

ADDRESSING REGULATORY GAPS IN THE DIGITAL ASSET ECOSYSTEM

Core Principles that Should Underpin Efforts to Address Current Regulatory Gaps

In applying existing rules at the federal and state level to digital assets, policymakers should be guided by a set of common principles:

Investor Protection

Putting investor protection at the forefront of any policy action

Technology Neutral

Adopting a "technology neutral" approach that follows the "same risk, same activity, same regulatory outcome" principle

Distinguishing Transactions

Distinguishing between "native blockchain" assets and the use of blockchain technology to facilitate "traditional" asset transactions

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