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provides information about the qualifications and business practices of:

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## **ITEM 2: SUMMARY OF MATERIAL CHANGES**

New York Life Investment Management LLC (“NYLIM”) is updating this brochure as part of an other than annual updating amendment dated July 8, 2025. Included in this amendment are changes to:

Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations: (i) remove references to the dual-role of the Chief Investments Officer; and (ii) to reflect organizational changes within the Multi-Asset Solutions team and Index Team.

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## **ITEM 4: ADVISORY BUSINESS**

New York Life Investment Management LLC (“NYLIM” or the “Firm” or “we”) is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life Insurance Company (“New York Life”) and a wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life Investment Management Holdings LLC. As of December 31, 2024, NYLIM managed \$111,227,003,177 of client assets on a discretionary basis, and \$1,935,973,086 of client assets on a non-discretionary basis.

Founded by New York Life in April 2000, NYLIM is comprised of (i) Multi-Asset Solutions team (“MAS”), (ii) Managed Accounts Group (“Managed Accounts Group”), and (iii) registered funds division, referred to as the “NYLI Funds” and the “NYLI ETFs”. Through these business units, we provide a broad array of investment advisory to third-party institutional clients, investment companies, other pooled investment vehicles, individuals through wrap/managed account programs sponsored by affiliated and unaffiliated entities, and other clients including retirement accounts (pensions, profit sharing plans and other retirement plans), insurance companies and corporations (see “*Types of Clients*” section below). These investment advisory services will generally be tailored to meet our clients’ needs. For example, a client may prohibit the purchase of specific securities or prohibit the purchase of securities within a specific sector or industry. Client imposed restrictions are detailed in the respective client’s investment advisory agreement. With respect to our Managed Accounts Group clients, client restrictions are typically communicated to us through a program sponsor. In addition, NYLIM also develops and maintains proprietary financial indices (the “NYLI Indices”) and provides investment advisory services to collective investment trusts (“CITs”).

### **Multi-Asset Solutions Team**

MAS offers asset allocation and multi-asset advisory services typically through fund-of-funds, customized separate accounts, model portfolio delivery or multi-manager structures. MAS has experience in tactical asset allocations utilizing macro-economic views as well as knowledge of investment risks and correlation of various asset classes across equities, fixed income and alternative asset classes. MAS seeks to provide active management and risk adjusted active returns relative to a client’s stated benchmark or objective.

MAS is an asset allocator and invests in actively managed and passive underlying funds, including ETFs, and derivative instruments. MAS employs a team-oriented approach to managing multi-asset portfolios for affiliated and unaffiliated clients in the institutional and retail markets. In constructing a portfolio for a client, MAS makes investments in underlying funds that are managed by the Firm or its affiliates and in underlying funds that are managed by unaffiliated managers. Additionally, MAS’s services can include assisting clients with solutions-based investing by working with clients to design a strategic benchmark to fit its intended investment objective.

### **Index Team**

NYLIM develops and maintains proprietary financial indices. Certain NYLIM personnel are responsible for maintaining the NYLI Indices (the “Index Team”). For certain NYLI Indices, NYLIM has engaged an affiliated entity to act as an index consultant to assist NYLIM with the

development, calculation and maintenance of certain NYLI Indices. NYLIM provides investment advisory services to clients, including by utilizing the NYLI Indices.

### **Managed Accounts Group**

Our Managed Accounts Group performs operational, administrative and trading services for high net worth individuals and retail separately managed accounts (“Managed Accounts”). These Managed Accounts are offered through programs sponsored by affiliated and unaffiliated broker-dealers whereby portfolio management, brokerage execution, custodial and administrative services are provided by the sponsor for a single fee (commonly referred to as a “wrap fee program”). As an investment adviser to Managed Accounts in a wrap fee program, NYLIM receives a portion of the wrap fee charged by the sponsor. For this fee, we perform operational, administrative and trading services, and engage subadvisers to provide subadvisory and trade execution, as applicable. In certain cases, a client pays an advisory fee directly to us rather than through the sponsor.

The program sponsor bears responsibility for determining whether advisory services provided to participants in a wrap fee program are suitable in light of the participants’ particular facts and circumstances.

With respect to Managed Accounts, we currently have subadvisory agreements with affiliated and unaffiliated SEC registered investment advisers. We also retain a third-party vendor, SEI Global Services Inc. (“SEI”), to provide certain non-advisory administrative services. SEI is compensated for those services out of the fees the Firm receives for the services it renders in a wrap fee program.

Our Managed Accounts Group currently offers the following investment strategies: (i) convertible securities; (ii) municipal bonds; (iii) large cap equity; (iv) all cap equity; (v) global choice equity; (vi) global equity yield; (vii) U.S. equity yield; (viii) capital growth equity; (ix) global oncology equity; (x) global climate action equity; (xi) global demographics equity; (xii) global infrastructure equity; (xiii) enduring capital equity; (xiv) multi-asset income 35/65; (xv) multi-asset income 50/50; (xvi) multi-asset income 65/35; (xvii) focused income; (xviii) active/passive tax-aware conservative; (xix) focused tax-free income; (xx) active/passive tax-aware moderate; (xxi) active/passive tax-aware conservative growth; (xxii) active/passive tax-aware growth; (xxiii) active/passive tax-aware aggressive growth; (xxiv) active/passive tax-aware capital preservation; (xxv) active/passive tax-aware moderate growth; (xxvi) active/passive moderate; (xxvii) active/passive conservative growth; (xxviii) active/passive capital preservation; (xxix) active/passive moderate growth; (xxx) active/passive conservative; (xxxi) active/passive aggressive growth; (xxxii) active/passive growth; and (xxxiii) multi-strategy hedge.

Our Managed Accounts Group also provides advisory services to sponsors of Unified Management Accounts (“UMA”) and Diversified Managed Accounts (“DMA”), and Multi-Asset Income Models, which are typically non-discretionary. In these cases, our services are generally limited to providing model portfolios to sponsors, but in some cases, we also provide trading services, depending upon the sponsor firm agreement. These model portfolios are generated by NYLIM or the subadvisers described above.

NYLIM has also entered into agreements with unaffiliated investment managers to distribute unaffiliated retail Managed Accounts. In these cases, NYLIM is compensated by the respective investment manager.

For additional information regarding the Managed Accounts Group's investment strategies, processes and procedures for selecting securities and other investment products held in an account, and the associated risks, please refer to each subadviser's Form ADV Part 2A Brochure, which is provided to account owners upon entering into an investment management agreement and offered annually thereafter.

### **Registered Investment Companies**

Our mutual fund and ETF divisions offer fixed income, equity and administrative services to various registered investment companies ("RICs") advised by NYLIM, including: The New York Life Investments Funds (File No. 811-04550); New York Life Investments VP Funds Trust (File No. 811-03833-01); New York Life Investments Funds Trust (File No. 811-22321); NYLI MacKay Defined Term Municipal Opportunities Funds (File No. 811-22551); NYLI CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund (File No. 811-23654), NYLI MacKay Municipal Income Opportunities Fund (File No. 811-23905), New York Life Investments ETF Trust (File No. 811-22227) and New York Life Investments Active ETF Trust (File No. 811-22739).

NYLIM—manages certain portfolios of the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs directly. For all other portfolios, we engage affiliated and unaffiliated subadvisers to provide investment management services. The Firm makes recommendations to the respective boards of the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs regarding subadvisers to retain to provide subadvisory services, and the boards approve the subadvisory agreements periodically, as required by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). Subadvisers are recommended by the Firm based on a number of factors, including, an evaluation of their skills and investment results in managing assets for specific asset classes, investment styles and strategies.

For additional information regarding the NYLI Funds' and NYLI ETFs' fees, investment objectives, investment strategies and associated risks please refer to applicable NYLI Funds' and NYLI ETFs' Prospectuses and Statements of Additional Information ("SAIs"), which are available on our website at [www.newyorklifeinvestments.com](http://www.newyorklifeinvestments.com). This ADV brochure does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, shares of the NYLI Funds or NYLI ETFs.

### **Other Activities**

NYLIM maintains a cross border discretionary investment management ("DIM") license and cross border investment advisory license in Korea and provides a range of discretionary and non-discretionary investment management services to certain Korea based institutional clients. In connection with certain Korea based clients, as relevant, NYLIM obtained a Korean Delegation pursuant to which we hired our advisory affiliate, NYL Investors, to serve as the sub-adviser to these DIM accounts.

As a result of such subadvisory arrangements, certain personnel within NYL Investors have been dual hatted to NYLIM in order to facilitate the management and administration of the Korean based accounts. NYL Investors is an SEC registered investment adviser and maintains a separate Form ADV Brochure that describes the investment process, risks, conflicts and fees associated with the management of the Korean based accounts.

From-time-to-time, NYLIM will enter into support agreements with unaffiliated entities that provide for, among other things, the use of the unaffiliated entity's name and trademarks by NYLIM and a NYLI ETF and contributions by NYLIM to the unaffiliated entity. With respect to such relationships, the unaffiliated entity will be allowed to review and provide feedback on the selection criteria of the applicable underlying index for a NYLI ETF that has a license agreement to use the unaffiliated entity's name and trademarks. However, the unaffiliated entity will not (i) select any individual companies for inclusion or exclusion from the index or (ii) have any right to approve or modify the index, once constructed. The unaffiliated entity will not have any influence on the day-to-day operations of a NYLI ETF or NYLIM's management of an ETF.

## **ITEM 5: FEES AND COMPENSATION**

### **FEES**

Clients are billed for advisory services according to the fee schedule agreed to by the client and included in their investment management agreement ("IMA"), in the case of a RIC, or governing documents. Generally, a management fee (the "Management Fee") is payable either monthly or quarterly in arrears, based on the value of assets under management at the end of the period or an average. Where we are responsible for valuing a client's portfolio for fee billing or investment performance purposes, we generally use pricing information provided by an independent pricing vendor. In the event that a vendor is unable to provide a price for a security, or provides a price that we do not believe is accurate, we will apply fair valuation procedures, as applicable, to determine a value for the security. When this occurs, we could have an incentive to apply a value to a security that could be higher than a valuation that would otherwise be applied by a pricing vendor or an independent third party, as a higher valuation would contribute to better investment returns and a higher asset base on which our Management Fee would be based. All advisory agreements may be terminated by the client upon assignment or by either party upon prior written notice, according to the termination provisions outlined in the IMA. If a contract is terminated, all Management Fees are subject to pro-rata adjustment, based upon the date of termination.

In certain cases, NYLIM will agree with a client to a fixed Management Fee. The rate of a fixed Management Fee will depend on, among other things, the size of an account, whether the client has other assets managed by NYLIM, and the other terms agreed upon by the client and NYLIM. The Management Fee typically will be charged monthly or quarterly, as of the last day of each calendar month or quarter, based on the average assets under management for the month or quarter, before reduction for the Management Fee as of such date. The Management Fee shall be appropriately pro-rated for any termination of the Account Agreement as of a date other than a calendar month-end or quarter-end.

## **Multi-Asset Solutions Team**

The fees associated with funds and strategies are typically based on a percentage of assets under management, as disclosed in each fund's governing documents, offering materials or investment advisory agreements. Fees for custom separate account management services are negotiable and typically range from 0.10% to 0.45% of assets under management based on account size, objective and other parameters.

## **Managed Accounts Group**

With respect to our Managed Accounts, clients pay a third-party sponsor a single "wrap" fee. Other than execution charges for certain transactions as described below, the wrap fee typically covers asset management, execution, custody, performance monitoring, and administrative services. In some wrap programs, our Management Fee is included in the wrap fee. We also participate in wrap programs where the client pays our Management Fee separately from the wrap fee charged by the sponsor in certain circumstances.

For our services, the sponsor or client, as applicable, pays us an annual Management Fee ranging from 0.25% to 0.80% of assets under management. Our annual fee varies from program to program depending on the sponsor, the investment strategy, the type of account, the services provided, and the amount of assets in the program. Upon receiving our fee from the sponsor, we pay a portion of our fee to each subadviser that provides subadvisory services for program participants.

Managed Accounts Management Fees are generally charged and payable quarterly in advance, or in arrears, as determined by the sponsor, based on a percentage of the value of assets under management at the end of the quarter. In certain cases, fees are paid less frequently than quarterly but not more than six months in advance. The compensation schedules for the Managed Accounts are dictated by the sponsor's billing practices. Please see the applicable sponsor's Form ADV, Part 2A brochure for more information on the sponsor's billing practices.

For clients that invest through the Managed Accounts, the wrap fee charged by the sponsor typically covers commissions and certain transaction costs on trades executed through the sponsor (or its affiliates). As a result, we anticipate that client transactions ordinarily will be executed through the sponsor (or its affiliates), consistent with the sponsor's obligation to seek best execution of transactions for client accounts. The Firm, or the subadviser we retain, however, will submit transactions for client accounts to be executed through a broker-dealer other than the sponsor (or its affiliates) when the Firm or the subadviser, as applicable, reasonably believes doing so will allow it to seek best execution. This includes, for example, (i) situations where a more favorable execution offered by another broker-dealer appears likely to offset any added transaction or other charges of trading through that broker-dealer or (ii) the sponsor's (or its affiliates) inability to provide execution or best execution for a given transaction through their pre-determined execution channels. Transactions for clients in the convertible securities and municipal bond strategies will generally be executed through a broker-dealer other than the sponsor (or its affiliates). When a transaction is executed through another broker-dealer, clients will incur any applicable transaction costs, such as commissions, markups, markdowns, and dealer spreads, which are in addition to the wrap fee.

## **COMPENSATION**

There will be instances where registered representatives of our affiliated broker-dealer NYLIFE Distributors LLC (“NYLIFE Distributors”), who in certain cases are employees of the Firm, recommend that an advisory client, or prospective advisory client, invest in (a) a NYLI Fund or NYLI ETF, or (b) a private fund or other investment product that we or an affiliate sponsor. When this occurs, neither NYLIM nor any of our supervised persons receive transaction-based compensation – whether asset-based sale charges, service fees or other direct payments – for the sales that result from these recommendations to the advisory client. However, NYLIM generally benefits from additional investments made in the NYLI Funds or NYLI ETFs, given that Management Fees in these vehicles are based on a percentage of assets under management. The same is true for (i) any affiliate that is a subadviser to a series of the NYLI Funds that receives additional investments, (ii) the Firm or an affiliate that manages or subadvises a private fund, or (iii) an affiliate that sponsors a UCITS, that receives additional investments in this way.

## **ITEM 6: PERFORMANCE BASED FEES AND SIDE-BY-SIDE MANAGEMENT**

We do not receive any performance-based fees relating to the management of any advisory client accounts.

## **ITEM 7: TYPES OF CLIENTS**

As discussed in detail in the “*Advisory Business*” section above, NYLIM provides a broad array of investment advisory services to institutional clients, investment companies, other pooled investment vehicles, individuals through wrap/managed account programs sponsored by affiliated and unaffiliated entities, retirement accounts (pensions, profit sharing plans and other retirement plans), insurance companies and corporations and other institutions.

### **Multi-Asset Solutions Team**

The minimum investment in a fund managed by MAS is generally disclosed in the relevant disclosure contained in the fund’s prospectus and/or SAI. The minimum for custom separate account management services is negotiable and varies based on the stated investment guidelines of the custom separate account.

### **Managed Accounts Group**

The minimum initial account size for our Managed Accounts is typically \$100,000. This minimum, however, will generally be lower in the case of the UMAs, DMAs, and Multi-Asset Income Models.

## **ITEM 8: METHODS OF ANALYSIS, INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND RISK OF LOSS**

All investments involve a risk of loss, even in circumstances where measures are taken for the purpose of mitigating that risk. The following risk factors are not intended to be exhaustive. For complete information regarding the NYLI Funds' and NYLI ETFs' risks, please refer to the NYLI Funds' and NYLI ETFs' prospectuses and SAI. For complete information regarding the Managed Accounts associated risks please refer to each subadviser's ADV Part 2A Brochure.

### **Multi-Asset Solutions Team**

MAS relies upon a combination of valuation metrics, technical indicators, and macro-economic views when developing return estimates, and applies risk modeling to the portfolio management process. Depending on investment strategies and guidelines, underlying investments will include open-end mutual funds, ETFs, or derivatives. MAS may also invest in individual equity securities or bonds.

MAS uses a top-down driven investment process to determine asset allocation and portfolio analytics in an effort to construct and implement investment portfolios that take into consideration MAS's view of certain risks. MAS believes that careful analysis of economic and market data can provide insight into the prospects for corporate earnings growth broadly and the direction of potential price changes across large populations of securities. MAS attempts to identify macro themes with systemic influence over market pricing and looks for fund investments, composites of individual securities, or derivatives based upon those composites that can be used to take advantage of these systematic themes.

MAS is also engaged in multi-asset advisory services, which entails identifying strategies with the goal of improving risk and return versus a client's stated benchmark. MAS seeks to combine those strategies in a manner that it believes is reasonably designed to minimize, to the extent possible, risk of significant loss. Steps taken include the modeling of historic return series, estimating risk and return, designing and implementing hedging strategies and seeking to optimize portfolio construction within certain constraints. There can be no assurance that these measures, whether alone or in the aggregate, will be successful in minimizing risk of significant loss. Moreover, it is possible that, in certain market conditions, measures that MAS may implement for the purpose of limiting significant losses may magnify the risk of, or result in, significant loss.

MAS's investment process begins with the collection of data and ideas as they relate to business, consumer, government activity and market pricing. From this information, MAS seeks to find segments of the securities markets that it believes are attractively valued, are populated to a significant degree by issuers poised to benefit from developing economic conditions and are likely to experience favorable net capital flows from investors.

MAS considers realized volatility and correlation patterns, trends, and information embedded in derivatives pricing when developing risk /return profiles for investment portfolios. The portfolio construction process incorporates not only MAS's return and risk projections, but also reflects an optimization process that is designed to take into consideration certain limitations on forecasting future financial performance.

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For additional information regarding the Managed Accounts Group's investment strategies, processes and procedures for selecting securities and other investment products held in an account, and the associated risks, please refer to each subadviser's Form ADV Part 2A Brochure, which is provided to account owners upon entering into an investment management agreement and offered annually thereafter.

## **Registered Funds**

Our advisory services to the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs, as well as conflicts of interest and risks, are described in each fund's prospectus and SAI. Please refer to applicable NYLI Funds' and NYLI ETFs' Prospectuses and SAIs, which are available on our website at [www.newyorklifeinvestments.com](http://www.newyorklifeinvestments.com).

## **General Related Risks**

**Market Event Risk:** Market risks include political, regulatory, market and economic developments, including developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market, which may affect the value of a client's investment. Turbulence in financial markets, tariffs and other protectionist measures, central bank policy, and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers worldwide, which could have an adverse effect on a client's investment. During a general downturn in the securities markets, multiple asset classes may be negatively affected. Geopolitical and other events, including war, terrorism, economic uncertainty, trade disputes, public health crises and related geopolitical events have led, and in the future may lead, to disruptions in the US and world economies and markets, which may increase financial market volatility and have significant adverse direct or indirect effects on an account and its investments. Market disruptions could cause an account to lose money, experience significant redemptions, and encounter operational difficulties. Although multiple asset classes may be affected by a market disruption, the duration and effects may not be the same for all types of assets.

Moreover, political developments, such as the impact of both executive and legislative elections around the world could create significant uncertainty with respect to legal, tax and regulatory regimes in which a registered fund, as well as the Firm, will operate. Changes in policy resulting from new governments and administrations could result in a number of changes to US and non-US economic, national security, fiscal, tax and other policies, as well as the global financial markets generally. Any significant changes in, among other things, economic policy, the regulation of the asset management industry, tax law, immigration policy and/or government entitlement programs could have a material adverse impact on a client's investments.

*Technology and Cyber Security:* NYLIM is dependent on information technology, telecommunication and other operational systems, including both proprietary or internal systems and systems used or provided by third-party service providers (e.g., administrators, custodians, financial intermediaries, transfer agents and other parties to which we or they outsource the provision of services or business operations). These systems may become disabled or fail to operate properly as a result of events or circumstances wholly or partly beyond our or their control. Further, despite implementation of a variety of risk management and security measures, our information technology and other systems, and those of service providers, could be subject to unauthorized access or other security breaches, resulting in a failure to maintain the security, availability, integrity and confidentiality of data assets. In addition, NYLIM or its third-party service providers may process, store or transmit electronic information, including information relating to the transactions and personally identifiable information. NYLIM has procedures and systems in place to protect such information and prevent data loss and security breaches. However, such measures cannot provide absolute security. The techniques used to obtain unauthorized access to data, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently and may be difficult to detect for long periods of time. Moreover, third-party service providers of NYLIM are subject to the same electronic information security threats as NYLIM. If a service provider fails to adopt or adhere to adequate data security policies, or in the event of a breach of its networks, information relating to the transactions of clients and personally identifiable information may be lost or improperly accessed, used or disclosed.

While NYLIM has established risk management systems and business continuity policies designed to reduce the risks associated with cyber security breaches and other operational disruptions, there can be no assurances that such measures will be successful, particularly since NYLIM does not control the cyber security and operational systems of issuers or third-party service providers and certain security breaches may not be detected. NYLIM and its service providers, as well as exchanges and market participants through or with which our products trade and other infrastructures on which our products or their service providers rely, are also subject to the risks associated with technological and operational disruptions or failures arising from, for example, processing errors and human errors, inadequate or failed internal or external processes, failures in systems and technology, errors in algorithms used with respect to our products, changes in personnel, and errors caused by third parties or trading counterparties. In addition, there are inherent limitations to these plans and systems, and certain risks may not yet be identified, and new risks may emerge in the future.

Technology failures or cyber security breaches, whether deliberate or unintentional, including those arising from use of third-party service providers, could have a material adverse effect on our

business and could result in, among other things, financial loss, reputational damage, regulatory penalties or the inability to transact business.

*Other Business Interruptions:* Our investment advisory activities or operations could be interrupted or adversely affected by extraordinary events, emergency situations or circumstances beyond our control, including, without limitation, outbreaks of infectious diseases, pandemics or any other serious public health concerns, war, terrorism, failure of technology, accidents, disasters, government macroeconomic policies or social instability. In order to mitigate the effects of these types of events, we may activate our business continuity and disaster recovery plans. These plans may, for example, require our employees to work and access our information technology, communications or other systems from their homes or other remote locations. However, our business continuity and disaster recovery plans may not be successful, or we could be delayed in implementing or recovering our investment advisory activities or operations. For example, we may have issues or delays in accessing our information technology, communications or other systems, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

*Dependence on NYLIM and Subadvisers:* The success of a client portfolio depends upon the ability of NYLIM and a subadviser, if any, to develop and implement investment strategies that achieve the client's investment objectives, to select instruments, interpret market data correctly, predict future market movements and otherwise implement their investment strategies. Subjective decisions made by NYLIM and/or a subadviser, if any, may cause the client portfolio to incur losses or to miss profit opportunities on which it would otherwise have capitalized. The success of a client portfolio is also affected by turnover in NYLIM's (or a subadviser's, if any) personnel who are responsible for the client's investment portfolio. While personnel turnover is expected in the industry, clients should consider the effect of past and future personnel turnover on performance. Clients should also consider the experience and success of departing and any new personnel. The loss of services of any such senior officers or other key personnel could have a material adverse effect on a client portfolio.

*Operational Risk:* Our investment advisory operations are exposed to operational risks arising from a number of factors, including, but not limited to, human error, processing and communication errors, errors of service providers, counterparties or other third parties, failed or inadequate processes and technology or systems failures. NYLIM seeks to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures. However, these measures do not address every possible risk and may be inadequate to address significant operational risks.

*Use of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning:* Recent technological advances in artificial intelligence, generative artificial intelligence, and machine learning technology (collectively, "Machine Learning Technology") pose risks to the Firm and our business. Our advisory business could be further exposed to the risks of Machine Learning Technology if third-party service providers or any counterparties, whether or not known to the Firm, also use Machine Learning Technology in their business activities. The Firm will not be in a position to control the operations of third-party service providers or counterparties, the manner in which third-party products are developed or maintained or the manner in which third-party services are provided.

The Firm's use of Machine Learning Technology and the use by any of the parties described in the previous paragraph could include the input of confidential information (including material non-public information) — either by third parties in contravention of non-disclosure agreements (or similar undertakings or obligations of confidentiality) or by personnel of the Firm in contravention of the Firm's policies — into Machine Learning Technology applications, resulting in such confidential information becoming part of a dataset that is accessible by other third-party Machine Learning Technology applications and users. Machine Learning Technology is generally highly reliant on the collection and analysis of large amounts of data, and it is not possible or practicable to incorporate all relevant data into the model that Machine Learning Technology utilizes to operate. Certain data in such models will inevitably contain a degree of inaccuracy and error — potentially materially so — and could otherwise be inadequate or flawed, which would be likely to degrade the effectiveness of Machine Learning Technology. To the extent that the advisory business is exposed to the risks of Machine Learning Technology, any such inaccuracies or errors could have adverse impacts on the Firm's business. Machine Learning Technology and its applications, including in the private investment and financial sectors, continue to develop rapidly, and it is impossible to predict the future risks that will from time to time arise from such developments.

## **ITEM 9: DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION**

There are no legal or disciplinary events involving NYLIM that are material to our advisory business or to the management of client accounts. In the event that your account is managed by a subadviser hired by NYLIM, please refer to the Form ADV of the subadviser for a description of material disciplinary events, if any, involving such subadviser.

## **ITEM 10: OTHER FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS**

The following relationships or arrangements with related persons are material to our business and will create potential conflicts of interest in certain circumstances:

### **Broker-Dealers**

Some of our employees, including some of our executive officers, and certain employees of our affiliated investment advisers, are registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Association ("FINRA") as representatives and principals of NYLIFE Distributors, an affiliated registered broker-dealer NYLIFE Distributors serves as the principal underwriter and distributor of the NYLI Funds, and as a distributor of the NYLI ETFs. By virtue of their FINRA registrations, certain employees promote the sale of the NYLI Funds and the NYLI ETFs to registered representatives of other broker-dealers who recommend that their customers purchase these funds. NYLIFE Distributors compensates registered employees who promote the sale of the funds for their efforts, and NYLIM provides an allocation to NYLIFE Distributors to help fund such compensation.

We do not use affiliated broker-dealers to execute securities transactions for our clients. However, in instances where our advisory clients purchase the NYLI Funds directly through the transfer

agent or via a New York Life agent, NYLIFE Distributors or NYLIFE Securities LLC may be listed as the dealer of record on the account.

### **Insurance Company**

NYLIM is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life. Our Board of Managers includes certain senior executives of New York Life. Some of our employees are also officers of New York Life or other affiliated companies. We leverage the resources and services of New York Life, for certain key functions, including certain legal, compliance, risk and other support functions. NYLIM pursuant to investment management agreements, serves as investment manager for separately managed accounts of New York Life and its affiliates.

### **Investment Companies**

We serve as the investment adviser for the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs (see Advisory Business).

### **Investment Advisers and Other Affiliations**

We are affiliated with, and have material relationships with, the following SEC registered investment advisers:

- Ausbil Investment Management Limited) acts as a subadviser for Managed Accounts for which NYLIM serves as adviser.
- Candriam S.C.A. acts as a subadviser for certain mutual funds for which NYLIM serves as adviser. Candriam also provides advisory services to Managed Account clients who participate in wrap programs that are sponsored by unaffiliated investment advisers or broker-dealers. Furthermore, NYLIM has engaged Candriam as an index consultant to assist NYLIM with the development, calculation and maintenance of certain NYLI Indices. As an index consultant, Candriam assists NYLIM with the identification, formulation and construction of potential NYLI Indices, the testing of potential NYLI Indices, documentation of index methodologies, and ongoing calculation and maintenance of certain NYLI Indices.
- MacKay Shields LLC acts as a subadviser for certain mutual funds and ETFs for which NYLIM serves as adviser. MacKay also provides advisory services to Managed Account clients who participate in wrap programs that are sponsored by unaffiliated investment advisers or broker-dealers. MacKay also serves as the investment manager of various limited partnerships and also engages in other advisory services. From time to time clients of NYLIM are solicited to invest in such limited partnerships or in others for which MacKay serves in a similar capacity.
- Apogem Capital LLC MAS serves as subadvisor for a private fund for which Apogem serves as adviser. Apogem also serves as the investment manager of various limited partnerships, manages portfolios of commercial loans and related debt and equity

investments and also engages in other advisory services in which clients of NYLIM generally invest. From time to time clients of NYLIM are solicited to invest in such limited partnerships or in others for which Apogem serves in a similar capacity.

- NYL Investors LLC acts as a subadviser for certain mutual funds and institutional accounts for which NYLIM serves as adviser. As noted above, in some cases, employees of NYL Investors are dual-hatted and acting in an advisory and administrative capacity with respect to the Korean based accounts managed by NYLIM.
- Eagle Strategies LLC acts as an adviser for products for which NYLIM serves as a model portfolio provider.
- NYL Investments Europe Limited is an investment adviser through which NYLIM markets certain NYLIM products in the European Union.
- New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation (“NYLIAC”) offers certain NYLI Funds in certain separate accounts to fund variable annuity policies and variable universal life insurance policies issued by NYLIAC.

From time to time, we enter into arrangements with our affiliated investment advisers to recommend clients to each other. If we pay a cash fee to anyone for soliciting clients on our behalf (such persons, “promoters”) or if we receive a cash fee from another investment adviser for recommending clients to it, we comply with the requirements of Rule 206(4)-1 (the “Marketing Rule”) under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the “Advisers Act”) to the extent that they apply. Subject to certain exemptions, the Marketing Rule requires a written agreement between the investment adviser and the promoter, and that the promoter provide clear and prominent disclosures concerning the identity of the promoter, the nature of the compensation and applicable conflicts of interests to the potential client at the time that the solicitation is made. As required by the Marketing Rule, except for uncompensated or “de minimis” compensation (as defined in the Marketing Rule) arrangements, we will not engage a promoter if that person has been subject to securities regulatory or criminal sanctions within the preceding ten years.

Certain personnel within NYL Investors facilitate the management and administration of the Korean based accounts. In addition, members of the Index Team also support MAS and serve as MAS portfolio manager(s). MAS portfolio managers manage certain NYLI Funds (including NYLI Funds that invest in NYLI ETFs), institutional separate accounts and unregistered funds directly and are involved in asset allocation decisions with respect to certain NYLI Funds’ or accounts subadvised by affiliated subadvisers. NYLIM has established policies and procedures to govern Index and MAS team members from using information about a NYLI Index before such information has been implemented for a NYLI ETF. Our policies do not preclude routine interactions regarding investment and operational matters between MAS portfolio managers and the portfolio managers of affiliated subadvisers.

Our affiliates share internally generated investment research. We have established policies and procedures, which govern this sharing, including the prohibition of coordination of investment decisions.

Except for the relationships described above, the investment management and operations functions at NYLIM and our affiliates are generally separate. NYLIM and our affiliates have implemented policies and procedures that are designed to limit the dissemination of inside information and to prevent, to the extent possible, trading restrictions from having to be placed on NYLIM and its affiliated investment firms when NYLIM or a firm comes into contact with inside information. To support this policy, we have adopted procedures, including portfolio information barriers between us and these other affiliated investment firms, such as the erection of “walls”, which limit any potential conflicts of interest and restrict the flow of issuer specific information.

### **Banking Institution**

New York Life Trust Company is our affiliate and is a New York State chartered trust company. Some officers and employees of NYLIM are also officers, employees or directors of New York Life Trust Company.

### **Sales and Marketing Support Services**

NYLIM has entered into services agreements with certain of its affiliated investment advisers and with NYLIFE Distributors for the provision of sales and marketing support services. Pursuant to the agreements, NYLIM provides administrative agent, referral, sales, and marketing support services, and NYLIFE Distributors provides distribution services, with respect to certain pooled investment vehicles and managed accounts managed by NYLIM’s affiliated investment advisers. Such services include introducing prospective investors to affiliated investment advisers and providing written materials about an affiliated investment adviser or an investment product. NYLIM’s institutional distribution team renders such services, and each team member is dual hatted to certain affiliated investment advisers in order to provide the services. NYLIM receives compensation for the provision of its services, which creates a conflict of interest to the extent that NYLIM has a financial incentive to recommend an affiliated investment adviser or particular investment product that results in additional compensation to NYLIM, and any applicable conflict of interest is disclosed if required by the Marketing Rule, as described above.

## **ITEM 11: CODE OF ETHICS, PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS AND PERSONAL TRADING:**

### **Code of Ethics and Personal Trading**

NYLIM has a fiduciary relationship with our clients that requires that we and our employees place the interests of our clients first and foremost. As such, our Code of Ethics (the “Code”) covers all employees and sets forth guidelines that promote ethical conduct generally. In addition to the Code’s policies regarding personal securities trading, the Code requires our employees to follow various policies and procedures relating to the conduct standards of our Code. Employees are also required to adhere to New York Life’s Integrity – Standards of Business Conduct Policy, conflicts of interest, inside information and information barriers, electronic communications and social media, gifts and entertainment, personal political contributions, foreign corrupt practices and selective disclosure of portfolio holdings.

While we permit our employees to engage in personal securities transactions, we recognize that these transactions raise potential conflicts of interests in certain circumstances. This is particularly true when they involve securities owned by, or considered for purchase or sale for, a client account.

We address potential conflicts of interests in our Code by requiring that, with regard to investments and investment opportunities, our employees' first obligation is to our clients. Our Code requires that all of our employees adhere to the highest duty of trust and fair dealing. All employees: (i) must conduct their personal securities transactions in a manner that does not interfere with any client's portfolio transactions, or take inappropriate advantage of an employee's relationship with a client; (ii) may not trade while in possession of material, non-public information; (iii) may not engage in short-term trading (the purchase and sale or sale and purchase within 30 days) of any mutual fund advised or subadvised by us; and (iv) must certify annually to compliance with the Code and related policies.

Some provisions of our Code, particularly with respect to personal trading, apply only to Access Persons and Investment Personnel. Access Persons are defined as officers or directors of NYLIM, or employees who have access to non-public information regarding any clients purchase or sale of securities, or who have non-public information regarding the portfolio holdings of any mutual fund that we advise. Investment Personnel are defined as employees who, in connection with their regular functions, participate in making recommendations regarding the purchase or sale of securities for client accounts (*i.e.*, portfolio managers, traders and analysts). Access Persons and Investment Personnel are required to adhere to certain guidelines and restrictions with respect to personal trading.

A copy of our Code is available to clients and prospective clients upon request.

### **PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS**

In the ordinary course of providing our investment advisory services, we recommend that clients purchase or sell securities or interests in which our affiliates have a material financial interest. For example:

- We purchase or sell shares of our proprietary registered funds, the NYLI Funds or the NYLI ETFs, for client accounts from time to time.
- We recommend investments to our clients that the clients of our advisory affiliates also own.

To address potential conflicts of interest across affiliates, each adviser affiliate operates independently with respect to investment strategy, and trading, except as outlined in Item 10. Furthermore, affiliates are generally not privy to another affiliate's investment information (*i.e.*, investment decisions, research) that potentially pose conflicts of interest. Specifically, NYLIM and our affiliated investment advisers have established information barrier policies designed to limit the dissemination of material non-public information. In the event such material non-public information is shared, the Firm's policies call for appropriate controls to be placed around the

information in an effort to limit the effects of any potential conflicts of interest that may arise. However, NYLIM and its affiliates may share information concerning counterparty risk.

## **ITEM 12: BROKERAGE PRACTICES**

NYLIM's policy is to obtain the best execution of client transactions over the long-term, considering the full range and quality of services offered by executing brokers.

NYLIM will give primary consideration to obtaining the most favorable prices and efficient executions of transactions in implementing our trading policy. NYLIM believes that a requirement to seek the lowest possible commission cost could impede effective portfolio management and preclude accounts from obtaining a high quality of brokerage services. In seeking best execution, NYLIM considers the full range of brokerage services applicable to a particular transaction, which includes, but is not limited to: liquidity, price, commission, timing, aggregated trades, competent block trading coverage, ability to position the trade, capital strength and stability, reliable and accurate communications and settlement processing, speed of automation, knowledge of other buyers or sellers, administrative ability, underwriting and provision of information on a particular security or market in which the transaction is to occur.

NYLIM does not consider a broker's or dealer's sale of the NYLI Funds or NYLI ETFs, when determining whether to select such broker or dealer to execute fund portfolio transactions. Furthermore, we also do not consider its sale of shares of (i) any private funds that we or any of our affiliates advise or (ii) other registered products (e.g., UCITS) sponsored by an affiliate. We have trading relationships with broker-dealers that have consulting or other divisions, which refer clients or investors to us or our affiliates on their own accord. NYLIM does not consider these referrals when selecting a broker-dealer for executing trades for its client accounts. When evaluating compensation (e.g., commissions), we are not required to solicit competitive bids, and do not have an obligation to seek the lowest available commission cost, but rather best overall execution.

On a semi-annual basis, NYLIM's Trade Management Oversight Committee reviews portfolio management and brokerage practices.

With respect to accounts managed by a subadviser, the subadviser is responsible for decisions to buy and sell securities, for broker-dealer selection and for negotiation of brokerage commission rates pursuant to a subadvisory agreement. The subadvisory agreement permits the subadviser to consider several factors in selecting brokers and dealers when executing portfolio trades. The overall reasonableness of brokerage commission paid is evaluated by the subadviser based upon its knowledge of available information as to the general level of commissions paid by other institutional investors for comparable services.

## **Managed Accounts Group**

As discussed above, for clients that invest through the Managed Accounts, the Firm anticipates that client transactions ordinarily will be executed through the sponsor (or its affiliates) because the wrap fee charged by the sponsor typically covers commissions and certain transaction costs

on trades executed through the sponsor (or its affiliates). The Firm executes transactions for client accounts through a broker-dealer other than the sponsor (or its affiliates) where we, or the applicable subadviser, reasonably believe doing so will allow us to seek best execution. See Item 5 for more information. Subadvisers consider execution costs or trade pricing as part of evaluating the overall execution quality of transactions that are executed outside of the broker-dealer channel typically available through a given wrap fee program.

For wrap programs, to avoid systematic favoring of one sponsor or product over another and to trade similarly situated accounts fairly over time, we implement a reasonably designed rotation methodology. We note however, that there may be instances when prevailing market conditions or the nature of an order requires us to deviate from our standard rotation. In addition, deviations from the Firm's standard rotation may result from operational variances, due to technology failures or to the failure of Managed Account personnel to implement the standard rotation properly.

The subadvisers who provide models with respect to trades in the Managed Accounts generally execute trades for other clients with similar strategies prior to our placing trades with wrap sponsors. In addition, we and our subadvisers do not conduct transactions on behalf of our wrap accounts as frequently as we do on behalf of other clients. Among other reasons, the wrap program transactions are generally de minimis due to the wrap fee programs' lower minimum account balances and/or minimum size order requirements. NYLIM may not be able to accommodate investment restrictions that are unduly burdensome or materially incompatible with our investment approach. Clients are encouraged to consult their own financial advisors and legal and tax professionals on an initial and continuous basis in connection with selecting and engaging the services of an investment manager and a particular strategy and participating in a wrap or other program. In the course of providing services to program clients who have a financial advisor, we typically rely on information or directions communicated by the financial advisor acting with authority on behalf of its clients.

For clients that invest through an UMA, DMA, or Multi-Asset Income program, NYLIM provides the program sponsor with a copy of the model portfolio. The program sponsor, which typically has investment discretion with respect to the trading conducted in the underlying accounts, then implements the model in accordance with its internal investment and trading procedures. In the event that NYLIM serves as investment manager to more than one UMA, DMA, or Multi-Asset Income program that follows the same investment strategy, we will implement the rotation methodology described above in order to ensure that all clients are treated fairly and reasonably over time.

## **SOFT DOLLARS**

As permitted by Section 28(e) of the Exchange Act of 1934 Act, as amended, ("Exchange Act"), NYLIM from time to time will cause an account to pay a broker-dealer a commission for effecting a securities transaction that is in excess of the commission that another broker-dealer would have charged for effecting the transaction if NYLIM makes a good faith determination that the broker's commission paid by the account is reasonable in relation to the value of the research and/or brokerage products and services provided by the broker-dealer, viewed in terms of either the particular transaction or NYLIM's overall responsibilities to the account and its other investment advisory clients.

An inherent conflict of interest exists with respect to the use of soft dollars because of an investment adviser's ability to purchase certain products and services on a cash basis using its own resources. Thus, the adviser has an incentive to disregard its best execution obligation when directing transactions and an incentive to generate more trades to earn soft dollar credits for services.

To manage the conflicts related to soft dollar usage, we, and each subadviser to the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs, have policies and procedures in place relating to brokerage commission uses in compliance with Section 28(e) of the Exchange Act of 1934 ("Section 28(e)"). Soft dollar arrangements are only entered into for services and products that qualify under the safe harbor provisions set forth in Section 28(e).

Certain accounts managed by NYLIM generate soft dollars used to purchase research and brokerage products and services that ultimately benefit other accounts managed by NYLIM, effectively cross subsidizing the other accounts managed by NYLIM that benefit directly from the product. NYLIM will not necessarily use all of the research and brokerage products and services in connection with managing the account whose trades generated the soft dollars used to purchase such products and services. Some of these products and services are also available to NYLIM for cash and some will not have an explicit cost or determinable value. The products and services received do not reduce the advisory fees paid to NYLIM for services provided to the accounts. NYLIM's expenses would likely increase if it had to generate these products and services through its own efforts or if it paid for these products or services itself.

In addition, NYLIM participates in so-called "commission sharing arrangements," under which NYLIM executes transactions through a broker-dealer and requests that the broker-dealer allocate a portion of the commissions or commission credits to another firm that provides research or brokerage products and services to NYLIM. Related to these commission sharing arrangements, NYLIM has engaged an independent third-party vendor for commission aggregation and third-party research payment in association with our use of soft dollars.

Sometimes, a portion of the brokerage and research products and services used by the Firm and our subadvisers are eligible under Section 28(e) and another portion is not eligible. These are referred to as "mixed-use" products and services. When this occurs, we and the subadviser will make a good faith allocation between the research and non-research portion of services and will use its own funds to pay for the percentage of the service that is used for non-research purposes.

#### **AGGREGATION AND ALLOCATION**

If we believe that the purchase or sale of the same security is in the best interest of more than one client, we will aggregate the securities to be sold or purchased. We will not aggregate trades unless we believe that doing so is consistent with our duty to seek best execution for our clients.

When we allocate bunched trades to client accounts, we do not favor the interest of one client over another. In addition, it is not permissible to allocate or re-allocate an order to enhance the performance of one account over another, or to favor one account over another. In making the

determination to aggregate trades, NYLIM will take into consideration a number of factors, including, but not limited to investment objectives; guidelines and restrictions; risk management requirements; amount of each client's assets; liquidity and availability of securities; and eligibility to participate in the transaction.

To the extent possible, orders are pre-allocated prior to execution. However, there may be instances where pre-allocating certain trades may not be feasible or practicable given the unique nature of the respective market. In these instances, such allocation will never unfairly discriminate against or advantage one account over another.

## **ITEM 13: REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

### **MONITORING**

#### **Registered Funds**

For RIC accounts, NYLIM will monitor the overall management of a RIC including the services provided by the subadvisers as outlined in each RIC's prospectus and SAI.

#### **Multi-Asset Solutions Team**

All MAS managed accounts are monitored on a regular basis in an effort to ensure that client objectives are being pursued in accordance with applicable investment strategies and guidelines. In addition, MAS personnel meet periodically to review prevailing markets conditions, to reassess existing positioning, and to discuss new investment ideas.

#### **Managed Accounts Group**

For our Managed Accounts, certain elements of the account maintenance and reconciliation functions have been outsourced to a third-party vendor. Nonetheless, our Managed Accounts Group continues to be responsible for overseeing client accounts. In addition, investment guidelines are monitored via SEI's system. On a daily basis, the Managed Accounts Group also reviews: (i) trade reconciliation reports; (ii) new account activity; (iii) cash reports; and (iv) trade settlement.

#### **Trade Errors**

NYLIM has a policy in place pertaining to the correction of trade errors. In the event that an error occurs, it is identified and corrected as soon as practicable. Generally, client accounts are made whole for any losses. However, pursuant to the policy, we will generally not reimburse for a de minimis error, which we define as a loss of \$25 or less per account. NYLIM will not be liable for errors caused by a third-party. If a transaction resulting from a third-party error cannot be cancelled or modified, any resulting losses should be absorbed by the third-party. Accordingly, NYLIM will attempt to recover any losses associated with the error from the third-party.

With respect to trade errors that occur in the wrap fee accounts managed by our Managed Accounts Group, such errors are typically corrected in accordance with each sponsor's trade error policy. This will generally include the use of a trade error account that is maintained at the sponsor.

## **Compliance Oversight**

New York Life's Investments Compliance area ("Investments Compliance") is an extension of the New York Life Corporate Compliance Department. The Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO") of NYLIM is responsible for the oversight and maintenance of the compliance function. Under this structure, certain compliance and other support functions within NYLIM are supported by the infrastructure within the Corporate Compliance Department of New York Life.

NYLIM is an investment adviser registered with the SEC under Section 203 of the Advisers Act. In this regard, pursuant to Rule 206(4)-7 under the Advisers Act (the "Rule") it is unlawful for us to provide investment advice to clients unless we: (i) have written policies and procedures in place that are reasonably designed to detect and prevent violations of the Advisers Act; (ii) review no less frequently than annually, the adequacy of our policies and procedures and the effectiveness of their implementation; and (iii) designate a Chief Compliance Officer responsible for administering the policies and procedures under the Rule. Also pursuant to the Rule, we have put in place a compliance program tailored to our business that includes written policies and procedures that we believe are reasonably designed to detect and prevent violations of the Advisers Act and other governing laws and regulations. Such policies and procedures include, but are not limited to, those relating to code of ethics, personal trading, information barrier, books and records, sales and marketing, proxy voting, anti-money laundering, privacy and information security (the "Compliance Program").

Although we acknowledge that compliance is the responsibility of all employees, Investments Compliance is primarily responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Compliance Program. As such, Investments Compliance has created an assessment program that is reasonably designed to analyze the adequacy of each policy and procedure and to ensure that each policy and procedure is being implemented in an effective manner. The assessment program includes evaluations and tests of the effectiveness of the Firm's Compliance Program, including ensuring that each policy and procedure properly reflects current implementation practices and applicable rules and regulations. Procedures are revised as needed throughout the year, or as we deem necessary or appropriate, to enhance implementation practices or to reflect rule changes. The results of these reviews, including procedural revisions that are made, are reported to the NYLIM Compliance Committee on a semi-annual basis.

## **CLIENT REPORTING**

The content, frequency and form of client reports varies by client. Such reporting requirements are typically part of the contract negotiations and are memorialized in the client's investment management agreement. Our written client reports typically include portfolio holdings, transaction and performance information, and information covering capital markets and portfolio outlook. Customized reporting is typically provided as frequently as desired by clients.

With respect to our Managed Accounts, account holders typically receive client reports from the account sponsor and do not receive client reports from us.

#### **ITEM 14: CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION**

From time to time, we enter into solicitation agreements with certain of our other affiliated or unaffiliated investment advisers to refer clients to each other. In this case we generally pay or receive a cash fee for such referrals. If we pay or receive a cash fee for client referrals, we comply with the requirements of the Marketing Rule to the extent applicable. See Item 10 for more information.

#### **ITEM 15: CUSTODY**

We do not have direct or indirect custody of client funds or securities. All client accounts are maintained at qualified custodians, such as banks or broker-dealers that are chosen by the client. Clients receive account statements directly from their custodians. In addition, clients may receive duplicate account statements from us. When a client receives an account statement from us, the client should carefully review the statement and compare it to the account statement that the client received from its custodian. The two statements should be consistent.

#### **ITEM 16: INVESTMENT DISCRETION**

We have discretion to manage investments on behalf of client accounts. Clients may impose restrictions on this discretion by, among other things, prohibiting the purchase of specific securities, or prohibiting the purchase of securities within a specific industry. We also manage client accounts on a non-discretionary basis.

When a subadviser is selected by NYLIM, unless otherwise directed in writing by the client, the subadviser has discretion with respect to the investment of a client's assets.

Client imposed restrictions are detailed in the client's investment advisory agreement. Prior to onboarding a new client account, we obtain all necessary information to ensure that the account, including any relevant restrictions, is properly established on our trading and accounting systems.

#### **ITEM 17: VOTING CLIENT SECURITIES**

NYLIM has adopted a Proxy Voting Policy designed to ensure that all proxies are voted in the best interest of our clients without regard to our interests or the interests of our affiliates. In voting proxies, NYLIM takes into account long term economic value in evaluating issues relating to items such as corporate governance, including structures and practices, accountability and transparency,

the nature of long-term business plans, including sustainability policies and practices to address environmental and social factors that are likely to have an impact on shareholder value, and other non-financial measures of corporate performance. With respect to the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs where NYLIM has retained the services of a subadviser to provide day-to-day portfolio management for a NYLI Fund or NYLI ETF, NYLIM will generally delegate proxy voting authority to the subadviser; provided that the subadviser (i) follows NYLIM's Proxy Voting Policy and the NYLI Funds' Procedures; or (ii) has demonstrated that its proxy voting policies and procedures are consistent with NYLIM's Proxy Voting Policy or are otherwise implemented in the best interests of NYLIM's clients and appear to comply with governing regulations.

To assist us in researching and voting proxies for those accounts for which we have retained voting rights, we have engaged Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS"), a third party proxy service provider. Except where instructed by a client to use client-specified proxy voting guidelines or where a client has retained proxy voting authority for an account, NYLIM utilizes ISS's pre-determined voting guidelines. A copy of our proxy voting policies and procedures or information as to how proxies were voted for securities held in their account is available upon request. NYLIM's contact information appears on the cover page of this brochure.

Certain designated personnel, including portfolio managers, can override an ISS voting recommendation if he/she believes it is in the best interest of the client involved to vote otherwise. To override an ISS recommendation, a written override request must be submitted to Investments Compliance. Upon receipt of an override request, Investments Compliance reviews the request to determine whether any potential material conflict of interests exist between us and our clients.

If a potential conflict exists, Investments Compliance refers the override requests to our Proxy Voting Committee for appropriate resolution. The Proxy Voting Committee considers the facts and circumstances of the potential conflict and determines how to vote.

A material conflict will likely also exist when we manage a separate account, a fund or other collective investment vehicle that invests in an affiliated fund. When we receive a proxy in our capacity as a shareholder of an underlying portfolio of an affiliated fund, we will vote in accordance with the recommendation of ISS based on our guidelines. If there is no relevant guideline, then we will vote in accordance with the recommendation of ISS based on its research. If ISS does not provide a recommendation, we then will in certain circumstances address the conflict by "echoing" or "mirroring" the vote of the other shareholders in those underlying funds.

Generally, NYLIM is not responsible for voting and does not vote proxies for clients in Sponsored Programs for which we provide a Model Portfolio, nor does NYLIM receive proxy solicitations for such clients. However, in circumstances when Sponsored Program clients authorize NYLIM to vote proxies for such Sponsored Program client accounts, NYLIM will use ISS guidelines.

## **ITEM 18: FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

At this time, NYLIM is not required to file a balance sheet for our most recent fiscal year because we do not require or solicit prepayment of more than \$1,200 in fees per client six months or more

in advance. NYLIM has no financial condition that impairs its ability to meet contractual commitments to clients and has never been the subject of a bankruptcy proceeding.

#### **ITEM 19: REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE-REGISTERED ADVISERS**

NYLIM is registered with the SEC and provides notice filings to certain states. We are not registered with any state securities authorities.



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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Gregory Grant Barrato is a Senior Portfolio Manager at NYLIM. Mr. Barrato served as Senior Portfolio Manager at IndexIQ Advisors LLC (“IndexIQ”) from 2018 to 2024 (effective August 28, 2024, NYLIM assumed the duties and obligations of IndexIQ). Mr. Barrato served as Portfolio Manager at IndexIQ from 2010 to 2018. Prior to IndexIQ, Mr. Barrato served as Head Trader at Lucerne Capital Management and Assistant Trader at Reach Capital Management from 2004 to 2010.

Mr. Barrato received his B.S. from University of Connecticut.

Mr. Barrato was born in 1980.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Barrato does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Barrato does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Barrato does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Barrato is supervised in accordance with the firm’s policies and procedures. Jack Benintende, Managing Director and Head of Retail Operations for NYLIM, is responsible for supervising Mr. Barrato. Mr. Benintende is responsible for the accounting and financial reporting for the NYLI Mutual Funds and NYLI ETFs and for the Transfer Agent Operations and the Separately Managed Accounts Trading and Operations. He is also President of New York Life Trust Company. Mr. Benintende can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Mr. Benintende is a Managing Director of NYLIM since May 2007 and is currently responsible for the accounting and financial reporting for the NYLI Mutual Funds and NYLI ETFs. He is also the Head of Retail Operations and responsible for the Transfer Agent Operations; the Separately Managed Accounts Trading and Operations; and serves as the President of New York Life Trust Company. Prior to joining NYLIM, Mr. Benintende worked at Prudential Financial as a Vice President in Mutual Fund Administration.

Mr. Benintende received a B.B.A degree in Accounting from Pace University. In addition, he is a Certified Public Accountant, as well as a non-practicing Certified Financial Planner.

Mr. Benintende was born in 1964.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Benintende does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Benintende does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Benintende does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Benintende is supervised in accordance with the firm's policies and procedures. Kirk Lehneis, Senior Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer of NYLIM, is responsible for supervising Mr. Benintende. Mr. Lehneis also Head of U.S. Retail and serves as President of the NYLI Funds and NYLI ETFs (the "Funds"). Mr. Lehneis is responsible for overseeing the Funds - including product development, portfolio analytics and risk oversight, administration, broker/dealer and shareholder services, marketing, and creative/digital services. Mr. Lehneis can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Ms. Kim is a Managing Director, head of Index Research and Strategy and, since April 2025, Portfolio Manager for the NYLIM Multi-Asset Solutions team. She has been with NYLIM, or an affiliate, since 2005 in various roles including Head of Index Research and Strategy for IndexIQ LLC and Head of MacKay Shields LLC Systematic Equity and a Portfolio Manager & Senior Analyst on the investment team. Prior to NYLIM, Ms. Kim spent seven years as a research analyst in INVESCO's Structured Products Group and as an analyst at Chase Manhattan Bank. She is also a CFA charterholder and has been working in the investment industry since 1993.

Ms. Kim earned her BA in Mathematics from the University of Pennsylvania and her MBA in Financial Engineering from the MIT Sloan School of Management in 1998.

Mr. Kim was born in 1971.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Ms. Kim does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

### **Outside Business Activities**

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Ms. Kim does not have any other business activities to report.

### **Additional Compensation**

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Ms. Kim does not have any additional compensation to report.

### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Ms. Kim is supervised in accordance with the firm's policies and procedures. Thomas Sy, Managing Director of NYLIM, is responsible for supervising and overseeing all activities of the Multi-Asset Solutions team. Mr. Sy can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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**SUNGHO MAENG**

Director, Head of Trading and Operations

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**SUNGHO MAENG**  
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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Mr. Maeng, a Director and Head of Trading and Operations within the Multi-Asset Solutions team, joined NYLIM in 2013.

Mr. Maeng holds a Master's degree in international finance and economic policies from Columbia University and a BS degree from Kelly School of Business at Indiana University. He is also a CFA charterholder since 2022.

Mr. Maeng was born in 1984.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Maeng does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Maeng does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Maeng does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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**FRANCIS OK**  
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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Francis Ok is a Managing Director and Senior Portfolio Manager at NYLIM. Mr. Ok was a Managing Director and Senior Portfolio Manager at IndexIQ Advisors LLC (“IndexIQ”) from 2022 to 2024 (effective August 28, 2024, NYLIM assumed the duties and obligations of IndexIQ). Prior to IndexIQ, Mr. Ok served as Managing Director, Head of Equity Trading and Portfolio Manager at MacKay Shields LLC from 2018 to 2022. Mr. Ok was formerly with Cornerstone (including predecessor entities) from 1994 through 2017 and was the Lead Portfolio Manager for the firm’s Passive Equity strategies. Mr. Ok was also the Head of Trading for the company. Prior to joining Cornerstone, Mr. Ok managed the trading desk at Monitor Capital Advisors LLC. Mr. Ok has worked in the investment industry since 1994.

Mr. Ok received his B.S. in Economics from Northeastern University.

Mr. Ok was born in 1970.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Ok does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Ok does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Ok does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Ok is supervised in accordance with the firm’s policies and procedures. Jack Benintende, Managing Director and Head of Retail Operations for NYLIM, is responsible for supervising Mr. Ok. Mr. Benintende is responsible for the accounting and financial reporting for the NYLI Mutual Funds and NYLI ETFs and for the Transfer Agent Operations and the Separately Managed Accounts Trading and Operations. He is also President of New York Life Trust Company. Mr. Benintende can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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**AMIT SONI**  
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**AMIT SONI**  
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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Mr. Soni, a Director within the Multi-Asset Solutions team, joined NYLIM in 2013. Prior to that, he worked as an Investment Associate in the Global Asset Allocation group at Putnam Investments.

Mr. Soni holds a Master's degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Bachelor's degree from the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (India). He is a Chartered Financial Analyst and has been in the investment industry since 2008. For an explanation of minimum qualifications required for this designation, please go to [cfainstitute.org](http://cfainstitute.org).

Mr. Soni was born in 1984.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Soni does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Soni does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Soni does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Soni is supervised in accordance with the firm's policies and procedures. Thomas Sy, Managing Director of NYLIM, is responsible for supervising and overseeing all activities of the Multi-Asset Solutions team. Mr. Sy can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Mr. Swaney is a Managing Director and Portfolio Manager for the NYLIM Multi-Asset Solutions team. He has been with New York Life Investments, or an affiliate, since 1997. Prior to that, he performed manager research for a fund-of-hedge-funds operator Pine Grove Partners from 1996 to 1997 and worked on the fixed income desk at The Vanguard Group from 1994 to 1996.

Mr. Swaney earned his BA in Political Science from The College of William & Mary.

Mr. Swaney was born in 1969.

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### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Swaney does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

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### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Swaney does not have any other business activities to report.

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### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Swaney does not have any additional compensation to report.

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### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Swaney is supervised in accordance with the firm's policies and procedures. Thomas Sy, Managing Director, is responsible for supervising and overseeing all activities of the Multi-Asset Solutions team. Mr. Sy can be reached at (888) 474-7725.



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**MIKIAS TESFA**  
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### **Educational Background and Business Experience**

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Mikias Tesfa is a Junior Portfolio Manager at NYLIM. Mr. Tesfa served as Junior Portfolio Manager at IndexIQ Advisors LLC from 2021 to 2024 (effective August 28, 2024, NYLIM assumed the duties and obligations of IndexIQ). Prior to IndexIQ, Mr. Tesfa served as Junior Trader at WallachBeth Capital from 2019 to 2021.

Mr. Tesfa received his B.B.A from CUNY Baruch College.

Mr. Tesfa was born in 1997.

### **Disciplinary Information**

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Mr. Tesfa does not have any legal or disciplinary events to report.

### **Outside Business Activities**

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Mr. Tesfa is a registered representative of NYLIFE Distributors LLC, which is a registered broker-dealer affiliated with NYLIM conducting sales of certain NYLIM products.

### **Additional Compensation**

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Mr. Tesfa does not have any additional compensation to report.

### **Supervision**

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The advice to clients provided by Mr. Tesfa is supervised in accordance with the firm's policies and procedures. Jack Benintende, Managing Director and Head of Retail Operations for NYLIM, is responsible for supervising Mr. Tesfa. Mr. Benintende is responsible for the accounting and financial reporting for the NYLI Mutual Funds and NYLI ETFs and for the Transfer Agent Operations and the Separately Managed Accounts Trading and Operations. He is also President of New York Life Trust Company. Mr. Benintende can be reached at (888) 474-7725.

## FACTS

### WHAT DOES NEW YORK LIFE INVESTMENTS DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

#### Why?

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

#### What?

The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Name, address, birth date, social security number, income and household information.
- Information about your account balances and financial transactions with us, such as types of products you purchased, account status, or trading history.
- Information gathered from our websites, such as through online forms, site visit data and information collection devices ("cookies").
- Information from outside sources, such as public information.
- Information collected from consumer reporting agencies.

#### How?

All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons New York Life Investments chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does New York Life Investments share?	Can you limit this sharing?
<b>For our everyday business purposes—</b> such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
<b>For our marketing purposes—</b> to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
<b>For joint marketing with other financial companies</b>	No	We do not share
<b>For our affiliates' everyday business purposes—</b> information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
<b>For affiliates to market to you</b>	No	We do not share
<b>For nonaffiliates to market to you</b>	No	We do not share

#### Questions?

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MacKay Shields LLC	<b>(212) 758-5400</b>
NYLI Funds	<b>(800) 624-6782</b>
New York Life Investment Management LLC	<b>(888) 474-7725</b>
NYL Investors LLC	<b>(212) 576-7915</b>



# INVESTMENTS

## Who we are

<b>Who is providing this notice?</b>	<p>"New York Life Investments" is both a service mark, and the common trade name, of certain investment advisors affiliated with New York Life Insurance Company. The products and services of New York Life Investments' boutiques are not available to all clients and in all jurisdictions or regions.</p> <p>New York Life Investments includes the following:</p> <p><b>Apogem Capital LLC</b>      <b>NYLI Funds</b> <b>MacKay Shields LLC</b>      <b>NYL Investors LLC</b> <b>New York Life Investment Management LLC</b></p>
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## What we do

<b>How does New York Life Investments protect my personal information?</b>	We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that meet state and federal regulations. Access to customer information is limited to people who need the information to perform their job responsibilities. We regularly update and improve our security standards, procedures, and technology to protect against unauthorized access to your information.
<b>How does New York Life Investments collect my personal information?</b>	We collect your personal information, for example, when you <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Open an account</li><li>• Conduct transactions in your account, such as trades, deposits or withdrawals</li><li>• Provide us your income information</li><li>• Show us your government-issued ID for verification purposes</li><li>• Provide account information</li></ul>
<b>Why can't I limit all sharing?</b>	Federal law gives you the right to limit only <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes—information about your creditworthiness</li><li>• affiliates from using your information to market to you</li><li>• sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you</li></ul> State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.

## Definitions

<b>Affiliates</b>	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Our affiliates include companies listed on the New York Life Family of Companies.*</i></li></ul>
<b>Nonaffiliates</b>	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>New York Life Investments does not share with nonaffiliates for marketing purposes.</i></li></ul>
<b>Joint marketing</b>	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>New York Life Investments does not jointly market.</i></li></ul>

**\*The New York Life Family of Companies currently includes the following insurance and financial service affiliates and funds:**

New York Life Insurance Company	NYLI CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund
New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation	NYLI MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund
New York Life Investment Management LLC	NYLI MacKay Muni Opportunities Fund
New York Life Enterprises LLC	NYLI Funds Trust
Apogem Capital LLC	NYLI VP Funds Trust
Ausbil Investment Management Limited	New York Life Group Insurance Company of NY
Candriam S.C.A.	New York Life Investment Management Asia Limited
Eagle Strategies LLC	New York Life Trust Company
Flatiron RR LLC, Manager Series	NYLIFE Distributors LLC
NYLI ETF Trust	NYLIFE Insurance Company of Arizona
NYLI Active ETF Trust	NYLIFE Securities LLC
Kartesia Management SA	NYLIM Service Company LLC
Life Insurance Company of North America	NYLINK Insurance Agencies, Inc.
MacKay Shields LLC	NYL Investors LLC
	Tristan Capital Partners



## **NEW YORK LIFE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LLC PROXY VOTING POLICY AND PROCEDURES**

### **I. Introduction**

New York Life Investment Management LLC (“NYLIM” or the “Adviser”) has adopted these “Proxy Voting Policy and Procedures” (“Policy”) to ensure compliance with Rule 206(4)-6 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the “Advisers Act”) and Rule 30b1-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and other applicable fiduciary obligations. The Policy provides guidance with respect to the Adviser’s proxy voting duty and to ensure that proxies are voted in the best interests of NYLIM’s clients.

### **II. Policy**

It is NYLIM’s policy, that where proxy voting authority has been delegated to the Adviser by clients, all proxies shall be voted in the best interest of the client without regard to the interests of the Adviser or other related parties. In voting proxies, NYLIM takes into account long term economic value in evaluating issues relating to items such as corporate governance, including structures and practices, accountability and transparency, the nature of long-term business plans, including sustainability policies and practices to address environmental and social factors that are likely to have an impact on shareholder value, and other non-financial measures of corporate performance. It is further the policy of the Adviser that complete and accurate disclosure concerning its proxy voting policies and procedures and proxy voting records, as required by the Advisers Act, be made available to clients.

### **III. Procedures**

#### **A. Account Set-up and Review**

Initially, the Adviser will determine whether the client seeks to retain the responsibility of voting proxies or seeks to delegate that responsibility to the Adviser. The responsibility to vote proxies and the guidelines that will be followed for such client will be specified in the client’s investment advisory contract with the Adviser. The client may choose to have the Adviser vote proxies in accordance with guidelines selected by the Adviser (see Section B.2. and Appendix A), or the Adviser, in its discretion, may permit a client to adopt modified guidelines for its account (“Custom Guidelines”). Alternatively, the Adviser may decline to accept authority to vote such client’s proxies. Designated personnel within each applicable area will be responsible for ensuring that each new client’s account for which the client has delegated proxy voting authority is established on the appropriate systems.

## **B. Proxy Voting**

### **1. Use of Third Party Proxy Service**

The Adviser has selected Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. (“ISS”), a proxy research and voting service, to assist it in researching and voting proxies. ISS helps institutional investors research the financial implications of proxy proposals and cast votes that will protect and enhance shareholder returns. ISS provides research and analytical services, operational implementation and recordkeeping, and reporting services to research each proxy and provide a recommendation to the Adviser as to how to vote on each issue.

### **2. Guidelines for Recurring Issues**

The Adviser has adopted ISS’s Sustainability proxy voting guidelines with respect to recurring issues (“Sustainability Guidelines”) for those Funds<sup>1</sup> without an environmental, social, governance (“ESG”) focus (“Non-ESG Funds”). The Sustainability Guidelines address interests of sustainability-minded investors, which are concerned not only with economic returns and good corporate governance, but also with ensuring corporate activities and practices are aligned with the broader objectives of society. For Funds incorporating ESG factors in their investment strategies, the Adviser has adopted ISS’s Socially Responsible Investing proxy voting guidelines (“SRI Guidelines”), which are designed to address the dual financial and social objectives of ESG focused shareholders (the Sustainability Guidelines and SRI Guidelines are together the “Guidelines”).<sup>2</sup> The Compliance Committee, which also serves as the Proxy Voting Committee, reviews the Guidelines as needed and will make modifications to the Guidelines if it determines a change is appropriate. These Guidelines are meant to convey the Adviser’s general approach to voting decisions on certain issues.

For clients using proxy voting guidelines different from the Guidelines, the Adviser will instruct ISS to make its voting recommendations in accordance with such client guidelines. ISS will cast votes in accordance with its recommendations unless instructed otherwise by a portfolio manager as set forth below.

### **3. Review of Recommendations**

The Adviser’s portfolio managers, Separately Managed Accounts group (“SMA group”), or other designated personnel of the Adviser, have the ultimate responsibility to accept or reject any ISS proxy voting recommendation (“Recommendation”). Portfolio managers, the SMA group or other designated Adviser personnel, may override the Recommendation should he/she not believe that such Recommendation, based on all facts and circumstances, is in the best interest of the client(s). The Adviser will memorialize the basis for any

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<sup>1</sup> “Funds” refers to the NYLI Mutual Funds and NYLI ETFs.

<sup>2</sup> NYLI Candriam International Equity ETF, NYLI Candriam U.S. Large Cap Equity ETF, NYLI Healthy Hearts ETF, NYLI Cleaner Transport ETF, NYLI Clean Oceans ETF, and NYLI Candriam U.S. Mid Cap Equity ETF are referred to as the “ESG Funds.” The remaining NYLI ETFs and NYLI Mutual Funds are referred to as the “Non-ESG Funds.”

decision to override a Recommendation or to abstain from voting, including the resolution of any conflicts as further discussed below. The Adviser may have different policies and procedures for different clients which may result in different votes. Also, the Adviser may choose not to vote proxies under certain circumstances, including but not limited to:

- If the effect on the client's economic interests or the value of the portfolio holding is indeterminable or insignificant;
- If the cost of voting the proxy outweighs the possible benefit; or
- If a jurisdiction imposes share blocking restrictions which prevent the Adviser from exercising its voting authority.

#### **4. Addressing Material Conflicts of Interest**

Prior to overriding a Recommendation, the portfolio manager, SMA group, or other designated Adviser personnel, must complete the Proxy Vote Override Form, attached as Appendix B, and submit it to Investments Compliance for determination as to whether a potential material conflict of interest exists between the Adviser and the client on whose behalf the proxy is to be voted ("Material Conflict"). The Proxy Vote Override Form must disclose any potential Material Conflicts known related to a proxy vote.

Material Conflicts may exist based on business relationships or dealings of affiliates of the Adviser. Whether a relationship creates a Material Conflict will depend on the facts and circumstances. Even if these parties do not attempt to influence the Adviser with respect to voting, the value of the relationship to the Adviser can create a Material Conflict.

Material Conflicts may exist when the Adviser manages a separate account, a fund or other collective investment vehicle that invests in affiliated funds. When the Adviser receives proxies in its capacity as a shareholder of an underlying fund, the Adviser will vote in accordance with the recommendation of ISS applying the Adviser's Guidelines. If there is no relevant Guideline, the Adviser will vote in accordance with the recommendation of ISS. If ISS does not provide a recommendation, the Adviser may address the conflict by "echoing" or "mirroring" the vote of the other shareholders in those underlying funds.

If Investments Compliance determines that there is no potential Material Conflict the portfolio manager, SMA group or designated Adviser personnel may override the Recommendation and vote the proxy issue as he/she determines is in the best interest of clients.

If Investments Compliance determines that there exists or may exist a Material Conflict, it will refer the issue to the Compliance Committee for consideration. The Compliance Committee will consider the facts and circumstances of the pending proxy vote and the potential or actual Material Conflict and make a determination (by majority vote) as to how to vote the proxy – i.e., whether to permit or deny the override of the Recommendation, or whether to take other action, such as delegating the proxy vote to an independent third party or obtaining voting instructions from clients. In considering the proxy vote and

potential Material Conflict, the Committee may review the following factors, including but not limited to:

- The percentage of outstanding securities of the issuer held on behalf of clients by the Adviser.
- The nature of the relationship of the issuer with the Adviser, its affiliates or its executive officers.
- Whether there has been any attempt to directly or indirectly influence the portfolio manager's decision.
- Whether the direction (for or against) of the proposed vote would appear to benefit the Adviser or a related party.
- Whether an objective decision to vote in a certain way will still create a strong appearance of a conflict.

The Adviser may not abstain from voting any such proxy for the purpose of avoiding conflict.

In the event ISS itself has a conflict and thus, is unable to provide a recommendation, the portfolio manager may vote in accordance with the recommendation of another independent service provider, if available. If a recommendation from an independent service provider other than ISS is not available, the portfolio manager, SMA group or other designated Adviser personnel, will make a voting recommendation and complete a Proxy Vote Override Form. Investments Compliance will review the form and if it determines that there is no potential Material Conflict mandating a voting recommendation from the Compliance Committee, the Adviser may instruct ISS to vote the proxy issue as has been determined to be in the best interest of clients. If Compliance determines that there exists or may exist a Material Conflict, it will refer the issue to the Compliance Committee for consideration.

## 5. Securities Lending

Generally, if shares of an issuer are on loan, the voting rights are transferred, and the lending party cannot vote the shares. In deciding whether to recall securities on loan, the Adviser will evaluate whether the benefit of voting the proxies outweighs the cost of recalling them. In determining whether to call securities out on loan, the relevant portfolio manager(s) or other designated Adviser Personnel shall consider whether the benefit to the client in voting the matter outweighs the benefit to the client in keeping the securities out on loan. For Funds that adhere to an ESG investment strategy, a loaned security will be recalled for voting purposes, if possible.

## 6. Use of Subadvisers

To the extent that the Adviser may rely on subadvisers, whether affiliated or unaffiliated, to manage any client account on a discretionary basis, the Adviser may delegate responsibility for voting proxies to the subadvisers, subject to the Adviser's oversight. In such instances, the subadvisers either will follow the Policy and Guidelines or demonstrate

that their proxy voting policies and procedures are consistent with this Policy and Guidelines or otherwise implemented in the best interests of the Adviser's clients and appear to comply with governing regulations. The Adviser retains the right to revoke such delegation. Prior to revoking delegation, NYLIM will convene the Compliance Committee for review.

#### **IV. Compliance Monitoring**

##### **A. Monitoring of Overrides**

Investments Compliance will periodically review ISS reports of overrides to confirm that proper override and conflict checking procedures were followed. All requests for overrides and evidence such approval by signing the completed Proxy Override Request Form (Exhibit A).

##### **B. Monitoring of Alerts**

Investments Compliance will monitor ISS's voting platform (ProxyExchange) for Alerts where an issuer intends to file, or has filed, additional soliciting materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission after ISS's recommendation but before the voting submission deadline. ISS will also notify Investments Compliance via e-mail of any additional information that has been issued in an Alert.

In the event an Alert is issued sufficiently in advance of the voting submission deadline with additional information that may be expected to affect the Adviser's voting determination, Investments Compliance, in conjunction with portfolio management or other designated Adviser personnel, will consider such additional information prior to exercising its voting authority.

##### **C. Oversight of Sub-advisers**

Investments Compliance will annually review the proxy voting policies and procedures of the Adviser's sub-advisers and report to the Compliance Committee its view as to whether such policies and procedures appear to comply with governing regulations. The Compliance Committee will also review the voting records of the Adviser's sub-advisers, as necessary.

##### **D. Oversight of Service Providers**

Investments Compliance will review ISS to ensure that it has implemented effective compliance policies and procedures administered by competent personnel. These steps will include, but are not limited to:

- 1) Maintaining an active working relationship with ISS personnel and ensuring that NYLIM has direct access to such personnel;

- 2) Reviewing ISS's policies and procedures, including those related to conflicts of interest, and other documentation the Adviser may request from time to time to conduct general due diligence;
- 3) Reviewing copies of regulatory comment, deficiency letters and any material litigation concerning ISS;
- 4) Reviewing SSAE 18/SOC reports (or equivalent);
- 5) Reviewing ISS's cybersecurity program; and
- 6) Reviewing ISS's business continuity and disaster recovery plans.

E. Annual Proxy Voting Committee and Compliance Reporting

Annually, Investments Compliance will provide the Compliance Committee, which also serves as Proxy Voting Committee, with a report of relevant proxy voting matters, including a discussion of Guidelines and any proposed changes to the Policy or Guidelines, the voting record of the Adviser, any overrides, votes presenting Material Conflicts, and a due diligence review of ISS.

**IV. Regulatory and Client Reporting**

A. Disclosure to Advisory Clients

The Adviser will provide a copy of this Policy and the Guidelines upon request from a client. In addition, the Adviser will provide any client who makes a written or verbal request with a copy of a report disclosing how the Adviser voted securities held in that client's portfolio. Reports will be available for each twelve month period from July 1 to June 30 of the following year. The report will be produced using ISS's services and will generally contain the following information:

- The name of the issuer of the security;
- The security's exchange ticker symbol;
- The security's CUSIP number;
- The shareholder meeting date;
- A brief identification of the matter voted on;
- Whether the matter was proposed by the issuer or by a security holder;
- Whether the Adviser cast its vote on the matter;
- How the Adviser voted; and
- Whether the Adviser voted for or against management.

B. Regulatory Disclosures

For each investment company that the Adviser manages, the Adviser will ensure that the proxy voting record for the twelve-month period ending June 30 for each registered

investment company is properly reported on Form N-PX. Similarly, NYLIM is required to report on Form NP-X say-on-pay items where “voting power” is exercised over a security for shareholder meetings during July 1 through June 30 (the “Reporting Period”), including portfolio securities on loan as of the record date for the meeting. ISS assists NYLIM in preparing both the Funds’ and the Adviser’s Form NP-X filings. Form NP-X must be filed for both the Funds and the Adviser no later than August 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

The Adviser will also ensure that each such fund states in its Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”) and its annual and semiannual report to shareholders that information concerning how the fund voted proxies relating to its portfolio securities for the most recent twelve-month period ending June 30, is available through the fund’s website and on the SEC’s website.

The Adviser will ensure that proper disclosure is made in each fund’s SAI describing the policies and procedures used to determine how to vote proxies relating to such fund’s portfolio securities. The Adviser will further ensure that the annual and semiannual report for each fund states that a description of the fund’s proxy voting policies and procedures is available: (1) without charge, upon request, by calling a specified toll-free telephone number; (2) on the fund’s website; and (3) on the SEC’s website.

## **V. Recordkeeping**

Either the Adviser or ISS, as indicated below, will maintain the following records:

- A copy of the Policy and Guidelines (Adviser);
- A copy of each proxy statement received by the Adviser regarding client securities (ISS);
- A record of each vote cast by the Adviser on behalf of a client (ISS);
- A copy of all documents created by the Adviser that were material to making a decision on the proxy voting (or abstaining from voting) of client securities or that memorialize the basis for that decision including the resolution of any conflict, a copy of all Proxy Vote Override Forms and all supporting documents (ISS and Adviser);
- A copy of each written request by a client for information on how the Adviser voted proxies on behalf of the client, as well as a copy of any written response by the Adviser to any request by a client for information on how the adviser voted proxies on behalf of the client. Records of oral requests for information or oral responses will not be kept. (Adviser); and
- Minutes of Compliance (Proxy Voting) Committee meetings with supporting documents (Adviser).

Such records must be maintained for at least eight years.

**Responsible Parties:** Portfolio Management/Other Designated Adviser Personnel, Investments Compliance, Fund Operations, Compliance Committee

*Reviewed: Q4 2024*

*Revised: January 2025*

**Exhibit A**

**Proxy Vote Override Form**

Portfolio Manager Requesting Override: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Issuer: \_\_\_\_\_ Ticker symbol: \_\_\_\_\_

CUSIP #: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Shares held: \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of outstanding shares held: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of accounts holding security: Mutual Funds (name each fund): \_\_\_\_\_  
ETFs (name each ETF): \_\_\_\_\_  
Separate Accounts (specify number): \_\_\_\_\_  
NYLIC/NYLIAC General Account: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicable Guidelines (check one):  Sustainability  
 Socially Responsible Investing  
 Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Shareholder Meeting Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Response Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of the Matter to be Voted On:

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Proposal Type (check one):  Management Proposal  
 Shareholder Proposal (identify proponent:  
\_\_\_\_\_)

Recommended vote by issuer's management (check one):  For  Against

Recommended vote by ISS (check one):  For  Against  Abstain  
 No Recommendation

Portfolio manager recommended vote (check one):  For  Against  Abstain

Describe in detail why you believe this override is in the client's best interest (attach supporting documentation):

Are you aware of any relationship between the issuer, or its officers or directors, and NYLIM or any of its affiliates?

No  Yes (describe below)

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Are you aware of any relationship between the issuer, including its officers or directors, and any executive officers of NYLIM or any of its affiliates?

No    Yes (describe below)

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Are you aware of any relationship between the proponents of the proxy proposal (if not the issuer) and NYLIM or any of its affiliates?

No  Yes (describe below)

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Are you aware of any relationship between the proponents of the proxy proposal (if not the issuer) and any executive officers of NYLIM or any of its affiliates?

No  Yes (describe below)

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Has anyone (outside of your portfolio management area) contacted you in an attempt to influence your decision to vote this proxy matter?

No  Yes

If yes, please describe below who contacted you and on whose behalf, the manner in which you were contacted (such as by phone, by mail, as part of group, individually etc.), the subject matter of the communication and any other relevant information, and attach copies of any written communications.

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Are you aware of any facts related to this proxy vote that may present a potential conflict of interest with the interests of the client(s) on whose behalf the proxies are to be voted?

No  Yes (describe below)

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Certification:

The undersigned hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge that the above statements are complete and accurate, and that such override is in the client's best interests without regard to the interests of NYLIM or any related parties.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Concurrence with Override Request:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Compliance Action:

- Override approved
- Referred to Compliance Committee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

# Epoch Investment Partners, Inc.

## **Item 1: Cover Page**

## **Part 2A of Form ADV Firm Brochure**

1 Vanderbilt Avenue  
New York, NY 10017

<https://www.td.com/gl/en/global-investment-solutions>

January 28, 2026

This brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. (“TD Epoch” or the “Firm”). If you have any questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact David A. Barnett, TD Epoch’s Chief Compliance Officer at 1 Vanderbilt Avenue, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017 or call (212) 303-7200. 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. Registration with the SEC as an investment adviser does not imply a certain level of skill or training.

Additional information about TD Epoch is also available on the SEC's website at:  
<https://adviserinfo.sec.gov/>.

## **Item 2: Material Changes**

Our last annual update was January 28, 2025, and since that filing there have not been any material changes to the Form ADV Part 2A ("Brochure"). To the extent that we materially amend our Brochure in the future, you will receive either an amended Brochure or a summary of any material changes to the annual update within 120 days of the close of our fiscal year or earlier if required. We may also provide you with an interim amended Brochure based on material changes or new information. We recommend that you carefully review this Brochure.

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## Item 4: Advisory Business

### *General Description of TD Epoch*

TD Epoch is a global asset management firm that provides U.S., non-U.S. and global investment strategies to institutional and intermediary clients. Our investment approach for many of our equity strategies is based on fundamental research, seeking companies that can grow free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders or have superior earnings growth. In addition, we offer other equity strategies that are managed by our investment team in Canada. Our approach to portfolio construction for fixed income strategies is disciplined and focuses on sector allocation, yield curve analysis and credit quality.

TD Epoch was formed in 2004 and is headquartered in New York City and has offices in Australia and Canada. TD Epoch's affiliate, Epoch Investment Partners UK, Ltd. ("Epoch UK") is located in the United Kingdom and is permissioned to conduct sales and client support in the United Kingdom. As of December 31, 2025, TD Epoch managed \$29.7 billion of client assets on a discretionary basis. TD Epoch is a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of The Toronto Dominion Bank ("TD"). TD is a publicly traded global financial services company.

Certain client accounts of TD Epoch are managed and supported by employees of both TD Epoch and TD Asset Management Inc. ("TDAM"), and some are based in Canada (or report to employees based in Canada). TDAM employees who perform advisory services to TD Epoch clients are deemed TD Epoch employees and are subject to supervision and oversight by TD Epoch. The strategies (fixed income and international equities) associated with these clients may be branded "TD Asset Management", "TDAM" or "TDGIS".

TD Epoch has been registered with the SEC as an investment adviser, under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, since May 2004. Registration with the SEC does not imply a certain level of skill or training. TD Epoch is also registered in Australia to conduct certain types of securities related activities.

### *Types of Advisory Services and Clients*

Investment advisory services are provided through direct relationships between us and our clients, through indirect relationships with clients maintained by third parties and through registered investment companies where we are retained as a sub-adviser. Clients who maintain direct relationships with TD Epoch may impose reasonable restrictions on investing in certain securities or certain types of securities. The registered investment companies that we sub-advice are managed in accordance with the fund's prospectus. TD Epoch is also the sponsor and investment manager of private funds (the "Private Funds") and an Undertakings for the Collective Investment in Transferable Securities ("UCITS"), which are each managed in accordance with their respective offering documents. The Firm generally does not tailor advisory services to the individual needs of investors in the Private Funds or the UCITS, and investors in these pooled vehicles may not impose restrictions on investing in certain securities or certain types of securities. Interests in the Private Funds are offered only to investors who meet certain eligibility conditions, which are fully set forth in the governing documents of each Private Fund. TD Epoch is also a sub-advisor to collective investment trust ("CITS").

***Wrap Fee Programs/Separately Managed Platform Programs***

In certain instances, TD Epoch is retained as the investment adviser under a wrap fee or similar program offered by the sponsor of a wrap program such as an investment adviser or broker-dealer ("Wrap Sponsor"). The Wrap Sponsor typically recommends retention of TD Epoch as investment adviser to manage assets in the program at the direction of the Wrap Sponsor. TD Epoch typically enters into an agreement only with the Wrap Sponsor and not the underlying participant in the wrap program. Typical wrap programs include a single bundled fee paid by the participant to the Wrap Sponsor for portfolio executions, custody and advisory services. A portion of the wrap fee paid to the Wrap Sponsor is then paid to TD Epoch for advisory services. While we attempt to manage the wrap fee program accounts similarly to other client accounts, at certain times, the wrap fee program accounts will be administered differently as discussed further throughout this document. The Wrap Sponsor is responsible to determine the suitability of our services and the wrap fee program for their clients. Depending upon the level of the wrap fee charged by a Wrap Sponsor, the amount of portfolio activity in a participant's account, the value of the custodial and other services that are provided under a wrap fee program and other factors, a participant should consider that the cost for a wrap fee program account may be more or less than if a participant were to purchase the investment advisory services and the investment products separately.

***Managed Account Programs***

Some of TD Epoch's clients are sponsors of unified managed account programs where TD Epoch provides recommendations regarding the purchase or sale of specific securities, at specific weights for each individual security, in a model portfolio. The sponsor of the unified managed account program pays TD Epoch a fee for providing the recommendations and will use these recommendations in managing the underlying client accounts for which the sponsor has discretionary authority; however, the decision regarding the timing and magnitude of portfolio executions including commissions and transaction fees rests solely with the sponsor. The model portfolios provided to the sponsors of the unified managed account programs are substantially similar to the model portfolios used by the Firm in its various strategies.

TD Epoch also provides model portfolios consisting of fixed income securities to certain sponsors. Because these sponsors have limited capability to execute fixed income transactions, TD Epoch provides trading and portfolio implementation services instead of the sponsor. Please see the disclosure documents for the sponsors for information regarding the services provided by TD Epoch.

## Item 5: Fees and Compensation

TD Epoch offers its investment advisory services for a percentage of assets under management and/or a performance-based fee. In addition to these fees, clients generally pay other fees and expenses in connection with our advisory services. Such expenses may include custodian fees or mutual fund expenses, brokerage and other transaction costs which are not paid to TD Epoch. In addition, investors in our Private Funds and UCITS incur certain fund expenses including the expenses of the funds' administrator and other fund service providers. The offering documents provide a more complete description of the fund expenses. Please see the section entitled *Brokerage Practices* for further information. Fees are payable quarterly in arrears or as otherwise agreed to by contract. We do not generally deduct fees from client separately managed accounts. Upon termination, a client will receive an invoice for any portion of the management fees outstanding and unpaid for the period up to the date of termination.

Fee and expense information regarding pooled investment vehicles, including any of the Private Funds and UCITS, are provided in each pooled vehicle's offering documents. Prospective investors should refer to these documents for a full explanation of the fees and expenses to be incurred.

The fees that TD Epoch receives from the sponsors of wrap programs may differ from the fees set forth below. Minimum account sizes, fees and fee structure and other conditions may be waived or modified in the future, and have been waived or modified in the past, at our discretion.

Our standard fee schedules<sup>1</sup> are as follows:

<b>U.S. All Cap Value: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>Fee</b>
First \$25 million	0.85%
Next \$25 million	0.70%
Next \$50 million	0.60%
Over \$100 million	0.55%

<b>U.S. Value: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>Fee</b>
First \$25 million	0.70%
Next \$25 million	0.60%
Next \$50 million	0.50%
Over \$100 million	0.45%

<sup>1</sup> Some strategies listed in this section are currently only available through investment in the Private Funds, CITS or UCITS. The offering documents for those funds contain information about strategies, risks, and fees.

<b>U.S. Small Cap Quality Value (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>Fee</b>
First \$50 million	0.80%
Next \$50 million	0.70%
Over \$100 million	0.65%

  

<b>U.S. Equity Shareholder Yield: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>Fee</b>
First \$50 million	0.60%
Next \$50 million	0.50%
Over \$100 million	0.40%

  

<b>U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.55%
Next \$50 million	0.45%
Over \$100 million	0.40%

  

<b>U.S. Choice: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.65%
Next \$50 million	0.55%
Over \$100 million	0.45%

  

<b>Global Equity Shareholder Yield: (Minimum \$50 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.70%
Next \$50 million	0.60%
Over \$100 million	0.50%

  

<b>Global Choice: (Minimum \$50 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.85%
Next \$50 million	0.75%
Over \$100 million	0.65%

  

<b>Global Quality Capital Reinvestment: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.60%
Next \$50 million	0.50%
Over \$100 million	0.40%

  

<b>Non-U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.60%
Next \$50 million	0.50%
Over \$100 million	0.40%

**Non-U.S. Equity Choice: (Minimum \$50 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$50 million	0.70%
Next \$50 million	0.60%
Over \$100 million	0.50%

**TD Global Equity Focused: (Minimum \$50 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$20 million	0.70%
Next \$80 million	0.65%
Over \$100 million	0.55%

**TD US Equity Focused: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$20 million	0.55%
Next \$80 million	0.45%
Over \$100 million	0.40%

**TD US Dividend Growth: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$20 million	0.50%
Next \$80 million	0.46%
Over \$100 million	0.41%

**TD Greystone US Equity: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$20 million	0.35%
Next \$80 million	0.25%
Over \$100 million	0.15%

**TD Global Low Volatility: (Minimum \$50 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$20 million	0.25%
Next \$80 million	0.15%
Over \$100 million	0.12%

**Short Term Fixed Income: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$25 million	0.20%
Next \$75 million	0.15%
Balance over \$100 million	0.06%

**US Core Fixed Income: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)**

<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$25 million	0.25%
Next \$75 million	0.15%
Balance over \$100 million	0.06%

<b>US All Corporate Fixed Income: (Minimum \$25 million separate account)</b>	
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>FEE</b>
First \$25 million	0.25%
Next \$75 million	0.15%
Balance over \$100 million	0.06%

***Fixed Income Model Portfolio Fees***

For our fixed income model portfolio business, we receive a portion of the all-inclusive fee, ranging from 0.12% to 0.25%, that clients pay to the sponsor for creating and maintaining fixed income model portfolios.

**Item 6: Performance-Based Fees and Side-by-Side Management**

TD Epoch currently has client relationships where it receives performance-based fees. Performance-based fee arrangements create potential conflicts of interest by creating an incentive to allocate investments having a greater potential for higher returns to client accounts paying a performance fee. To prevent conflicts of interest associated with managing accounts with different compensation structures, TD Epoch requires portfolio decisions to be made on a strategy specific basis and without consideration of the Firm's pecuniary or business interests. Subject to certain limited exceptions, we require pre-allocation of client orders based on specific fee-neutral criteria. Additionally, we require average pricing of all aggregated orders. Finally, we have adopted a policy prohibiting all employees, including portfolio managers, from placing the investment interests of any client above the investment interests of any other client with the same or similar investment objectives.

## **Item 7: Types of Clients**

TD Epoch provides investment advisory services to clients, including but not limited to:

- Corporations and other institutions
- Pension and profit-sharing plans
- Endowments and charitable organizations
- Foundations
- Sub-advisory relationships which include SEC registered funds, and collective investment funds offered outside of the U.S.
- UCITS
- Privately offered funds

Client accounts are managed by strategy in accordance with investment objectives, guidelines and restrictions selected by the client or in accordance with the offering documents of funds that TD Epoch manages. TD Epoch's minimum account size for equity separately managed accounts ranges from \$25 million to \$50 million depending on the strategy. Accounts managed in our fixed income model portfolios begin at a minimum investment of \$100,000. Account minimums in either equity or fixed income strategies may be waived in our sole discretion.

Mutual funds sub-advised by TD Epoch may impose minimum initial investment and subsequent investment amounts as stated in their offering documents. The pooled vehicles that we sub-advise may impose minimum initial and subsequent investment amounts as stated in their offering documents.

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

### ***General Description - Equities***

We currently offer several U.S., and non-U.S. and global long-only equity strategies. Some are diversified while others are concentrated.

### ***Equity Strategy Descriptions***

#### **U.S. All Cap Value:**

Our U.S. All Cap Value strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a portfolio of approximately 50-60 U.S. publicly traded companies across a broad range of market capitalizations. As part of our fundamental investment process with a long-term orientation, we select companies based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders. Our bottom-up security selection process is balanced with diversification and risk control measures designed to achieve below-average portfolio volatility.

#### **U.S. Value:**

Our U.S. Value strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a portfolio of approximately 40-60 large capitalization U.S. publicly traded companies. As part of our fundamental investment process with a long-term orientation, we select companies based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders. Our bottom-up security selection process is balanced with diversification and risk control measures designed to achieve below-average portfolio volatility.

#### **U.S. Small Cap Quality Value:**

Our U.S. Small Cap Quality Value strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a portfolio of approximately 60-90 small capitalization U.S. publicly traded companies. As part of our fundamental investment process with a long-term orientation, we select companies based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders. Our bottom-up security selection process is balanced with diversification and risk control measures designed to achieve below-average portfolio volatility.

#### **U.S. Equity Shareholder Yield**

Our U.S. Equity Shareholder Yield strategy pursues attractive total returns with an above-average level of income by investing in a diversified portfolio of U.S. publicly traded companies with strong and growing free cash flow. Companies in the portfolio possess management teams that focus on creating value for shareholders through consistent and rational capital allocation policies with an emphasis on cash dividends, share repurchases and debt reduction—the key components of shareholder yield. The portfolio generally holds between 75 to 120 U.S. companies, with risk controls to diversify the sources of shareholder yield and minimize volatility.

**U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment:**

Our U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy focuses on companies that reinvest in their businesses to grow free cash flow. This strategy seeks companies that are good capital allocators, and that use capital effectively to fund internal projects or to make acquisitions. Our research indicates that companies that make investments, internally or externally, that generate a marginal return on invested capital that exceeds their marginal cost of capital will increase in value. The U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy pursues attractive total returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of these companies with persistent, high return on invested capital (ROIC) which is achieved through their allocation to the growth-oriented uses of free cash flow, namely investment in internal projects and acquisitions. The portfolio generally holds between 75 to 120 U.S. companies, with risk controls to diversify the sources of growth and reduce volatility.

**U.S. Choice:**

Our U.S. Choice strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a concentrated portfolio of leading U.S. companies that we believe have superior risk-reward profiles. Our bottom-up security selection and risk management process leads to a portfolio of approximately 20 to 35 stocks. The portfolio reflects the highest conviction ideas of our investment team as appropriate for a concentrated portfolio. Companies are selected based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently to benefit shareholders.

**Global Equity Shareholder Yield:**

Our Global Equity Shareholder Yield strategy pursues attractive total returns with an above-average level of income by investing in a diversified portfolio of global companies with strong and growing free cash flow. Companies in the portfolio possess management teams that focus on creating value for shareholders through consistent and rational capital allocation policies with an emphasis on cash dividends, share repurchases and debt reduction—the key components of shareholder yield. The portfolio generally holds between 90 to 120 stocks from equity markets worldwide, with risk controls to diversify the sources of shareholder yield and minimize volatility.

**Global Choice**

Our Global Choice strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a concentrated portfolio of global businesses that we believe have superior risk-reward profiles. Our bottom-up security selection and risk management process leads to a portfolio of approximately 25 to 35 stocks. The portfolio reflects the highest conviction ideas of our investment team as appropriate for a concentrated portfolio. Companies are selected based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently to benefit shareholders.

**Global Quality Capital Reinvestment:**

Our Global Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy focuses on companies that reinvest in their businesses to grow free cash flow. We seek companies that are good capital allocators, and that use capital effectively to fund internal projects or to make acquisitions. Our research indicates that companies that make investments, internally or externally, that generate a marginal return on invested capital that exceeds their marginal cost of capital will increase in value. The Global Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy pursues attractive total returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of these companies with persistent, high return on invested capital (ROIC) which is achieved through their allocation to the growth-oriented uses of free cash flow, namely investment in internal projects and acquisitions. The portfolio generally holds between 90 to 130 stocks from public equity markets worldwide, with risk controls to diversify the sources of growth and reduce volatility.

**Non-U.S. Equity Choice:**

Non-U.S. Equity Choice strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a concentrated portfolio of approximately 30 to 50 companies outside the U.S. As fundamental investors with a long-term orientation, we select companies based on their ability to generate free cash flow and allocate it intelligently for the benefit of shareholders. The portfolio reflects the highest conviction ideas of our investment team as appropriate for a concentrated portfolio.

**Non-U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment:**

Our Non-U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy focuses on companies that reinvest in their businesses to grow free cash flow. We seek companies that are good capital allocators, using capital effectively to either fund internal projects or make acquisitions. Our research indicates that companies that make investments, internally or externally and generate a marginal return on invested capital that exceeds their marginal cost of capital will increase in value. The Non-U.S. Quality Capital Reinvestment strategy pursues attractive total returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of these companies with persistent, high return on invested capital (ROIC) which is achieved through their allocation to the growth-oriented uses of free cash flow, namely investment in internal projects and acquisitions. The portfolio generally holds between 75 to 100 stocks from equity markets outside the United States, with risk controls to diversify the sources of growth and reduce volatility.

**TD Global Equity Focused**

Our Global Equity Focused strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in a global, concentrated portfolio of "quality compounders" companies with industry leadership, high returns on invested capital, and robust fundamentals. The investment team uses fundamental analysis to identify companies in secular growth sectors with underestimated cash flow generation, focusing on issuers with the ability to profitably generate and grow free cash flow. The portfolio generally holds between 50-60 global companies, with risk controls to diversify across sectors and industries to ensure no single risk factor or company drives performance.

**TD U.S. Equity Focused**

Our U.S. Equity Focused strategy pursues rates of total return that exceed a broad market index over the longer term by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of large-capitalization U.S. stocks. Stock selection is predominantly a bottom-up process driven by a fundamental free cash flow growth-oriented approach, while paying attention to macroeconomic and industry trends. With a main focus on growth through capital appreciation, the portfolio typically holds between 25-40 companies, emphasizing large-cap issuers that are generally members of the S&P 100 Index.

**TD U.S. Dividend Growth**

Our U.S. Dividend Growth strategy seeks to earn income and moderate capital growth by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of income-producing securities of issuers in the United States. The strategy focuses on common share investments in companies that are expected to pay out increasing dividends over time. The portfolio generally holds between 40-80 companies, ensuring concentration in dividend-paying issuers while maintaining diversification across a minimum of 6 sectors.

**TD Greystone U.S. Equity**

Our Greystone U.S. Equity strategy seeks superior long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of U.S. common stocks. The actively managed approach focuses on companies that can sustain strong earnings growth, placing emphasis on earnings quality and financial strength. The investment process utilizes modeling analytics of stock and sector contributions to optimize risk exposures relative to the benchmark. The portfolio generally holds between 30-60 companies with a market capitalization of at least \$500 million at the time of purchase.

**TD Global Low Volatility**

Our Global Low Volatility strategy pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities of issuers located anywhere in the world. The strategy aims to provide better risk-adjusted returns than the broad market index, targeting similar long-term returns with less volatility. The investment team optimizes the portfolio by overweighting equities expected to deliver less volatile returns while underweighting or excluding those expected to deliver higher volatility. The fund is broadly diversified, maintaining a minimum of 100 holdings, with a target beta of less than 1.0 at all times.

***Fixed Income Strategy Descriptions***

We manage assets according to a variety of strategies and invest in fixed income instruments across the spectrum of duration. Our approach to portfolio construction is disciplined and focuses on sector allocation, yield curve analysis and credit quality.

In formulating investment advice, we use various methods of security analysis. Our fixed income investment philosophy is based upon strong and independent credit research. Proprietary research is vital to our investment process and forms the basis for all our investment decisions. Credit research analysts rely on a broad range of information when evaluating an issuer's credit quality, including financial strength, management capabilities and market position. Portfolio managers work closely together with credit research analysts to develop investment ideas and apply our investment philosophy consistently across our strategies.

We use third-party written reports, prepared by recognized analysts who are specialists in a particular industry, but ultimately, we form our own conclusions about an issuer's credit quality. In addition, we use statistical and other information published by industry and government sources and engage in telephone communications and/or meetings with professionals within a particular industry.

**Significant Investment Risks**

There can be no assurance that any TD Epoch investment strategy will achieve its investment objectives. Our assessment of the short-term or long-term prospects for investments may not prove accurate. No assurance can be given that any investment strategy implemented by us on behalf of our clients will be successful and there is a risk that clients may suffer a significant loss of their invested capital. Investing in securities involves the risk of loss that clients should be prepared to bear. The following list of risk factors is not a complete list of the risks of investing in the strategies described above. Clients who are investing in a mutual fund sub-advised by TD Epoch should refer to the fund's prospectus and SAI for additional risk disclosure. Clients who are investing in our Private Funds, CITs and UCITS should refer to the offering documents for each fund for additional risk disclosure.

**Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk is the possibility that there will not be a market or there will be a limited market to sell the securities that are held in an account at a reasonable price or at any price. Some securities are or may become illiquid because of legal or market restrictions, the nature of the investment itself, settlement terms, a shortage of buyers or other reasons. Generally, investments with lower liquidity tend to have more dramatic price changes, wider spreads between the bid and ask price and may subject the holder to losses or additional costs.

**Suspension of Trading Risk**

Securities exchanges typically have the right to delist, suspend or limit trading in any instrument traded on the exchange. A suspension would render it impossible to liquidate positions and could expose an account to losses.

**Specialization Risk**

Accounts may invest primarily in or have exposure to companies in particular industries or particular geographic areas of the world. If the particular industry or geographic region prospers, the outlook for companies in that industry or geographic region will generally increase, as may the value of the accounts that invest in or have exposure to them. Conversely, if the particular industry or geographic region experiences a downturn, the outlook for companies in that industry or geographic region will generally decline, as may the value of the accounts that invest in or have exposure to them. In addition, the account may suffer because it has relatively few other investments within other industries or geographic areas to offset the downturn.

**Tax Risk**

Tax laws and regulations applicable to an account or fund may change, which may result in potential tax liabilities. Clients should consult their own tax advisors to determine the potential tax-related consequences of investing through an account or in a fund.

**Foreign Securities Risk**

Investments in foreign securities involves risks relating to political, social and economic developments abroad, as well as risks resulting from the differences between the regulations to which U.S. and foreign issuers are subject. These risks include expropriation, differing accounting and disclosure standards, currency exchange risks, settlement difficulties, market illiquidity, difficulties enforcing legal rights and greater transaction costs.

**Currency Risk**

Changes in currency exchange rates or the imposition of foreign exchange controls may negatively affect the value of any securities with foreign currency exposure held by an account. For example, if the U.S. dollar rises in value relative to another currency, an account's holding in that non-US currency will be worth less in U.S. dollars. On the other hand, if the U.S. dollar falls in relation to another currency, an account's holdings that are valued in that currency will be worth more in U.S. dollars.

**Issuer Specific Risks**

The value of individual security can be more volatile than the market as a whole and can perform differently from the market. An account could lose all of its investment in a company.

**Concentration Risk**

The investment objectives of an account may permit concentration in one or more issuers. A relatively high concentration of assets in, or exposure to, a single or small number of issuers may reduce the diversification and/or liquidity of an account and increase its volatility.

**Cybersecurity Risk**

TD Epoch's technology systems, and those of our critical third-party service providers such as administrators, custodians and auditors, may be vulnerable to damage or interruption from computer viruses, network failures, computer and telecommunications failures, infiltration by unauthorized persons and security breaches, usage errors by their respective professionals, power outages and catastrophic events such as fires, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes and earthquakes. Although we have implemented various measures to manage risks relating to these types of events, if our systems or those of our service providers are compromised, become inoperable or cease to function properly, the Firm and its affected advisory clients may have to make a significant investment to fix or replace them. The failure of these systems and/or of a disaster recovery plan for any reason could cause a significant interruption in the operations of the Firm and its clients and result in a failure to maintain the security, confidentiality or privacy of sensitive data, including personal information relating to clients. Such a failure could harm a person's reputation and subject the Firm to legal claims, regulatory fines and impair business and financial performance.

## Geopolitical/Economic Risk

International and global mandates invest in diverse countries and economies throughout the globe. Investments in the securities of non-U.S. issuers are subject to the risks associated with non-U.S. markets in which those non-U.S. issuers are organized and operate, including but not limited to, risks related to foreign currency, limited liquidity, less government regulation, privatization, and the possibility of substantial volatility due to adverse political, economic, geographic events, or other developments, differences in accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, the possibility of repatriation, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, adverse changes in investment or exchange controls or other regulations, international sanctions impacting ownership and trading and potential restrictions on the flow of international capital.

## Environmental Social and Governance ("ESG") Risk

Epoch's approach is to consider environmental, social and governance factors in a manner that is consistent with our fiduciary obligations to act in the best interests of our clients. This approach is aligned with the Firm's overall investment philosophy. As part of our investment analysis process on behalf of TD Epoch clients, investment professionals will take environmental, social and governance factors into consideration, as appropriate, subject to clients' investment guidelines, TD Epoch's investment strategy objectives and applicable laws. As the Firm's consideration of environmental, social and governance factors focuses on financial materiality, not all factors are relevant to a particular investment, asset class, or strategy. In addition, our consideration of environmental, social and governance factors depends on the availability and sufficiency of relevant information. Therefore, environmental, social and governance factors may not be considered, either in the same manner or at all, for each and every investment decision. Furthermore, we recognize there is evolving regulatory requirements and market demands relating to the consideration of environmental, social and governance factors. Accordingly, our policies and related procedures may change as the Firm's judgments concerning its regulatory obligations and market demands change. TD Epoch's consideration of environmental, social and governance factors, including when clients' investment guidelines require us to do so, may not reflect the same criteria as those used by our clients or fund investors, as such factors may involve criteria subject to varied interpretations and standards. In addition, a company's relevant practices, or our assessment of such practices, may change over time. In many cases, TD Epoch must rely on third-party information and data on environmental, social and governance matters, which may be incomplete or inaccurate, and which could cause TD Epoch to incorrectly assess a company's environmental, social and governance practices.

## Regulatory Risk

Laws and regulations affecting our business change from time to time, and we are currently operating in an environment of significant global regulatory reform. We cannot predict the effects, if any, of future legal and regulatory changes on our business or the services we provide.

**Model Risk**

We use quantitative tools to complement our fundamental research processes to analyze securities and to help us to make investment decisions. These models may be flawed or incomplete and may not produce the desired results.

**Data Source Risk**

We use information from third party data sources in our business. The data sources we use may be incorrect or contain errors. In addition, the data source providers, such as an index provider, to provide the data in a timely basis may negatively impact the management of an account.

**Artificial Intelligence ("AI") Risk**

As part of our investment process, we may rely on programs and systems that utilize AI, machine learning, probabilistic modeling, and other technologies ("AI Tools"). AI Tools are complex, and may be flawed, hallucinate, reflect biases included in the data on which such tools are trained, be of poor quality, or be flawed. While we typically incorporate human oversight to reduce the risk of acting on potentially defective outputs from AUI, we can assure that the human oversight would detect issues with the AI Tools because of their complexity. AI Tools present Data Sources Risk, Cybersecurity Risk, and Model Risk (as further described in this Brochure). The U.S. and global legal and regulatory environment relating to the use of AI Tools is uncertain and rapidly evolving and could require changes in our implementation of AI Tools and increase compliance costs and the risk of noncompliance. Further, we may rely on AI Tools developed by third parties, and the Adviser may have limited visibility over the accuracy and completeness of such AI Tools.

**Derivatives Risk**

Derivatives are financial instruments where the value depends on, or is derived from, the value of an underlying asset, reference rate or index. A variety of derivatives may be available to an account, depending on the type of account and the applicable investment guidelines. To the extent that an account uses options, futures, swaps, currency forwards, and other derivatives, it is exposed to additional volatility and potential losses resulting from leverage. If the use of derivatives is authorized for the client consistent with the investment strategy, we may use derivatives, among other things, to seek to: (i) manage or establish exposure to changes in interest rates, securities prices, and foreign currencies; (ii) efficiently increase or decrease a portfolio's overall exposure to a specific part or broad segment of the market; (iii) enhance income; (iv) protect the value of portfolio securities; and (v) facilitate cash management. Losses to an account may exceed the initial investment in the derivatives contract. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets. Derivatives can be highly volatile, illiquid, and difficult to value. In addition, the counterparty to a derivatives contract may not fulfill its contractual obligations or may refuse to cash out a derivatives contract at a price which is reasonable. To the extent a party to a derivatives contract has posted collateral to secure its obligations, such collateral may be insufficient to cover its obligations and there could be difficulties or delays in

accessing such collateral. Regulatory requirements in the US or globally could limit the availability of, restrict the use of, or increase the costs associated with, derivative transactions.

### ***Material Risks for Equity Strategies***

#### **Equity Risk**

The principal risk of investing in the equity strategies managed by TD Epoch is equity risk. Equity risk is the risk that the prices of the securities held by a client will fall due to general market and economic conditions, perceptions regarding the industries in which the companies issuing the securities participate and the issuer company's particular circumstances. The types of stocks in which a portfolio invests may underperform the market as a whole. Many of TD Epoch's strategies invest in companies that pay dividends. Dividends on common stocks are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of an issuer's board of directors. There is no guarantee that the issuers of common stocks in which a portfolio invests will declare dividends in the future or that if declared they will remain at current levels or increase over time.

#### **Large Capitalization Risks**

Large, established companies may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges such as changes in technology and consumer tastes. Many large companies may not be able to attain the high growth rate of successful smaller companies, especially during extended periods of economic expansion.

#### **Small and Mid-Capitalization Risks**

Investment in securities of small and medium-sized companies may involve greater risks than investing in larger, more established issuers. Small and medium-sized companies typically have relatively lower revenues, limited product lines and lack of management depth and may have a smaller share of the market for their product or service than large companies. Stocks with smaller capitalizations tend to have less trading volume than stocks with large capitalizations. Less trading volume may make it more difficult for our portfolio managers to sell securities of small- and mid- capitalization companies at quoted market prices. There are periods when investing in small- and mid-capitalization stocks fall out of favor with investors and the stocks of small- and mid- capitalization companies underperform.

#### **Emerging Markets Risks**

Securities of companies located in emerging markets may be more volatile than those companies located in developed markets. By definition, markets, economies, legal systems, and government institutions are generally less developed in emerging market countries. Investing in securities of companies in emerging markets may entail special risks relating to the potential for social instability and the risks of expropriation, nationalization or confiscation. Investors may also face the imposition of restrictions on foreign investment or the repatriation of capital and a lack of hedging instruments.

