

## ITEM 1 - INTRODUCTION

Millington Financial Advisors, LLC ("MFA") is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment adviser. One of the requirements of being a Registered Investment Adviser ("RIA") is to produce this Client Relationship Summary.

As an RIA, we do not sell products or accept commissions. We have a fiduciary responsibility to our clients and are legally required to act in their best interests. This differentiates us from brokerage firms, which offer other types of services, fee structures, and working relationships. Brokerage and investment advisory services and fees differ, and it is important to understand these differences, which is why the SEC provides free and simple tools for researching financial professionals at [www.investor.gov/CRS](http://www.investor.gov/CRS). This site also provides educational materials about investment advisors, broker-dealers, and investing.

## ITEM 2 – RELATIONSHIP & SERVICE

### WHAT INVESTMENT SERVICES AND ADVICE CAN YOU PROVIDE ME?

MFA offers investment advisory services to retail investors. Our firm manages accounts on a discretionary basis and non-discretionary basis. In a discretionary account, you grant us the authority to execute purchase and sell orders in your investment account(s) without consulting with you first. You may limit our discretion, such as by imposing reasonable restrictions on investing in certain securities or groups of securities. In a non-discretionary account, you have not granted written trading authority to your Financial Professional and he or she will consult with you before executing trades in your account. As the retail client, you make the ultimate decision regarding the purchase or sale of your investments.

As an investment adviser, we provide investment advice and monitoring to you through our Investment Adviser Representatives ("IARs") for an ongoing fee. If deemed appropriate for you, our Firm will recommend utilizing a separate managed account, third party money manager, or unified managed account program ("SMA" or "TPMM" or "UMA") to aid in the implementation of investment strategies for your portfolio. Our Firm also offers financial planning, consulting, and tax and accounting services for our clients. These services can be provided on a stand-alone basis or in conjunction with our investment management services.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE ITEMS 4, 7, 13, AND 16 OF OUR FORM ADV 2A "BROCHURE."

- *Given my financial situation, should I choose an investment advisory service? 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 these qualifications mean?*

## ITEM 3A – FEES, COSTS, CONFLICTS & STANDARD OF CONDUCT

### WHAT FEES WILL I PAY?

We generally offer our advisory services for an annual investment advisory fee calculated as a percentage of the value of the assets that we manage in your account. Our fees are assessed quarterly in advance based on the prior quarter's ending balance, as set forth in the fee schedule contained in your advisory agreement, not to exceed 1.00%. Our fees are exclusive of brokerage commissions, transaction fees, exchange fees, and other related costs and expenses. Where we determine to allocate capital to exchange-traded funds ("ETFs"), our fees are exclusive of the fees and expenses of the ETFs. The structure and level of our fees will vary by client based upon the services provided and other considerations deemed relevant by us. You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on our investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and cost you are paying. The more assets in your advisory account, the more you will pay in fees, and therefore the Firm has an incentive to encourage you to increase the asset value in your account. Financial planning fees are included in the investment advisory fee. No separate charge is assessed.

Occasionally a client will hire us only for tax and accounting services. Our fees for this limited service depend upon the amount of AUM you have. Clients with at least \$1,000,000 in AUM will receive tax and accounting services included in their investment advisory fee. No separate charge is assessed. Clients with less than \$1,000,000 in AUM may elect to receive tax and accounting services for a separate, flat fee, which will not exceed \$750. This fee is negotiable at the discretion of the Firm.

Separate Managed Account ("SMA"), Third-Party Money Manager ("TPMM") or Unified Managed Account ("UMA") program fees are charged independently by mutual funds, exchange traded funds, private investment funds, and separate account managers. The billing methods of these organizations are outlined in each firm's brochure, prospectus, or contract. You pay ongoing fees directly to TPMM's based on the assets you have under management with respect to each TPMM.

