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## Item 2 - Material Changes

Since our last Annual Update on March 19, 2025, there have been the following material changes to our advisory business and practices:

- CFA has changed the fee structure from quarterly billing to monthly billing.

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## Item 4 - Advisory Business

Connect Financial Advisors is a Limited Liability Company organized in the state of Utah in 2025. Connect Financial Advisors began operations in June of 2022. CFA's principal owner is:

### **Tyler J. Vanderbeek**

Connect Financial Advisors provides the following advisory services to clients:

- Discretionary Portfolio Management Services
- Financial Planning Services

### Discretionary Portfolio Management Services

CFA provides discretionary portfolio management services to clients based on each client's unique needs and circumstances. Investment discretion means that you will provide CFA limited power of attorney to make purchases, sales or hold decisions for the securities in your account(s) under management without obtaining your specific consent for each transaction. This limited power of attorney is contained in the written advisory agreement between CFA and each client. An advisory agreement can cover one or more accounts in a household. We gather and document financial and personal information in order to create an Investment Policy Statement (IPS). The IPS is used to govern the portfolio management services we provide to you. Your personal information includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the following:

- Goals
- Objectives
- Time horizon
- Risk tolerance
- Asset Allocation
- Investment strategy
- Income

CFA then evaluates the IPS and matches the security selection, portfolio risks and other factors into the securities we purchase, sell, or hold for your account assets.

All investment restrictions are documented in writing with CFA and can be changed. Changes to investment restrictions are required to be in writing and are not implemented until accepted by CFA.

### Financial Planning Services

CFA offers financial planning to clients that will generally be a three-step process. Services are provided pursuant to a written financial planning agreement we have with you. Generally, our process is as follows:

Step 1: An initial consultation between the planning client and CFA takes place. Topics discussed and gathered information will include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment goals or objectives
- Family (size and plans)
- Income / tax bracket / employment
- Insurance coverage (life, health, disability, long-term care, etc.)
- Current investments, including home, real estate, hard assets
- Current estate plans (if any), Trusts or Wills
- Savings / College fund
- Children / Spouse
- Any other information provided by you

Step 2: CFA uses third-party financial planning software to create a comprehensive and personalized financial plan based upon the consultation and data gathered. This comprehensive plan is the client's roadmap to meeting stated goals and objectives.

Step 3: CFA then presents the comprehensive written plan to the client. This plan includes recommendations of steps for you to take to meet your stated goals and objectives.

If your financial plan includes insurance products, please be aware that these services pay a commission and involve a possible conflict of interest. Receiving commissions for the sale of insurance products creates a conflict of interest and may create an incentive to recommend insurance products based on the compensation received rather than the client's needs. The client has the option to purchase the recommended insurance products through other licensed insurance agents that are not affiliated with us. The client is under no obligation to act on the investment advisor's recommendation.

### **For California Clients:**

Insurance products and services will only be offered by properly licensed agents in California.

### Tailored Services

Our discretionary portfolio management services and financial planning services are tailored to the individual needs of our clients. Clients may impose or request investment restrictions such as a prohibition on investing in certain securities, or types of securities in accordance with their values or beliefs. However, if the restrictions prevent CFA from meeting our contractual obligations or our fiduciary obligations to the client or if the restrictions would require CFA to deviate from our standard suite of services or investment process, we reserve the right to reject the account or relationship. For existing clients, we may terminate the relationship consistent with the advisory agreement we have with you. CFA is the sole authority in the determination of the reasonableness of investment restrictions in the management of your account assets.

### Wrap-Fee Program

Connect Financial does not offer or sponsor a wrap-fee program.

## Current Assets Under Management

Connect Financial Advisors became a registered investment adviser in the state of Utah in July of 2022. As of December 31, 2025, CFA had approximately \$66,758,952 in discretionary assets under management.

## Item 5 – Fees and Compensation

### Fees for Discretionary Portfolio Management Services

CFA charges clients an asset-based fee based on the total fair market value of the assets held in the client's accounts under management as reported by the custodian on the last trading day of the previous month. The fees are negotiated with each client within the following range:

0.50% to 2.00% (0.0416% to 0.00166% each month)

This asset-based fee is an annual fee which is calculated and paid monthly in advance. For example, if the market value of your accounts under our management is \$500,000 and the fee is 1.00% annually, the monthly fee would be \$416.66 ( $\$500,000 \times 0.00083$ ).

The above fee schedule applies to new clients of the firm. Some clients may be paying more or less than the above fee range.

Portfolio management fees are documented in the written advisory agreement we have with you. Factors used in the negotiation of the advisory fee include, but are necessarily limited to, the following:

- Number of actual accounts
- Size of the total relationship
- Whether the account might be actively or passively managed
- Frequency of reviews

For example, portfolio management fees for accounts that would be actively managed and/or that would necessitate more frequent reviews will be closer to the higher end of the above range than accounts that would be passively managed.

For account(s) established on any other day than the first day of a calendar month, the fee is pro-rated for the number of days CFA's services are provided during the month. Regardless of the custodian of advisory client assets, all portfolio management fees are billed monthly in advance with the advisory fee adjusted to account for account inflows and outflows. Accounts opened or closed during a calendar month have portfolio management fees pro-rated for the number of days during a month that services were provided. Prepaid and unearned fees are refunded within 30 days of the termination date. Since we bill in advance, any refunds due to clients will be prorated based on the number of days remaining in the calendar month. For example, based on the above fee table and assuming 30 calendar days in the month, if a client with combined account balances of \$750,000 has paid 0.00083% (\$622.50) for the

calendar month and there are 15 calendar days remaining in the month, the refund shall be \$311.25 ( $\$622.50/30 \times 15$ ).

