1	IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
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3	JANUS CAPITAL GROUP, INC., ET AL.,:
4	Petitioners : No. 09-525
5	v. :
6	FIRST DERIVATIVE TRADERS :
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11	The above-entitled matter came on for oral
12	argument before the Supreme Court of the United States
13	at 10:01 a.m.
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Τ	PROCEEDINGS
2	(10:01 a.m.)
3	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: We'll hear argument
4	first this morning in Case 09-525, Janus Capital Group
5	v. First Derivative Traders.
6	Mr. Perry.
7	ORAL ARGUMENT OF MARK A. PERRY
8	ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONERS
9	MR. PERRY: Mr. Chief Justice, and may it
10	please the Court:
11	Affirming the judgment below would authorize
12	private securities fraud class actions against every
13	service provider that participates in the drafting of a
14	public company's prospectus. It is, therefore, nothing
15	less than a frontal assault on this Court's decisions in
16	Central Bank and Stoneridge.
17	In those cases, Your Honors, this Court held
18	that service providers may not be sued primarily in
19	private class actions and left that matter for Congress
20	to resolve. And Congress did respond, not once, not
21	twice, but three times, to those decisions.
22	First, in the PSLRA, the Congress authorized
23	a Federal action, a government action, only against
24	aiders and abettors, leaving the question of private
25	class actions for this Court's resolution.

- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Counsel, is -- who's the
- 2 violator alleged here? Not in the complaint, but in the
- 3 briefs? As I read the briefs, they claim that Janus
- 4 itself did not make the false statement, that the two
- 5 appellants did, that they are the actual speakers
- 6 because they were talking about their activities, and
- 7 they used Janus as a conduit to deceive the market.
- 8 That's, I think, what they're alleging.
- 9 MR. PERRY: Justice Sotomayor, the
- 10 challenged statements appear in the prospectuses for the
- 11 Janus Funds, separate legal entities not parties to this
- 12 lawsuit.
- 13 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: So how do we sustain the
- intermediary cases when the company, through market
- 15 analysts, divulges misleading statements? We don't talk
- 16 about the market analysts' falsity; we talk about the
- 17 company's falsity, because the market analysts didn't
- 18 have scienter.
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the company --
- 20 excuse me -- the conduit or analyst cases fall under two
- 21 categories, neither of which is met here.
- 22 First, they are a scheme between the
- 23 company -- orchestrated by the company to distribute its
- 24 information through the analysts to the market, and they
- 25 are brought under 10b-5(a) as scheme cases. That is

- 1 most of the analyst cases. There is no 10b-5(a) claim
- 2 in this case. This is only a 10b-5(b) "making" claim.
- 3 Second, those few cases, the analyst cases,
- 4 that are brought under (b) involve an omission; that is,
- 5 the company has failed to correct a statement made by an
- 6 analyst where there is a duty to do so. There is no
- 7 omission claim in this case because there is no duty --
- 8 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: But what's the
- 9 difference between an omission or a commission if a
- 10 company purposely divulges a falsehood to an analyst,
- 11 knowing it's going to be distributed in toto? So who's
- 12 making the false statement, the analyst or the company?
- 13 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the company makes
- 14 the statement to the market. Under Basic, the analyst
- 15 is the market. It is the ears of the market that takes
- 16 information --
- 17 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: So why isn't -- why
- 18 aren't the two appellants, on their theory, on -- we can
- 19 talk about whether the complaint does or does not
- 20 adequately allege their theory. That's a different
- 21 issue. I accept that.
- But under their theory, why isn't the
- 23 appellants the primary violator, not even a secondary?
- 24 Because they -- they claim, I think -- and I'm going to
- 25 find out from them -- that Janus had no scienter, that

- 1 it didn't make the false statements, that all of this
- 2 was done in secret by the appellants, so they were the
- 3 only violator.
- 4 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the analyst cases,
- 5 the issuer speaks to the market directly. Here, there
- 6 is an intervening legal entity, the Janus Funds.
- 7 Scienter or no scienter, that is a separate
- 8 corporation --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Do you mean to say to me
- 10 that puppets become a legal defense for someone who
- 11 intentionally manipulates the market information?
- MR. PERRY: Justice Sotomayor, the Congress
- 13 has drafted two statutes that deal with puppets.
- 14 Section 20(b), which these plaintiffs have not invoked,
- 15 makes it unlawful for one party to do indirectly what it
- 16 would not be permitted to do directly. That's the
- 17 puppet statute, the ventriloquist dummy statute.
- 18 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: That's the control
- 19 person statute?
- MR. PERRY: No. There's also 20(a), which
- 21 is the control person statute, also not invoked by these
- 22 plaintiffs.
- Those are forms of secondary liability, Your
- 24 Honor. In fact, the Court's questions go to the
- 25 distinction between primary and secondary liability.

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- 2 had no scienter, if its board of directors did not know
- 3 that the statements were false, they had no way of
- 4 knowing, because as I understand the complaint -- and
- 5 this is alleged -- the deal was secret. So Janus itself
- 6 could not be a primary violator. Who is?
- 7 MR. PERRY: Justice Sotomayor, our position
- 8 is nobody had scienter, and every adjudicator to look at
- 9 these facts -- Judge Motz in the district court, the ALJ
- 10 of the SEC -- has found that there was no scienter
- 11 anywhere up and down the line. So the fact that
- 12 somebody didn't have scienter doesn't answer the problem
- 13 here. The question --
- 14 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Well, somebody deviated
- 15 from what was the announced policy, that there was to be
- 16 no market timers investing in this -- in these Janus
- 17 funds. Somebody made the decision that certain hedge
- 18 funds would be allowed to engage in that activity. Who
- 19 was that somebody?
- MR. PERRY: The adviser personnel made the
- 21 determination, Justice Ginsburg, that the policy was
- 22 discretionary, that when it said we may refuse trades,
- 23 the funds may refuse trades, that there are --
- 24 discretion --
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: Well, the statement

- 1 that's alleged to have been -- the conduct that is
- 2 alleged to have been in opposition to the announced
- 3 policy, that is attributable squarely to -- what you --
- 4 this is the entity you called JCM?
- 5 MR. PERRY: That's correct, Your Honor --
- 6 JUSTICE GINSBURG: So it made the decision
- 7 that violated the policy?
- 8 MR. PERRY: That's correct, Your Honor. And
- 9 the SEC --
- 10 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Nonetheless, it's not a
- 11 primary actor?
- MR. PERRY: Not as to these plaintiffs, Your
- 13 Honor. The SEC --
- 14 JUSTICE KENNEDY: But can -- can we discuss
- 15 the case, and -- and perhaps you don't think so. Can't
- 16 we discuss this case, must we not discuss this case, on
- 17 the theory that JCM's scienter, JCM's knowledge of a
- 18 false statement, is a given in the case?
- Now, maybe you'll be able to prove
- 20 otherwise. You say that they're not liable anyway.
- 21 MR. PERRY: Justice Kennedy, you're exactly
- 22 right. That is the theory pleaded in the complaint.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: And it seems to me that's
- 24 what the argument here is mostly about.
- 25 MR. PERRY: And the question that is before

- 1 this Court, we would submit, is whether, scienter or no
- 2 scienter, JCM can be held liable for the statements in
- 3 another company's prospectus. This Court has never
- 4 held --
- 5 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Even though there was no
- 6 scheme with another actor? Even though it was the only
- 7 violator, which is a --
- 8 MR. PERRY: No --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: -- fair reading of the
- 10 complaint.
- 11 MR. PERRY: They chose not to bring a scheme
- 12 case. And remember, there is a second set of investors
- 13 here: the fund investors. The SEC brought an action,
- 14 secured \$100 million on behalf of them. There was a
- 15 series of private litigation that has been resolved,
- 16 brought by those investors.
- 17 These investors did not purchase the
- 18 securities offered by the -- the prospectus they
- 19 challenge. And, again, there's a fundamental disconnect
- 20 between the defendant in the case and the challenged
- 21 misstatements.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: But, once again -- once
- 23 again, if the complainants in the case, the plaintiffs
- in the case -- hypothetical case, not this case,
- 25 hypothetical case -- were injured shareholders in the

- 1 fund, I take it you say still they could not sue JCM?
- 2 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, for different
- 3 reasons. They can sue JCM for -- for an omission,
- 4 because there's a duty that runs from JCM to the funds.
- 5 That was the theory advanced in that separate lawsuit
- 6 accepted by the district court, which has since been
- 7 resolved.
- 8 They can't -- these plaintiffs can't bring
- 9 an omission case, because there's no duty that runs from
- 10 JCM out to the JCG shareholders. The district court
- 11 held that. They didn't appeal that to the Fourth
- 12 Circuit. They didn't present that in their cert
- 13 petition. So they can't bring that omissions case.
- 14 Any wrongdoing in this case -- Justice
- 15 Ginsburg, to finish my answer to your question, the
- 16 policy says funds are not intended for market timing.
- 17 The adviser allowed 12 traders to trade frequently. The
- 18 only wrongdoing, if there is any wrongdoing, was the
- 19 failure of the adviser to disclose to the trustees the
- 20 deviation from the policy. That is a State law breach
- 21 of contract. It may be a breach of fiduciary duty.
- JUSTICE KAGAN: Well, Mr. Perry, who wrote
- 23 the relevant statements?
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the funds made the
- 25 statements to the public. They were drafted --