The custodian (generally Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.) for an investment account may charge transaction costs (also known as commissions), as well as custodial, redemption, administrative, and other fees. Most of our clients only pay transaction costs and occasional administrative fees. Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. also earns fees in other ways including, but not limited to,

managing money market and proprietary mutual funds, margin loan interest, securities lending, and platform fees paid by fund managers. Our Firm does not share in Custodian Fees charged to your account.

For all services, fees will be billed as services are rendered. The amount paid to our Firm and your financial professional generally does not vary. Based on the type of investments we select on your behalf. You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE ITEM 5 OF OUR FORM ADV 2A "BROCHURE."

- *Help me understand how these 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 be invested for me?*

### ITEM 3.B – FEES, COSTS, & STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

WHAT ARE YOUR LEGAL OBLIGATIONS TO ME WHEN ACTING AS MY INVESTMENT ADVISER? HOW ELSE DOES YOUR FIRM MAKE MONEY & WHAT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DO YOU HAVE?

When we act as your investment adviser, we have to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours. At the same time, how we make money conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect our investment advice. Here are some examples to help you understand what this means.

The following are examples where asset-based fee compensation conflicts with the firm's: 1) When advising a rollover 401(k) balance, even when equivalent and less costly options if funds are left with the employer's fund manager. 2) When advising not to pay off a mortgage (thus diminishing assets), even when the mortgage carries a high-interest rate. 3) When advising against making a large charitable contribution to get a tax deduction (but decrease assets under management).

Our firm receives a fee as compensation for providing investment services on your account. We manage accounts for multiple clients and allocate our time based on each client's needs. Our firm earns more as we expand our client base to grow our assets under management, and we seek to balance our staffing with each client's individualized needs.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE ITEMS 5, 10, 11 AND 14 OF OUR FORM ADV PART 2A "BROCHURE."

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

### ITEM 3.C – FEES, COSTS, & STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

HOW DO YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS MAKE MONEY?

Our Financial Professionals are compensated based on our firm's revenue from our investment advisor fees. Our Financial Professionals are compensated based on the amount of assets they service, the amount of time spent, and the complexity required to meet the client's needs or revenue based on the recommendations provided. Some of our Financial Professionals are insurance licensed and receive commissions, trails or other compensation from the respective insurance companies as a result of effecting insurance transactions. However, you have the right to decide whether to act on the recommendation. We recognize our duty to prioritize your interests and have established policies to avoid conflicts.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE ITEMS 5, 10, 11, AND 14 OF OUR FORM ADV PART 2A "BROCHURE" AND REFER TO YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL'S ADV 2B BROCHURE

### ITEM 4 – DISCIPLINARY HISTORY

DO YOU OR YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS HAVE LEGAL OR DISCIPLINARY HISTORY?

No. Visit [Investor.gov/CRS](http://Investor.gov/CRS) for a free and simple search tool to research MFA and our financial professionals.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE ITEM 9 OF OUR FORM ADV PART 2A "BROCHURE"  
OR REFER TO ITEM 11 OF OUR PART 1

- *As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct?*

### ITEM 5 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information about our investment advisory services, visit the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). Our firm's IARD number is CRD #156315. You may also contact us for up-to-date information and request a copy of the relationship summary by contacting us at (630) 922-7900, [www.millingtonfa.com](http://www.millingtonfa.com), or [cfmillington@millingtonfa.com](mailto:cfmillington@millingtonfa.com)

- *Who is my primary contact person? Is he/she a representative of an investment adviser or a broker dealer?*
- *Who can I talk to if I have concerns about how this person is treading me?*

## SUMMARY OF MATERIAL CHANGES

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Form CRS was reviewed and updated for annual amendment filing on March 18, 2025. Since the last annual amendment filing on January 13, 2024, the following material changes have been made:

- Item 2: Third Party Money Management Services were added.
- Item 2: Tax and Accounting Services were added.
- Item 3A: Maximum Investment Management fee of 1.00% was defined.
- Item 3A: Third Party Money Management fees were defined.
- Item 3A: Tax and Accounting Service fees were defined.