Your positive consent is required (via our advisory agreement with you) to directly debit fees from your custodial account. You may also pay with a check. If you choose direct debit, our fees will be directly debited from your custodial account initially, and every month as described above. If you choose to pay by check, you will be invoiced with fees payable within 30 days. Please note that lower fees for comparable services may be available from other sources

### Financial Planning Fees

CFA's Financial Planning fees range from \$250 to \$1,000 depending on client needs, complexity, and other factors. For example, if a client needs a basic retirement income plan, the rate starts at \$250. If the client needs a retirement income plan plus basic estate planning, the rate starts at \$500. Starting at \$750, a client will receive the above services plus education funding and insurance coverage analysis.

If a client wishes a comprehensive financial plan, which would include the above and any areas that are more complex, our financial planning fee is \$1,000. Some areas that are complex in nature or that would require additional analysis can include, but not necessarily limited to:

- Asset protection strategies for multiple entities;
- Real estate holdings;
- Charitable gift planning;
- Estate tax minimization;
- Gifting, etc.

Fixed Financial Planning fees are negotiable. Planning fees are payable by check at the time we enter into the agreement with you to provide financial planning services. It is the goal of CFA to deliver plans within six months of the contract date. In no circumstances will we require more than \$500 as prepayment for our services within a six-month period.

Our financial plans are not limited to any product, insurance contract or service offered by any insurance company or agency where our IARs are licensed as insurance agents. Clients can terminate their contracts without penalty within five business days of signing the advisory contract. If you have prepaid a portion of the financial planning fee, the full amount will be refunded to you. If a refund for financial planning fees is requested after the five business days have elapsed and work has already begun on your financial plan, the refund amount will be prorated based on unearned fees. There are no provisions for refunds after the delivery of the financial plan.

### Other Fees and Compensation

The fees described above are exclusive of brokerage commissions, transaction fees, and other related costs and expenses which may be incurred by the client. Clients may incur certain charges imposed by custodians, brokers, and other third parties such as custodial fees, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, and other fees and taxes on securities transactions. Mutual funds and exchange traded funds also charge internal management fees, which are disclosed in a fund's prospectus. Such charges, fees and

commissions are exclusive of and in addition to our fee, and we shall not receive any portion of these commissions, fees, and costs.

Item 12 further describes the factors that we consider in selecting broker-dealers for client's transactions. Neither CFA nor any of the firm's supervised people accept compensation for the sale of securities or other investment products, including asset-based sales charges or service fees from the sale of mutual funds.

Mutual fund companies impose internal fees and expenses on clients. These fees are in addition to the costs associated with the investment advisory services as described above. Complete details of such internal expenses are specified and disclosed in each mutual fund company's prospectus. Clients are strongly advised to review the prospectus(es) prior to investing in such securities.

Mutual funds purchased or sold in broker-dealer accounts may generate transaction fees that would not exist if the purchase or sale were made directly with the mutual fund company. Mutual funds held in broker-dealer accounts also charge management fees. These mutual fund management fees may be more or less than the mutual fund management fees charged if the client held the mutual fund directly with the mutual fund company.

Clients may purchase shares of mutual funds directly from the mutual fund issuer, its principal underwriter, or a distributor without purchasing the services of CFA or paying the advisory fee on such shares (but subject to any applicable sales charges). Certain mutual funds are offered to the public without a sales charge. In the case of mutual funds offered with a sales charge, the prevailing sales charge (as described in the mutual fund prospectus) may be more or less than the applicable advisory fee. However, clients would not receive CFA's assistance in developing an investment strategy, selecting securities, monitoring performance of the account, and making changes as necessary.

Advisory fees provide the primary compensation. Commissions for insurance products (see Item 10) may be received by us or our personnel. However, neither the firm nor its personnel are compensated for the sale of other investment products.

Receiving commissions for the sale of insurance products creates a conflict of interest and may create an incentive to recommend insurance products based on the compensation received rather than the client's needs. We disclose this to you with this brochure and during discussions with you. We address and mitigate these conflicts of interest by reviewing and supervising insurance product recommendations prior to their presentation to you to ensure that the recommendations are in alignment with your stated investment objectives, goals, and overall financial needs. We may offset the commissions received by reducing investment management fees, but this is at our discretion.

You have the option to purchase the recommended insurance products through other licensed insurance agents that are not affiliated with us.

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

We do not charge performance-based fees; this is generally prohibited. Our advisory fees are not based

on a share of the capital gains you earn or on the capital appreciation of assets in your account.

## Item 7 – Types of Clients

CFA provides portfolio management services and financial planning services to individuals, high-net worth individuals, small businesses, trusts, and other entities. Portfolio management services can be provided for taxable and retirement accounts, including IRAs that are self-directed.

CFA does not impose an account minimum for any of our portfolio management services.

## Item 8 – Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies, and Risk of Loss

### Methods of Analysis

CFA's methods of analysis can include:

- Charting can involve the use of patterns in performance charts on an issuer of a security (stock, bond, mutual fund, ETF, etc.). CFA can use this technique to search for patterns to help predict favorable conditions for buying and/or selling a security.
- Fundamental analysis involves the review of financial statements and the general financial health of a company;
- Technical Analysis involves the review and assessment of past stock market data, and/or the analysis of management, innovation, and competitive advantages in their industry.
- Cyclical analysis involves the analysis of business cycles to find favorable conditions for buying and/or selling a security.

