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## **WRAP FEE PROGRAM BROCHURE**

### **FORM ADV PART 2A APPENDIX 1**

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This wrap fee program brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Hedeker Wealth LLC. If you have any questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact us at 847-913-5594.

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.

Additional information about Hedeker Wealth LLC is also available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). The searchable IARD/CRD number for Hedeker Wealth LLC is 124341.

## Item 2 Material Changes

As a registered investment adviser, we must ensure that our brochure is current and accurate and makes full disclosure of all material facts relating to the advisory relationship. If there have been any material changes to our business or advisory practices since our last annual update, we will provide a description of such material changes here.

Since our last annual updating amendment dated March 8, 2018, we have made the following material changes to our Form ADV:

1. In 2019, we changed the minimum requirement to open an account from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

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## Item 4 Services, Fees, and Compensation

We are a registered investment adviser based in Lincolnshire, Illinois. We are organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Illinois. Our firm has been providing investment advisory services since 2002. Dean Hedeker is our principal owner.

As used in this brochure, the words "we", "our" and "us" refer to Hedeker Wealth LLC and the words "you", "your" and "client" refer to you as either a client or prospective client of our firm. Also, you may see the term Associated Person throughout this Brochure. As used in this Brochure, our Associated Persons are our firm's officers, employees, and all individuals providing investment advice on behalf of our firm.

### Management Program

We offer personalized investment advisory services to individuals, trusts, estates, charitable organizations, corporations, and other business entities. As part of our management services, we may choose or recommend mutual funds on behalf of Client accounts. In limited circumstances, where we recommend mutual funds that have associated transaction costs, we will pay applicable transaction costs. Participants in this program (the "Program") pay a single "wrap fee" ("Program Fee") that includes the management fee and applicable transaction costs.

You are not charged separate fees for the respective components of the total services. We receive a portion of the wrap fee for our services. The overall cost you will incur if you participate in our wrap fee program may be higher or lower than you might incur by separately purchasing the types of securities available in the program.

Prior to becoming a client under the wrap-fee program, you will be required to enter into a separate written agreement with us that sets forth the terms and conditions of the engagement and describes the scope of the services to be provided, and the fees to be paid.

We provide investment supervisory services through the Program, defined as giving continuous advice to you and/or making investments for your account(s) based on your individual needs. Through personal discussions in which your goals and objectives are established, we develop your personal investment policy and create and manage a portfolio for you based on that policy.

Under the Program, we require you to grant our firm discretionary authority to manage your account. Subject to this grant of discretion, we have the authority and responsibility to formulate investment strategies on your behalf. This authorization includes deciding which securities to buy and sell, when to buy and sell, and in what amounts, in accordance with your investment program, without obtaining your prior consent or approval for each transaction. Discretionary authority is typically granted by the investment advisory agreement you sign with our firm, a power of attorney, and/or trading authorization forms. You may limit our discretionary authority (for example, limiting the types of securities that can be purchased for your account) by providing our firm with your restrictions and guidelines in writing. You may change/amend these limitations as required. Such amendments shall be submitted in writing. We will not wire or transfer funds to third parties without your prior written approval.

### Selection of a Suitable Portfolio Allocation

We do not hold ourselves out as a financial planning firm, but we may provide financial planning related services incidental to the portfolio management services. A certain level of financial planning is utilized in order to set appropriate goals and customize an investment strategy. Information obtained is used to identify risk tolerance, objectives, and appropriate asset allocation. We are not compensated separately for financial planning related services.

The annual fee for portfolio management services is billed quarterly in advance based on the asset value on the last day of the previous quarter. Fees will be assessed pro rata in the event the portfolio management agreement is executed at any time other than the first day of a calendar quarter. On an annualized basis, our fees for portfolio management services, subject to negotiation, are based on the following fee schedule:

Equity and Balanced Portfolios:

<b><u>Assets Under Management</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized Fee</u></b>
\$250,000 to \$999,999	1.65%
\$1,000,000 to \$4,999,999	1.25%
\$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999	1.00%
\$10,000,000 and above	0.80%

Mutual Fund Portfolios:

<b><u>Assets Under Management</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized Fee</u></b>
\$0 to \$4,999,999	1.00%
\$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999	0.75%
\$10,000,000 and above	0.65%

### ***Account Requirements and Terms***

We require a minimum account size of \$500,000 to participate in our portfolio management program. This policy allows for appropriate portfolio diversification. In its sole discretion, we may waive or lower this minimum.

