# Diamond Client Group, LLC Firm Brochure - Form ADV Part 2A

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Registration as an investment adviser does not imply a certain level of skill or training.

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## Item 2: Material Changes

Diamond Client Group, LLC has not yet filed an annual updating amendment using the Form ADV Part 2A. Therefore there are no material changes to report.

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## Item 4: Advisory Business

#### A. Description of the Advisory Firm

Diamond Client Group, LLC (hereinafter "DCGLLC") is a Limited Liability Company organized in the State of Texas. The firm was formed in June 2016, and the principal owner is Lucas Wayne Cheatham.

#### **B.** Types of Advisory Services

#### **Portfolio Management Services**

DCGLLC offers ongoing portfolio management services based on the individual goals, objectives, time horizon, and risk tolerance of each client. DCGLLC creates an Investment Policy Statement for each client, which outlines the client's current situation (income, tax levels, and risk tolerance levels) and then constructs a plan to aid in the selection of a portfolio that matches each client's specific situation. Portfolio management services include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment strategy
  Personal investment policy
- Asset allocation
- Asset selection
- Risk tolerance Regular portfolio monitoring

DCGLLC evaluates the current investments of each client with respect to their risk tolerance levels and time horizon. DCGLLC will request discretionary authority from clients in order to select securities and execute transactions without permission from the client prior to each transaction. Risk tolerance levels are documented in the Investment Policy Statement, which is given to each client.

DCGLLC seeks to provide that investment decisions are made in accordance with the fiduciary duties owed to its accounts and without consideration of DCGLLC's economic, investment or other financial interests. To meet its fiduciary obligations, DCGLLC attempts to avoid, among other things, investment or trading practices that systematically advantage or disadvantage certain client portfolios, and accordingly, DCGLLC's policy is to seek fair and equitable allocation of investment opportunities/transactions among its clients to avoid favoring one client over another over time. It is DCGLLC's policy to allocate investment opportunities and transactions it identifies as being appropriate and prudent among its clients on a fair and equitable basis over time.

#### Selection of Other Advisers Services

DCGLLC may direct clients to third-party investment advisers to manage all or a portion of the client's assets. Before selecting other advisers for clients, DCGLLC will always ensure those other advisers are properly licensed or registered as an investment adviser.

DCGLLC conducts due diligence on any third-party investment adviser, which may involve one or more of the following: phone calls, meetings and review of the third-party adviser's performance and investment strategy. DCGLLC then makes investments with a third-party investment adviser by referring the client to the third-party adviser. These investments may be allocated either through the third-party adviser's fund or through a separately managed account managed by such third party adviser on behalf of DCGLLC's client. DCGLLC may also allocate among one or more private equity funds or private equity fund advisers. DCGLLC will review the ongoing performance of the third-party adviser as a portion of the client's portfolio.

#### **Financial Planning**

Financial plans and financial planning may include, but are not limited to: investment planning; life insurance; tax concerns; retirement planning; college planning; and debt/credit planning.

#### Subscription Services

DCGLLC provides a newsletter only to clients using DCGLLC's other advisory services and for free; it does not entail an additional fee. It will offer recommendations on purchasing and selling specific securities, sectors, asset classes, or other specific groupings of securities at a stated time.

#### Services Limited to Specific Types of Investments

DCGLLC generally limits its investment advice to mutual funds, fixed income securities, insurance products including equities, hedge funds, private equity funds, ETFs, treasury inflation protected/inflation linked bonds and private placements. DCGLLC may use other securities as well to help diversify a portfolio when applicable.

#### C. Client Tailored Services and Client Imposed Restrictions

DCGLLC will tailor a program for each individual client. This will include an interview session to get to know the client's specific needs and requirements as well as a plan that will be executed by DCGLLC on behalf of the client. DCGLLC may use model allocations together with a specific set of recommendations for each client based on their personal restrictions, needs, and targets. Clients may impose restrictions in investing in certain securities or types of securities in accordance with their values or beliefs. However, if the restrictions prevent DCGLLC from properly servicing the client account, or if the restrictions would require DCGLLC to deviate from its standard suite of services, DCGLLC reserves the right to end the relationship.

#### **D. Wrap Fee Programs**

A wrap fee program is an investment program where the investor pays one stated fee that includes management fees, transaction costs, fund expenses, and other administrative fees. DCGLLC does not participate in any wrap fee programs.

