

# FORM ADV – PART 2A

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Additional information about IAG (CRD No. 109721), including a copy of its Form ADV Part 1, is available on the SEC's website at <u>www.adviserinfo.sec.gov</u>.

IAG is a registered investment adviser. Registration of an investment adviser does not imply any certain level of skill or training.

## Item 2 - Material Changes

Since our last annual update was filed in March 2022, material changes made to this brochure include:

Item 4 has been revised to delete reference to IAG's participation in the Payroll Protection Plan loans with the Small Business Administration because IAG's loan has been forgiven.

Item 4 has been updated to reflect that the minimum account value for the Manager Access Select Program has been reduced from \$50,000 to \$25,000

The maximum account fees for the LPL Financial Sponsored Advisory Program Fees in Item 5 have been revised

As of July 2021, new SWM II accounts are no longer being offered, and IAG anticipates that all such accounts will transition to SWM I accounts as of October 31, 2023.

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#### Item 4 - Advisory Business

IAG Wealth Partners, LLC ("IAG") is an investment adviser registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). IAG has been registered as an investment adviser since April 1985. The firm specializes in offering financial planning and investment management services to its clients. Lori A. Watt is the principal owner of IAG. IAG does not control any other firm. The advisory services of IAG are described in detail below.

#### **Initial Financial Planning Services**

IAG's Initial Financial Planning services involve appraisal of a client's financial situation, including an analysis of his or her entire financial planning needs and investment portfolio. The information provided by a client is examined in relation to the long and short-term investment objectives expressed by the client, client needs perceived by IAG, market conditions and general economic conditions. The advice includes specific recommendations regarding long and short term financial planning and recommendations regarding the retention or disposition of the client's securities and other investments. This service also includes at least one written report and one or more meetings with the client to discuss the status of the client's financial situation and IAG's specific recommendations. Services are limited to six months of advice.

Services beyond six months are available by separate agreement.

All planning is based on information provided by the client. It is the client's responsibility to be certain IAG has current and accurate information to enable IAG to prepare the initial plan, and it is the client's responsibility to inform the Representative of material changes affecting the investments and planning strategies implemented so the Representative has them for future reference.

#### **Follow-up Financial Planning Services**

Because each client's financial situation and goals change, clients are encouraged by IAG to have their financial situation reexamined periodically. Clients may wish to have follow-up reviews and analyses performed by IAG after receiving the firm's six month Initial Financial Planning services. Such follow-up reviews are performed, and reports provided, as frequently as the client and IAG agree.

#### **Consulting Services**

IAG provides Consulting Services on an hourly fee basis. Consulting Services include, but are not limited to, financial and retirement planning, investment strategies, and analysis of a client's financial assets with recommendations for the selection and positioning of such assets. Consideration is given to risk tolerance, income needs and short and long-term financial objectives. Consulting Services result in a report being provided to each client which will be in writing if requested by a client.

All Consulting Services advice is based on information provided by the client. It is the client's responsibility to be certain that IAG has current and accurate information.

#### **Investment Advisory Services**

The client can determine to engage IAG to provide discretionary or non-discretionary investment advisory services. IAG's annual investment advisory fee shall be based upon a percentage (%) of the market value of the assets placed under IAG's management in accordance with the fee schedule to the services between IAG and the client.

All advice will be provided in light of the client's stated goals, objectives and restrictions.

As a general rule, IAG believes that investing is best suited to those who believe in a long-term buy-andhold policy. Therefore, clients should not expect frequent investment changes in the portfolio. However, as a result of monitoring the account, investment purchase and sales will be made.

Investments are not held by IAG. Instead, all investment managed by IAG are usually held at the brokerage firm ("Custodian") through which transactions are placed.

IAG does not assure or guarantee the results of its Investment Advisory Services; thus, losses can occur from following IAG's advice pertaining to any investment or investment approach, including using conservative investment strategies.

As of December 31, 2022, IAG had \$1,101,831,560 under discretionary management.

# **Participation in Wrap Fee Programs**

IAG offers asset management services through both wrap fee programs and non-wrap fee programs. A wrap fee program is an advisory program under which a specified fee or fees not based directly upon transactions in a client's account is charged for both investment advisory services and the execution of client transactions. We serve as both sponsor and portfolio manager of the wrap fee program, and therefore, we receive the entire wrap fee for our services. Additional information regarding the SWM II wrap fee program is provided in the related wrap fee brochure. As of July 2021, new SWM II accounts are no longer being offered. However, clients with SWM II accounts existing before that date continue to be permitted to transact in those existing accounts. IAG expects to transition all current SWM II accounts and their assets to SWM I accounts as of October 31, 2023.

## Model and Non-Model Portfolio Investment Options

IAG also offers both model-based investment strategies ("Core Portfolios") and custom investment strategies ("Non-Model Portfolios") to manage your account(s) in a manner that is consistent with your investment objectives. A Core Portfolio is designed to achieve a specific investment objective and consists of several elements, including the investment strategy, asset class selection, asset class target allocation, and the selection of investment securities. If your account is invested using a Core Portfolio, your assets will be invested in a manner that is substantially identical to other clients investing in the same Core Portfolio. In consultation with your investment adviser representative, if you select to invest in a Core Portfolio, you would be required to do so through a SWM I account and would be subject to the costs associated with SWM I accounts.

