

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC
(Part 2A of Form ADV)

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Additional information about Compass Advisory Partners, LLC is available on the SEC's website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov

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Material Changes

Annual Update

The Material Changes section of this brochure will be updated annually when material changes occur since the previous release of the Firm Brochure.

Material Changes since the Last Update

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission issued a final rule in July 2010 requiring advisers to provide a Firm Brochure in narrative “plain English” format. The new final rule specifies mandatory sections and organization.

Full Brochure Available

Whenever you would like to receive a complete copy of our Firm Brochure, please contact us by telephone at: 931-247-5406 or by email at: crites@usa.net.

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Advisory Business

Firm Description

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC was founded in YEAR.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC provides personalized confidential financial planning and investment management to individuals, pension and profit sharing plans, trusts, estates, charitable organizations and small businesses. Advice is provided through consultation with the client and may include: determination of financial objectives, identification of financial problems, cash flow management, tax planning, insurance review, investment management, education funding, retirement planning, and estate planning.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC is in the business of selling annuities, insurance, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, limited partnerships, or other commissioned products.

Investment advice is an integral part of financial planning. In addition, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC advises clients regarding cash flow, college planning, retirement planning, tax planning and estate planning.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not act as a custodian of client assets. The client always maintains asset control. Compass Advisory Partners, LLC places trades for clients under a limited power of attorney.

Other professionals (e.g., lawyers, accountants, insurance agents, etc.) are engaged directly by the client on an as-needed basis. Conflicts of interest will be disclosed to the client in the unlikely event they should occur.

Principal Owners

Jerry K. Crites is a 100% stockholder.

Types of Advisory Services

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC provides investment supervisory services, also known as asset management services; manages investment advisory accounts not involving investment supervisory services; furnishes investment advice through consultations. On more than an occasional basis, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC furnishes advice to clients on matters not involving securities, such as financial planning matters, taxation issues, and trust services that often include estate planning.

As of March 18, 2011, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC manages approximately \$52,000,000 in assets for approximately 1,100 accounts. Approximately \$52,000,000 is managed on a discretionary basis.

Types of Agreements

The following agreements define the typical client relationships.

Financial Planning Agreement

A financial plan is designed to help the client with all aspects of financial planning without ongoing investment management after the financial plan is completed.

The financial plan may include, but is not limited to: a net worth statement; a cash flow statement; a review of investment accounts, including reviewing asset allocation and providing repositioning recommendations; strategic tax planning; a review of retirement accounts and plans including recommendations; a review of insurance policies and recommendations for changes, if necessary; one or more retirement scenarios; estate planning review and recommendations; and education planning with funding recommendations.

Detailed investment advice and specific recommendations are provided as part of a financial plan. Implementation of the recommendations is at the discretion of the client.

The fee for a financial plan is predicated upon the facts known at the start of the engagement. All fees are negotiable. Since financial planning is a discovery process, situations occur wherein the client is unaware of certain financial exposures or predicaments.

In the event that the client's situation is substantially different than disclosed at the initial meeting, a fee will be provided for mutual agreement. The client must approve the change of scope in advance of the additional work being performed when a fee increase is necessary.

Advisory Service Agreement

Most clients choose to have Compass Advisory Partners, LLC manage their assets in order to obtain ongoing in-depth advice and life planning. All aspects of the client's financial affairs are reviewed, including those of their children. Realistic and measurable goals are set and objectives to reach those goals are defined. As goals and objectives change over time, suggestions are made and implemented on an ongoing basis.

The scope of work and fee for an Advisory Service Agreement is provided to the client in writing prior to the start of the relationship. An Advisory Service Agreement includes: cash flow management; insurance review; investment management (including performance reporting); education planning; retirement planning; estate planning; and tax preparation, as well as the implementation of recommendations within each area.

The annual Advisory Service Agreement fee is based on a percentage of the investable assets according to the following schedule:

Assets Under Management

Below \$250,000	1.50%
Next \$250,000	1.35%
Next \$500,000	1.15%
Next \$1.5 million	1.00%
Next \$2.5 million	0.80%
\$5 million and above	0.70%

The annual fee is negotiable. Current client relationships may exist where the fees are higher or lower than the fee schedule above.

Although the Advisory Service Agreement is an ongoing agreement and constant adjustments are required, the length of service to the client is at the client's discretion. The client or the investment manager may terminate an Agreement by written notice to the other party.

