

# Alpha Capital Management Group, LLC

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Part 2A Brochure

This brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Alpha Capital Management Group, LLC If you have any questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact us at (303) 900-1919. The information in this brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or by any state securities authority. Alpha Capital is a Registered Investment Adviser. Registration with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities authority does not imply a certain level of skill or training.

Additional information about Alpha Capital Management Group, LLC is available on the SEC's website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. You can search this site by a unique identifying number, known as a CRD number. The CRD number for Alpha Capital Management Group, LLC is 283624.

#### ITEM 2 – MATERIAL CHANGES

# **Summary of Material Changes**

This section of the Brochure will address only those "material changes" that have been incorporated since our last delivery or posting of this document on the SEC's public disclosure website (IAPD) <a href="https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov">www.adviserinfo.sec.gov</a>.

The following are a list of changes since our initial ADV dated May 10, 2016:

- Item 5 Fees are billed either in advance or in arrears, as indicated in the Investment Advisory Agreement.
- Item 10 Chris Silversmith is no longer affiliated with the Firm.
- Item 10 Brokerage Practices. LPL has provided a forgivable loan to us to assist our business operations, and the loan is guaranteed by the five Principals of Alpha Capital. The terms of the forgivable loan are that Alpha Capital will maintain LPL as the B/D and custodian for each of the next five years.

If you would like another copy of this Brochure, please download it from the SEC Website as indicated above or you may contact our Chief Compliance Officer Doug Campbell at (303) 900-1919 or doug.campbell@alphacmg.com.

We encourage you to read this document in its entirety.

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#### ITEM 4 – ADVISORY BUSINESS

This Disclosure document is being offered to you by Alpha Capital Management Group, LLC ("Alpha Capital") in connection with the investment advisory services we provide. It discloses information about the services that we provide and the manner in which those services are made available to you, the client.

We are an investment management firm located in Colorado. We specialize in investment advisory services for high-net-worth individuals, small businesses, families, trusts and estates. The firm was established by Doug Campbell, Garrison Campbell, Dora Monahan, Mark Ell and Ian Campbell in 2015. All are owners and managing partners of the firm.

We are committed to helping clients build, manage, and preserve their wealth, and to provide assistance that helps clients to achieve their stated financial goals. We will offer an initial complimentary meeting upon our discretion; however, investment advisory services are initiated only after you and Alpha Capital execute an engagement letter or client agreement.

#### Investment and Wealth Management and Supervision Services

We offer discretionary investment management and investment supervisory services for a fee based on a percentage of your assets under management or on a dollar flat fee. These services include investment analysis, allocation of investments, quarterly portfolio statements, financial commentaries, and ongoing monitoring of client portfolios. We primarily allocate client assets among various mutual funds, exchange-traded funds ("ETFs"), and individual debt (bonds) and equity securities in accordance with their stated investment objectives.

We will work with you to obtain necessary information regarding your financial condition, investment objectives, liquidity requirements, risk tolerance, time horizons, and any restrictions on investing. This information enables us to determine the portfolio best suited for your investment objective and needs.

In performing our services, we shall not be required to verify any information received from you or from other professionals. If you request, we may recommend and/or engage the services of other professionals for implementation purposes. You have the right to decide whether or not to engage the services of any such recommended professional.

Once we have determined the types of investments to be included in your portfolio and allocated them, we will provide ongoing portfolio review and management services. This approach requires us to review your portfolio at least quarterly.

We will rebalance the portfolio, as we deem appropriate, to meet your financial objectives. We trade these portfolios and rebalance them on a discretionary basis based on our market views and on your objectives, using our investment process. We tailor our advisory services to meet the needs of our clients and seek to ensure that your portfolio is managed in a manner consistent with those needs and objectives.

In all cases, you have a direct and beneficial interest in your securities, rather than an undivided interest in a pool of securities. We do have limited authority to direct the Custodian to deduct our investment advisory fees from your accounts, but only with the appropriate authorization from you.

Where appropriate, we may also provide advice about any type of legacy position or other investment held in client portfolios. Clients may engage us to manage and/or advise on certain investment products that are not maintained at their primary custodian, such as variable life insurance and annuity contracts and assets held in employer sponsored retirement plans and qualified tuition plans (i.e., 529 plans).

You are advised and are expected to understand that our past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Certain market and economic risks exist that may adversely affect an account's performance. This could result in capital losses in your account.

# **Retirement Plan Advisory Services**

Retirement Plan Advisory Services consists of helping employer plan sponsors to establish, monitor and review their company's retirement plan. As the needs of the plan sponsor dictate, areas of advising could include: investment selection and monitoring, plan structure, and participant education.