SWM I and SWM II Programs - IAG provides advisory services through SWM I and SWM II programs through LPL, and IAG representatives determine, in consultation with the client, which SWM account to recommend. Through the SWM I account, the client will bear transaction charges for purchases, sales and exchanges in their account, including for mutual funds, equities, fixed income securities and options. (For SWM II accounts, the transaction costs are borne by IAG and are transaction based. Clients should discuss the differences between SWM I and SWM II accounts with an IAG representative.) Clients authorize LPL to deduct from their account the transaction charges and other fees applicable to the account. The transaction charges are paid to LPL to defray costs associated with trade execution; however, they are not directly related to transaction-related expenses of LPL and are a source of revenue to LPL. The transaction charges vary depending on the type of security being purchased or sold (e.g. currently \$9 for equities, \$35 for unit investment trusts). In the case of mutual funds, the transaction charges vary depending on whether LPL retains compensation from the mutual fund for services it provides to the fund, such as recordkeeping fees and asset-based service fees or sales charges. LPL uses that compensation from mutual funds to reduce its trading costs, and therefore, assesses a lower transaction charge to clients. Mutual fund transaction charges are currently either \$0 or \$26.50. LPL does not charge a transaction charge for fixed income securities (e.g., bonds or structured products); however, LPL acts as principal on fixed income security transactions and receives a mark up/down on the transaction. Notification of standard transaction charges applicable to a SWM account will be provided to the client in connection with the account opening. These charges are

subject to change at the discretion of LPL. Clients will be notified of any changes through the information provided with periodic statements.

Although clients do not pay a transaction charge for transactions in a SWM II account, clients should be aware that IAG pays LPL transaction charges for those transactions. The transaction charges paid by IAG vary based on the type of transaction (e.g., mutual fund, equity or ETF) and for mutual funds based on whether or not the mutual fund pays 12b-1 fees and/or recordkeeping fees to LPL. Transaction charges paid by IAG for equities and ETFs are \$9 (except for ETFs on the NTF Network Platform (described below)). For mutual funds, the transaction charges range \$0 to \$26.50. Because IAG pays the transaction charges in SWM II accounts, there is a conflict of interest in cases where the mutual fund is offered at both \$0 and \$26.50. Clients should understand that the cost to IAG of transaction charges may and, at times will be a factor that IAG considers when deciding which securities to select and how frequently to place transactions in a SWM II account.

In many instances, LPL makes available mutual funds in SWM I and SWM II accounts that offer various classes of shares, including shares designated as Class A Shares and shares designed for advisory programs, which can be titled, for example, as "Class I," 'institutional," "retail," "service," "administrative" or "platform" share classes ("<u>Platform Shares</u>"). The Platform Share classes offered for a particular mutual fund in SWM II in many cases will not be the least expensive share class that the mutual fund makes available, and was selected by LPL in certain cases because the share class pays LPL compensation for the administrative and recordkeeping services LPL provides to the mutual fund. Clients should understand that another financial services firm may offer the same mutual fund at a lower overall cost to an investor than is available through SWM I and SWM II accounts. In other instances, mutual funds may offer only Class A shares, but another similar mutual fund may be available that offers Platform Shares. Class A Shares are generally not subject to 12b-1 fees. As a result of the different expenses of the mutual fund shares classes, it is generally more expensive for a client to own Class A Shares than Platform Shares. An investor in Platform Shares will pay lower fees over time, and keep more of his or her own investment returns than an investor who holds Class A Shares of the same fund.

When selecting share classes, IAG generally applies the following methodology to evaluate which share class is most suitable for a client:

- <u>SWM I</u>: We evaluate factors such as anticipated holding period, transaction cost, investment amount, anticipated rebalancing frequency, and historical manager retention rates, and we will seek to recommend the share class that is most likely to result in the lowest cost to our clients. Please note that because there are numerous variables beyond our control, the share class we select will not always actually result in the lowest overall cost to our clients.
- <u>SWM II</u>: We generally recommend the use of the lowest cost share class regardless of any other variables.

## **Third-Party Money Managers**

IAG is expected at times to enter into agreements with various third-party investment advisers. Under these agreements, IAG offers clients various types of programs sponsored by these advisers. All third-party investment advisers to whom IAG will refer clients will be licensed as investment advisers by their resident state and any applicable jurisdictions or registered investment advisers with the SEC.

IAG assists clients with identifying the client's risk tolerance and investment objectives. IAG will recommend third-party investment advisors in relation to client's stated investment objectives and risk tolerance. A client then selects a recommended third-party investment advisor based upon the client's needs. Clients will enter into an agreement directly with the unaffiliated third-party investment advisor who shall provide asset management services.

