
Vanguard emeritus Jack Brennan to chair FINRA

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John J. "Jack" Brennan, chairman emeritus and senior advisor of the Vanguard Group, has been unanimously elected chairman of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority by FINRA's board of governors, effective August 15, 2016. He succeeds Richard G. Ketchum, who is retiring.

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Brennan joined the Board of Governors of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) and remained on the Board following the merger of the NASD and New York Stock Exchange Regulation in 2007, a combination that gave rise to FINRA as the largest independent regulator for all securities firms doing business in the United States.

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