We offer management of 401(k), 457, and 403(b) accounts both on a plan level and on the individual participant level. On the plan level, we manage the investment line-up making changes as necessary as well as providing risk based investment models for the participants. On the individual participant level, we manage risk based models using the current investment lineup based on risk tolerance of the individual investor.

# Plan Level

We will establish the plan's needs and objectives through an initial meeting to collect data, review plan information, and assist in developing or updating the plan's provisions. Ongoing services may include recommendations regarding the selection and review of unaffiliated mutual funds that, in the Alpha Capital's judgment, are suitable for plan assets to be invested. We periodically review the investment options selected and make recommendations to keep or replace plans investment options as appropriate. We perform a comprehensive review of Investment options and will assist with converting from incumbent service providers to a new service provider if appropriate.

We will provide quarterly recommendations for the plan's investment allocation. Upon receipt we will review the investment options and provide positions for accounts in accordance with the management style chosen by the client. Anaylsis is provided for each fund held by the Plan. A report shows historical performance, asset allocation, and the performance of each fund, including its performance in comparison to its appropriate benchmark. The report also contains information regarding each Fund's managers, capitalization, investment style, expenses, portfolio composition and other qualitative factors relevant to the Fund's performance and adherence to the Plan's Investment Policy Statement. Clients are responsible for making the fund changes within the account.

# Participant Level

We can also be engaged to provide financial education to plan participants. The scope of education provided to participants will not constitute "investment advice" within the meaning of ERISA and participant education will relate to general principles for investing and information about the investment options currently in the plan. We may also participate in initial enrollment meetings and periodic workshops and enrollment meetings for new participants.

# **Financial Planning**

Through your Private Financial Website supported by e-Money, we conduct an analysis of your current situation and identify and implement appropriate financial planning and investment management techniques to help you to meet your specific financial objectives. Such services include various reports on specific goals and objectives or general investment and/or planning recommendations, answers to outside assets and periodic updates.

In preparing your analysis, we may address any or all of the six areas of financial planning established by the National Endowment for Financial Education and endorsed by the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, depending on your specific needs. These include: financial position, protection planning, investment planning, income tax planning, retirement planning, and estate planning.

Our specific services in preparing your plan may include:

- Review and clarification of your financial goals.
- Assessment of your overall financial position including cash flow, balance sheet, investment strategy, risk management and estate planning.
- Creation of a unique plan for each goal you have including personal and business real estate, education, retirement or financial independence, charitable giving, estate planning, business succession and other personal goals.

- Development of a goal-oriented investment plan around tax suggestions, asset allocation, expenses, risk and liquidity factors for each goal. This includes IRA and qualified plans, taxable and trust accounts that require special attention.
- Design of a risk management plan including risk tolerance, risk avoidance, mitigation and transfer, including liquidity as well as various insurance and possible company benefits.
- Crafting and implementation of, in conjunction with your estate and/or corporate attorneys as tax advisor, an estate plan to provide for you and/or your heirs in the event of an incapacity or death.
- Generation of a benefits plan, risk management plan and succession plan for your business, if applicable.

# **Consulting Services**

We also provide clients investment advice on a more-limited basis on one-or-more isolated areas of concern such as estate planning, real estate, retirement planning, or any other specific topic. Additionally, we may provide advice on non-securities matters in connection with the rendering of estate planning, insurance, real estate, and/or annuity advice. In these cases, you may be required to select your own investment managers, broker-dealer and/or insurance companies for the implementation of consulting recommendations. If your needs include brokerage and/or other financial services, we may recommend the use of one of several investment managers, brokers, banks, custodians, insurance companies or other financial professionals ("Firms"). You must independently evaluate these Firms before opening an account or transacting business, and have the right to effect business through any firm you choose. You are under no obligation to follow the consulting advice that we provide.

#### Wrap Fee Programs

We also provide services on a wrap fee basis as a wrap program sponsor. Under our wrap program, you will receive investment advisory services, the execution of securities brokerage transactions, custody and reporting services for a single specified fee. Participation in a wrap program may cost the client more or less than purchasing such services separately. The terms and conditions of a wrap program engagement are more fully discussed in our Wrap Fee Program Brochure. Because wrap program transaction fees and/or commissions are being paid by Alpha Capital to the account custodian, we could have an economic incentive to minimize the number of trades in the client's account. This creates a conflict of interest. We recognize the fiduciary responsibility to place your interests first and have established policies in this regard to avoid any potential conflict of interest a wrap fee arrangement may create.

#### Assets

As of August 31, 2016, we have total assets under management of \$153,276,268. We have \$94,300,367 under discretionary management and \$58,975,901 under non-discretionary management. In addition, we have approximately \$90,000,000 of assets under advisement.

