# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): May 28, 2021

### **The Charles Schwab Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 1-9700** 

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

94-3025021 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3000 Schwab Way, Westlake, TX 76262

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(817) 859-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock – \$.01 par value per share	SCHW	New York Stock Exchange
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a share of 6.00% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series C	SCHW PrC	New York Stock Exchange
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a share of 5.95% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series D	SCHW PrD	New York Stock Exchange
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/40th ownership interest in a share of 4.450% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series J	SCHW PrJ	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 8.01 Other Events

A copy of the legal opinion relating to the registration of shares of common stock of The Charles Schwab Corporation issuable upon the exercise of stock options held by a former employee of TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation is attached as Exhibit 5.1 to this report.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
5.1	Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP.
23.1	Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File – the cover page interactive data file does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

### Signature(s)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### THE CHARLES SCHWAB CORPORATION

Date: May 28, 2021

By: /s/ Peter J. Morgan III

Peter J. Morgan III Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

#### **EXHIBIT 5.1**

New York Paris **Northern California** Washington DC São Paulo London

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## **DavisPolk**

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May 28, 2021

The Charles Schwab Corporation 3000 Schwab Way Westlake, TX 76262

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Charles Schwab Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-251156) (the "Registration Statement") for the purpose of registering under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), certain securities, including up to 545,368 shares of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Securities"), to be issued upon the exercise of stock options under the TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

We, as your counsel, have examined originals or copies of such documents, corporate records, certificates of public officials and other instruments as we have deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of rendering this opinion.

In rendering the opinion expressed herein, we have, without independent inquiry or investigation, assumed that (i) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic and complete, (ii) all documents submitted to us as copies conform to authentic, complete originals, (iii) all signatures on all documents that we reviewed are genuine, (iv) all natural persons executing documents had and have the legal capacity to do so, (v) all statements in certificates of public officials and officers of the Company that we reviewed were and are accurate and (vi) all representations made by the Company as to matters of fact in the documents that we reviewed were and are accurate.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the additional assumptions and qualifications set forth below, we advise you that, in our opinion, when the Securities have been issued and delivered against payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Plan, the Securities will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

In connection with the opinion expressed above, we have assumed that the Company is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

We are members of the Bar of the State of New York and the foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to a report on Form 8-K to be filed by the Company on the date hereof and its incorporation by reference into the Registration Statement and further consent to the reference to our name under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus supplement, which is a part of the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP