



Form ADV Part 2A – Disclosure Brochure

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This Disclosure Brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Congress Capital Partners, LLP ("Congress Capital"). If you have any questions about the contents of this Disclosure Brochure, please contact us at (617) 428-7654.

Congress Capital is a Registered Investment Advisor with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The information in this Disclosure Brochure has not been approved or verified by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") or by any state securities authority. Registration of an investment advisor does not imply any specific level of skill or training. This Disclosure Brochure provides information through Congress Capital to assist you in determining whether to retain the Advisor.

Additional information about Congress Capital and its advisory persons are available on the SEC's website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov.

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Item 2 – Material Changes

Form ADV 2 is divided into two parts: *Part 2A (the "Disclosure Brochure")* and *Part 2B (the "Brochure Supplement")*. The Disclosure Brochure provides information about a variety of topics relating to an Advisor's business practices and conflicts of interest. The Brochure Supplement provides information about advisory personnel of Congress Capital.

Congress Capital believes that communication and transparency are the foundation of its relationship with Clients and will continually strive to provide its Clients with complete and accurate information at all times. Congress Capital encourages all current and prospective Clients to read this Disclosure Brochure and discuss any questions you may have with us. And of course, we always welcome your feedback.

Initial Filing

Congress Capital is a new Registered Investment Advisor. This is the initial filing of the Disclosure Brochure.

Future Changes

From time to time, we may amend this Disclosure Brochure to reflect changes in our business practices, changes in regulations and routine annual updates as required by the securities regulators. This complete Disclosure Brochure or a Summary of Material Changes shall be provided to each Client annually and if a material change occurs in the business practices of Congress Capital.

At any time, you may view the current Disclosure Brochure on-line at the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov.

To review the firm information for Congress Capital:

- Click **Investment Advisor Search** in the left navigation menu.
- Select the option for **Firm** and enter **170030** (our firm's CRD number) in the field labeled "Firm Name or CRD# or SEC#" and click "Start Search".
- This will provide access to Form ADV Part 1 and Part 2.
- Item 11 of the Form ADV Part 1 lists legal and disciplinary questions regarding the Advisor.
- In the left navigation menu, Form ADV Part 2 is located near the bottom.

You may also request a copy of this Disclosure Brochure at any time, by contacting us at (617) 428-7654.

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Item 4 – Advisory Services

A. Firm Information

Congress Capital Partners, LLP (“Congress Capital” or the “Advisor”) is a Registered Investment Advisor with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), which is organized as a Limited Liability Partnership under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Congress Capital was founded in January 2014, and is primarily owned by Congress Capital, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company. This Disclosure Brochure provides information regarding the qualifications, business practices, and the advisory services provided by Congress Capital.

B. Advisory Services Offered

Congress Capital offers investment advisory services to institutional clients nationally (each referred to as a “Client”). Congress Capital primarily distributes its investment strategies through financial intermediaries, including registered investment advisors (“RIAs”), broker-dealers, investment platforms, and banks.

Congress Capital delivers investment advisory services through its Risk Managed Series™ portfolios, which is a core-satellite portfolio construction comprised of low-cost, exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”) designed to provide volatility adjusted exposure to global markets.

Congress Capital will provide investment advisory services and portfolio management services and will not provide securities custodial or other administrative services. At no time will Congress Capital accept or maintain custody of a Client’s funds or securities, except for authorized deduction of the Advisor’s fees. All Client assets will be managed within their designated brokerage account or pension account, pursuant to the Client Investment Advisory Agreement.