#### ITEM 5 - FEES AND COMPENSATION

# **Investment Management Fees and Compensation**

Alpha Capital charges a fee as compensation for providing Investment Management services on your account. These services include advisory and consulting services, trade entry, investment supervision, and other account-maintenance activities. Our custodian may charge transaction costs, custodial fees, redemption fees, retirement plan and administrative fees or commissions. See Additional Fees and Expenses below for additional details.

The fees for portfolio management are based on an annual percentage of assets under management or a flat quarterly fee and are applied to the account asset value on a prorata basis and billed either on a three-month billing cycle in advance or or a calendar quarter in arrears, as indicated in your Investment Management Agreement. The initial fee will be based upon the date the account is accepted for management by execution of the advisory agreement by Alpha Capital or when the assets are transferred through the last day of the current calendar quarter or the three-month billing period. Thereafter, the fee will be based at each previous quarter's last business day or the last day of the three-month billing period. The market value will be determined as reported by the Custodian. Fees are assessed on all assets under management, including securities, cash and money market balances.

Our maximum investment advisory fees is 1.50%. Our annual fixed fees range from \$2,000 to \$100,000 depending on the level of engagement. The specific advisory fees are set forth in your Investment Advisory Agreement. Fees may vary based on the size of the account, complexity of the portfolio, extent of activity in the account or other reasons agreed upon by us and you as the client. Additional deposits and withdrawals will be added or subtracted from portfolio assets, as the case may be, which may lead to an adjustment of the account fee. In certain circumstances, our fees and the timing of the fee payments may be negotiated. Our employees and their family related accounts are charged a reduced fee for our services.

At our discretion, we will aggregate asset amounts in accounts from your same household together to determine the advisory fee for all your accounts. We may do this, for example, where we also service accounts on behalf of your minor children, individual and joint

accounts for a spouse, and/or other types of related accounts. This consolidation practice is designed to allow you the benefit of an increased asset total, which could potentially cause your account(s) to be assessed a lower advisory fee based on the asset levels available in our fee schedule

The independent qualified custodian holding your funds and securities will debit your account directly for the advisory fee and pay that fee to us. You will provide written authorization permitting the fees to be paid directly from your account held by the qualified custodian. Further, the qualified custodian agrees to deliver an account statement at least quarterly directly to you indicating all the amounts deducted from the account including our advisory fees. See Item 15 for details. At our discretion, you may pay the advisory fees by check. You are encouraged to review your account statements for accuracy.

Either Alpha Capital or you may terminate the management agreement immediately upon written notice to the other party. The management fee will be pro-rated to the date of termination, for the calendar quarter or three-month billing period in which the cancellation notice was given and refunded to you. Upon termination, you are responsible for monitoring the securities in your account, and we will have no further obligation to act or advise with respect to those assets.

# **Financial Planning Fees**

Alpha Capital's financial planning is included in the fee discussed above, unless otherwise discussed and documented.

# **Retirement Plan Advisory Services**

For Retirement Plan Advisory Services compensation, we charge an annual fee as negotiated with the client and disclosed in the Investment Advisory Agreement. The compensation method is explained and agreed upon in advance before any services are rendered. Fees range from 0.10% to 1.25% annually. Fixed fees range from \$500 to \$50,000.

Plan advisory services begin with the effective date of the Agreement, which is the date you sign the Investment Advisory Agreement. For that calendar quarter, fees will be adjusted pro rata based upon the number of calendar days in the calendar quarter that the Agreement was effective. Our fee is billed in advance or in arrears on the last business day of the calendar quarter. Invoices are sent out each quarter to either the client or the custodian of the Plan. For Plans where our fee is billed to the custodian, the fee is deducted directly from the participant accounts. Written authorization permitting us to be paid directly from the custodial account is outlined in the Investment Advisory Agreement.

Either party may terminate the Agreement at any time upon 30 days written notice. You are responsible to pay for services rendered until the termination of the agreement.

# Consulting

Alpha Capital provides consulting services for clients who need advice on a limited scope of work. Alpha Capital will negotiate consulting fees with you. Fees may vary based on the extent and complexity of the consulting project. Fees are negotiated and you will be billed as services are rendered.

Either party may terminate the agreement. Upon termination, fees will be prorated to the date of termination and any unearned portion of the fee will be refunded to you as described above.

