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This wrap fee program brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Chiron Capital Management, LLC (hereinafter “Chiron” or the “Firm”), a registered investment advisor with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). If you have any questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact the Firm at the telephone number listed above. For compliance-specific requests, please call (971) 371-3450. The information in this brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or by any state securities authority. Additional information about the Firm is available on the SEC’s website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. Registration does not imply any level of skill or training.

Item 2. Material Changes

In this Item, Chiron Capital Management, LLC (hereinafter known as “Chiron” or the “Firm”) is required to discuss any material changes that have been made to the brochure since the last annual amendment.

The business practices of the Firm are substantially the same as represented in this Firm’s previous and current years’ annual updated Brochure.

The material changes since the previous filing of this brochure include:

- Following the passing of the Firm’s founder and sole owner, Jason Brien, ownership of the Firm transferred to his estate.
- The Firm has also appointed Daniel Spalding as Managing Director. These changes have been reflected throughout this Brochure, as applicable. The Firm continues to provide investment advisory services to its clients.

We will ensure that all current clients receive a Summary of Material Changes to this and subsequent Brochures within 120 days of the close of our business’s fiscal year. A Summary of Material Changes is also included with our Brochure on the SEC’s website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. The searchable IARD/CRD number for Chiron Capital Management, LLC, is #308286. We may further provide other ongoing disclosure information about material changes as necessary, and will further provide you with a new Brochure as necessary based on changes or new information, at any time, without charge.

Currently, our Brochure may be requested by contacting Terry Warren, Chief Compliance Officer, at (971) 329-4256 or terry@tru-ind.com.

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Item 4. Services, Fees and Compensation

Chiron Capital Management, LLC and the Firm's dba Breakwater Capital ("hereinafter known as "Chiron" or the Firm") sponsors and offers a Wrap Program as well as discretionary investment management and investment advisory services. Prior to the Firm rendering any of the foregoing advisory services, clients are required to enter into one or more written agreements with the Firm setting forth the relevant terms and conditions of the advisory relationship (the "Advisory Agreement").

The Firm has been registered as an investment adviser since 2020 and is owned by the Estate of Jason Brien. As of December 31, 2025, Chiron managed approximately \$242,635,477 in assets for approximately 910 accounts, all of which are Wrap accounts managed on a discretionary basis.

While this brochure generally describes the business of the Firm, certain sections also discuss the activities of its Supervised Persons, which refer to the Firm's officers, partners, directors (or other persons occupying a similar status or performing similar functions), employees, or any other person who provides investment advice on the Firm's behalf and is subject to the Firm's supervision or control.

Description of the Program

The Program is offered as a wrap fee program, which provides clients with the ability to trade in certain investment products without incurring separate brokerage commissions or transaction charges. A wrap fee program is considered any arrangement under which clients receive investment advisory services (which may include portfolio management or advice concerning the selection of other investment advisers) and the execution of client transactions for a specified fee or fees not based upon transactions in their accounts. Clients must also open a new securities brokerage account and complete a new account agreement with Schwab Advisor Services™ ("Schwab") or another broker-dealer that the Firm approves under the Program (collectively "Financial Institutions").

At the onset of the Program, clients complete an investor profile describing their individual investment objectives, liquidity and cash flow needs, time horizon, and risk tolerance, as well as any other factors pertinent to their specific financial situations. After an analysis of the relevant information, the Firm assists its clients in developing an appropriate strategy for managing their assets. Clients' investment portfolios are generally managed on a discretionary basis by the Firm.

Wealth Management Services

The Firm provides clients with wealth management services, which may include a broad range of comprehensive financial planning and consulting services, as well as discretionary management of investment portfolios.

Under an investment management engagement, the Firm primarily allocates client assets among various individual equity and debt securities, private equity, health care, fixed income, mutual funds, and exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") in accordance with their stated investment objectives.

Where appropriate, the Firm may also provide advice about any type of legacy position or other investment held in client portfolios. Clients may engage the Firm to manage and/or advise on certain investment products that are not maintained at their primary custodian, such as variable life insurance and annuity contracts and assets held in employer-sponsored retirement plans. In these situations, the Firm directs or recommends the allocation of client assets among the various investment options available with the product. These assets are generally maintained at the underwriting insurance company or the

custodian designated by the product's provider.