#### E. Assets Under Management

DCGLLC has the following assets under management:

Discretionary Amounts:	Non-discretionary Amounts:	Date Calculated:
\$0	\$0	August 2020

## Item 5: Fees and Compensation

A. Fee Schedule

#### **Portfolio Management Fees**

Total Assets Under Management	Annual Fees
\$0 - \$1,000,000	1.20%
\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	1.00%
\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	0.80%
\$5,000,001 - AND UP	0.60%

DCGLLC uses an average of the daily balance in the client's account throughout the billing period, after taking into account deposits and withdrawals, for purposes of determining the market value of the assets upon which the advisory fee is based.

These fees are generally negotiable and the final fee schedule will be memorialized in the client's advisory agreement. Clients may terminate the agreement without penalty for a full refund of DCGLLC's fees within five business days of signing the Investment Advisory Contract. Thereafter, clients may terminate the Investment Advisory Contract generally with 14 days' written notice.

#### Selection of Other Advisers Fees

DCGLLC will be compensated via a fee share from the advisers to which it directs those clients. This relationship will be memorialized in each contract between DCGLLC and

each third-party adviser. The fees shared will not exceed any limit imposed by any regulatory agency.

DCGLLC may engage in the selection of third-party money managers, but does not have any such arrangements in place at this time. This service may be canceled with 30 days' notice.

#### **Financial Planning Fees**

#### **Fixed Fees**

The fixed rate for creating client financial plans is between \$2,500 and \$100,000. The fixed fee is based upon the complexity of the plan, the hourly rate, the estimated amount of time to be used for creating a financial plan. Fixed fees relate to financial plans and financial planning that may include, without limitation: investment planning; life insurance; tax concerns; retirement planning; college planning; and debt/credit planning, each service as further detailed above.

Clients may terminate the agreement without penalty, for full refund of DCGLLC's fees, within five business days of signing the Financial Planning Agreement. Thereafter, clients may terminate the Financial Planning Agreement generally upon written notice.

#### Subscription Fees

DCGLLC offers a monthly subscription newsletter, "DCG Newsletter," the price of which is included in the price of other services such as portfolio management. This newsletter will be provided via postal mail or electronic mail and may be cancelled immediately upon written notice.

#### **B.** Payment of Fees

#### Payment of Portfolio Management Fees

Asset-based portfolio management fees are withdrawn directly from the client's accounts with client's written authorization on a quarterly basis. Fees are paid in arrears.

#### Payment of Selection of Other Advisers Fees

The timing, frequency, and method of paying fees for selection of third-party managers will depend on the specific third-party adviser selected.

#### Payment of Financial Planning Fees

Financial planning fees are paid via check.

Fixed financial planning fees are paid 50% in advance, but never more than six months in advance, with the remainder due upon presentation of the plan.

#### C. Client Responsibility For Third Party Fees

Clients are responsible for the payment of all third party fees (i.e. custodian fees, brokerage fees, mutual fund fees, transaction fees, etc.). Those fees are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses charged by DCGLLC. Please see Item 12 of this brochure regarding broker-dealer/custodian.

#### **D.** Prepayment of Fees

DCGLLC collects certain fees in advance and certain fees in arrears, as indicated above. Refunds for fees paid in advance but not yet earned will be refunded on a prorated basis and returned within fourteen days to the client via check, or return deposit back into the client's account.

Fixed fees that are collected in advance will be refunded based on the prorated amount of work completed at the point of termination.

#### E. Outside Compensation For the Sale of Securities to Clients

Neither DCGLLC nor its supervised persons accept any compensation for the sale of investment products, including asset-based sales charges or service fees from the sale of mutual funds.

## Item 6: Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

DCGLLC does not accept performance-based fees or other fees based on a share of capital gains on or capital appreciation of the assets of a client.

## **Item 7: Types of Clients**

DCGLLC generally provides advisory services to the following types of clients:

- Individuals
- High-Net-Worth Individuals

There is no account minimum for any of DCGLLC's services.

## Item 8: Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies, & Risk of Loss

#### A. Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategies

#### Methods of Analysis

DCGLLC's methods of analysis include Fundamental analysis, Modern portfolio theory and Technical analysis.

**Fundamental analysis** involves the analysis of financial statements, the general financial health of companies, and/or the analysis of management or competitive advantages.