At our discretion may allow accounts of members of the same household to be aggregated for purposes of determining the advisory fee and/or meeting the minimum account size. We may allow such aggregation, for example, where we service accounts on behalf of minor children of our current clients, individual and joint accounts for a spouse, and other types of related accounts. This consolidation practice is designed to allow you the benefit of an increased asset total, which could potentially cause the accounts to be assessed a reduced advisory fee based on the breakpoints available in our fee schedule as stated above.

We will send you an invoice for the payment of our advisory fee, or we will deduct our fee directly from your account through the qualified custodian holding your funds and securities. We will deduct our advisory fee only when you have given our firm written authorization permitting the fees to be paid directly from your account. Further, the qualified custodian will deliver an account statement to you at least quarterly. These account statements will show all disbursements from your account. You should review all statements for accuracy. We will also receive a duplicate copy of your account statements.

You may terminate the portfolio management agreement upon written notice to our firm. You will incur a pro rata charge for services rendered prior to the termination of the portfolio management agreement, which means you will incur advisory fees only in proportion to the number of days in the quarter for which you are a client. If you have pre-paid advisory fees that we have not yet earned, you will receive a prorated refund of those fees.

### ***The Custodian***

Transactions for your account must be executed through Schwab Institutional division of Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. ("Schwab"), a registered broker-dealer, member SIPC/NYSE, or through TD Ameritrade Institutional, a division of TD Ameritrade, Inc., member FINRA/SIPC/NFA (hereinafter "TD Ameritrade").

To compare the cost of the wrap fee program with non-wrap fee portfolio management services, you should consider the frequency of trading activity associated with our investment strategies and the brokerage commissions charged by Schwab and/or TD Ameritrade or other broker-dealers, and the advisory fees charged by investment advisers.

We believe that both Schwab and TD Ameritrade provide quality execution services for you at competitive prices. Price is not the sole factor we consider in evaluating best execution. We also consider the quality of the brokerage services provided by the custodian including the value of research provided, the custodian's reputation, execution capabilities, commission rates, and responsiveness to our clients and our firm. In recognition of the value of research services and additional brokerage products and services, you may pay higher commissions and/or trading costs than those that may be available elsewhere.

We participate in the institutional advisor program (the "Program") offered by TD Ameritrade Institutional. TD Ameritrade Institutional is a division of TD Ameritrade Inc., member FINRA/SIPC/NFA ("TD Ameritrade"), an unaffiliated SEC-registered broker-dealer and FINRA member. TD Ameritrade offers to independent investment advisers services which include custody of securities, trade execution, clearance and settlement of transactions. We receive some benefits from TD Ameritrade through our participation in the Program.

As disclosed under above, we participate in TD Ameritrade's institutional customer program and our firm may recommend TD Ameritrade to Clients for custody and brokerage services. There is no direct link between our participation in the program and the investment advice it gives to its Clients, although our firm receives economic benefits through its participation in the program that are typically not available to TD Ameritrade retail investors. These benefits include the following products and services (provided without cost or at a discount): receipt of duplicate Client statements and confirmations; research related products and tools; consulting services; access to a trading desk serving our firm's participants; access to block trading (which provides the ability to aggregate securities transactions for execution and then allocate the appropriate shares to Client accounts); the ability to have advisory fees deducted directly from Client accounts; access to an electronic communications network for Client order entry and account information; access to mutual funds with no transaction fees and to certain institutional money managers; and discounts on compliance, marketing, research, technology, and practice management products or services provided to our firm by third-party vendors. TD Ameritrade may also have paid for business consulting and professional services received by our firm. Some of the products and services made available by TD Ameritrade through the program may benefit our firm but may not benefit our Client accounts. These products or services may assist our firm in managing and administering Client accounts, including accounts not maintained at TD Ameritrade. Other services made available by TD Ameritrade are intended to help our firm manage and further develop its business enterprise. The benefits received by our firm or its personnel through participation in the program do not depend on the amount of brokerage transactions directed to TD Ameritrade. As part of its fiduciary duties to clients, our firm endeavors at all times to put the interests of its clients first. Clients should be aware, however, that the receipt of economic benefits by our firm or its related persons in and of itself creates a potential conflict of interest and may indirectly influence our choice of TD Ameritrade for custody and brokerage services.

