

# Z3 CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC FORM ADV PART 2A, APPENDIX 1 WRAP FEE PROGRAM BROCHURE

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This wrap fee program brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Z3 Capital Partners, LLC. If you have any questions regarding the contents of this brochure, please contact our Chief Compliance Officer, James Hadaway by telephone at 513-832-5477 or by email at <a href="mailto:james.hadaway@dinsmorecomplianceservices.com">james.hadaway@dinsmorecomplianceservices.com</a>. 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.

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#### Item 2 - Material Changes

Form ADV Part 2A, Appendix 1 requires registered investment advisers to amend their wrap fee program brochure when information becomes materially inaccurate. If there are any material changes to an adviser's wrap fee program disclosure brochure since the last annual update of the wrap fee program disclosue brochure, the adviser is required to notify you and provide you with a description of the material changes.

Z3 Capital Partners, LLC is a newly registered investment adviser and this wrap fee program brochure was initially filed as part of that registration. Accordingly, there are no material changes to report.

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#### Item 4 - Services, Fees and Compensation

Z3 Capital Partners, LLC ("Z3" or the "Firm") is a corporation organized in the State of Virginia. Z3 is an investment advisory firm registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Z3 is owned by Scot Morris and Alicia Borghi.

The Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program (the "Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program") is an investment advisory program sponsored by Z3. Investment management services are provided to clients of Z3 through the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program.

In addition to the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program, the Firm may also provide financial planning services to its Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Clients. Z3 does not charge Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program clients an additional fee for any provided financial planning services. Information about any provided financial planning services is contained in the Firm's Form ADV Part 2A.

#### A. Description of the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program

Z3 offers investment management services on a discretionary basis. All investment advice provided is customized to each client's investment objectives and financial needs. The information provided by the client, together with any other information relating to the client's overall financial circumstances, will be used by Z3 to determine the appropriate portfolio asset allocation and investment strategy for the client.

The securities utilized by Z3 in the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program client accounts consist of equity securities, registered mutual funds, exchange traded funds (ETFs), closed end funds, and fixed and variable annuities/insurance products, if we determine such investments fit within a client's objectives and are in the best interest of our clients.

Z3 participates in the Raymond James and Associates, Inc. ("RJA") Ambassador Program custodial platform. Z3 will recommend that Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program clients establish brokerage accounts with RJA to maintain custody of clients' assets and to effect trades for their accounts. RJA, member New York Stock Exchange/SIPC, is a "qualified custodian" as that term is described in Rule 206(4)-2 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

**Note for IRA and Retirement Plan Clients:** When Z3 provides investment advice to you regarding your retirement plan account or individual retirement account, Z3 is a fiduciary within the meaning of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and/or the Internal Revenue Code, as applicable, which are laws governing retirement accounts. The way Z3 makes money creates some conflicts with your interests, so Z3 operates under a special rule that requires Z3 to act in your best interest and not put Z3's interest ahead of yours.

**Note Regarding Tax or Legal Advice**: In providing services, Z3 does not offer or otherwise provide tax or legal advice. Z3 will, at a client's direction and approval, work with a client's existing tax or legal professionals to assist in the provision of the services. Fees charged by any tax, legal or other third-party professionals are the responsibility of the client. Z3 may refer professionals; however, there is no compensation to Z3 for these referrals, and clients are under no obligation to use the referred service providers.

## B. The Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Fee

The Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Fee covers Z3's advisory services, custody and commissions for securities transactions effected through RJA. The number of transactions made in clients' accounts, the size of the accounts, and the securities used to construct a portfolio, as well as the commissions charged for each transaction, determines the relative cost of the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program versus paying for execution on a per transaction basis and paying a separate fee for advisory services. Participants in the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program may pay a higher or lower aggregate fee than if the investment management and brokerage services are purchased separately. Z3 does not charge its clients higher advisory fees based on their trading activity, but clients should be aware that Z3 may have an incentive to limit its trading activities in client accounts because Z3 is charged for executed trades. Z3 addresses this conflict of interest by this disclosure and by its policies and procedures which work to ensure that accounts are managed in accordance with clients' goals and objectives without consideration of trading costs incurred by Z3.