- 1 JUSTICE KAGAN: I understand that they were
- 2 in the fund's prospectus, but who wrote them?
- 3 MR. PERRY: They were drafted by lawyers for
- 4 the funds, lawyers representing the funds.
- JUSTICE KAGAN: Who paid those lawyers?
- 6 MR. PERRY: The adviser paid the lawyers'
- 7 salaries.
- 8 JUSTICE KAGAN: So JCM paid the lawyers?
- 9 MR. PERRY: Correct, Your Honor.
- JUSTICE KAGAN: And so it was JCM's lawyers
- 11 who wrote the prospectus, including the relevant
- 12 statements here, the asserted misrepresentations?
- MR. PERRY: I -- I disagree with that,
- 14 Justice Kagan. They don't allege that in the complaint,
- 15 and the facts show that the lawyers, when --
- JUSTICE KAGAN: Well, suppose the complaint
- 17 had alleged that. Suppose the complaint had simply
- 18 said: JCM's lawyers authored the relevant statements in
- 19 the prospectus.
- 20 MR. PERRY: One would have to --
- 21 JUSTICE KAGAN: Would that be enough to
- 22 survive a motion to dismiss?
- MR. PERRY: No, Your Honor. One would have
- 24 to further look at who those lawyers were representing.
- 25 The truth in the real world is --

- 1 JUSTICE KAGAN: They're paid by JCM.
- 2 MR. PERRY: Every prospectus is written by
- 3 lawyers, Justice Kagan. Lawyers write prospectuses.
- 4 JUSTICE KAGAN: These are in-house counsel
- 5 for the investment adviser.
- 6 MR. PERRY: In-house counsel, outside
- 7 counsel, once they draft materials and present them to
- 8 their client, it becomes the client's statement when
- 9 adopted by the client.
- 10 The board of trustees of the funds has to
- 11 review every policy, is responsible for every policy
- 12 drafted by inside counsel, outside counsel, consultants.
- 13 It's not unusual for companies to retain outside service
- 14 providers to provide any number of policies: Employment
- 15 policies, investment policies, everything else.
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: Mr. Perry, you -- you
- 17 said that it was the fund's lawyers who drafted the
- 18 prospectus, but, in fact, it was JCM's lawyers, the
- 19 lawyers -- they were in-house lawyers for JCM. And they
- 20 served -- and they served the funds in doing this
- 21 prospectus, but they were on the payroll of JCM, and
- they were JCM's legal department.
- 23 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, like all lawyers,
- 24 they wear multiple hats. I represent multiple clients.
- 25 These lawyers represent multiple clients.

- 1 JUSTICE GINSBURG: I thought they were
- 2 in-house lawyers?
- 3 MR. PERRY: They are in-house lawyers at
- 4 JCM, but they also represent the funds, and the SEC has
- 5 specifically recognized in the context of investment
- 6 companies that where an adviser counsel is representing
- 7 the funds, his client or her client, for those purposes,
- 8 is the funds. And here, these lawyers are very careful
- 9 to separate who their -- their clients are for various
- 10 purposes.
- 11 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, let's say that JCM's
- 12 principal officers and managers wrote the statement.
- 13 You still say there's no liability?
- MR. PERRY: Absolutely, Justice Kennedy,
- 15 because when the statement is adopted by the issuer, it
- 16 becomes the issuer's statement. Only an issuer can make
- 17 the statement --
- 18 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Yes. It's not
- 19 attributable, at least publicly, to JCM.
- MR. PERRY: That's --
- 21 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Is there an alternate
- theory that JCM is really the day-to-day managers in
- 23 day-to-day active control of the fund, and, therefore,
- 24 it should be chargeable as if it and the fund are the
- 25 same for purposes of making the statement?

- 1 MR. PERRY: Your Honor --
- 2 JUSTICE KENNEDY: And we would say that
- 3 that's different from, say, an outside law firm or an
- 4 auditor?
- 5 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the word "control"
- 6 appears more than a hundred times in the briefs on the
- 7 plaintiff's side of this case in this Court, and the
- 8 Congress has dealt with control. Section 20(a) provides
- 9 a separate cause of action against those who control
- 10 another entity.
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Except that I, as I read
- 12 your brief -- and you can correct me if I'm wrong -- you
- 13 were arguing that because there was an independent board
- of directors, presumably because there are two
- 15 corporate -- different corporate funds -- two different
- 16 corporate forms, that there couldn't be control person
- 17 liability under 20(a). You seem -- that -- I thought,
- 18 reading your brief, that's what you were alleging.
- 19 So you can't have your cake and eat it, too.
- 20 Either the independence of the board makes no difference
- 21 or it does. So which is your position?
- MR. PERRY: Our position, Your Honor, is
- 23 that the Congress has dealt with the situation where you
- 24 have two separate companies, and to make a claim against
- 25 the second company, you have to prove control. Whether

- or not they could in this case, none of us knows,
- 2 because they never brought that claim. They
- 3 represented to the district court --
- 4 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Under what theory would
- 5 you defend an allegation that the investment manager who
- 6 had control over the everyday affairs of the company,
- 7 drafted or helped draft the prospectus, hired the
- 8 lawyers who helped draft it, wouldn't be a control
- 9 person? How would you defend that?
- 10 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the investment
- 11 company, the mutual funds, are separately owned,
- 12 separately governed.
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Exactly. So you --
- 14 you're -- if they can't be control persons because
- 15 they're separate companies, then how do they escape
- 16 being primary violators?
- 17 MR. PERRY: Well, Your Honor, then -- then
- 18 we're just saying that the investment adviser is a
- 19 service provider like every other service provider.
- 20 They are like the --
- 21 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: But it's not in this
- 22 case, because the allegation is that it -- not the
- 23 company, that it chose to deceive the market.
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, with respect, the
- 25 allegation is that the adviser wrote a certain policy,

- 1 but the very document cited for that in the complaint
- 2 says that the trustees are responsible for the policies
- 3 of the funds. The trustees, when they adopt them, it
- 4 becomes the corporate policies of them. I mean, on the
- 5 plaintiff's --
- JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Perry, does the fund
- 7 have employees?
- 8 MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor. The fund
- 9 has --
- 10 JUSTICE KAGAN: Who are the fund's
- 11 employees?
- 12 MR. PERRY: Are the officers of the fund,
- 13 the chief executive officer, the chief financial
- 14 officer --
- JUSTICE KAGAN: And are all of those people
- 16 also employees of JCM?
- 17 MR. PERRY: Not the president, Your Honor,
- 18 but the others are joint -- serve in joint capacities.
- 19 JUSTICE KAGAN: And could you just run
- 20 through a little bit how one of these prospectuses
- 21 gets -- gets issued eventually? The JCM lawyers start
- the process by drafting, and then what happens?
- 23 MR. PERRY: The lawyers representing the
- 24 trusts, both in-house and external, draft the underlying
- 25 document --

1	JUSTICE	KAGAN:	Well,	here,	I	believe	that

- 2 there was a statement in your interrogatories that it's
- 3 JCM's lawyers, in-house lawyers, who drafted the
- 4 relevant statement.
- 5 MR. PERRY: The particular prospectus,
- 6 answered in that prospectus. That's exactly right.
- 7 JUSTICE KAGAN: And then what happens?
- 8 MR. PERRY: They are presented to the board
- 9 of trustees, which holds a meeting. The board of
- 10 trustees is -- the funds are represented by outside
- 11 counsel, and the independent trustees are represented by
- 12 outside counsel.
- JUSTICE KAGAN: And was there any change to
- 14 these statements made by the board of trustees?
- MR. PERRY: These particular statements?
- 16 JUSTICE KAGAN: Yes.
- 17 MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor. There were
- 18 changes to the market timing policy throughout the class
- 19 period. In fact, earlier in the class period, there was
- 20 an express disclosure that market timing might be
- 21 permitted pursuant to a -- a written contract. That was
- 22 revised later.
- The trustees asked multiple questions. They
- 24 were back and forth with their lawyers. Outside counsel
- 25 was always involved, and there are other consultants

- 1 involved periodically as well. The --
- 2 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Do the outside
- 3 counsel you're talking about represent the fund only?
- 4 MR. PERRY: There's two separate sets of
- 5 outside counsel. One law firm represents only the fund.
- 6 It does not represent the adviser; only represents the
- 7 funds, Your Honor. There's a second law firm in this
- 8 case that represents the independent trustees.
- 9 Six of the seven trustees determined that to
- 10 secure their independence, because the chairman of the
- 11 board at that time was an interested person under the
- 12 statute, they have a separate law firm. There are two
- 13 law firms that have nothing to do with the adviser.
- 14 JUSTICE GINSBURG: But the law firm that --
- 15 the lawyers who drafted the prospectus were in-house
- 16 counsel for JCM on JCM's payroll.
- 17 MR. PERRY: They were paid by JCM, and at
- 18 the time they drafted, they were representing the funds,
- 19 again, as allowed by the SEC, as disclosed in the
- 20 documents --
- 21 JUSTICE GINSBURG: But they weren't the
- 22 independent outside lawyers who were representing the
- 23 board or the funds; they were the in-house counsel?
- 24 MR. PERRY: Those outside counsel reviewed
- 25 every policy. In fact, if you look at the --

