Client Relationship Summary  
Effective March 22, 2021

Access supplemental materials by clicking on the links below or visiting ml.com/relationships and merrilledge.com.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (Merrill or we) is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as both a broker-dealer and an investment adviser, and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (www.sipc.org). Managed Account Advisors LLC (MAA), our subsidiary, is also an SEC-registered investment advisor.

You can access free and simple tools to research firms and financial professionals at investor.gov/CRS, which provides educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers and investing. Brokerage and investment advisory services and fees differ and it is important for you to understand these differences. This Client Relationship Summary (Form CRS) provides a summary of the types of services we provide and how you pay.

At Merrill, we offer both brokerage and investment advisory services. You choose how you want to work with us:

| Work with your dedicated Merrill Advisor (Advisor) and team in a brokerage account relationship for a per trade charge and/or enroll in an investment advisory program to access managed investment portfolios, discretionary management and fiduciary services for an annual asset-based fee. | Obtain the advice of Merrill Financial Solutions Advisors (FSAs) and other representatives in a brokerage account relationship for a per trade charge and/or enroll in an investment advisory program to receive selected managed portfolios and related fiduciary services for an annual asset-based fee. | Utilize the Merrill Edge Self-Directed (MESD) investing platform to execute and manage your own trades in a brokerage account for a per trade charge and/or enroll in an investment advisory program to access certain self-guided managed portfolios and related fiduciary services for an annual asset-based fee. |

This Form CRS and the Summary of Programs and Services provides an overview of our primary programs.

What investment services and advice can you provide me?

**BROKERAGE SERVICES**

In a brokerage account (Account), you pay commissions and other sales fees on a per transaction basis. We may recommend investments to you, but you make the final decision to buy, sell or hold them.

From time to time, we may voluntarily review the holdings in your Account; however, for purposes of Regulation Best Interest, we do not provide an ongoing monitoring service or monitor your Account and Regulation Best Interest does not require us to do so.

The Cash Management Account (CMA) is our primary brokerage Account for retail clients. Our brokerage services provide you:

- Investment recommendations and responses to your trade instructions and other requests.
- Access to investments, research, financial tools, investment guidance and market education.
- Trade execution for purchases and sales of securities and custody of Account assets.
- Margin lending (borrowing against the securities in your Account).
- Access to various account types.
- Access to our Cash Sweep Program where uninvested cash in your Account is “swept” into bank deposit accounts affiliated with us or into money market mutual funds.
- Cash management services including direct deposit, check-writing, debit cards, electronic funds transfer.

You can obtain certain brokerage services in a brokerage Account serviced by FSAs and other of our registered employees via a call center or in a bank or wealth management center (Merrill Advisory Center (MAC)). Certain of our FSAs and registered employees may only offer certain types of investment products. You can obtain brokerage services on a self-directed basis through MESD.

Our Best Interest Disclosure Statement provides material facts about a brokerage Account, including material limitations we place on our offerings.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (also referred to as “MLPF&S” or “Merrill”) makes available certain investment products sponsored, managed, distributed, or provided by companies that are affiliates of Bank of America Corporation (“BofA Corp.”). MLPF&S is a registered broker-dealer, registered investment adviser, Member SIPC and a wholly owned subsidiary of BofA Corp. Merrill Lynch Life Agency Inc. (”MLLA”) is a licensed insurance agency and a wholly owned subsidiary of BofA Corp. Merrill Lynch Life Agency Inc. (”MLLA”) is a licensed insurance agency and a wholly owned subsidiary of BofA Corp. Banking products are provided by Bank of America, N.A., Member FDIC and a wholly owned subsidiary of BofA Corp. Investment products offered through MLPF&S, and insurance and annuity products offered through MLLA:

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INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES

Merrill offers a variety of investment advisory programs (IA Programs). Each IA Program is described in an IA Program brochure available at mml.com/relationships and merrilledge.com.

When you enroll in one of our IA Programs, we act as your investment adviser in providing you the services described in that IA Program’s client agreement and brochure. You pay an asset-based fee and not on a per trade basis. These services include advice and guidance, brokerage and custody services and access to the Cash Sweep Program.

In certain IA Programs, you can choose to make investment decisions yourself and/or to grant us or a third party the authority to make investment and trading decisions for your account on your behalf (discretion). This discretion is triggered when you grant it to us and remains in effect until you revoke it. We provide ongoing monitoring for an account enrolled in an IA Program as described in its brochure.

MAA provides discretionary services in certain IA Programs. It invests assets by implementing investment strategies of third-party managers and/or of Merrill that has been selected for your IA Program account, processes contributions and withdrawals and provides other services.

Our IA Programs for retail investors are:

Merrill Lynch Investment Advisory Program (IAP). IAP provides you with investment advice and guidance from an Advisor you select and access to a wide range of investment strategies and products. IAP makes available third-party and Merrill managed investment strategies as well as individual funds, equities and fixed income securities. For an IAP account, you may delegate investment and trading discretion to your Advisor or to the manager (us or a third-party manager) of an investment strategy you select or retain investment discretion.

Strategic Portfolio Advisor Service (SPA). SPA provides you with investment advice from an Advisor you select and the ability to access investment strategies offered by third-party managers under a separate contract.

Managed Account Service (MAS). MAS provides you with the ability to select under a separate contract certain investment strategies of third-party managers not offered in our other IA Programs. As to this selection, we and your Advisor do not provide advice or recommendations.

Merrill Guided Investing with Advisor (MGI with Advisor). This IA Program offers you the ability to invest in certain investment strategies managed by Merrill with advice and guidance of a Merrill representative and through an online, guided interactive website.

Merrill Edge Advisory Account (MEAA). MEAA is a program that offers you the ability to invest with advice and guidance of a MAC-based FSA in certain investment strategies managed by Merrill.

Merrill Guided Investing (MGI). MGI provides you with the ability to invest in a set of investment strategies managed by Merrill through an online, self-guided interactive website.

Institutional Investment Consulting (IIC). IIC is a program that provides specified investment portfolio services to the investment portfolios of IIC-eligible clients.

All of these IA Programs have differing service and relationship approaches and requirements. Certain of the same managed investment strategies are available in several of our IA Programs. You should evaluate which IA Program is right for you considering your investment profile; your preferences on working with an Advisor you select, working with a MAC-based FSA or working on a self-guided basis; the nature of the IA Program services; the types of IA Program services you want; the investment solutions available; and the IA Program fees. The IA Program brochures provide material facts about the program, including fees and conflicts of interest.

FOR BOTH BROKERAGE AND INVESTMENT ADVISORY

We offer a wide variety of investment products. These products are available to you for investment based on factors such as account limitations, client and Advisor/FSA eligibility and our product approval process.

The investment options available to brokerage and IA Program-enrolled accounts include products sponsored or managed by product providers unrelated to us. There is a limited number of products in which we or our affiliates have an interest. For certain products, we require that the product provider or sponsor enter into distribution agreements with us and, in certain cases, agree to make payments to us for compensation purposes, revenue sharing and for sub-accounting services. These material limitations are further described in the Best Interest Disclosure Statement.

Merrill utilizes its own broker-dealer capabilities and those of Bank of America Securities, Inc. (BoFAS) and affiliates to provide you with certain investment products and services, including trade execution, access to research and cash management services.

For a CMA Account, there is a minimum funding of $20,000 in cash and/or securities (with a $2,000 minimum for a subaccount). This does not apply to an MESD account or an account enrolled in MGI, MGIA or MEAA. Certain investment products and IA Programs are subject to minimum investment amounts detailed in offering materials and IA Program brochures. Not all account type options provide the services described in this Form CRS.
Questions you can ask us about our services: • Given my financial situation, should I choose an investment advisory service? Should I choose a brokerage service or both types of services? Why or why not? • How will you choose investments to recommend? • What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications and what do they mean?

What fees will I pay?

FEES IN A BROKERAGE ACCOUNT

You will pay a fee for each transaction in a brokerage account (for example, commissions, markups, markdowns or sales charges). This can be a direct payment from you or, for certain investment products, the product sponsor or the manager will pay the fees and costs to us based on the value of your investment.

Brokerage transaction fees vary from product to product. An overview of brokerage fees and other Account charges is included in the Best Interest Disclosure Statement and in the materials listed on page 4 of this CRS. An overview of the MESD brokerage fees and charges is available at merrilledge.com/pricing. The trade confirmation you receive will provide the amount of the fees charged for the transaction. The offering materials available for certain types of investment products provide information about the fees and costs of those products.

The more trades that you make in your brokerage account, the more we and/or your Advisor get paid, giving us a financial incentive to encourage transactions in your account.

FEES IN AN IA PROGRAM-ENROLLED ACCOUNT

You pay us an IA Program fee that covers investment advisory services, trade execution and custody at Merrill. The IA Program fee is based on the value of the assets in your account at the annualized fee rates listed below:

IAP: A customized rate agreed with your Advisor (max 2.00%) and a strategy manager fee (if applicable) for Advisor-based advice and guidance, access to a wide range of investment solutions and managed strategies and IAP fiduciary services.

SPA: A customized rate agreed with your Advisor (max 1.50%) and a SPA manager fee for SPA fiduciary services.

MAS: A customized rate agreed with your Advisor (max 1.80%) and a MAS manager fee for certain agreed MAS services.

MGI with Advisor and MEAA: A fee rate of 0.85% for FSA-based advice and guidance on the set of managed strategies available through the program and related fiduciary services.

MGI: A fee rate of 0.45% for access on a self-guided basis to a limited list of managed strategies.

IIC: A negotiated rate (max 0.45%) for IIC services.

Depending on the IA Program, the fee is paid monthly or quarterly. The relevant IA Program brochure will provide more detail about the applicable fee and the transactional costs you may incur.

The more assets there are in your IA Program-enrolled account, the more you will pay in fees, giving us a financial incentive to encourage you to increase the assets in your account.

ADDITIONAL FEE INFORMATION

We (or your Advisor or an FSA) may discount or waive certain transaction fees and charges based on your circumstances, any discount or waiver requirements and/or any reward and rebate program rules.

Certain brokerage and IA Program services, as well as investment products, may only be provided by Advisors and FSAs who meet certain qualifications and training requirements. Certain products have built-in fees and expenses described in their offering materials that the product manager or sponsor charges for services, portions of which may be paid to 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 your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you’re paying.

What are your legal obligations to me when providing recommendations as my broker-dealer or when acting as my investment adviser? How else does your firm make money and what conflicts of interest do you have?

STANDARD OF CONDUCT AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

When we provide you with a recommendation as your broker-dealer or 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, the ways we and our affiliates make money create some conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect the recommendations and investment advice we provide you. Here are some examples to help you understand what this means:

Affiliate benefits. Our affiliates receive compensation and/or economic benefits in connection with certain of the services provided and certain investment products that we recommend or make available to you.

Third-party payments for services. We receive compensation from certain product sponsors for sub-accounting and shareholder services we provide them. We also have agreements with certain product sponsors to pay us marketing support and other revenue sharing payments under certain circumstances. Product sponsors may share in the costs of hosting certain educational meetings for clients and our employees, including Advisors and FSAs.

Principal trading. Some of your securities transactions will be executed with our affiliate BofAS. It receives dealer compensation for its services. BofAS also receives underwriting compensation from issuers for providing underwriting services for offerings of securities and for the sale of these securities to institutional and retail clients, including you.
Please review our Best Interest Disclosure Statement and/or our IA Program brochures at ml.com/relationships and merrilledge.com.

Questions you can ask us about fees and conflicts:
• 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? • How might your conflicts of interest affect me and how will you address them?

How do your financial professionals make money?

BROKERAGE COMPENSATION
Your Advisor is primarily compensated based on the commissions and other types of transaction fees and service charges related to transactions in your Account. The level of compensation is based on what we charge you for trade execution or what we receive from product sponsors for the sale of their products.

FSAs and certain Advisors and other registered employees providing brokerage services are compensated through a salary and certain bonus payments for asset gathering.

Advisors and FSAs may also share in fees charged for services provided to you by us and companies related to us as referral payments.

INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMPENSATION
In general, Advisors who are qualified to offer IAP, SPA and MAS to eligible clients receive as compensation a portion of the particular IA Program fee, subject to certain policy requirements. Certain Advisors may only offer and provide services for certain IAP strategy types. FSAs and certain types of Advisors receive a salary and incentive compensation.

OTHER COMPENSATION INFORMATION
We determine Advisor and FSA compensation and eligibility rules for the offering of brokerage services, IA Program services and certain investment products. This determination is based on the experience of the person, the time and complexity required to meet a client’s needs, the products sold and product sales commissions, and other factors such as client and asset acquisition and the revenue we earn.

Advisors and FSAs may receive bonus compensation based on their asset gathering efforts during the year. Advisors who join Merrill from other firms are eligible to receive additional payments based on the revenues generated from accounts they manage at particular points in time.

Certain products have higher transaction fees and service charges than other products. An Advisor will receive more compensation for selling certain products over other products.

The nature of compensation payments that Advisors receive presents a conflict of interest. For brokerage services, the conflict arises based on the type and frequency of transactions in your Account. For IA Programs, the conflict arises based on the compensation we make due to your enrollment in a fee-based program and the fee that you agree to.

Do you or your financial professionals have legal or disciplinary history?
Yes. Please visit Investor.gov for a free and simple tool to search us and our financial professionals.

Additional Information
For the latest copy of this disclosure, go to ml.com/CRS. You may also call your Advisor or call us at 800.637.7455 and it will be provided free of charge.

For a copy of Best Interest Disclosure Statement, go to ml.com/bestinterestdisclosure or obtain a paper copy from an Advisor or an FSA free of charge. We will provide you with additional transaction information through other documents such as trade confirmations, prospectuses, offering materials and account statements.

Certain client agreement forms and the materials listed below are also available at ml.com/relationships and merrilledge.com.

Questions you can ask us:
• As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct? • Who is my primary contact person? Is he or 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 treating me?
This Client Relationship Agreement ("Agreement"), as well as the underlying agreements for our various products and services, details the nature of our mutual obligations for the services you are about to use and those you may choose to use in the future. Filling out the relevant portions of this Agreement will complete your enrollment in a new account or service covered by this Agreement.

To provide you with summary information about Merrill and the services we offer you, included is a copy of the Client Relationship Summary (the “Form CRS”) as the first four pages of this Agreement. We also have included a copy of the Merrill Best Interest Disclosure Statement (the “Disclosure Statement”) for your review.

As part of your relationship, you will work with an advisor and through your advisor, you will receive investment resources, insights, product recommendations and other investment services to help you build and implement your financial strategy. We offer pricing alternatives, cash access services, and payment services that address a range of needs and objectives.

THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU BEGIN

- You should review the Form CRS to understand the scope of services that we can provide you at Merrill and key information about our brokerage and investment advisory programs. You should also review the Disclosure Statement that is included with this Agreement to learn more about your brokerage relationship.
- Merrill Lynch offers its products, accounts and services through different service models (e.g., self-directed or full-service). Based on the service model, the same or similar products, accounts and services may vary in their prices or fees charged to a client. The Summary of Programs and Services, as well as the Form CRS, outline these different programs and are included with this Agreement. You may also access them, and the Explanation of fees, at ml.com/relationships.

WHO CAN ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT

Individuals
You can enter into this Agreement and open both non-retirement and retirement accounts in an individual capacity (e.g., single or joint accounts). If you open a joint account, we will ask you to designate a type of ownership. This designation will remain in effect and apply to all future joint accounts, unless you inform us otherwise in writing.

Non-individual entities and fiduciaries
You can also enter into this Agreement in a non-individual capacity (e.g., trustee of a trust, executor of an estate, custodian of a UTMA, or guardian for an incapacitated person). In these cases, you may need to sign and complete additional paperwork.

INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE

Like all U.S. financial institutions, Merrill Lynch is required to follow all U.S. federal regulations, and obtain and record specific information to establish an account. This includes certain information about you or anyone else you may authorize to transact, control, influence or manage an account, whether directly or indirectly. This information assists the government in its efforts to fight money laundering and other financial crimes and to counter terrorist financing efforts in the U.S. and globally.

For individuals
Merrill Lynch, like all U.S. financial institutions, is required by Federal law to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each client who opens an account with us. When you open an account with us, we will ask you for your name, address and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see a government issued photo identification or other identifying documents.

For entities (non-individuals)
Merrill Lynch, like all U.S. financial institutions, is required by Federal law to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each client who opens an account. When an entity opens an account, we will ask for its legal name, address, tax identification number and other identifying information. We may also ask for copies of business licenses or other documents evidencing the existence and good standing of the entity. For sole proprietors, we may ask for the owner’s date of birth, and may also ask to see a government issued photo identification or other identifying documents.

For more information, see the Bank of America U.S. Consumer Privacy Notice on page 15.

Completing this Agreement

GETTING STARTED FOR INDIVIDUALS

- Look for the Merrill Lynch Client Relationship Agreement Form for individual, Joint or Retirement Accounts.
- For individual ownership, check the box for Client 1, and complete all information.
- For joint ownership, check the boxes for both Client 1 and Client 2, and complete all information.

Keep in mind that, for joint accounts, Client 1 will be the individual who receives all mailings and whose Social Security number will be used for tax reporting.

Eligible joint account designations include:

- JTWROS—Joint Tenancy With Right of Survivorship
- ABE—As Tenants by Entirety
- COMMPROP—Community Property
- CPWROS - Community Property With Right of Survivorship
- WI SURV MAR PROP—Wisconsin Survivorship Marital Property
- WI MAR PROP—Wisconsin Marital Property

For married persons, only in states where applicable.

All joint account owners must sign and date this agreement which may be signed in counterparts.

GETTING STARTED FOR FIDUCIARIES

- Look for the Merrill Lynch Client Relationship Agreement Form for Fiduciary Accounts.
- Please print the name and/or title of the Account (e.g., The John Doe Living Trust or The Estate of Mary Smith) and the name of each fiduciary in the spaces provided (e.g., John Doe, Guardian or Mary Smith, Executor).
- Please print the name and title of each fiduciary (trustee, executor, administrator, custodian) in the Client Name line(s) in the Fiduciary Information section, e.g., John Doe, Guardian, Mary Smith, Executor, or Bob Jones and Sue Brown, Co-trustees.
Keep in mind that this Agreement must be signed by each fiduciary in his/her proper capacity. Be sure to sign and date this Agreement.

ACCOUNTS: CMA® ACCOUNT OR CMA SUBACCOUNT®
A Merrill Lynch Cash Management Account® (CMA® account) is a securities account that offers access to a full range of investment products and services. Through a CMA account, you can invest in almost any kind of security available, including stocks, bonds, mutual funds and options. If you wish to segregate investments (for another family member, for instance, or for a specific purpose such as college funding), additional CMA “SubAccounts” can be opened. These have the same investment capabilities as CMA accounts but do not offer Visa® cards, check writing and certain optional services.

CMA and CMA SubAccount sweep arrangements
Once you complete and return this Agreement to us, cash you choose not to invest is automatically swept into the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program. For clients that are non-U.S. residents and non-U.S. citizens, cash may also be swept into the International Bank Variable Rate Deposit Facility. Please see page 13, section 5 for additional details.

Until you sign and return this Agreement, your cash balances will not earn interest. Additionally, if your account is enrolled in a Merrill Lynch investment advisory program, you should understand that Merrill Lynch will charge an interest. Please see page 13, section 5 for additional details. Until that time, your cash balances will not earn interest. Additionally, if your account is enrolled in a Merrill Lynch investment advisory program, you should understand that Merrill Lynch may charge an asset-based advisory fee on the cash in the account even though you are not earning any interest on that cash.

The following automatic cash sweep options are available for the CMA account and CMA SubAccount®:

- Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program (the “MLBD Program”): Cash may be “swept” to bank accounts with Bank of America, N.A. and/or Bank of America California, N.A. under the MLBD Program, where it may earn interest. Deposits in the MLBD Program are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”), up to the Standard Maximum Deposit Insurance Amount (“SMDIA”).
- International Bank Variable Rate Deposit Facility: This option is only available to non-U.S. residents who are also non-U.S. citizens. Cash may be “swept” to Merrill Lynch Bank and Trust Company (Cayman) Limited (“MLBTC”), a Merrill Lynch affiliated bank incorporated in the Cayman Islands.

No Sweep Option
You may elect that any cash balances do not sweep to one of the Primary Money Accounts available. Cash balances will not earn interest or dividends. These balances will be covered by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”) up to $250,000 per customer and by our excess-SIPC coverage, as described in your account agreement, but they are not insured by the FDIC.

Margin Lending Program
This service allows investors to borrow against the value of eligible securities (margin). Your CMA account or CMA SubAccount will be established with the Margin Lending Program, unless you check the decline box on the appropriate Merrill Lynch Client Relationship Agreement Form.

RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

Instructions
- Check the appropriate box to designate the type of retirement account for each client.
- If the original IRA owner has died and you do not intend to treat the IRA as your own (i.e., you are not requesting a spousal rollover), select the box under “check if inherited”.

Naming beneficiaries for your retirement accounts
- Because designating a beneficiary has important tax consequences, we recommend that you first consult your attorney or tax advisor.
- You can name one or more primary and contingent beneficiaries by completing the beneficiaries section for each retirement account.
- If you designate multiple beneficiaries, you must designate the percentage each is to receive, making sure that the percentage totals 100%. Percentages up to the hundredth decimal may be used.
- If you are naming a trust as a beneficiary, you must provide the names of the trustees, the date of the trust and the trust’s tax identification number. “As per will” and “as per trust” designations are not valid.
- Please consult a tax professional for further explanation of “per stirpes” or “per capita”. Per Stirpes is a method of dividing an account where surviving descendants of a deceased beneficiary effectively take the place of their deceased ancestor as primary beneficiary(ies) so they take the share to which their deceased ancestor was entitled (had they lived). A Per Capita division of property is an equal division among all named beneficiaries and surviving descendants of deceased ancestors.
- You can change your beneficiary designation at any time in writing, as often as you wish by completing a Beneficiary Designation Form.

Retirement account sweep arrangements
Once you complete and return this Agreement to us, cash held in retirement accounts will sweep to Bank of America, N.A. and/or Bank of America California, N.A. under the Retirement Asset Savings Program (the “RASP Program”). Please see page 13, section 5 for additional details. Until that time, your cash balances will not earn interest. Additionally, if your account is enrolled in a Merrill Lynch investment advisory program, you should understand that Merrill Lynch may charge an asset-based advisory fee on the cash in the account even though you are not earning any interest or dividends on that cash.

Additional information about retirement accounts
The balance of your retirement account will be paid to your primary beneficiaries upon your death, according to the share percentages you designate. Your designation will not be effective until we receive and accept it.

If a primary beneficiary should die before you and there are living primary beneficiaries, we will distribute the deceased beneficiary’s share to the remaining beneficiaries in proportion to their share percentages. If no primary beneficiary is living at the time of your death, we’ll distribute the balance to your contingent beneficiaries in the same manner.

If you don’t name a beneficiary, or none are alive at the time of your death, we’ll distribute the balance of your Account to your spouse. If you’re not survived by a spouse, we’ll pay the balance to your estate.

UNIFORM TRANSFER TO MINOR ACCOUNTS (UTMAs) OR UNIFORM GIFT TO MINOR ACCOUNTS (UGMAs)

Instructions
- You must provide the minor’s name, Social Security number and date of birth in the spaces provided.
- In the space marked Termination Age, you may indicate at which age the UTMA or UGMA will terminate, as permitted by state statute.
- You may appoint a Successor Custodian. If you decide to do so, please print the names of the Custodian and Successor Custodian in the spaces provided. The signature of the Custodian must then be witnessed by a third party other than the Successor Custodian.
- Keep in mind there can only be one Custodian per UTMA or UGMA (except in Tennessee and Virginia).

TAX CERTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Note to all clients
- Please be sure to sign and date this document, after reading the Tax Certification and Acknowledgments.
Merrill Lynch Client Relationship Agreement Form for Individual, Joint or Retirement Accounts

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Tax Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify: 1. that the taxpayer identification number I have shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me) and 2. that I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest and dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and 3. that I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined in the instructions), and 4. the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) code entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct. Certification instructions. You must cross out item (2.) above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but must provide your correct TIN.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DOES NOT REQUIRE MY CONSENT TO ANY PROVISION OF THIS DOCUMENT OTHER THAN THE CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO AVOID BACKUP WITHHOLDING.

CMA® account or CMA SubAccount®

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Sweep Program

U.S. Residents

For clients who are residents of the United States of America, available cash balances are automatically swept into the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program where cash balances may earn interest from one or more of our affiliate banks. Alternatively, you may choose the No Sweep option.

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2. That, in accordance with Section 4, page 12 of the Client Relationship Agreement, I am agreeing in advance to arbitrate any controversies that may arise with Merrill Lynch; and

3. That I hereby acknowledge that I am of legal age under the laws of my place of residence; and

4. That I acknowledge and understand that non-deposit investment products are provided by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (“MLPF&S”), a registered broker-dealer and wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of America Corporation, and that investment products offered through MLPF&S and insurance and annuity products offered through its subsidiary, Merrill Lynch Life Agency Inc. (i) are not insured by the FDIC or any federal government agency, (ii) are not a deposit or other obligation of, or guaranteed by, issued or underwritten by Bank of America, N.A. or any of its bank affiliates, (iii) are subject to investment risk, including possible loss of the principal amount invested, and (iv) are not a condition to any banking service or activity; and

5. Vermont Law requires the following. I authorize Merrill Lynch and its affiliates to request a consumer report or credit report about me from one or more consumer reporting agencies to verify the information provided in this Client Relationship Agreement and for any other legitimate business purposes.

6. That I acknowledge that I have received the Client Relationship Summary or Form CRS, Merrill Lynch Best Interest Disclosure Statement and the Summary of Programs and Services.

7. That I affirmatively consent to having available cash balances included in the Sweep Program and that I understand that for any later opened account, the same Sweep Program choice and/or RASP will apply, unless otherwise instruct my advisor; and that I understand that I may discuss with my advisor other options that are available for me to invest cash, including other cash management products.

8. I certify that the name and tax identification number (TIN) provided on the previous page is the appropriate name and TIN for tax reporting purposes (see tax certification).

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**Client 1 Signature**
**Date**

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Merrill Lynch Client Relationship Agreement Form for Fiduciary Accounts (Trust, Estate, Guardianship, Custodial, etc.)

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UTMA or UGMA

If you are opening an UTMA or UGMA account as a custodian on behalf of a minor, please complete this section.

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Sign here to appoint a Successor Custodian. If for any reason I am unable or unwilling to act as Custodian, I appoint the above Successor Custodian.

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THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DOES NOT REQUIRE MY CONSENT TO ANY PROVISION OF THIS DOCUMENT OTHER THAN THE CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO AVOID BACKUP WITHHOLDING.

CMA® account or CMA SubAccount®

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For purposes of the Margin Lending Program and Liens sections described below, "securities and other properties" means, without limitation, money, securities, financial instruments and commodities of every kind and nature and related contracts and options held in any of your Accounts carried or maintained by Merrill Lynch or any of its affiliates in which you may have an interest.

1. WHAT YOU ARE AGREEING TO

This Agreement provides you with access to a range of Accounts, Products and Services. When you agree to this Agreement, you’re agreeing that its terms will apply to all of your Accounts, transactions and services while you are our client. In particular, you agree that:

- You will resolve any controversies with us through arbitration.
- We have a lien on your non-retirement Accounts and assets in those Accounts for the payment of any obligation you have with us.
- New York law governs your agreements and transactions, unless we indicate otherwise.
- Merrill Lynch has the right to amend this Agreement at any time with advance notice in writing. Any amendments will be effective on the date specified in the notice.
- If you’re enrolled in the Margin Lending Program, you agree and understand that:
  - You may borrow money from Merrill Lynch secured by a pledge of your eligible securities and other property in your Account.
  - You will be charged interest on debit balances at a rate permitted by the laws of the state of New York.
  - Certain securities in your Account may be loaned to Merrill Lynch or others to the extent not prohibited by applicable laws, rules or regulations.
  - Limits may be placed on your ability to buy, sell, transfer and hold certain securities, like low-priced securities, as identified by Merrill Lynch.
  - Merrill Lynch may in its sole discretion and without notice to you, to the extent permissible under applicable law and other governing documents applicable to your account, decline, cancel or reverse your orders or instructions, or place additional margining, disbursement and other restrictions on any of your accounts.
- If you trade and hold non-U.S. issued securities you agree and acknowledge that:
  - Merrill Lynch or its affiliates are, or may be, required to disclose your name and other identifying information, including but not limited to, Social Security number or tax identification number, to regulators (including taxing authorities) and/or issuers to comply with local law and/or custom or practice. For example, we may be required to provide personal information in order to meet local regulations that require the submission of investor names to the local stock exchange, or an issuer may request residence and taxpayer identification information in order to obtain favorable tax treatment, such as lower withholding rates, for shareholders.
  - If you trade and hold shares of Italian companies whose equity securities are traded in any regulated market you hereby represent that:
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  - If you trade and hold securities issued by European Economic Area ("EEA") issuers on a European Union ("EU") regulated market you agree and acknowledge that:
    - Due to an EU regulatory directive, the primary communication channel Merrill Lynch will use to inform you about corporate actions (mandatory and voluntary), general meetings and proxy voting (together, "EEA Issuer Notices") will be via e-delivery. To ensure that you receive EEA Issuer Notices in the most timely manner, you must agree to and enroll in e-delivery of Service Notices (for Corporate Actions) and Shareholder Notices (for General Meetings/Proxy). While Merrill Lynch will make reasonable efforts to send you that information via physical mail to the address of record associated with your account(s), the mailings may be delayed. We will nevertheless promptly post all EEA Issuer Notices applicable to your account online. However, absent your consent to be notified by e-delivery, it is your responsibility to check these resources periodically.
    *As of January, 2021, the EEA consists of Member States of the EU as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway and may change.
- If you’ve requested a Visa® Card, you agree that:
  - Merrill Lynch is authorized to issue you the Visa® Card you requested for use with eligible accounts, and you understand that Merrill Lynch or an affiliate may obtain a credit report due to your request.