IAG will be available to answer questions a client has regarding their account and act as the communication conduit between the client and the third-party investment advisors. Third-party investment advisors may take discretionary authority to determine the securities to be purchased and sold for the client. Neither advisor nor its associated persons will have any trading authority with respect to client's managed account with the third-party investment advisor(s).

Third-party managed programs generally have account minimum requirements that will vary from investment advisor to investment advisor. Account minimums are generally higher on fixed income accounts than equity based accounts. A complete description of the third-party investment advisor's services, fee schedules and account minimums will be disclosed in the third party investment advisor's Form ADV Part 2A Appendix Brochure which will be provided to clients at the time an agreement for services is executed and account is established. Client reports will depend upon the third-party investment advisor.

Third-party investment advisors recommended by IAG must be registered or exempt from registration in the state where the client resides.

Clients are advised that investment adviser representatives may and, at times, will have a conflict of interest by only offering those third-party investment advisors that have agreed to pay a portion of their advisory fee to IAG. Clients are advised that there may be other third-party managed programs that may be suitable to the client that may be more or less costly. No guarantees can be made that client's financial goals or objectives will be achieved. Further, no guarantees of performance can be offered. Investments involve risk, including the possible loss of principal.

## LPL Financial Sponsored Advisory Programs

IAG also provides advisory services through certain programs sponsored by LPL Financial LLC, a registered broker-dealer, member FINRA/SIPC, and SEC-registered investment adviser ("LPL"). Below is a brief description of each LPL advisory program available to IAG. For more information regarding the LPL programs, including more information on the advisory services and fees that apply, the types of investments available in the programs and the potential conflicts of interest presented by the programs please see the LPL Financial Form ADV Part 2A or the applicable program's Part 2A Appendix and the applicable client agreement.

All services below depend upon LPL to administer the program and, depending upon the program, to actually manage client assets. Fees are collected by LPL, then IAG's portion is sent to IAG.

**Optimum Market Portfolios Program (OMP)** - OMP offers clients the ability to participate in a professionally managed asset allocation program using Optimum Funds Class I shares. Under OMP, client will authorize LPL on a discretionary basis to purchase and sell Optimum Funds pursuant to investment objectives chosen by the client. IAG will assist the client in determining the suitability of OMP for the client and assist the client in setting an appropriate investment objective. IAG will have discretion portfolio designed by LPL consistent with the client's investment objective. LPL will have discretion to purchase and sell Optimum Funds pursuant to the portfolio selected for the client. LPL will also have authority to rebalance the account.

A minimum account value of \$1,000 is required for OMP.

**Personal Wealth Portfolios Program (PWP)** - PWP offers clients an asset management account using asset allocation model portfolios designed by LPL. IAG will have discretion for selecting the asset allocation model portfolio based on client's investment objective. IAG will also have discretion for selecting third party money managers (PWP Advisors) or mutual funds within each asset class of the model portfolio. LPL will act as the overlay portfolio manager on all PWP accounts and will be authorized to purchase and sell on a discretionary basis mutual funds and equity and fixed income securities.

A minimum account value of \$250,000 is required for PWP.

**Model Wealth Portfolios Program (MWP)** - MWP offers clients a professionally managed mutual fund asset allocation program. IAG obtains the necessary financial data from the client, assists the client in determining the suitability of the MWP program and then assists the client in setting an appropriate investment objective. IAG's representatives will initiate the steps necessary to open an MWP account and have discretion to select a model portfolio designed by various strategists consistent with the client's stated investment objective. The selected strategist is responsible for selecting the mutual funds within a model portfolio and for making changes to the mutual funds selected.

The client will authorize LPL to act on a discretionary basis to purchase and sell mutual funds (including in certain circumstances exchange traded funds) and to liquidate previously purchased securities. The client will also authorize LPL to effect rebalancing for MWP accounts.

A minimum account value of \$10,000 is required for MWP.

**Manager Access Select Program -** Manager Access Select provides clients access to the investment advisory services of professional portfolio management firms for the individual management of client accounts. IAG's representatives first assist the client in identifying a third party portfolio manager (Portfolio Manager) from a list of Portfolio Managers made available by LPL. The Portfolio Manager manages client's assets on a discretionary basis. Advisor will provide initial and ongoing assistance regarding the Portfolio Manager selection process.

A minimum account value of \$25,000 is required for Manager Access Select, however, in certain instances, the minimum account size will be adjusted to be higher.

**Guided Wealth Portfolios Program (GWP)** - GWP offers clients a professionally managed ETF asset allocation program. IAG assists the client in determining the suitability of the GWP program and then assists the client in confirming an appropriate investment objective. Clients enter the necessary financial data needed to open a GWP account and select the appropriate investment objective using the dedicated GWP web site. GWP portfolios are designed by LPL's Research Department consistent with the client's stated investment objective. LPL's Research Department is also responsible for selecting the ETFs within a model portfolio and for making changes to the ETFs selected.

The client will authorize LPL to act on a discretionary basis to purchase and sell ETFs and to liquidate previously purchased securities. The client will also authorize LPL to effect rebalancing for GWP accounts.

A minimum account value of \$5,000 is required for GWP.