- 1 JUSTICE GINSBURG: I guess my question was
- 2 simply: The drafters of the prospectus were the
- 3 in-house counsel for JCM?
- 4 MR. PERRY: The -- the paragraph being
- 5 challenged in this case, that's correct, Your Honor.
- 6 The interrogatory response doesn't speak more broadly
- 7 than that, but I agree with that.
- 8 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: I suppose if the
- 9 lawyers for the trust did an inadequate job of reviewing
- 10 the JCM drafts, they would be subject to a malpractice
- 11 action by the trust?
- 12 MR. PERRY: Correct, Your Honor. And then
- 13 the trust, of course, has contractual and other rights
- 14 against the adviser that it has enforced, you know, in
- 15 this very case. The trustees made a claim against the
- 16 adviser for all of this underlying conduct.
- 17 JUSTICE BREYER: What -- what happens if the
- 18 president of the oil company, knowing that the statement
- 19 is false, says: We have discovered 42 trillion barrels
- 20 of oil in Yucatan. He writes it on a piece of paper; he
- 21 gives it to the board of trustees; they think it's true
- 22 and they issue it. Joe Smith buys stock and later loses
- 23 money.
- 24 Can Joe Smith sue the president of Yucatan,
- 25 of the oil company, for having made an untrue statement

- 1 of material fact?
- 2 MR. PERRY: If he's an authorized agent of
- 3 the same company that issued the statement?
- 4 JUSTICE BREYER: What he is, is he didn't
- 5 issue it. What he did was he gave it to the board of
- 6 trustees, who issued it.
- 7 MR. PERRY: If the board of trustees of his
- 8 company, so that the statement --
- 9 JUSTICE BREYER: He's the president of the
- 10 company.
- 11 MR. PERRY: And -- and the distinction here,
- 12 Justice Breyer, is --
- JUSTICE BREYER: No, no. I'm asking what
- 14 happens. Is there recovery?
- MR. PERRY: If he is an authorized agent, he
- 16 may be sued as --
- 17 JUSTICE BREYER: He is running the business,
- 18 the daily affairs, of the company. Of course, the
- 19 president of a company is an authorized agent of the
- 20 company, and so, yes.
- 21 MR. PERRY: He may be subject to liability,
- 22 then --
- 23 JUSTICE BREYER: Now, if he's subject to
- 24 liability, why isn't your firm -- your client, subject
- 25 to liability, who, after all, run every affair of the

- 1 fund?
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, they run the
- 3 management of the fund. The investment operations --
- 4 JUSTICE BREYER: Yes, that's what a
- 5 president does. The president of a company manages the
- 6 company.
- 7 MR. PERRY: And where --
- 8 JUSTICE BREYER: And if the president is
- 9 liable, why isn't the group of people who do everything
- 10 for the company --
- 11 MR. PERRY: Because, Your Honor --
- JUSTICE BREYER: -- why aren't they liable?
- MR. PERRY: -- the corporate form has
- 14 meaning in the Federal law and in State law, and
- 15 where --
- JUSTICE BREYER: No, you have to explain it
- 17 to me more. I'm not being difficult. I understand this
- 18 less well than you think I do --
- 19 (Laughter.)
- 20 JUSTICE BREYER: -- and I want to know.
- 21 That's an obvious, naive question, and I'd like an
- 22 answer that anyone could understand.
- MR. PERRY: The answer is, Your Honor:
- 24 These funds are managed -- "governed," excuse me, is a
- 25 better word -- by the trustees. That is disclosed in

- 1 these documents. In fact, the documents say -- it's at
- 2 page 258a of the Joint Appendix -- the trustees are
- 3 responsible for all the policies.
- 4 They have outsourced, if you will, certain
- 5 functions, operational functions: Which stock to buy,
- 6 which stock to sell, which transfer agent to hire.
- 7 Those are functions that could be kept in house or could
- 8 be outsourced.
- 9 JUSTICE BREYER: I get it. In other words,
- 10 you're saying, on the papers here, it's -- it's the
- 11 trustees that manage everything.
- MR. PERRY: That govern everything.
- JUSTICE BREYER: That govern everything, and
- 14 these are like helpers?
- MR. PERRY: Well, they're -- they're --
- 16 JUSTICE BREYER: They do a lot as helpers.
- 17 Now, let me suggest to you, if that's one possible
- 18 distinction, what about this distinction: That the
- 19 managers of a fund, even though they are outsourced
- 20 people brought in, are liable as principals, not aiders
- 21 or abettors, if -- following criminal law here -- if --
- 22 they are principals if they get the false statement to
- 23 the public through a conduit, the conduit being an
- 24 entity or person that is unaware of the falsity of the
- 25 statement.

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- 2 what about that?
- 3 MR. PERRY: Three answers. First, that's
- 4 dealt with in section 20(b), which is the ventriloquist
- 5 dummy statute that these plaintiffs didn't invoke.
- 6 Second, the Congress looked at this very
- 7 question in 1938 and 1939, when there were proposals to
- 8 merge the management, the adviser function, with the
- 9 funds, to make them one unitary entity. And in the
- 10 Investment Company Act of 1940 and the Investment
- 11 Advisers Act of 1940, the Congress elected not do that.
- 12 As this Court has recognized, it chose not
- 13 to require compulsory internalization of the management
- 14 function. It allowed this separate entity. And,
- 15 therefore, when you have separate companies, under State
- 16 law -- again, my client is a Delaware limited liability
- 17 corporation. The funds are Massachusetts business
- 18 trusts. They have nothing in common. There's no joint
- 19 ownership, no joint governance --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: You're --
- 21 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Could you --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: You're not suggesting,
- 23 are you, that they did this for purposes of protecting
- 24 your client from a lawsuit?
- 25 MR. PERRY: Absolutely not, Your Honor.

- 1 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: When it -- no, they did
- 2 it for a business reason, that having separate entities
- 3 was economically more useful for the market, correct?
- 4 MR. PERRY: And every fund, or virtually
- 5 every fund in -- in the United States, is set up this
- 6 way.
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: All right.
- 8 MR. PERRY: And, again --
- 9 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: So -- but that doesn't
- 10 answer Justice Breyer's question, now.
- MR. PERRY: My third --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Assuming that they
- 13 didn't do it for that reason, what does it mean?
- MR. PERRY: My -- my third answer is that
- 15 extensive regulatory involvement in the two Acts enacted
- in 1940 specifically to regulate this industry, the
- 17 Congress never made the decision to hold the adviser
- 18 liable for the fund's conduct.
- In fact, no statute says that, and the SEC
- 20 has never taken that position. There is no case cited
- 21 in any of the briefs -- they have 234 pages, 138 cases.
- 22 Not one holds an investment adviser liable for
- 23 statements of the fund's prospectuses. When the --
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: Just -- just to clarify
- 25 Justice Breyer's hypothetical. In your -- in the

- 1 hypothetical you gave where the president gives an
- 2 innocent board of directors false information and the
- 3 prospectus goes out, is the company liable because their
- 4 agent -- is the company liable under 10b-5?
- 5 MR. PERRY: The company may be sued under
- 6 10b-5. It has got to meet all the elements --
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: Yes.
- 8 MR. PERRY: -- but, yes, if it's an
- 9 authorized agent making a statement on behalf of the
- 10 company. But proving --
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: So what you're saying is
- 12 that the -- the agency relation that the president of
- 13 the company holds is different that than the agency
- 14 relation that JCM holds?
- 15 MR. PERRY: Absolutely right, Your Honor,
- 16 and that's a distinction --
- 17 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Why is that?
- MR. PERRY: It's grounded in State law, and
- 19 it differs between one company and two companies. Where
- 20 Congress has looked at issuers, for example --
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, but --
- 22 JUSTICE SCALIA: Is -- is JCM an agent? Are
- 23 you acknowledging that they're an agent of -- of the
- 24 fund?
- 25 MR. PERRY: You know, for certain purposes,