- If you’re establishing your relationship in a joint capacity, you agree that:
  - Any joint Accounts you open in the future held by the same owners will have the same ownership designation you establish on this Agreement, unless you notify us otherwise in writing.
- If you are the custodian of an account opened under the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UTMA) or the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (UGMA) as adopted by any jurisdiction, you agree to comply with all requirements of the applicable UTMA or UGMA law, including but not limited to, the requirements that you (i) spend the UTMA or UGMA account assets only for the use and benefit of the minor named on the account (the "Minor"), and (ii) upon the earlier of the Minor’s attainment of the applicable termination age or the Minor’s death, transfer the UTMA or UGMA account assets to the Minor or to the Minor’s estate. Merrill Lynch shall not have any responsibility to make sure that you properly perform your duties as custodian.

You agree that once Merrill Lynch has reason to believe that the Minor has reached the termination age under applicable law, Merrill Lynch may, but is not obligated to, take any or all of the following actions with respect to the UTMA or UGMA account without further consent from you:

- limit trading in the UTMA or UGMA account to liquidating orders;
- prohibit further deposits into the UTMA or UGMA account;
- restrict withdrawals or transfers from the UTMA or UGMA account other than to the Minor;
- communicate with the Minor or the Minor’s legal representative regarding the UTMA or UGMA account including, but not limited to, providing periodic account statements and tax statements to the Minor or Minor’s legal representative;
- accept liquidating orders from the Minor; and
- deliver the UTMA or UGMA account assets to the Minor.

If you are a fiduciary such as a guardian or conservator of an account opened for a minor, you agree that you shall (i) expend the account assets only for the use and benefit of the minor named on the account (the "Minor"), as directed by the Court or as provided pursuant to applicable state law, and (ii) within a reasonable time after the Minor’s attainment of the age of majority or other age specified by state law or court order, deliver the account assets to the Minor, or as directed by court order. Merrill Lynch shall not have any responsibility to ensure that you properly perform your duties as fiduciary, but may request copies of any applicable court orders.

You agree that once Merrill Lynch has reason to believe that the Minor has reached the age of majority or other age specified by state law or court order, Merrill Lynch may, but is not obligated to, take any or all of the following actions with respect to the account without further consent from you:

- limit trading in the account to liquidating orders;
- prohibit further deposits into the account;
- restrict withdrawals or transfers from the account other than to the Minor;
- seek clarification and/or direction from the appointing court at your expense or the Minor’s expense;
- communicate with the Minor or the Minor’s legal representative regarding the account including, but not limited to, providing periodic account statements and tax statements to the Minor or Minor’s legal representative;
- accept liquidating orders from the Minor; and
- deliver the account assets to the Minor.

Further, if the Minor dies prior to attaining the age of majority, you agree to deliver the account assets as set forth pursuant to applicable state law or as directed pursuant to court order.

Communications with your financial advisor sends to you regarding Merrill Lynch and/or Bank of America products and services are a component of the Merrill Lynch full-service financial planning relationship, and are considered service or transactional in nature. To the extent that these communications may be considered marketing under certain local law(s) or regulation(s), and your consent is required; you hereby consent to receive these communications by entering into this agreement. These communications may occur in various forms, including but not limited to, telephone, postal mail, web, SMS/text, and/or email. By providing any or all of these contact methods to your financial advisor, you agree to be communicated with via any of these channels. You can change your contact methods at any time by speaking with your financial advisor directly. The marketing limitations described in the U.S. Consumer Privacy Notice and in the Federally Required Affiliate Marketing Notice are not applicable to the emails that you receive from your Merrill Lynch financial advisor. Note: This section does not apply to accounts opened or held with Merrill Edge.

Compliance with Applicable Laws

You represent that you and any beneficial owner(s) if signed in a representative capacity have complied, and you agree that you and any such beneficial owner(s) will comply for so long as this Agreement
is in effect, with all applicable laws (including obligations related to tax payments and reporting and to currency exchange controls) related to (i) the assets deposited, acquired or otherwise held in any securities account held at Merrill Lynch now or in the future or (ii) any other transaction you enter into with Merrill Lynch or its affiliates. You further agree and acknowledge that you and any beneficial owner(s) if signed in a representative capacity are responsible for timely paying any taxes owed to any tax authority and for timely filing all relevant tax returns in relation to assets held in any securities account held at Merrill Lynch now or in the future or any other transaction you enter into with Merrill Lynch or its affiliates.

- Special Provisions for FDIC Deposit Insurance Coverage
  If you have opened a Merrill Lynch account that holds bank deposits on your behalf or on behalf of the beneficial owners of the assets in the account, you, as the account holder or representative, must be able to provide information, in the event of adverse circumstances, about your ownership of the deposits or information regarding the interests of the beneficial owners or beneficiaries to Merrill Lynch in accordance with the FDIC’s requirements.

  In the event of adverse circumstances, you agree to:
  - Cooperate fully with us and the FDIC in connection with determining the insured status of funds in such accounts at any time;
  - Provide promptly the necessary data in the required format.

  In the event of bank failure, the FDIC would be appointed as receiver and a hold would be placed on your account so that the FDIC can conduct the deposit insurance determination; that hold will not be released until the FDIC obtains the necessary data to enable the FDIC to calculate the deposit insurance. You understand and agree if you do not provide the necessary data to Merrill Lynch in a timely manner, it may result in a delay in receipt of insured funds and your ability to transact with these funds.

- Investment Policy Statements - Responsibility to Review and Monitor
  You acknowledge that it is your sole responsibility to adhere to any investment policy statement (IPS) or similar document that applies to you. You further acknowledge that, in connection with your Merrill Lynch Account(s), Merrill Lynch shall not have any responsibility to review, monitor, or adhere to your IPS or similar document.

- Read and Understand English
  You acknowledge that (i) you can read and fully understand English; (ii) that written documents, agreements, and information (collectively referred to as “Materials”) concerning your relationship with Merrill Lynch, including but not limited to products, services, transactions, and other account details, will typically be provided to you in English; and (iii) on occasion we may provide certain Materials to you in Chinese, Spanish, or Portuguese, as applicable.

3. LAWS AND POLICIES GOVERNING YOUR ACCOUNT

Your Account ownership and capacity
You represent that no one except the person(s) signing this Agreement, or the beneficial owner(s) if signed in a representative capacity, has an interest in any Account or any additional Accounts opened in the future for you or for such beneficial owner(s). If this Account is beneficially owned by any person who is a U.S. Securities and Exchange Act Section 16 reporting person of a U.S. public company, you represent that no funds or assets belonging to such U.S. public company, or any entity affiliate of such U.S. public company, will be invested through this Account. You represent that you are of legal age under the laws of your place of residence and that you are not employed by a broker-dealer or other employer whose consent is required to open and maintain this Account by regulation or otherwise, unless such consent has been provided to you. If any of the foregoing representations is inaccurate or becomes inaccurate, you will promptly advise us in writing.

You acknowledge that you fully understand English and that written documents, agreements and information concerning your relationship with Merrill Lynch, including but not limited to products, services, transactions and your Accounts, will be provided to you in English.

Governing law
Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, it and all of your transactions with Merrill Lynch will be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of New York. Your Accounts are also governed by the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Federal Reserve System and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) as well as Merrill Lynch’s own policies and procedures.

Prohibited use of your Account
You may not use your Account or relationship to Merrill Lynch to process transactions that are prohibited by law, including those prohibited by the Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act of 2006.

4. AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE CONTROVERSIES

This Agreement contains a predispute arbitration clause. By signing an arbitration agreement the parties agree as follows:

- All parties to this Agreement are giving up the right to sue each other in court, including the right to a trial by jury, except as provided by the rules of the arbitration forum in which a claim is filed.
- Arbitration awards are generally final and binding; a party’s ability to have a court reverse or modify an arbitration award is very limited.
- The ability of the parties to obtain documents, witness statements and other discovery is generally more limited in arbitration than in court proceedings.
- The arbitrators do not have to explain the reason(s) for their award unless, in an eligible case, a joint request for an explained decision has been submitted by all parties to the panel at least 20 days prior to the first scheduled hearing date.
- The panel of arbitrators may include a minority of arbitrators who were or are affiliated with the securities industry.
- The rules of some arbitration forums may impose time limits for bringing a claim in arbitration. In some cases, a claim that is ineligible for arbitration may be brought in court.
- The rules of the arbitration forum in which the claim is filed, and any amendments thereto, shall be incorporated into this Agreement.

You agree that all controversies that may arise between us shall be determined by arbitration. Such controversies include, but are not limited
to, those involving any transaction in any of your accounts with Merrill Lynch, or the construction, performance or breach of any agreement between us, whether entered into or occurring prior, on or subsequent to the date hereof.

Any arbitration pursuant to this provision shall be conducted only before the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA) or an arbitration facility provided by any other exchange of which Merrill Lynch is a member, and in accordance with the respective arbitration rules then in effect in FINRA’s such other exchange.

You may elect in the first instance whether arbitration shall be conducted before FINRA or another exchange of which Merrill Lynch is a member, but if you fail to make such election by registered letter addressed to Merrill Lynch at the address where you maintain your Account for the expiration of five days after receipt of a written request from Merrill Lynch to make such election, then Merrill Lynch may make such election.

Judgment upon the award of arbitrators may be entered in any court, state or federal, having jurisdiction.

No person shall bring a putative or certified class action to arbitration, nor seek to enforce any pre-dispute arbitration agreement against anyone who has initiated in court a putative class action or who is a member of a putative class who has not opted out of the class with respect to any claims encompassed by the putative class action until: (i) the class certification is denied; or (ii) the class is decertified; or (iii) the customer is excluded from the class by the court. Such forbearance to enforce an agreement to arbitrate shall not constitute a waiver of any rights under this Agreement except to the extent stated herein.

5. SWEEP PROGRAM

The deposit of checks, the sale of securities, and other activity will periodically generate cash in your Account. For U.S. residents, cash balances in your Account are automatically deposited into the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program. If you are not a U.S. resident and not a U.S. citizen, you have the option to have cash balances automatically deposited into the International Bank Variable Rate Deposit Facility (the “Sweep Program”). Alternatively, you may opt to have cash balances do not sweep. If you choose to not sweep your cash balances, they will not earn interest or dividends. These balances will be covered by SIPC coverage (up to $250,000 per customer) and excess-SIPC, as described in your account agreement, but not FDIC coverage. Speak to your financial advisor, or see your Account agreement for details.

Interest rates in MLBD and RASP Programs are tiered based upon your relationship with Merrill Lynch, as determined by the total value of assets in your Account, or if you link your Accounts through our statement link service, the total value of assets in all of your eligible linked Accounts.

Rates may change daily for the MLBD and RASP Programs. Clients with higher total eligible assets generally receive a higher yield on their bank deposits. The current yield on any deposits held under the MLBD and RASP Programs will be included on your Account statement. You can also access current yield information on MyMerrill.com®, or by contacting your financial advisor.

Deposits held in Bank of America, N.A. and Bank of America California, N.A. (the “Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks”), and Merrill Lynch Bank and Trust Company (Cayman) Limited (“MLBTC”) are financially beneficial to Merrill Lynch and its affiliates. Interest rates paid on deposits are determined at the discretion of the Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks and MLBTC based on economic and business conditions.

Your cash in the MLBD Program and the RASP Program is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) up to a total of the Standard Maximum Deposit Insurance Amount (“SMDIA”). The SMDIA is $250,000 per depositor, per ownership category, per bank. Since there are two banks in the MLBD Program, each individual depositor receives up to twice the SMDIA of FDIC insurance and each joint Account with two depositors receives up to four times the SMDIA of FDIC insurance. Since there are two banks in the RASP Program, each individual depositor receives up to twice the SMDIA of FDIC insurance. Although information about FDIC insurance is available from your financial advisor, it is your responsibility to monitor the total amount of your deposits with the Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks to determine the extent of insurance coverage available on your deposits. It is important to note that uninsured cash held in more than one Merrill Lynch Account (such as a CMA Account and a CMA SubAccount) may be deposited to the same Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks. Also, amounts in excess of the applicable FDIC insurance limit may be deposited to the Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks from the same Merrill Lynch Account. Any certificates of deposit that you own issued by a Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks will also count towards the FDIC insurance limits.

Deposits placed within MLBTC are not insured by the FDIC or any other deposit protection program.

The assets held in your Merrill Lynch brokerage account are protected by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”). SIPC does not cover cash on deposit at the Merrill Lynch Affiliated Banks, or MLBTC. You may obtain further information about SIPC, including the SIPC Brochure, via SIPC’s website at http://www.sipc.org or by calling SIPC at 1.202.371.8300. Additional information about linking Accounts for higher interest rates, FDIC insurance, investment alternatives for your cash balances, and the benefits to Merrill Lynch of bank deposits is available through your financial advisor and will also be included in the written materials you will receive in connection with the establishment of your Account.

Merrill Lynch reserves the right to offer different Sweep Programs for different Accounts or clients. Merrill Lynch, may, with 30 days prior written notice, (i) make changes to the terms and conditions of our Sweep Program; (ii) make changes to the terms and conditions of any money account; (iii) change, add or remove the money account available as sweep product; (iv) transfer your money account from one sweep product to another.

6. SELECT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Margin Lending Program

If you choose to enroll in the Margin Lending Program, you understand that you may borrow funds from Merrill Lynch using securities in your Account as collateral and that we’ll charge interest on the balances we loan you as long as the amount is outstanding.

Further, in return for extending credit to you under the Margin Lending Program, you acknowledge and agree that we may lend, either to Merrill Lynch or to others, the securities in your account (along with all attendant rights of ownership), to the extent not prohibited by applicable laws, rules and regulations. Please refer to the terms for the Margin Lending Program in the CMA Financial Service, Cash Management Account Disclosures and Agreement for more details.

Electronic Funds Transfers

If you’re the owner on more than one Account, you may authorize Merrill Lynch to make transfers between your Accounts based on instructions you give by phone or through MyMerrill.com. If you are a trustee or other fiduciary, you agree that the terms of the trust or fiduciary agreement or governing document authorizes you to electronically transfer funds and that Merrill Lynch may conclusively rely on your representation.

7. LIENS

All of your securities and other property in any Account—margin or cash—in which you have an interest, and which at any time are in your possession or under your control, other than retirement Accounts, such as IRAs, will be subject to a lien for the discharge of any and all indebtedness or any other obligations you may have to Merrill Lynch.

However, securities and other property held in retirement Accounts, such as IRAs, are not subject to this lien and are not used as security for the payment of your obligations or indebtedness for other non-retirement Accounts—margin or cash—you maintain with Merrill Lynch, nor are assets in non-retirement Accounts held as security for the payment or indebtedness in your retirement Accounts with Merrill Lynch (such as IRAs).

Merrill Lynch, subject to applicable laws, may at any time and without giving you prior notice, use and/or transfer any all securities and other property in any Account in which you have an interest, other than retirement Accounts, such as IRAs, without regard to Merrill Lynch’s obligations to extend credit to you. Merrill Lynch may, with 30 days prior written notice, make any advances in connection with such securities and other property and without regard to the number of Accounts you may have with Merrill Lynch. In enforcing the lien, Merrill Lynch, at its sole discretion, may determine which securities and other property are to be sold or which contracts are to be closed.

8. FEES

You agree to pay your Account fees, service fees, processing and other fees for the transactions and other services you receive from Merrill Lynch. You understand that these fees will be charged to your Accounts.

You agree that Merrill Lynch may satisfy any amounts you owe to Merrill Lynch from available free credit balances and assets in your Account. If necessary, Merrill Lynch is permitted to sell assets in your Accounts to pay those amounts due.