#### Cash and Margin Positions

At any specific point in time, depending upon perceived or anticipated market conditions or events (there being no guarantee that such anticipated market conditions/events will occur), Z3 may maintain cash positions for defensive or other purposes. All cash positions (money markets, etc.) will be included as part of assets under management for purposes of calculating the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Fee. In addition, Z3 does not reduce management fees for margin borrowing, regardless of whether the assets are in cash or other securities. Z3 has a financial incentive to recommend that clients borrow money for the purchase of additional securities for the client's account managed by Z3 or otherwise not liquidate some or all the assets Z3 manages. Z3 addresses this conflict of interest by this disclosure and working and working to ensure that any recommendation to a client regarding the use of margin is suitable for the client.

# Additional Fees and Expenses

In addition to the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Fee, clients will be responsible for transfer taxes, odd lot differentials, exchange fees, interest charges, ADR processing fees and any charges, taxes or other fees mandated by any federal, state or other applicable law, retirement plan account fees (where applicable), electronic fund and wire fees. Furthermore, Z3 fees do not cover transaction fees or "trade away" fees imposed for trades placed away from RJA.

#### Fee Schedule

In providing investment management services pursuant to the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program, Z3 charges an annual investment management services fee that is agreed upon with each client and set forth in an agreement executed by Z3 and the client. The Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management fee is based on a percentage of the value of assets under management and is generally paid quarterly in advance. When a client's account is opened, the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fee is billed for the remainder of the current quarterly

billing period and is based on the client's initial contribution to the client account. Subsequent quarterly Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fees will be based on the client's account value as of the last business day of the previous calendar quarter. If cash or securities, or a combination thereof, amounting to at least \$100,000 are deposited to or withdrawn from a Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program client's account on an individual business day in the first two months of the quarter, Z3 Capital Partners will (i) assess investment management services fees to the deposited assets based on the value of the assets on the date of deposit for the pro rata number of days remaining in the quarter, or (ii) refund prepaid Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fees based on the value of the assets on the date of withdrawal for the pro rata number of days remaining in the quarter. No additional Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fees or adjustments to previously assessed Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fees will be made in connection with deposits or withdrawals that occur during the last month of the quarter.

For purposes of Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management services fee calculation, Z3 Capital Partners utilizes third party sources, such as pricing services and custodians. For purposes of fee calculation, the asset value of Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program client accounts include cash and cash equivalents, as well as margined securities. Z3 Capital Partners does not reduce Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program investment management fees for margin borrowing, regardless of whether the assets are in cash or other securities. Z3 Capital Partners has a financial incentive to recommend that clients borrow money for the purchase of additional securities for the client's Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program account managed by Z3 Capital Partners or otherwise not liquidate some or all the assets Z3 Capital Partners manages. Z3 Capital Partners addresses this conflict of interest by this disclosure and working to ensure that any recommendation to a client regarding the use of margin is suitable for the client.

Following is the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program asset based fee:

FEE SCHEDULE		
Market Value of Assets	Maximum Rate	
Up to \$500,000	2.00%	
\$500,000 up to \$1,000,000	1.75%	
\$1,000,000 up to \$5,000,000	1.50%	
\$5,000,000 up to \$10,000,000	1.00%	
Above \$10,000,000	negotiable	
The percentage for the highest range of Managed Asset value		

The percentage for the highest range of Managed Asset value achieved applies to all Managed Assets, not just Managed Assets within that range

Z3 Capital Partners's policy is to include all related client accounts, specifically the accounts of direct family members sharing the same residence address, for purposes of determining a client's market value of assets.

# C. Compensation for Recommending the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program

Z3 does not have any arrangements where it receives an economic benefit from a third party for recommending the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program.

# Item 5 – Account Requirments and Types of Clients

Investment management services through the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program are provided to individuals, including high net worth individuals, and entities, including, but not limited to, family offices, trusts, estates, private foundations, as well as businesses and business owners. Z3 generally imposes a minimum initial investment of \$500,000 to open a Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program account. However, Z3 does reserve the right to accept or decline a potential client for any reason in its sole discretion.

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

Z3 serves as the only portfolio manager for the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program.

#### A. Advisory Services Offered by Z3

See Item 4 of this Wrap Fee Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Brochure for a full description of the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program. In addition to the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program, Z3 provides investment management on a non-wrap fee basis to certain types of retirement plan clients and financial planning and consulting services.