- 1 Justice Scalia, they are an agent.
- JUSTICE SCALIA: What -- what purposes are
- 3 that? For purposes of -- at issue here?
- 4 MR. PERRY: No, Your Honor, for -- not for
- 5 drafting a prospectus. For carrying out the investment
- 6 function. They are laid out in the contract --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: Yes. Okay.
- 8 MR. PERRY: It's attached as an appendix to
- 9 our brief -- which sets forth the things that JCM is an
- 10 agent for investment operations, not an agent
- 11 specifically for registering the fund's securities for
- 12 sales, complying with the Federal securities laws,
- 13 preparing and issuing the prospectus. All those things,
- 14 by contract --
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: So even though they did
- 16 those things, they acted in excess of their authority?
- 17 MR. PERRY: They did not do those things,
- 18 Your Honor.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: But that's the allegation.
- MR. PERRY: No, it's not the allegation.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, suppose it were
- 22 proven that they did do those things. Suppose it were
- 23 proven that they did 100 percent of the prospectus work.
- 24 The only thing that the fund did was to mail it.
- 25 MR. PERRY: I don't know how to respond to

- 1 that, Justice Kennedy, since it's so far beyond what
- 2 they could possibly prove here. What happened here --
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: Well, this case -- this
- 4 case went off on -- in the district court, it was -- was
- 5 it 12(b)(6)?
- 6 MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor.
- 7 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Okay. And all that the
- 8 Fourth Circuit said is it goes beyond; it has to go
- 9 further. And the -- the impression that I got from the
- 10 Fourth Circuit's opinion is -- and it could be reduced
- 11 to a very simple statement. They say: JCM was in the
- 12 driver's seat. It was running the show. And if that
- 13 can be proved, they thought that they would have a good
- 14 case under --
- MR. PERRY: And, Your Honor, no court, no
- 16 case from this Court or any court of appeals has ever
- 17 held that the driver's seat exception to Central Bank
- 18 exists. And that is an expansion.
- The second issue in the case, of course,
- 20 which is attribution: Even if there's making by JCM,
- 21 none of these statements were attributed to JCM. The
- 22 prospectus is very clear that --
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: But that was -- I mean,
- 24 before you started out with a statement that sounded
- 25 like the sky is falling because lawyers would no longer

- 1 be safe, banks would no longer be safe, but the Fourth
- 2 Circuit was -- was a much narrower view. Its view was
- 3 this -- JCM was the manager. It was controlling
- 4 everything.
- 5 MR. PERRY: Justice Ginsburg, the Fourth
- 6 Circuit's view was the manager helps the funds. That --
- 7 nobody even defends the Fourth Circuit's ruling. The
- 8 Government now comes in with a theory that they admit,
- 9 on page 22 of the Government's brief, does apply to
- 10 every lawyer, every accountant, every --
- 11 JUSTICE SCALIA: I thought that the question
- 12 on which we granted cert was very clear: whether the
- 13 Fourth Circuit erred in concluding that a service
- 14 provider can be held primarily liable in a private
- 15 securities fraud action for, quote, "helping," close
- 16 quote, or, quote, "participating in," close quote,
- another company's misstatements.
- Now, is -- is that an accurate description
- 19 of the Court's holding? It was not objected to by the
- 20 Respondent here.
- 21 MR. PERRY: Absolutely, Justice Scalia. And
- 22 that question can only be --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: And that's what I thought
- 24 we granted. We weren't talking about control here.
- 25 That was not the issue, I thought.

- 1 MR. PERRY: We agree with the Court. The
- 2 question presented can only be answered one way: The
- 3 court of appeals erred.
- 4 If I may reserve my remaining time.
- 5 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you, counsel.
- Mr. Frederick.
- 7 ORAL ARGUMENT OF DAVID C. FREDERICK
- 8 ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT
- 9 MR. FREDERICK: Thank you, Mr. Chief
- 10 Justice, and may it please the Court:
- 11 JUSTICE SCALIA: Mr. Frederick, is that an
- 12 accurate description of -- of the question before us?
- MR. FREDERICK: I don't think it is, Justice
- 14 Scalia.
- JUSTICE SCALIA: Why didn't you object to it
- 16 in -- in your -- in your opposition?
- 17 MR. FREDERICK: We -- we did object, in the
- 18 sense that we described the complaint's allegations as
- 19 JCM writing and preparing and being responsible for the
- 20 prospectus. And the question of --
- 21 JUSTICE SCALIA: I don't -- but we -- we
- 22 don't reevaluate facts. We -- we review the holding of
- 23 a lower court.
- Now, was this an accurate description of the
- 25 holding of the Fourth Circuit? And if it wasn't, why

- 1 didn't you say that in your brief in opposition?
- 2 MR. FREDERICK: We did say it in our brief
- 3 in opposition, Justice Scalia, and the Solicitor
- 4 General, when you called for the views of the Solicitor
- 5 General, also said in the invitation brief that this
- 6 case was not an appropriate vehicle for deciding just
- 7 simply "help" and "participate," because what the Fourth
- 8 Circuit was saying in other parts of its opinion was
- 9 that JCM was responsible for the prospectuses in all
- 10 their various aspects: in writing, preparing, et
- 11 cetera. And so we --
- 12 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: How can -- I'm
- 13 sorry. Please --
- MR. FREDERICK: So we would submit that for
- 15 the reasons we stated in our opposition and we've stated
- in our red brief, as the case comes to this Court on
- 17 reviewing a motion to dismiss of a complaint's
- 18 well-pleaded allegations -- and I can go through the
- 19 complaint's allegations, if you like, that explain how
- 20 JCM wrote and prepared the prospectus and the policies
- 21 for the funds and then implemented them falsely -- we
- 22 would submit this case is not about service providers,
- 23 but it is about Janus Capital Management being the
- 24 primary violator. They were the ones who had the motive
- 25 to lie, they had the incentive to lie, and they did lie.

- 1 JUSTICE SCALIA: Did they make --
- 2 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: I'm sorry. Who was --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: -- the statements? Isn't
- 4 that the statutory text that we're dealing with?
- 5 MR. FREDERICK: Yes, they did.
- 6 JUSTICE SCALIA: They did make the
- 7 statements?
- 8 MR. FREDERICK: Yes, they composed and
- 9 created --
- 10 JUSTICE SCALIA: It didn't go out under
- 11 their name.
- MR. FREDERICK: It did in --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: If someone writes a speech
- 14 for me, one can say he drafted the speech, but I make
- 15 the speech.
- MR. FREDERICK: Justice Scalia, we address
- 17 the definition of "make" under the SEC's interpretation,
- 18 which is entitled to deference, as being to create or to
- 19 compose or to accept as one's own.
- JUSTICE SCALIA: That -- that's not what --
- 21 it depends on the context of "make." If you're talking
- 22 about making heaven and earth, yes, that means to
- 23 create, but if you're talking about making a
- 24 representation, that means presenting the representation
- 25 to someone, not -- not drafting it for someone else to

- 1 make.
- 2 MR. FREDERICK: In the prospectus, there is
- 3 a section on management that explains that Janus Capital
- 4 Management engages in the day-to-day functions. There
- 5 are no employees of Janus Funds themselves. All of this
- 6 is outsourced management --
- 7 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Except -- except
- 8 when they review material going in the prospectus.
- 9 MR. FREDERICK: But that --
- 10 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Then they have
- 11 independent representation by outside counsel.
- 12 MR. FREDERICK: Right. What they don't
- 13 have, Mr. Chief Justice, and where the falsity is here,
- 14 is the ability of any of those outsiders to determine
- 15 whether or not implementing the policy will be done
- 16 fraudulently, and that's where the culpability is here.
- 17 JCM runs these funds, and although the statement might
- 18 get accepted by the board of trustees --
- 19 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: I don't
- 20 understand -- I don't understand your answer. The
- 21 outside counsel reviews what the policy is going to be.
- MR. FREDERICK: Yes.
- 23 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Our question is the
- 24 validity of that statement, whether that's deceptive in
- 25 the prospectus. That seems to me to be an entirely

- 1 different question. I understood your theory of the
- 2 case to be that JCM is liable, basically, because they
- 3 put it in the prospectus.
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: And what they did was to
- 5 falsely represent what they would do with that
- 6 statement. I would direct the Court to paragraph 5.
- 7 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Well, that's the
- 8 question, I guess, that -- your response seems to beg
- 9 the question -- is that they falsely represented. The
- 10 issue is whether or not something happened between their
- 11 drafting and its appearance in the prospectus that makes
- 12 it appropriate to say that that's a statement of the
- 13 trust rather than a statement of JCM.
- MR. FREDERICK: It is a statement of both,
- in the sense that the fund is attracting investors, but
- 16 the fund is managed and controlled by the investment
- 17 manager; here, JCM. If --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: But if JCM falsely
- 19 represented what it would do, it made that false
- 20 representation to the fund, and the fund, as has been
- 21 acknowledged, would have a cause of action against JCM.
- MR. FREDERICK: No --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: But that's not what's going
- 24 on here.
- 25 MR. FREDERICK: No. In fact, paragraph 5 of

