

# Former OFAC Official Eytan Fisch Joins Skadden

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – April 13, 2015 – Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP announced today that Eytan J. Fisch, assistant director for policy at the U.S. Department of Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), is joining the firm’s Financial Institutions Regulation and Enforcement Group. His practice will focus on economic sanctions, anti-money laundering, and general compliance and regulatory matters. He will join Skadden as a counsel in the firm’s Washington, D.C. office.

Mr. Fisch has been with the Treasury Department since 2009 and has served as the assistant director for policy at OFAC since January 2013. In this role, Mr. Fisch managed OFAC’s policy office and worked directly with the OFAC director and the undersecretary for terrorism and financial intelligence on the planning, development and implementation of U.S. economic sanctions.

Mr. Fisch played a leading role in shaping the development of new executive orders, OFAC regulations, general licenses and policy guidance across U.S. sanctions programs. He also worked closely with other governments on multilateral economic sanctions. Between 2013 and 2015, Mr. Fisch represented the Treasury Department on the U.S. delegation to the P5 + 1 negotiations with Iran, and in 2010 he also served as a member of the U.S. team that negotiated the Terrorist Finance Tracking Program agreement with the European Union.

“Eytan’s knowledge of U.S. and international sanctions laws will be a tremendous asset to our clients in this heightened and evolving financial regulatory landscape,” said William J. Sweet, Jr., head of Skadden’s Financial Institutions Regulation and Enforcement Group.

“Skadden’s global client base and extensive range of practices provide an unmatched platform,” said Mr. Fisch. “I am excited to be continuing my career with the opportunities the firm and its clients present, and I look forward to working with such a talented group of individuals.”

“Eytan’s tenure at Treasury, coupled with his practical experience, bolsters the firm’s top-ranked Financial Institutions Regulation and Enforcement practice. We are thrilled to welcome him to the firm,” said Mitchell S. Ettinger, leader of Skadden’s Washington, D.C. office.

Prior to his most recent role, Mr. Fisch served in a variety of senior positions in OFAC and other Treasury Department offices, including as senior adviser to the Treasury’s former Undersecretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence Stuart A. Levey, and as assistant director in the Office of Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes. In those positions, he worked extensively with OFAC and the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network on a range of matters, including financial sanctions, anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing. Before joining the Treasury Department, Mr. Fisch practiced law at other firms in New York and Washington, D.C.

A graduate of the State University of New York at Binghamton, Mr. Fisch received his law degree from The George Washington University Law School.