Investment Management Agreement

An *Investment Management Agreement* may be executed when financial planning is not provided as part of the relationship. The annual fee schedule is above.

Hourly Planning Engagements

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC provides hourly planning services for clients who need advice on a limited scope of work. The hourly rate for limited scope engagements is negotiable.

Asset Management

Assets are invested primarily in mutual funds at NAV and exchange-traded funds, through a brokerage account or fund companies. Fund companies charge each fund shareholder an investment management fee that is disclosed in the fund prospectus. Brokerage firms may charge a transaction fee for the purchase of some funds.

Stocks and bonds may be purchased or sold through a brokerage account when appropriate. The brokerage firm charges a fee for stock and bond trades. Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not receive any compensation, in any form, from commissions charged.

Investments may also include: equities (stocks), warrants, corporate debt securities, commercial paper, certificates of deposit, municipal securities, investment company securities (variable life insurance, variable annuities, and mutual funds shares), U. S. government securities, options contracts, futures contracts, and interests in partnerships.

Initial public offerings (IPOs) are not available through Compass Advisory Partners, LLC.

Termination of Agreement

A Client may terminate any of the aforementioned agreements at any time by notifying Compass Advisory Partners, LLC in writing and paying the rate for the time spent on the investment advisory engagement prior to notification of termination. If the client made an advance payment, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC will refund any unearned portion of the advance payment.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC may terminate any of the aforementioned agreements at any time by notifying the client in writing. If the client made an advance payment, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC will refund any unearned portion of the advance payment.

Fees and Compensation

Description

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC bases its fees on a percentage of assets under management.

Some *Retainer Agreements* may be priced based on the complexity of work, especially when asset management is not the most significant part of the relationship.

Financial plans are priced according to the degree of complexity associated with the client's situation.

Fees are negotiable.

Fee Billing

Investment management fees are paid quarterly, in advance. Fees are usually deducted from a designated client account to facilitate billing. The client must consent in advance to direct debiting of their investment account.

Other Fees

Custodians may charge transaction fees on purchases or sales of certain mutual funds and exchange-traded funds. These transaction charges are incidental to the purchase or sale of a security. The selection of the security is more important than the nominal fee that the custodian charges to buy or sell the security.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC, in its sole discretion, may waive its minimum fee and/or charge a lesser investment advisory fee based upon certain criteria (e.g., historical relationship, type of assets, anticipated future earning capacity, anticipated future additional assets, dollar amounts of assets to be managed, related accounts, account composition, negotiations with clients, etc.).

Expense Ratios

Mutual funds generally charge a management fee for their services as investment managers. The management fee is called an expense ratio. For example, an expense ratio of 0.50 means that the mutual fund company charges 0.5% for their services. These fees are in addition to the fees paid by you to Compass Advisory Partners, LLC.

Performance figures quoted by mutual fund companies in various publications are after their fees have been deducted.

Types of Clients

Description

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC generally provides investment advice to individuals, banks or thrift institutions, investment companies, pension and profit sharing plans, trusts, estates, or charitable organizations, corporations or business entities, or other.

Client relationships vary in scope and length of service.

Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

Methods of Analysis

Security analysis methods may include charting, fundamental analysis, technical analysis, and cyclical analysis.

The main sources of information include financial newspapers and magazines, inspections of corporate activities, research materials prepared by others, corporate rating services, timing services, annual reports, prospectuses, filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and company press releases.

Other sources of information that Compass Advisory Partners, LLC may use include Morningstar Principia mutual fund information, Morningstar Principia stock information, Charles Schwab & Company's "SchwabLink" service, Advisor Intelligence, and the World Wide Web.

Investment Strategies

The investment strategy for a specific client is based upon the objectives stated by the client during consultations. The client may change these objectives at any time. Each client executes an Investment Policy Statement that documents their objectives and their desired investment strategy.

Other strategies may include long-term purchases, short-term purchases, trading, short sales, margin transactions, and option writing (including covered options, uncovered options or spreading strategies).

Risk of Loss

All investment programs have certain risks that are borne by the investor. 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 particular 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 a particular 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.

Disciplinary Information

Legal and Disciplinary

The firm and its employees have not been involved in legal or disciplinary events related to past or present investment clients.

Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

Financial Industry Activities

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC is registered as a Registered Investment Advisor.