The Firm tailors its advisory services to meet the needs of its individual clients and seeks to ensure, on a continuous basis, that client portfolios are managed in a manner consistent with those needs and objectives. The Firm consults with clients on an initial and ongoing basis to assess their specific risk tolerance, time horizon, liquidity constraints, and other related factors relevant to the management of their portfolios. Clients are advised to promptly notify the Firm if there are changes in their financial situation or if they wish to place any limitations on the management of their portfolios. Clients may impose reasonable restrictions or mandates on the management if the Firm determines, in its sole discretion, that the conditions would not materially impact the performance of a management strategy or prove overly burdensome to the Firm's management efforts.

Fees for Participation in the Program

The Program is offered on a fee basis, meaning participants pay a single annualized fee based upon assets under management ("Program Fee").

The Firm offers investment management for an annual fee based on the amount of assets under management. This management fee generally varies between 50 and 150 basis points (0.50% - 1.50%), depending on the size and composition of a client's portfolio and the type of services rendered.

The annual fee is prorated and charged quarterly, in advance, based upon the market value of the assets being managed by the Firm on the last day of the previous billing period.

If assets in excess of \$10,000 are deposited into or withdrawn from an account after the inception of a billing period, the fee payable with respect to such assets is adjusted to reflect the interim change in portfolio value. For the initial period of an engagement, the fee is calculated on a pro rata basis. In the event the advisory agreement is terminated, the fee for the final billing period is prorated through the effective date of the termination, and the outstanding or unearned portion of the fee is charged or refunded to the client, as appropriate.

Additionally, for asset management services the Firm provides with respect to certain client holdings (e.g., held-away assets, accommodation accounts, alternative investments, etc.), the Firm may negotiate a fee rate that differs from the range set forth above.

Fee Comparison

As referenced above, a portion of the fees paid to the Firm is used to cover the securities brokerage commissions and transactional costs attributed to the management of its clients' portfolios.

Services provided through the Program may cost clients more or less than purchasing these services separately. The number of transactions made in clients' accounts, as well as the commissions charged for each transaction, determines the relative cost of the Program versus paying for execution on a per transaction basis and paying a separate fee for advisory services. Therefore, the Firm has an incentive to place fewer trades for clients in the Program since the Firm incurs transaction expenses. Fees paid for the Program may also be higher or lower than fees charged by other sponsors of comparable investment advisory programs.

Fee Discretion

The Firm, in its sole discretion, may negotiate to charge a lesser fee based upon certain criteria, such as anticipated future earning capacity, anticipated future additional assets, dollar amount of assets to be managed, related accounts, account composition, pre-existing/legacy client relationship, account

retention, and pro bono activities.

Other Charges

In addition to the advisory fees paid to the Firm, clients may also incur certain charges imposed by other third parties, such as broker-dealers, custodians, trust companies, banks, and other financial institutions. These additional charges may include fees attributable to reporting charges, margin costs, charges imposed directly by a mutual fund or ETF in a client's account, as disclosed in the fund's prospectus (e.g., fund Program Fees and other fund expenses), fees and commission for assets not held with Schwab (such as 401(k) or 529 plan assets), fees for trades executed away from the custodian, deferred sales charges, odd-lot differentials, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic fund fees.

Schwab has eliminated commissions for online trades of equities, ETFs, and options (subject to a \$0.65 per contract fee). This means that, in most cases, when we buy and sell these types of securities, we will not have to pay any commissions to Schwab. We encourage you to review Schwab's pricing to compare the total costs of entering into a wrap fee arrangement versus a non-wrap fee arrangement. If you choose to enter into a wrap fee arrangement, your total cost to invest could exceed the cost of paying for brokerage and advisory services separately. To see what you would pay for transactions in a non-wrap account, please refer to Schwab's most recent pricing schedules available at [schwab.com/aspricingguide](https://www.schwab.com/aspricingguide).

Direct Fee Debit

Clients generally provide the Firm with the authority to directly debit their accounts for payment of the investment advisory fees. The Financial Institutions that act as the qualified custodian for client accounts, from which the Firm retains the authority to directly deduct fees, have agreed to send statements to clients not less than quarterly detailing all account transactions, including any amounts paid to the Firm.

Account Additions and Withdrawals

Clients may make additions to and withdrawals from their accounts at any time, subject to the Firm's right to terminate an account. Additions may be in cash or securities, provided that the Firm reserves the right to liquidate any transferred securities or decline to accept particular securities into a client's account. Clients may withdraw account assets on notice to the Firm, subject to the usual and customary securities settlement procedures. However, the Firm designs its portfolios as long-term investments, and the withdrawal of assets may impair the achievement of a client's investment objectives. The Firm may consult with its clients about the options and implications of transferring securities. Clients are advised that when transferred securities are liquidated, they may be subject to transaction fees, fees assessed at the mutual fund level (e.g., contingent deferred sales charge), and/or tax ramifications.