***Material Risks for Fixed Income Strategies***

The value of an investment in a fixed income strategy may change in response to changes in interest rates. An increase in interest rates typically causes a fall in the value of the debt securities in which the strategy invests. The longer the duration of a debt security, the more its value typically falls in response to an increase in interest rates. The value of an investment in a fixed income strategy may change in response to the credit ratings of the strategy's portfolio of debt securities. The degree of risk for a particular security may be reflected in its credit rating. Typically, investment risk and price volatility increase as a security's credit rating declines. The financial condition of an issuer of a debt security held by a strategy may cause it to default or become unable to pay interest or principal due on the security. A strategy cannot collect interest and principal payments on a debt security if the issuer defaults. Certain fixed income securities held by a strategy may be difficult (or impossible) to sell at the time and at the price the portfolio manager seeks to obtain. As a result, a strategy may have to hold these securities longer than it would like and may forego other investment opportunities. There is the possibility that a strategy may lose money or be prevented from realizing capital gains if it cannot sell a security at a particular time and price.

Certain securities, such as asset-backed securities, may be affected by the credit risk of the servicing agent for the pool, the originator of the loans or receivables, or the financial institution(s) providing the credit support. Asset-backed securities are also subject to prepayment risk which during periods of declining interest rates, prepayment of loans underlying asset-backed securities can be expected to accelerate or an issuer may retire an outstanding bond early to reduce interest costs.

## Item 9: Disciplinary Information

On August 14, 2024, the SEC issued an order, pursuant to an offer of settlement, containing findings that Epoch Investment Partners Inc ("TD Epoch") (and an affiliated broker dealer, TD Securities (USA) LLC ("TD Securities"), and an affiliated investment adviser and broker dealer, TD Private Client Wealth LLC ("TDPCW") (collectively the TD Entities)): (1) failed to preserve off-channel communications related to TD Epoch's business in willful violation of Section 204 of the Advisers Act and Rule 204-2 thereunder; and, (2) failed to reasonably supervise its employees with a view to preventing these violations. This settlement was a part of the SEC's longstanding industrywide investigation into whether broker-dealers and investment advisers were properly retaining business related messages sent and received on personal electronic devices.

TD Epoch admitted to the facts in the SEC's order, acknowledged that its conduct violated the federal securities laws, and agreed to: (1) cease and desist from committing or causing violations of Section 204 of the Advisers Act and Rule 204-2 thereunder; (2) be censured; (3) jointly and severally with TD Securities and TDPCW, pay a civil monetary penalty in the amount of \$30,000,000; in this regard, pursuant to an internal assessment of the volume of off channel communications attributable to TD Epoch, the TD Entities agreed that the amount of \$895,000 of the monetary penalty would be allocated to TD Epoch; and (4) comply with certain undertakings related to the retention of electronic communications.

In its order, the SEC acknowledged the cooperation afforded the SEC staff and the remedial efforts taken by TD Epoch and its affiliates. The SEC's order also noted: (1) the enhancement of policies and procedures; (2) increased training concerning the use of approved communication methods; and (3) the implementation of changes to the technology available to personnel by the TD Entities. In the ordinary course of its business, TD, and its affiliates including TD Epoch, and/or other TD personnel, have in the past been, and may in the future be, subject to periodic audits, examinations, claims, litigation, formal and informal regulatory or other inquiries, requests for information, subpoenas, employment-related matters, disputes, investigations, and other civil, legal or regulatory proceedings involving the SEC, other regulatory authorities, or private parties. Such actions, investigations, litigation and claims have the potential to result in findings, conclusions, settlements, charges or various forms of sanctions, including fines, suspensions of personnel, changes in policies, procedures or disclosure or other sanctions which may have ramifications to TD and its affiliates and persons or entities they do business with including potential liabilities and to legal, compliance and other related costs.

In the ordinary course of its business, TD, and its affiliates including TD Epoch, and/or other TD personnel, have in the past been, and may in the future be, subject to periodic audits, examinations, claims, litigation, formal and informal regulatory or other inquiries, requests for information, subpoenas, employment-related matters, disputes, investigations, and other civil, legal or regulatory proceedings involving the SEC, other regulatory authorities, or private parties. Such actions, investigations, litigation and claims have the potential to result in findings, conclusions, settlements, charges or various forms of sanctions, including fines, suspensions of personnel, changes in policies, procedures or disclosure or other sanctions which may have ramifications to TD and its affiliates and persons or entities they do business with including potential liabilities and to legal, compliance and other related costs.

## **Item 10: Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations**

As noted above, TD Epoch is a wholly owned subsidiary of TD. TD has several subsidiaries engaged in the financial services industry such as retail and commercial banking, securities trading and investment banking and asset management. TD Epoch is affiliated with SEC registered and non-SEC registered investment advisers, located both within and outside the U.S. We are also affiliated with TD Asset Management Inc. ("TDAM") and serve as sub-advisor to some of its clients and to its funds registered in Canada. We are deemed to be an affiliated person of these funds due to our role as their sub-advisor, but we are not the investment manager of these funds.

TD Epoch has material business relationships with TD and certain other affiliates of TD. Often personnel from these entities work together to manage accounts and provide related services, including client liaison, investment monitoring, account administration, investment research, and trade execution services.

### ***Material Relationships with Related Persons***

TD has issued securities to the public in the US and Canada. We are permitted to purchase securities of TD for our clients' accounts subject to regulatory requirements and our clients' consent where required.

TD Private Client Wealth LLC ("TDPCW"), an affiliated broker-dealer and investment adviser in the US, offers separately managed accounts under which clients pay a single fee for asset management, custody and brokerage services. We provide model portfolios for clients in this program. We receive compensation for managing these products based upon a percentage of the assets invested in each product. These conflicts are minimized as TDPCW will only recommend an affiliated product that has been approved by TDPCW's Wealth Investment Risk Oversight Committee and when doing so is in a client's best interest, based on the client's investment objectives and financial circumstances. In addition, clients of TDPCW have the ability to direct TDPCW not to invest their assets in affiliated products.

In providing investment management services and advice, we draw on TDAM's personnel, resources and experience through an arrangement which provides us with TDAM's advice and/or investment research for use with certain US clients. TDAM acts as a "participating affiliate" in

accordance with SEC staff guidance from a series of SEC staff no-action letters and interpretative guidance, under which TDAM shares portfolio management and other personnel with us.<sup>2</sup> These TDAM personnel generally perform a variety of functions for TD Epoch including providing investment management services and, relatedly, executing trades for TD Epoch clients. In addition, TDAM may recommend to its clients, or invest on behalf of its clients in, securities that are the subject of our recommendations to, or discretionary trading on behalf of, our US clients. In some instances, this advice is provided by persons who are dual personnel of both advisers. Personnel of TDAM providing these services to TD Epoch clients are subject to various policies and procedures in connection with these services. Please see Item 11 for additional information.

We also share trading policies and procedures with TDAM for certain strategies. Canadian law may in some instances require TDAM to implement different procedures applicable to non-U.S. clients. Where policies --and procedures can be shared, it increases our operational efficiency and regulatory compliance by ensuring that portfolio managers, traders and other advisory personnel are subject to the same requirements in both firms unless legally required to do otherwise. All TDAM personnel who participate in our advisory activities are deemed to be "supervised persons" of TD Epoch.

We provide TD Bank, N.A., ("TD Bank"), an affiliated U.S. bank, with fixed income model portfolios for its clients and provide trading services for these client accounts. We receive compensation for providing these models based upon a percentage of the assets invested in each underlying account. These conflicts are minimized as TD Bank will only recommend an affiliated product that has been approved by TD Bank's Product Review Committee and when doing so is in a client's best interest, based on the client's investment objectives and financial circumstances. In addition, clients of TD Bank have the ability to direct TD Bank not to invest their assets in affiliated products.

TD Epoch is also affiliated with Epoch UK which is authorized and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. TD Epoch also relies upon other affiliated and non-affiliated entities to conduct sales and marketing of its products and services outside of the United States.

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<sup>2</sup> TD Epoch relies on SEC staff guidance with respect to a registered adviser's non-U.S. affiliate sharing personnel with the registered adviser and/or providing investment advice to U.S. clients through the registered adviser.

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

TD Epoch has a Code of Ethics<sup>3</sup> ("Code") that sets forth guidelines regarding the conduct of the Firm and its employees. The Code, among other things, contains policies and procedures that address actual and potential conflicts of interest that exist when TD Epoch employees purchase or sell securities for their personal accounts. The Code generally requires that all transactions in securities by TD Epoch employees and their immediate family members be pre-cleared by the compliance department, subject to certain exceptions, prior to placing the order. The Code contains policies and procedures that include but are not limited to: a) prohibiting our employees and their immediate family members residing in the same household from buying or selling securities on the same day that the same security is bought or sold for a client; b) preventing short-term trading (through a minimum holding period requirement); c) limiting the number of personal trade pre-clearance requests during any calendar quarter subject to exception; and d) the use of material non-public information. Securities transactions for the personal accounts of our employees and their immediate family members are subject to quarterly reporting requirements, annual holdings disclosure and annual certification requirements. In addition, the Code requires TD Epoch and its employees to act in the best interests of advisory clients. A copy of TD Epoch's Code is available by request by contacting us at the address on the cover page.

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<sup>3</sup> Certain employees of TD Asset Management who are also deemed employees of TD Epoch are on a separate Code of Conduct (TD Asset Management US Code of Conduct) that is subject to TD Epoch oversight. A copy of the TD Asset Management US Code of Conduct is available upon request by contacting TD Epoch at the address on the cover page.

## Item 12: Brokerage Practices

### *Brokerage Selection*

In selecting broker-dealers to execute portfolio transactions, TD Epoch seeks to obtain the best combination of net price and execution for client accounts. At times we have an incentive to select or recommend a broker-dealer based on receiving research or other eligible products or services from the broker-dealer, rather than on receiving the lowest execution price. However, in all instances, the primary consideration when placing an order with a broker is overall best execution. We consider other factors as part of our brokerage selection criteria, including the quality and capability of the research and execution services that enhance our investment research, portfolio management, and trading capabilities. With regard to these services, we consider many factors, including, but not limited to:

- The broker-dealer's research coverage of sectors and companies
- The ability to provide access to issuers or conferences
- Timing and accuracy of information
- Execution capabilities, including the ability to accept orders via electronic communications
- The ability to execute effectively in the target company, issuer or market
- Activities related to matching, clearance, confirmation, settlement, liquidity and security price
- The willingness to commit capital
- Confidentiality
- Commission rate
- The availability of inventory for the particular trade
- The broker-dealer's ability to execute the desired volume

One measurement of the effectiveness of our equity trading strategy, is a comparison of our executions against data compiled by a third-party independent consultant. This data is reviewed periodically by the relevant investment team to ensure that our trading strategy is working, and the brokers are providing the best possible executions. In addition, we use a voting system whereby TD Epoch rates brokers to assist in determining commission allocations. Votes are taken semiannually by investment professionals and discussed among our investment personnel and our traders. Factors affecting such votes include the quality and quantity of research provided, assistance with access to management and management meetings, and value of sales coverage by the broker.

On a periodic basis, TD Epoch's Compliance Department, in consultation with TD Epoch's Trading Desk, reviews the execution capabilities of certain brokers who receive votes and budget allocations. If execution issues arise with any broker, the traders may put the broker on a watch-list or a restricted list. We generally consider the amount and nature of research, execution and other services provided by broker-dealers, as well as the extent to which these services are relied on. We attempt to allocate a portion of the brokerage business on the basis of these considerations.

<sup>4</sup> The execution capabilities for the TDAM strategies are reviewed periodically by the Best Execution Sub-Committee of the Trade Management Oversight Committee (“TMOC”). TMOC has a broad representation within TD Asset Management and acts as a framework for oversight on conflict-of-interest matters relating to trading, as well as our overall trading processes. Quarterly TMOC meetings are held during which members evaluate and approve the addition or deletion of broker-dealers on the Approved Brokers list, assess and approve trading policies and provide oversight over the Best Execution Sub-Committees.

Neither the research services nor the amount of brokerage given to a particular broker-dealer are a part of any agreement or commitment that would bind us to compensate any broker-dealer for research provided. We attempt to allocate sufficient commissions to broker-dealers that have provided us with research we believe is useful to our research process and thus more or less than the suggested allocations.

TD Epoch generally routes a portion of its orders to brokers for execution electronically (either directly to a broker or trading floor, or through various ECN/matching networks). These services typically provide low-cost commissions as well as high quality executions and anonymity in the market. TD Epoch's Trading Desk<sup>5</sup> reviews the current trading budget, as well as how commission dollars were spent during the previous quarter.

### ***Brokerage Selection – Fixed Income***

For fixed income transactions, brokerage allocation is primarily based on the broker-dealer's order execution capabilities, focusing on availability of inventory and pricing. Trades executed directly with a dealer in a security, such as transactions in most fixed income securities, are charged dealer mark-ups or mark-downs rather than commissions. Over-the counter trades with brokers may result in commissions on top of dealer mark-ups or mark-downs. Trades that could be executed with a market-maker are executed on an agency basis only when we believe that agency execution will be more favorable to the client than going directly to a market-maker.

Our traders are permitted to place fixed income trades with an affiliated broker-dealer, so long as the trader believes that the costs and execution of such trades are comparable to and competitive with other brokers on the Approved Brokers list and trade-by-trade client consent is obtained as required by law and subject to applicable regulatory regulations. We seek to obtain best execution on all such transactions.

### ***Trade Error Correction***

A trade error is an error in the placement, execution or settlement of a transaction. We aim to correct trade errors promptly, in a manner that does not disadvantage the client, and not through the use of client brokerage commissions. When a trade error occurs, a client will keep any resulting gain, or we will reimburse the client for any material loss. Certain clients<sup>6</sup> may not be reimbursed for errors when the impact is not material, which is currently a threshold set at less than \$100. Where more than one transaction is involved in an error, the gain will be determined net of any associated loss. We will not however, offset a loss from one client against a gain from another client account. We review errors on a regular basis for appropriate mitigation and resolution. loss from one client against a gain from another client account. We review errors on a regular basis for appropriate mitigation and resolution. loss from one client against a gain from another client account. We review errors on a regular basis for appropriate mitigation and resolution.

<sup>5</sup> For TDAM, the Trade Management Oversight Committee "TMOC" and the Best Execution Sub- Committee of TMOC, meet on a quarterly basis to review overall trade execution and trading processes.

<sup>6</sup> This applies to the TDAM strategies and is in Canadian dollars.

***Research and Other Soft Dollar Benefits***

The term “soft dollars” is generally defined as the practice whereby an adviser causes a discretionary client to pay a brokerage commission that is in excess of what another broker might have charged for effecting the same transaction, in recognition of the value of the brokerage and/or research products and services provided by the specific broker. In situations where TD Epoch chooses to utilize soft dollars, TD Epoch has negotiated commission arrangements or sharing arrangements (“CAs”) with several large, well known unaffiliated brokerage firms. The CA can be linked to the electronic trading venues of these brokers, and the negotiated commission rates for these arrangements are comparable to those for full-service brokers. Pursuant to the CA, a predetermined portion of the commission goes toward execution of the trade and the remainder is applied to a commission credit account which is used to pay for eligible third-party soft dollar services as described below (the “Services”). We sometimes compensate brokers through CA rather than directing trades to the proprietary trading desks of these brokers who are providing Services.

The Services we receive often benefit multiple clients, including those whose commissions were not used to purchase the Service including accounts we manage for our affiliates.

All Services paid with CAs qualify for the safe harbor in Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such Services include but not limited to:

- Research reports on companies, industries and securities
- Economic and financial data
- Financial publications
- Web or computer-based market data
- Research and brokerage-oriented computer software and services
- Custody/clearing/settlement services

In addition to research obtained through the aforementioned CAs, TD Epoch accepts proprietary brokerage and research products and services from certain brokers as well as access to company management and conferences with industry professionals.

Services received from brokers and dealers are supplemental to TD Epoch’s own research efforts. To the best of TD Epoch’s knowledge, these services are generally made available to all institutional investors doing business with such broker-dealers. TD Epoch does not separately compensate such broker-dealers for the brokerage and research products and services and does not believe that it causes clients to pay commissions (or markups or markdowns) higher than those charged by other broker-dealers in return for soft dollar benefits (known as paying up), due to the difficulty associated with the broker-dealers not breaking out the costs for such services.<sup>7</sup> We may use these services for

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<sup>7</sup> For strategies managed by TDAM we make a good faith determination that the amount of commissions paid (which may be higher than commissions charged by other brokers), is reasonable in relation to the value of brokerage and research products and services received.

any or all of our clients' accounts and there may be no correlation between the amount of brokerage commissions generated by a particular client and the indirect benefits received by the client. Products and services received by us from brokers in connection with brokerage provided to certain client accounts at times will disproportionately benefit other client accounts. We do not seek to allocate soft dollar benefits proportionately to the soft dollar credits the accounts generate.

In some cases, we may receive research/brokerage and non-research/non-brokerage (e.g., administrative or accounting services) services. In addition, we may use certain research/brokerage products to assist us with marketing our services to the public or other operational processes. This is referred to as a "mixed use" product. In these cases, we will make a good faith determination of the portion allocated to non-research/non-brokerage and/or marketing and operations, and we will pay the allocation amount with our own monies ("hard dollars"). In making such good faith allocations, a conflict of interest may exist by reason of our allocation of the costs of such services and benefits between those that primarily benefit us and those that primarily benefit our clients.

When we use client brokerage commissions (or markups or markdowns) to obtain research or other brokerage and research products or services, we receive a benefit because we do not have to produce or pay for the brokerage and research products or services. This is deemed to create a conflict of interest, because these arrangements give us an incentive to select or recommend a broker-dealer or third-party provider based on our interest in receiving the brokerage and research products and services, rather than on our clients' interest in receiving a more favorable execution. To address the conflicts surrounding soft dollar arrangements, we have adopted written policies and procedures regarding trading, use of client commissions and brokerage selection.

### ***Brokerage for Client Referrals***

In selecting a broker, TD Epoch does not consider whether the Firm or a related person receives client or investor referrals from a broker or third party.

### ***Cross Transactions***

TD Epoch does not effect agency cross-transactions (in which our affiliated broker-dealer would act as the broker for both the client and the counterparty to the transaction and receives commissions from the client and the counterparty). Generally, we do not effect cross trades between clients and our affiliates. In some instances, a security to be sold by one client account may independently be considered appropriate for purchase by another client account. We would seek to effect such a "cross transaction" if it is in the best interests of both clients, consistent with applicable laws and policies and clients' requirements and restrictions. Generally, we do not permit client accounts governed by the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), to engage in cross trading.

### ***Directed Brokerage***

To the extent possible, TD Epoch generally trades<sup>8</sup> all client accounts in a single aggregated order and allocates executions accordingly. We believe this method is the most efficient in achieving best

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<sup>8</sup> TD Asset Management generally trades similar orders together and allocates executions accordingly.

execution for our clients and provides clients with and as a result we do not generally participate in client directed brokerage programs. Clients who request brokerage to be directed to a particular broker-dealer risk the loss of purchasing power of larger transaction sizes and can suffer less-than-optimal execution quality as a result. However, in certain circumstances, when an account is trading on its own due to specific account issues (such as cash needs or the initial construction of the portfolio), we will consider using a client directed brokerage program. When a client has instructed TD Epoch to utilize a particular broker or dealer to execute some or all transactions for such client's account, the client is typically responsible for negotiating the terms and arrangements for the account with that broker or dealer. TD Epoch will not seek better execution services or prices from other broker-dealers or be able to aggregate such client's transactions, for execution through other brokers or dealers, with orders for other accounts advised or managed by the Firm. As a result, TD Epoch may not obtain best execution on behalf of the client, who may pay materially disparate commissions, greater spreads or other transaction costs, or receive less favorable net prices on transactions for the account than would otherwise be the case.

### ***Trade Order Sequence, Rotation and Aggregation***

TD Epoch seeks to enter client trade orders in a fair, orderly, and equitable manner. We may deviate from the pre-determined sequencing schedule, as we have in the past, when prevailing market conditions and the nature of the order makes it prudent to do so.<sup>9</sup>

TD Epoch typically manages client accounts based on a model portfolio that is designed to achieve the investment objectives of the strategy chosen by the client. We conduct transactions in client accounts to reasonably match the model portfolios daily, weekly, monthly, or as needed. We typically do not conduct transactions on behalf of clients in the wrap fee programs as frequently as we do on behalf of other clients for several reasons, including that certain transactions for the client accounts in the wrap fee programs may be very small due to the wrap fee programs' lower minimum account balances and/or minimum size order requirements, and we seek to avoid conducting these small transactions. After a portfolio manager has determined the number of shares to be purchased or sold, or the market value percentage desired for a security, he or she will communicate the order to the Firm's trading group.

Orders for the same security entered on behalf of more than one client will generally be aggregated by the Firm's portfolio implementation team<sup>10</sup> subject to the aggregation being in the best interests of all participating clients. Subsequent orders for the same security entered during the same trading day typically are aggregated with any previously unfilled orders; filled orders shall be allocated separately from subsequent orders. All clients participating in each aggregated order will generally be allocated pro-rata and shall receive the average price, and subject to minimum ticket charges, pay a pro-rata portion of commissions.

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<sup>9</sup> For TDAM strategies, we generate trade orders or trade order instructions for the same investment decision at the same time and aggregate all similar orders (subject to certain exceptions) and consistently allocate securities. TDAM strategies are not managed based on a model portfolio.

<sup>10</sup> For TDAM strategies, it is the Portfolio Management Group that aggregates similar orders for accounts under their management that are subject to such an investment decision at the same time unless they believe such aggregation is unfair or inequitable.