**Modern portfolio theory** is a theory of investment that attempts to maximize portfolio expected return for a given amount of portfolio risk, or equivalently minimize risk for a given level of expected return, each by carefully choosing the proportions of various asset.

Technical analysis involves the analysis of past market data; primarily price and volume.

#### Investment Strategies

DCGLLC uses long term trading, margin transactions and options trading (including covered options, uncovered options, or spreading strategies).

Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

#### **B.** Material Risks Involved

#### Methods of Analysis

**Fundamental analysis** concentrates on factors that determine a company's value and expected future earnings. This strategy would normally encourage equity purchases in stocks that are undervalued or priced below their perceived value. The risk assumed is that the market will fail to reach expectations of perceived value.

**Modern portfolio theory** assumes that investors are risk averse, meaning that given two portfolios that offer the same expected return, investors will prefer the less risky one. Thus, an investor will take on increased risk only if compensated by higher expected returns. Conversely, an investor who wants higher expected returns must accept more risk. The exact trade-off will be the same for all investors, but different investors will evaluate the trade-off differently based on individual risk aversion characteristics. The implication is that a rational investor will not invest in a portfolio if a second portfolio

exists with a more favorable risk-expected return profile – i.e., if for that level of risk an alternative portfolio exists which has better expected returns.

**Technical analysis** attempts to predict a future stock price or direction based on market trends. The assumption is that the market follows discernible patterns and if these patterns can be identified then a prediction can be made. The risk is that markets do not always follow patterns and relying solely on this method may not take into account new patterns that emerge over time.

#### Investment Strategies

DCGLLC's use of margin transactions and options trading generally holds greater risk, and clients should be aware that there is a material risk of loss using any of those strategies.

**Long term trading** is designed to capture market rates of both return and risk. Due to its nature, the long-term investment strategy can expose clients to various types of risk that will typically surface at various intervals during the time the client owns the investments. These risks include but are not limited to inflation (purchasing power) risk, interest rate risk, economic risk, market risk, and political/regulatory risk.

**Margin transactions** use leverage that is borrowed from a brokerage firm as collateral. When losses occur, the value of the margin account may fall below the brokerage firm's threshold thereby triggering a margin call. This may force the account holder to either allocate more funds to the account or sell assets on a shorter time frame than desired.

**Options transactions** involve a contract to purchase a security at a given price, not necessarily at market value, depending on the market. This strategy includes the risk that an option may expire out of the money resulting in minimal or no value, as well as the possibility of leveraged loss of trading capital due to the leveraged nature of stock options.

**Selection of Other Advisers:** Although DCGLLC will seek to select only money managers who will invest clients' assets with the highest level of integrity, DCGLLC's selection process cannot ensure that money managers will perform as desired and DCGLLC will have no control over the day-to-day operations of any of its selected money managers. DCGLLC would not necessarily be aware of certain activities at the underlying money manager level, including without limitation a money manager's engaging in unreported risks, investment "style drift" or even regulatory breaches or fraud.

Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

#### C. Risks of Specific Securities Utilized

DCGLLC's use of margin transactions and options trading generally holds greater risk of capital loss. Clients should be aware that there is a material risk of loss using any

investment strategy. The investment types listed below (leaving aside Treasury Inflation Protected/Inflation Linked Bonds) are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or any other government agency.

**Mutual Funds:** Investing in mutual funds carries the risk of capital loss and thus you may lose money investing in mutual funds. All mutual funds have costs that lower investment returns. The funds can be of bond "fixed income" nature (lower risk) or stock "equity" nature.

**Equity** investment generally refers to buying shares of stocks in return for receiving a future payment of dividends and/or capital gains if the value of the stock increases. The value of equity securities may fluctuate in response to specific situations for each company, industry conditions and the general economic environments.

**Fixed income** investments generally pay a return on a fixed schedule, though the amount of the payments can vary. This type of investment can include corporate and government debt securities, leveraged loans, high yield, and investment grade debt and structured products, such as mortgage and other asset-backed securities, although individual bonds may be the best known type of fixed income security. In general, the fixed income market is volatile and fixed income securities carry interest rate risk. (As interest rates rise, bond prices usually fall, and vice versa. This effect is usually more pronounced for longer-term securities.) Fixed income securities also carry inflation risk, liquidity risk, call risk, and credit and default risks for both issuers and counterparties. The risk of default on treasury inflation protected/inflation linked bonds is dependent upon the U.S. Treasury defaulting (extremely unlikely); however, they carry a potential risk of losing share price value, albeit rather minimal. Risks of investing in foreign fixed income securities also include the general risk of non-U.S. investing described below.

Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs): An ETF is an investment fund traded on stock exchanges, similar to stocks. Investing in ETFs carries the risk of capital loss (sometimes up to a 100% loss in the case of a stock holding bankruptcy). Areas of concern include the lack of transparency in products and increasing complexity, conflicts of interest and the possibility of inadequate regulatory compliance. Risks in investing in ETFs include trading risks, liquidity and shutdown risks, risks associated with a change in authorized participants and non-participation of authorized participants, risks that trading price differs from indicative net asset value (iNAV), or price fluctuation and disassociation from the index being tracked. With regard to trading risks, regular trading adds cost to your portfolio thus counteracting the low fees that one of the typical benefits of ETFs. Additionally, regular trading to beneficially "time the market" is difficult to achieve. Even paid fund managers struggle to do this every year, with the majority failing to beat the relevant indexes. With regard to liquidity and shutdown risks, not all ETFs have the same level of liquidity. Since ETFs are at least as liquid as their underlying assets, trading conditions are more accurately reflected in implied liquidity rather than the average daily volume of the ETF itself. Implied liquidity is a measure of what can potentially be traded in ETFs based on its underlying assets. ETFs are subject to market volatility and the risks of their underlying securities, which may include the risks associated with investing in smaller companies, foreign securities, commodities, and fixed income investments (as

applicable). Foreign securities in particular are subject to interest rate, currency exchange rate, economic, and political risks, all of which are magnified in emerging markets. ETFs that target a small universe of securities, such as a specific region or market sector, are generally subject to greater market volatility, as well as to the specific risks associated with that sector, region, or other focus. ETFs that use derivatives, leverage, or complex investment strategies are subject to additional risks. The return of an index ETF is usually different from that of the index it tracks because of fees, expenses, and tracking error. An ETF may trade at a premium or discount to its net asset value (NAV) (or indicative value in the case of exchange-traded notes). The degree of liquidity can vary significantly from one ETF to another and losses may be magnified if no liquid market exists for the ETF's shares when attempting to sell them. Each ETF has a unique risk profile, detailed in its prospectus, offering circular, or similar material, which should be considered carefully when making investment decisions.

**Hedge funds** often engage in leveraging and other speculative investment practices that may increase the risk of loss; can be highly illiquid; are not required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors; May involve complex tax structures and delays in distributing important tax information; are not subject to the same regulatory requirements as mutual funds; and often charge high fees. In addition, hedge funds may invest in risky securities and engage in risky strategies.

**Private equity** funds carry certain risks. Capital calls will be made on short notice, and the failure to meet capital calls can result in significant adverse consequences, including but not limited to a total loss of investment.

**Private placements** carry a substantial risk as they are subject to less regulation than are publicly offered securities, the market to resell these assets under applicable securities laws may be illiquid, due to restrictions, and the liquidation may be taken at a substantial discount to the underlying value or result in the entire loss of the value of such assets.

**Options** are contracts to purchase a security at a given price, risking that an option may expire out of the money resulting in minimal or no value. An uncovered option is a type of options contract that is not backed by an offsetting position that would help mitigate risk. The risk for a "naked" or uncovered put is not unlimited, whereas the potential loss for an uncovered call option is limitless. Spread option positions entail buying and selling multiple options on the same underlying security, but with different strike prices or expiration dates, which helps limit the risk of other option trading strategies. Option transactions also involve risks including but not limited to economic risk, market risk, sector risk, idiosyncratic risk, political/regulatory risk, inflation (purchasing power) risk and interest rate risk.

Past performance is not indicative of future results. Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

## **Item 9: Disciplinary Information**

#### A. Criminal or Civil Actions

There are no criminal or civil actions to report.

#### **B.** Administrative Proceedings

There are no administrative proceedings to report.

C. Self-regulatory Organization (SRO) Proceedings

There are no self-regulatory organization proceedings to report.

## Item 10: Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

#### A. Registration as a Broker/Dealer or Broker/Dealer Representative

Neither DCGLLC nor its representatives are registered as, or have pending applications to become, a broker/dealer or a representative of a broker/dealer.