C. Client Account Management

Prior to engaging Congress Capital to provide investment advisory services, each Client is required to enter into an Investment Advisory Agreement with the Advisor that defines the terms, conditions, authority and responsibilities of the Advisor and the Client. These services may include:

- Establishing an Investment Policy – Congress Capital, in connection with the Client, may develop a statement that summarizes the Client’s investment goals and objectives along with the broad strategy[ies] to be employed to meet the objectives.
- Asset Allocation – Congress Capital will develop a strategic asset allocation that is targeted to meet the investment objectives, time horizon, financial situation and tolerance for risk for each Client.
- Portfolio Construction – Congress Capital will develop a portfolio for the Client that is intended to meet the stated goals and objectives of the Client.
- Investment Management and Supervision – Congress Capital will provide investment management and ongoing oversight of the Client’s portfolio and overall account.

D. Wrap Fee Programs

Congress Capital does not manage or place Client assets into a wrap fee program. Investment management services are provided directly by Congress Capital.

E. Assets Under Management

Congress Capital is a newly established advisor. Assets under management shall be reported following the Advisor’s December 31, 2013 fiscal year end. Clients may request more current information at any time by contacting the Advisor.

Item 5 – Fees and Compensation

The following paragraphs detail the fee structure and compensation methodology for services provided by the Advisor. Each Client shall sign an Investment Advisory Agreement that details the responsibilities of Congress Capital and the Client.

A. Fees for Advisory Services

Investment Advisory Fees range from 0.25% to 1.25% annually depending on the size and complexity of the Client relationship. Relationships with smaller accounts, multiple objectives, specific reporting requirements, portfolio restrictions and other complexities may be charged a higher fee.

Investment Advisory Fees are charged quarterly. Fees may be charged in advance or arrears based on the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement. Investment Advisory Fees in the first quarter of service are prorated from the inception date of the account to the end of the first quarter. Fees may be negotiable at the discretion of the Advisor. All securities held in accounts managed by Congress Capital will be independently valued by the designated Custodian. Congress Capital will not have the authority or responsibility to value portfolio securities.

B. Fee Billing

Investment Advisory Fees will be automatically deducted from the Client Account by the Custodian. Clients provide written authorization permitting Congress Capital to be paid directly from their accounts held by the Custodian as part of the Investment Advisory Agreement and separate account forms provided by the Custodian.

The Advisor shall send an invoice to the Custodian indicating the amount of the fees to be deducted from the Client Account at the respective quarter end date. The amount due is calculated by applying the quarterly rate (annual rate divided by 4) to the total assets under management with Congress Capital at the end of each calendar quarter. Clients will be provided with a statement, at least quarterly, from the Custodian reflecting deduction of the Investment Advisory Fee. It is the responsibility of the Client to verify the accuracy of these fees as listed on the custodian's brokerage statement as the Custodian does not assume this responsibility.

C. Other Fees and Expenses

Clients may incur certain fees or charges imposed by third parties, other than Congress Capital, in connection with investments made on behalf of the Client's account[s]. The Client is responsible for all custodial and securities execution fees charged by the custodian and executing broker-dealer. In addition, the Client's financial advisor may also charge an advisory fee. The Investment Advisory Fee charged by Congress Capital is separate and distinct from these fees.

In addition, all fees paid to Congress Capital for investment advisory services are separate and distinct from the expenses charged by ETFs to their shareholders, if applicable. These fees and expenses are described in each ETF's prospectus. These fees and expenses will generally be used to pay management fees for the funds, other fund expenses, and administration (e.g., custody, brokerage and shareholder reporting). A Client could invest in these products directly, without the services of Congress Capital, but would not receive the services provided by Congress Capital, which are designed, among other things, to construct an appropriate portfolio allocation and perform ongoing investment management. Accordingly, the Client should review both the fees charged by the ETFs, fees paid to your financial professional, and the fees charged by Congress Capital to fully understand the total fees to be paid.

D. Advance Payment of Fees and Termination

Congress Capital may be compensated for its services either at the beginning or at the end of each calendar quarter. Clients may request to terminate their Investment Advisory Agreement with Congress Capital, in whole or in part, by providing advance written notice. Upon termination, the Client shall be responsible for Investment Advisory Fees up to and including the effective date of termination and any unearned, prepaid fees with be refunded. The Client's Investment Advisory Agreement with the Advisor is non-transferable without the Client's written approval.