#### Financial Planning Services

For Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program clients financial planning services may also be provided, depending upon our agreement with the client and the needs of the client. In providing financial planning services, Z3 focuses upon specific areas of planning, such as retirement planning, educational planning, estate planning, cash flow planning, tax planning and insurance needs and analysis. The focus of the planning services and recommendations delivered are specific to each client's needs, goals, objectives and financial situation. Financial planning services are only made available to clients receiving investment management services. Z3 does not charge investment management services clients an additional fee for any provided financial planning services.

# B. Client Tailored Advisory Services

Clients may impose reasonable restrictions on the management of their accounts if Z3 determines, in its sole discretion, that the conditions would not materially impact the performance of a management strategy or prove overly burdensome for Z3's management efforts.

#### C. The Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program

As described above, Z3 is the only portfolio manager of the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program. See Item 4 above for a description of the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program and

the other advisory services offered by Z3. Clients may impose reasonable restrictions on the management of their accounts if Z3 determines, in its sole discretion, that the conditions would not materially impact the performance of a management strategy or prove overly burdensome for Z3's management efforts. As a portfolio manager, Z3 receives the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program Fee after the payment of the brokerage, execution and custodian fees and expenses.

#### D. Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

Z3 does not charge performance-based fees or participate in side-by-side management. Performance-based fees are fees that are based on a share of capital gains or capital appreciation of a client's account. 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. Z3's fees are calculated as described in Item 5 above.

#### E. Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

#### Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategies

Z3 begins each client relationship with a deep understanding of the client's financial condition, risk tolerance, investment objectives, tax considerations, and liquidity needs. Through personalized investment planning, Z3 constructs a comprehensive picture of each client's goals before implementing an investment strategy. This customized approach ensures that recommended portfolios and strategies are aligned with the client's overall investment plan and risk profile.

Z3 primarily employs fundamental analysis to guide its investment decisions. This includes reviewing third-party research, publicly available financial documents, and corporate communications. The firm typically implements long-term investment strategies that align with clients' financial goals but may incorporate shorter-term trading when appropriate based on market conditions or client-specific objectives. Z3's structured investment framework, the Financial House, segments portfolios into three tiers: the First Floor (income and growth), the Second Floor (growth), and the Attic (high-growth opportunities). This tiered system provides a disciplined structure that seeks to balance risk and return across varying market environments.

Key selection criteria include corporate ownership; balance sheet analysis; and technical charting. Active portfolio management is core to the firm's approach, incorporating ongoing financial monitoring, position sizing adjustments, and sector rotation based on valuation and market trends. All investment strategies involve risk. Clients may be subject to short-term market fluctuations that impact principal value. Z3 manages risk through diversification, active portfolio oversight, and a consistent application of its investment process. However, no strategy can guarantee success or protect against all market downturns. Clients are encouraged to consider both the potential rewards and risks when engaging Z3 Capital's advisory services.

Client portfolios with similar investment objectives and asset allocation goals may own different securities and investments. The client's portfolio size, tax sensitivity, desire for

simplicity, income needs, long-term wealth transfer objectives, time horizon and choice of custodian are all factors that influence Z3's investment recommendations.

Investing in securities involves a risk of loss. A client can lose all or a substantial portion of his/her investment. A client should be willing to bear such a loss. Some investments are intended only for sophisticated investors and can involve a high degree of risk.

#### Material Risks Involved

Investing in securities involves a significant risk of loss which clients should be prepared to bear. Z3's investment recommendations are subject to various market, currency, economic, political and business risks, and such investment decisions will not always be profitable. Clients should be aware that there may be a loss or depreciation to the value of the client's account. There can be no assurance that the client's investment objectives will be obtained and no inference to the contrary should be made.