#### **B.** Registration as a Futures Commission Merchant, Commodity Pool Operator, or a Commodity Trading Advisor

Neither DCGLLC nor its representatives are registered as or have pending applications to become either a Futures Commission Merchant, Commodity Pool Operator, or Commodity Trading Advisor or an associated person of the foregoing entities.

#### C. Registration Relationships Material to this Advisory Business and Possible Conflicts of Interests

Lucas Wayne Cheatham is an independent licensed insurance agent, and from time to time, will offer clients advice or products from those activities. Clients should be aware that these services pay a commission or other compensation and involve a conflict of interest, as commissionable products conflict with the fiduciary duties of a registered investment adviser. DCGLLC always acts in the best interest of the client; including the sale of commissionable products to advisory clients. Clients are in no way required to utilize the services of any representative of DCGLLC in connection with such individual's activities outside of DCGLLC.

#### D. Selection of Other Advisers or Managers and How This Adviser is Compensated for Those Selections

DCGLLC may direct clients to third-party investment advisers to manage all or a portion of the client's assets. DCGLLC will be compensated via a fee share from the advisers to which it directs those clients. This relationship will be memorialized in each contract between DCGLLC and each third-party advisor. The fees shared will not exceed any limit imposed by any regulatory agency. This creates a conflict of interest in that DCGLLC has an incentive to direct clients to the third-party investment advisers that provide DCGLLC with a larger fee split. DCGLLC will always act in the best interests of the client, including when determining which third-party investment adviser to recommend to clients. DCGLLC will ensure that all recommended advisers are licensed or notice filed in the states in which DCGLLC is recommending them to clients.

## Item 11: Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

#### A. Code of Ethics

DCGLLC has a written Code of Ethics that covers the following areas: Prohibited Purchases and Sales, Insider Trading, Personal Securities Transactions, Exempted Transactions, Prohibited Activities, Conflicts of Interest, Gifts and Entertainment, Confidentiality, Service on a Board of Directors, Compliance Procedures, Compliance with Laws and Regulations, Procedures and Reporting, Certification of Compliance, Reporting Violations, Compliance Officer Duties, Training and Education, Recordkeeping, Annual Review, and Sanctions. DCGLLC's Code of Ethics is available free upon request to any client or prospective client.

#### **B.** Recommendations Involving Material Financial Interests

DCGLLC does not recommend that clients buy or sell any security in which DCGLLC or a related person has a material financial interest.

#### C. Investing Personal Money in the Same Securities as Clients

From time to time, representatives of DCGLLC may buy or sell securities for themselves that they also recommend to clients. This may provide an opportunity for representatives of DCGLLC to buy or sell the same securities before or after recommending the same securities to clients resulting in representatives profiting off the recommendations they provide to clients. Such transactions may create a conflict of interest. DCGLLC will always document any transactions that could be construed as conflicts of interest and will never engage in trading that operates to the client's disadvantage when similar securities are being bought or sold.

#### D. Trading Securities At/Around the Same Time as Clients' Securities

From time to time, representatives of DCGLLC may buy or sell securities for themselves at or around the same time as clients. This may provide an opportunity for representatives of DCGLLC to buy or sell securities before or after recommending securities to clients resulting in representatives profiting off the recommendations they provide to clients. Such transactions may create a conflict of interest; however, DCGLLC will never engage in trading that operates to the client's disadvantage if representatives of DCGLLC buy or sell securities at or around the same time as clients.

#### **Item 12: Brokerage Practices**

#### A. Factors Used to Select Custodians and/or Broker/Dealers

Custodians/broker-dealers will be recommended based on DCGLLC's duty to seek "best execution," which is the obligation to seek execution of securities transactions for a client on the most favorable terms for the client under the circumstances. Clients will not necessarily pay the lowest commission or commission equivalent, and DCGLLC may also consider the market expertise and research access provided by the brokerdealer/custodian, including but not limited to access to written research, oral communication with analysts, admittance to research conferences and other resources provided by the brokers that may aid in DCGLLC's research efforts. DCGLLC will never charge a premium or commission on transactions, beyond the actual cost imposed by the broker-dealer/custodian.

DCGLLC will require clients to use Schwab Institutional, a division of Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. and National Financial Services LLC.