### Investment Strategies

CFA may use the following strategies in managing client accounts, provided that such strategy is appropriate to the needs of the client and consistent with the client's investment objectives, risk tolerance and time horizons, among other considerations:

- Long term trading;
- Short term trading (securities sold within 30 days of purchase);
- Short sales;
- Margin or leverage (where securities held in a client's Account are used as collateral to increase the size of a portfolio; however, the potential for returns are offset by the cost of the loan from your custodial broker dealer);

CFA focuses on utilizing strategies that may change depending on the market conditions. By being agile in our investing philosophy, we have more potential over a full market cycle than traditional methods. We employ several strategies from tactical strategies to long-term investing that are tailored to each client's unique lifestyle. We focus on preserving as much capital as possible in down markets

versus just leaving it alone and hoping it will come back up in price.

## Risks Associated with Investing

We offer advice about different investments, including mutual funds, index funds, ETFs, stocks, bonds, and other types of investments. Each type of investment has its own unique kinds of risk and levels of risk. We will discuss these risks with the client in determining your investment objectives. We will explain and answer any questions the client has about these kinds of investments, which present special considerations.

Investing in securities involves risk of loss that the client should be prepared to bear. Obtaining higher rates of return on investments typically entails accepting higher levels of risk. We work with the client to attempt to identify the balance of risks and rewards that is appropriate and comfortable for the client. However, it is still the client's responsibility to ask questions if he or she does not fully understand the risks associated with any investment or investment strategy. Also, while we strive to render our best judgment on the client's behalf, many economic and market variables beyond our control can affect the performance of investments and we cannot assure that the investments will be profitable or assure that no losses will occur in the client's investment portfolio. Although past performance is one important consideration with respect to any investment, it is not a predictor of future performance.

As mentioned above, all investment programs have certain risks that are borne by the investor. Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

CFA generally seeks investment strategies that do not involve significant or unusual risk beyond that of the general domestic and/or international equity markets. However, CFA may use:

- Short sales (which have unique costs associated with shorting, including having the shorted securities available for delivery);
- Margin transactions, which incur an expense for the margin loan. In addition, in downward moving markets, a margined account may receive a margin call (consistent with the separate margin agreement entered by each client and the client's custodial broker/dealer);

Short sales and margin transactions hold higher risks of capital loss to clients. If these activities are used for your accounts, please read the broker-dealer/custodian agreements, disclosures and discuss these with CFA's IARs. The potential for gain is increased; however, there is also increased and greater risk of capital loss that can exceed your invested capital.

Our investment approach constantly keeps the risk of loss in mind. Investors face the following investment risks:

*Interest-rate Risk* - Fluctuations in interest rates may cause investment prices to fluctuate. For example, when interest rates rise, yields on existing bonds become less attractive, causing their market values to decline.

*Market Risk* - The price of a security, bond, or mutual fund may drop in reaction to tangible and intangible events and conditions. This type of risk is caused by external factors independent of a

security's underlying circumstances. For example, political, economic and social conditions may trigger market events.

*Inflation Risk* - When any type of inflation is present, a dollar today will not buy as much as a dollar next year, because purchasing power is eroding at the rate of inflation.

*Currency Risk* - Overseas investments are subject to fluctuations in the value of the dollar against the currency of the investment's originating country. This is also referred to as exchange rate risk.

*Reinvestment Risk* - This is the risk that future proceeds from investments may have to be reinvested at a potentially lower rate of return (i.e. interest rate). This primarily relates to fixed income securities.

*Business Risk* - These risks are associated with an industry or a particular company within an industry. For example, oil-drilling companies depend on finding oil and then refining it, a lengthy process, before they can generate a profit. They carry a higher risk of profitability than an electric company, which generates its income from a steady stream of customers who buy electricity no matter what the economic environment is like.

*Liquidity Risk* - Liquidity is the ability to readily convert an investment into cash. Generally, assets are more liquid if many traders are interested in a standardized product. For example, Treasury Bills are highly liquid, while real estate properties are not.

*Financial Risk* - Excessive borrowing to finance a business' operations increases the risk of profitability, because the company must meet the terms of its obligations in good times and bad. During periods of financial stress, the inability to meet loan obligations may result in bankruptcy and/or a declining market value.

*Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Risk* - Certain service providers utilized by the Firm to service client accounts have artificial intelligence components. The use of artificial intelligence and machine learning includes increased risk of data inaccuracies and security vulnerabilities. Due to the rapid advancement of machine learning technologies, future risks related to artificial intelligence are unpredictable. As a measure to mitigate these risks to our clients, the Firm performs periodic due diligence of our service providers for assurance that the service providers have appropriate controls in place to protect our clients' information and to limit data inaccuracies when artificial intelligence is used by the service provider.

## Mutual Funds, Index Funds, and Exchange-Traded Funds

Mutual funds and ETFs typically charge their shareholders various fees and expenses associated with the establishment and operation of the funds. These fees will generally include a management fee, shareholder servicing fees, other fund expenses, and sometimes a distribution fee. These separate fees and expenses are disclosed in each fund's current prospectus, which is available from the fund, or we can provide it upon request. Consequently, for any type of fund investment, it is important for clients to understand that they are directly and indirectly paying two levels of fees: one layer of expenses at the fund level and one layer of advisory fees to us.

Generally, most mutual funds may be purchased directly, without using our services and without incurring our advisory fees. Mutual funds and ETFs will change in value, and investors could lose money by investing in a mutual fund or an ETF. An investment in an ETF involves similar risk to those of investing in any fund of equity securities traded on an exchange. An ETF seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield of an index. Investors should anticipate that the value of an ETF's shares would decline in correlation with any decline in the value of its corresponding index. An ETF's return may not match the return of the index. The ETF may invest in small-capitalization, mid-capitalization, emerging markets, and international companies. Such companies may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies. Sometimes referred to as a "tracking error," expenses and other factors may affect the performance of an ETF so that the ETF's performance will not exactly match the performance of their respective underlying indexes.