Generally, the market value of equity stocks will fluctuate with market conditions, and small-stock prices generally will fluctuate more than large-stock prices. The market value of fixed income securities will generally fluctuate inversely with interest rates and other market conditions prior to maturity. Fixed income securities are obligations of the issuer to make payments of principal and/or interest on future dates, and include, among other securities: bonds, notes and debentures issued by corporations; debt securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or one of its agencies or instrumentalities, or by a non-U.S. government or one of its agencies or instrumentalities; municipal securities; and mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities. These securities may pay fixed, variable, or floating rates of interest, and may include zero coupon obligations and inflation-linked fixed income securities. The value of longer duration fixed income securities will generally fluctuate more than shorter duration fixed income securities. Investments in overseas markets also pose special risks, including currency fluctuation and political risks, and it may be more volatile than that of a U.S. only investment. Such risks are generally intensified for investments in emerging markets. In addition, there is no assurance that a mutual fund or ETF will achieve its investment objective. Past performance of investments is no guarantee of future results.

Additional risks involved in the securities recommended by Z3 include, among others:

- Stock market risk, which is the chance that stock prices overall will decline. The
  market value of equity securities will generally fluctuate with market conditions.
  Stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising prices and periods
  of falling prices. Prices of equity securities tend to fluctuate over the short term
  as a result of factors affecting the individual companies, industries or the
  securities market as a whole. Equity securities generally have greater price
  volatility than fixed income securities.
- Sector risk, which is the chance that significant problems will affect a particular sector, or that returns from that sector will trail returns from the overall stock market. Daily fluctuations in specific market sectors are often more extreme than fluctuations in the overall market.

- *Issuer risk*, which is the risk that the value of a security will decline for reasons directly related to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage, and reduced demand for the issuer's goods or services.
- Non-diversification risk, which is the risk of focusing investments in a small number of issuers, industries or foreign currencies, including being more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence than a more diversified portfolio might be.
- Value investing risk, which is the risk that value stocks not increase in price, not issue the anticipated stock dividends, or decline in price, either because the market fails to recognize the stock's intrinsic value, or because the expected value was misgauged. If the market does not recognize that the securities are undervalued, the prices of those securities might not appreciate as anticipated. They also may decline in price even though in theory they are already undervalued. Value stocks are typically less volatile than growth stocks, but may lag behind growth stocks in an up market.
- Smaller company risk, which is the risk that the value of securities issued by a smaller company will go up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably as compared to more widely held securities. Investments in smaller companies are subject to greater levels of credit, market and issuer risk.
- Foreign (non-U.S.) investment risk, which is the risk that investing in foreign securities result in the portfolio experiencing more rapid and extreme changes in value than a portfolio that invests exclusively in securities of U.S. companies. Risks associated with investing in foreign securities include fluctuations in the exchange rates of foreign currencies that may affect the U.S. dollar value of a security, the possibility of substantial price volatility as a result of political and economic instability in the foreign country, less public information about issuers of securities, different securities regulation, different accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards and less liquidity than in the U.S. markets.
- Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) risk, which is the risk of an investment in an ETF, including the possible loss of principal. ETFs typically trade on a securities exchange and the prices of their shares fluctuate throughout the day based on supply and demand, which may not correlate to their net asset values. Although ETF shares will be listed on an exchange, there can be no guarantee that an active trading market will develop or continue. Owning an ETF generally reflects the risks of owning the underlying securities it is designed to track. ETFs are also subject to secondary market trading risks. In addition, an ETF may not replicate exactly the performance of the index it seeks to track for a number of reasons, including transaction costs incurred by the ETF, the temporary unavailability of certain securities in the secondary market, or discrepancies between the ETF and the index with respect to weighting of securities or number of securities held.
- Management risk, which is the risk that the investment techniques and risk
  analyses applied by Z3 may not produce the desired results and that legislative,
  regulatory, or tax developments, affect the investment techniques available to
  Z3. There is no guarantee that a client's investment objectives will be achieved.
- Investment Companies ("Mutual Funds") risk, when an investor invests in mutual funds, the investor will bear additional expenses based on his/her pro rata share of the mutual fund's operating expenses, including the management fees. The