#### 1. Research and Other Soft-Dollar Benefits

While DCGLLC has no formal soft dollars program in which soft dollars are used to pay for third party services, DCGLLC may receive research, products, or other services from custodians and broker-dealers in connection with client securities transactions ("soft dollar benefits"). DCGLLC may enter into soft-dollar arrangements consistent with (and not outside of) the safe harbor contained in Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. There can be no assurance that any particular client will benefit from soft dollar research, whether or not the client's transactions paid for it, and DCGLLC does not seek to allocate benefits to client accounts proportionate to any soft dollar credits generated by the accounts. DCGLLC benefits by not having to produce or pay for the research, products or services, and DCGLLC will have an incentive to recommend a broker-dealer based on receiving research or services. Clients should be aware that DCGLLC's acceptance of soft dollar benefits may result in higher commissions charged to the client.

#### 2. Brokerage for Client Referrals

DCGLLC receives no referrals from a broker-dealer or third party in exchange for using that broker-dealer or third party.

#### 3. Clients Directing Which Broker/Dealer/Custodian to Use

DCGLLC will require clients to use a specific broker-dealer to execute transactions. Not all advisers require clients to use a particular broker-dealer.

#### **B.** Aggregating (Block) Trading for Multiple Client Accounts

If DCGLLC buys or sells the same securities on behalf of more than one client, then it may (but would be under no obligation to) aggregate or bunch such securities in a single transaction for multiple clients in order to seek more favorable prices, lower brokerage commissions, or more efficient execution. In such case, DCGLLC would place an aggregate order with the broker on behalf of all such clients in order to ensure fairness for all clients; provided, however, that trades would be reviewed periodically to ensure that accounts are not systematically disadvantaged by this policy. DCGLLC would determine the appropriate number of shares and select the appropriate brokers consistent with its duty to seek best execution, except for those accounts with specific brokerage direction (if any).

## Item 13: Review of Accounts

#### A. Frequency and Nature of Periodic Reviews and Who Makes Those Reviews

All client accounts for DCGLLC's advisory services provided on an ongoing basis are reviewed at least Quarterly by David Morris, Paraplanner, with regard to clients' respective investment policies and risk tolerance levels. All accounts at DCGLLC are assigned to this reviewer.

There is only one level of review for subscription services, which is DCGLLC's review prior to rendering the subscription advice.

All financial planning accounts are reviewed upon financial plan creation and plan delivery by David Morris, Paraplanner. Financial planning clients are provided a onetime financial plan concerning their financial situation. After the presentation of the plan, there are no further reports. Clients may request additional plans or reports for a fee.

## B. Factors That Will Trigger a Non-Periodic Review of Client Accounts

Reviews may be triggered by material market, economic or political events, or by changes in client's financial situations (such as retirement, termination of employment, physical move, or inheritance).

With respect to financial plans, DCGLLC's services will generally conclude upon delivery of the financial plan.

#### C. Content and Frequency of Regular Reports Provided to Clients

Each client of DCGLLC's advisory services provided on an ongoing basis will receive a quarterly report detailing the client's account, including assets held, asset value, and calculation of fees. This written report will come from the custodian.

DCGLLC does not provide reports relating to its subscription services.

Each financial planning client will receive the financial plan upon completion.

### Item 14: Client Referrals and Other Compensation

#### A. Economic Benefits Provided by Third Parties for Advice Rendered to Clients (Includes Sales Awards or Other Prizes)

DCGLLC may accept compensation for client referrals, but does not have any such arrangements in place at this time. DCGLLC will fully disclose to clients the details of any referral relationships.

With respect to Schwab, DCGLLC receives access to Schwab's institutional trading and custody services, which are typically not available to Schwab retail investors. These services generally are available to independent investment advisers on an unsolicited basis, at no charge to them so long as a total of at least \$10 million of the adviser's clients' assets are maintained in accounts at Schwab Advisor Services. Schwab's services include brokerage services that are related to the execution of securities transactions, custody, research, including that in the form of advice, analyses and reports, and access to mutual funds and other investments that are otherwise generally available only to institutional investors or would require a significantly higher minimum initial investment. For DCGLLC client accounts maintained in its custody, Schwab generally does not charge separately for custody services but is compensated by account holders through commissions or other transaction-related or asset-based fees for securities trades that are executed through Schwab or that settle into Schwab accounts.