Affiliations

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC is an independent Registered Investment Advisor.

Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

Code of Ethics

The employees of Compass Advisory Partners, LLC have committed to a Code of Ethics that is available for review by clients and prospective clients upon request. The firm will provide a copy of the Code of Ethics to any client or prospective client upon request.

Participation or Interest in Client Transactions

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC and its employees may buy or sell securities that are also held by clients. Employees may not trade their own securities ahead of client trades. Employees comply with the provisions of the Compass Advisory Partners, LLC *Compliance Manual*.

Brokerage Practices

Selecting Brokerage Firms

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not have any affiliation with product sales firms. Specific custodian recommendations are made to Clients based on their need for such services. Compass Advisory Partners, LLC recommends custodians based on the proven integrity and financial responsibility of the firm and the best execution of orders at reasonable commission rates.

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not receive fees or commissions from any of these arrangements.

Order Aggregation

Most trades are mutual funds or exchange-traded funds where trade aggregation does not garner any client benefit.

Review of Accounts

Periodic Reviews

Account reviews are performed by the client's advisor. Account reviews are performed more frequently when market conditions dictate.

Review Triggers

Other conditions that may trigger a review are changes in the tax laws, new investment information, and changes in a client's own situation.

Client Referrals and Other Compensation

Incoming Referrals

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC has been fortunate to receive many client referrals over the years. The referrals came from current clients, estate planning attorneys, accountants, employees, personal friends of employees and other similar sources. The firm does not compensate referring parties for these referrals.

Referrals Out

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not accept referral fees or any form of remuneration from other professionals when a prospect or client is referred to them.

Custody

Account Statements

All assets are held at qualified custodians, which means the custodians provide account statements directly to clients at their address of record at least quarterly.

Performance Reports

Clients are urged to review their account statements received directly from their custodians.

Investment Discretion

Discretionary Authority for Trading

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC accepts discretionary authority to manage securities accounts on behalf of clients. Compass Advisory Partners, LLC has 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. However, Compass Advisory Partners, LLC consults with the client prior to each trade to obtain concurrence if a discretionary trading authorization has not been given.

The client approves the custodian to be used and the commission rates paid to the custodian. Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not receive any portion of the transaction fees or commissions paid by the client to the custodian on certain trades.

Discretionary trading authority facilitates placing trades in your accounts on your behalf so that we may promptly implement the investment policy that you have approved in writing.

Limited Power of Attorney

A limited power of attorney is a trading authorization for this purpose. You sign a limited power of attorney so that we may execute the trades that you have approved.

Voting Client Securities

Proxy Votes

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not vote proxies on securities. Clients are expected to vote their own proxies.

Financial Information

Financial Condition

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not have any financial impairment that will preclude the firm from meeting contractual commitments to clients.

A balance sheet is not required to be provided because Compass Advisory Partners, LLC does not serve as a custodian for client funds or securities.

Business Continuity Plan

General

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC has a Business Continuity Plan in place that provides detailed steps to mitigate and recover from the loss of office space, communications, services or key people.

Disasters

The Business Continuity Plan covers natural disasters such as snow storms, hurricanes, tornados, and flooding. The Plan covers man-made disasters such as loss of electrical power, loss of water pressure, fire, bomb threat, nuclear emergency, chemical event, biological event, T-1 communications line outage, Internet outage, railway accident and aircraft accident. Electronic files are backed up daily and archived offsite.

Alternate Offices

Alternate offices are identified to support ongoing operations in the event the main office is unavailable. It is our intention to contact all clients within five days of a disaster that dictates moving our office to an alternate location.

Loss of Key Personnel

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC has signed a Business Continuation Agreement with another financial advisory firm to support Compass Advisory Partners, LLC in the event of NAME's serious disability or death.

Information Security Program

Information Security

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC maintains an information security program to reduce the risk that your personal and confidential information may be breached.

Privacy Notice

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC is committed to maintaining the confidentiality, integrity and security of the personal information that is entrusted to us.

The categories of nonpublic information that we collect from you may include information about your personal finances, information about your health to the extent that it is needed for the financial planning process, information about transactions between you and third parties, and information from consumer reporting agencies, e.g., credit reports. We use this information to help you meet your personal financial goals.