- risk of owning a mutual fund generally reflects the risks of owning the underlying investments the mutual fund holds.
- Cybersecurity risk, which is the risk related to unauthorized access to the systems and networks of Z3 and its service providers. The computer systems, networks and devices used by Z3 and service providers to us and our clients to carry out routine business operations employ a variety of protections designed to prevent damage or interruption from computer viruses, network failures, computer and telecommunication failures, infiltration by unauthorized persons and security breaches. Despite the various protections utilized, systems, networks or devices potentially can be breached. A client could be negatively impacted as a result of a cybersecurity breach. Cybersecurity breaches can include unauthorized access to systems, networks or devices; infection from computer viruses or other malicious software code; and attacks that shut down, disable, slow or otherwise disrupt operations, business processes or website access or functionality. Cybersecurity breaches cause disruptions and impact business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses to a client; impediments to trading; the inability by us and other service providers to transact business; violations of applicable privacy and other laws; regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, reimbursement or other compensation costs, or other compliance costs; as well as the inadvertent release of confidential information. Similar adverse consequences could result from cybersecurity breaches affecting issues of securities in which a client invests; governmental and other regulatory authorities; exchange and other financial market operators, banks, brokers, dealers and other financial institutions; and other parties. In addition, substantial costs may be incurred by those entities in order to prevent any cybersecurity breaches in the
- Closed-End Funds risk, Closed-end funds typically use a high degree of leverage. They may be diversified or non-diversified. Risks associated with closed-end fund investments include liquidity risk, credit risk, volatility and the risk of magnified losses resulting from the use of leverage. Additionally, closedend funds may trade below their net asset value.

There also are risks surrounding various insurance products that are recommended to Z3 clients from time to time. Such risks include, but are not limited to, loss of premiums. Prior to purchasing any insurance product, clients should carefully read the policy and applicable disclosure documents.

Clients are advised that they should only commit assets for management that can be invested for the long term, that volatility from investing can occur, and that all investing is subject to risk. Z3 does not guarantee the future performance of a client's portfolio, as investing in securities involves the risk of loss that clients should be prepared to bear.

Past performance of a security or a fund is not necessarily indicative of future performance or risk of loss.

# F. Voting Client Securities

Z3 does not accept the authority to and does not vote proxies on behalf of clients. Clients retain the responsibility for receiving and voting proxies for all and any securities maintained in client Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program portfolios.

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

Z3 is the only portfolio manager under the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program.

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

Z3 is the only portfolio manager under the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program. Clients may contact Z3 personnel during regular business hours to discuss the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program and their Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program accounts. Therefore, no restrictions are placed on a client's ability to contact or consult with Z3.

#### Item 9 – Additional Information

#### A. Disciplinary Information

Registered investment advisers are required to disclose all material facts regarding any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of the adviser and the integrity of the adviser's management. Z3 has no information applicable to this Item.

# B. Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

#### **Insurance Agent Activities**

Certain advisory persons of Z3 are licensed as insurance professionals. Such persons earn commission-based compensation for selling insurance products to clients. Insurance commissions earned by advisory persons who are insurance professionals are separate from and in addition to Z3's advisory fee. This practice presents a conflict of interest as an advisory person who is an insurance professional has an incentive to recommend insurance products for the purpose of generating commissions rather than solely based on client needs. Z3 addresses this conflict through disclosure and strives to make recommendations which are in the best interests of its clients. Clients are under no obligation to purchase insurance products through any person affiliated with Z3. Z3 clients should understand that lower fees and/or commissions for comparable services may be available from other insurance providers.

#### Insurance Networking Agencies

Z3 has relationships with third-party insurance networking agencies that provide insurance and annuity education, comparisons, and solutions. These third-party insurance networking agencies have relationships with third party broker-dealers who provide clients access to and support for annuities, insurance, mutual fund, and 529 education products. Z3 may receive asset-based advisory fees from third party broker-dealers and insurance carriers to provide advisory consulting services to clients. The services provided by Z3 under these third-party relationships are limited to: serving as the client relationship

manager and maintaining a complete financial profile for each client; providing ongoing account suitability analysis based on current client financial profiles; and providing investment analysis and required minimum distributions (RMDs) based on disclosed client assets. Z3 does not receive nor share in commissions or transaction-based compensation in these relationships. Any transaction or related fees incurred by clients at these third-party networking agencies and third-party broker dealers are not covered by the Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program fee.

# C. Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

Z3 has a Code of Ethics (the "Code") which requires Z3's employees ("supervised persons") to comply with their legal obligations and fulfill the fiduciary duties owed to the Firm's clients. Among other things, the Code of Ethics sets forth policies and procedures related to conflicts of interest, outside business activities, gifts and entertainment, compliance with insider trading laws and policies and procedures governing personal securities trading by supervised persons.