The Firm's Portfolio Implementation team will generally be responsible for determining the sequencing or rotation for which orders are executed. Trade order sequencing is performed as follows:<sup>11</sup>

1. Orders for non-wrap program (SMA/UMA) accounts that have provided TD Epoch with full investment and trading discretion will be placed first. This represents a vast majority of accounts that TD Epoch manages.
2. Orders for non-wrap program (SMA/UMA) accounts that have provided TD Epoch with full investment discretion but have directed TD Epoch to utilize a specific broker will be placed next. Due to the nature and timing of certain transactions, trading personnel may attempt to stagger orders for such accounts in order to ensure that the broker receiving the order is appropriately managing the order.
3. In addition, TD Epoch provides investment advisory services to a number of sponsors of various equity SMA and UMA wrap programs. Orders for accounts within wrap programs will be communicated to the respective sponsor's trading desk either directly or indirectly through various service providers. TD Epoch utilizes a trade notification rotation process in order to determine the sequencing of orders among sponsors in the same strategy. In situations where we are placing an order for a security in multiple strategies, a separate rotation process occurs whereby both the strategy sponsor and the platform are taken into consideration.

Where we are solely providing a model portfolio for our advisory-only client relationships (e.g., equity model accounts), TD Epoch does not have control of the implementation of investment decisions and no trading authority for the underlying accounts. The sponsor of the UMA program has the discretion to execute the trades recommended in the model.

A consequence of TD Epoch's trade notification rotation procedure is that clients in the same strategy are likely to receive different execution prices and different rates of return for trades done on the same day.

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<sup>11</sup> For TD Asset Management strategies, the traders receive the orders from members of the Portfolio Management Group and use their discretion to sequence the trades from these various asset classes and instrument types with the objective, at all times, of seeking to obtain best execution. Traders will aggregate similar orders from different members of the Portfolio Management Group pursuant to instructions provided by the Portfolio Manager, unless they believe that such aggregation is unfair or inequitable. Proprietary accounts (i.e., accounts where TD is the beneficial owner) are excluded from aggregation and those orders are generally executed only after all other client account orders involving the same security, in the same direction of trade, are fully executed. However, orders to transact in a particular security may be placed by multiple portfolio managers, and trading instructions relating to those orders may be communicated to multiple traders at various times throughout the day, so it is possible for a proprietary account to transact ahead of other client accounts at a different price. In addition, we execute orders for fixed income model portfolios separately, so it is possible that a proprietary account will transact in a security ahead of, and at a price that is different from, a fixed income model portfolio account.

We generally do not aggregate orders for separate accounts with orders for fixed income model portfolio accounts. Although our investment decisions for fixed income separate accounts and recommendations for fixed income model portfolios accounts are made/conveyed simultaneously, we need more time to make trade decisions for the fixed income model portfolio accounts. This generally means that we will trade the fixed income model portfolio accounts later than fixed income separate accounts and model portfolio accounts will likely receive different prices from those received by separate accounts for the same securities. When we aggregate orders in the same securities for both separate accounts and fixed income model portfolio accounts, we will average price the securities acquired for the benefit of all participating accounts.

### ***Limited Offering Allocations***

We may, from time to time, when determined consistent with a client's investment objectives, strategy and restrictions, purchase limited investment offerings (e.g., new issues, private placements) for certain client accounts, including proprietary accounts. When this occurs, we seek to allocate these investments among participating accounts in an equitable manner so as not to unfairly prefer one account over another. If we do not receive a full allocation, then the amount received will be allocated to the participating accounts on a pro rata basis, with the exception that we will not allocate to any account where such allocation would result in a de minimis amount. All proprietary accounts receive allocations only after client accounts are completely filled. We reserve the right to make exceptions to this policy if we believe it is in the best interest of clients to do so. IPOs are not allocated to accounts in the equity wrap fee programs, to UMA sponsors or to clients that have limited our trading discretion unless the client's designated broker makes IPOs available to the account. We do not purchase securities in any initial public offering or private placement for fixed income model portfolio accounts unless specifically requested by a particular client.

### ***Competing Investment Decisions***

Certain investment teams at times will, on behalf of client accounts, make investments in different parts of an issuer's capital structure. Each investment team will make investment decisions that it believes are in the best interests of our clients. In specific cases, should we determine it to be necessary, for example, we may establish information barriers between portfolio managers within the fixed income investment team and their counterparts within the equity investment team. Nonetheless, a conflict of this type may cause a particular client to receive less favorable investment returns as compared to another client.

## **Item 13: Review of Accounts**

All accounts are typically reviewed by the applicable investment management team(s) no less frequently than weekly as well as before engaging in any purchase or sale for the account. Reviews typically cover performance attribution, top and bottom contributors to performance, tracking error, sector and industry exposure and a comparison of current account holdings against the relevant model or against comparable accounts within the same strategy. All proposed purchases and sales are compared with the applicable portfolio construction parameters in place at the time of the transaction, and client portfolio guidelines or restrictions. Risk-exposure reviews for each strategy are typically conducted by the relevant investment team on a regular basis. In the absence of client guidelines or restrictions, TD Epoch will manage an account consistent with its criteria for the investment strategy.

Clients with separately managed accounts hold their assets in a custodian that they have chosen. Each client receives statements from their custodian at least monthly. TD Epoch typically provides reports to clients no less frequently than quarterly. Reports provided by TD Epoch typically detail performance, holdings and transactions. For certain clients, we may also provide reports detailing sector allocations, top and bottom contributors to performance, performance attribution, and portfolio commentary. Customized reports or client meetings are typically provided based on a client's specific request.

### ***Fixed Income Model Portfolios***

Fixed income model portfolios are reviewed daily by portfolio managers for consistency with investment strategies and appropriateness of portfolio holdings. TD Epoch also monitors model portfolios on a daily basis for adherence to internal guidelines. As previously discussed, we provide portfolio management and advisory services to TD Bank and TDPCW on behalf of their clients. We do not formulate investment guidelines customized to an individual's investment objectives or provide statements or reports to individual clients in these programs, as this responsibility resides with TD Bank or TDPCW.

For clients in TDPCW's and TD Bank's separately managed accounts, we are responsible for managing each client's account in accordance with the selected fixed income model portfolio (subject to any reasonable restrictions imposed by the client), place all securities transactions and prepare written reports to TDPCW and TD Bank on the performance of the Model Portfolios, including quarterly summaries.

**Item 14: Client Referrals and Other Compensation**

TD Epoch has an agreement with GSFM Pty Limited (“Grant Samuel”) pursuant to which Grant Samuel markets TD Epoch’s services to certain clients or investors located in Australia and New Zealand. A portion of the management fee received by TD Epoch is paid to Grant Samuel. As noted above, affiliates of TD Epoch also refer clients or investors outside of the United States to TD Epoch. We may on occasion enter into other relationships with third-parties to distribute our strategies or refer clients to us.

## **Item 15: Custody**

TD Epoch does not serve as a custodian for the assets of its clients and does not have physical custody of client funds or securities at any time. TD Epoch is deemed to have custody over the assets held in the TD Epoch Private Funds due to its role as the managing member. Separate account clients determine their own custodial arrangements. We work with a number of different custodian banks including most of the major providers. Clients should select a qualified custodian that will hold the assets of the account and deliver account statements at least quarterly directly to the clients. Each client is urged to compare their statements with the portfolio holdings provided by TD Epoch with the account statements provided by their custodian. If a client does not receive account statements from their custodian, TD Epoch urges the client to contact their custodian to establish regular account reporting.

A client's custody agreement with its qualified custodian may contain authorizations with respect to the transfer of client funds or securities broader than those in the client's written investment management agreement with TD Epoch. In these circumstances, TD Epoch's authority is limited to the authority set forth in the client's written investment management agreement with TD Epoch regardless of any broader authorization in the client's custody agreement with its qualified custodian. The qualified custodian's monitoring, if any, of the client's account is governed by the client's relationship with its custodian.

With respect to the fixed income model accounts at TD Bank and TDPCW, TD Bank provides custodial services for its client accounts and a third-party, qualified custodian bank provides TD Bank with asset custody services and assets of TDPCW clients are held with a qualified custodian selected by TDPCW.

For the TD Epoch Private Funds, TD Epoch has designated a qualified third-party custodian to custody all assets of each fund and to maintain the official books and records of each fund. The Private Funds will not deliver account statements to investors but will deliver a copy of their financial statements that have been audited by an independent accounting firm in accordance with US Generally Accepted Accounting Principles within 120 days of their respective fiscal year-end.

## **Item 16: Investment Discretion**

All clients enter into a written investment management agreement with TD Epoch prior to receiving investment management services. We provide discretionary investment management services to a client only if the client's written investment management agreement or other document expressly grants this discretion. Subject to pre-determined investment objectives, benchmarks and guidelines and the execution of a written investment management agreement, TD Epoch has full discretionary authority to manage securities and cash held in accounts on behalf of its clients.

Clients can place reasonable restrictions on TD Epoch's investment discretion. For example, some clients have asked TD Epoch not to buy securities issued by companies in certain industries, or not to sell certain securities where the client has a particularly low tax basis.

## Item 17: Voting Client Securities

TD Epoch maintains proxy voting authority for its clients' accounts, unless otherwise instructed by the client. TD Epoch votes proxies in a manner that it believes is most likely to enhance the economic value of the underlying securities held in client accounts. TD Epoch maintains a Proxy Voting Group comprised of investment team, operations and compliance representatives that meet periodically.

In light of TD Epoch's fiduciary duty to its clients and given the complexity of the issues that may be raised in connection with proxy votes, the Firm has retained Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS"). ISS is an independent adviser that specializes in providing a variety of fiduciary-level proxy-related services to institutional investment managers. The services provided to the Firm include in-depth research, voting recommendations, vote execution and recordkeeping. TD Epoch requires ISS to provide notification if ISS experiences a material conflict of interest in the voting of TD Epoch clients' proxies. ISS will pre-populate the Firm's votes on the ISS electronic voting platform using ISS's recommendations. The investment team is asked to review proxy recommendations and may deviate from ISS where it is in the best economic interest of the client. Portfolio Managers have final discretion over proxy voting decisions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Firm will use its best judgment to vote proxies in the manner it deems to be in the best interests of its clients. The Compliance Department will periodically review the voting of proxies to ensure that votes were voted consistent with the Firm's fiduciary duties. Clients may obtain a copy of TD Epoch's Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures and information about how their proxies were voted by contacting us at 212-303-7200 or by writing to us at the address noted on the cover page of this document.

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<sup>12</sup> TDAM strategies are governed by The TD Asset Management Inc. and Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. Proxy Voting Policy ("TD Asset Management Proxy Policy"). Conflicts and other information are described in this policy. TD Asset Management may have different processes and policies to manage conflicts. A copy of the TD Asset Management Proxy Policy is available at the address on the cover page.

## **Item 18: Financial Information**

TD Epoch does not require pre-payment of client fees and therefore is not required to include a balance sheet herein. TD Epoch has never filed for bankruptcy and is not aware of any financial condition that is expected to affect its ability to manage client accounts.

# Epoch Investment Partners, Inc.

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This Brochure Supplement provides information about the individuals listed above and supplements the Brochure of Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. (“TD Epoch”) which you should have also received. Please contact David A. Barnett, Managing Director & Chief Compliance Officer at 212-303-7200, if you have any questions about the Form ADV Brochure or the Brochure Supplement, or if you would like to request additional or updated copies of either document.

Additionally, a *Summary of Professional Designations* is included with this Part 2B Brochure Supplement. The list is provided to assist you in evaluating the professional designations held by certain of our investment professionals.

Additional information about TD Epoch is available on the SEC's website: [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov).

## William Booth

*William J. Booth, CFA – Managing Director, Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager*

### Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience

William is Chief Investment Officer and is a portfolio manager for Non-U.S. and Global Equity strategies. William joined TD Epoch in 2009 from PioneerPath Capital, which is a long/short equity hedge fund where he was a consumer and retail analyst. Prior to PioneerPath, he was a senior analyst at Level Global where he focused on the consumer and industrial sectors. He also held an equity research position at Louis Dreyfus Commodities and was a credit analyst with Citigroup. William holds a BS in Chemical Engineering from Yale University and an MBA from New York University's Leonard N. Stern School of Business. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Booth was born in 1974.

### Item 3: Disciplinary Information

Mr. Booth has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Booth or of TD Epoch.

### Item 4: Other Business Activities

Mr. Booth is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### Item 5: Additional Compensation

Mr. Booth does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### Item 6: Supervision

William Booth reports directly to David Sykes, Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer at TD Asset Management Inc. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Victor Anthony**

*Victor Anthony – Director, Portfolio Manager and Research Analyst*

### Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience

Victor is a portfolio manager and equity research analyst. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2020, Mr. Anthony was a Senior Equity Analyst at Aegis Capital. Previously, he worked as an Equity Analyst at Axiom Capital Management, Topeka Capital Markets, Lazard Capital Markets, and Bear Stearns. Victor holds a bachelor's degree in actuarial science from Temple University and an MBA from the University of Rochester. Mr. Anthony was born in 1971.

### Item 3: Disciplinary Information

Mr. Anthony has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Anthony or of TD Epoch.

### Item 4: Other Business Activities

Mr. Anthony is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### Item 5: Additional Compensation

Mr. Anthony does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### Item 6: Supervision

Mr. Anthony reports directly to Justin Howell, Managing Director, Portfolio Manager, TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Steven Bleiberg**

[\*\*Steven Bleiberg – Managing Director, Global Portfolio Manager\*\*](#)

### [\*\*Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience\*\*](#)

Steven is a member of the global portfolio management team and is responsible for the design and development of investment strategies. Steven is also a Portfolio Manager of Capital Reinvestment Strategy. Prior to joining TD Epoch, Steven served as a portfolio manager at Legg Mason responsible for managing \$7.5B in various asset allocation-based funds including Target Risk, Target Date and Dynamic Risk Management. Prior to that, he was the head of investment strategy at Citigroup Asset Management and a portfolio manager at Credit Suisse Asset Management. Steven is an author (with co-authors Bill Priest and Michael Welhoelter) of *Winning at Active Management: The Essential Roles of Culture, Philosophy and Technology*. The book, published by John Wiley & Sons, details the underpinnings of our investment approach. Steven holds an AB from Harvard and an MS from the Sloan School of Management at MIT with a concentration in Finance. Mr. Bleiberg was born in 1959.

### [\*\*Item 3: Disciplinary Information\*\*](#)

Mr. Bleiberg has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Bleiberg or of TD Epoch.

### [\*\*Item 4: Other Business Activities\*\*](#)

Mr. Bleiberg is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### [\*\*Item 5: Additional Compensation\*\*](#)

Mr. Bleiberg does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### [\*\*Item 6: Supervision\*\*](#)

Mr. Bleiberg reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Jeffrey Cino**

*Jeffrey Cino – Director, Portfolio Manager and Director of Research*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Jeff is a portfolio manager for TD Epoch's Choice strategy. He is also TD Epoch's Director of Research, responsible for coordinating research activities across the investment team. Prior to joining the firm in 2017, Jeff was a senior vice president, portfolio manager, and investment analyst at PIMCO within its global equities business. Previously, he held analyst positions at Starboard Value and Omega Advisors. In addition, Jeff has been an adjunct professor at Columbia Business School within its Value Investing Program. Jeff holds an MBA with a concentration in finance and economics from Columbia Business School and a BA in political science from Columbia College. Mr. Cino was born in 1976.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Cino has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Cino or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Cino is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Cino does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Cino reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Justin Howell**

*Justin Howell, CFA – Managing Director, Portfolio Manager*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Justin Howell is a portfolio manager for the U.S. equity investment strategies. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2012, Mr. Howell spent nine years at JPMorgan Chase as a research analyst. Mr. Howell has experience in the consumer, financial services and healthcare services sectors. Previously he worked in the research department at FTN Midwest Research. Mr. Howell earned a BA in Business Administration from the University of Michigan. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Howell was born in 1980.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Howell has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Howell or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Howell is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Howell does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Howell reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## Wayne Lin

Wayne Lin, CFA – *Managing Director, Portfolio Manager*

### Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience

Wayne is a Co-Portfolio Manager for TD Epoch's Choice and U.S. Fundamental Strategies with a primary focus on portfolio construction and investment risk monitoring and analysis. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2016, Wayne was a portfolio manager at QS Investors and at Legg Mason Global Asset Allocation. At Legg Mason, Wayne helped create and manage several multi-asset class products, including target-date funds, a real asset strategy, and a downside risk mitigation strategy. Prior to his career in Asset Management, Wayne worked in Management Consulting and Commercial Banking. Wayne holds a BA in Economics from the University of Chicago and an MBA from Columbia Business School.

### Item 3: Disciplinary Information

Mr. Lin has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Lin or of TD Epoch.

### Item 4: Other Business Activities

Mr. Lin is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### Item 5: Additional Compensation

Mr. Lin does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### Item 6: Supervision

Mr. Lin reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Michael Jin**

Michael Jin, CFA – *Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Michael is a portfolio manager and senior research analyst for TD Epoch's Shareholder Yield investment strategies. Prior to joining the firm in 2010, Michael was a Research Analyst at AllianceBernstein. Prior to AllianceBernstein, Michael worked as a corporate finance consultant at McKinsey & Company and as a process engineer at Praxair where he received four U.S. patents. He received his MBA from the University of Chicago, an MS from SUNY at Buffalo and an MS from the University of Notre Dame and completed his undergraduate courses at the University of Science and Technology of China.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Jin has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Jin or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Jin is not engaged in any other investment related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Jin does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Jin reports directly to Kera Van Valen, Managing Director and Portfolio Manager, TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Chris Keller**

*Chris Keller, Vice President - Quantitative Research and Risk Management*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Chris is a quantitative researcher with a focus on alpha research, model building, and natural language processing. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2015, Chris was an investment analyst at PivotalPath, where he helped conduct quantitative analysis and qualitative due diligence on hedge funds. Chris has a BS in Mathematics/Economics with a minor in Cognitive Science from the University of California, Los Angeles.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Keller has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Keller or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Keller is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Keller does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Keller reports directly to Lin Lin, Managing Director and Portfolio Manager, TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Lin Lin**

*Lin Lin, CFA – Managing Director, Head of Quantitative Research and Portfolio Manager*

**Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Lin is a portfolio manager and a member of the Quantitative Research and Risk Management team. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2017, Lin was a vice president and equity strategist on the Global Quantitative Research team at Morgan Stanley, where she helped launch their global quantitative product and published research on a variety of topics, including stock selection and ESG investing. Before that, she was an assistant vice president and senior research analyst on the Quantitative Research and Portfolio Strategy team at Sanford C. Bernstein. Lin began her career as a consulting associate at FMI Corp. Lin has a B.A. in Economics from Nanjing University, and an M.A. in Economics from Duke University. Ms. Lin was born in 1978.

**Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Ms. Lin has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Ms. Lin or of TD Epoch.

**Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Ms. Lin is not engaged in any other investment related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

**Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Ms. Lin does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

**Item 6: Supervision**

Ms. Lin reports to Julian Palardy, Managing Director, Head of Quantitative and Passive Investing, of TD Asset Management Inc. and William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Glen Petraglia**

Glen Petraglia, CFA – *Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Glen is a portfolio manager for our Non-U.S. Equity strategy. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2014, Glen was a generalist portfolio manager and an analyst at Standard Life Investments in Boston, where he focused on consumer staples, restaurants and regional banks. Before Standard Life, he held positions at Citigroup and Nabisco. Glen received his BS from Providence College, an MBA from NYU's Stern School of Business and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Petraglia was born in 1972.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Petraglia has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Petraglia or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Petraglia is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Petraglia does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Petraglia reports directly to David Siino, a Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst at TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Nikolay Petrakov**

Nikolay Petrakov, CFA – *Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Nik is a portfolio manager and senior research analyst. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2014, Nikolay was an international equity analyst at Lord, Abbett & Co. for eight years, where he focused on banks, insurers, asset managers, specialty finance companies, and other cyclical industries. Before Lord, Abbett & Co., he was an investment analyst at AON Hewitt Financial Services. Nik received his BA from Hope College and an MBA from the University of Chicago. Nik was born in 1976.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Petrakov has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Petrakov or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Petrakov is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Petrakov does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Petrakov reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Stephen Salzone**

*Stephen Salzone, CFA – Director, Portfolio Manager and Research Analyst*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Stephen is a portfolio manager and equity research analyst. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2017, Stephen spent 13 years at AllianceBernstein, most recently as a research analyst for the Value Equities strategies focusing on U.S. small-cap to mid-cap companies in several sectors. Stephen received his BS in Business Information Systems from Messiah College. Mr. Salzone was born in 1981.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Salzone has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Salzone or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Salzone is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Salzone does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Salzone reports directly to Justin Howell, Managing Director, Portfolio Manager at TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **David Siino**

**David Siino, CFA, CAIA – Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst**

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

David is a portfolio manager and senior research analyst on TD Epoch's Capital Reinvestment strategy. Prior to joining TD Epoch in 2007, he was a research analyst with Gabelli & Company where he was responsible for covering the financial services sector, overseeing the automotive sector research team and making buy/sell recommendations for the Gabelli mutual funds. Before joining Gabelli & Company, David was an assistant research director for Barron's Business and Financial Weekly. David holds a BA from Hofstra University and an MBA from Baruch College. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst and Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst designations. Mr. Siino was born in 1975.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Siino has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Siino or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Siino is not engaged in any other investment related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Siino does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Siino reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Kera Van Valen**

**Kera Van Valen, CFA – Managing Director, Portfolio Manager and Senior Research Analyst**

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Kera is a portfolio manager for our Global and U.S. Equity Shareholder Yield strategies and a senior research analyst. Prior to joining the Global Equity team Kera was an analyst within TD Epoch's Quantitative Research & Risk Management team. Before joining TD Epoch in 2005, she was a portfolio manager of Structured Equities and Quantitative Research at Columbia Management Group where she was responsible for the day-to-day management of two index funds. She also worked at Credit Suisse Asset Management. Kera received her BA in Mathematics at Colgate University and her MBA at Columbia University, Graduate School of Business. She holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Ms. Van Valen was born in 1979.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Ms. Van Valen has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Ms. Van Valen or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Ms. Van Valen is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Ms. Van Valen does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Kera Van Valen reports directly to William Booth, TD Epoch's Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Tim Wengerd**

Tim Wengerd, *CFA—Director, Research Analyst*

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Tim is a research analyst for TD Epoch's Capital Reinvestment strategies. Prior to joining the firm in 2016, Tim worked as an analyst on the small cap equity team at Fred Alger Management. Previously, Tim was an equity research associate and analyst at Deutsche Bank for seven years covering mortgage REITs and lodging companies. Before Deutsche Bank, Tim was a reinsurance actuarial analyst at Guy Carpenter for two years. Tim earned a BS in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School and received his MBA from New York University.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Wengerd has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Wengerd or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Wengerd is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Wengerd does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Wengerd reports directly to David Siino Managing Director, Portfolio Manager TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Russell Wald**

Russell Wald, CFA – *Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income*

### [Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience](#)

Russell is a Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income at Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. Prior to joining TD Epoch in January 2025, Russell was a Portfolio Manager at AllianceBernstein. Prior to joining AllianceBernstein, Russell was an associate at Orion Consultants. Russell holds a BA from Yale University and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Russell was born in 1990.