Depending upon the percentage wrap-fee charged by our firm (as described more fully below), the amount of portfolio activity in your account, and the value of custodial and other services provided, the wrap-fee may or may not exceed the aggregate cost of such services if they were to be provided separately and/or if we were to negotiate transaction fees and seek best price and execution of

transactions for your individual account. Inasmuch as the execution costs for transactions effected in your account will be paid by our firm, a conflict of interest arises in that we may have a disincentive to trade securities in your account.

Please refer to **Item 12** of our **Part 2A Disclosure Brochure** for further information on our Brokerage Selection and Trading Practices.

### **Changes in Your Financial Circumstances**

In providing the contracted services, we are not required to verify any information we receive from you or from your other professionals (e.g. attorney, accountant, etc.) and we are expressly authorized to rely on the information you provide. Furthermore, unless you indicate to the contrary, we shall assume that there are no restrictions on our services, other than to manage your account in accordance with your designated investment objectives. Moreover, it remains your absolute responsibility to promptly notify us if there are ever any changes in your financial situation or investment objectives for the purpose of reviewing/evaluating/revising our previous recommendations and/or services.

### **The Program Fee**

You will be charged an advisory fee every calendar quarter (Fee). The Fee charged to the account is negotiable and is set forth in the agreement for services (Agreement). Upon entering into the Agreement, you will open a brokerage account with either Schwab Institutional or with TD Ameritrade Institutional. Schwab Institutional and/or TD Ameritrade Institutional provides securities custody and execution services.

The wrap-fee includes all advisory and brokerage costs (including transaction costs), quarterly performance reports, third party custodial fees, exchange fees and transfer taxes.

**Fee Differentials:** In certain circumstances, and in our sole discretion, we may charge a different wrap fee (higher or lower) based upon certain criteria (i.e., complexity of the engagement, anticipated future earning capacity, anticipated future additional assets, dollar amount of assets to be managed, related accounts, account composition, services to be provided (i.e. financial planning services), negotiations with client etc.).

**Fee Calculation:** The fee charged is calculated as described above and is not charged on the basis of a share of capital gains upon or capital appreciation of the funds or any portion of the funds of your account.

### **Additional Program Fees and Expenses**

The Program Fee includes the costs of brokerage commissions for transactions executed through the Qualified Custodian (or a broker-dealer designated by the Qualified Custodian), and charges relating to the settlement, clearance, or custody of securities in the account. The Program Fee does not include mark-ups and mark-downs, dealer spreads or other costs associated with the purchase or sale of securities, interest, taxes, or other costs, such as national securities exchange fees, charges for transactions not executed through the Qualified Custodian, costs associated with exchanging currencies, wire transfer fees, or other fees required by law or imposed by third parties. The account will be responsible for these additional fees and expenses.

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

The fees that you pay to our firm for investment advisory services are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses charged by mutual funds or exchange traded funds (described in each fund's prospectus) to their shareholders. These fees will generally include a management fee and other fund expenses. Certain mutual funds offered through the Programs may impose short-term trading charges

(typically 1% - 2% of the amount originally invested) for redemptions made within short periods of time. To fully understand the total cost you will incur, you should review all the fees charged by mutual funds, exchange traded funds, our firm, and others.

### **Wrap Fee Program Disclosures**

- The benefits under a wrap fee program depend, in part, upon the size of the Account, the management fee charged and the number of transactions likely to be generated in the Account. For example, a wrap fee program may not be suitable for Accounts with little trading activity. In order to evaluate whether a wrap fee program is suitable for you, you should compare the Program Fee and any other costs of the Program with the amounts that would be charged by other advisers, broker-dealers, and custodians, for advisory fees, brokerage and other execution costs, and custodial services comparable to those provided under the Program.
- In considering the investment programs described in this brochure, you should be aware that participating in a wrap fee program may cost more or less than the cost of purchasing advisory, brokerage, and custodial services separately from other advisers or broker-dealers.
- Our firm and our advisory representatives receive compensation as a result of your participation in the wrap-fee program. This compensation may be more than the amount our firm or the representative would receive if you paid separately for investment advice, brokerage, and other services. Accordingly, a conflict of interest exists because our firm and the representatives have a financial incentive to recommend the Program.
- Similar advisory services may be available from other registered investment advisers for lower fees.