Compensation for Recommending the Program

The Firm has no internal arrangements in place whereby persons recommending the Program are entitled to receive additional compensation as a result of clients' participation. A person recommending the Program will not earn more compensation than he or she would otherwise receive if a client elected another investment management program.

Item 5. Account Requirements and Types of Clients

Chiron offers services to individuals, pension and profit-sharing plans, trusts, estates, charitable organizations, corporations, and business entities.

Minimum Account Value and Fee

The Firm does not impose a stated minimum fee or minimum portfolio value for starting and maintaining an investment management relationship.

Item 6. Portfolio Manager Selection and Evaluation

Individual Tailoring of Advice to Clients

Chiron offers individualized investment advice to clients using our services.

Ability of Clients to Impose Restrictions

The Firm allows clients to impose reasonable restrictions on investing in certain securities or types of securities.

Participation in Wrap Fee Programs

Wrap fee and non-wrap fee accounts are managed on an individual basis according to the client's investment objectives, financial goals, risk tolerance, etc. We do not manage wrap fee accounts in a different fashion than non-wrap fee accounts.

Side-By-Side Management

The Firm does not provide any services for a performance-based fee (i.e., a fee based on a share of capital gains or capital appreciation of a client's assets).

Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategies

The Firm may utilize several methods of analysis when structuring client portfolios, including fundamental analysis and technical analysis.

Fundamental analysis involves the fundamental financial condition and competitive position of a company. The Firm may analyze the financial condition, capabilities of management, earnings, new products, and services, as well as the company's markets and position amongst its competitors, in order to determine the recommendations made to clients. The primary risk in using fundamental analysis is that while the overall health and position of a company may be good, market conditions may negatively impact the security.

Technical analysis involves the analysis of past market data rather than specific company data in determining the recommendations made to clients. Technical analysis may involve the use of charts to identify market patterns and trends, which may be based on investor sentiment rather than the fundamentals of the company. The primary risk in using technical analysis is that spotting historical trends may not help to predict such trends in the future. Even if the trend will eventually recur, there is no guarantee that the Firm will be able to accurately predict such a reoccurrence.

To implement its recommendations, the Firm primarily allocates client assets among various individual equity and debt securities, fixed income, mutual funds, and exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") in accordance with their stated investment objectives. On a more limited basis, the Firm may utilize mutual funds or other securities to meet a client's investment needs.

Risk of Loss

Market Risks Investing involves risk, including the potential loss of principal, and all investors should be guided accordingly. The profitability of a significant portion of the Firm's recommendations and/or investment decisions may depend to a great extent upon correctly assessing the future course of price movements of stocks, bonds, and other asset classes. There can be no assurance that the Firm will be able to predict those price movements accurately or capitalize on any such assumptions.

Mutual Funds and ETFs An investment in a mutual fund or ETF involves risk, including the loss of principal. Mutual fund and ETF shareholders are necessarily subject to the risks stemming from the individual issuers of the fund's underlying portfolio securities. Such shareholders are also liable for taxes on any fund-level capital gains, as mutual funds and ETFs are required by law to distribute capital gains in the event they sell securities for a profit that cannot be offset by a corresponding loss.

Shares of mutual funds are generally distributed and redeemed on an ongoing basis by the fund itself or a broker acting on its behalf. The trading price at which a share is transacted is equal to a fund's stated daily per share net asset value ("NAV"), plus any shareholders' fees (e.g., sales loads, purchase fees, redemption fees). The per-share NAV of a mutual fund is calculated at the end of each business day, although the actual NAV fluctuates with intraday changes to the market value of the fund's holdings. The trading prices of a mutual fund's shares may differ significantly from the NAV during periods of market volatility, which may, among other factors, lead to the mutual fund's shares trading at a premium or discount to the actual NAV.

Shares of ETFs are listed on securities exchanges and transacted at negotiated prices in the secondary market. Generally, ETF shares trade at or near their most recent NAV, which is generally calculated at least once daily for index-based ETFs and potentially more frequently for actively managed ETFs. However, certain inefficiencies may cause the shares to trade at a premium or discount to their pro rata NAV. There is also no guarantee that an active secondary market for such shares will develop or continue to exist. Generally, an ETF only redeems shares when aggregated as creation units (usually 20,000 shares or more). Therefore, if a liquid secondary market ceases to exist for shares of a particular ETF, a shareholder may have no way to dispose of such shares.