Securities transactions

When you purchase or sell securities, you may pay for each securities transaction on a per trade basis. This is called transaction-based pricing. Under
this type of pricing, you are charged a commission or other compensation for each transaction. The amount of compensation varies based on a number of factors, such as the type and number of securities purchased or sold. There are conflicts of interest associated with brokerage activities which are further disclosed in the "Disclosure Statement", which you acknowledge that you understand and accept.

Visa card issued by Bank of America, N.A.

There is no annual fee for the CMA Access® Visa® Card.

You authorize Merrill Lynch to issue the Visa card that you have requested for use with eligible Accounts, and you understand that Merrill Lynch or an affiliate may obtain a credit report in connection with your request.

9. ACCESS TO THIRD PARTY RESEARCH

From time to time, we may offer you access to third party research on certain U.S. and non-U.S. securities and fixed income securities. We provide access to this research for informational purposes only and not as investment advice. You understand that we're not responsible or liable for the third party research and that you assume full responsibility for any trading decisions you make based on the provided information.

10. CUSTODY OF SECURITIES

Merrill Lynch will hold all securities for the Securities Account in a control location acceptable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, which may include, but is not limited to: (i) a securities depository, such as the Federally-Regulated Depository Trust Company for U.S. issuers and Euroclear for European issuers, (ii) a Federal Reserve member bank, or (iii) a mutual fund's Transfer Agent. Securities are commingled in a Merrill Lynch book-entry account, generally in a nominee name and control location, along with securities belonging to other Merrill Lynch customers. Your securities will at all times be separately identified on the books and records of Merrill Lynch. Any obligations that are due to you, and Merrill Lynch will provide you with account statements that reflect your holdings. This method of custody, which has significantly increased efficiencies and reduced the risks associated with holding customer securities, is used by all major banks, trust companies and brokerage firms and has been recognized as providing unpassed safety for holders of securities. With regard to the custody of your securities, Merrill Lynch acts as your agent and transmits your instructions through the appropriate control location.

Where securities are not held in nominee name, the issuer or control location, as appropriate, recognizes Merrill Lynch as your agent and honors instructions provided by Merrill Lynch on your behalf.

11. REFERRAL POLICY

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("MLPFS") is an affiliate of Bank of America, N.A. and other subsidiaries of Bank of America Corporation (collectively, "Merrill Lynch"). Merrill Lynch is one of the world's largest financial institutions, serving individual consumers, small- and middle-market businesses, institutional investors, large corporations and governments with a full range of banking, investing, asset management and other financial and risk management products and services. In the event Merrill Lynch refers your business among its affiliates to provide you with certain products or services, Merrill Lynch (or its employees or representatives) may receive financial or other benefits for such referrals.

12. CONVERSION TO MERRILL EDGE SELF-DIRECTED INVESTING (MESD)

Certain Accounts may be eligible to convert to an MESD Account. If your Account is converted to an MESD Account, the additional terms in subsection (ii), below, will apply to your Account upon conversion.

(a) TERMS APPLICABLE TO MERRILL EDGE SELF-DIRECTED INVESTING ACCOUNTS

Upon conversion to MESD, your Account will be subject to the terms of the MESD Client Relationship Agreement ("CRA") and MESD Terms of Service ("TOS"). To obtain a copy of these documents, please contact your advisor or visit www.merrilledge.com/cra and www.merrilledge.com/tos. Copies of the MESD CRA and TOS will be provided to you upon conversion of your Account to MESD.

MESD is designed for U.S.-based investors who wish to make their own investment choices in a Merrill Lynch brokerage account. Neither Merrill Lynch, nor MESD, nor any Merrill Lynch or MESD representative, will provide you with investment advice, including any recommendation, or offer any opinion regarding the suitability of any security, order, transaction, or strategy in your MESD Account, or any of your investments or the appropriateness of your account or service level, or alert you to any recommended change to your investments, investment accounts, or services. Neither Merrill Lynch nor MESD, nor any Merrill Lynch or MESD representative or agent, will provide you with any tax or legal advice.

No Merrill Lynch Research opinion, Independent Research opinion, the inclusion of a security on any list, or any information provided to you either on the Merrill Edge website or by mail or any other means constitutes a recommendation to purchase, hold, or sell any investment.

You agree that any transactions executed through your MESD Account, whether based on information obtained from Merrill Lynch or elsewhere, will be solely your own decision and based on your own evaluation of your personal financial situation, needs, and investment objective(s).

In addition to retaining the sole responsibility for investment decisions, you understand and agree that Merrill Lynch is responsible for knowing the rights and terms of all securities in your Account, specifically including valuable rights that expire unless the holder takes action. This includes, but is not limited to, warrants, stock rights, convertible bonds, and securities subject to a tender or exchange offer. You understand and agree that Merrill Lynch accepts no obligation to notify you of any upcoming expiration or redemption dates, or, except as required by applicable law or regulation, to take any action on your behalf without specific instructions from you. You also agree that all dividends and interest payments credited to your Account shall accumulate rather than be paid to you upon receipt, but shall be subject to your withdrawal from time to time upon request for a check or other funds transfer.

You hereby acknowledge and agree that none of Merrill Lynch, MESD, or any Merrill Lynch or MESD representative will act as a fiduciary within the meaning of section 4975(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, section 3(21) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, or under any state law, with respect to your Account if it is converted to MESD, or has made any recommendations to you to open or transfer assets to an MESD account.

Moreover, you understand and acknowledge that Merrill Lynch generally believes that all retirement investors benefit from the receipt of ongoing, professional investment advice designed to help them meet their investment goals through a Merrill Lynch investment advisory program. By entering into an MESD arrangement, through conversion or otherwise, you understand and agree that you will not be receiving any such professional investment advice, recommendations or management from us or any of our representatives and we have not recommended that you fund or transfer assets into an MESD account or otherwise convert your Account into an MESD account.

13. FREEZING ACCOUNTS

If at any time Merrill Lynch believes that your account may be subject to irregular, unauthorized, fraudulent or illegal activity, we may seize your account and take appropriate action to safeguard your account and to protect against further security risk to us or to the owner of the funds in the account.

14. RECOGNITION OF THE U.S. SPECIAL RESOLUTION REGIMES APPLICABLE TO A NON-U.S. DOMICILED CLIENT

(a) In the event that the Merrill Lynch entity (or entities) that is the counterparty to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the Non-U.S. Domiciled Client hereby agrees that the transfer from the Covered Entity of this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under, and any property securing, this Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under, and any property securing, this Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

(b) In the event that the Covered Entity or a Covered Affiliate becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, any Default Rights under the Agreement that may be exercised against the Covered Entity by a Non-U.S. Domiciled Client are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

(c) The following terms as used in this section entitled "Recognition of the U.S. SpecialResolutions Regimes Regimes Applicable to a Non-U.S. Domiciled Client" will have the following meanings only in this provision:

"Agreement" means this Agreement and all transactions entered into under or pursuant to this Agreement, together with any related credit enhancements between the parties or provided by one to the other.

"Covered Affiliate" means a BHC Affiliate of the Covered Entity. The term "BHC Affiliate" has the same meaning as the term "affiliate" of a bank holding company as defined in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, Section 2(k) of the Bank Holding Company Act, (12 U.S.C. 1841(k)).

"Default Right" means the right of any party to terminate, cancel, or rescind the agreement or transactions thereunder and other rights as defined in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"Non-U.S. Domiciled Client " means any client that is a party to this Agreement (as applicable) that does not meet any of these definitions: (i) an individual that is domiciled in the United States or any of its states, commonwealths, territories or possessions, including the District of Columbia (each a "State"); (ii) a company that is incorporated in or organized under the laws of the United States or a State; (iii) a company, the principal place of business or sole location, if located in the United States, including any State, or (iv) a U.S. branch or agency of a foreign bank.

"U.S. Special Resolution Regime" means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder."
U.S. Consumer Privacy Notice

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<td>Yes</td>
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To limit our sharing
- Visit us online: bankofamerica.com/privacy
- Call 888.341.5000 — our menu will prompt you through your choices
- Talk to your assigned financial advisor

Please note: If you are a new customer, we can begin sharing your information 45 days from the date we sent this notice. When you are no longer our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice. However, you can contact us at any time to limit our sharing.

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Please note: Direct marketing is email, postal mail and telephone marketing. Your telephone and postal mail opt-out choices will last for five years, subject to applicable law. Even if you limit direct marketing, we may still contact you to service your account or as otherwise allowed by law.

Questions?
Call 888.341.5000 or go to bankofamerica.com/privacy
## Who we are

**Who is providing this notice?** Bank of America U.S. legal entities that utilize the names: Bank of America, Banc of America, U.S. Trust or Merrill, as well as the entities listed in the Bank of America U.S. legal entities section.

## What we do

**How does Bank of America protect my personal information?** To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. For more information visit bankofamerica.com/security or ml.com/security.

**How does Bank of America collect my personal information?** We collect your personal information, for example, when you:
- open an account or perform transactions
- apply for a loan or use your credit or debit card
- seek advice about your investments

We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.

**Why can’t I limit all sharing?** Federal law gives you the right to limit some but not all sharing related to:
- affiliates’ everyday business purposes — information about your creditworthiness
- affiliates from using your information to market to you
- nonaffiliates to market to you

State laws and individual Bank of America companies may give you more rights to limit sharing. See Other important information section for your rights under state law.

**What happens when I limit sharing for an account I hold jointly with someone else?** Your choices will apply to you alone unless you tell us otherwise. However, your choice to limit sharing with nonaffiliates to market to you for credit card accounts or Sponsored Accounts will apply to all joint account holders. If you have more than one credit card account or Sponsored Account and you choose to opt out, you will need to do so for each account.

## Definitions

**Affiliates**
Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.
- Our affiliates include companies that utilize the names Bank of America, Banc of America, U.S. Trust or Merrill.

**Nonaffiliates**
Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.
- Nonaffiliates we share with can include financial services companies such as insurance agencies or mortgage brokers, nonfinancial companies such as retailers, travel companies and membership groups; and other companies such as nonprofit groups.

**Joint marketing**
A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.
- Our joint marketing partners include financial service companies.

## Other important information

**Do Not Call Policy.** This notice is the Bank of America Do Not Call Policy under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act. We do not solicit via telephone numbers listed on the state or federal Do Not Call lists, unless the law allows. Bank of America employees receive training on how to document and process telephone marketing choices. Consumers who ask not to receive telephone solicitations from Bank of America will be placed on the Bank of America Do Not Call list and will not be called in future campaigns, including those of Bank of America affiliates.

**Call Monitoring and Recording.** If you communicate with us by telephone, we may monitor or record the call.

**For Nevada residents only.** We are providing you this notice under state law. You may be placed on our internal Do Not Call List by following the directions in the To limit direct marketing contact section. Nevada law requires we provide the following contact information: Bureau of Consumer Protection, Office of the Nevada Attorney General, 555 E. Washington St., Suite 3900, Las Vegas, NV 89101; Phone number: 702.486.3132; email: aginfo@ag.nv.gov; Bank of America, P.O. Box 25118 Tampa, FL 33622-5118; Phone number: 888.341.5000; Click on “Contact Us” at bankofamerica.com/privacy.
Vermont: Under Vermont law, we will not share information we collect about Vermont residents with companies outside of our corporate family, unless the law allows. For example, we may share information with your consent, to service your accounts or under joint marketing agreements with other financial institutions with which we have joint marketing agreements. We will not share information about your creditworthiness within our corporate family except with your consent, but we may share information about our transactions or experiences with you within our corporate family without your consent.

California: Under California law, we will not share information we collect about you with companies outside of Bank of America, unless the law allows. For example, we may share information with your consent, to service your accounts, or to provide rewards or benefits you are entitled to. We will limit sharing among our companies to the extent required by California law.

For Insurance Customers in AZ, CA, CT, GA, IL, ME, MA, MN, MT, NV, NJ, NC, OH, OR and VA only. The term “Information” in this part means customer information obtained in an insurance transaction. We may give your Information to state insurance officials, law enforcement, group policy holders about claims experience or auditors as the law allows or requires. We may give your Information to insurance support companies that may keep it or give it to others. We may share medical Information so we can learn if you qualify for coverage, process claims or prevent fraud or if you say we can. To see your Information, write Insurance Operations, FL9-805-03-12, 4800 Deer Lake Drive East, Jacksonville, FL 32246. You must state your full name, address, the insurance company, policy number (if relevant) and the Information you want. We will tell you what Information we have. You may see and copy the Information (unless privileged) at our office or ask that we mail you a copy for a fee. If you think any Information is wrong, you must write us. We will let you know what actions we take. If you do not agree with our actions, you may send us a statement.

For MA Insurance Customers only. You may ask, in writing, for the specific reasons for an adverse underwriting decision. An adverse underwriting decision is where we decline your application for insurance, offer to insure you at a higher than standard rate or terminate your coverage.

Bank of America U.S. legal entities

Bank of America U.S. legal entities that utilize the names: Bank of America, Banc of America, U.S. Trust or Merrill, and the entity Managed Account Advisors LLC.
Summary of programs and services

At Merrill, we make available the tools, the people and the know-how to help you create a personalized strategy to help pursue your financial goals. You choose how you want to work with us, knowing you have access to a full range of investing solutions as your life and financial needs evolve.

For more information about our brokerage services and investment advisory programs, see ml.com/CRS.

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Overview of the programs and services available

For more information about our brokerage services and fees, see our Best Interest Disclosure Statement. The investment advisory programs discussed below are described in their ADV Brochures available at ml.com/relationships and at merrilledge.com. Please see page 3 for links to other available resources.

There are certain managed investment strategies that are offered in each of the MLIAP, MGI and MGI with Advisor investment advisory programs. Each of these programs offers a different service model and different advisory services, access to investment solutions and minimum investment requirements. These programs also charge different annual asset-based fees as listed below.

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Important information

- The full range of MLIAP services, strategies and investment solutions and products available under the Program may only be provided by an Advisor who meets certain qualifications and training requirements. Our FSAs and certain Advisors may only recommend to clients investments in managed strategies, either through the MLIAP or MGI with Advisor programs, based on qualifications and our policies.
- Not all FSAs and Advisors are eligible to make available to clients all investment products that we offer in a brokerage account.
- Certain FSAs offer limited brokerage services in a Merrill Advisory Center (MAC) based account. We restrict the opening of new MAC-based brokerage accounts based on our policies.

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Important information

This Summary of Programs and Services summarizes, for informational purposes only, the type of advice, relationships, investments and nature of the fees associated with the various programs and services available to you. This Summary does not constitute a modification of, or amendment to, the charges, fees and terms set forth in any other account and/or program agreements and disclosures.

MLPF&S is both a full service registered broker-dealer and SEC-registered investment adviser. We offer a wide variety of brokerage and investment advisory products and solutions. We also offer investment advisory programs and services, which include both discretionary and non-discretionary management of your account. For more information about our obligations to you, review our Client Relationship Summary at ml.com/CRS. Before enrolling in a particular investment advisory program, you should review the applicable program ADV Brochure available at ml.com/relationships.

The Program fee for MLIAP is a customized rate, based on client relationship, up to a maximum rate of 2.0%, plus any fee charged for investment managed strategies selected for an account, if any. Not all managed strategies available in MLIAP have a separate investment manager fee.