- 1 the complaint says that Janus is representing that its
- 2 mutual funds -- Janus Capital Management, its mutual
- 3 funds -- were designed to be long-term investments. It
- 4 then says in paragraph 6: As recognized in the
- 5 prospectuses, JCM purported market timing policy was
- 6 designed to protect long-term investors.
- 7 So, if you read the prospectus and you read
- 8 the complaint, it is absolutely clear what Janus Capital
- 9 Management is telling all the mutual fund investors of
- 10 the world: If you invest in Janus, we will protect your
- 11 long-term investments.
- 12 JUSTICE SCALIA: What isn't clear from all
- 13 of those things is that -- is that JCM made any
- 14 representation to the public. The representation was
- 15 made in the prospectus issued by the fund, not by JCM.
- Now, the fund may have a cause of action
- 17 against JCM, but what's crucial here is whether --
- 18 whether you can establish that it is JCM who made the
- 19 representation to the public --
- MR. FREDERICK: And we --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: -- and I don't see how you
- 22 can get there. You might proceed under the control
- 23 provision, but -- but not by saying that they made the
- 24 representation.
- 25 MR. FREDERICK: Justice Scalia, they wrote

- 1 the prospectus. They're in --
- 2 JUSTICE SCALIA: That's fine. Just like
- 3 writing a speech for somebody.
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: And when they issued the
- 5 prospectus, they used their address and represented to
- 6 the public that they --
- 7 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: I'm sorry to
- 8 interrupt, but it seems be an important -- when they
- 9 issued the prospectus --
- 10 MR. FREDERICK: Sorry.
- 11 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Who issued the
- 12 prospectus?
- 13 MR. FREDERICK: JCM filed it and
- 14 disseminated it on its Web site, and all investors in
- 15 the Janus Funds knew to -- knew to make inquiries to the
- 16 manager if they had any question about the funds.
- 17 JUSTICE SCALIA: If I carry a letter over
- 18 and file it on behalf of some principal, does it become
- 19 my letter? Have I made that representation? Sure, they
- 20 filed it. What does that prove?
- 21 MR. FREDERICK: Because it's --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: As you say, they have no
- 23 other agents, unless the trustees themselves were going
- 24 to walk over and file it. JCM was functioning in that
- 25 capacity as an employee of the fund in the filing. They

- 1 didn't file it on their own behalf.
- 2 MR. FREDERICK: Yes, they did.
- JUSTICE SCALIA: On their own behalf?
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: Absolutely. They created
- 5 the fund, Justice Scalia. That's how mutual funds work.
- 6 Managers create them, they lure investors to them, they
- 7 get money by having a percentage of assets under
- 8 management.
- 9 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: And the SEC has
- 10 recognized that they remain two separate entities,
- 11 despite this interconnected relationship.
- MR. FREDERICK: Certainly, but there are
- 13 many cases -- in fact, I don't think it's ever been
- 14 disputed in the courts of appeals that if one company
- 15 outsources its management function and those outsourced
- 16 managers make lies on behalf of the company --
- 17 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: The one -- the one
- 18 activity --
- 19 MR. FREDERICK: -- they are also liable
- 20 under section 10b-5.
- 21 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: The one activity
- 22 that we know they did not outsource was review of the
- 23 materials submitted by JCM. They had independent
- 24 counsel that conducted that review.
- 25 Would it have been a breach of the trustees'

- 1 fiduciary obligations to the fund investors under common
- 2 law -- I forget where this is incorporated -- to
- 3 rubber-stamp what they get from somebody on the outside,
- 4 not to have independent counsel review what they're
- 5 going to say in their prospectus?
- 6 MR. FREDERICK: Mr. Chief Justice, my answer
- 7 to your question is: That's actually a very difficult
- 8 question under fiduciary duty law, because here the
- 9 fiduciaries have been duped themselves.
- They, when they got the wording of the
- 11 prospectus and the policy that JCM was purporting to
- 12 implement -- JCM didn't tell the board that there are 12
- 13 secret deals with hedge funds, pursuant to which we're
- 14 going to make money by attracting long-term investors
- 15 and --
- 16 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Well, it seems to
- 17 me --
- MR. FREDERICK: -- make money with
- 19 short-term market timers.
- 20 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Isn't -- isn't that,
- 21 again, what has been conceded: That there may well be
- 22 an action from the fund represented by their trustees
- 23 against --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: Common-law suit for duping.
- 25 MR. FREDERICK: Justice Scalia, in no

- 1 instance that I'm aware of where a mutual fund
- 2 investment adviser is a publicly traded company would
- 3 that cause of action run on behalf of the manager's
- 4 shareholders. What we're talking about here is a
- 5 company with a product, and they lie about the product.
- 6 And in that instance, it's no different from the Vioxx
- 7 case last year with Merck or the difference from the
- 8 cold remedy case you are going to hear argument in next
- 9 term.
- The mutual funds happen to be the product of
- 11 the company. They make misstatements about the product,
- 12 and that --
- 13 JUSTICE ALITO: Well, suppose this case
- 14 didn't involve a mutual fund. Suppose it involved a
- 15 corporation with thousands of employees, and the
- 16 prospectus is drafted by outside counsel. It's adopted
- 17 by the directors of the company without changing a word.
- Now, would that case come out the same? And
- 19 if not, what would -- what exactly would you have us say
- 20 to distinguish the two?
- MR. FREDERICK: Well, the outside lawyers, I
- think, are distinguishable in a number of different
- 23 ways. One is that they are reacting on information
- 24 provided by the company. That information is typically
- 25 not subject to an independent investigation by outside

- 1 counsel to determine the truth or veracity of that
- 2 information.
- JUSTICE ALITO: Well, what if it's alleged
- 4 they knew exactly what was going on?
- 5 MR. FREDERICK: If there is scienter, where
- 6 the lawyers knowingly act in a way that helps or that
- 7 contributes to that fraud, they may well be subject as
- 8 aiders and abettors. It depends on whether you can
- 9 establish that the lawyers have met all of the elements.
- 10 I mean, you'd have to show reliance. You'd have to show
- 11 lost causation. You'd have to show the primary
- 12 violation of the part of the lawyers.
- 13 JUSTICE ALITO: They would be liable as
- 14 aiders and abettors? I thought there wasn't aiding and
- 15 abetting liability.
- 16 MR. FREDERICK: Sorry. The SEC would be
- 17 able to proceed against the lawyers for aiding and
- 18 abetting. Whether or not there would be a private
- 19 action would depend on whether the lawyers -- it could
- 20 be pleaded under the heightened pleading requirements
- 21 that they had met all of the elements of the 10b-5
- 22 claim. I would submit that's extremely difficult.
- 23 JUSTICE BREYER: What is it that -- I'm
- 24 unclear on this. That's why I use the oil company
- 25 example. Plain, ordinary -- the top executives in the

- 1 oil company write the false statement. They give it to
- 2 a board that doesn't know it's false, and the board puts
- 3 it out in its name.
- 4 Now, it seems to me it ought to be clear at
- 5 this point in securities law whether those -- the
- 6 president and vice president are or are not liable under
- 7 this 10-b, the (B) part.
- 8 MR. FREDERICK: Yes, and we cited those
- 9 cases --
- 10 JUSTICE BREYER: And they are liable.
- MR. FREDERICK: -- I believe at page 37.
- JUSTICE BREYER: You're saying they are
- 13 liable?
- MR. FREDERICK: At page --
- JUSTICE BREYER: All right. Then their
- 16 response to that is: This is not like the president of
- 17 the oil company, and the reason that it's not is
- 18 something to do with the nature of the -- the obligation
- 19 that runs between the managers and the fund, which is
- 20 somehow different between -- you understand it better
- 21 than I.
- Can you say what it is and what you think
- 23 your response is?
- MR. FREDERICK: Yes. What I will say is
- 25 that they don't have a principal distinction between

- 1 those two situations. Simply having a contract to
- 2 outsource management where those management functions of
- 3 the company are resulting in false statements issued by
- 4 the company shouldn't make --
- 5 JUSTICE BREYER: All right. So you're
- 6 saying -- you're saying it shouldn't matter that if they
- 7 issued -- it's worse if they run the whole company than
- 8 if they're just the president?
- 9 MR. FREDERICK: That's correct.
- JUSTICE BREYER: All right. Now, at that
- 11 point, we get into a problem, and the problem is how do
- 12 we distinguish an aider or abettor from a principal?
- MR. FREDERICK: An --
- JUSTICE BREYER: At that point, I am
- 15 uncertain indeed, and that's why I put out this for
- 16 comment, this suggestion that you follow criminal law
- 17 here and say at least they're a principal if they have a
- 18 high position, they participate in it, they do all these
- 19 things you say, and the entity that they're fooling in
- 20 the first instance is simply a conduit, and, therefore,
- 21 you cannot say it's a scheme, because this other part of
- 22 the scheme wasn't part of it.
- 23 MR. FREDERICK: Well, to be a primary
- 24 violator, you have to have met all of the elements of
- 25 the cause of action.