**Please Note: Wrap Program Conflict.** Participation in the Program may cost more or less than purchasing such services separately. The fee that we charge for participation in the Program may be higher or lower than those charged by other sponsors of comparable wrap fee programs. **Conflict of Interest.** When managing a client's account on a wrap fee basis, we shall receive as payment for our investment advisory services, the balance of the wrap fee after all wrap-fee costs (including account transaction fees) have been deducted. **Accordingly,** we have a **conflict of interest** because we could have an economic incentive to maximize our compensation by seeking to minimize the number of transactions/total costs in the client's account. **ANY QUESTIONS: Our Chief Compliance Officer, Dean R. Hedeker, remains available to address any questions that a client or prospective client may have regarding the corresponding conflict of interest a wrap fee arrangement may create.**

### **Important Disclosures**

**Morningstar, Inc.** In conjunction with the services provided by Morningstar, Inc., we may also provide access to account aggregation services, which can incorporate all of the client's investment assets, including those investment assets that are not part of the assets that we manage (the "Excluded Assets"). **You and your other advisors that maintain trading authority, and not us, shall be exclusively responsible for the investment performance of the Excluded Assets.** In addition, Morningstar, Inc. will also provide access to other types of information, including financial planning concepts, which should not, in any manner whatsoever, be construed as services, advice or recommendations provided by Hedeker. We do not provide investment management, monitoring or implementation services for the Excluded Assets. You may engage our firm to provide investment management services for the Excluded Assets pursuant to the terms and conditions of the *Investment Advisory Agreement* between you and our firm.

## **Item 5 Account Requirements and Types of Clients**

We offer investment advisory services to individuals, pension and profit sharing plans, trusts, estates, charitable organizations, corporations, and other business entities.



In general, we require a minimum of \$500,000 to open and maintain an advisory account. At our discretion, we may waive this minimum account size. For example, we may waive the minimum if you appear to have significant potential for increasing your assets under our management. We may also combine account values for you and your minor children, joint accounts with your spouse, and other types of related accounts to meet the stated minimum.

## **Item 6 Portfolio Manager Selection and Evaluation**

We sponsor and manage the accounts that participate in the Hedeker Wealth LLC Wrap Fee Program. Dean Hedeker, Managing Member and CCO, is responsible for all management and investment decisions.

### **Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management**

We do not accept performance-based fees or participate in side-by-side management. Side-by-side management refers to the practice of managing accounts that are charged performance-based fees while at the same time managing accounts that are not charged performance-based fees. Performance-based fees are fees that are based on a share of capital gains or capital appreciation of a client's account. Our fees are calculated as described in the *Services, Fees and Compensation* section above, and are not charged on the basis of a share of capital gains upon, or capital appreciation of, the funds in your advisory account.

### **Our Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategies**

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.

### ***Methods of Analysis***

We may use one or more of the following methods of analysis when formulating investment advice:

- **Fundamental Analysis** - involves analyzing individual companies and their industry groups, such as a company's financial statements, details regarding the company's product line, the experience and expertise of the company's management, and the outlook for the company's industry. The resulting data is used to measure the true value of the company's stock compared to the current market value.
- **Technical Analysis** - involves studying past price patterns and trends in the financial markets to predict the direction of both the overall market and specific stocks.
- **Cyclical Analysis** - a type of technical analysis that involves evaluating recurring price patterns and trends.

As part of our analysis, we may also consider the recommendations and research provided by other management firms specializing in fixed income securities. All recommendations are evaluated by Dean Hedeker, and he retains sole discretion as to whether or not to act on any research or recommendations provided by such specialist.

### ***Associated Risks***

**Fundamental Analysis** - The risk of fundamental analysis is that information obtained may be incorrect and the analysis may not provide an accurate estimate of earnings, which may be the basis for a stock's value. If securities prices adjust rapidly to new information, utilizing fundamental analysis may not result in favorable performance.

Technical Analysis - The risk of market timing based on technical analysis is that charts may not accurately predict future price movements. Current prices of securities may reflect all information known about the security and day to day changes in market prices of securities may follow random patterns and may not be predictable with any reliable degree of accuracy.

