wake up to all the benefits that a good Compliance department can bring to a firm. Of course the regulator and we Compliance professionals realized this quite some time ago and have done everything we can to move things forward. But there's still a lot of bad reputation to cut through – which is not surprising considering that there are still a few rogue Compliance Officers engaging in all the no-nos that I referred to earlier. The shadow of the dreaded 'Execution Officer' still looms large.

So, how can we ensure that we practise 'successful Compliance', execute the 'Execution Officer' and become the type of asset to the business that any chief executive would be pleased to have on board?

Well, it's no mystery, we simply have to equip ourselves to do the job. What is more complex is the equipping process itself. Unless you are a very unusual person indeed, you were not born with the skills or knowledge that will enable you to apply regulatory requirements and best practice in any meaningful or useful way to the firm you work for. And that's where this text comes in.

I've attempted to provide a straightforward, easy to read, and above all practical guide to the work of a Compliance Officer. This text is not simply about summarizing legislation or regurgitating regulations. If that's what you need, then there are already plenty of books on the shelves. Instead, this text is about what to do once you have your source material and you're not quite sure what to do next. It's the sort of guide that shows you how to roll your sleeves up, get stuck in and start to deliver 'successful Compliance'.

The text covers the basic areas of knowledge and competence with which Compliance Officers should feel comfortable if they are even to dream about gaining the respect of their colleagues by giving constructive advice, steering their firms away from regulatory pitfalls or proposing ways in which processes and procedures can be streamlined.

SCOPE, COVERAGE AND READERSHIP

Jurisdictional Focus

In this world of globalization and international conglomerates, much of the text is of relevance irrespective of the jurisdiction in which you work: after all, a bank is a bank and a loan is a loan no matter whether you are based in Peru or Kazakhstan. Where more detail is required, the focus is generally on the regulatory system in place in the UK but to a certain extent, detailed rule references are irrelevant: what is important is to get to grips with the issues at the heart of a particular regulatory concept. It does not matter how that concept is translated into rules from one jurisdiction to the next, what does matter is whether we are following the spirit of the

requirement, delivering good value to our firms, protecting customer interest and working to maintain the integrity of the financial system. These concepts do not know national boundaries.

Industry Coverage

The scope of the financial services industry is too large to cover every aspect of each sector in one book. Much of the information and most of the guidance contained herein relate to a general regulatory framework that is of relevance to all sectors, but where there is a degree of specialization, the focus is on investment banking activity.

Readership

This text is targeted primarily at Compliance Officers but will also be of relevance to anyone who needs to find their way around some of the key concepts in financial regulation. This includes senior managers who need to get to grips with their Compliance responsibilities, regulators trying to find out how it really works in the firms they supervise, and students who have a regulatory component to their studies.

In short, this is the book I wish I had had on my desk when I first started out in Compliance and I hope you find it useful.

Annie Mills

ADDENDUM FROM PETER

I was delighted to be asked to work on updating this book. There are not too many books on Compliance that are worth reading, but Annie's book has set the bar very high. It is simply the best that I have seen. Annie and I first met properly when we worked on the development of BS 8453 on the Compliance Framework for Regulated Financial Services Firms. It was clear from that work that Annie has a fundamental understanding of Compliance. I hope that this revision does the original justice.

One of the downsides of updating a book on Compliance is that regulations change on a weekly, if not daily, basis. As this second edition goes to print, we have had confirmed rules relating to the new Senior Managers Regime. These changes have not been reflected in this edition, but will mean new categories of senior manager, new conduct rules, significant changes relating to statements of responsibility and responsibilities maps, as well as a major shift from the approved persons regime to that of certified persons. All of this will mean the usual amount of hard work whenever the regulators make fundamental changes, but greater focus this time from senior management - for obvious reasons. This means that Compliance Officers in 2016 and onwards will need to work so much harder to stay at the top of their game. Compliance Officers need to embrace this responsibility to become trusted advisors of senior management, assisting in developing and maintaining the right corporate culture and working hard to make sure that this culture achieves the right balance between revenue generation and customer service. Given the political will behind the new initiatives, it will be a challenging next decade facing the Compliance community. This book should help in that respect and I wish all Compliance colleagues the best of luck in their challenge, wherever in the world they face it.

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t was on the morning of 15th September 2008 that it struck me. The Lehman Brothers management teams were informing London and New York employees that the company had collapsed, and I realised that the financial system as we had known it would change for ever. I was looking out at the scene unfolding in Lehman Brothers' London HQ, right opposite my window in Canary Wharf. It was clear to me that things were going to change significantly for our industry. Government would enter back into the financial system in strength. Regulation would increase and become highly politicized. And the role of compliance would need to change dramatically, from the back office to the front office.

All these things have since come to pass, and in the meantime financial services has faced further challenges to its reputation, from benchmark rigging in LIBOR and FX and market manipulation to money laundering scandals. The world's regulatory authorities are cooperating as never before. In the year that preceded publication of this book, they jointly levied \$65 billion in fines on the industry – a 40 percent leap on the year before – and have ended the careers of many CEOs and senior managers.

The regulatory environment has grown overly complex. From just 33 regulatory alerts per day in 2008 we now report some 150 daily on average – that is over 40,000 per year from over 400 regulatory bodies. This is just one indication of the complex regulatory challenge which financial institutions have to address. Dealing with Regulation remains the top agenda item for the leadership of our 50,000 customers around the world.

This book helps us to cut through this complexity, providing a unique, comprehensive and simple handbook for navigating a complex area. The authors stress the importance of understanding the regulatory environment, frameworks and intent. They outline what successful compliance can look like, enabling the business rather than curtailing its activities, and working constructively to build trust between the business and its regulators.

To some this might look like an aspiration rather than the current reality, but it is possible and the benefits are enormous – not only to the individual institutions but also to restoring trust in this industry, which employs more than two million people in the UK alone, according to TheCityUK, and directly contributes some 12 percent of the UK's economic output. And of course all this activity has a multiplier effect, providing the most fundamental services for our society's wealth creators and employers, our businesses, households and government.

Financial services businesses today need effective compliance strategies. Quite simply, the authors of *Essential Strategies in Financial Services* have created a unique book to show you how it is done.

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