### Mutual Fund Securities

Investing in mutual funds carries inherent risk. The major risks of investing in a mutual fund include the quality and experience of the portfolio management team and its ability to create fund value by investing in securities that have positive growth, the amount of individual company diversification, the type and amount of industry diversification, and the type and amount of sector diversification within specific industries. In addition, mutual funds tend to be tax inefficient and therefore investors may pay capital gains taxes on fund investments while not having yet sold the fund.

### Exchange-Traded Funds ("ETFs")

ETFs are investment companies whose shares are bought and sold on a securities exchange. An ETF holds a portfolio of securities designed to track a specific market segment or index. The funds could purchase an ETF to gain exposure to a portion of the U.S. or foreign market. The funds, as a shareholder of another investment company, will bear their pro-rata portion of the other investment company's advisory fee and other expenses, in addition to their own expenses. Investing in ETFs involves risk. Specifically, ETFs, depending on the underlying portfolio and its size, can have wide price (bid and ask) spreads, thus diluting or negating any upward price movement of the ETF or enhancing any downward price movement. Also, ETFs require more frequent portfolio reporting by regulators and are thereby more susceptible to actions by hedge funds that could have a negative impact on the price of the ETF. Certain ETFs may employ leverage, which creates additional volatility and price risk depending on the amount of leverage utilized, the collateral and the liquidity of the supporting collateral. Further, the use of leverage (i.e., employ the use of margin) generally results in additional interest costs to the ETF. Certain ETFs are highly leveraged and therefore have additional volatility and liquidity risk. Volatility and liquidity can severely and negatively impact the price of the ETF's underlying portfolio securities, thereby causing significant price fluctuations of the ETF.

### Equity Securities

Investing in individual companies involves inherent risk. The major risks relate to the company's capitalization, quality of the company's management, quality and cost of the company's services, the company's ability to manage costs, efficiencies in the manufacturing or service delivery process, management of litigation risk, and the company's ability to create shareholder value (i.e., increase the value of the company's stock price). Foreign securities, in addition to the general risks of equity

securities, have geopolitical risk, financial transparency risk, currency risk, regulatory risk and liquidity risk.

### Fixed Income Securities

Fixed income securities carry additional risks than those of equity securities described above. These risks include the company's ability to retire its debt at maturity, the current interest rate environment, the coupon interest rate promised to bondholders, legal constraints, jurisdictional risk (U.S or foreign) and currency risk. If bonds have maturities of 10 years or greater, they will likely have greater price swings when interest rates move up or down. The shorter the maturity the less volatile the price swings. Foreign bonds have liquidity and currency risk.

### Municipal Securities

Municipal securities carry additional risks than those of corporate and bank-sponsored debt securities described above. These risks include the municipality's ability to raise additional tax revenue or other revenue (in the event the bonds are revenue bonds) to pay interest on its debt and to retire its debt at maturity. Municipal bonds are generally not taxed at the federal level but may be taxable in individual states other than the state in which both the investor and municipal issuer is domiciled.

### Corporate Debt Obligations

Corporate debt obligations include corporate bonds, debentures, notes, commercial paper and other similar corporate debt instruments. Companies use these instruments to borrow money from investors. The issuer pays the investor a fixed or variable rate of interest and must repay the amount borrowed at maturity. Commercial paper (short-term unsecured promissory notes) is issued by companies to finance their current obligations and normally has a maturity of less than nine months.

## Item 9 – Disciplinary Information

We have never been involved in legal or disciplinary events related to past or present investment clients.

## Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activity and Affiliations

We are not registered with a broker-dealer, nor do we have an application pending for registration with a broker-dealer. Additionally, neither we or any of our management persons are registered or have an application pending to register as a futures commission merchant, commodity pool operator, a commodity trading advisor, or an associated person of the foregoing types of entities.

Tyler Vanderbeek, James Vanderbeek, and Adam Anderson are licensed insurance agents.

From time to time, these individuals will offer insurance products or services through these separate capacities. Through this disclosure, clients are informed that these services, which are separate from the advisory services described in this brochure, are purchased, sold, or exchanged for typical and

customary commission compensation. This commission compensation is separate from and in addition to the advisory fees as described in Item 5 of this Brochure.

Additional and customary commission compensation is a conflict of interest between CFA's financial interest and those of our advisory clients as commissionable products conflict with the fiduciary duties of a registered investment advisor. CFA's goal is to act in the best interest of our client. This includes the decision or recommendation to purchase, sell or exchange commissionable products to our advisory clients. Clients are never required or obligated to utilize the services or buy any commissionable insurance product that the personnel of CFA may recommend or suggest. Clients may purchase insurance products from us or from any other licensed insurance agency or agent.

Adam Anderson serves as the general partner to Tree Line Income, LP. Mr. Anderson is in charge of managing capital invested into the fund and is paid a percentage of assets under management. Some clients of Connect may also invest in the private fund. Mr. Anderson will not recommend products that are not in the best interest of clients in order to meet his fiduciary duty to clients.

We do not have any other financial industry affiliations or arrangements that are material to our advisory business or our clients, nor do we recommend other investment advisers to our clients, nor do we give or receive any compensation, directly or indirectly, for referrals.

