

*There are different ways you can get help with your investments. You should carefully consider which types of accounts and services are right for you. This document provides a summary of the types of services we provide and how you will pay for them. Please feel free to reach out to us for additional information. Questions you might consider asking us are noted ( → ) throughout this Summary.*

## Introduction

Lodestar Private Asset Management is an SEC registered investment adviser that has provided investment management services to retail investors since 1980. We are a fee-only financial planning and investment management firm - we do not earn commissions on the investment products we buy and sell for your portfolio.

## What Investment Services and Advice Can You Provide Me?

Investment Management Services: If you utilize our investment management services, we will:

- Analyze your goals, risk tolerance, and cash flow needs.
- Build and maintain a set of models for your financial situation and set a plan.
- Regularly monitor your asset allocations and make adjustments by buying and selling securities that are consistent with our investment strategy and your financial profile, goals, and risk tolerance.
- Trade securities on a "discretionary" basis (which means without your prior approval of each trade).
- Vote proxies for securities in your non-ERISA accounts.
- Where appropriate, retain sub-advisors to manage all or a part of your investment assets in separate "sub-accounts."
- Provide you ready access to our investment team to answer questions about your portfolio.
- Follow an internal code of ethics to which our team must conduct themselves.

Financial Planning Services: If you request financial planning services and depending upon your needs, we will evaluate your financial condition and help you set financial goals and plan for retirement. Analyses may include education funding, insurance needs, charitable giving, estate and tax planning and employer stock options. These may be stand-alone services or provided along with our management services.

Additional detail about our services is provided in our Form ADV Part 2A at Item 4.

- Given my financial situation, should I choose an investment advisory service and why or why not?
- How will you choose investments to recommend to me?
- What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications?
- What do your professional qualifications mean?

## What Fees Will I Pay?

These are the principal types of fees you will pay to us in connection with our services:

- Asset-Based Fees: Investment management fees charged as a percentage of the value of the assets under our management. These are paid quarterly.
- Fixed Fees: Financial planning fees on a fixed fee basis are paid at the time the services are provided.
- Hourly Fees: Financial planning fees on an hourly fee basis are paid at the time the services are provided.

Other fees & costs you will pay to others in relation to your investments include:

- Custodian fees. If charged, these are paid to your custodian directly, on an annual or a monthly basis.
- Maintenance fees. If charged, these are paid to your custodian directly.

- Transactional and product-level fees. If charged, these are paid to your executing custodian or broker-dealer directly, at the time of each transaction.
- Fees related to Investments. Mutual funds, exchange traded funds (ETFs), separately managed accounts, and other investment vehicles have fees built into them. All else being equal, our preference is to leverage investments with lower costs.

The fee any investment adviser charges reduces the value of your account when it is deducted each billing period. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying. You will pay the asset-based fee each period even if no securities are bought or sold in your account. You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. More detail about our fees is in our Form ADV Part 2A, Item 5.

- ➔ Help me understand how fees and costs might affect my investments – If I give you \$10,000 to invest, how much will go to fees and costs, and how much will remain in investment positions?

### **What Are Your Legal Obligations to Me When Acting as My Investment Adviser?**

We have adopted an internal Code of Ethics. When we act as your investment adviser, we must act in your best interest and not put our interests ahead of yours. Where the interests of our Firm or staff conflict with our duties to you, we must work to eliminate the conflict or tell you about it in clear terms. You should understand these conflicts because they can affect the investment advice we provide you.

### **How Else Does Your Firm Make Money and What Conflicts of Interest Do You Have?**

Here are examples to help you understand what this means:

- We charge fees for our services and that creates a conflict with your interests. As the value of your portfolio increases through investment growth or additional capital, the more absolute dollars you pay to us in fees. We therefore have an incentive to encourage you to increase the assets in your account.
- Our employees may personally invest in the same, or different securities based upon their personal financial situations and their investments may perform as well as, better or worse than client investments.
- To the extent we charge a separate fee for tax preparation and filing services, we have a financial incentive to recommend that you engage us for such services.

### **How Do Your Financial Professionals Make Money?**

Our financial professionals are paid a salary based upon their education, training, experience and the level of skill, sophistication and dedication they exhibit in their work for the Firm. Financial professionals who are owners of the business share in the profits of the business. Non-owner financial professionals are entitled to participate in the Firm's bonus program in years in which bonuses are awarded.

- ➔ How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?

### **Do You or Your Financial Professionals Have Legal or Disciplinary Histories?**

No. We recommend that you visit <https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov/> for a free and simple search tool to research our Firm and our financial professionals.

- ➔ As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For which type of conduct?
- ➔ Who is my primary contact person?
- ➔ Is she or he an Investment Adviser Representative or a Broker-Dealer Representative?
- ➔ Who can I speak with if I have concerns about how this person is treating me?

### **We encourage you to seek out additional information.**

Visit <https://www.investor.gov/> that provides helpful educational materials to learn more about investing. For additional information on our advisory services, fees, conflicts and personnel, see our Form ADV Parts 1 and 2 on <https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov/>. If you have any concerns or questions, or to obtain copies of our Form ADV Part 2 or Form CRS, contact our Chief Compliance Officer, Kevin L. Gray, at 925-838-1234.