# Administrative Services Provided by ORION Advisor Services, LLC

We have contracted with ORION Advisor Services, LLC (referred to as "ORION") to utilize its technology platforms to support data reconciliation, performance reporting, fee calculation and billing, research, client database maintenance, quarterly performance evaluations, payable reports, web site administration, models, trading platforms, and other functions related to the administrative tasks of managing client accounts. Due to this arrangement, ORION will have access to client accounts, but ORION will not serve as an investment advisor to our clients. Alpha Capital and ORION are non-affiliated companies. ORION charges our Firm an annual fee for each account administered by ORION. Please note that the fee charged to the client will not increase due to the annual fee Alpha Capital pays to ORION, the annual fee is paid from the portion of the management fee retained by Alpha Capital.

#### Additional Fees and Expenses:

In addition to the advisory fees paid to Alpha Capital, clients may also incur certain charges imposed by other third parties, such as broker-dealers, custodians, trust companies, banks and other financial institutions (collectively "Financial Institutions"). These additional charges may include securities brokerage commissions, transaction fees, custodial fees, fees charged by the Independent Managers, margin costs, charges imposed directly by a mutual fund or ETF in a client's account, as disclosed in the fund's prospectus (e.g., fund management fees and other fund expenses), deferred sales charges, odd-lot differentials, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, and other fees and taxes on brokerage accounts and securities transactions. Alpha Capital's brokerage practices are described at length in Item 12, below.

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

We do not charge advisory fees on a share of the capital appreciation of the funds or securities in a client account (so-called performance-based fees).

#### **ITEM 7 - TYPES OF CLIENTS**

We provide investment advice to individuals, high-net-worth individuals, families, small businesses, institutions, pensions, charitable trusts and estates. Our minimum initial account value is \$250,000; however, we may accept accounts for less than the minimum.

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

#### Overview

We seek to recommend investment strategies that will give a client a diversified portfolio consistent with the client's investment objective. We do this by analyzing the various securities, investment strategies, and third party management firms. The goal is to identify a client's risk tolerance, and then find a manager with the maximum expected return for that level of risk.

Our investment strategies and advice may vary depending upon each client's specific financial situation. As such, we determine investments and allocations based upon your predefined objectives, risk tolerance, time horizon, financial horizon, financial information, liquidity needs, and other various suitability factors. Your restrictions and guidelines may affect the composition of your portfolio.

We utilize both fundamental and technical analysis. We gather our information from a broad array of financial resources including financial newspapers, magazines, research prepared by others, corporate rating services, company press releases, annual reports, prospectuses and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

We determine how to allocate assets among the various asset classes based on the investment strategy chosen, prevailing economic conditions and our determination of where we are in the economic cycle. Potential risks and opportunities are weighed to determine to what degree the portfolio should be invested.

From time-to-time, market conditions may cause your account to vary from the established allocation. To remain consistent with the asset allocation guidelines established, your account is monitored on an ongoing basis and rebalanced to the original allocation, or if deemed beneficial, to a new allocation based on the then prevailing economic conditions and within the guidelines of the chosen investment strategy.

In addition to the rebalancing, overall market conditions and microeconomic factors that affect specific holdings in your account may trigger changes in allocation. Your account may also receive informal reviews more frequently.

# Investment Philosophy

Prior to making recommendations, we determine your financial status, needs, time horizon, investment objectives, risk tolerance, and tax status. From this, we create an investor profile and general asset allocation target. While we believe asset allocation is a key factor affecting long-term rate of return, we also believe fundamental research and securities selection are vital. To that end, we select from a narrow, refined list of institutional fund managers known for excellence in their respective disciplines. We focus primarily on the people, processes, research, consistency, and culture rather than simply recent "high performance" or "track record".

As much as reasonably possible, we strive to:

- Diversify strategically with non-correlating assets.
- · Balance between growth and value styles.
- Diversify globally.
- · Rebalance as markets change.
- Manage for tax efficient returns wherever possible or as your goals and objectives dictate.

# Risk of Loss

Clients must understand that past performance is not indicative of future results. Therefore, current and prospective clients should never assume that future performance of any specific investment or investment strategy will be profitable. Investing in securities involves risk of loss. Further, depending on the different types of investments there may be varying degrees of risk. Clients and prospective clients should be prepared to bear investment loss including loss of original principal.

Because of the inherent risk of loss associated with investing, Alpha Capital is unable to represent, guarantee, or even imply that our services and methods of analysis can or will predict future results, successfully identify market tops or bottoms, or insulate you from losses due to market corrections or declines.

Investors should be aware that accounts are subject to the following risks:

- \* Market Risk Even a long-term investment approach cannot guarantee a profit. Economic, political and issuer-specific events will cause the value of securities to rise or fall. Because the value of investment portfolios will fluctuate, there is the risk that you will lose money and your investment may be worth more or less upon liquidation.
- \* Foreign Securities and Currency Risk Investments in international and emerging-market securities include exposure to risks such as currency fluctuations, foreign taxes and regulations, and the potential for illiquid markets and political instability.