### ***Investment Strategies***

We may use one or more of the following investment strategies when managing your accounts:

- Long Term Purchases - securities purchased with the expectation that the value of those securities will grow over a relatively long period of time, generally greater than one year.
- Short Term Purchases - securities purchased with the expectation that they will be sold within a relatively short period of time, generally less than one year, to take advantage of the securities' short term price fluctuations.
- Options Trading/Writing: a securities transaction that involves buying or selling (writing) an option. If you write an option, and the buyer exercises the option, you are obligated to purchase or deliver a specified number of shares at a specified price at the expiration of the option regardless of the market value of the security at expiration of the option. Buying an option gives you the right to purchase or sell a specified number of shares at a specified price until the date of expiration of the option regardless of the market value of the security at expiration of the option.
- Trading (in general, selling securities within 30 days of purchasing the same securities) as an investment strategy when managing your account(s). Trading is not a fundamental part of our overall investment strategy, but we may use this strategy occasionally when we determine that it is suitable given your stated investment objectives and tolerance for risk.

### ***Tax Considerations***

Our strategies and investments may have unique and significant tax implications. However, unless we specifically agree otherwise, and in writing, tax efficiency is not our primary consideration in the management of your assets. Regardless of your account size or any other factors, we strongly recommend that you continuously consult with a tax professional prior to and throughout the investing of your assets.

Moreover, as a result of revised IRS regulations, custodians and broker-dealers will begin reporting the cost basis of equities acquired in client accounts on or after January 1, 2011. Our firm will either instruct the custodian to use the *first-in, first-out* "FIFO" accounting method for calculating and reporting the cost basis of your investments or the custodian will default to the FIFO method where no instruction is given.

Charting and Technical Analysis - The risk of market timing based on technical analysis is that charts may not accurately predict future price movements. Current prices of securities may reflect all information known about the security and day to day changes in market prices of securities may follow random patterns and may not be predictable with any reliable degree of accuracy.

### **Risk of Loss**

Investing in securities involves risk of loss that you should be prepared to bear. We do not represent or guarantee that our services or methods of analysis can or will predict future results, successfully identify market tops or bottoms, or insulate clients from losses due to market corrections or declines. We cannot offer any guarantees or promises that your financial goals and objectives will be met. Past performance is in no way an indication of future performance.

## **Proxy Voting**

We will not vote proxies on behalf of separately managed accounts. At your request, we may offer you advice regarding corporate actions and the exercise of your proxy voting rights. If you own shares of common stock or mutual funds, you are responsible for exercising your right to vote as a shareholder.

In most cases, you will receive proxy materials directly from the account custodian. However, in the event we were to receive any written or electronic proxy materials, we would forward them directly to you by mail, unless you have authorized our firm to contact you by electronic mail, in which case, we would forward any electronic solicitation to vote proxies.

We will vote proxies on behalf of the Hedeker Strategic Appreciation Fund. Please see our firm's ADV Part 2A Brochure for more information on this topic.

## **Item 7 Client Information Provided to Portfolio Managers**

This section does not apply to our firm because we are the sponsor and portfolio manager to the Wrap Fee Programs.

## **Item 8 Client Contact with Portfolio Managers**

You may contact Mr. Hedeker, the Program's portfolio manager, at any time.

## **Item 9 Additional Information**

### **Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations**

We are affiliated through common control and ownership with Hedeker Law Ltd, a law firm specializing in Estate Planning, Tax, and Trust law. If you require legal services, we may recommend that you use Hedeker Law Ltd. Our advisory services are separate and distinct from the compensation paid to Hedeker Law Ltd. for their services.

Attorneys are governed by the professional organizations to which they belong and must comply with the practice and ethics rules of those organizations. These rules may prohibit paying or receiving referral fees to or from investment advisers that are not members of the same organization.

We may advise some clients and prospective clients to invest in the Hedeker Strategic Appreciation Fund ("the Fund"). The Fund is a registered investment company which has contracted with our firm to be the investment adviser. The Fund's portfolio manager is Michael McClain, CFA. He is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio. Portfolio management clients of our firm may be invested in the Fund.

Hedeker Wealth shall have discretion to allocate all or a portion of your assets to Hedeker Wealth's affiliated mutual fund, the Hedeker Strategic Appreciation Fund (the "Fund"). When doing so, we shall credit your account in the amount of the management fees we receive from the Fund.

### **Description of Our Code of Ethics**

We strive to comply with applicable laws and regulations governing our practices. Therefore, our Code of Ethics includes guidelines for professional standards of conduct for our Associated Persons. Our goal is to protect your interests at all times and to demonstrate our commitment to our fiduciary duties of honesty, good faith, and fair dealing with you. All of our Associated Persons are expected to adhere strictly to these guidelines. Our Code of Ethics also requires that certain persons associated with our firm submit reports of their personal account holdings and transactions to a qualified representative of

our firm who will review these reports on a periodic basis. Persons associated with our firm are also required to report any violations of our Code of Ethics. Additionally, we maintain and enforce written policies reasonably designed to prevent the misuse or dissemination of material, non-public information about you or your account holdings by persons associated with our firm.