- 1 JUSTICE BREYER: Yes.
- 2 MR. FREDERICK: To be an aider and abettor
- 3 for enforcement purposes --
- 4 JUSTICE BREYER: Yes.
- 5 MR. FREDERICK: -- SEC purposes, you simply
- 6 have to provide substantial assistance to one who is a
- 7 primary violator.
- 8 JUSTICE BREYER: What's the difference
- 9 between substantial assistance and -- and doing it?
- 10 MR. FREDERICK: You would not have to make
- 11 the statement. You would do something to assist the
- 12 person making the statement.
- JUSTICE SCALIA: Mr. Frederick, I thought we
- 14 had held -- I was sure we had held that there is no
- 15 aiding and abetting liability --
- 16 MR. FREDERICK: Yes. I'm -- I'm not
- 17 saying --
- 18 JUSTICE SCALIA: -- under the provision
- 19 we're discussing here.
- 20 JUSTICE BREYER: There's a distinction. You
- 21 want to say what the distinction is. So I would --
- 22 consistent with the view there is no aiding and abetting
- 23 liability, you still would win your case.
- MR. FREDERICK: That's correct, because
- 25 there is no primary violator under JCM's view of the

- 1 facts here. They are the primary violator under our
- 2 view of the facts here, because they met all of the
- 3 elements of the 10b-5 action, and they had a motive do
- 4 it, and they made --
- 5 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Is your claim premised
- 6 on Janus being duped or not? If Janus was not duped, if
- 7 its board knew and JCM was doing the activity with
- 8 either the consent or acquiescence of the board, would
- 9 you have a claim here?
- 10 MR. FREDERICK: We would. It would be
- 11 somewhat different because we would plead multiple
- 12 violators, as the Court in Central Bank and in
- 13 Stoneridge --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Then go back to Justice
- 15 Breyer's question, because I can see when there's one
- 16 primary violator who uses another entity as a dupe or as
- 17 a puppet, but I can't, and I don't know how to,
- 18 distinguish what you're proposing from aiding and
- 19 abetting. There has to be something to differentiate
- 20 the two. So what is it?
- 21 MR. FREDERICK: It's the failure on the part
- 22 of the person who would not have met all of the elements
- 23 of the 10b-5 claim. You have to have someone -- you --
- 24 two people, okay? Both of them have to have satisfied
- 25 all the elements of a 10b-5 claim to be primary

- 1 violators. If there is one element that is not
- 2 satisfied with respect to that person, that person is
- 3 only an aider and abettor and not subject to private
- 4 remedies under section 10(b). They would be subject to
- 5 aiding and abetting liability under the SEC's
- 6 enforcement --
- 7 JUSTICE ALITO: But the distinction you're
- 8 drawing is between making the statement and assisting in
- 9 making the statement. Isn't that -- isn't that what you
- 10 just said?
- MR. FREDERICK: Well, no, in the sense that
- 12 we believe, and we assert in the complaint and the
- 13 complaint is adequately pleaded, is that JCM made the
- 14 statements. Now, to be --
- 15 JUSTICE ALITO: Yes, and aiding and abetting
- 16 is assisting in making these statements as if -- as in
- 17 something you want to take place, right?
- 18 MR. FREDERICK: Yes.
- 19 JUSTICE ALITO: But what is the difference,
- 20 the distinction in -- in this context? Now, one
- 21 possible distinction is who formally makes it, in whose
- 22 name is it made, but that's obviously not your -- your
- 23 position. So, what -- what is it to distinguish a
- 24 principal here from an aider and abettor?
- MR. FREDERICK: Who has substantive control

- 1 over the content of the message. That kind of
- 2 substantive control, as -- as the Court in the Utah Ten
- 3 Commandments case pointed out, the government can have
- 4 speech attributed to it on the basis of it putting up a
- 5 monument on public land. There can be multiple speakers
- 6 with respect to one message, and the question of how
- 7 much substantive control you attribute to a particular
- 8 speaker, we believe, is the appropriate way to view --
- 9 JUSTICE SCALIA: Do you deny that the fund
- 10 had substantive control? Couldn't the fund have stopped
- 11 this statement from being placed in its prospectus?
- 12 Didn't it have outside lawyers who advised it whether it
- 13 should allow this statement to be included in its
- 14 prospectus? How can you say that they -- they didn't
- 15 have control?
- MR. FREDERICK: Well, they did not have a
- 17 knowledge of the falsity of these statements.
- 18 JUSTICE SCALIA: Well, that may mean that
- 19 they're duped, but it doesn't mean that they don't have
- 20 control. They had control, but you say they -- they
- 21 were duped. But that's quite a different theory from
- 22 saying that they had control --
- MR. FREDERICK: They --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: -- that they didn't have
- 25 control.

- 1 MR. FREDERICK: No, Justice Scalia, they
- 2 didn't have substantive control over the content of the
- 3 message, because if they did, they would not have
- 4 allowed these false statements to have been issued. And
- 5 that's the whole point -- that's the theory here. JCM
- 6 was luring long-term investors with the promise if you
- 7 park your money with the Janus Funds, it will be safe
- 8 in -- from the kinds of market timing problems. They
- 9 were then secretly going out and luring money from the
- 10 hedge funds to allow them to make short trades --
- 11 JUSTICE KENNEDY: But there was -- there is
- 12 nothing in the record to indicate that that statement
- 13 was attributed to JCM.
- 14 MR. FREDERICK: The public understood it
- 15 that way.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: You can -- you can play
- 17 with the words "make" as you choose, but do we take the
- 18 case on the assumption that you can show that it was
- 19 attributed to JCM? I -- I see nothing in -- in the
- 20 record that would justify that.
- MR. FREDERICK: Well, JA 275a, Justice --
- 22 Justice Kennedy -- excuse me -- says that Janus Capital
- 23 Management reserved the Janus name for itself and that
- 24 it --
- 25 JUSTICE GINSBURG: What did -- how did it

- 1 reserve that? You said twice in your brief that Janus
- 2 is a name to which JCM reserves the right. How did it
- 3 reserve the right?
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: It said -- and this is at
- 5 page 275a -- if for some reason Janus Capital
- 6 Management's contract is terminated, the funds can no
- 7 longer use the Janus name. They were intending to
- 8 trademark and get the name out there to attract
- 9 investors to the investment adviser's method of
- 10 investing. And it was that type of usage that brought
- 11 all of this together. The fund and the management, they
- 12 are in function essentially one entity. The fact that
- 13 they have contractually outsourced the management
- 14 function should not alleviate the securities fraud that
- 15 is alleged here.
- 16 JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Frederick, a substantial
- 17 part of the power of your argument comes from this
- 18 notion, as Justice Ginsburg said, that JCM was in the
- 19 driver's seat, that JCM had control, that they were --
- 20 Janus was at most an alter ego of JCM and maybe
- 21 something more, that it was just a creature of JCM. But
- 22 the securities legislation seems to deal with that in
- 23 section 20. And your case is not brought under section
- 24 20 and, because of the relationship between mutual funds
- 25 and their investment advisers, presumably could not be

- 1 brought under section 20.
- 2 So, why should we think relevant the kind of
- 3 controlled relationship that you're talking about?
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: Because you don't want to
- 5 create a road map for other people to commit fraud,
- 6 Justice Kagan, and that's what their theory does. What
- 7 their theory does is it says, if we set up shell
- 8 companies or if we dupe people to make statements, we
- 9 can commit securities fraud with impunity, because we
- 10 won't be held liable to having made the statement, even
- 11 though we wrote it, we had substantive control over it,
- 12 et cetera.
- 13 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Except -- except to
- 14 the SEC, right? Because they can pursue it under aiding
- 15 and abetting. It's kind of a big --
- MR. FREDERICK: Well --
- 17 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: -- problem if you're
- 18 trying to say we're safe from actions for security
- 19 fraud.
- 20 MR. FREDERICK: Well, Chief Justice Roberts,
- 21 this Court on numerous occasions has said that the
- 22 private securities action is a complement to the
- 23 enforcement efforts of the SEC, and in this instance,
- 24 the shareholders of the investment manager --
- 25 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Well, I know, but

- 1 you were just responding by saying the problem is that
- 2 this will give people a road map. But they're going to
- 3 hit a pretty big bump in the road when the SEC brings an
- 4 action against them, including potential criminal
- 5 actions.
- 6 MR. FREDERICK: But, no, the problem,
- 7 Mr. Chief Justice, is that under their construction of
- 8 the facts, there's no primary violator. Mr. Perry said
- 9 this morning --
- 10 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: The SEC --
- 11 MR. FREDERICK: -- there's no primary
- 12 violator. And so, if there's no primary violator, there
- 13 can be no control person and there can be no aiding and
- 14 abetting.
- 15 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you,
- 16 Mr. Frederick.
- 17 Mr. Gannon.
- ORAL ARGUMENT OF CURTIS E. GANNON,
- 19 ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, AS AMICUS CURIAE,
- 20 SUPPORTING RESPONDENT
- 21 MR. GANNON: Mr. Chief Justice, and may it
- 22 please the Court:
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Counsel, could you start
- 24 by taking your brief and distilling it down to three
- 25 sentences? Define what a primary violator is, what a