**NTF Network for Certain ETFs and Mutual Funds** - LPL Financial makes available select exchangetraded funds ("**ETFs**") and mutual funds with no transaction fees ("**NTF Network**"). The NTF Network is available to clients participating in LPL's Strategic Wealth Management ("**SWM**") program. We review historical data in connection with a number of factors including actual number of trades, holding duration, investment amount, and the expense ratio difference among a mutual fund's share classes when recommending a share class to clients. As a result, we at times will recommend mutual funds and ETFs that have higher overall expenses than other mutual funds and ETFs included in the NTF Network. In addition, other major custodians have eliminated transaction fees for all ETFs, mutual funds, and U.S. equities, so clients, at times, will pay more for investing in the same securities through LPL. Additional information regarding the SWM wrap fee program is available in the wrap fee brochure.

There are no account minimums to participate in the SWM programs or NTF Network.

## Item 5 - Fees and Compensation

Fees paid to IAG are for IAG advisory services only. The fees do not include, for example, the fees charged by third parties such as third-party managers, or accountants and attorneys assisting with providing the client with accounting and legal advice. Commissions on transactions and other account fees will also be charged by brokerage firms in accordance with the account's brokerage firm's normal commission schedule. See Item 12, Brokerage Practices. Customary commissions on insurance are also not included.

Prospective clients should be aware that in addition to IAG's advisory fees, each mutual fund in which a client's assets are invested also pays its own advisory fees and other internal expenses which already have been deducted from the fund's reported performance. Depending on the fund, a client is able to invest directly in the shares issued by the fund with or without incurring any sales or third-party management fees. Account maintenance fees are also deducted by the custodian.

In addition, there are tax effects pertaining to fund share redemptions, and other sales, made by IAG on behalf of clients. Redemptions and sales are taxable events which may accelerate the recognition of capital gains, and losses, and frequent redemptions and sales may result in short-term, rather than long-term, capital gains and losses. Because we are not tax professionals, when we recommend investments to our clients, we remind our clients that they should independently seek tax advice from a tax professional with respect to the investment options that we offer. In particular, Core Portfolio accounts are rebalanced and are expected to trade more frequently; thus, clients should independently assess the potential tax ramifications with respect to their investments in such accounts.

## Initial Financial Planning Service Fee (the first six months of service)

The fee for the Initial Financial Planning services starts at \$1,200, and increases based on the complexity of your personal financial circumstances:

Fees are negotiable, payable  $\frac{1}{2}$  in advance and  $\frac{1}{2}$  at presentation of the plan.

## Ongoing Financial Planning Services Fee (beyond six months)

Ongoing financial planning services are available on a retainer basis. Annual retainer will be determined upon completion of the initial plan and based on the ongoing complexity of your personal financial circumstances.

Fees are negotiable and are billed monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually, based on the mutual agreement of the client and advisor.

## **Consulting Services Fee**

The Firm's hourly fee for Consulting Services varies from \$75 to \$300 per hour depending upon the technical nature of services requested, nature of reports requested and professional staff needed to complete the project. Prior to engagement, each client signs an agreement which provides an estimate of the total fee for services. One half the fee is due at signing.

The agreement between the Firm and a client for Consulting Services describes the services to be performed and may be terminated by either party by 15 days advance written notice to the other. Any fee due, but not yet paid by a client, is due promptly after termination of the agreement. Any unearned fee is returned to the client.

The decision to accept any recommendation or advice provided by the firm in connection with providing Consulting Services, and all decisions regarding implementation thereof, are left to the client. Clients are free to implement recommended transactions through broker-dealers and other service providers other than those recommended by the Firm. Clients are advised to evaluate independently the transaction execution services recommended by representatives, including the reasonableness of any transaction price and commission.

#### **Investment Advisory Service Fee**

Generally, IAG's annual investment advisory fee is prorated and paid quarterly, in advance, based upon the market value of the assets on the last business day of the previous quarter. The maximum investment advisory fee is 1.75% annually. However, fees are negotiable and IAG, in its sole discretion, may and, at times, is expected to charge a lesser investment management fee based upon certain criteria (e.g., anticipated future earning capacity, anticipated future additional assets, dollar amount of assets to be managed, related accounts, account composition, negotiations with client, strategies to be applied, etc.) which will be set forth in the Agreement. Our fees are assessed beginning upon the funding of a client's account (when services begin). Under certain circumstances (e.g., in connection with the establishment of a SWM account), LPL deducts a partial initial quarterly advisory fee at the beginning of the quarter that follows the establishment of the account. As a result, under these circumstances, the partial initial fee is charged in arrears (rather than in advance). Advisory fees are adjusted to reflect partial periods for all mid-quarter deposits and withdrawals. These adjustments occur in the quarter following the quarter in which such deposits and/or withdrawals occurred. LPL Financial sponsored advisory program fees are set forth below.

Advisory fees will be charged based on all of the assets in the account based on the value of unsupervised or client-directed holdings and all cash positions, even if cash exceeds the recommended allocation target or target range.

