

FORM CRS RELATIONSHIP SUMMARY

1. INTRODUCTION

Cantone Research, Inc. (CRI) is registered with the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) as a broker-dealer that provides brokerage accounts and services. CRI is also a member of FINRA, MSRB and SIPC. Brokerage and investment advisory services and fees differ; it is important for you to understand the differences. Free and simple tools are available to research firms and financial professionals at: www.investor.gov/CRS which also provides educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers, and investing.

2. WHAT INVESTMENT SERVICES AND ADVICE CAN YOU PROVIDE ME?

- The brokerage services we provide include buying and selling securities and recommending investments to retail investors.
- We have no minimum account requirements for opening or maintaining an account. From time to time, we may offer unregistered private placements of affiliated or unaffiliated issuers, which require the investor to meet the SEC definition of an “accredited investor”; further, issuers may require minimum investments. In addition, certain municipal securities transactions may be subject to minimum denomination requirements.
- We can offer you additional services to assist you in developing and executing your investment strategy and monitoring the performance of your account. We are not required to monitor your portfolio or investments on an ongoing basis. You are responsible for making the ultimate decision regarding the purchase or sale of investments.

Questions to ask:

- *Given my financial situation, should I choose a brokerage 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?*

3. FEES, COSTS, CONFLICTS, AND STANDARD OF CONDUCT

3A. What Fees Will I Pay?

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.

- The fee you pay is based on the specific transaction and not on the value of your account.
- With stocks or exchange-traded funds, the fee is usually a separate commission. With other investments, such as bonds, this fee may be part of the price you pay for the investment (called a mark-up or mark-down). With mutual funds, a fee typically called a load reduces the value of your investment. Mutual funds also charge annual management fees which vary depending on the fund. With certain investments such as variable annuities, you may have to pay fees such as surrender charges to sell the investment, reducing the value of your investment.
- We or our clearing firm (Wedbush Securities) may charge you additional fees such as ticket processing fees, custodian fees, account maintenance fees, and account inactivity fees.
- The more transactions in your account, the more fees we will charge you. We therefore have an incentive to encourage you to engage in transactions.

Questions to ask:

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?

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3B. What are your legal obligations to me when providing recommendations? How else does your firm make money and what conflicts of interest do you have?

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

- Proprietary products are investments that are issued, sponsored, or managed by our firm or our affiliates. We and our affiliates make money on proprietary products which may be similar to non-proprietary products which may cost less.
- We may buy and sell your investment through our own accounts (called “acting as principal”) and we can earn a profit on these trades.
- We can make extra money by selling you certain investments because they are offered by companies that pay our firm to sell their investments. Your financial professional also receives more money if you buy these investments.

Questions to ask:

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

3C. How do your financial professionals make money?

- Our financial professionals are compensated by receiving a percentage of the transaction fees described in Section 3A above, therefore the same conflicts described therein apply.

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

Yes. Visit www.investor.gov/CRS for a free and simple search tool to research us and our financial professionals. For additional information about our brokers and services, visit <https://brokercheck.finra.org/>, our web site www.cantone.com and refer to your account agreement.

Questions to ask:

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

5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- You may find additional information about our brokerage services at our website **www.cantone.com**.
- You may request a copy of the Form CRS Relationship Summary by contacting your investment professional. You may also call **(732) 450-3500 x 111** for a copy or to request up-to-date information.

Questions to ask:

Who is the primary contact person for my account? Is he or she a registered representative of a broker-dealer? If I have concerns about how this person is treating me, who can I talk to?