- 1 secondary violator is who aids and abets, and who a
- 2 control person is? And then tell me how that definition
- 3 would exclude lawyers, auditors, investment -- general
- 4 investment advisers, et cetera.
- 5 I've read your brief, but I've been trying
- 6 to distill it down to three sentences. So try to do
- 7 that for me.
- 8 MR. GANNON: A primary violator must be
- 9 somebody who has actually committed all the elements of
- 10 a 10b-5 cause of action --
- 11 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Give me an example of
- 12 that. What do you see as all of the elements?
- 13 MR. GANNON: Well, the elements for the
- 14 private cause of action are the ones that this Court has
- 15 repeated. They're -- were cited on page --
- 16 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: I understand. But --
- 17 MR. GANNON: In -- in this case the key one
- 18 that we're talking about is that you would need to be an
- 19 actual maker of the statement, and -- and --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: And that becomes -- how
- 21 is that different from aiding and abetting the making of
- 22 a statement?
- 23 MR. GANNON: It -- we think that somebody
- 24 can make a statement if they create the statement, and
- 25 the statute and the rule both expressly apply to those

- 1 who make statements directly --
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: But that's every
- 3 lawyer --
- 4 MR. GANNON -- or indirectly.
- 5 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: -- who writes the false
- 6 statement knowing it's false. So, are you saying that
- 7 every lawyer who writes the statement knowing it's false
- 8 is a primary violator?
- 9 MR. GANNON: Scienter is another element,
- 10 and so a lawyer who just reviews the policy, JCM in this
- 11 case -- when JCM submitted false statements to the
- 12 funds, if the funds were unaware, this is where Mr.
- 13 Frederick concluded for the Chief Justice that if
- 14 there -- if the person who actually releases the
- 15 statement to the world has been duped and doesn't have
- 16 scienter, then there is -- they are not going to be --
- 17 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: So, just to get --
- 18 MR. GANNON: -- a primary violator.
- 19 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: -- to get back, so
- 20 you are conceding that if you lose this case, you will
- 21 be unable to bring any aiding and abetting case in a
- 22 situation such as this?
- 23 MR. GANNON: Under sections 20 -- it depends
- 24 on what the situation --
- 25 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: It seems like a yes

- 1 or no question.
- 2 MR. GANNON: Yes, if the situation here is
- 3 one in which the funds ultimately cannot be proved to
- 4 have scienter. If they did not know about the falsity
- 5 of the statements in the prospectuses that they released
- 6 to the public, then there would not be a primary
- 7 violator. Under section 20(e) for aiding and abetting
- 8 liability, the Commission can bring an aiding and
- 9 abetting claim against somebody who provides substantial
- 10 assistance, recklessly or knowingly -- recklessly or
- 11 knowingly provides substantial assistance to a primary
- 12 violator, but the Court has repeatedly made clear that a
- 13 primary violator needs to have violated all of the
- 14 elements of a 10b-5 cause of action, which includes --
- 15 JUSTICE ALITO: I'm still not clear what
- 16 your distinction is between making the statement and
- 17 aiding and abetting in the making of the statement.
- 18 Now --
- 19 MR. GANNON: If it --
- 20 JUSTICE ALITO: -- could you explain that?
- 21 MR. GANNON: Well, I think that --
- JUSTICE ALITO: Is it necessary that the
- 23 person in whose -- the entity in whose name the
- 24 statement is made is an empty shell? It's simply a
- 25 puppet that's controlled by somebody else? Is that --

- 1 is that necessary or does it go beyond that?
- 2 MR. GANNON: No, I don't think that that's
- 3 necessary. If -- the position -- the position that the
- 4 Commission has taken is that somebody who makes a
- 5 statement, if he writes the statement or provides the
- 6 false information that's used to construct the statement
- 7 or allows the statement to be attributed to him. And we
- 8 think that that's a reasonable construction of the term
- 9 "make," because the statute and the rule both apply to
- 10 persons who make the statement directly or indirectly.
- 11 And so, they could be using a conduit, whether the
- 12 conduit is witting or unwitting. They would be a
- 13 primary violator if they had --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: I don't think that's a
- 15 reasonable interpretation of -- of make a statement
- 16 indirectly. I mean, you can make it indirectly by not
- 17 issuing it yourself but having somebody else make it in
- 18 your name.
- MR. GANNON: Well, if --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: But I would not say that
- 21 I'm making a speech indirectly if I have drafted the
- 22 speech.
- MR. GANNON: Well, but if the --
- JUSTICE SCALIA: The person for whom I
- 25 drafted the speech is making the speech.

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1 MR. GANNON: Well, that may be true	in	th
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- 2 case of a speech, Justice Scalia, but in a classic
- 3 boiler-room situation, where somebody has written the
- 4 scripts for salespersons to -- to use in order to make
- 5 calls to sell stocks, the person who actually writes the
- 6 scripts may never speak the words to a customer, he may
- 7 never have his own name spoken on the phone, and,
- 8 therefore, the statements have not been attributed to
- 9 him --
- JUSTICE BREYER: He may just be some poor
- 11 associate, his first day at work. The law firm sent him
- 12 over there, and there he got stuck down in the boiler
- 13 room. And somebody said why don't you write something
- 14 that will get everybody to sell things, and -- and why
- don't you say we're a thousand tons of oil instead of
- 16 only a ton? There he is. He writes it out. You think
- 17 he's liable?
- 18 MR. GANNON: If he writes it out and he
- 19 doesn't know, he obviously isn't liable --
- JUSTICE BREYER: No, no, he knows. He
- 21 knows.
- MR. GANNON: -- because he doesn't have
- 23 scienter.
- 24 JUSTICE BREYER: At some level he knows: I
- 25 shouldn't be saying they found a thousand tons of oil

- 1 when they only found 50. Okay? And four people told
- 2 him to go do something like that, but he's the guy who
- 3 wrote it. I'd say he didn't behave well, but I don't
- 4 think he's the principal.
- 5 MR. GANNON: In that instance, because he
- 6 was acting specifically at the direction of superiors --
- 7 JUSTICE BREYER: They didn't say what words
- 8 to write.
- 9 MR. GANNON: But they --
- 10 JUSTICE BREYER: They gave him the general
- 11 idea, and then he did it. He created the words, to use
- 12 your phrase. When you say "creating the words," he's a
- 13 great writer.
- MR. GANNON: It -- we do, on page 22,
- 15 acknowledge that somebody needs to be sufficiently
- 16 involved in the creation or dissemination of the
- 17 statement in order to be -- in order to be deemed its
- 18 maker or its author. And so, it's --
- JUSTICE BREYER: Ah, now we have
- 20 "sufficiently involved." Once we're into sufficiently
- 21 involved, we're back into what is sufficient to make the
- 22 person the principal rather than the aider and the
- 23 abettor, and apparently creating or writing the
- 24 statement is not clear whether it is or is not
- 25 sufficient. So we're back into the problem.

- 1 MR. GANNON: In this instance, there's no
- 2 doubt that the manager of the funds was not a mere
- 3 adviser. They bought into --
- 4 JUSTICE BREYER: I'm interested in your
- 5 test. I'm interested in your test, not the --
- 6 MR. GANNON: Well, the -- the test does
- 7 acknowledge that -- that if there is not sufficient
- 8 control over the content of the -- the message and the
- 9 dissemination of it, that somebody may be more in an
- 10 advisory capacity. That might be the instance with lots
- 11 of outside law firms when they're acting at the specific
- 12 direction of counsel. That's not the situation of --
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: In that connection, Mr.
- 14 Gannon, would you answer the -- the statement that Mr.
- 15 Perry made that the Government had, in fact, conceded
- 16 that this theory would spread not only to the -- to the
- 17 investment adviser so closely linked to funds but to
- 18 every lawyer, every accountant, every bank.
- MR. GANNON: Well --
- 20 JUSTICE GINSBURG: He said that you said
- 21 that on page something here.
- MR. GANNON: We said that -- he was
- 23 referring to the statement on page 22 of the
- 24 Government's brief, referring to the need for the -- for
- 25 the author to be sufficiently involved in creating or

- 1 disseminating the statement. And I think it's very
- 2 important to recognize that scienter is an important
- 3 limiting -- limiting principle for the 10b-5 cause of
- 4 action to be brought by a private --
- 5 JUSTICE SCALIA: Well, that will always be
- 6 charged. It's the simplest thing in the world to charge
- 7 scienter.
- MR. GANNON: It would be --
- 9 JUSTICE SCALIA: And you've bought yourself
- 10 a big lawsuit.
- 11 MR. GANNON: It's not simple, Justice
- 12 Scalia, in light of the PSLRA, which requires it to be
- 13 alleged with particularity. There need to be facts
- 14 sufficient to give rise to a strong inference that the
- 15 defendant acted with scienter. And -- and there are
- 16 penalties beyond Rule 11 that are -- that are imposed if
- 17 the -- if the plaintiff is -- is mistaken in doing so.
- 18 JUSTICE KENNEDY: You think attribution to
- 19 the actor is not necessary for the actor's liability for
- 20 a statement?
- 21 MR. GANNON: That's correct. We think that
- 22 -- and any other rule would immunize falsely attributed
- 23 or anonymous statements. And if the whole purpose of a
- 24 fraud was to convince somebody that this statement came
- 25 from Warren Buffett, so that I could turn a quick buck