With your permission, we disclose limited information to attorneys, accountants, and mortgage lenders with whom you have established a relationship. You may opt out from our sharing information with these nonaffiliated third parties by notifying us at any time by telephone, mail, fax, email, or in person. With your permission, we share a limited amount of information about you with your brokerage firm in order to execute securities transactions on your behalf.

We maintain a secure office to ensure that your information is not placed at unreasonable risk. We employ a firewall barrier, secure data encryption techniques and authentication procedures in our computer environment.

We do not provide your personal information to mailing list vendors or solicitors. We require strict confidentiality in our agreements with unaffiliated third parties that require access to your personal information, including financial service companies, consultants, and auditors. Federal and state securities regulators may review our Company records and your personal records as permitted by law.

Personally identifiable information about you will be maintained while you are a client, and for the required period thereafter that records are required to be maintained by federal and state securities laws. After that time, information may be destroyed.

We will notify you in advance if our privacy policy is expected to change. We are required by law to deliver this *Privacy Notice* to you annually, in writing.

****Please note: Delete the following two paragraphs after making your Brochure Supplement decision.*

The Brochure Supplement (Part 2B of Form ADV) contains the biographies of the advisors in the firm. The Brochure Supplement may be provided separately, or as part of the Part 2A Brochure (recommended solution). Distributing the Firm Brochure is simplified if Part 2A and Part 2B are combined into one document.

Larger firms with many advisors may wish to separate Part 2A and Part 2B from each other. If this option is chosen, then Part 2B must have its own cover page and no Material Changes section. See the separate Word document "Part 2B Standalone.doc."

Brochure Supplement (Part 2B of Form ADV)

Education and Business Standards

Compass Advisory Partners, LLC requires that advisors in its employ have a bachelor's degree and/or further coursework demonstrating knowledge of financial planning and tax planning. Examples of acceptable coursework include: an MBA, a CFP®, a CFA, a ChFC, JD, CTFA, EA or CPA. Additionally, advisors must have work experience that demonstrates their aptitude for financial planning and investment management.

Professional Certifications

Employees have earned certifications and credentials that are required to be explained in further detail.

Certified Financial Planner (CFP): Certified Financial Planners are licensed by the CFP Board to use the CFP mark. CFP certification requirements:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
- Completion of the financial planning education requirements set by the CFP Board (www.cfp.net).
- Successful completion of the 10-hour CFP® Certification Exam.
- Three-year qualifying full-time work experience.
- Successfully pass the Candidate Fitness Standards and background check.

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA): Chartered Financial Analysts are licensed by the CFA Institute to use the CFA mark. CFA certification requirements:

- Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution or have equivalent education or work experience.
- Successful completion of all three exam levels of the CFA Program.

- Have 48 months of acceptable professional work experience in the investment decision-making process.
- Fulfill society requirements, which vary by society. Unless you are upgrading from affiliate membership, all societies require two sponsor statements as part of each application; these are submitted online by your sponsors.
- Agree to adhere to and sign the Member's Agreement, a Professional Conduct Statement, and any additional documentation requested by CFA Institute.

Enrolled Agent (EA): Enrolled Agents are enrolled by the Internal Revenue Service and authorized to use the EA designation. EA enrollment requirements:

- Successful completion of the three-part IRS Special Enrollment Examination (SEE), or completion of five years of employment by the IRS in a position which regularly interpreted and applied the tax code and its regulations.
- Successfully pass the background check conducted by the IRS.

EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATIONS

JERRY K. CRITES: Born 1943

Educational Background:

Middle Tennessee State University – Doctorate of Arts (1975)

Murray State University – M.A. (1970)

Murray State University – B.S. (1969)

Business Experience:

Compass Financial Group (a.k.a. The Jerry Crites Financial Group)

– Owner; Advisory Representative 02/2000 - Present

FSC Securities Corporation; Registered Representative 02/2004 – 02/2009

Compass Advisory Group, LLC (f.k.a. Compass Financial Group)

– Advisory Representative 10/2005 – 07/2007

Sun America Securities, Inc.– Registered Representative 04/1999 – 04/2004

American Express Financial Advisors, Inc. – Registered Representative
11/1983 – 04/1999 Arbitration Claims: None

Self-Regulatory Organization or Administrative Proceeding: None

Bankruptcy Petition: None

Disciplinary Information: None

Additional Compensation: None

Arbitration Claims: None

Self-Regulatory Organization or Administrative Proceeding: None

Bankruptcy Petition: None