Use of Private Collective Investment Vehicles The Firm recommends that certain clients invest in privately placed collective investment vehicles (e.g., hedge funds, private equity funds, etc.). The managers of these vehicles have broad discretion in selecting the investments. There are a few limitations on the types of securities or other financial instruments that may be traded, and no requirement to diversify. Hedge funds may trade on margin or otherwise leverage positions, thereby potentially increasing the risk to the vehicle. In addition, because the vehicles are not registered as investment companies, there is an absence of regulation. There are numerous other risks in investing in these securities. Clients should consult each fund's private placement memorandum and/or other documents explaining such risks prior to investing.

Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) The Firm may recommend an investment in, or allocate assets among, various real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), the shares of which exist in the form of either publicly traded or privately placed securities. REITs are collective investment vehicles with portfolios comprised primarily of real estate and mortgage-related holdings. Many REITs hold heavy concentrations of investments tied to commercial and/or residential developments, which inherently subject REIT investors to the risks associated with a downturn in the real estate market. Investments linked to certain regions that experience greater volatility in the local real estate market may give rise to large fluctuations in the value of the vehicle's shares. Mortgage-related holdings may give rise to additional concerns

pertaining to interest rates, inflation, liquidity, and counterparty risk.

Liquidity The Firm may recommend investments intended for longer-term investment, such as private real estate opportunities. These types of investments may be less liquid, meaning funds may not be readily available for withdrawal by the client. The risk of illiquidity shall be measured against the potential return of the product and the position size as well as the client's investment specific return and investment objectives to ensure the risk is appropriate.

Options Options allow investors to buy or sell a security at a contracted "strike" price at or within a specific period of time. Clients may pay or collect a premium for buying or selling an option. Investors transact in options to either hedge (i.e., limit) losses in an attempt to reduce risk or to speculate on the performance of the underlying securities. Options transactions contain a number of inherent risks, including the partial or total loss of principal in the event that the value of the underlying security or index does not increase/decrease to the level of the respective strike price. Holders of options contracts are also subject to default by the option writer, which may be unwilling or unable to perform its contractual obligations.

Use of Margin While the use of margin borrowing can substantially improve returns, it may also increase overall portfolio risk. Margin transactions are generally affected using capital borrowed from a Financial Institution, which is secured by a client's holdings. Under certain circumstances, a lending Financial Institution may demand an increase in the underlying collateral. If the client is unable to provide the additional collateral, the Financial Institution may liquidate account assets to satisfy the client's outstanding obligations, which could have extremely adverse consequences. In addition, fluctuations in the amount of a client's borrowings and the corresponding interest rates may have a significant effect on the profitability and stability of a client's portfolio.

Declination of Proxy Voting Authority

Account holders may receive voting proxies or other similar solicitations sent directly from the custodian of record or transfer agent. Note that we do not forward duplicate copies of these or any correspondence relating to the voting of securities, class action litigation, or other corporate actions.

The Firm does not vote proxies on behalf of account holders, nor do we offer guidance on how to vote proxies.

Each account holder will maintain exclusive responsibility for directing the manner in which proxies solicited by issuers of securities that are beneficially owned shall be voted, as well as making all other elections relative to mergers, acquisitions, tender offers, or other events pertaining to such holdings. We will answer limited questions with respect to what a proxy voting request or other corporate matter may be and how to reach the issuer or its legal representative.

Account holders of record maintain responsibility for directing the manner in which proxies solicited by issuers of securities that are beneficially owned shall be voted, as well as making all other elections relative to mergers, acquisitions, tender offers or other legal matters or events pertaining to their holdings. The account holder should consider contacting the issuer or their own legal counsel regarding specific questions they may have with respect to a particular proxy solicitation or corporate action.

Item 7. Client Information Provided to Portfolio Manager

Chiron is required to describe the information about you that we communicate to your portfolio manager(s), and how often or under what circumstances we provide updated information. The Firm

communicates with your portfolio manager(s) on a regular basis as needed to ensure your most current investment goals and objectives are understood by your portfolio manager(s). In most cases, we will communicate such information as part of our regular investment management duties. Nevertheless, we will also communicate information to your portfolio manager(s) when you request us to, when market or economic conditions make it prudent to do so, etc.

Item 8. Client Contact with Portfolio Manager

Chiron's clients may directly contact their portfolio manager(s) with questions or concerns, or by calling the number on this Brochure for contact information.