Clients seeking trust services may open Trusteed IRA accounts (TIRAs) with Bank of America, N.A. and then enroll in MLIAP and/or BlackRock Sub-advised Strategies to receive certain specialized trust services. Asset-based annual fee rates for Trusteed IRA accounts (TIRAs) enrolled in MLIAP differ due to the differences in the programs, offerings and services.

We also offer investment advisory services through the Merrill Lynch Strategic Portfolio Advisor Service (SPA) for certain investment strategies offered by third-party investment managers that provide discretionary management through a separate agreement.

For the MLIAP, MGI with Advisor and MGI investment advisory programs, you pay an annual asset-based fee for the services under the program and additional expenses, fees and charges apply as provided in the ADV Brochures for the programs. Clients utilizing certain account types for retirement investing, like RCMA IO, are able to access Merrill Edge Advisory Account (MEAA), an investment advisory program that is similar to the MGI with Advisor program in terms of providing access to FSA guidance and to the same set of managed strategies. Talk to your Advisor, an FSA or other Merrill representative for more information.

To learn more about Merrill fees and expenses, including commissions, sales charges and account fees, for a full service Merrill account, see ml.com/explanation-fees and the Schedule of Miscellaneous Fees. Certain commissions may be discounted by your advisor. For fees associated with the Merrill Edge and Merrill Guided Investing programs, see the Merrill Edge Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees and the Merrill Edge Explanation of Fees. For fees and charges for MESD accounts, see merrilledge.com/pricing. Certain clients may qualify for discounted pricing with Preferred Rewards. Certain retirement accounts may receive a fee rebate on certain charges.

Please refer to the Client Relationship Summary and Best Interest Disclosure Statement for information about the requirements for investment product inclusion on our platform. Only qualified clients may invest in certain alternative investments.

If you choose to invest in one of the programs offered by MGI or MGI with Advisor or to invest in Merrill Edge Self-Directed after receiving this document, your Advisor will receive compensation based on the value of the account in that program.

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Important resources

Access ml.com/relationships and merrilledge.com for the following and other information:

| Client Relationship Summary | Merrill Explanation of Fees |
| Best Interest Disclosure Statement | Merrill Edge Explanation of Fees |
| Investment Advisory Program Brochures (ADVs) | Merrill Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees |
| Mutual Fund Investing | Merrill Edge Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees |

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Disclosure Statement for Merrill Brokerage

Introduction

In this Disclosure Statement, we provide information to you about material facts relating to the scope and terms of our brokerage relationship for your Merrill brokerage account (Account or Brokerage Account). This information includes:

- The capacity in which we act in connection with your Account, which is solely as a broker-dealer.
- Material fees and other costs that you pay in connection with our brokerage services and your Account.
- Material facts regarding the type and scope of services (Brokerage Services) that we provide to you, including any material limitations placed on our recommendations and the basis for, and risks associated with, our recommendations.
- Material facts relating to conflicts of interest that are associated with recommendations that we make to you.

We provide other disclosures to you regarding your Account, including:

- The Client Relationship Summary (Form CRS), which contains certain SEC-required information about us and our services as a broker-dealer and as an investment adviser.
- The Client Relationship Agreement and other account agreements (Agreement) and related disclosures.
- Other disclosures about our products and services listed on the last page of this Disclosure Statement.
- Trade confirmations.
- Prospectuses and other offering documents (collectively, Offering Documents) and subscription documents, supplements and signature pages (collectively, Subscription Documents) provided in connection with purchases of certain investment products.

Documents highlighted in blue in this Disclosure Statement are accessible by clicking the highlighted link or by going to ml.com/relationships and, as relevant, merrilledge.com. You can request paper copies of disclosures and other Account information, including any of the highlighted documents linked to this Disclosure Statement from us.

Our Account Types. We offer various account types and ways to engage with us. The Summary of Programs and Services provides an overview of our available programs and services and the List of Account Types provides an overview of the primary types of accounts available to you, including accounts designated for retirement savings (Retirement Accounts).

You also have the ability to enroll your Account into one of our investment advisory programs. For the avoidance of doubt, the term “Account” or “Brokerage Account” in this Disclosure Statement only refers to an Account that is not enrolled in an investment advisory program.

Our Registered Representatives. Depending on the type of Account service you choose, you will receive Brokerage Services from a registered representative of Merrill. For an Account where you have selected a dedicated personal advisor (Merrill Advisor), you will receive Brokerage Services from us and that Merrill Advisor. For purposes of this disclosure, this is called a “full service Merrill Account.” If you enroll your Account into one or more of our investment advisory programs, your Merrill Advisor will also provide investment advice and guidance to you under such programs. Certain Advisors are not eligible to offer a full service Merrill Account. Access to certain investment solutions and products in a Brokerage Account or access to our investment advisory programs and its investment options may only be provided by Advisors meeting certain qualifications and training.

Depending on the type of Account you want to establish, you may have the option to establish an Account that is offered through our call center or at one of our Merrill Advisory Centers (MAC), which are located at wealth management and Bank of America financial centers. For a MAC-based Account, you receive Brokerage Services from us and one of our Financial Solutions Advisors (FSAs) or similar type of registered representative under the terms of the MAC-based Account. You have the option to enroll your MAC-based Account into one of our investment advisory programs based on the Account type.

We also offer a self-directed brokerage account (Merrill Edge Self-Directed or MSED) and a self-guided investment advisory program that offer web-based interaction and do not involve the services of a Merrill Advisor or FSA.

The Brokerage Services offered in a MAC-based Account or an MSED Account are different from those offered in a full service Merrill Account. For MAC-based Accounts and MSED Accounts, we do not offer new issue offerings, listed options contracts, options overlay strategies, hedge funds, private equity funds, market-linked investments, over-the-counter (OTC) derivative transactions and Offshore Funds (i.e., funds organized in jurisdictions not within the United States and not registered with the SEC). The information in this Disclosure Statement relating to these specific securities and investments does not apply to MAC-based Accounts or MSED Accounts.

Merrill Advisors and FSAs or other similar registered representatives are referred to in this Disclosure Statement as “Advisors” unless otherwise noted. You can research us and our Advisors, including disciplinary events, for free at investor.gov and brokercheck.finra.org.

Our Services and those of our Affiliates. Through its own capabilities as well as through arrangements with its Affiliates, including BoFA Securities, Inc. (BoFAS) and Bank of America, N.A. (BANA), Merrill provides its clients with the services described in this Disclosure Statement, including trade execution, access to securities research, cash sweep arrangements and lending services. Merrill, BoFAS and BANA are Affiliates of Bank of America Corporation (BoFA Corp.), one of the world’s largest financial institutions that, through its subsidiaries, serves retail clients as well as institutional customers and businesses with a full range of banking, investing, asset management and other financial products and services.

In the United States, Merrill acts as a broker (i.e., agent) for its private clients as well as its corporate and institutional clients. Through arrangements with financial firms and counterparties and through BoFAS, Merrill has access to dealer markets in the purchase and sale of equity and debt securities traded on exchanges or in the over-the-counter markets. We also act as a broker and/or a dealer in the purchase and sale of equities, mutual funds, corporate, municipal and governmental fixed income securities, options and OTC derivative transactions. Through BANA, Merrill provides access to banking services, including lending and cash sweep services.

Material Facts Relating to the Scope and Terms of Our Relationship with You

Capacity

All recommendations regarding your Brokerage Account and Brokerage Services will be made in our capacity as a broker-dealer. When we make such recommendations, we will refer to the Account number or title. As Merrill is a broker dealer and a registered investment adviser, our Advisors are able to use the term “Advisor” in their titles.

If you enroll an Account in one of our investment advisory programs, we will act as investment advisor solely with respect to that Account and not with respect to your Brokerage Accounts.
Material Fees and Costs

This section describes the material fees and costs that apply to your Brokerage Account, including as to transactions, holdings and the Account. You should discuss with an Advisor the fees and costs that you will pay for particular transactions in your Account. You can access additional fee information by reviewing the Merrill Explanation of Fees and the Merrill Edge Explanation of Fees. The Offering Documents and/or Subscription Documents also provide specific fee information. Information regarding fees affecting MAC-based Accounts and MESD Accounts can be located at merrilledge.com.

Sales Charges

In connection with the purchase and sale of securities and other investments in your Account, you are charged commissions, markups, markdowns and other fees and costs for executing transactions (together, Sales Charges). The Sales Charges can be included in the price of your security. For some transactions, the Sales Charges can be added to the price of the securities you purchase, or deducted from the price of the securities you sell.

For certain securities, you will receive trade confirmations, Offering Documents and/or Subscription Documents, which you should consult for the Sales Charges that you will pay for a particular security and transaction. You should also understand the following regarding our Sales Charges:

- **Types of Sales Charges.** Sales Charges include (1) brokerage commissions and markups and markdowns; (2) underwriting discounts, selling concessions, placement fees and other applicable fees and charges for new issue offerings; (3) up-front and annual sales charges, including ongoing trailing fees paid on a periodic basis after the transaction (e.g., fees paid by a mutual fund under a Rule 12b-1 plan (12b-1 fees)); (4) commissions received from an issuing insurance company; and (5) other transaction charges. A description of the common types of Sales Charges and the ranges for the common types of transactions are provided in the “Sales Charge Information for Common Types of Transactions” table below.

- **Determination of Sales Charges.** The Sales Charges for particular securities transactions are determined by reference to various schedules, methodologies and pricing arrangements in effect from time to time and are subject to change.

- **Use of Sales Charges.** Sales Charges compensate us and/or our Affiliates for the services provided to you in connection with transactions in your Account. A portion of the Sales Charges we receive is directly or indirectly used to pay Advisors’ compensation.

The fee information in this Disclosure Statement does not cover every security or other investment type or transaction or every fee and cost that applies to your Account. Not every security type or transaction is available to you. In certain transactions, minimum Sales Charges will apply.

Sales Charge Information for Common Types of Transactions

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<td>New Issue Broketed Certificates of Deposit Offerings</td>
<td>A placement fee is paid to us or our Affiliate for distributing new issue brokered Certificate of Deposits (brokered CDs) from the brokered CD issuer, the amount of which is included in the offering price (which is the price you pay). Placement fees range from 0.02%-0.30% of the principal amount of the brokered CD on an annualized basis, depending on the tenor.</td>
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<td>New Issue Market-Linked Investment Offerings</td>
<td>There is an underwriting discount included in the offering price (which is the price you pay) that varies based on the tenor and type of the market-linked investment (MLI). The underwriting discount ranges from 1.50%-2.50%. The prospectus cover page will list the actual amount of the underwriting discount for the offering. Advisors receive as compensation a portion of the underwriting discount paid to Merrill for the new issue MLI offering. The economic terms of the MLI will also include a related structuring fee typically in the range of 0.50%-0.75%, which is retained by our Affiliate.</td>
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<td>You pay a commission that is calculated based on the principal value of the security purchased or sold. The commission is in addition to the purchase price you pay or the sale price you receive for the security. The maximum commission that can be charged ranges from 0.50%-5.00%, depending on the principal amount of the transaction.</td>
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<td>For purchases, you pay us a markup that is added to and included in the price of the security that you pay. For sales, a markdown is deducted from and included in the price of the security that you receive. Our markups range from 0.10%-2.00%, and our markdowns range from 0.00% to 0.50% (for over-the-counter preferred securities, the markdown is up to 1.00%). In addition, the price you pay (for purchases) or receive (for sales) also includes a dealer markup or markdown paid to our Affiliate (typically up to 1.00%) if the transaction is executed by our Affiliate. The total markup or markdown depends on the specific fixed income security type, tenor and market conditions.</td>
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<td>For purchases, you pay us a markup that is added to and included in the price of the MLI. For sales of an MLI, you do not pay us a markdown. In addition, the price you pay (for purchases) or receive (for sales) also includes a dealer markup or markdown paid to our Affiliate. Our markup on MLI purchases ranges from 0.50%-2.00% and the dealer markup or markdown is typically up to 1.00%. The total markup or markdown depends on the specific MLI and its tenor.</td>
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<td>You pay a commission calculated based on the principal value and the number of the listed option contracts purchased or sold. The commission is in addition to the purchase price you pay or the sale price you receive for the contract. Commissions range from 0.70%-15.00% of the principal value of the contracts, plus $3.00-$9.00 per contract. You also pay an additional transaction fee ranging from $0.15 up to $1,003 per transaction, determined based on the principal value and number of contracts purchased or sold.</td>
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<td>Options Overlay Strategies</td>
<td>You pay us a transaction fee of $1.00 per listed options contract purchased or sold as directed by the third-party investment manager to implement the strategy. See additional fee information in the “Indirect Fees and Charges” section below.</td>
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<td>Mutual Funds</td>
<td><strong>Upfront Sales Charges</strong>: For mutual fund Class A shares, you pay an upfront “front-end” Sales Charge. At Merrill, we only typically permit purchases of Class A shares when the Sales Charge on the purchase amount is 3.5% or less (by prospectus). The amount of the Class A share Sales Charge depends on factors such as the size of the purchase, the fund’s particular Sales Charge breakpoint schedule (which lowers the charge based on larger purchases or holdings), your eligibility for any discounts or waivers and/or the asset class of the fund. There are no upfront Sales Charges for mutual fund Class C shares.</td>
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<td>Mutual Funds in ERISA Accounts*</td>
<td>For mutual fund shares available in ERISA Accounts, you will not pay an upfront fee but you pay an annual asset-based retirement group fee, which is typically a 12b-1 fee that is based on the share class for which that ERISA Account is eligible. Retirement group fees are typically 0.25% for Class A shares, 0.50% for Class R Shares and 1.00% for Class C Shares, in each case for funds available in ERISA Accounts. You also pay a separate administrative service fee of up to 0.35%, which for certain funds is deducted from fund assets, with a fee range that is typically from 0.10%-0.20%.</td>
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<td>Money Market Funds</td>
<td>You will not pay an upfront fee. Money market funds, including those available for purchase in ERISA Accounts, have an annual asset-based administrative fee that is paid to us. The fee range is 0.00%-0.20%. The money market funds available to certain Accounts as an automatic cash sweep option under our Cash Sweep Program typically include a 0.40% service fee. Although some money market funds have an annual 12b-1 fee, those available for purchase in your Brokerage Account typically do not charge this fee.</td>
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<td>Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds</td>
<td>You pay us a one-time placement fee. For hedge funds, this fee is in addition to, and not deducted from, your hedge fund subscription amount. For private equity feeder funds, this fee is added to, and not deducted from, your private equity capital commitment amount. The placement fee is up to 3.00% for hedge funds and up to 2.50% for private equity funds. See additional fee information in the “Indirect Fees and Charges” section below.</td>
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<td>Exchange Funds</td>
<td>You pay us a selling commission (included in your subscription amount) of up to 1.50%. See additional fee information in the “Indirect Fees and Charges” section below.</td>
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<td>Annuities</td>
<td>You pay fees for an annuity directly to the issuing insurance company, the amount of which depends on the annuity type and features you select. For variable annuities, the fees you pay are included in the annuity contract. For fixed rate, fixed indexed and income annuities, the fee is included through the crediting rates established by the issuing insurance company. Under selling agreements with the insurance company, we, through our Affiliates, receive compensation in the form of sales commissions from the insurance company and trailing payments. The first-year sales commissions range from 2.50%-4.00% and the trailing payments range from 0.00%-0.55%, in each case, depending on the type of annuity. The commissions are not an upfront sales charge and do not reduce your initial investment. For additional premiums added to contracts that were purchased prior to June 1, 2020, first-year sales commissions received from insurance companies range from 0.75%-5.25%, and trailing payments range from 0.00%-1.20%, in each case, depending on the type of annuity.</td>
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<td>529 Plans</td>
<td><strong>Upfront Sales Charges</strong>: For investments in Merrill Omnibus 529 plans, you will not pay an upfront sales charge. The program unit class in which you will be invested is determined by your overall assets in a particular 529 plan: Class C units for investments of less than $250,000 and Class A units for investments of $250,000 or more. Class C units convert to Class A units 4 years from purchase. For certain purchase amounts of Class A units where no Sales Charge is imposed, you will pay a CDSC for any redemption you make within 12 months of the purchase date in an amount of 0.25% of the redemption amount. For investments in the various State 529 plans offered by Merrill, you purchase a Class A unit or a Class C unit based on your investment time horizon and age of your beneficiary, among other factors. For Class A units, you pay an upfront Sales Charge of up to 5.25%. The actual amount of the Class A unit Sales Charge is based on the State 529 plan you select, the size of your investment in the plan, the plan’s particular Sales Charge breakpoint schedule (which lowers the charge based on larger purchases or holdings), and your eligibility for any discounts or waivers. There are no upfront Sales Charges for Class C units but if the Class C units are withdrawn from the State 529 plan within 18 months of the purchase date, you will typically pay a CDSC fee of 1.00%. In many State Section 529 plans, Class C units convert to Class A units after a predetermined number of years set by the plan.</td>
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<td><strong>Annual Portfolio Expenses</strong>: Each 529 plan investment portfolio has annual portfolio expenses paid out of the fund’s assets that differ based on the share class. For Class A units you pay ongoing compensation of up to 0.25% of the average account assets and for Class C units, you pay ongoing compensation of up to 1.00% of the average account assets which decreases to a maximum of 0.25% upon conversion to Class A units.</td>
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Not all of these security products or offerings are available for purchase in MAC-based Accounts. In addition, different sales charges for securities transactions apply in MSED accounts and not all investment products are available. You may review applicable MSED fees and charges at www.merrillguide.com/pricing.
Indirect Fees and Charges

