

City of Austin Employees' Retirement System

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

September 2019

Instructions:

- The disclosures requested in this document are to cover the period from September 1, 2018 to September 15, 2019. Please refer to COAERS Board Approved Policy C-3 Code of Ethics and Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code as the governing policy/statute.
- Please complete this questionnaire in electronic form by answering the following questions in as much detail as you can directly in this document. Please limit references to attachments for information and clearly reference the filename for attachments in the applicable answer.
- Send the completed document via e-mail to <u>ty.sorrel@coaers.org</u> along with a copy to <u>david.stafford@coaers.org</u> and <u>david.veal@coaers.org</u>. If you have any questions; please do not hesitate to call Ty Sorrel at +1 (512) 458-2551 x102.
- We welcome and encourage your feedback on this document. We seek to continually improve our processes, so if there are best practices that you have encountered elsewhere but do not see here please do let us know.

SUMMARY

| Firm Name: Loomis Sayles & Company | |
|---|--|
| Name of Fund/Strategy: NHIT Investment Grade Corporate Bond | |

| Manager Contact Details | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Firm: Loomis Sayles & Company | Address: One Financial Center | |
| Contact: Jennifer Kaing | City: Boston | |
| Tel: 617-748-1711 | State: MA | |
| Fax: | Zip: 02111 | |
| Email: jkaing@loomissayles.com | Country: USA | |

A. COAERS RELATIONSHIPS (see Exhibit A)

1. Does any person or entity listed on Exhibit A (i) have any interest in the Manager or (ii) have any interest in a COAERS investment in the applicable fund/strategy, (iii) in any affiliate of the Manager or (iv) become entitled to any fees, commissions, payments, dividends, distributions, equity or equity-linked interests, or any other benefit as a result of a COAERS investment in a fund or a contract to manage a COAERS separate account managed by the firm? If so, please explain.

To the best of our knowledge, no

2. To the best of your knowledge, does the Manager or any of its affiliates, or any principal or employee having authority to act on behalf of Manager or any of its affiliates, have a personal or private relationship (including a commercial, investment, or business relationship) with a person or entity listed on Exhibit A, or with an entity or affiliate that employs a person on Exhibit A? Does any principal or employee having authority to act on behalf of the Manager or any of its affiliates, have any of the foregoing relationships with a family member of a person listed on Exhibit A, including a spouse, child, niece, nephew, brother, sister, or parent? If yes, please explain.

Our parent company, Natixis Investment Managers, engages DLA Piper to advise all of their US and international affiliates, including Loomis Sayles, on both domestic and international privacy and security regulations. Loomis Sayles has consulted with attorneys at DLA Piper on European and California privacy laws. We do not utilize DLA Piper for any other purposes.

Please complete the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire attached as Exhibit B. The form and instructions for filling it out can also be found here:
https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/conflict/CIQ.pdf. The list of local government officers is set forth in Exhibit A below.

Exhibit A - COAERS Persons As of September 15, 2019

| Board of Trustees | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Michael Benson | Eyna Canales-Zarate | Stephanie Beach | Amy Hunter |
| Yuejiao Liu | Frank Merriman | Chris Noak | Leslie Pool |
| Anthony B. Ross, Sr. | J. Randall Spencer | Ed Van Eenoo | |

| Executive and Investment Staff | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|
| Donna Boykin | Chris Hanson | Russell Nash | David Veal |
| David Stafford | Ty Sorrel | Kelly Doggett | |

| Investment Consultants and Advisors | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Firm or Individual's Name | Function | | |
| RVK, Inc. (Spencer Hunter, Ian Bray, Janelle Booth) | Investment consultant to Board of Trustees | | |
| Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company (Lewis Ward) | Actuarial consultant to Board of Trustees | | |

| Legal Counsel | | |
|--|---|--|
| Firm or Individual's Name | Function | |
| Knight & Partners (Paige Saenz) | Legal counsel to Board of Trustees | |
| DLA Piper LLP (David Parrish) | Investment counsel to Board of Trustees | |
| Jackson Walker LLP (Scott Cheskiewicz) | Investment counsel to Board of Trustees | |