Personal securities transactions of supervised persons present potential conflicts of interest with the price obtained in client securities transactions or the investment opportunity available to clients. The Code addresses these potential conflicts by prohibiting securities trades that would breach a fiduciary duty to a client and requiring, with certain exceptions, supervised persons to report their personal securities holdings and transactions to Z3 for review by the Firm's Chief Compliance Officer. The Code also requires supervised persons to obtain pre-approval of certain investments, including initial public offerings and limited offerings.

Z3 will provide a copy of the Code of Ethics to any client or prospective client upon request.

#### D. Review of Accounts

While Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program accounts are monitored on an ongoing basis, Z3's investment adviser representatives seek to have at least one annual meeting with each client to conduct a formal review of the clients' accounts. Accounts are reviewed for consistency with the investment strategy and other parameters set forth for the account and to determine if any adjustments need to be made.

#### Other Reviews and Triggering Factors

In addition to the periodic reviews described above, reviews may be triggered by changes in an

account holder's personal, tax or financial status. Other events that may trigger a review of an account are material changes in market conditions as well as macroeconomic and company- specific events. Clients are encouraged to notify Z3 of any changes in his/her personal financial situation that might affect his/her investment needs, objectives, or time horizon.

# Regular Reports

Written brokerage statements are generated no less than quarterly and are sent directly from the qualified custodian. These reports list the account positions, activity in the account over the covered period, and other related information. Clients are also sent

confirmations following each brokerage account transaction unless confirmations have been waived.

Z3 may also determine to provide account statements and other reporting to clients on a periodic basis. Clients are urged to carefully review all custodial account statements and compare them to any statements and reports provided by Z3. Z3 statements and reports may vary from custodial statements based on accounting procedures, reporting dates, or valuation methodologies of certain securities.

# E. Client Referrals and Other Compensation

#### Client Referrals

Z3 does not receive benefits from third parties for providing investment advice to clients. In addition, Z3 does not enter into agreements with individuals or organizations for the referral of clients.

#### Other Compensation

As described above, Z3 requires that Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program clients utilize RJA as the custodian/broker-dealer for their Z3 Capital Partners Wrap Fee Program account(s). While there is no direct link between the investment advice Z3 provides and participation in the RJA program, Z3 management receives certain economic benefits from the RJA program. These benefits may include software and other technology that provides access to client account data (such as trade confirmations and account statements), facilitates trade execution (and allocation of aggregated orders for multiple client accounts), provides research, pricing information and other market data, facilitates the payment of Z3's fees from its clients' accounts, and assists with back-office functions, recordkeeping and client reporting. Many of these services may be used to service all or a substantial number of Z3's accounts, including accounts not held at RJA. RJA may also make available to Z3 other services intended to help Z3 manage and further develop its business. These services may include consulting, publications and conferences on practice management, information technology, business succession, and marketing. In addition, RJA may make available, arrange and/or pay for these types of services to be rendered to Z3 by independent third parties. RJA may discount or waive fees it would otherwise charge for some of these services, pay all or a part of the fees of a third-party providing these services to Z3, and/or RJA may pay for travel expenses relating to participation in such training. Finally, participation in the RJA program provides Z3 with access to mutual funds which normally require significantly higher minimum initial investments or are normally available only to institutional investors.

The benefits received through participation in the RJA program do not necessarily depend upon the proportion of transactions directed to RJA. The benefits are received by Z3, in part because of commission revenue generated for RJA by Z3's clients. This means that the investment activity in client accounts is beneficial to Z3, because RJA does not assess a fee to Z3 for these services. This creates an incentive for Z3 to continue to recommend RJA to its clients. While it may be possible to obtain similar

custodial, execution and other services elsewhere at a lower cost, Z3 believes that RJA provides an excellent combination of these services. These services are not soft dollar arrangements, but are part of the institutional platform offered by RJA.

#### F. Financial Information

Z3 is not required to disclose any financial information pursuant to this item due to the following:

- a) Z3 does not require or solicit the prepayment of more than \$1,200 in fees six months or more in advance of rendering services;
- b) Z3 is unaware of any financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet its contractual commitments relating to its discretionary authority over certain client accounts; and
- c) Z3 has never been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.

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