Our Code of Ethics is available to you upon request. You may obtain a copy of our Code of Ethics by contacting Dean Hedeker at 847-913-5594.

### **Participation or Interest in Client Transactions**

We are the investment adviser to Hedeker Strategic Appreciation Fund, a registered investment company ("mutual fund") in which you may be solicited to invest. Persons associated with our firm may have investments in the Fund. If you are an investor in the Fund, please refer to the fund's offering documents for detailed disclosures regarding the Fund. Additionally, individuals associated with our firm may buy or sell - for their personal account(s) - investment products identical to those purchased by the Fund. This practice may create a conflict of interest because we have the ability to trade ahead of the Fund and potentially receive more favorable prices than the fund will receive. To eliminate this conflict of interest, it is our policy that neither our associated persons nor we shall have priority over the Fund in the purchase or sale of securities.

### **Personal Trading Practices**

Our firm or persons associated with our firm may buy or sell securities for you at the same time we or persons associated with our firm buy or sell such securities for our own account. We may also combine our orders to purchase securities with your orders to purchase securities ("block trading"). Please refer to the "Brokerage Practices" section in this Brochure for information on our block trading practices.

A conflict of interest exists in such cases because we have the ability to trade ahead of you and potentially receive more favorable prices than you will receive. To mitigate this conflict of interest, it is our policy that neither our Associated Persons nor we shall have priority over your account in the purchase or sale of securities.

### **Reviews of Accounts and Reports**

Dean R. Hedeker will monitor your accounts on a continuous basis and will recommend a meeting and formal account review at least quarterly to ensure the advisory services provided to you and that the portfolio mix are consistent with your investment needs and objectives. Additional reviews may be conducted upon your request and may be conducted based on various circumstances, including, but not limited to:

- contributions and withdrawals;
- year-end tax planning;
- market moving events;
- security specific events; and/or,
- changes in your risk/return objectives.

We may prepare reports in conjunction with such meetings and account reviews. You will receive trade confirmations and monthly or quarterly statements from your account custodian(s).

### **Client Referrals and Other Compensation**

We do not receive any economic benefit for providing investment advice or other advisory services to you from a non-client, nor do we directly or indirectly compensate any person that is not associated with our firm for client referrals.

**Financial Information**

Our firm does not have any financial conditions or impairments that would prevent us from meeting our contractual commitments to you. We do not take physical custody of client funds or securities, or serve as trustee or signatory for client accounts, and we do not require the prepayment of fees six or more months in advance and in excess of \$1,200. Therefore, we are not required to include a financial statement with this brochure.

**Your Privacy**

We view protecting your private information as a top priority. Pursuant to applicable privacy requirements, we have instituted policies and procedures to ensure that we keep your personal information private and secure.

We do not disclose any nonpublic personal information about you to any nonaffiliated third parties, except as permitted by law. In the course of servicing your account, we may share some information with our service providers, such as transfer agents, custodians, broker-dealers, accountants, consultants, and attorneys.

We restrict internal access to nonpublic personal information about you to employees, who need that information in order to provide products or services to you. We maintain physical and procedural safeguards that comply with regulatory standards to guard your nonpublic personal information and to ensure our integrity and confidentiality. We will never sell information about you or your accounts to anyone. We do not share your information unless it is required to process a transaction, at your request, or required by law.

You will receive a copy of our privacy notice prior to or at the time you sign an advisory agreement with our firm. Thereafter, we will deliver a copy of the current privacy policy notice to you on an annual basis. Please contact Dean Hedeker at 847-913-5594 if you have any questions regarding this policy.

**Trade Errors**

In the event a trading error occurs in your account, our policy is to restore your account to the position it should have been in had the trading error not occurred. Depending on the circumstances, corrective actions may include canceling the trade, adjusting an allocation, and/or reimbursing the account. If a trade error results in a profit, the trade error will be corrected in the trade error account held at the executing broker-dealer and you will not keep the profit. Money held in the trade error account can be withdrawn at any time. Any monies remaining in the error account at the end of the calendar year will be distributed to our firm by the broker-dealer.