Item 9. Additional Information

Disciplinary Information

Chiron has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that are material to a client's evaluation of its advisory business or the integrity of its management. Visit [Investor.gov/CRS](https://www.investor.gov/crs) for a free and simple search tool to research our financial professionals and us.

Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

Chiron is required to disclose any relationship or arrangement that is material to its advisory business or to its clients with certain related persons.

Relationship with Sanctuary Wealth, LLC

The Firm maintains a business relationship with Sanctuary Wealth, LLC ("Sanctuary"), a service platform for investment professionals and the owner of three SEC-registered investment advisers – Sanctuary Advisors, LLC, tru Independence Asset Management, LLC and tru Independence Asset Management2, LLC, which are related advisors. Through its relationship with Sanctuary Wealth, the Firm gains access to services related to reporting, compliance, technology, transition support, and other related services.

In fulfilling its duties to its clients, the Firm endeavors at all times to put the interests of its clients first. The Firm reviews all of its service provider relationships on an ongoing basis in an effort to ensure decisions are made in the best interests of clients. Clients should be aware, however, that this relationship may pose certain conflicts of interest. Specifically, tru Independence charges the Firm a platform fee that decreases as assets increase. Accordingly, the Firm has an incentive to increase the assets it places through the tru Independence platform. tru Independence also provided transition support aimed at helping the Firm launch its new advisory firm. The receipt of economic and other benefits as described above from tru Independence creates an incentive for the Firm to choose tru Independence over other service providers that do not furnish similar benefits.

Retirement Plan Accounts

The Firm may, from time to time, recommend the rollover to an IRA from an employer-sponsored retirement plan. This product will be recommended when it is deemed by the Firm to be in the best interest of the client. It is understood that the Investment Advisor Representative will receive a management fee paid by me, as indicated by the client agreement that will be signed when the account is opened.

When we provide investment advice to you regarding your retirement plan account or individual retirement account, we are fiduciaries within the meaning of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and/or the Internal Revenue Code, as applicable, which are laws governing retirement accounts. The way we make money creates some conflicts with your interests, so we operate under a special rule that requires us to act in your best interest and not put our interests ahead of yours.

Under this special rule's provisions, we must:

- Meet a professional standard of care when making investment recommendations (give prudent advice);
- Never put our financial interests ahead of yours when making recommendations (give loyal advice);
- Avoid misleading statements about conflicts of interest, fees, and investments;
- Follow policies and procedures designed to ensure that we give advice that is in your best interest;
- Charge no more than is reasonable for our services; and
- Give you basic information about conflicts of interest.

When recommending the rollover to an IRA from an employer-sponsored retirement plan, you will be provided with disclosure on the reasons why the transaction is in your best interest. It will be required to be signed by the advisor and will be maintained in your file.

Code of Ethics

The Firm has adopted a code of ethics in compliance with applicable securities laws ("Code of Ethics") that sets forth the standards of conduct expected of its Supervised Persons. The Firm's Code of Ethics contains written policies reasonably designed to prevent certain unlawful practices, such as the use of material non-public information by the Firm or any of its Supervised Persons and the trading by the same of securities ahead of clients in order to take advantage of pending orders.

The Code of Ethics also requires certain of the Firm's personnel to report their personal securities holdings and transactions and obtain pre-approval of certain investments (e.g., initial public offerings, limited offerings). However, the Firm's Supervised Persons are permitted to buy or sell securities that it also recommends to clients if done in a fair and equitable manner that is consistent with the Firm's policies and procedures. This Code of Ethics has been established recognizing that some securities trade in sufficiently broad markets to permit transactions by certain personnel to be completed without any appreciable impact on the markets of such securities. Therefore, under limited circumstances, exceptions may be made to the policies stated below.

When the Firm is engaging in or considering a transaction in any security on behalf of a client, no Supervised Person will access to this information may knowingly effect for themselves or for their immediate family (i.e., spouse, minor children and adults living in the same household) a transaction in that security unless:

- the transaction has been completed;
- the transaction for the Supervised Person is completed as part of a batch trade with clients; or
- a decision has been made not to engage in the transaction for the client.

These requirements are not applicable to: (i) direct obligations of the Government of the United States; (ii) money market instruments, bankers' acceptances, bank certificates of deposit, commercial paper, repurchase agreements and other high quality short-term debt instruments, including repurchase agreements; (iii) shares issued by mutual funds or money market funds; and (iv) shares issued by unit

investment trusts that are invested exclusively in one or more mutual funds.