When you purchase certain securities and other investments, you will pay indirect fees, such as annual management, performance, administration, service and other asset-based fees that are typically part of the overall expenses of the security or other investment. Some or all of these indirect fees are, in turn, paid to us as part of our compensation for offering, servicing and sales of the product.

Examples of these indirect fees include the following:

- **Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds.** All hedge and private equity feeder funds which are available for purchase only by clients of Merrill or its affiliates (feeder funds) have an annual administration fee of up to 1.00%, of which we receive up to 0.875% in selling agent compensation. In addition, the third-party administrator of certain hedge feeder funds receives payments of a fixed dollar amount or a percentage of management fees (retrocession payments) from the underlying manager, which generally are paid to us as selling agent compensation.

- **Exchange Funds.** Exchange funds have annual advisory, management, administrative, servicing and other asset-based fees that are paid to the manager or its affiliates. Merrill generally receives a payment from the manager or its affiliates of up to 1.00% of the total amount invested or committed to be invested by Merrill clients. The exact percentage and method of calculation is disclosed in the Subscription Documents and/or Offering Documents for each fund. For certain hedge feeder fund holdings (which hedge feeder funds are no longer available for purchase), the retrocession fee is up to 4.00%.

- **Options Overlay Strategies.** These strategies have an annual management fee of between 0.50% to 0.60% and an annual performance fee (that ranges from 0.00% to 10.00% of net profits), both of which are paid by you to the options overlay strategy manager. Of the annual management fee it receives, the manager pays us between 0.15% to 0.225% as a referral payment.

- **Exchange Funds.** Exchange funds have annual advisory, management, administrative, servicing and other asset-based fees of between 0.85% and 0.98% that are paid to the exchange fund’s manager. Of this fee, Merrill receives 0.25% annually of your investment in the fund as a servicing fee. The exchange fund’s lead placement agent pays us an incentive payment of up to 1.00% of your subscription amount.

Over time, these indirect fees and the annual asset-based fees covered in the chart above will reduce the return on your investment and may cost you more than other types of investments.

Fee Discounting and Waivers

Where permitted, our Advisors (but not FSAs) can discount or waive Sales Charges at their discretion. The actual Sales Charges you pay and whether any discount or waiver is applied is determined by your Advisor and your individual circumstances and you may be charged a higher amount than other similarly situated clients.

Other Transaction Costs and Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees

Certain transactions in securities incur additional fees and costs, including exchange, alternative trading system fees, required SEC fees or similar fees and transfer taxes. These per transaction fees vary from product to product. The purchase and sale of certain non-U.S. securities will have local country costs and fees, stamp taxes, foreign currency exchange or conversion fees and local broker fees. For transactions in foreign ordinary securities, there are markups, markdowns and dealer spread charges in connection with related foreign currency conversions, including in connection with ADRs. Certain of these trading-related charges, currency conversion-related charges and other fees are included in the execution price for the security as a net price and are not reflected as separate charges on your trade confirmations or account statements. We will undertake, at your written request, to obtain the amount of this remuneration for a given transaction in your Account.

Your Brokerage Account is subject to miscellaneous account and service fees as described in the Merrill Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees and for MAC-based Accounts in the Merrill Edge Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees.

Margin Charges

If you use margin, you will pay interest, which varies. For more information regarding margin interest rates, please refer to your Agreement and/or the Margin Truth-in-Lending Disclosure Statement.

Type and Scope of Brokerage Services

The type and scope of services provided in connection with your Brokerage Account are described in your Agreement. You will work with Advisors who make recommendations based on a variety of factors, including your age, other investments, financial situation and needs, tax status, investment objectives, investment experience, investment time horizon, liquidity needs and risk tolerance (Investment Profile).

Account Types

We offer a variety of types of Brokerage Accounts for retail investors. The List of Account Types provides an overview of our primary retail accounts and can be reviewed at ml.com/relationships or at merrilledge.com. Your Advisor can provide you with further information upon request.

Brokerage Services

We provide the following Brokerage Services:

- **Investment recommendations.** We provide investment recommendations to you regarding securities or investment strategies involving securities from time to time. When we make a recommendation to you, it must be in your best interest at the time it is made in light of, among other things, your Investment Profile.

- **Unsolicited transactions.** You are permitted to disregard our recommendations or otherwise make your own investment decisions and to ask Advisors to execute transactions other than those we recommend to you. Your purchases and sales of securities that are not recommended by us are not subject to Regulation Best Interest and can cause your Account to perform in a way that is inconsistent with our recommendations.

- **Transaction execution.** We execute transactions at your direction subject to availability and our policies and procedures for which you pay Sales Charges, as described in "Sales Charges" section above. We execute transactions consistent with our best execution obligation.

- **Investment solutions and information.** We review the securities and other investments that we recommend to you, and we make available investment and market education, research and guidance.

- **Cash Sweep Program.** Your Agreement allows you to have uninvested cash balances in your Account automatically deposited (or “swept”) to bank deposit accounts of our bank Affiliates or, if permitted under the terms of your Agreement, invested in a money market fund under the cash sweep program attributable to your Account (together, Cash Sweep Program). Your sweep options vary depending on your Account type as described in the About the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program, the Sweep Program Guide and your Agreement.
Margin Lending. Your Account (other than a Retirement Account) will be a margin account unless you request a cash account. As disclosed in your Agreement, if you use margin lending to purchase securities, the collateral for the margin debt are the assets in your Account. The costs, risks and other features and conditions of margin and other types of securities-based lending are more fully described in your Agreement and the Margin Truth-in-Lending Disclosure Statement.

Custody. We provide custody services for your Account, except for certain securities, such as annuities or hedge funds. We hold securities in a location subject to applicable law. For further information, please refer to your Agreement.

Our Brokerage Services do NOT include:

Investment advisory services. Although we can provide you with investment recommendations and related advice that is incidental to brokerage transactions executed in your Account, we do not provide on-going investment recommendations or advice for transactions in your Account. We do not act in the capacity of an investment adviser for your Account. As an alternative, or in addition to Brokerage Services, you can enroll Accounts into our investment advisory programs where you will receive investment advisory services as outlined in a separate agreement. The Client Relationship Summary (Form CRS) has additional information about our investment advisory programs.

Ongoing monitoring. From time to time, we may voluntarily review the holdings in your Account for the purposes of determining whether to make a recommendation to you. For purposes of Regulation Best Interest, however, we do not provide an ongoing monitoring service or monitor your Account and Regulation Best Interest does not require us to do so.

Discretionary authority. We have no discretionary authority over your Account and can only purchase or sell securities or investment strategies that you authorize. This means that you make all decisions for your Account.

Account Minimums

We impose account minimums only for Brokerage Accounts that are Cash Management Accounts (CMAs). For CMAs, a minimum of $20,000 in any combination of cash and securities is required to establish the CMA (or $2,000 for a CMA subaccount). For more information on account minimums, please refer to your Agreement.

Material Limitations

General. We make available to our clients, at our discretion and based on our due diligence and other reviews, a wide range of securities and investment strategies. We choose to recommend products from a limited number of issuers or sponsors of annuities (variable and fixed), insurance, UITs, closed-end funds, options overlay strategies, exchange funds, hedge funds, private equity funds, other co-mingled investment vehicles and MLIs, in each case that are based on quantitative and qualitative factors that we determine. In addition, we only recommend products or services for which we and our Advisors earn compensation and that meet other of our requirements and qualifications. Even with these requirements and restrictions, we are of the view that we offer a wide array of investment products from a number of product providers.

The conflicts of interest related to these material limitations and compensation are discussed in the section “Material Facts About Conflicts of Interest.” We have in place reviews and various policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent the material limitations outlined below and other business arrangements from affecting the nature of the advice we and our Advisors provide. The following are arrangements and requirements that are “material limitations.”

New Issue Offerings and Brokered CDs. We only offer and recommend securities that are part of a public or private offering in which BoFAES is part of the underwriting syndicate or selling group or has otherwise been engaged by the issuer as placement agent or in a similar capacity to offer and sell the securities. As an integral part of any new issue offering, BoFAES serves as an underwriter or placement agent under the federal securities laws for the transactions it participates in and performs pricing, due diligence and allocation functions as part of the offering. Similarly, we only offer and recommend brokered CDs of third party depository institutions if they are sourced by BoFAES as placement agent.

Market-Linked Investments. We only offer and recommend MLIs that we or our Affiliates have structured and are made available in offerings in which BoFAES has been engaged as an underwriter by the MLI issuer. The issuers of the MLIs are financial institutions and other entities that are subject to due diligence reviews. In addition, we only offer MLIs that are subject to our pricing and structuring methodologies and processes.

Unit Investment Trusts. We only offer and recommend UITs from a limited number of UIT sponsors based on our due diligence and other reviews.

Options Overlay Strategies and Exchange Funds. We only offer and recommend option overlay strategies and exchange fund offerings of third-party investment managers that pay us compensation. The compensation takes the form of solicitation and referral fees, as well as servicing fees.

OTC Derivative Transactions. An OTC derivative transaction is a bilateral, arms-length contract between two parties. We only offer our clients the ability to enter into OTC derivative transactions with one of our Affiliates that acts as a derivative counterparty.

Mutual Fund Distribution, Service and Marketing Support and Retirement Service Fees. For Brokerage Accounts, we only offer and recommend mutual funds, money market funds, and Offshore Funds where we receive 12b-1 fees, service fees, marketing support and/or retirement service fees. We require 12b-1 fees because they are part of the compensation that we pay to our Advisors for their efforts in reviewing and discussing the mutual fund with you and for the execution of the mutual fund transaction for your Brokerage Account.

The marketing support and retirement service fees are used to support and compensate us for the services we provide to the Advisors and to the third-party fund sponsors and distributors regarding the offering of the mutual funds we include on our product platform, for ongoing maintenance of information and for due diligence relating to the funds. The marketing support and retirement service fees are not paid to the Advisors. Mutual funds, money market funds and Offshore Funds that would otherwise meet our criteria for inclusion on our product platform will not be available for purchase in your Account if we are not paid these fees. These services are described more fully in the “Material Facts About Conflicts of Interest” section.

Hedge Fund and Private Equity Fund Distribution Fees and Service Fees. We only offer and recommend hedge funds and private equity funds where we receive distribution fees from the fund administrator, manager or their affiliates. The percentage and method of calculation of the distribution fees paid to us from the fund administrator, manager or their affiliates are disclosed in the Subscription Documents and/or Offering Documents for each fund. Certain hedge funds and private equity funds that would otherwise meet our criteria for inclusion on our product platform will not be available for purchase in your Account if the distribution fees are not paid to us. In addition, the availability of certain hedge funds or private equity funds or features of these funds (e.g., co-investment opportunities) will depend on your and your Advisor’s qualifications and eligibility. Not all hedge funds and private equity funds are available for purchase by all clients.
Sub-Accounting Services Payments. We only offer and recommend mutual funds, mutual fund share classes, money market funds, Offshore Funds and 529 plans that retain and/or pay our wholly-owned subsidiary, Financial Data Services, LLC (FDS), to provide necessary sub-accounting and other services such as recordkeeping, processing, reporting and dividend reinvestment in connection with fund transactions (sub-accounting services).

Cash Sweep Program. We make available Account types that, under the Account Agreements, permit funds to only be “swept” to bank deposit accounts at our bank Affiliates. Clients have the option to choose the “No Sweep” option and not have cash in their Accounts be ‘swept’ to any available cash sweep vehicle. The “No Sweep” option is not available to certain types of accounts, like Retirement Accounts.

Allocation of Equity Initial Public Offerings (IPOs). We allocate investment opportunities in equity IPOs among eligible Brokerage Accounts in a manner we determine appropriate. Given the limited availability and size of these offerings and shares available to us to allocate, there is a very limited opportunity for our brokerage clients to invest in such offerings and, if they do, clients generally receive smaller allocations than they requested. Accordingly, you, along with other Brokerage Account clients, should not have any expectation that you will have access to equity IPOs or will receive an allocation to any particular offering. There will be instances where certain Accounts receive an allocation while other Accounts (including similarly situated Accounts) do not, and preferential allocations will be given to certain clients based on a number of different factors. In addition, Advisors can choose not to participate in IPOs for any clients, or choose to offer participation to only a small group of clients.

General Basis for Recommendations

The general basis for our and our Advisors’ recommendations (i.e., what might be described as our or our Advisors’ investment approach, philosophy or strategy) is providing access to, and choice of securities and other investments that meet our clients’ needs based on their Investment Profiles and goals, among other considerations. Our process also involves a due diligence process that evaluates whether securities and other investments are in the best interest of at least some of our customers generally.

We do not impose any specific investment approach, philosophy or strategy on our Advisors. We assist Advisors by making available to them:

- Securities research and guidance prepared by BoA Global Research.
- Due diligence information prepared by the due diligence team within our Chief Investment Office.
- Information and assistance from other Merrill internal specialists and support teams as well as specialists and support teams from BANA and BoFAS.
- Information from selected third-party research providers and other resources.
- Training and educational resources on investment products and solutions.

