



UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 4720

December 28, 2016

Via E-mail

John J. D'Angelo  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Investar Holding Corporation  
7244 Perkins Road  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

**Re: Investar Holding Corporation  
Registration Statement on Form S-3  
Filed December 22, 2016  
File No. 333-215238**

Dear Mr. D'Angelo:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Christopher Dunham, Staff Attorney, at (202) 551-3783 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Era Anagnosti

Era Anagnosti  
Legal Branch Chief  
Office of Financial Services

cc: Christina M. Gattuso, Esq.