Schwab also makes available to DCGLLC other products and services that benefit DCGLLC but may not benefit its clients' accounts. These benefits may include national, regional or DCGLLC specific educational events organized and/or sponsored by Schwab Advisor Services. Other potential benefits may include occasional business entertainment of personnel of DCGLLC by Schwab Advisor Services personnel, including meals, invitations to sporting events, including golf tournaments, and other forms of entertainment, some of which may accompany educational opportunities. Other of these products and services assist DCGLLC in managing and administering clients' accounts. These include software and other technology (and related technological training) that provide access to client account data (such as trade confirmations and account statements), facilitate trade execution (and allocation of aggregated trade orders for multiple client accounts, if applicable), provide research, pricing information and other market data, facilitate payment of DCGLLC's fees from its clients' accounts (if applicable), and assist with back-office training and support functions, recordkeeping and client reporting. Many of these services generally may be used to service all or some substantial number of DCGLLC's accounts. Schwab Advisor Services also makes available to DCGLLC other services intended to help DCGLLC manage and further develop its business enterprise. These services may include professional compliance, legal and business consulting, publications and conferences on practice management, information technology, business succession, regulatory compliance, employee benefits providers, human capital consultants, insurance and marketing. In addition, Schwab may make available, arrange and/or pay vendors for these types of services rendered to DCGLLC by independent third parties. Schwab Advisor Services may discount or waive fees it would otherwise charge for some of these services or pay all or a part of the fees of a thirdparty providing these services to DCGLLC. DCGLLC is independently owned and operated and not affiliated with Schwab.

#### **B.** Compensation to Non – Advisory Personnel for Client Referrals

DCGLLC may enter into written arrangements with third parties to act as solicitors for DCGLLC's investment management services. Solicitor relationships will be fully disclosed to each Client to the extent required by applicable law. DCGLLC will ensure each solicitor is exempt, notice filed, or properly registered in all appropriate jurisdictions.

### Item 15: Custody

When advisory fees are deducted directly from client accounts at client's custodian, DCGLLC will be deemed to have limited custody of client's assets and must have written authorization from the client to do so. Clients will receive all account statements and billing invoices that are required in each jurisdiction, and they should carefully review those statements for accuracy.

## **Item 16: Investment Discretion**

DCGLLC provides discretionary and non-discretionary investment advisory services to clients. The advisory contract established with each client sets forth the discretionary authority for trading. Where investment discretion has been granted, DCGLLC generally manages the client's account and makes investment decisions without consultation with the client as to when the securities are to be bought or sold for the account, the total amount of the securities to be bought/sold, what securities to buy or sell, or the price per share. In some instances, DCGLLC's discretionary authority in making these determinations may be limited by conditions imposed by a client (in investment guidelines or objectives, or client instructions otherwise provided to DCGLLC.

## Item 17: Voting Client Securities (Proxy Voting)

DCGLLC will not ask for, nor accept voting authority for client securities. Clients will receive proxies directly from the issuer of the security or the custodian. Clients should direct all proxy questions to the issuer of the security.

## Item 18: Financial Information

#### A. Balance Sheet

DCGLLC neither requires nor solicits prepayment of more than \$500 in fees per client, six months or more in advance, and therefore is not required to include a balance sheet with this brochure.

**B.** Financial Conditions Reasonably Likely to Impair Ability to Meet Contractual Commitments to Clients

Neither DCGLLC nor its management has any financial condition that is likely to reasonably impair DCGLLC's ability to meet contractual commitments to clients.

#### C. Bankruptcy Petitions in Previous Ten Years

DCGLLC has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition in the last ten years.

## Item 19: Requirements For State Registered Advisers

#### A. Principal Executive Officers and Management Persons; Their Formal Education and Business Background

DCGLLC currently has only one management person: Lucas Wayne Cheatham. Education and business background can be found on the individual's Form ADV Part 2B brochure supplement.

## **B.** Other Businesses in Which This Advisory Firm or its Personnel are Engaged and Time Spent on Those (If Any)

Other business activities for each relevant individual can be found on the Form ADV Part 2B brochure supplement for each such individual.

## C. Calculation of Performance-Based Fees and Degree of Risk to Clients

DCGLLC does not accept performance-based fees or other fees based on a share of capital gains on or capital appreciation of the assets of a client.

## D. Material Disciplinary Disclosures for Management Persons of this Firm

There are no civil, self-regulatory organization, or arbitration proceedings to report under this section.

#### E. Material Relationships That Management Persons Have With Issuers of Securities (If Any)

See Item 10.C and 11.B.