Material Risks Associated with Investments and Brokerage Recommendations

While we will take reasonable care in developing and making recommendations to you, securities involve risk and you may lose money. There is no guarantee that you will meet your investment goals or that our recommended investment strategy will perform as anticipated. Please consult any available Offering Documents for any security that is recommended to you for a discussion of risks associated with the product. We can provide those documents to you or help you to find them.

General Risks Associated with Investments in Your Account. All investments involve risk, the degree of which varies significantly. Investment performance can never be predicted or guaranteed, and the value of your Account will fluctuate due to market conditions and other factors. Investments that we recommend and actions that we take to execute transactions for your Account are subject to various market, liquidity, currency, economic, geographic and political risks and are not necessarily profitable. You assume the risks of investing in securities and other investments and you could lose all or a portion of their value.

Lack of Diversification. We typically recommend that clients diversify their investments across multiple asset classes, issuers, sectors and industries to reduce the additional investment risk frequently associated with concentrated investments. You should understand that the decreased diversification resulting from holding concentrated positions in a single security, sector or asset class typically results in increased risk and volatility, which can result in losses.

Product Level Risks. Please consult the offering documents for any security we recommend for a discussion of risks associated with the security. If you cannot find these documents, please ask an Advisor to provide them or to help you find them.

Standard of Conduct

Under Regulation Best Interest, when we make recommendations to you in our capacity as a broker-dealer regarding securities transactions or investment strategies involving securities (including Account recommendations), we must act in your best interest at the time the recommendation is made. This means we cannot place our or an Advisor’s financial or other interests ahead of yours. Our recommendations are based on, among other things, your Investment Profile and other information that you provide to us. Our duty to act in your best interest when making a securities recommendation in your Brokerage Account relates solely to our obligation under Regulation Best Interest.

Material Facts About Conflicts of Interest

Generally, we have a conflict of interest when we recommend an account, security transaction or investment strategy where we expect to earn greater compensation over another account, security transaction or investment strategy. The following section discusses material facts about conflicts of interest associated with our recommendations. We provide you additional information about these conflicts in trade confirmations, Offering Documents, Subscription Documents and other materials.

Advisor Compensation Associated With a Brokerage Account

Sales Compensation. We pay Advisors a salary and incentive compensation that is based on what we receive, including the Sales Charges you pay and the indirect compensation from third parties or Affiliates. Depending on their qualifications, Advisors also receive compensation based on sales activity and Sales Charges we receive. Opening a Brokerage Account and engaging in transactions generates Sales Charges that result in revenues to us and compensation to our Advisors. We determine Advisor compensation based on the experience of the person, the time and complexity required to meet clients’ needs, the products sold and product Sales Charges, other factors such as client and asset acquisition and the revenue we earn. Receiving sales-based compensation is a conflict of interest.

Variable Compensation by Product and Service. The Sales Charges for securities and other investments, as well as indirect compensation we receive, vary. Third parties, including asset managers, insurance companies and their affiliates, pay us compensation over time (i.e., a
trailing fee). These payments also vary, including among products that may have substantially similar strategies (i.e., certain indexed mutual funds and ETFs or certain active ETFs and mutual funds). In turn, we pay Advisors a portion of the Sales Charges and indirect compensation depending on their qualifications and eligibility. The variable nature of Sales Charges and third-party payments create a conflict of interest because we and your Advisors are incentivized to recommend products for which we earn greater compensation rather than other alternatives. For example, compensation from annuities varies by annuity type, which incentivizes us to recommend an annuity that pays us more.

**Recommending a Brokerage Account or an Investment Advisory Relationship.** A recommendation of the type of Account relationship creates a conflict of interest for us and your Advisor. The amount of compensation we and your Advisor receive from your Brokerage Account activities can be more than if you had participated in an investment advisory program in which we would receive an annual asset-based fee. Depending on the amount of trading, the types of investments and/or the services you select, you could pay higher fees in a Brokerage Account. By contrast, if the trading activity in your Brokerage Account is limited, your Advisor has a financial incentive to recommend that you enroll in one of our investment advisory programs because the Advisor could earn greater compensation from the annual asset based fee.

**Approach to Compensation for FSAs and Certain Other Advisors.** We compensate FSAs and certain types of Advisors differently than we do Advisors who service clients with a full service Merrill Account. FSAs providing Brokerage Services in a MAC-based Account and certain other Advisors receive a salary and incentive compensation based on the assets included in a Brokerage Account and on assets that are enrolled in Brokerage Accounts that are opened and funded as a result of these individuals’ efforts. Additionally, these employees have an incentive to recommend an investment advisory account because they earn additional incentive compensation for the account based on the relationship. FSAs and certain other Advisors are not eligible to offer all brokerage products and investment advisory services and strategies.

**Rollover Recommendation to an Individual Retirement Account.** Advisors that recommend rolling over assets from an employer-sponsored retirement plan (such as a 401(k) plan) into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or other similar account receive compensation based on the amount of funds transferred. We and your Advisor also have a financial incentive to recommend a rollover because transactions in the rollover IRA will generate Sales Charges and other compensation.

**529 Plan Compensation.** We recommend a variety of 529 plans to our clients. Our compensation varies based on the plan and the unit class you purchase. We also serve as the program manager to a Section 529 qualified tuition savings plan offered by the State of Maine (NextGen 529) and we purchase. We also serve as the program manager to a Section 529 qualified tuition savings plan offered by the State of Maine (NextGen 529) and we purchase. We also serve as the program manager to a Section 529 qualified

**Compensation Received by Us and our Affiliates**

**Affiliated Products.** We, through our Advisors, may suggest or recommend that you use our securities account, execution and custody or other services for other of your investment activities or utilize the services of an Affiliate. Similarly, Advisors may suggest or recommend that you purchase our products or our Affiliates’ products. Where you use or purchase Merrill’s or our Affiliate’s services or products, and we and our Affiliates will receive fees and compensation. Advisors will, as permitted by applicable law, receive compensation (the amount of which varies) in connection with these products and services.

**Principal Trading and Agency Cross Transactions.** We execute certain transactions on a principal basis. Transactions that we conduct on a principal basis include all of our new issue equity and debt securities offerings (including MLI offerings) where we or our Affiliates act as an underwriter, selling group member or placement agent. We may execute secondary transactions in fixed income securities on a principal basis where we or our Affiliates act as a dealer. In addition, our Affiliates can act in a principal capacity when we execute transactions for your Account. In a principal capacity, our Affiliates act as your counterparty in OTC derivatives transactions and they can act as market makers for, or have proprietary positions in, the securities you buy or sell. We and our Affiliates receive compensation in connection with principal transactions, including markups, markdowns, underwriting discounts, selling concessions, dealer spreads and other compensation. We and our Affiliates profit from transacting as your counterparty or having proprietary positions in securities you buy or sell. Moreover, we have an incentive to recommend a transaction in a security that our Affiliate maintains in its inventory that is otherwise difficult to sell.

Except where not permitted by regulation, we engage in agency cross transactions when we act as agent for both buyer and seller in a transaction. Since we generally receive compensation from each party to an agency cross transaction, there is a conflict of interest between our obligations to you and to the other party to the transaction.

**Cash Sweep Program.** If you hold cash balances in your Account, our bank Affiliates benefit financially when your cash is “swept” to and held in affiliated bank deposit accounts under our Cash Sweep Program. As described in your Agreement, certain eligible Accounts have the ability to elect the “No-Sweep” option or have the ability to be swept into money market funds.

Cash swept into affiliated bank deposit accounts under the Cash Sweep Program benefits our bank Affiliates because they use these bank deposits to fund their lending, investment and other business activities. Their profitability is determined, in large part, by the difference between the interest paid on the bank deposits and the interest or other income earned on loans, investment and other assets which may be funded in part by bank deposits. In addition, the bank Affiliates determine the interest rate paid to depositors in the Cash Sweep Program.

The greater the amount of the cash balance maintained in your Account (which could be as a result of a recommendation from your Advisor) that is swept into a Cash Sweep Program bank deposit account and the lower the interest rate paid on the related bank deposit, the more our bank Affiliates benefit. The interest rate paid to you by our bank Affiliates can be lower than the interest rates available on other deposit account types at the bank Affiliates or on comparable deposit accounts at other banks. Generally, the rate you earn through the Cash Sweep Program will be lower than yields on other cash alternatives that are available for investment outside of the Cash Sweep Program, such as money market funds.

We have a conflict in connection with Accounts that are eligible for, and that elect, a money market fund sweep option, because we receive compensation for providing infrastructure, marketing support, sub-accounting or other services related to the use of the money market fund sweep option. If you choose the “No Sweep” option, we also benefit from the custody or use of uninvested cash balances in your Account. For more information, please refer to the Sweep Program Guide, About the Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program, Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill and your Agreement.

As a registered broker-dealer, Merrill also benefits from the possession or use of any free credit balances in your Accounts, subject to restrictions imposed by federal securities laws and regulations.

**New Issue Offerings.** We have conflicts of interest when one of our Affiliates act as an issuer, placement agent, underwriter, dealer or structurer or otherwise have a financial interest. We and our Affiliates are compensated in connection with new issue offerings and we have an incentive to recommend these transactions to you. When BofAS is part of the underwriting syndicate or selling group, or has otherwise
been engaged by the issuer as placement agent or in a similar capacity to offer and sell the securities, BofAS is compensated when you purchase securities we recommend. A portion of the underwriting compensation or placement fees that BofAS receives is used to compensate us and our Advisors for our efforts relating to the sale of the product. From time to time, certain securities, including MLIs and brokered CDs, that we make available and recommend in new issue offerings are issued by BofA Corp., BANA or our Affiliates.

Closed-End Funds. We and our Affiliates can receive underwriting compensation as part of an underwriting syndicate or selling group for new issue closed-end fund offerings. In addition, an investment manager for a fund can pay us a structuring fee that ranges from 0.50% to 2.00% for advice relating to the structure, design and organization of the fund, as well as services related to the sale and distribution of fund shares. Where we or our Affiliates act as part of the underwriting syndicate or selling group for a closed-end fund that we recommend, we can receive additional compensation from the fund’s investment manager for services the investment manager can request from us, such as after-market support services or information pertaining to industry trends.

Market-Linked Investments. MLIs are debt securities issued by third parties or by our Affiliates. MLIs are available in new issue offerings where BofAS acts as an underwriter and receives compensation. In addition, the public offering price (which is the price you pay) for an MLI includes compensation to us and BofAS for structuring and distributing the MLI. It also includes an estimated profit credited to our Affiliate from hedging arrangements by the issuer of the MLI, which reduces the economic terms of the MLI to you.

OTC Derivative Transactions. In OTC derivative transactions, you will enter into a derivative contract with one of our Affiliates. There is an embedded charge with respect to the transaction, which includes compensation in the form of anticipated hedging-related profits to our Affiliate. Activities of our Affiliates can influence or otherwise affect the price or value of underlying assets on which the transaction is based, the price or value of the OTC derivative contract or the payments and/or deliveries under the contract. An OTC derivative transaction can result in a loss to you and a gain to our Affiliate.

Sub-Accounting Services and Affiliate Compensation. As stated in “Material Limitations” section above, we only recommend mutual funds, mutual fund share classes, money market funds, Offshore Funds and fund securities held through 529 plans that retain and/or pay our subsidiary FDS for providing sub-accounting and other related services. These services include aggregating and processing purchases, redemptions, exchanges, dividend reinvestment, consolidated account statements, tax reporting, and other related processing and recordkeeping services. FDS provides daily sub-accounting services to holders of funds and other investment products that maintain their holdings in Brokerage Accounts and other accounts at Merrill and receives the agreed-upon sub-accounting services fee. This cost is either borne by the fund (like other fund expenses) as part of its operating costs or by its adviser, principal underwriter or other agent.

Depending on the specific agreements relating to the particular funds, FDS receives sub-accounting fees of either up to 0.15% per annum of the value of fund shares held in an Account with us or up to $21 annually for each client position in the mutual fund. The fee for money market funds, including those available in ERISA Accounts, is generally 0.005% per annum and for offshore money market funds, the fee is up to 0.015%. For Offshore Funds, we typically receive a bundled fee, ranging from 0.45% to 1.10% for front-load shares and 1.10% to 1.80% for level load shares, that can be used for distribution, marketing services and support, sub-accounting and related administrative services and or paying a portion of an Advisor’s compensation.

For mutual fund and certain money market funds shares in ERISA Accounts, FDS receives between 0.10% and 0.25% annually of the value of fund shares or between $16 and $19 annually for each participant position. These fees and fee rates are subject to change and can be received individually or as part of a “bundled” arrangement with a mutual fund that includes other types of fees, such as administration and distribution payments.

With respect to 529 portfolio positions held in a 529 account at Merrill, depending on the specific arrangement and the 529 program manager’s election, FDS receives fees based on either (1) a percentage of the value of unit classes held in a 529 account with us, up to 0.15% annually or (2) a per position dollar amount, up to $19 annually for each position.

We have a conflict of interest in selecting certain fund products or share classes or other products for inclusion as part of our product offering available to you. Certain fund products and other products that would otherwise meet our criteria for inclusion as part of our product menu but whose principal underwriters, agents or sponsors do not agree to pay a fee that FDS determines is appropriate for its services will not be selected, thereby limiting the available universe of funds (and share classes) and other products available to you. In addition, the amount of the fees paid to FDS for these services varies among mutual funds and, in certain instances, between share classes of individual funds. This results in a conflict of interest because it creates an incentive for us to recommend that you invest in mutual funds and share classes that pay higher fees. FDS receives higher sub-accounting payments from fund families that have higher fund assets held in our clients’ accounts as the service fee calculation is based off of the level of the asset holdings. Additionally, FDS benefits financially because the aggregate amount of the sub-accounting fees exceed the costs to provide these services.

For mutual funds, you should not assume that you will be invested in the share class with the lowest possible expense ratio that the mutual fund provider makes available to the investing public. It is generally in your best interest to purchase lower-fee share classes because your returns are not reduced in whole or in part by additional fees and expenses. For more information, please refer to Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill.

Other Compensation for Sales of Mutual Funds

General. Certain funds or share classes that would otherwise meet our criteria for inclusion in our product menu but whose principal underwriters, agents or sponsors do not agree to pay us 12b-1 fees, marketing support service fees and/or service fees will not be selected, thereby limiting the available universe of funds and products available to you.

12b-1 Fees. The 12b-1 fees varies among mutual funds and, in certain instances, between share classes of individual funds. We therefore receive higher 12b-1 fee payments from some fund families than others. In addition, we pay part of our Advisors’ compensation from the 12b-1 fees we receive. This is a conflict of interest because it creates an incentive for us and our Advisors to recommend that you invest in mutual funds and share classes that pay us or our Advisors higher fees.

In addition, we only offer and recommend mutual funds in Brokerage Accounts that pay us 12b-1 fees. We do this because the 12b-1 fees that are charged as part of the expenses of the mutual fund share class form a part of the compensation that we pay to our Advisors for their efforts in reviewing and discussing the mutual fund with you and for the execution of the mutual fund transaction for your Brokerage Account. Given this selection criteria, we have a conflict of interest in selecting certain funds and share classes for inclusion as part of our product offering available to you over others. You should not assume that you will be invested in the share class with the lowest possible expense ratio that the mutual fund provider makes available to the investing public.