- 1 before the market realized that it wasn't actually from
- 2 Warren Buffett, the fact that it was not attributed to
- 3 me would not change the fact that I had made the
- 4 statement and that the market had relied upon it.
- 5 The truth is that reasonable investors --
- 6 and that's the test for purposes of reliance -- can rely
- 7 on anonymous and falsely attributed statements. In this
- 8 instance, there's no reason to doubt that an investor
- 9 would have relied on statements in the prospectus about
- 10 the fund's purported anti-market timing and excessive
- 11 trading policies. And so, we think that there -- in
- 12 general, there doesn't need to be an attribution
- 13 requirement, but in this instance, it's quite clear that
- 14 a reasonable investor could have relied on
- 15 these statements in the prospectus.
- JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Counsel, could you have
- 17 -- you just admitted if there -- if the company was
- 18 duped, you couldn't have aiding and abetting liability.
- 19 Could you impose a 20(a) or 20(b) control person
- 20 liability?
- 21 MR. GANNON: The control person liability
- 22 also needs to have a primary violator under the terms of
- 23 20(a).
- JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Gannon, suppose that we
- 25 think that this test that the SEC is using and that you

- 1 recite on page 13 is really pretty broad and that it
- 2 might apply to a range of factual situations that are
- 3 not before us. Is there a way to confine our holding
- 4 just to the mutual fund situation, and if there is, how
- 5 would you do that?
- 6 MR. GANNON: Well, I think the easiest way
- 7 would be to analogize it to the cases involving
- 8 corporate employees. As Petitioners acknowledge, there
- 9 are cases where a corporate employee drafts a statement
- 10 that's issued in the company's name. In this instance,
- 11 the investment adviser is management for the company,
- 12 and the fact that they happen to be management by virtue
- of contract rather than just the internal arrangements
- of the corporation shouldn't change that arrangement.
- 15 It -- it's also the case that if the Court
- 16 were -- were looking for a way to narrow its holding, it
- 17 could do so by talking about the elements of the 10b-5
- 18 cause of action, which -- which would apply only to
- 19 private suits and -- and not to enforcement actions
- 20 brought by the Commission or by the Department of
- 21 Justice.
- JUSTICE KENNEDY: Your point is that --
- 23 JUSTICE SCALIA: Well, it should change
- 24 that, because Congress has made it very clear that
- 25 investment advisers are not to be treated like

- 1 employees. You -- you want us to undo a clear
- 2 distinction that Congress has made.
- 3 MR. GANNON: Well, the -- the statute says
- 4 that if somebody -- any person makes the false statement
- 5 directly or indirectly -- and in this instance, the SEC
- 6 sought -- got a cease-and-desist order that's reprinted
- 7 at -- on page 407 in the joint appendix that was
- 8 predicated on a provision of the Investment Company Act,
- 9 section 34(b), that -- that tracks 10(b) and makes it
- 10 unlawful for any person to make any untrue statement of
- 11 material facts. And the Commission believed that they
- were chargeable with that violation.
- 13 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you, Mr.
- 14 Gannon.
- Mr. Perry, you have 4 minutes remaining.
- 16 REBUTTAL ARGUMENT OF MARK A. PERRY
- 17 ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONERS
- 18 MR. PERRY: Justice Kennedy, in response to
- 19 your attribution question, Mr. Gannon said something
- 20 about falsely attributed or anonymous statements. We
- 21 have neither here. We have a correctly attributed, non-
- 22 anonymous prospectus that under Federal law says, on the
- 23 first page of the document, who it's attributed to, the
- 24 Janus Funds, who have their own trustees.
- 25 Justice Ginsburg, who is in the driver's

- 1 seat? Page 258a of the joint appendix, quote: "The
- 2 trustees are responsible for major decisions relating to
- 3 each fund's objectives, policies, and techniques. The
- 4 trustees also supervise the operations of the fund by
- 5 their officers and review the investment decisions of
- 6 the officers."
- 7 There is no misdirection here about who's in
- 8 charge. The trustees are in charge.
- 9 JUSTICE GINSBURG: But the -- the whole
- 10 arrangement was made possible by JCM. JCM wants
- 11 long-term investors, so it puts this provision in the
- 12 prospectus. The board of directors have no reason to
- 13 believe that JCM is dissembling and it's going to go out
- 14 and seek hedge funds.
- MR. PERRY: If it is a dupe case, Justice
- 16 Ginsburg and Justice Sotomayor, it's dealt with by
- 17 20(b), which Justice -- Mr. Gannon did not answer.
- 18 You'll notice 20(b) does not require a primary
- 19 violation. It allows the Commission to proceed directly
- 20 against any person who acts indirectly where it can't
- 21 act directly. So 20(b) answers this problem.
- The Commission also -- the 34(b) of the
- 23 Investment Company Act is broader. There's also section
- 24 206 and 215 of the Investment Advisers Act, which
- 25 regulate the conduct of investment advisers.

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- 2 way, and all of the questions today I would submit show
- 3 the absence of bright lines being proposed by my friends
- 4 on this side of the table. They can't articulate the
- 5 distinction between primary and secondary, between
- 6 principal and agent, between aiders and abettors and
- 7 anyone else.
- 8 This is an area that needs bright lines. It
- 9 needs to be resolved on motions to dismiss. Scienter
- 10 can't be resolved on a motion to dismiss. And the
- 11 Congress, in the Dodd-Frank act, which the plaintiffs
- 12 said, in their opposition in this Court to this
- 13 certiorari petition, was going to solve the problem by
- 14 enacting a new statute -- turns out Congress didn't
- 15 enact that statute.
- 16 Instead, Congress referred this issue to the
- 17 General Accounting Office, to the Comptroller General,
- 18 and said take a year, take all the resources of the
- 19 Federal Government, study the problem of the distinction
- 20 between companies that issue securities on the one hand,
- 21 -- the funds here -- and those who provide services on
- 22 the other hand -- the adviser here. And tell us, come
- 23 back to the Congress and tell us whether we need to
- 24 solve the problem. If the government --
- JUSTICE ALITO: Well, just to sum up, if

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- 1 there are -- if investors in a mutual fund are duped by
- 2 a false statement that is made in fact, is written by --
- 3 by the management company and issued by the fund without
- 4 knowledge of its falsity, is there any place they can
- 5 get -- look to for relief?
- 6 MR. PERRY: The investors in the mutual
- 7 fund, Justice Alito --
- 8 JUSTICE ALITO: In the mutual fund, yes.
- 9 MR. PERRY: -- got \$100 million through the
- 10 SEC action and resolved all the civil litigation.
- 11 They're a separate class of investors, a whole different
- 12 set of securities laws problems, because they were the
- 13 recipients of the prospectus that offered these
- 14 securities and that contained the false statements.
- 15 These plaintiffs' fundamental problem -- they didn't
- 16 purchase or sell the securities that were offered by the
- 17 prospectus they complain about. They can't find any
- 18 false statements in anything --
- 19 JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Perry, on the
- 20 allegations of this complaint, these plaintiffs were
- 21 harmed by the misrepresentations, the alleged
- 22 misrepresentations from JCM to the fund. So if the fund
- 23 was duped, would these shareholders, JCM's shareholders,
- 24 have any relief?
- 25 MR. PERRY: These shareholders -- JCG's

- 1 shareholders have no relief. And, Justice Kagan, I
- 2 would point out in the 70 years since the Investment
- 3 Company Act was enacted and the modern mutual fund
- 4 industry was built, I'm not aware of any case -- and
- 5 they certainly haven't cited one -- in which the
- 6 investors in the parent company have ever recovered a
- 7 dime in an SEC action, in a private action, or
- 8 otherwise, for statements in the funds' prospectuses.
- 9 There is a -- there is a line between
- 10 corporate entities, and the liability runs up different
- 11 channels. This is a totally novel, unprecedented theory
- 12 that they're presenting.
- JUSTICE GINSBURG: What was the theory of --
- of the fund shareholders? You said the fund
- 15 shareholders recovered -- there was a settlement.
- MR. PERRY: Right.
- 17 JUSTICE GINSBURG: What -- what was that
- 18 action?
- 19 MR. PERRY: Their theory was that there was
- 20 an omission. The adviser owned a duty to the fund. The
- 21 statements were correctly made, Justice Ginsburg. There
- 22 was no market timing. When the -- when the adviser
- 23 later allowed certain traders in, it owed a duty to
- 24 correct those statements in the prospectuses to the
- 25 fund. That was the liability theory of the investors.

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1	These plaintiffs can't pursue that liability
2	theory because the duty doesn't run the other way. It
3	doesn't run from JCM to JCG's investors. That's the law
4	of this case. And, therefore, they can't bring an
5	omissions case; they have to bring an affirmative
6	misstatements case for statements that were not directed
7	to this group of investors.
8	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you,
9	Mr. Perry.
10	The case is submitted.
11	(Whereupon, at 11:02 a.m., the case in the
12	above-entitled matter was submitted.)
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