Clients and prospective clients may contact the Firm to request a copy of its Code of Ethics.

Account Reviews

The Firm monitors client portfolios on a continuous and ongoing basis, while regular account reviews are conducted on at least an annual basis. Such reviews are conducted by the Firm's Investment Committee and/or investment adviser representatives and are intended to fulfil the Firm's fiduciary obligations to their advisory clients. All advisory clients are encouraged to discuss their needs, goals, and objectives with the Firm and to keep the Firm informed of any changes thereto. The Firm contacts ongoing investment advisory clients at least annually to review its previous services and/or recommendations and quarterly to discuss the impact resulting from any changes in the client's financial and/or investment objectives.

Account Statements and General Reports

Clients are provided with transaction confirmation notices and regular summary account statements directly from the Financial Institutions where their assets are custodied. From time to time or as otherwise requested, clients may also receive written or electronic reports from the Firm and/or an outside service provider, which contain certain account and/or market-related information, such as an inventory of account holdings or account performance. Clients should compare the account statements they receive from their custodian with any documents or reports they receive from the Firm or an outside service provider.

Client Referrals

The Firm may provide compensation to third-party solicitors for client referrals. In the event a client is introduced to the Firm by either an unaffiliated or an affiliated solicitor, the Firm may pay that solicitor a referral fee in accordance with applicable state securities laws. Unless otherwise disclosed, any such referral fee is paid solely from the Firm's investment management fee and does not result in any additional charge to the client. If the client is introduced to the Firm by an unaffiliated solicitor, the solicitor is required to provide the client with the Firm's written brochure(s) and a copy of a solicitor's disclosure statement containing the terms and conditions of the solicitation arrangement. Any affiliated solicitor of the Firm is required to disclose the nature of his or her relationship to prospective clients at the time of the solicitation and will provide all prospective clients with a copy of the Firm's written brochure(s) at the time of the solicitation.

Receipt of Economic Benefit and Brokerage Practices

The Firm generally recommends that clients utilize the custody, brokerage, and clearing services of Schwab for investment management accounts. Factors which the Firm considers in recommending Schwab or any other broker-dealer to clients include their respective financial strength, reputation, execution, pricing, research, and service.

The execution clients receive from Schwab will comply with the Firm's duty to obtain "best execution." In seeking best execution, the determinative factor is not the lowest possible cost, but whether the transaction represents the best qualitative execution, taking into consideration the full range of a Financial Institution's services, including, among others, the value of research provided, execution capability, commission rates, and responsiveness.

Consistent with obtaining best execution, brokerage transactions may be directed to certain broker/dealers in return for investment research products and/or services that assist the Firm in its

investment decision-making process. The receipt of investment research products and/or services, as well as the allocation of the benefit of such investment research products and/or services, poses a conflict of interest because the Firm does not have to produce or pay for the products or services. The Firm periodically and systematically reviews its policies and procedures regarding its recommendation of Financial Institutions in light of its duty to obtain best execution.

The Firm may receive, without cost, from Schwab computer software and related systems support, which allows the Firm to better monitor client accounts maintained at Schwab. The Firm may receive the software and related support without cost because the Firm renders investment management services to clients that maintain assets at Schwab. The software and support is not provided in connection with securities transactions of clients (i.e., not “soft dollars”). The software and related systems support may benefit the Firm but not its clients directly. In fulfilling its duties to its clients, the Firm endeavors at all times to put the interests of its clients first. Clients should be aware, however, that the Firm’s receipt of economic benefits from a broker/dealer creates a conflict of interest since these benefits may influence the Firm’s choice of broker/dealer over another that does not furnish similar software, systems support, or services.

Specifically, the Firm may receive the following benefits from Schwab:

- Receipt of duplicate client confirmations and bundled duplicate statements;
- Access to a trading desk that exclusively services its institutional traders;
- Access to block trading, which provides the ability to aggregate securities transactions and then allocate the appropriate shares to client accounts; and
- Access to an electronic communication network for client order entry and account information.

The Firm does not consider, in selecting or recommending broker/dealers, whether the Firm receives client referrals from the Financial Institutions or other third parties.

Financial Information

The Firm is not required to disclose any financial information due to the following:

- The Firm does not require or solicit the prepayment of more than \$1,200 in fees six months or more in advance of services rendered;
- The Firm does not have a financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet contractual commitments to clients; and
- The Firm has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition at any time during the past ten years.