

Privacy Policy

Columbia Advisory Partners, LLC

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PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS

The *Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 (GLB Act)* is focused on preventing financial institutions from disclosing various types of non-public personal information gathered from individual clients to unaffiliated persons. The *GLB Act* prohibits the sharing of non-public personal information with any non-affiliated third party unless the firm has provided notices of its privacy policies and “opt-out notices” allowing clients to “opt-out” of the disclosure of such information. The types of personal information covered generally include any information that is not already publicly available but is provided by a client in order to obtain financial products or information from an adviser providing services or engaging in transactions for the client.

The *GLB Act* permits states to enact privacy protections that are stronger than those contained in the *GLB Act*. In order to further meet the privacy concerns of their residents, California, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Mexico, and Vermont have enacted privacy protections which are stronger than the provisions of the *GLB Act*. With regard to clients who are residents of these states, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS is prohibited from sharing non-public personal information with any affiliated third party unless the firm has provided notices of its privacy policies and “opt-in” notices allowing clients to “opt-in” to the disclosure of such information. An “opt-in” generally requires COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS to obtain from its client and consumers a signed statement in which the person makes an affirmative declaration of permission to disclose certain personal information.

COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS is required to adopt policies and procedures designed to protect various records and information it maintains about its natural person clients. It is required to provide “clear and conspicuous” notices reflecting its privacy policies and procedures to a client initially at the time a relationship is established and annually thereafter. The initial notice must be provided at the time the client enters into an advisory contract with COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS. Any initial notice may be provided within a reasonable time after it establishes a client relationship if: (i) establishing the client relationship is not at the client's election, (ii) providing notice no later than when the client relationship is established would substantially delay the client's transaction and the client agrees to receive the notice at a later time, or (iii) a non-affiliated broker or dealer establishes a client relationship between the adviser and a consumer without the advisor's prior knowledge. For purposes of this policy, an individual who is the record holder of a fund's shares is considered the client. If the client has multiple accounts, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS is permitted to deliver a single Privacy Notice provided the notice makes it clear which accounts it applies to and the client can reasonably be expected to receive the actual notice regarding each account.

COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's Privacy Notice will include, at a minimum, the following:

- A general description of its policies and procedures to protect the confidentiality, security and integrity of clients' non-public personal information;
- Categories of clients' non-public personal information collected;
- Categories of clients' non-public personal information disclosed;
- If applicable, categories of affiliates or non-affiliated third parties that may receive the information; and

- If applicable, an explanation of a client's right to opt out or opt in and the method used to exercise that right

In certain circumstances, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS is permitted to share client non-public personal information with non-affiliated third parties without providing the client notice of and an opportunity to opt out. Such circumstances include sharing information:

- With a non-affiliate if necessary to effect, administer, or enforce a transaction that a client requests or authorizes
- In connection with processing or servicing a financial product or service a client authorizes
- In connection with maintaining or servicing the client's account with the institution.

Under these exceptions, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS does not need to provide the client the opportunity to opt out or opt in before sharing the client's non-public personal information with a non-affiliated broker/dealer in order to execute trades the client has authorized with a non-affiliated custodian that holds securities on behalf of the client.

Kimberly Smith is responsible for maintaining COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's Privacy Notice and all required records pertaining to such document. Kimberly Smith will be responsible for training supervised persons and making sure everyone is aware of and complies with COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's Privacy Notice policies and procedures. Kimberly Smith will be responsible for ensuring that all clients receive the initial delivery and annual delivery of COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's Privacy Notice.

INFORMATION SECURITY PLAN

COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS has adopted the following Information Security Plan to address the administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the protection of client records and information. The purpose of this information security plan is to ensure the security and confidentiality of client personal information, protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security of client information, and protect against the risk of identity theft.

Personal information is considered a person's first and last name, or their first initial and last name, in combination with their Social Security number, driver's license number or state issued identification card number, or their financial account number or credit or debit card number. Personal information does not include information that is lawfully obtained from publicly available information, or from federal, state, or local government records that are available to the general public. The personal information collected by COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS will be limited to what is reasonably necessary to accomplish business purposes or to satisfy regulations. Further, access to personal client information will be limited to those employees required to know such information.

To protect clients' personal information, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS has instituted the following safeguards:

- Client files are physically locked during non-business hours;
- Strong electronic passwords are utilized that:
 - Contain alphanumeric/special character combinations;
 - Require users to change the password after a certain time period; and
 - Lock the device after several unsuccessful attempts at access
- When disposing of old computers, hard drives, and other storage medium are removed and physically destroyed;
- Whenever possible, alternatives are used in place of social security numbers and account numbers;
- Wireless connections (WEP/WPA) are password protected;
- Passwords are never provided by email or through a web page accessed through a link in an email.

In addition, employees of COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS are required to:

- Put away open client files when leaving their desk;
- Shred documents when disposing of physical files;
- Never share their electronic passwords;
- Set electronic devices to require users to re-login after a period of inactivity;
- Encrypt all client information transferred or stored on portable electronic devices such as laptops, tablets, external hard drives, CD-Roms, disks, thumb drives, and smart phones; and
- Utilize and update patches for operating systems, firewalls, and anti-virus and malware software for business computers, and personal electronic devices used for business purposes.

To limit outside access to confidential client information via the use of smart phones, each employee is required to password protect his or her smart phone and set the auto-lock function for the shortest possible time.

In the event of termination, an employee must return all records containing any form of client personal information. This includes all information stored on laptops or other portable devices or media, and information stored in files, records, work papers, etc. The terminated employee's physical and electronic access to personal information of clients will be immediately blocked and the terminated employee will be required to surrender all keys, IDs, access codes, or badges that permit access to COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's premises or information. In addition, the terminated employee's remote electronic access to personal information will be disabled and his or her voicemail access, email access, internet access, and passwords will be invalidated.

Kimberly Smith is in charge of COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS's information security. Accordingly, Kimberly Smith is responsible for training employees, testing and regularly monitoring the security program, conducting an annual review of the effectiveness of the information security plan, conducting a review whenever there is a material change in the business practices of COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS that may implicate the security or integrity of clients' personal information, and conducting an annual training session for all individuals who have access to clients' personal information.

Any outside service provider who does business with COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS must contractually agree to keep confidential any non-public confidential client information. Kimberly Smith will conduct due diligence of any service provider used by COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS to ensure the service provider's ability to protect client information. (See the Due Diligence section of this manual for more details).

SECURITY BREACH

Employees should report any suspicious or unauthorized use of client information to Kimberly Smith. Kimberly Smith will be responsible for conducting a reasonable investigation to determine whether a security breach occurred and the likelihood of the information being misused.

In the event of a security breach, COLUMBIA ADVISORY PARTNERS will assess the breach and identify which systems and the types of information that were compromised. The firm will then take steps to contain and control the breach and to prevent further unauthorized access or use. Kimberly Smith will notify clients of the breach if misuse has occurred or it is reasonably possible that misuse will occur. Further, Kimberly Smith will provide notice to the SEC or the proper state securities authority.

Kimberly Smith will prepare and archive a report of each Security Breach including when the breach occurred, the information stolen, and an explanation of the steps taken to prevent a reoccurrence of the breach.