The account custodian may charge fees, which are separate and apart from the annual investment advisory fee, for effecting certain securities transactions (i.e. transaction fees are charged for certain no-load mutual funds). In addition to IAG's investment management fee and/or transaction fees, the client will also incur, relative to all mutual fund and exchange traded fund purchases, charges imposed at the fund level (e.g. management fees and other fund expenses). The transaction fees charged by any broker-dealer/custodian may be higher or lower than those charged by other broker-dealers/custodians.

Both IAG's Agreement and the custodial/clearing agreement may and, at times, is expected to authorize the custodian to debit the account for the amount of the Registrant's investment advisory fee and to directly remit that management fee to IAG in compliance with regulatory procedures. In the limited event that IAG bills the client directly, payment is due upon receipt of IAG's invoice. The Agreement between IAG and the client will continue in effect until terminated by either party by ten (10) days written notice in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Upon termination, IAG shall refund any unearned portion of the advisory fee paid based upon the number of days remaining in the billing quarter.

Notice of any increases in advisory fees are discussed with existing clients. Increases in advisory fees must be approved by clients in writing. Decreases in advisory fees do not require client approval or notification.

#### **Mutual Fund Ticket Charges**

Certain mutual funds charge an additional ticket charge in connection with investments in those funds. When a ticket charge associated with your investment in a SWM II account is assessed, IAG investment adviser representatives are incentivized to avoid ticket charges by concentrating recommendations to investment selections for clients on mutual funds that do not assess an additional ticket charge. This is a conflict of interest, as the investment adviser representative is incentivized to choose investments based on avoided costs for the investment adviser representative, rather than the client's needs and the ultimate cost of the investment to the client. IAG addresses this conflict by identifying and disclosing this conflict of interest to you, and by reviewing the recommendations and transactions made by investment adviser representatives to clients to ensure their appropriateness. Ticket charges associated with a client's investment in a SWM I account are paid by such client.

#### **Other Money Manager Service Fees**

IAG's fee for providing services is typically paid by the investment manager selected. IAG's fee is a portion of the manager's fee.

Third-party investment advisors recommended by IAG must be registered or exempt from registration in the state where the client resides.

Clients are advised that investment adviser representatives may and, at times, will have a conflict of interest by only offering those third-party investment advisors that have agreed to pay a portion of their advisory fee to IAG. Clients are advised that there may be other third-party managed programs that may be suitable to the client that may be more or less costly. No guarantees can be made that client's financial goals or objectives will be achieved. Further, no guarantees of performance can be offered. Investments involve risk, including the possible loss of principal.

#### LPL Financial Sponsored Advisory Program Fees

The account fee charged to the client for each LPL advisory program is negotiable. The maximum account fees are 2.95% for MAS, 2.5% for OMP, 2.95% for PWP and 2.95% for MWP, and 1.35% for GWP. For SWM accounts the fee is negotiable and set at a maximum of 1.75% and differs between the SWM I and SWM II platforms. Fees for SWM II accounts are generally higher than SWM I fees to offset the cost of ticket charges paid by IAG in SWM II accounts. However, IAG in its sole discretion may and, at times, is expected to charge a lesser investment management fee based upon certain criteria (e.g., anticipated future earning capacity, anticipated future additional assets, dollar amount of assets to be managed, related accounts, account composition, negotiations with client, strategies to be applied, etc.) which will be set forth in the Agreement. The methods relating to how LPL calculates and deducts the account fee are described in the LPL Account Agreement packet that is provided to clients in connection with their investments in an LPL sponsored advisory program.

The MAS account fee is payable quarterly in advance. The initial account fee is due at the end of the month in which such MAS account is accepted by the Portfolio Manager and LPL and will include a prorated amount of the account fee for the initial quarter. Subsequent account fees will be assessed at the beginning of each quarterly cycle thereafter.

Account fees for the other LPL sponsored advisory programs are generally payable quarterly in advance (except where a partial initial quarterly advisory fee is paid at the beginning of the quarter that follows the establishment of the account as described above).

LPL serves as program sponsor, investment advisor and broker-dealer for the LPL advisory programs. IAG and LPL share in the account fee and other fees associated with program LPL advisory accounts. Representatives of IAG are also registered representatives of LPL.

All services provided through LPL rely upon LPL to administer the program and, depending upon the program, to actually manage client assets. Fees are collected by LPL, then IAG's portion is sent to IAG.

## Other Compensation

IAG Representatives are also licensed to offer securities and insurance products. IAG Representatives will receive customary commissions for the sale of such products should a client decide to make purchases through them. Clients are free to purchase such products other than through an IAG Representative. This compensation creates a conflict of interest. All prospective and existing clients are hereby advised that this conflict exists.

#### **Other Applicable Fees**

Generally speaking, paying an ongoing fee for investment advisory services will often cost more over time than simply holding assets in a traditional brokerage account. To that end, IAG representatives do have an economic incentive to recommend advisory services over commission-based brokerage accounts.