- \* Capitalization Risk Small-cap and mid-cap companies may be hindered as a result of limited resources or less diverse products or services, and their stocks have historically been more volatile than the stocks of larger, more established companies.
- \* Interest Rate Risk In a rising rate environment, the value of fixed-income securities generally declines and the value of equity securities may be adversely affected.
- \* Credit Risk Credit risk is the risk that the issuer of a security may be unable to make interest payments and/or repay principal when due. A downgrade to an issuer's credit rating or a perceived change in an issuer's financial strength may affect a security's value and, thus, impact the fund's performance.
- \* Securities Lending Risk Securities lending involves the risk that the fund loses money because the borrower fails to return the securities in a timely manner or at all. The fund could also lose money if the value of the collateral provided for loaned securities, or the value of the investments made with the cash collateral, falls. These events could also trigger adverse tax consequences for the fund.
- \* Derivative Risk Derivatives are securities, such as futures contracts, whose value is derived from that of other securities or indices. Derivatives can be used for hedging (attempting to reduce risk by offsetting one investment position with another) or non-hedging purposes. Hedging with derivatives may increase expenses, and there is no guarantee that a hedging strategy will achieve the desired results.
- \* Exchange-Traded Funds ETFs face market-trading risks, including the potential lack of an active market for shares, losses from trading in the secondary markets and disruption in the creation/redemption process of the ETF. Any of these factors may lead to the fund's shares trading at either a premium or a discount to its "net asset value."
- \* Performance of Underlying Managers We select the mutual funds and ETFs in the asset allocation models. However, we depend on the manager of such funds to select individual investments in accordance with their stated investment strategy.

#### ITEM 9 - DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION

Alpha Capital does not have any legal, financial or other "disciplinary" item to report.

# ITEM 10 - OTHER FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS

#### Other Business Activities

#### Insurance

Alpha Capital Insurance Group, an affiliated and separate entity, is a licensed insurance agency with the State of Colorado and licensed in various other states. Investment Adviser Representatives ("IAR") of Alpha Capital may act as agents of Alpha Capital Insurance Group appointed with various life, disability or other insurance companies, receive commissions, trails, or other compensation from the respective product sponsors and/or as a result of effecting insurance transactions for clients. However, clients should note that they are under no obligation to purchase any insurance products through Alpha Capital Insurance Group or Alpha Capital's IAR.

#### Broker Dealer

Alpha Capital is not a broker/dealer, but our Investment Adviser Representatives ("IAR") are registered representatives of LPL Financial ("LPL"), a full service broker-dealer, member FINRA/SIPC, which compensates them for effecting securities transactions. When placing securities transactions through LPL in their capacity as registered representatives, they may earn sales commissions. Because the IARs are dually registered agents of LPL and Alpha Capital, LPL has certain supervisory and administrative duties pursuant to the requirements of FINRA Conduct Rule 3040. LPL and Alpha Capital are not affiliated companies. IARs of Alpha Capital spend a portion their time in connection with broker/dealer activities.

As a broker-dealer, LPL engages in a broad range of activities normally associated with securities brokerage firms. Pursuant to the investment advice given by Alpha Capital or its IARs, investments in securities may be recommended for clients. If LPL is selected as the broker-dealer, LPL and its registered representatives, including IARs of Alpha Capital, may receive commissions for executing securities transactions.

You are advised that if LPL is selected as the broker-dealer, the transaction charges may be higher or lower than the charges you may pay if the transactions were executed at other broker/dealers. You should note, however, that you are under no obligation to purchase securities through IARs of Alpha Capital or LPL.

Moreover, you should note that under the rules and regulations of FINRA, LPL has an obligation to maintain certain client records and perform other functions regarding certain aspects of the investment advisory activities of its registered representatives. These obligations require LPL to coordinate with, and have the cooperation of its registered

representatives that operate as, or are otherwise associated with, investment advisers other than LPL. Accordingly, LPL may limit the use of certain custodial and brokerage arrangements available to clients of Alpha Capital and LPL may collect, as paying agent of Alpha Capital, the investment advisory fee remitted to Alpha Capital by the account custodian. LPL may retain a portion of the investment advisory fee you pay, as a charge for the functions it performs, and such portion may be further re-allowed to other registered representatives of LPL. The charge will not increase the advisory fee you have agreed to pay Alpha Capital.

IARs of Alpha Capital, in their capacity as registered representatives of LPL, or as agents appointed with various life, disability or other insurance companies, receive commissions, 12(b)-1 fees, fee trails, or other compensation from the respective product sponsors and/or as a result of effecting securities transactions for clients. However, clients should note that they have the right to decide whether or not to purchase any investment products through Alpha Capital's representatives.

