The Multi-Functional Chief Compliance Officer (CCO)

- Convergence's multi-functional CCO is a compliance risk factors that is considered a high-risk when the CCO performs more than one function for the Delegate. The Multi-Functional CCO creates a natural conflict between the compliance oversights activities on certain functions, like Finance, and creates capacity challenges that can strain the quality of each function managed. The most common multi-functional CCO role combinations creating these conflicts include the CCO who is also the CEO, CFO, COO and CRO. The CCO who serves as the Chief Legal Officer is a common functional combination and is not deemed to create high-risk.
- The graph below highlights the percentage of sampled SEC cases taken against registered investment advisers in the United States for various infractions where the CCO was "Multi-Functional." The way to read the graph is, "In 60% of 126 SEC cases modeled by Convergence the Adviser had a Multi-Functional CCO and the same high-risk condition existed in 79% of fraud and embezzlement cases and in 75% of 12b-1 fee cases."
- Designated persons should ask a Delegate with multi-functional CCOs to list all the functional conflicts and for documentation describing the compensating controls within the Delegate to deal with them.





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