As a fiduciary, we are required to disclose any arrangement that is a material conflict of interest. This brochure will be promptly updated if any of the above changes or if new conflicts of interests emerge.

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

Personal securities trading is a potential conflict of interest between the interests of employees and the interests of clients. To mitigate this conflict of interest, CFA has developed and implemented a Code of Ethics ("Code") which applies to CFA and all employees.

Our employees are permitted to purchase, hold, and sell the same (or different) securities as those used in client accounts. To ensure that clients get the same or more favorable treatment of the purchase or sale of securities, employee trades will be included in the same block trade. For securities other than ETFs, we will block clients and employee transactions together, as long as all participants in the block are treated in a uniform and consistent basis if the order is completely filled. Participants receive their pro-rated share of the block transaction. If multiple fills are required, the executions will be averaged to the execution prices and all participants will receive their pro-rated share. For block transactions that are not fully completed, the client transactions are completed first, then the employee trades are then filled after all client transactions. Due to the type of securities used by CFA, this is not a typical or frequent issue or occurrence.

Neither the firm or any related person recommends securities in which we or a related person have a material financial interest.

In addition to personal securities trading, our Code of Ethics discusses the following:

- Standard of Business Conduct
- Prohibition Against Insider Trading
- Reporting Requirements for Personal Securities Holdings
- Gifts
- Outside Business Activities

Clients may request a copy of CFA's Code of Ethics by contacting our Chief Compliance Officer, Tyler Vanderbeek, at 435-713-4220 or via e-mail at [tyler@connectfinancialadvisors.com](mailto:tyler@connectfinancialadvisors.com)

Additionally, because we may provide you investment advice pertaining to employee benefit plans, such as 401Ks, and individual retirement plans (IRAs)s, we must acknowledge our fiduciary status in writing under Title I of ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code, as applicable, when providing that advice. The following represents our written acknowledgement of fiduciary status:

When we provide investment advice to you regarding your retirement plan account or individual retirement account, we are fiduciaries within the meaning of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and/or the Internal Revenue Code, as applicable, which are laws governing retirement accounts. The way we make money creates some conflicts with your interests, so we operate under a special rule that requires us to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours.

Under this special rule's provisions, we must:

- Meet a professional standard of care when making investment recommendations (give prudent advice);
- Never put our financial interests ahead of yours when making recommendations (give loyal advice);
- Avoid misleading statements about conflicts of interest, fees, and investments;
- Follow policies and procedures designed to ensure that we give advice that is in your best interest;
- Charge no more than is reasonable for our services; and
- Give you basic information about conflicts of interest.

## Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

Specific custodian or brokerage recommendations are made to clients based on their need for such services. CFA recommends custodians based on the proven integrity and financial responsibility of the firm, best execution of orders at reasonable commission rates, industry reputation, and the quality of client service. CFA does not receive fees, commissions, or other compensation from any of these arrangements, nor are any commissions or fees used to obtain any benefits or services that are offered or provided by any broker-dealer or custodian used to execute securities transactions or custody your accounts.

Among the factors we look at in recommending the use of a broker/custodian, we seek one who will hold your assets and execute transactions on terms that are generally most advantageous when compared to other available providers. We consider a wide range of factors, including:

- Combination of transaction execution services and asset custody services;
- Capability to execute, clear, and settle securities transactions;
- Breadth of available investment products;
- Competitiveness of the price of the services;
- Reputation, financial strength, and stability;
- Prior service to us and our other clients.

CFA may recommend or require that clients establish brokerage accounts with the Schwab Institutional® division of Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. (Schwab), a FINRA-registered broker-dealer, member SIPC, to maintain custody of clients' assets and to effect trades for their accounts. Although CFA may recommend or require that clients establish accounts at Schwab, it is the client's decision to custody assets with Schwab. CFA is independently owned and operated and not affiliated with Schwab.

Schwab provides CFA with access to its institutional trading and custody services, which are typically not available to Schwab retail investors. These services generally are available to independent investment advisors on an unsolicited basis, at no charge to them so long as a total of at least \$10 million of the advisor's clients' assets are maintained in accounts at Schwab Institutional. These services may be contingent upon CFA committing to Schwab a specific amount of business (assets in custody or trading commissions). Schwab's brokerage services include the execution of securities transactions, custody, research, 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 CFA client accounts maintained in its custody, Schwab generally does not charge separately for custody services but is compensated by account holders through commissions and other transaction-related or asset-based fees for securities trades that are executed through Schwab or that settle into Schwab accounts.

Schwab Institutional also makes available to CFA other products and services that benefit CFA but may not directly benefit its clients' accounts. Many of these products and services may be used to service all or some substantial number of accounts, including accounts not maintained at Schwab. Schwab's products and services that assist CFA in managing and administering clients' accounts include software and other technology that (i) provide access to client account data (such as trade confirmations and account statements); (ii) facilitate trade execution and allocate aggregated trade orders for multiple client accounts; (iii) provide research, pricing and other market data; (iv) facilitate payment of fees from its clients' accounts; and (v) assist with back-office functions, recordkeeping and client reporting.

Schwab Institutional also offers other services intended to help CFA manage and further develop its business enterprise. These services may include: (i) compliance, legal and business consulting; (ii) publications and conferences on practice management and business succession; and (iii) access to employee benefits providers, human capital consultants and insurance providers. Schwab may make available, arrange, and/or pay third-party vendors for the types of services rendered to CFA. Schwab Institutional 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 third-party providing these services to CFA. Schwab Institutional may also provide other benefits such as educational events or occasional business entertainment of CFA personnel. In evaluating whether to recommend or require that a client custody their assets at Schwab, CFA may consider the availability of some of the foregoing products and services and other arrangements as part of the total mix of factors it considers and not solely the nature, cost or quality of

custody and brokerage services provided by Schwab.