Alpha Capital has received a loan from LPL Financial in order to assist Alpha Capital with transitioning its business onto the LPL Financial custodial platform. This loan may not be forgiven by LPL Financial based on the scope of business Alpha Capital engages in with LPL Financial, including the amount of Alpha Capital's client assets with LPL Financial. This presents a conflict of interest in that Alpha Capital has a financial incentive to recommend that you maintain your account with LPL Financial in order to benefit by having the loan forgiven. However, to the extent Alpha Capital recommends you use LPL Financial for such services, it is because Alpha Capital believes that it is in your best interest to do so based on the quality and pricing of the execution, benefits of an integrated platform for brokerage and advisory accounts, and other services provided by LPL Financial.

# ITEM 11 - CODE OF ETHICS PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS AND PERSONAL TRADING

Alpha Capital and persons associated with us are allowed to invest for their own accounts or to have a financial interest in the same securities or other investments that we recommend or acquire for your account, and may engage in transactions that are the same as or different than transactions recommended to or made for your account. This creates the potential for a conflict of interest. We recognize the fiduciary responsibility to place your interests first and have established policies in this regard to avoid any potential conflicts of interest.

We have developed and implemented a Code of Ethics that sets forth standards of conduct expected of our advisory personnel to mitigate this conflict of interest. The Code of Ethics addresses, among other things, personal trading, gifts, the prohibition against the use of inside information and other situations where there is a possibility for conflicts of interest.

The Code of Ethics is designed to protect our clients by deterring misconduct, educate personnel regarding the firm's expectations and laws governing their conduct, remind personnel that they are in a position of trust and must act with complete propriety at all times, protect the reputation of Alpha Capital, guard against violation of the securities laws, and establish procedures for personnel to follow so that we may determine whether their personnel are complying with the firm's ethical principles.

We have established the following restrictions in order to ensure our firm's fiduciary responsibilities:

- 1. A director, officer or employee of Alpha Capital shall not buy or sell any securities for their personal portfolio(s) where their decision is substantially derived, in whole or in part, by reason of his or her employment unless the information is also available to the investing public on reasonable inquiry. No director, officer or employee of Alpha Capital shall prefer his or her own interest to that of the advisory client.
- 2. We maintain a list of all securities holdings and anyone associated with this advisory practice with access to advisory recommendations. These holdings are reviewed on a regular basis by an appropriate officer/individual of Alpha Capital.
- 3. We emphasize the unrestricted right of the client to decline to implement any advice rendered, except in situations where we are granted discretionary authority of the client's account.
- 4. We emphasize the unrestricted right of the client to select and choose any broker-dealer (except in situations where we are granted discretionary authority) he or she wishes.
- 5. We require that all individuals must act in accordance with all applicable Federal and State regulations governing registered investment advisory practices.
- 6. Any individual not in observance of the above may be subject to termination.

You may request a complete copy of our Code by contacting us at the address, telephone or email on the cover page of this Part 2; attn: Chief Compliance Officer.

#### **ITEM 12 - BROKERAGE PRACTICES**

We generally recommend that clients utilize the custody, brokerage and clearing services of LPL Financial ("LPL"), Fidelity Institutional Wealth Services ("Fidelity"), or Charles Schwab

& Co., Inc. Advisor Services ("Schwab"), (the "Custodians") for investment management accounts. Our Custodians are independent and unaffiliated FINRA-registered broker-dealers. We may recommend that you establish accounts with these custodians to maintain custody of your assets and to effect trades for your accounts. Some of the products, services and other benefits provided by our custodians benefit us and may not benefit you or your account. Our recommendation/requirement that you place assets with one of these custodians may be based in part on benefits they provide us, and not solely on the nature, cost or quality of custody and execution services provided by the custodian.

We are independently owned and operated and not affiliated with these custodians. they provide us with access to their institutional trading and custody services. These services include brokerage, custody, research and access to mutual funds and other investments that are otherwise generally available only to institutional investors.

In the event you request us to recommend a broker/dealer custodian for execution and/or custodial services, we generally recommend your account to be maintained at one of these custodians. We may recommend that you establish accounts with the custodians to maintain custody of your assets and to effect trades for your accounts. You have the right to not act upon any recommendations, and if you elect to act upon any recommendations, you have the right to not place the transactions through any broker/dealer we recommend. Our recommendation is generally based on the broker's cost and fees, skills, reputation, dependability and compatibility with the client. You may be able to obtain lower commissions and fees from other brokers and the value of products, research and services given to us is not a factor in determining the selection of broker/dealer or the reasonableness of their commissions.