E. Compensation for Sales of Securities

Congress Capital does not buy or sell securities and does not receive any compensation for securities transactions in any Client account, other than the Investment Advisory Fees noted above.

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

Congress Capital does not charge performance-based fees for its investment advisory services. The fees charged by Congress Capital are as described in “Item 5 – Fees and Compensation” above and are not based upon the capital appreciation of the funds or securities held by any Client.

Item 7 – Types of Clients

Congress Capital offers investment advisory services to institutional clients nationally. The relative percentage of each type of Client is available on Congress Capital’s Form ADV Part 1. These percentages will change over time. Congress Capital generally does not impose a minimum account size for establishing a relationship.

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

A. Methods of Analysis

Congress Capital employs a proprietary research model for the implementation and management of the Congress Capital Risk Managed Series™.

Congress Capital generally employs a long-term investment holding periods, but may hold for shorter periods for volatility management, portfolio rebalancing or meeting the cash needs of a Client. At times, Congress Capital may also buy and sell positions that are more short-term in nature, depending on the goals of the Client and/or the fundamentals of the security, sector or asset class.

B. Risk of Loss

Investing in securities involves certain investment risks. Securities may fluctuate in value or lose value. Clients should be prepared to bear the potential risk of loss. Congress Capital will assist Clients in determining an appropriate strategy based on their tolerance for risk and other factors noted above. However, there is no guarantee that a Client will meet their investment goals. The Advisor shall rely on the financial and other information provided by the Client or their designees without the duty or obligation to validate the accuracy and completeness of the provided information. It is the responsibility of the Client to inform the Advisor of any changes in financial condition, goals or other factors that may affect this analysis.

The risks associated with a particular strategy are provided to each Client in advance of investing Client accounts. The Advisor will work with each Client to determine their tolerance for risk as part of the portfolio construction process. **Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns. Investing in securities and other investments involve a risk of loss that each Client should understand and be willing to bear. Clients are reminded to discuss these risks with the Advisor.**

Item 9 – Disciplinary Information

There are no legal, regulatory or disciplinary events involving Congress Capital or any of its employees. Congress Capital and its advisory personnel value the trust you place in us. As we advise all Clients, we encourage you to perform the requisite due diligence on any advisor or service provider in which you partner. Our backgrounds are on the Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov.

To review the firm information contained in Form ADV Part 1, select the option for “Investment Adviser Search”, then selecting “Firm” and enter **170030** in the field labeled “Firm Name or CRD# or SEC#”. This will provide access to Form ADV Parts 1 and 2. Item 11 of the Form ADV Part 1 lists legal and disciplinary disclosure questions.

Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

The sole business of Congress Capital is to provide institutional investment advisory services.

Congress Capital is under common control with Congress Wealth Management, LLC (CRD No. 149446; SEC No. 801-69988), and Congress Asset Management Company, LLP (CRD No. 105161; SEC No. 801-23386), each investment advisors registered with the SEC. Congress Capital has engaged Congress Asset Management Company, LLP for sub-advisory and related operational services. In addition, associated persons of Congress Capital may also be associated with Congress Asset Management Company, LLP and/or Congress Wealth Management, LLC.

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

A. Code of Ethics

Congress Capital has implemented a Code of Ethics that defines our fiduciary commitment to each Client. This Code of Ethics applies to all persons associated with Congress Capital. The Code of Ethics was developed to provide general ethical guidelines and specific instructions regarding our duties to you, our Client. Congress Capital and its personnel owe a duty of loyalty, fairness and good faith towards each Client. It is the obligation of Congress Capital associates to adhere not only to the specific provisions of the Code, but also to the general principles that guide the Code. The Code of Ethics covers a range of topics that address employee ethics and conflicts of interest. To request a copy of our Code of Ethics, please contact us at (617) 428-7654.