In a traditional brokerage account, clients pay execution costs for each transaction, and their IAG representative, acting in their separate capacity as a registered representative of LPL Financial, has no duty to provide ongoing advice with respect to the account. Clients considering a buy-and-hold strategy who do not feel they would benefit from ongoing advice should consider opening a brokerage account. IAG representatives are happy to discuss the differences between fee-based investment advisory accounts and LPL Financial brokerage accounts and help Clients determine which is best for them.

# Item 6 - Performance Based Fees and Side-by-Side Management

IAG does not charge any performance-based fees. All fees are disclosed above.

## Item 7 - Types of Clients/Minimum Account Size

IAG makes its advisory services available to a wide variety of clients including, but not limited to, individuals, corporations and other business entities.

Clients using various LPL Programs are subject to a minimum fee based upon minimum account size, as described in Item 4.

## Item 8 - Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

IAG's security analysis methods include, but are not limited to, fundamental analysis (evaluating securities based upon its historical and projected financial performance); and cyclical analysis (determining the desirability of an issue based upon the status of an issue within the price cycle the security or similar securities have followed historically).

IAG's main sources of information include, but are not limited to, financial newspapers and magazines, research materials prepared by others, corporate rating services, annual reports, prospectuses, public filings and company press releases.

Neither IAG, nor the third party managers it may secure, guarantee the results of the advice given. Thus, significant losses can occur by investing in any security, or by following any strategy, including those recommended or applied by IAG.

IAG recommends exchange-traded funds ("ETF"). ETF shares are bought and sold at market price unlike mutual funds. ETFs are subject to risks similar to those of stocks.

IAG, at times, recommends partnerships or other less-liquid investments as part of its diversification strategies. Such investments are only offered to clients that meet regulatory standards for investable assets or income and generally involve a higher level of investment risk than traditional investments such as stocks or bonds.

## **Item 9 - Disciplinary Information**

IAG does not have any disciplinary information to report regarding itself or any of its counselors or other related persons.

#### Item 10 - Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

While IAG is not actively engaged in a business other than giving investment advice, the professional staff who provide investment advice on behalf of IAG also serve as Registered Representatives of LPL.

Notwithstanding this fact, IAG is solely responsible for investment advice provided to clients. In their capacity as Registered Representatives of LPL, they receive commissions in connection with certain transactions placed through LPL (including those made by clients with investment advisory relationships with IAG). LPL and IAG are not related entities and the securities commission business of associated persons is separate and apart from the IAG's fee-only financial planning and investment management services. Clients are encouraged to discuss the separate services provided by IAG and LPL with their representatives.

# Item 11 - Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

When IAG Representatives make recommendations for the purchase of insurance or securities they also receive customary commissions as insurance salespersons or securities registered representatives. The receipt of commissions in return for insurance or securities product purchases creates a conflict of interest for Representatives when they recommend the purchase of such products to clients.

Representatives of IAG may, and, at times, are expected to buy or sell securities for themselves that they also recommend to clients. Where a transaction for a Representative, or an account related to a Representative, is contemplated, a client's transaction is given priority. IAG has developed a Code of Ethics applicable to all persons who have access to confidential client records or to recommendations being made for client accounts. Designed to prevent conflicts of interest between the financial interests of clients and the interests of the firm's staff, the Code requires, among other procedures, such "access persons" to report transactions quarterly and to report all securities positions in which they have a beneficial interest at least annually. These reporting requirements allow supervisors at the firm to determine whether to allow or prohibit certain employee securities for clients' accounts. The Code also established certain bookkeeping requirements relating to federal reporting rules. The Code is required to be reviewed annually and updated as necessary. A complete copy of the firm's Code is available upon request.

## **Item 12 - Brokerage Practices**

Clients wishing to implement IAG's advice are free to select any broker they wish and are so informed. If clients wish to have IAG investment adviser representative implement the advice in their capacity as a securities registered representative, LPL Financial ("LPL") will be used. Associated persons of IAG, including those giving advice to clients, are registered representatives of LPL and are required to use the services of LPL when acting in their capacity as registered representatives. LPL has a wide range of approved securities products for which LPL performs due diligence prior to selection. LPL's registered representatives are required to adhere to these products when implementing securities transactions through LPL. Commissions charged for these products may be higher or lower than commissions clients may be able to obtain if transactions were implemented through another broker/dealer. Because certain associated persons of IAG's associated persons. In addition to compliance support, LPL also provides the associated persons of IAG, and therefore IAG, with back-office operational, technology, and other administrative support.

If clients wish to implement the advice of IAG, IAG will recommend LPL as the broker/dealer and/or custodian due to IAG's associated persons' relationship with LPL. IAG recommends broker/dealers and custodians that IAG feels will provide services in a manner and at a cost that will allow IAG to meet its duty of best execution. However, IAG is often limited in the broker/dealer or custodians that it is allowed to use due to IAG's associated persons relationship with LPL. LPL does limit or restrict the broker/dealer or custodial platforms for its registered representatives that are also independently licensed due to its duty to supervise the transactions implemented by these individuals.