The \$10 million minimum may give us an incentive to recommend that you maintain your account at Schwab. While this is a potential conflict of interest, we believe that our selection of Schwab as a recommended or required custodian and broker is in the best interest of our clients apart from these considerations. Our selection is primarily based upon the scope, quality, and price of services and not the services that benefit only us.

We do not require, request, or recommend directed brokerage arrangements whereby you direct us to place brokerage trades with a specified broker-dealer. This may differ from other investment advisors. Although we recommend or require that clients establish accounts at Schwab, it is the client's decision to custody assets with Schwab. CFA is not affiliated with Schwab in any way. By directing brokerage, we may be unable to achieve the most favorable execution of client transactions, and this practice may cost clients more money.

If CFA 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 cases, we 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. We would determine the appropriate number of shares and select the appropriate brokers consistent with our duty to seek best execution, except for those accounts with specific brokerage direction (if any).

Clients with 401(A) and 403(B) accounts at certain universities have selected and require us to use Fidelity Investments for security transactions. The client separately evaluates Fidelity and determines that Fidelity provides services at a cost that is reasonable and in the best interest of the plan and the plan's participants. Fidelity Investments is a third-party, independent securities broker and custodian. We do not otherwise recommend Fidelity to any of our clients.

In requiring the use of Fidelity Investments as your directed broker, we are unable to seek out other brokers or dealers for your Account transactions, or to negotiate commissions or transaction costs. As a result, you could possibly pay higher prices or higher commission costs through direct brokerage as compared to investment advisers who have the brokerage discretionary authority to select the broker and negotiate commissions on a transaction-by-transaction basis. As a result, best execution for your transactions could possibly not be achieved.

We do not receive, nor do we consider client referrals when choosing, recommending, or evaluating broker-dealers or custodians for the execution of securities transactions.

## Item 13 – Review of Accounts

Client accounts are generally reviewed at least annually by our Investment Adviser Representatives (“IAR”) and each client's primary designated IAR. Reviews typically address the compliance of the client account with the IPS and Risk Tolerance, client-imposed investment restrictions, among other review activity, including performance. Although we document these reviews, we do not regularly

provide written reports to clients.

Additional reviews may be triggered by material market, economic or political events or changes to your financial circumstance or situation (retirement, termination of employment, new job, move, the birth of a child, marriage, divorce, or inheritance, etc.). Please contact us as soon as practical when your personal circumstances change.

Financial planning services are reviewed by the firm prior to delivery of a plan to a client. These written reports contain an analysis of the client's current financial picture, investment objectives, income, retirement analysis, and based on information provided by the client.

## Item 14 – Client Referrals and Other Compensation

As of the date of this brochure, the firm and its related persons do not, directly, or indirectly, provide compensation to any third-party for client referrals. However, the firm may compensate employees for obtaining clients for the firm.

Since our firm and its personnel are licensed insurance agents, we may receive economic benefits from select insurance companies. These economic benefits may include incentives, marketing allowances, and other benefits from the sale of insurance products and their sponsors, which presents a conflict of interest for the firm.

Adam Anderson serves as the general partner to Tree Line Income, LP. Mr. Anderson is in charge of managing capital invested into the fund and is paid a percentage of assets under management. Some clients of Connect may also invest in the private fund. Mr. Anderson will not recommend products that are not in the best interest of clients in order to meet his fiduciary duty to clients.

Other than transaction-based compensation for the sale of insurance products, we do not receive economic benefits as described here.

## Item 15 – Custody

CFA does not have physical custody of a client's funds or securities; however, since we can directly debit advisory fees payable to us from your custodial account, we are deemed to have a form of limited custody.

### **State of California Disclosures**

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Section 260.237(b)(3), the investment adviser has custody of the funds and securities solely as a consequence of its authority to make withdrawals from client accounts to pay its advisory fee. The investment adviser has written authorization from the client to deduct advisory fees from the account held with the qualified custodian. For California clients, each time a fee is directly deducted from a client account, the investment adviser concurrently, the Firm sends the qualified custodian an invoice or statement of the amount of the fee to be deducted from the

client's account; and sends the client an invoice or statement itemizing the fee. Itemization includes the formula used to calculate the fee, the value of the assets under management on which the fee is based, and the time period covered by the fee.

CFA notifies the Commissioner in writing that the investment adviser intends to use the safeguards provided in this section.

Clients will receive account statements from the broker-dealer, bank or other qualified custodian. CFA does not send account statements; you will directly receive, no less than quarterly, an account statement from your custodian (i.e., Schwab, TIAA, Fidelity, or Interactive Brokers) which shall reflect all transactions, positions, debits and credits to your account, including the amount of any fees paid to CFA. We urge you to review these statements carefully.

## Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Through and by means of our written advisory agreement, CFA accepts discretionary authority to manage securities accounts on behalf of clients. We have the authority to determine, without obtaining specific client consent, the securities to be bought or sold, and the amount of the securities to be bought or sold. Limitations may be placed upon CFA's discretionary authority but only upon both a written request from the client and subsequent written acceptance of the limitation by CFA.

## Item 17 – Voting Client Securities

As a matter of policy, CFA does not vote proxies. At your request, we will review a proxy statement and provide advice, but you are responsible for proxy voting. Any proxy statements that you may receive will come directly from your custodian. If you have a question about a specific proxy solicitation, you can contact us at 435-713-4220.