Marketing Support for Mutual Funds, Money Market Funds and 529 Plan Programs. For Brokerage Accounts, we only recommend or select mutual funds, mutual fund share classes, money market funds and Offshore Funds from fund families that pay us marketing support payments. Merrill provides a variety of distribution, marketing services and other support to fund managers of mutual funds that are available
through Merrill. These services include: (1) providing our Advisors access to a specialist support desk and with work stations that include information, announcements, data, and tools relating to the fund; (2) conducting ongoing review and communications of features and changes to these products; (3) offering strategic planning support intended to assist fund managers with strategies that are aligned with Merrill’s investment themes and goals; (4) providing sales related reports and other information; (5) providing branch office support and facilities and personnel support for fund; and (6) preparing and/or supplying program descriptions, related prospectuses and marketing and other materials.

The typical marketing support payments made to us from mutual fund sponsors are as follows:

- Mutual funds — 0.25% on a portion of mutual fund purchases and 0.10% on a portion of mutual fund assets on an annual basis.
- Money market funds (including those eligible for ERISA Accounts) — up to 0.10% annually of the value of money market fund shares.
- Offshore Funds — fee is included in the bundled fee described above in the section “Conflicts Regarding Sub-Accounting Services.”
- Offshore money market funds — up to 0.10% from fund sponsors annually of the value of the money market fund shares.

We do not receive marketing support payments from mutual fund families for funds available to ERISA Accounts, but receive administrative service fees up to 0.35% of assets invested in the funds.

Merrill receives compensation from S29 program managers and S29 investment managers for its distribution, marketing services and other support of generally up to 0.15% on a portion of Section S29 plan purchases and generally up to 0.10% annually on a portion of Section S29 plan assets.

The amount of compensation Merrill receives from program managers for marketing services and support may exceed the cost of the services provided in any given year. You should be aware that the amount of marketing support or service fees paid by the different mutual fund families varies. We receive more fees from some fund families than we receive from others. A listing of mutual fund families that paid us $100,000 or greater and the range of marketing support payments we receive as of the prior calendar year is available at ml.com/funds.

Advisors do not have an incentive to recommend certain mutual funds, money market funds or S29 plan programs that pay marketing support or service fees because Advisors do not receive additional compensation as a result of these types of payments. However, for Offshore Funds, we pay our Advisors compensation from a portion of the bundled fee we receive.

Compensation for Sales of Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds

We only offer and recommend hedge funds and private equity funds where we receive distribution fees from the fund administrator, manager or their affiliates. For all feeder funds we make available to our clients, the administrator pays us out of its administrative fee up to 0.875% per annum in selling agent compensation. In addition, the third party administrator of certain hedge feeder funds receives payments of retrocessions from the underlying manager, up to 1.00% which generally are paid to us as selling agent compensation. For certain holdings that are no longer available for purchase, the retrocession fee is up to 4.00%. In the case of a substantial majority of private equity feeder funds, we or our Affiliates have negotiated arrangements with the underlying fund or manager in which the feeder fund pays. Under these arrangements, we and our Affiliates receive additional compensation which is generally based on the capital commitments made by the feeder fund ranging from up to 3.00%. We also receive additional compensation from certain fund managers in the form of one time up-front payments or periodic flat fee payments (which generally do not exceed $350,000).

Among other things, our receipt of these payments: (1) offset or reduce our expenses associated with onboarding new hedge funds and private equity funds to our platform; (2) defray costs incurred in connection with, and in consideration of, certain marketing, operational and investor services; and (3) compensate us for the service of acting as the selling agent on behalf of certain of these funds.

You will find additional information about hedge funds and private equity funds, including the percentage and method of calculation of distribution fees, retrocessions and other compensation that we receive, in the relevant Offering Documents and/or Subscription Documents for the funds. These arrangements, which vary among the hedge funds and private equity funds on our platform, give rise to a conflict of interest in determining which funds to make available to our clients and recommending investments in certain funds over others.

We and our Affiliates select the hedge funds and private equity funds and fund managers to be available on our brokerage and advisory platforms based on qualitative and quantitative evaluation of such factors as performance, risk management policies and procedures and consistency of the execution of their strategy. We have adopted various policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent the receipt of these payments and our other business arrangements from affecting the nature of the advice we provide.

Participation in Affiliated Loan Programs and Margin

There are conflicts of interest when we recommend that you use a loan secured by your Account assets as collateral. These conflicts exist with a margin loan from Merrill or with any of our Affiliate lending programs that may be available to you from an Affiliate lender. Specifically, in the case of a margin loan, we receive interest payments on the margin loan, and your Advisor receives compensation based on a percentage of the loan revenue we receive on the margin loans. Likewise, in the case of a loan from an Affiliate, including but not limited to the Loan Management Account® product (LMA® account), the Affiliate lender intends to derive a profit as lender based on interest and/or fees, if any, charged on the loan. Your Advisor receives compensation based on a percentage of the loan revenue of the Affiliate lender for such loan. Advisors receive greater compensation the more you borrow under a margin or Affiliate lending program and they receive greater compensation if you are charged a higher interest rate.

The lender, whether it be Merrill or an Affiliate, has a lien on your Account assets that are used as collateral for the loan. The lender will act to protect itself as lender in connection with the loan, and this may be contrary to your interests and/or investment objectives. This lien also creates a conflict of interest with respect to the recommendations we make to you. For example, your Advisor may recommend that you allocate your investments to your Account that has a lender’s lien rather than to another Account without such a lien. Another example is that your Advisor may recommend a less risky investment in order to minimize the risk of loss with respect to the lender’s collateral.

Furthermore, your Advisor is compensated based on a percentage of the revenue on the loan. This means your Advisor is compensated based on your borrowing under the lending program, rather than if you were to liquidate assets held in the Account to meet your funding needs. In addition, your Advisor will receive a reduction in compensation earned by recommending that you reduce your outstanding loan balance. Additionally, as explained in this Disclosure Statement, your Advisor will earn compensation from the sale, purchase, and/or management of securities that are used in an Account pledged as collateral for an Affiliate or margin loan. Please review the Margin Truth-in-Lending Disclosure Statement and the Securities-Based Loan Disclosure Statement for more information.

Compensation for Sales of Certain Investments

The compensation we receive for sales of the investments described in this section below creates an incentive to recommend them to you and thus constitutes a conflict of interest.
**Exchange Funds.** The fund’s lead placement agent pays us incentive compensation of 1.00% of your subscription amount. In addition, the fund’s investment adviser pays us an annual servicing fee of 0.25% of your investment in the fund.

**Options Overlay Strategies.** From the annual management fee you pay to the investment manager, the investment manager pays us between 0.15% and 0.225% as a referral payment. Because we receive a portion of the annual management fee of investment managers, we have a conflict of interest in determining the investment managers whose strategies we offer on our platform.

**Unit Investment Trusts.** UIT sponsors pay us additional compensation based on the total volume of UIT sales we make ranging from 0.035% to 0.175%. This compensation is paid by the UIT sponsor and not from the assets of the UIT.

**Referral Arrangements and Fees**

*Affiliate Referrals.* Advisors receive compensation for referring brokerage clients to our Affiliates for the provision of various financial services (including transaction execution and investment banking services) and products (including banking products), which varies by service and product. In addition, Advisors may introduce fund and other investment product distributors, sponsors, service providers or their affiliates to other services that we, BoFA Corp. and our Affiliates provide. This results in a conflict of interest because we are incentivized to introduce services that provide us or our Affiliates additional compensation. As permitted by applicable law, Advisors receive compensation (the amount of which varies and can be significant) in connection with these recommendations and/or services. These types of referral programs are not applicable to FSAs.

We make available to you the ability to make cash deposits at bank Affiliates and the ability to deposit cash at bank Affiliates and non-Affiliate banks and savings associations through a deposit program. For deposits at bank Affiliates relating to referrals from an Advisor, we receive a fee directly from each bank Affiliate based on the average daily deposit balance held by the bank Affiliate. The amount of the fee varies from time to time and varies based on the bank Affiliate. We may waive all or part of this fee. Other than the regular annual financial service fee applicable to your Account and the costs associated with the investment of cash in a money market fund cash sweep option, there will be no charge, fee or commission imposed with respect to your participation in any bank Affiliate program.

*Other Referrals.* We have entered into agreements with unaffiliated third-party investment managers that compensate us for referring clients with Brokerage Accounts to them. There is a conflict of interest where we and our Advisors recommend that you participate in such a separate third-party advisory arrangement. The costs associated with the services provided by an unaffiliated third-party investment manager to you (including any management fees paid to the unaffiliated investment manager or commissions paid to us in connection with the transactions executed in an Account advised by an unaffiliated investment manager) result in additional compensation to us and our Advisors. These referral arrangements are not applicable to FSAs because under the MAC brokerage program third-party advisory programs are not an offered investment strategy.

**Compensation and Support from Third-Party Investment Managers, Distributors and Insurance Companies**

*Third-Party Firm Business Relationships.* We and our Affiliates have business relationships with third-party investment managers, fund managers, distributors and sponsors as well as insurance companies and other product providers (Third-Party Firms). We or our Affiliates may effect transactions in the ordinary course of business for a mutual fund, hedge fund or private equity (and if applicable, a portfolio company in which a private equity fund may hold an interest). We may also make available to them Brokerage Services and other Merrill or Affiliate programs. Third-Party Firms may direct their clients’ transactions to us. We may also make available to them research, execution, custodial, pricing and other services in the normal course of business. Any compensation paid to us or our Affiliates is additional compensation to us for services we and our Affiliates provide to them.

Merrill has agreements with Third-Party Firms relating to the offering and distribution of Third-Party Firm investment products to our clients. Merrill works with Third-Party Firms to provide information to our Advisors about investment products of Third-Party Firms that are available in a Brokerage Account or through our investment advisory programs.

**Third-Party Firms’ Cost Sharing for Training Events and Other Meetings.** Certain Third-Party Firms periodically participate in Merrill-hosted internal training and education conferences for Advisors and other personnel as well as in conferences that Merrill or an Affiliate hosts for clients (Training Events). Third-Party Firms electing to participate in a particular Training Event will share in the cost of the Training Event. The amount that a Third-Party Firm will contribute towards the expenses of a Training Event will vary depending on, among other things, the number of events in which a Third-Party Firm participates. There is no requirement that Third-Party Firms provide any such support or payments in order for us to make available their investment products to our clients. For 2020, the total support received from participating Third-Party Firms for these Training Events was approximately $1.3 million.

In addition, certain Third-Party Firms periodically participate in meetings that provide our Advisors and certain personnel with information on their platform of products and services and with the opportunity to interact with their management and investment personnel. They also help support client and prospect events, like seminars, trade shows and other meetings and events through contributions. These meetings and events typically occur at a location determined by the Third-Party Firm or at our local branch offices. Certain Third-Party Firms share in the costs of these types of meetings and events, subject to a cost sharing cap. They are not permitted to pay for, or contribute to, the cost of travel, accommodation or continuing education administrative fees for Advisors. For 2020, the total support from participating Third-Party Firms for these types of meetings and events was $3.8 million.

The participation of, and the cost sharing by, a Third-Party Firm in Training Events and other meetings and events is not dependent or related to the amount of assets invested by you or any other of our clients in or with the products or services of the particular Third-Party Firm. Neither we, nor our Affiliates, incentivize Advisors to recommend the products and services of a Third-Party Firm that contributes to these Training Events and other meetings over those that do not.

Further, Third-Party Firms are not permitted to condition their payment on any amount of sales of their products or services. However, those that participate in Training Events and other meetings have more opportunities to interact and build relationships with our Advisors and employees which creates a conflict of interest to the extent this leads our Advisors to recommend the products and services of these Third-Party Firms.

**Gifts, Meals and Entertainment and Third-Party Firm Office Access.** We have adopted a policy that restricts Third-Party Firm representatives from providing, and Advisors from receiving, gifts, meals and entertainment, other than items of a promotional nature related to the Third-Party Firm (i.e., logo items, like golf balls, hats). Representatives of Third-Party Firms will, from time to time, meet and work with Advisors and other of our representatives to provide information and support regarding their respective investment products. The Third-Party Firms are not permitted to condition their office visits or promotional gift on any amount of sales of their investment products and Merrill does not incentivize Advisors to recommend or select one investment product over another.
Provision of Diversified Financial Services by Us and our Affiliates

BofA Corp. is a diversified financial services company that generally provides through us and our Affiliates a wide range of services to retail and institutional clients for which it receives compensation. As a result, we, BofA Corp. and our Affiliates can be expected to pursue additional business opportunities with the entities whose investments we and our Advisors recommend to you. Consistent with industry regulations, the services that we and our Affiliates provide include banking and lending services, sponsorship of deferred compensation and retirement plans, recordkeeping services, investment banking, securities research, institutional trading and prime brokerage services, custody services, investment advisory services, licensing arrangements involving indices, and effecting portfolio securities transactions for customers.

In addition, from time to time, BofAS and other of our Affiliates may acquire equity stakes in market centers (e.g., national securities exchanges or alternative trading systems) as part of a strategic investment and therefore stand to participate as a shareholder and investor in the profits that each market center realizes in part from the execution of securities transactions, including transactions for your Account. Additional information regarding these relationships are publicly available in Regulation NMS Rule 606 reports we file with the SEC.

Payments for Order Flow, Order Routing and Rebates

We do not receive payment for order flow from liquidity providers to which we route our customer orders in equity securities. We receive rebates from, and pay fees to, certain registered securities exchanges for providing or taking liquidity on those exchanges, according to those exchanges’ published fee schedules approved by the SEC. In some cases, the rebates received by us from an exchange over a period of time will exceed the fees paid to the exchange.

We also participate in the options order flow programs sponsored by NYSE American Options, NYSE Arca Options, the Cboe options exchanges and the Nasdaq options exchanges. These exchange-sponsored programs offer payments for listed option orders that are directed to such options markets. The rebates and payments from these third parties vary depending on the order and the exchange to which orders are directed and create a conflict of interest because we are incentivized to recommend transactions that provide us with greater rebates or payments from these exchanges.

Activity by Merrill, its Personnel, Affiliates and Related Companies

From time to time in the course of our and our Affiliates’ business dealings, confidential information is acquired that cannot be divulged or acted upon for clients. Similarly, we and our Affiliates can give advice or take action with regard to certain clients that differs from that given or taken with regard to other clients. In some instances, the actions taken by Affiliates for similar services and programs conflicts with the actions taken by us.

This is due to, among other things, the differing nature of the Affiliate’s service and differing processes and criteria upon which determinations are made.

From time to time, a shareholder of BofA Corp. may acquire a sufficiently large interest in BofA Corp. that the holding triggers statutory or regulatory obligations or restrictions. In such event, our ability to make recommendations to you regarding securities issued by that shareholder or its affiliates may be limited.

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- Form CRS
- Summary of Programs and Services
- Merrill Explanation of Fees
- Merrill Edge Explanation of Fees
- Merrill Schedule of Miscellaneous Account and Service Fees
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- List of Account Types
- About the Merrill Bank Deposit Program (about the Cash Sweep Program)
- Sweep Program Guide
- Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill
- Offshore Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill Lynch
- Making the Most of Your Retirement Assets
- Annuities for Retirement
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- Securities-Based Loan Disclosure Statement
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