## WEALTHFORGE

## WealthForge Securities, LLC Form CRS

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## **Introduction**

WealthForge Securities, LLC ("WealthForge") is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and a member of FINRA/SIPC. Potential customers should know that brokerage and investment advisory services and fees differ, and it is important for a customer to understand these differences.

There are free and simple tools available to research both brokerage firms and financial advisors at <u>Investor.gov/CRS</u>. This website also contains educational material on broker-dealers, investment advisors, and investing.

#### What investment services and advice can you provide me?

WealthForge offers brokerage services for retail customers in private placements, Regulation A, Non-traded Real Estate Investment Trusts, and other registered non-traded securities. WealthForge does not hold accounts for retail investors and limits its services to recommending and brokering the purchase of private placement securities by retail customers. WealthForge does not monitor retail investors accounts or recommend account types. Neither WealthForge nor its associated persons will accept discretionary authority over any assets or securities. For further information on WealthForge, please review the firm's disclosures at the following link: <u>WealthForge Reg BI Disclosure</u>

When considering whether to engage a WealthForge broker, a retail client should ask the following questions:

"Given my financial situation, should I choose a brokerage service? Why or why not?"

"How will you choose investments to recommend to me?"

"What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education, and other qualifications? "What do these qualifications mean?"

## What fees will I pay?

<u>Commission:</u> WealthForge and its brokers may receive a commission as a percentage of your investment. The exact amount of the total commission depends on the offering and is disclosed in the offering materials, which a retail customer should thoroughly review. You should also discuss with your broker the exact commission he or she may receive on each transaction.

<u>Other fees:</u> WealthForge does not have a minimum investment amount or account minimum. If WealthForge is acting as the managing broker-dealer for the offering, it will receive a managing broker-dealer fee for its services in managing the syndicate of other broker-dealers and registered investment advisors. This fee, if applicable, is further described in the offering materials for the specific offering you are investing in.

You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying.

You should ask your broker the following: "Help me understand how these fees and costs might affect my investments. If I give you \$10,000 to invest, how much will go to fees and costs, and how much will be invested for me?"

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

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

Some WealthForge representatives may sell, and in some cases are limited to only selling, securities issued by their non-WealthForge employer or an associated entity of that employer. In these cases, they have an incentive to sell you their proprietary product since they receive compensation from their non-WealthForge employer.

You should ask your broker the following question to better understand their conflicts of interest, "How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?"

For further information on WealthForge's conflicts of interest please review the information at the following link <u>WealthForge Reg BI Disclosure</u>

## How do your financial professionals make money?

WealthForge brokers make money primarily through commissions earned on their sale of securities. These commissions equal a percentage of your investment and vary depending on the product, but always are disclosed in the offering materials. If these fees are being paid they are disclosed in the offering materials for the security being recommended. You should discuss these fees with your broker prior to accepting their recommendation.

Some WealthForge brokers are also compensated by another business entity for their nonsecurities work. As stated above, this may cause a conflict of interest due to the outside business activity being the issuer or sponsor of the offering. You should discuss this with your broker prior to accepting their recommendation.

#### Do you or your financial professionals have legal or disciplinary history?

Yes. Both WealthForge Securities and some of its financial professionals have disciplinary history. For further details, you should visit <u>Investor.gov/CRS</u> for a free and simple search tool to research both WealthForge and its financial professionals.

You should ask your broker the following to better understand whether they have a disciplinary history and what it entails, "As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct?"

## **Additional Information**

You may request a written copy of WealthForge's CRS by emailing investorservices@wealthforge.com. You may call WealthForge at 866-603-4116.

You should ask your financial professional the following question about contacts and complaints. "Who is my primary contact person? Is he or she a representative of an investment advisor or broker-dealer? Who can I talk to if I have concerns about how this person is treating me?"