B. Personal Trading with Material Interest

Congress Capital allows our employees to purchase or sell the same securities that may be recommended to and purchased on behalf of Clients. Congress Capital does not act as principal in any transactions. In addition, the Advisor does not act as the general partner of a fund, or advise an investment company. Congress Capital does not have a material interest in any securities traded in Client accounts.

C. Personal Trading in Same Securities as Clients

Congress Capital allows our employees to purchase or sell the same securities that may be recommended to and purchased on behalf of Clients. Owning the same securities we recommend (purchase or sell) to you presents a potential conflict of interest that, as fiduciaries, we must disclose to you and mitigate through policies and procedures. As noted above, we have adopted, consistent with Section 204A of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, a Code of Ethics, which addresses insider trading (material non-public information controls) and personal securities reporting procedures. When trading for personal accounts, employees of Congress Capital may have a conflict of interest if trading in the same securities. The fiduciary duty to act in the best interest of its Clients can potentially be violated if personal trades are made with more advantageous terms than Client trades, or by trading based on material non-public information. This risk is mitigated by Congress Capital requiring reporting of personal securities trades by its employees for review by the employee's supervisor or the CCO. We have also adopted written policies and procedures to detect the misuse of material, non-public information. In addition the Code of Ethics governs Gifts and Entertainment given by and provided to the Advisor, outside employment activities of employees, Employee reporting, sanctions for violations of the Code of Ethics, and records retention requirements for various aspects of the Code of Ethics.

D. Personal Trading at Same Time as Client

While Congress Capital allows our employees to purchase or sell the same securities that may be recommended to and purchased on behalf of Clients, such trades are typically aggregated with Client orders or traded afterwards. At no time will Congress Capital, or any associated person of Congress Capital, transact in any security to the detriment of any Client.

Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

A. Recommendation of Custodian[s]

Congress Capital does not have discretionary authority to select the broker-dealer/custodian for custodial and execution services. The Client or its financial professional will select the broker-dealer or custodian (herein the

"custodian") to safeguard Client assets and authorize Congress Capital to direct trades to this custodian as agreed in the Investment Advisory Agreement. Further, Congress Capital does not have the discretionary authority to negotiate commissions on behalf of our Clients on a trade-by-trade basis.

Where Congress Capital does not exercise discretion over the selection of the custodian, it may recommend the custodian[s] to Clients for execution and/or custodial services. Clients are not obligated to use the recommended custodian and will not incur any extra fee or cost associated with using a broker not recommended by Congress Capital.

Congress Capital may recommend a custodian based on criteria such as, but not limited to, reasonableness of commissions charged to the Client, services made available to the Client, and location of the custodian's offices. Congress Capital does not receive research services, other products, or compensation as a result of recommending a particular broker that may result in the Client paying higher commissions than those obtainable through other brokers.

Following are additional details regarding the brokerage practices of the Advisor:

1. Soft Dollars - Soft dollars are revenue programs offered by broker-dealers whereby an advisor enters into an agreement to place security trades with the broker in exchange for research and other services. **Congress Capital does not participate in soft dollar programs sponsored or offered by any broker-dealer.**

2. Brokerage Referrals - Congress Capital does not receive any compensation from any third party in connection with the recommendation for establishing a brokerage account.

3. Directed Brokerage - All Clients are serviced on a "directed brokerage basis", where Congress Capital will place trades within the established account[s] at the custodian designated by the Client. Further, all Client accounts are traded within their respective brokerage account[s]. The Advisor will not engage in any principal transactions (i.e., trade of any security from or to the Advisor's own account) or cross transactions with other Client accounts (i.e., purchase of a security into one Client account from another Client's account[s]). In selecting the custodian, Congress Capital will not be obligated to select competitive bids on securities transactions and does not have an obligation to seek the lowest available transaction costs. These costs are determined by the designated.

