

PORTFOLIO ADVOCATE

## ONE-STOP RESOURCE

means having THE CONFIDENCE that fiduciary responsibilities are fulfilled

Kessler Topaz is uniquely situated with the skill, resources, experience, and expertise to guide and assist institutional investors with the identification, evaluation and management of securities class and direct actions and claims anywhere in the world. Through our robust, integrated and comprehensive monitoring, claims filing and legal services, institutional investors have come to rely on Kessler Topaz's one-stop resource to fulfill all of their fiduciary obligations related to protecting shareholder recoveries.

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For institutional fiduciaries, monitoring and protecting investments is as important as selecting them. But how do you keep track of a diverse, active, and global securities portfolio without creating one or more full-time jobs? Our portfolio monitoring services fueled by our proprietary Securities Tracker program are the answer.

#### **Securities Tracker Makes it Easy**

Through Securities Tracker, we identify virtually every shareholder related action from jurisdictions around the globe that impacts your investments, put it on your radar screen early, analyze your legal options and monitor it all the way through resolution and disbursement of any recovery. Simply put, Securities Tracker is a must-have solution to fulfill your fiduciary obligations.

#### **Customized Reports**

Securities Tracker reports are based on your transactional history, which you provide to us. You'll receive only information that affects securities in your portfolio without wading through a lot of extraneous material.

The Securities Tracker program includes:

- Email alerts
- New case summaries and analyses
- A full overview of all claimant groups in global jurisdictions
- Quarterly reports
- Claims filing and auditing
- Customized settlement charts

#### **Readily Accessible**

Using Securities Tracker, you may keep information on cases and settlements in a central location where it may be retrieved on demand by multiple people in your organization. Your reports are provided online, and are fully viewable and downloadable on multiple platforms.

#### **Up-to-Date Information**

Securities Tracker works 24/7, 365 days a year. So even when you're at a conference, on an airplane or in another time zone, we protect your portfolio. Learn more and see a demo at www.securitiestracker.com.

#### SAMPLE CLIENT REPORTS



### **PRIVATE AND SECURE**

Kessler Topaz is dedicated to providing secure uninterrupted service to our clients and has implemented numerous measures in order to ensure the safeguard of client transaction data. Highlights are as follows:

- The Securities Tracker site complies with an ISO/ IEC 27000-series based Information Security Framework. We provide an SFTP enabled FIPS 140-2 compliant server for our clients to transfer data securely. Our public PGP key is provided to clients to add an additional layer of encryption to transactional data.
- Kessler Topaz has recently received a clean SOC 2
   Type I report by the auditing firm Kirkpatrick Price.

   The audit report is available upon request.
- In-house IT department consisting of seven employees and led by Andrew Wells, who alone has over 20 years of experience in the field.
- Kessler Topaz follows industry standards to protect both the physical security of our systems, and network access to client transaction data.
   All client transaction data is hosted in our Azure environment and is encrypted both in transit and at rest, with user level access controls in place.
- We have designed a cutting edge BI environment secured on Microsoft Azure. SQL provides the backend databases and the front end application is powered by Qlik software solutions and Microsoft Power Apps.

- All client transaction data is logically separated from all other clients and is only accessible by our 20-member, internal Portfolio Monitoring & Claims Filing Department.
- Kessler Topaz regularly updates procedures and tests our ability to maintain services during and after disasters in order to minimize any impact on our clients. Transactional data is regularly backed up and all servers and data are replicated from Microsoft's US-East location to Microsoft's US-West location using Microsoft Azure Site Recovery service.
- We partner with an outside security firm, Layer 8 Security, to ensure all our standards are met. Layer 8 enhances our internal efforts with numerous services: Security Configuration Benchmarking, Semi-Annual Internal Vulnerability Assessment, Monthly External Vulnerability Assessment, SOC 2 Control Monitoring, SIEM (Security information and event management), Phishing Simulation Testing, Annual Information Security Awareness Training, and Consulting.