## Item 18 – Financial Information

A balance sheet is not required to be provided because CFA does not serve as a custodian for client funds or securities and does not require prepayment of fees of more than \$500 per client and six (6) months or more in advance.

CFA has no condition that is reasonably likely to impair our ability to meet contractual commitments to our clients nor have its owners had any bankruptcy petitions.

## Item 19 - Requirements for State Registered Advisors

### Principal Executive Officers and Management Persons

Connect Financial is owned and principally managed by Tyler J. Vanderbeek. Further information on his business and educational background can be found in the Part 2B of this brochure.

### Outside Business Activities

The outside business activities for the firm's owners can be found in the Part 2B of this brochure.

### Performance Based Fees

Neither CFA, its management persons, or investment adviser representatives receive any performance-based fees.

### Disclosure of Material Facts Related to Arbitration or Disciplinary Actions

Neither CFA or its management persons have any arbitration or disciplinary actions to report.

### Material Relationship Maintained by this Advisory Business or Management Persons with Issuers of Securities

There are no material relationships with issuers of securities to disclose.

All material conflicts of interest have been disclosed in this document.

Connect Financial has developed a Business Continuity Plan on how we will respond to events that significantly disrupt our business.



## ADV Part 2B (Brochure Supplement)

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Additional information about Tyler Vanderbeek is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). Tyler Vanderbeek's CRD number is 5311989.

## Tyler Vanderbeek

### Educational Background and Professional Qualifications

- Year of Birth - 1977
- Bachelor's degree from BYU-Idaho in Business Administration
- Series 7 (1/08), 66 (3/08) examinations
- Insurance: Resident producer, Accident, Health & Life (5/02)

**CFP (Certified Financial Planner) ®:** Tyler Vanderbeek is certified for financial planning services in the United States by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. ("CFP Board"). Therefore, he may refer to himself as a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional or a CFP® professional, and may use these and CFP Board's other certification marks (the "CFP Board Certification Marks"). The CFP® certification is voluntary. No federal or state law or regulation requires financial planners to hold the CFP® certification. You may find more information about the CFP® certification at [www.CFP.net](http://www.CFP.net).

CFP® professionals have met CFP Board's high standards for education, examination, experience, and ethics. To become a CFP® professional, an individual must fulfill the following requirements:

- **Education** – Earn a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and complete CFP Board-approved coursework at a college or university through a CFP Board Registered Program. The coursework covers the financial planning subject areas CFP Board has determined are necessary for the competent and professional delivery of financial planning services, as well as a comprehensive financial plan development capstone course. A candidate may satisfy some of the coursework requirements through other qualifying credentials. CFP Board implemented the bachelor's degree or higher requirement in 2007 and the financial planning development capstone course requirement in March 2012. Therefore, a CFP® professional who first became certified before those dates may not have earned a bachelor's or higher degree or completed a financial planning development capstone course.
- **Examination** – Pass the comprehensive CFP® Certification Examination. The examination is designed to assess an individual's ability to integrate and apply a broad base of financial planning knowledge in the context of real-life financial planning situations.
- **Experience** – Complete 6,000 hours of professional experience related to the personal financial planning process, or 4,000 hours of apprenticeship experience that meets additional requirements.
- **Ethics** – Satisfy the *Fitness Standards for Candidates for CFP® Certification and Former CFP® Professionals Seeking Reinstatement* and agree to be bound by CFP Board's *Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct* ("Code and Standards"), which sets forth the ethical and practice standards for CFP® professionals.

Individuals who become certified must complete the following ongoing education and ethics requirements to remain certified and maintain the right to continue to use the CFP Board Certification Marks:

- **Ethics** – Commit to complying with CFP Board’s *Code and Standards*. This includes a commitment to CFP Board, as part of the certification, to act as a fiduciary, and therefore, act in the best interests of the client, at all times when providing financial advice and financial planning. CFP Board may sanction a CFP® professional who does not abide by this commitment, but CFP Board does not guarantee a CFP® professional's services. A client who seeks a similar commitment should obtain a written engagement that includes a fiduciary obligation to the client.
- **Continuing Education** – Complete 30 hours of continuing education every two years to maintain competence, demonstrate specified levels of knowledge, skills, and abilities, and keep up with developments in financial planning. Two of the hours must address the *Code and Standards*.

### Business Experience

- 06/2022 – Present
  - Managing Member/Investment Adviser Representative – Connect Financial Advisors
- 06/2011 – 10/2022
  - Managing Member/Investment Adviser Representative – Keystone Wealth Advisors, LLC
- 12/2007 – April 2022
  - Vice-President - Vancor, Inc.
- 1/2021 – April 2022
  - Vice-President – Keystone Properties Holdings, LLC.
- 9/2002 – Present
  - Beeks Inc. - President

### Disciplinary Information

There is no disciplinary information to report.

### Other Business Activities

Tyler Vanderbeek is a licensed insurance agent. From time to time, he will offer clients advice or products from those activities. Clients should be aware that these services pay a commission and involve a conflict of interest, as commissionable products can conflict with the fiduciary duties of a registered investment adviser. This conflict of interest is addressed by supervision of insurance recommendations and by not recommending insurance products unless there is a documented insurance need. Approximately 10-15 hours per month is spent on this activity.

### Additional Compensation

Tyler Vanderbeek receives no additional compensation from any source concerning advisory services offered by him, other members of CFA, or CFA. He does not receive economic benefits or incentives from any third-party insurance companies other than commissions from the sale of insurance products.

### Supervision

Tyler Vanderbeek is the CCO of Connect Financial and is responsible for the firm’s policies and procedures. The telephone number for Tyler Vanderbeek is 435-713-4220.