We place trades for your account subject to our duty to seek best execution and other fiduciary duties. You may be able to obtain lower commissions and fees from other brokers and the value of products, research and services given to us is not a factor in determining the selection of broker/dealer or the reasonableness of their commissions. The custodian's execution quality may be different than other broker-dealers.

For our client accounts maintained in custody with a custodian, the custodian generally do not charge separately for custody but are compensated by account holders through 12b-1 fees and ticket charges.

The custodian we utilize makes available to us other products and services that benefit us but may not benefit your accounts in every case. Some of these other products and services assist us in managing and administering your accounts. These include software and technology that provide access to client account data (such as trade confirmations and account statements), facilitate trade execution (and allocation of aggregated trade orders for multiple client accounts), provide research, pricing information and other market data, facilitate payment of our fees from your account, and assist with back-office functions, recordkeeping and reporting.

Many of these services generally may be used to service all or a substantial number of our accounts. The custodians also make available to us other services intended to help us manage and further develop its business enterprise. These services may include consulting, publications and conferences on practice management, information technology, business succession, regulatory compliance, and marketing. In addition, the custodians may make available, arrange and/or pay for these services rendered to us by third parties. The custodians may discount or waive fees it would otherwise charge for some of these services or pay all or a part of the fees of a third-party providing these services to us.

We also receive certain additional economic benefits from the Custodian that may or may not be offered to any other independent investment Advisors participating in the program. Specifically, these services include Orion Advisor Services.

While as a fiduciary, we endeavor to act in your best interest, our recommendation that you maintain your assets in accounts at our recommended custodians may be based in part on the benefit to us or the availability of some of the foregoing products and services and not solely on the nature, cost or quality of custody and brokerage services provided by the custodian, which may create a conflict of interest. IARs endeavor at all times to put the interest of our clients first as a part of their fiduciary duty.

We will aggregate (combine) trades for ourselves or our associated persons with your trades, providing that the following conditions are met:

We will not aggregate transactions unless it believes that aggregation is consistent with its duty to seek the best execution (which includes the duty to seek best price) for you and is consistent with the terms of our investment advisory agreement with you for which trades are being aggregated.

No advisory client will be favored over any other client; each client that participates in an aggregated order will participate at the average share price for all our transactions in a given security on a given business day, with transaction costs based on each client's participation in the transaction;

- If the aggregated order is filled in its entirety, it will be allocated among clients in accordance with the allocation statement; if the order is partially filled, it will be allocated pro-rata based on the allocation statement;
- Our books and records will separately reflect, for each client account, the orders of which aggregated, the securities held by, and bought for that account.
- We will receive no additional compensation or remuneration of any kind as a result of the proposed aggregation; and

• Individual advice and treatment will be accorded to each advisory client.

As a matter of policy and practice, we do not utilize research, research-related products and other services obtained from broker-dealers, or third parties, on a soft dollar commission basis other than what is described above.

Additionally, we have outsourced our back-office tasks to Orion Advisors. These include tasks of daily database reconciliation, generation and delivery of client statements, and advisory fee filling. Orion's system will provide us with customized reporting, GIPS-compliant composites, trade upload creation and pending trade follow-up for us to provide maintenance activities for your account.

#### Trade Errors

We have implemented procedures designed to prevent trade errors; however, trade errors in client accounts cannot always be avoided. Consistent with our fiduciary duty, it is our policy to correct trade errors in a manner that is in the best interest of the client. In cases where the client causes the trade error, the client will be responsible for any loss resulting from the correction. Depending on the specific circumstances of the trade error, the client may not be able to receive any gains generated as a result of the error correction. In all situations where the client does not cause the trade error, the client will be made whole and we will absorb any loss resulting from the trade error if the error was caused by the firm. If the error is caused by the broker-dealer, the broker-dealer will be responsible for covering all trade error costs. If an investment gain results from the correcting trade, the gain will be donated to charity. We will never benefit or profit from trade errors.

#### **ITEM 13 - REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

# <u>Account Reviews and Reviewers – Investment Supervisory Services</u>

The underlying securities within the investment supervisory services are regularly monitored. These reviews will be made by your individual Investment Advisor and are reviewed by the supervisor in charge. An annual review is usually conducted in person or by telephone.

The purpose of all these reviews is to ensure that the investment plan continues to be implemented in a manner which matches your objectives and risk tolerances. More-frequent reviews may be triggered by material changes in variables such as your individual circumstances, or the market, political or economic environment. You are urged to notify us of any changes in your personal circumstances.

# Statements and Reports

Through an agreement with ORION Advisor Services, Inc., Alpha Capital will have the ability to provide clients with Performance/Position summary reports upon request. Reports may also be provided at every client meeting.