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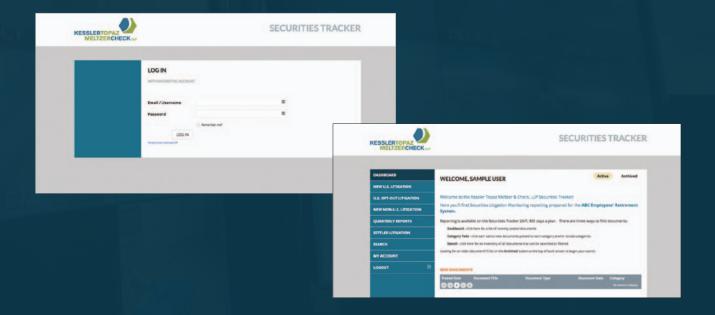


"Kessler Topaz's claims filing service is an added value to the strong litigation skills they are providing to our fund. They have helped us recover settlement dollars we might have otherwise missed . . ."

-Scott W. Jarvis, Retirement Administrator Imperial County Employees Retirement System

#### **SECURITIES TRACKER ONLINE PORTAL**

A sample *Securities Tracker* client page may be viewed on the Portfolio Advocate website: www.securitiestracker.com (click on the orange "Log In" button on the top right-hand corner of the homepage; Username: ABCFundManagement, Password: Asdf123456! then click on the blue "Log In" button). We are happy to provide an online tutorial upon request.





"I have worked with Kessler Topaz for over a decade. In a crowded field of shareholder litigation firms, I have found their lawyers to be truly zealous and competent advocates for institutional investors and the classes they represent. I trust and value their diligent counsel."

 Robert L. Gaumer, General Counsel – Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System When a case in which you have a financial interest settles or otherwise resolves, Kessler Topaz ensures that claims are properly filed and paid. We will complete and file all necessary proofs of claim, resolve any deficiencies with claims administrators, and ensure that you receive all payments to which you are entitled.

#### Fewer Hassles, More Recoveries

Our Claims Filing program enables clients to easily inventory the settled class actions impacting their portfolio and allows them to easily track how much money they have recovered from securities litigation.

#### **Fiduciary Responsibilities Fulfilled**

Our services provide clients with another tool to demonstrate that they are fulfilling their fiduciary duties and protecting their assets.

#### **Electronic Payments Enabled**

We provide electronic payments for class action recoveries received, alleviating administrative burdens and costs associated with receiving paper checks. Complete fund by fund recovery reports are provided.

CURRENTLY FILING CLAIMS FOR MORE THAN 150 INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AROUND THE GLOBE

FILED MORE THAN 20,000 CLAIMS ACROSS MORE THAN 800 CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENTS



Kessler Topaz is one of the world's foremost law firms in protecting investors against corporate fraud and other wrongdoing. Our lawyers regularly take on elite defense attorneys—and win—in class actions, direct actions, shareholder derivative suits, antitrust actions, and other complex litigation around the globe. We are proud to have recovered billions of dollars for our clients.

### Navigating Legal Complexity with Business Sense

As the laws and requirements for pursuing actions and claims in the United States and around the world continue to evolve, and as the number and magnitude of claims continue to increase, it is more important than ever for institutional investors to demonstrate that they are protecting and/or recovering investment assets. Kessler Topaz lawyers serve as effective and efficient guides amid legal complexity.

#### **Understanding Your Legal Options**

We work closely with our clients to consult on all aspects of whether to serve as a lead or representative plaintiff or remain an absent class member, objecting to a proposed settlement, filing a direct/opt-out action, or filing a derivative action in state or federal court depending on the situation.

#### **Flexibility**

Utilizing Securities Tracker does not obligate investors to participate in any litigation. If a client chooses to pursue an action they are also not obligated to use Kessler Topaz as counsel. We look forward to the opportunity to develop a long term relationship that will significantly benefit you.

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MARKET MOVEMENTS partnered with LEGAL STRATEGY

#### **CONTACT US**

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