## Requirements for State-Registered Advisors

Tyler Vanderbeek has not been involved in any of the events listed below.

1. An award or otherwise being found liable in an arbitration claim alleging damages in excess of \$2,500, involving any of the following:

- a) an investment or an investment-related business or activity;
- b) fraud, false statement(s), or omissions;
- c) theft, embezzlement, or other wrongful taking of property;
- d) bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, or extortion; or e) dishonest, unfair, or unethical practices.

2. An award or otherwise being found liable in a civil, self-regulatory organization, or administrative proceeding involving any of the following:

- a) an investment or an investment-related business or activity;
- b) fraud, false statement(s), or omissions;
- c) theft, embezzlement, or other wrongful taking of property;
- d) bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, or extortion; or
- e) dishonest, unfair, or unethical practices.

B. Tyler Vanderbeek has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.



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Additional information about James Don Vanderbeek is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). James Vanderbeek's CRD number is 1485860.

## James Don Vanderbeek

### Educational Background and Professional Qualifications

- Year of Birth - 1951
- BS Education, Utah State University – 1975
- Series 6 (7/86), 7 (1/08), 22 (11/86), 63 (7/86) and 65 (8/06) examinations
- Insurance: Resident Producer, Accident & Health, Casualty, Life, Property

### Business Experience

- 10/2022 – Present
  - Investment Adviser Representative - Connect Financial Advisors
- 1/2014 – Present
  - Member - Vanel Management, LLC
- 1/2021 – Present
  - Member - Keystone Properties Holding, LLC
- 2/2023 – Present
  - Board Member – Bridgerland Meadows Complex
- 08/2011 – 10/2022
  - Investment Adviser Representative - Keystone Wealth Advisors, LLC
- 01/1978 – Present
  - President/Owner/Insurance Agent - Vancor, Inc.

### Disciplinary Information

There is no disciplinary information to report.

### Other Business Activities

James Vanderbeek is a licensed insurance agent and owner of Vancor, Inc. From time to time, he will offer clients advice or products from those activities. Clients should be aware that these services pay a commission and involve a conflict of interest, as commissionable products can conflict with the fiduciary duties of a registered investment adviser. This conflict is addressed by supervising insurance recommendations and by not recommending insurance products unless there is a documented need. Approximately 10-15 hours per month is spent on this activity.

### Additional Compensation

James Don Vanderbeek receives no additional compensation from any source concerning advisory services offered by him, other members of CFA, or CFA. He does not receive economic benefits or incentives from any third- party insurance companies other than commissions from the sale of insurance products.

## Supervision

Tyler Vanderbeek is the CCO of Connect Financial and is responsible for the firm's policies and procedures governing the investment advisory activities of James Vanderbeek. The telephone number for Tyler Vanderbeek is 435-713-4220.

## Requirements for State-Registered Advisors

James Don Vanderbeek has not been involved in any of the events listed below.

1. An award or otherwise being found liable in an arbitration claim alleging damages in excess of \$2,500, involving any of the following:
  - a) an investment or an investment-related business or activity;
  - b) fraud, false statement(s), or omissions;
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  - a) an investment or an investment-related business or activity;
  - b) fraud, false statement(s), or omissions;
  - c) theft, embezzlement, or other wrongful taking of property;
  - d) bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, or extortion; or
  - e) dishonest, unfair, or unethical practices.

B. James Don Vanderbeek has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.



## ADV Part 2B (Brochure Supplement)

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Additional information about Adam Anderson is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). Adam Anderson's CRD number is 5157882.

## Adam Anderson

### Educational Background and Professional Qualifications

- Year of Birth - 1979
- Attended Utah State University
- Series 65
- Insurance: Resident producer, Accident, Health & Life

### Business Experience

- 04/2025 – Present
  - Investment Adviser Representative – Connect Financial, LLC
- 08/2025 – Present
  - General Partner – Tree Line Income, LP
- 02/2024 – 03/2025
  - Consultant – Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.
- 05/2018 – 01/2024
  - Registered Representative – Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

### Disciplinary Information

Adam Anderson has the following reportable disciplinary information to report:

- Discharged due to violation of regulations and firm policy regarding deposit of funds without client's confirmation – 5/2018
- Suspension due to violation of firm policies for disclosure of an outside business activity – 12/2023

### Other Business Activities

Adam Anderson is a licensed insurance agent. From time to time, he will offer clients advice or products from those activities. Clients should be aware that these services pay a commission and involve a conflict of interest, as commissionable products can conflict with the fiduciary duties of a registered investment adviser. This conflict of interest is addressed by supervision of insurance recommendations and by not recommending insurance products unless there is a documented insurance need. Approximately 10-15 hours per month is spent on this activity.

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### Additional Compensation

Adam Anderson receives no additional compensation from any source concerning advisory services offered by him, other members of CF, or CF. He does not receive economic benefits or incentives from any third-party insurance companies other than commissions from the sale of insurance products.

## Supervision

Tyler Vanderbeek is the CCO of Connect Financial and is responsible for the firm's policies and procedures governing the investment advisory activities of Adam Anderson. The telephone number for Tyler Vanderbeek is 435-713-4220.

## Requirements for State-Registered Advisors

Adam Anderson has not been involved in any of the events listed below.

1. An award or otherwise being found liable in an arbitration claim alleging damages in excess of \$2,500, involving any of the following:
  - a) an investment or an investment-related business or activity;
  - b) fraud, false statement(s), or omissions;
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  - d) bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, or extortion; or
  - e) dishonest, unfair, or unethical practices.
  
3. Adam Anderson has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.