### [Item 3: Disciplinary Information](#)

Mr. Wald has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Wald or of TD Epoch.

### [Item 4: Other Business Activities](#)

Mr. Wald is not actively engaged in any other investment-related business, and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### [Item 5: Additional Compensation](#)

Mr. Wald does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD/TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### [Item 6: Supervision](#)

Mr. Wald reports directly to Dennis Woessner, Managing Director, Portfolio Manager TD Epoch. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Dennis Woessner**

**Dennis Woessner, CFA – Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income**

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Dennis is a Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income at Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. Prior to December 2021, Dennis was a Portfolio Manager of TDAM USA Inc. Prior to joining TDAM USA, Dennis was a Fixed Income Portfolio Manager at MFM International, a Fixed Income Trader and Standish Mellon Asset Management and a Fixed Income Analyst at Salomon Brother Inc. Dennis holds a BBA, Hofstra University and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Woessner was born in 1966.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Woessner has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Woessner or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Woessner is not actively engaged in any other investment-related business, and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Woessner does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD/TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Woessner reports directly to Michael Augustine, Head of Fixed Income. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Benjamin Gossack**

[\*\*Benjamin Gossack, CFA - Managing Director & Portfolio Manager\*\*](#)

### [\*\*Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience\*\*](#)

Benjamin is the Co-Head of the Global Portfolio Management team and Lead Manager for the TD Tactical Monthly Income Fund, TD North American Dividend Fund, TD North American Dividend Model, TD Balanced Growth Fund, TD Diversified Monthly Income Fund, TD Active Global Enhanced Dividend ETF and TD Active U.S. Enhanced Dividend ETF. He is Co-Manager for the TD Global Equity Focused Fund, TD Global Tactical Monthly Income Fund, TD U.S. Dividend Growth Fund, TD U.S. Dividend Model, TD U.S. Monthly Income Fund, TD U.S. Equity Focused Fund, PIC North American Blue Chip Model, TD North American Sustainability Leadership Model, TD North American Sustainability Balanced Fund, TD North American Sustainability Equity Fund, and the TD Options Premium Income Pool. Mr. Gossack held Primary Analyst responsibilities for the global banking, global technology, global media and global telecom sectors. Benjamin started his career at the company as a member of the Derivatives team, where his responsibilities included portfolio management and research for derivative-based portfolios and passive strategies. Prior to joining the firm, he spent five years as an Engineering Analyst in the Aerospace industry. Benjamin holds a B.A.Sc. from the University of Toronto and an MBA from the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto. Mr. Gossack was born in 1979.

### [\*\*Item 3: Disciplinary Information\*\*](#)

Mr. Gossack has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Gossack or of TD Epoch.

### [\*\*Item 4: Other Business Activities\*\*](#)

Mr. Gossack is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### [\*\*Item 5: Additional Compensation\*\*](#)

Mr. Gossack does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### [\*\*Item 6: Supervision\*\*](#)

Mr. Gossack reports directly to Justin Flowerday. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Damian Fernandes**

Damian Fernandes, CFA - Managing Director & Portfolio Manager

### [Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience](#)

Damian is the Co-Head of the Global Portfolio Management team and Lead Manager of funds and separately managed accounts in the Global, U.S. and Sustainability space. Global mandates include the TD Global Equity Focused Fund and TD Global Tactical Monthly Income fund. U.S. mandates include the TD U.S. Dividend Growth Fund, TD U.S. Monthly Income Funds and TD U.S. Equity Focused Funds. In sustainability, he leads the TD North American Sustainability Leaders Funds. In addition, he also co-manages of the TD North American Dividend Fund, TD Tactical Monthly Income Fund, TD Global Enhanced Dividend ETF, TD US Enhanced Dividend ETF, TD Balanced Growth Fund and TD Diversified Monthly Income Fund. Prior to joining TD Epoch, Mr. Fernandes gained experience managing U.S. Equity and Tactical Asset Allocation Funds at Manulife Asset Management a major Canadian financial institution. He started his career as an analyst and subsequently became the co-manager of the firm's Proprietary Investment Desk. Damian holds a B.Comm. from the University of Toronto. Mr. Fernandes was born in 1981.

### [Item 3: Disciplinary Information](#)

Mr. Fernandes has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Fernandes or of TD Epoch.

### [Item 4: Other Business Activities](#)

Mr. Fernandes is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### [Item 5: Additional Compensation](#)

Mr. Fernandes does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### [Item 6: Supervision](#)

Mr. Fernandes reports directly to Justin Flowerday. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Himanshu Sharma**

[\*\*Himanshu Sharma, CFA - Managing Director and Portfolio Manager\*\*](#)

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Himanshu is the Lead Portfolio Manager for Global Equity, Global Income & Growth, two U.S. Equity mandates and the Active Global Infrastructure Equity Strategies. He is the Co-Manager for the International Equity and International Income & Growth Strategies. Previously, Himanshu was the Head of Fundamental Research and Lead Portfolio Manager for the Canadian Strategies. He started at the firm within U.S. Equities as a primary analyst covering healthcare, IT and materials. Prior to joining TD Epoch, Himanshu gained experience on the sell side and in technical roles at multinational IT firms. Himanshu holds a B.Tech. in Manufacturing Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology and an MBA from the Richard Ivey School of Business at Western University. Mr. Himanshu was born in 1973/

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Sharma has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Sharma or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Sharma is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Sharma does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Sharma reports directly to Benjamin Gossack. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Terence Chung**

[Terence Chung, CFA - Vice President & Director, Portfolio Research](#)

### [Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience](#)

Terence is a Vice President & Director on the Public Equities team, responsible for co-managing U.S., International and Global equity strategies and providing coverage on the Chemicals sector. He was previously responsible for coverage of various industrial sectors. Prior to joining TD Epoch, Terence was an equity analyst with Greystone Managed Investments CWB Wealth Management and gained experience as a Research Associate at Credit Suisse and Bank of America with an internship at CIBC. Terence holds a B.Sc. with a Specialization in Actuarial Science from the University of Alberta and an MBA from the University of British Columbia. Mr. Chung was born in 1982.

### [Item 3: Disciplinary Information](#)

Mr. Chung has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Chung of TD Epoch.

### [Item 4: Other Business Activities](#)

Mr. Chung has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Sharma or of TD Epoch.

### [Item 5: Additional Compensation](#)

Mr. Chung does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### [Item 6: Supervision](#)

Mr. Chung reports directly to Vitali Mossounov. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Julian Palardy**

**Julian Palardy, CFA - Managing Director & Head of Quantitative Investing**

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Julien is the Head of Quantitative Investing. He oversees the team responsible for the modelling, research and management of various Quantitative strategies, including Low Volatility Equities and Disciplined Alpha Equities, in addition to the teams responsible for the management of Passive Equities and Passive Fixed Income. He previously headed the Quantitative Equity Team and, before that, was Lead Portfolio Manager for the firm's Systematic Alpha, Low Volatility and Low Volatility Plus funds. He previously co-managed the firm's Institutional Asset Allocation mandates, designed asset allocation models, and built quantitative strategies for long-only and market neutral equity funds, as well as Canadian and global bond funds. Julien holds a B.Sc. and an M.Sc. in Applied Financial Economics, both from HEC Montréal. Mr. Palardy was born in 1980.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Palardy has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Palardy or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Palardy is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Palardy does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Palardy reports directly to William Booth. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Emin Baghramyan**

Emin Baghramyan, CFA – Vice President & Director, Lead of Quantitative Portfolio Management

### **Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience**

Emin leads the Quantitative Equity portfolio management team and is the lead portfolio manager for all Quantitative Equity mandates. Emin is also the macro strategist of the team and conducts various research projects related to monetary, fiscal, geopolitical and socio-demographic trends. He prepares reports identifying global economic risks and opportunities facing equity markets, interest rates and currencies. He was formerly a Senior Global Strategist at an investment research firm and holds a B.Econ. from Yerevan State University and an M.Sc. from John Molson School of Business at Concordia University. Mr. Baghramyan was born in 1982.

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Mr. Baghramyan has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Mr. Baghramyan or of TD Epoch.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Mr. Baghramyan is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Mr. Baghramyan does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Mr. Baghramyan reports directly to Julian Palardy. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **Elaine Lindhorst**

Elaine Lindhorst, CFA – Vice President & Director-Active Fixed Income Portfolio Management

### Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience

Elaine is a Senior Portfolio Manager on the Active Fixed Income team with a focus on the short bond and liquidity mandates. She works to design retail and institutional client investment solutions and oversees the team responsible for Liquidity Solutions. Her experience includes several positions in fixed income including a major investment bank in New York City and a hedge fund based in Toronto. Elaine holds an MBA from the Rotman School of Business at the University of Toronto and an M.Sc. in Biochemistry from Queen's University. She is a market representative on the Bank of Canada Canadian Fixed-Income Forum (CFIF).

### Item 3: Disciplinary Information

Ms. Lindhorst has not been involved in any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Ms. Lindhorst or of TD Epoch.

### Item 4: Other Business Activities

Ms. Lindhorst is not engaged in any other investment-related business and does not receive compensation in connection with any business activity outside of TD Epoch.

### Item 5: Additional Compensation

Ms. Lindhorst does not receive economic benefits from any person or entity other than TD Epoch in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### Item 6: Supervision

Ms. Lindhorst reports directly to Scott Colbourne. Any of these individuals can be reached directly by calling the telephone number on the cover of this Brochure Supplement.

## **SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS**

This Summary of Professional Designations is provided to assist you in evaluating the professional designations and minimum requirements of our investment professionals to hold these designations.

“Understanding Professional Designations” may also be helpful and found on the FINRA website at: <https://www.finra.org/investors/professional-designations>

#### CFA – Chartered Financial Analyst

The Charter Financial Analyst (CFA) designation is an international professional certification issued by the CFA Institute (formerly AIMR) to qualified candidates who complete a series of three examinations. To become a candidate for a CFA charter, candidates must meet one of the following requirements: 1) Undergraduate degree and four years of professional experience involving investment decision-making, or; 2) Four years qualified work experience (full time, but not necessarily investment related). Candidates may become a CFA Charterholder if they successfully pass three course exams, Levels 1, 2, and 3. The CFA Institute has stated that the average candidate may need approximately 250 hours of study for each of the three levels. The CFA curriculum includes these topic areas: Ethical and Professional Standards; Quantitative Methods (such as the time value of money, and statistical inference); Economics; Financial Reporting and Analysis; Corporate Finance; Analysis of Investments (stocks, bonds, derivatives, venture capital, real estate, etc.); Portfolio Management and Analysis (asset allocation, portfolio risk, performance measurement, etc.). CFA Charterholders are also obligated to adhere to a strict Code of Ethics and Standards governing their professional conduct. More information on the CFA charter is available at [www.cfainstitute.org](http://www.cfainstitute.org).

#### CAIA - Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst

To earn a CAIA charter, an individual must have (a) obtained a bachelor’s degree (or the equivalent) and one year of qualified investment work experience or (b) four years of qualified investment work experience, and must become a member of the CAIA Association, pledge to abide by the CAIA Candidate and Member Agreement, and complete the CAIA Program. The CAIA Program is organized into two levels, each culminating in a four-hour exam.

#### CPA – Certified Public Accountant

CPA is the statutory title of qualified accountants in the United States who have passed the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination and have met additional state education and experience requirements for certification as a CPA. In most U.S. states, only CPAs who are licensed are able to provide to the public attestation (including auditing) opinions on financial statements. In order to become a CPA in the United States, a candidate must sit for and pass the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination (Uniform CPA Exam), which is set by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and administered by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy. In addition to the CPA exam, most states also require the completion of a special examination on ethics and that specific education and work experience minimums are met. CPAs are also required to take continuing education courses in order to renew their license. Requirements vary by state, but the majority of states require 120 hours of CPE every three years with a minimum of 20 hours per calendar year.

## Attachment A - Privacy Notice

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FACTS	WHAT DOES EPOCH INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. ("TD EPOCH") DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?																									
Why?	Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.																									
What?	<p>The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Social Security Number</li> <li>▪ Income</li> <li>▪ Assets</li> <li>▪ Risk tolerance</li> <li>▪ Transaction history</li> <li>▪ Employment Information</li> </ul> <p>Please note: If you are a <b>new</b> client, we can begin sharing your information 45 days from the date we sent this notice. When you are <b>no longer</b> our client, we continue to share your information as described in this notice. However, you can contact us any time to limit our sharing.</p>																									
How?	All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons TD Epoch chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.																									
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<b>Who we are</b>	
<b>Who is providing this notice?</b>	This privacy notice is being provided by Epoch Investment Partners, Inc.
<b>What we do</b>	
<b>How does Epoch protect my personal information?</b>	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.
<b>How does TD Epoch collect my personal information?</b>	<p>We collect your personal information, for example, when you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Enter into an investment advisory contract</li><li>Seek advice about your investments</li><li>Give us your income information</li><li>Provide employment information</li><li>Tell us about your investment or retirement portfolio</li></ul> <p>We also collect your personal information from other companies.</p>
<b>Why can't I limit all sharing?</b>	<p>Federal law gives you the right to limit only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness</li><li>Affiliates from using your information to market to you</li><li>Sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you</li></ul> <p>State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing. See below for more on your rights under state law.</p>
<b>What happens when I limit sharing for an account I hold jointly with someone else?</b>	It is your choice to limit marketing offers from our affiliates. Unless you tell us to apply it to everyone on your account, these limits will only apply to you.
<b>Definitions</b>	
<b>Affiliates</b>	<p>Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>Our affiliates include but are not limited to those companies that control, are controlled by or under common control with TD Bank U.S. Holding Company or The Toronto-Dominion Bank, including the subsidiaries of TD Bank U.S. Holding Company, among others.</i></li></ul>
<b>Nonaffiliates</b>	<p>Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>TD Epoch does not share with nonaffiliates so they can market to you.</i></li></ol>
<b>Joint Marketing</b>	<p>A formal agreement between non-affiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>TD Epoch does not jointly market.</i></li></ol>
<b>Other important information</b>	
<p>For California and Vermont Residents: We only share information with third parties as permitted by the law of your state. This privacy notice applies to consumers and not to business entities or business transactions. The notice does not constitute a contract, nor does it modify or amend any agreement we have with you</p>	

## Proxy Voting and Class Action Monitoring<sup>24</sup>

### Policy

TD Epoch maintains proxy voting authority for Client accounts, unless otherwise instructed by the client. TD Epoch votes proxies in a manner that it believes is most likely to enhance the economic value of the underlying securities held in Client accounts. TD Epoch maintains a Proxy Voting Group comprised of investment team, operations and compliance representatives that meet at least on a quarterly basis. TD Epoch will not respond to proxy solicitor requests unless TD Epoch determines that it is in the best interest of Clients to do so.

In light of TD Epoch's fiduciary duty to its Clients, and given the complexity of the issues that may be raised in connection with proxy votes, the Firm has retained Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS"). ISS is an independent adviser that specializes in providing a variety of fiduciary-level proxy-related services to institutional investment managers. The services provided to the Firm include in-depth research, voting recommendations, vote execution and recordkeeping. TD Epoch requires ISS to notify the Company if ISS experiences a material conflict of interest in the voting of Clients' proxies.

ISS will pre-populate the Firm's votes on the ISS electronic voting platform using ISS's recommendations based on the Firm's voting instructions to ISS. To the extent TD Epoch becomes aware that an issuer intends to file or has filed additional soliciting materials ("Additional Information") after the Firm has received ISS's voting recommendation, but before the proxy submission deadline, and the Additional Information would reasonably be expected to affect the Adviser's voting determination, TD Epoch will consider the Additional Information prior to exercising voting authority to confirm that the Firm is voting in its client's best interest.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Firm will use its best judgment to vote proxies in the manner it deems to be in the best interests of its Clients. In the event that judgment differs from that of ISS, or that investment teams within TD Epoch wish to vote differently with respect to the same proxy in light of their specific strategy, the Firm will memorialize the reasons supporting that judgment and retain a copy of those records for the Firm's files. The Compliance Department will periodically review the voting of proxies to ensure that votes which have diverged from the judgment of ISS, were voted consistent with the Firm's fiduciary duties.

On at least an annual basis, the CCO or a designee will review this Proxy Voting and Class Action Monitoring policy.

### Procedures for Lent Securities and Issuers in Share-blocking Countries

At times, neither TD Epoch nor ISS will be allowed to vote proxies on behalf of Clients when those Clients have adopted a securities lending program. The Firm recognizes that Clients who have adopted securities lending programs have made a general determination that the lending program provides a greater economic benefit than retaining the ability to vote proxies. Notwithstanding this fact, in the event that the Firm becomes aware of a proxy voting matter that would enhance the economic value of the client's position and that position is lent out, the Firm will make reasonable efforts to inform the Client that neither the Firm nor

<sup>24</sup> TD Epoch will be required to file a Form N-PX in 2024 to address the new rule 14Ad-1, which requires managers to report annually on Form N-PX each say-on-pay vote over which the manager exercised voting power. The rule requires a manager to report say-on-pay votes when it uses voting power to influence a voting decision with respect to a security. The rule permits joint reporting of say-on-pay votes by managers, or by managers and funds, under identified circumstances to avoid duplicative reporting. It also requires additional disclosure to allow identification of a given manager's full say-on-pay voting record. Managers will also be required to comply with the other requirements of Form N-PX for their say-on-pay votes.

ISS is able to vote the proxy until the Client recalls the lent security. In such cases, the Investment Team will initiate this process by alerting the Proxy Voting Group of the vote importance.

In certain markets where share blocking occurs, shares must be “frozen” for trading purposes at the custodian or sub-custodian in order to vote. During the time that shares are blocked, any pending trades will not settle. Depending on the market, this period can last from one day to three weeks. Any sales that must be executed will settle late and potentially be subject to interest charges or other punitive fees. For this reason, in blocking markets, the Firm retains the right to vote or not, based on the determination of the Firm’s Investment Personnel. If the decision is made to vote, the Firm will process votes through ISS unless other action is required as detailed in this policy.

### **Procedures for Conflicts of Interest**

TD Epoch has identified the following potential conflicts of interest:

- Whether there are any business or personal relationships between Epoch, or an employee of Epoch, and the officers, directors or shareholder proposal proponents of a company whose securities are held in Client accounts that may create an incentive to vote in a manner that is not consistent with the best interests of TD Epoch’s Clients;
- Whether TD Epoch has any other economic incentive to vote in a manner that is not consistent with the best interests of its Clients; or
- Whether a proxy relates to a company that is a Client of Epoch.<sup>25</sup>

If a conflict of interest has been identified (as outlined above), then TD Epoch shall bring the proxy voting issue first to the attention of the Proxy Voting Group. The Proxy Voting Group may engage affected Clients and/or TD Epoch employees to ensure the relevant proxies are voted in a manner that is consistent with TD Epoch’s fiduciary duties.

### **Procedures for Proxy Solicitation**

In the event that any officer or employee of TD Epoch receives a request to reveal or disclose TD Epoch’s voting intention on a specific proxy event, then the officer or employee must forward the solicitation to the CCO.

### **Procedures for Voting Disclosure**

Upon request, TD Epoch will provide Clients with their specific proxy voting history.

### **Initial and Ongoing Diligence of Proxy Service Provider**

The Proxy Voting Group will conduct additional diligence on ISS to ensure the provider continues to have the capacity and competency to adequately analyze proxy issues on an annual basis. As part of the due diligence process, the Group will review all necessary Due Diligence Materials published by ISS on their website.

### **Recordkeeping**

TD Epoch must maintain the documentation described in the following section for a period of not less than five (5) years, the first two (2) years at its principal place of business. The Firm will be responsible for the following procedures and for ensuring that the required documentation is retained.

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<sup>25</sup> Compliance (with assistance from Operations and Client Services) will seek to identify instances where a proxy vote relates to a company that is a Client of Epoch’s and escalate to the Proxy Voting Group as necessary.

## **Client Request to Review Proxy Votes**

If a Client requests to review the proxy votes, the Relationship Management team will:

- Record the identity of the Client, the date of the request, and the disposition (e.g., provided a written or oral response to Client's request, referred to third-party, not a proxy voting Client, other dispositions, etc.) in a suitable place.
- Furnish the information requested, free of charge, to the Client within a reasonable time period (within 10 business days). Maintain a copy of the written record provided in response to client's written (including e-mail) or oral request.

## **Proxy Voting Records**

The proxy voting record is periodically provided to TD Epoch by ISS. Included in these records are:

- Documents prepared or created by TD Epoch that were material to making a decision on how to vote, or that memorialized the basis for the decision.
- Documentation or notes or any communications received from third parties, other industry analysts, third-party service providers, company's management discussions, etc. that were material in the basis for the decision.

## **Disclosure**

TD Epoch includes a description of its policies and procedures regarding proxy voting and class actions in Part 2 of Form ADV, along with a statement that Clients and Investors contact TD Epoch at 212 303-7200 to obtain a copy of these policies and procedures and information about how TD Epoch voted with respect to the Client's securities. Any request for information about proxy voting or class actions should be promptly forwarded to TD Epoch at the number above and we will respond to any such requests.

The CCO will ensure that Part 2A of Form ADV is updated as necessary to reflect: (i) all material changes to this policy; and (ii) regulatory requirements related to proxy voting disclosure.

As a matter of policy, TD Epoch does not disclose how it expects to vote on upcoming proxies. Additionally, TD Epoch does not disclose the way it voted proxies to unaffiliated third parties without a legitimate need to know such information.

## **Class Action Litigation Settlement**

Generally, TD Epoch does not have responsibility to file proofs of claim or engage in class action litigation.

TD Epoch does not complete proofs-of-claim on behalf of Clients for current or historical holdings; however, TD Epoch will assist Clients with collecting information relevant to filing proofs-of-claim when such information is in the possession of TD Epoch.