While IAG does recommend brokers, dealers and custodians, clients are free to select any broker, dealer or custodian they wish. As previously discussed, IAG's service levels may be limited if a client directs the use of a particular broker, dealer, or custodian, because IAG is not always able to obtain the best prices and execution for transactions.

Clients who direct the use of a particular broker, dealer or custodian may receive less favorable prices than would otherwise be the case if clients had not designated a particular broker, dealer, or custodian. Further, clients with directed brokerage arrangements will not be able to participate in aggregate trades (i.e. block trades) and directed trades may be placed by IAG after effecting non-directed trades.

Clients should be aware that there is no direct link between IAG and LPL in connection with the advice IAG gives to Clients. IAG receives economic benefits through the custody and operating relationships it has with LPL that are typically not available to other LPL retail investors. These benefits include the following products and services (provided without cost or at a discount): duplicate client statements and confirmations; research-related products and tools; consulting services; access to a trading desk serving advisory representative participants; access to block trading (which provides the ability to aggregate securities transactions for execution and then allocate the appropriate shares to client accounts); the ability to have advisory fees deducted directly from client accounts; access to an electronic communications network for client order entry and account information; access to mutual funds with no transaction fees; and discounts or no fees on a compliance, marketing, research, technology, and practice management products or services provided to IAG by third-party vendors. LPL may also pay for business consulting and professional services received by IAG's affiliated persons and may also pay or reimburse expenses (including travel, lodging, meals, and entertainment expenses) for IAG's personnel to attend conferences or meetings relating to its service platforms or to LPL's adviser custody and brokerage services generally. Some of these products and services made available by LPL may and, at times, are expected to benefit IAG, but not benefit its client accounts. Such other services made available by LPL are intended to help IAG manage and further develop its business enterprise, and such services do not depend on the amount of brokerage transactions directed to LPL.

Clients should be aware that the receipt of the economic benefits described above by IAG from LPL, in and of itself, creates a potential conflict of interest and indirectly influence IAG's recommendation of LPL for custody and brokerage services.

IAG's Representatives occasionally receive compensation from firms in which the client implements nonsecurity transactions. This would include compensation from dealers in hard assets (gold, silver, platinum, numismatics, etc.) upon the purchase of these investments by the client and through the representative. They also receive commissions or fees from LPL and various insurance companies and 12b-1 fees from certain mutual funds. Any commissions or 12b-1 fees paid to IAG or its representatives are only generated by brokerage customer accounts; such revenues are not generated by advisory client accounts.

From time to time IAG is expected to receive compensation in the form of sponsorship fees for seminars, meetings or conferences from product sponsors such as limited partnerships, mutual funds, ETFs, insurance companies and annuity sponsors. Such sponsorship fees generally entitle the sponsor to an allotted presentation to representatives of IAG. This creates a conflict of interest in that there is an incentive to recommend certain products and investments based on the receipt of this compensation instead of what is in the best interest of our clients. We attempt to control for this conflict by always basing investment decisions on the individual needs of our clients.

If a client chooses to use a representative in his individual capacity as an insurance agent, the individual representative will receive a commission. Additionally, if a client purchases a mutual fund containing a 12b-1 fee, the representative at times receives such fee. Such 12b-1 fees are only generated by brokerage customer accounts; such revenues are not generated by advisory client accounts.

As part of its duties to its clients, IAG endeavors at all times to put the interest of its clients first. Clients should be aware, however, that the receipt of economic benefits by IAG or its related persons in and of itself creates a potential conflict of interest.

LPL provides various benefits and payments to newly affiliated Registered Representatives to assist with the costs (including foregone revenues during account transition) associated with transitioning their business to the LPL platform (collectively referred to as "Transition Assistance"). Transition Assistance payments are intended to be used by Registered Representatives for a variety of purposes, including but not necessarily limited to: providing working capital to assist in funding their business, satisfying any outstanding debt owed to their prior firms, offsetting account transfer fees (ACATs) payable to LPL resulting from transitioning client accounts to LPL's custodial platform, technology set-up fees, marketing and mailing costs, stationary and licensure transfer fees, moving expenses, office space expenses, staffing support, and termination fees associated with moving accounts.

The amount of Transition Assistance is often significant in relation to the overall revenue earned or compensation received by Registered Representatives at their prior firms. Such payments are generally based on the size of the Registered Representative's business established at his or her prior firm, new assets expected to be held under custody by LPL, or a combination of the two. Please refer to the relevant Part 2B brochure supplement for more information about Transition Assistance your representative receives (as applicable).

# Item 13 - Review of Accounts and Reports

Accounts receiving monitoring or management services are reviewed regularly by the client's IAG Representative. All other advisory accounts, including LPL Financial platform accounts, are reviewed at least every one hundred eighty days (180) by the client's IAG Representative. Reviews are performed if news about an issue, economic condition, or change in client's objective comes to the attention of an IAG Representative warranting a review. Representatives do, however, monitor on a regular basis the various investment vehicles (e.g., mutual funds, ETFs, etc.) which they have recommended to clients and will recommend changes when deemed appropriate. Supervisory reviews of accounts are also performed by IAG's Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO") in the scope and at the times deemed appropriate by the CCO. Clients should also be aware that, where third-party manager services are used, those managers will also perform regular and periodic review of accounts.