The custodian for the individual client's account will also provide clients with an account statement at least quarterly.

You are urged to compare the reports provided by Alpha Capital against the account statements you receive directly from your account custodian.

#### ITEM 14 - CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION

As referenced in Item 12 above, we may receive an indirect economic benefit from LPL. Alpha Capital, without cost (and/or at a discount), may receive support services and/or products from LPL (or another broker-dealer/custodian, investment manager, platform or fund sponsor).

As referenced in Item 12 above, we have received an economic benefit from LPL Financial in the form of a loan, which is forgiven if Alpha Capital meets certain conditions in terms of maintaining a relationship with LPL Financial.

From time to time, we may receive expense reimbursement for travel and/or marketing expenses from distributors of investment and/or insurance products. Travel expense reimbursements are typically a result of attendance at due diligence and/or investment training events hosted by product sponsors. Marketing-expense reimbursements are typically the result of informal expense sharing arrangements in which product sponsors may underwrite costs incurred for marketing such as advertising, publishing and seminar expenses. Although receipt of these travel and marketing expense reimbursements are not predicated upon specific sales quotas, the product sponsor reimbursements are typically made by those sponsors for whom sales have been made or it is anticipated sales will be made.

We do not receive any compensation for client referrals.

#### ITEM 15 - CUSTODY

Custody, as it applies to investment advisors, has been defined by regulators as having access or control over client funds and/or securities. In other words, custody is not limited to physically holding client funds and securities. If an investment advisor has the ability to

access or control client funds or securities, the investment advisor is deemed to have custody and must ensure proper procedures are implemented.

Alpha Capital is deemed to have custody of client funds and securities whenever Alpha Capital is given the authority to have fees deducted directly from client accounts. However, this is the only form of custody Alpha Capital will ever maintain. It should be noted that authorization to trade in client accounts is not deemed by regulators to be custody.

For accounts in which Alpha Capital is deemed to have custody, the firm has established procedures to ensure all client funds and securities are held at a qualified custodian in a separate account for each client under that client's name. Clients or an independent representative of the client will direct, in writing, the establishment of all accounts and therefore are aware of the qualified custodian's name, address and the manner in which the funds or securities are maintained. Finally, account statements are delivered directly from the qualified custodian to each client, or the client's independent representative, at least quarterly. You should carefully review those statements and are urged to compare the statements against reports received from Alpha Capital. When you have questions about your account statements, you should contact Alpha Capital or the qualified custodian preparing the statement.

When fees are deducted from an account, Alpha Capital is responsible for calculating the fee and delivering instructions to the custodian. At the same time Alpha Capital instructs the custodian to deduct fees from the client's account; Alpha Capital will send you a notification itemizing the fee. Itemization shall include the formula used to calculate the fee, the amount of assets under management the fee is based on, and the time period covered by the fee.

#### ITEM 16 - INVESTMENT DISCRETION

Prior to engaging Alpha Capital to provide investment advisory services, you will enter into a written Agreement with us granting the firm the authority to supervise and direct, on an on-going basis, investments in accordance with the client's investment objective and guidelines. In addition, you will need to execute additional documents required by the Custodian so as to authorize and enable Alpha Capital, in its sole discretion, without prior consultation with or ratification by you, to purchase, sell or exchange securities in and for your accounts. We are authorized, in our discretion and without prior consultation with you to: (1) buy, sell, exchange and trade any investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and (2) determine the amount of securities to be bought or sold and (3) place orders with the custodian. Any limitations to such authority will be communicated by you to us in writing.

The limitations on investment and brokerage discretion held by Alpha Capital for you are:

- 1. For discretionary clients, we require that we be provided with authority to determine which securities and the amounts of securities to be bought or sold, as well as the broker/dealer to be used and the commission rates or fees to be paid.
- 2. Any limitations on this discretionary authority shall be included in this written authority statement. You may change/amend these limitations as required. Such amendments shall be submitted in writing.

Research products and services received by us from broker-dealers will be used to provide services to all our clients.

#### ITEM 17 - VOTING YOUR SECURITIES

We will not vote proxies under our limited discretionary authority. You are welcome to vote proxies or designate an independent third-party at your own discretion. You designate proxy voting authority in the custodial account documents. You must ensure that proxy materials are sent directly to you or your assigned third party. We do not take action with respect to any securities or other investments that become the subject of any legal proceedings, including bankruptcies.

#### ITEM 18 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This item is not applicable to this brochure. We do not require or solicit prepayment of more than \$1,200 in fees per client, six months or more in advance. Therefore, we are not required to include a balance sheet for our most recent fiscal year. We are not subject to a financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair our ability to meet contractual commitments to clients. Finally, we have not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition at any time.