B. Aggregating and Allocating Trades

The primary objective in placing orders for the purchase and sale of securities for Client accounts is to obtain the most favorable net results taking into account such factors as 1) price, 2) size of order, 3) difficulty of execution, 4) confidentiality and 5) skill required of the broker. Congress Capital will execute its transactions through an unaffiliated broker-dealer selected by the Client. Congress Capital may aggregate orders in a block trade or trades when securities are purchased or sold through the same broker-dealer for multiple (discretionary) accounts. If a block trade cannot be executed in full at the same price or time, the securities actually purchased or sold by the close of each business day must be allocated in a manner that is consistent with the initial pre-allocation or other written statement. This must be done in a way that does not consistently advantage or disadvantage particular Client accounts.

Item 13 – Review of Accounts

A. Frequency of Reviews

Accounts are monitored on a regular and continuous basis by Principals of Congress Capital. Formal reviews are generally conducted at least annually or more or less frequently depending on the needs of the Client.

B. Causes for Reviews

In addition to the investment monitoring noted in Item 13.A., each Client account shall be reviewed at least annually. Reviews may be conducted more or less frequently at the Client's request. Accounts may be reviewed as a result of major changes in economic conditions, known changes in the Client's financial situation, and/or large deposits or withdrawals in the Client's account. The Client is encouraged to notify Congress Capital if

changes occur in the Client's personal financial situation that might adversely affect the Client's investment plan. Additional reviews may be triggered by material market, economic or political events.

C. Review Reports

The Client will receive brokerage statements no less than quarterly from the trustee or custodian. These brokerage statements are sent directly from the custodian to the Client. The Client may also establish electronic access to the custodian's website so that the Client may view these reports and their account activity. Client brokerage statements will include all positions, transactions and fees relating to the Client's account[s].

Item 14 - Client Referrals and Other Compensation

A. Compensation Received by Congress Capital

Congress Capital is a fee-only advisory firm, who, in all circumstances, is compensated solely by the Client. Congress Capital does not receive commissions or other compensation from product sponsors, broker-dealers or any un-related third party. Congress Capital may refer Clients to various third parties to provide certain financial services necessary to meet the goals of its Clients. Likewise, Congress Capital may receive referrals of new Clients from a third-party.

B. Client Referrals from Solicitors

Congress Capital currently does not engage paid solicitors for Client referrals.

Item 15 – Custody

Congress Capital does not accept or maintain custody of any Client accounts. All Clients must place their assets with a qualified custodian. Clients are required to select their own custodian to retain their funds and securities and direct Congress Capital to utilize that custodian for the Client's security transactions. Congress Capital encourages Clients to review statements provided by the account custodian. For more information about custodians and brokerage practices, see "Item 12 - Brokerage Practices".

Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Congress Capital generally has discretion over the selection and amount of securities to be bought or sold in Client accounts without obtaining prior consent or approval from the Client. However, these purchases or sales may be subject to specified investment objectives, guidelines, or limitations previously set forth by the Client and agreed to by Congress Capital. Discretionary authority will only be authorized upon full disclosure to the Client. The granting of such authority will be evidenced by the Client's execution of an Investment Advisory Agreement containing all applicable limitations to such authority. All discretionary trades made by Congress Capital will be in accordance with each Client's investment objectives and goals.

Item 17 – Voting Client Securities

Congress Capital does not accept proxy-voting responsibility for any Client. Clients will receive proxy statements directly from the Custodian. The Advisor will assist in answering questions relating to proxies, however, the Client retains the sole responsibility for proxy decisions and voting.

Item 18 – Financial Information

Neither Congress Capital, nor its management, have any adverse financial situations that would reasonably impair the ability of Congress Capital to meet all obligations to its Clients. Neither Congress Capital, nor any of its advisory persons, has been subject to a bankruptcy or financial compromise. Congress Capital is not required to deliver a balance sheet along with this Disclosure Brochure as the Advisor does not collect fees of \$500 for services to be performed six months or more in advance.