Clients receiving IAG counseling or financial planning services receive annual reports in the scope and terms specified in the services agreements. A personal meeting is held annually to furnish more complete, detailed information to each client. Clients with investment management services through LPL Financial will receive quarterly account statements from LPL. Those receiving investment management services through IAG will receive statements of account positions at least quarterly.

# Item 14 - Client Referrals and Other Compensation

# **Client Referrals**

IAG maintains a client referral program with Great Midwest Bank, S.S.B. Under the referral program, IAG pays Great Midwest Bank a portion of the advisory fees it earns from clients referred by the bank who establish advisory relationships with IAG. Upon making each referral, Great Midwest Bank will deliver a separate disclosure document that outlines and provides additional disclosures about the referral program. IAG does not direct brokerage transactions to any third party in return for client referrals.

Certain IAG Representatives compensate SmartAsset Advisors LLC for providing leads on potential clients interested in financial planning and investment advisory services. Potential clients input put their contact information into SmartAsset's online tools, and in turn, SmartAsset refers this information to the IAG Representative. The IAG Representative specifies to SmartAsset how many leads, on a monthly basis, it

wishes to receive from SmartAsset, and compensates SmartAsset for providing leads based on the amount of the self-reported investable assets of each potential client. IAG Representatives who contract with SmartAsset must pay this fee regardless of whether a potential client enters into a relationship with such IAG Representative. As a result, SmartAsset has an incentive to meet the lead quota per month and may have an incentive to allocate leads based on this quota rather than on other criteria, such as the strength of the match between the potential client and the IAG Representative.

## **Other Compensation**

Transactions in LPL advisory program accounts are generally effected through LPL as the executing broker-dealer. IAG receives compensation as a result of a client's participation in an LPL program. Depending on, among other things, the size of the account, changes in its value over time, the ability to negotiate fees or commissions, and the number of transactions, the amount of this compensation may and, at times, will be more or less than what the IAG would receive if the client participated in other programs, whether through LPL or another sponsor, or paid separately for investment advice, brokerage and other services.

## Item 15 - Custody

IAG does not take custody of client funds or securities. These safekeeping services are typically provided to managed accounts only by the brokerage firm processing the securities transactions ordered by IAG.

To the extent a client receives any account or other investment ownership statement from IAG, IAG recommends the client carefully compare the information in the report to that in the custodian's statements.

## Item 16 - Investment Discretion

IAG Representatives will exercise discretion when granted authority by clients and most clients grant discretionary authority to IAG. When doing so, it allows IAG to select the securities to buy and sell, the amount to buy and sell, when to buy and sell, and the commission rate paid, without obtaining specific consent from the client for each trade. Clients should be aware that Representatives may make different recommendations and effect different trades with respect to the same securities and insurance to different advisory clients. Commissions and execution of securities transactions implemented through the custodian/broker dealer recommended by IAG may not be better than the commissions or execution available if the client used another brokerage firm. However, IAG believes that the overall level of services and support provided to the client by custodians and broker-dealers whom IAG recommends outweighs the potentially lower costs that may be available from other brokerage service providers.

Depending on the service agreement, third-party managers used to manage client accounts or portions of client accounts may be hired or terminated by IAG using discretionary authority granted to IAG by a client. Such third-party managers also have authority granted by the client to purchase and sell securities at their discretion.

When exercising discretion, IAG is able to combine orders for more than one client's account to form a "block" order for the purpose of seeking a better price and or execution. When a block order is executed, the broker/dealer executing the order typically allocates an average execution price to all shares in the block order, which IAG then allocates to each customer's account position on a pro rata basis. Should a block order only be partially filled, available shares are distributed in a manner fair to all accounts.

If a client directs IAG to effect transactions through a particular broker/dealer, IAG will do so. However, such an instruction may have implications to the client which include incurring transaction costs and commissions that may be higher or lower than if the instruction had not been given. Also, restricting IAG to particular broker/dealers may limit IAG's ability to include a client account order within block orders to obtain the best price or execution. In addition, if IAG is effecting transactions in a security for clients by

means of a block order, as well as an order in the same security for a client who has directed IAG to use a particular broker/dealer, IAG will effect the block order immediately prior to effecting the directed brokerage trade. Thus, clients directing IAG to use a particular broker/dealer may not receive the same average price for securities bought or sold that would be received if the order was part of a block order.

In those instances where an order error occurs by IAG, it is IAG's policy to reverse the order to make the client's account whole.

## Item 17 - Voting Client Securities

IAG and its Representatives do not vote proxies on behalf of clients who will receive such notices from their account's custodian.

IAG also does not take any action on legal notices it or a client receives from issuers of securities held in a client's managed account. However, it is available to answer questions regarding such notices.

#### Item 18 - Financial Information

IAG does not receive fees of more than \$1,200 six months or more in advance, thus no financial statement for IAG is attached. IAG does not have any financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet its contracted commitment to any client.