



Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System

DATE: April 5, 2023

Agenda Item # 8

TO: SBCERS Board of Retirement Operations Committee

FROM: Rebecca M. Valdez, Investment Officer

RE: **Securities Litigation Policy**

Recommended Action:

That the Operations Committee recommend the Securities Litigation policy as revised for approval by the full Board of Retirement or provide direction to staff for further amendment or research.

Summary:

The purpose of this Securities Litigation Policy is to provide procedures and guidelines for SBCERS' monitoring and participation in litigation pertaining to securities investments. As an institutional investor, SBCERS may, from time to time, suffer losses caused by alleged violations of federal, state and foreign securities laws relating to fraud, disclosure obligations and/or breaches of fiduciary and other duties. In cases where litigation is filed to recover damages for violations of securities and other laws, SBCERS may have the opportunity to participate in the litigation, through passive or active involvement. This policy provides guidelines for monitoring such litigation and for determining the appropriate level of participation by SBCERS.

There are no substantive proposed changes, with the exception of the recommendation that the Securities Litigation Policy be scheduled for review at least every five years; a change from every three years.

Attachments:

- Proposed Securities Litigation Policy Redline
- Proposed Securities Litigation Policy