

**Part 2A of Form ADV: *Firm Brochure***

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This brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Solutions Funds Group, Inc. If you have any questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact us at (866) 734-0131 or [ron.niemaszyk@sfgalternatives.com](mailto:ron.niemaszyk@sfgalternatives.com). The information in this brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or by any state securities authority.

Additional information about Solutions Funds Group, Inc. also is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). You can search this site by a unique identifying number, known as a CRD number. Our firm's CRD number is 158949.

## **Item 2    Material Changes**

The SEC adopted "Amendments to Form ADV" in July, 2010. This Firm Brochure, dated 09/30/2011, is our new disclosure document prepared according to the SEC's new requirements and rules. As you will see, this document is a narrative that is substantially different in form and content, and includes some new information that we were not previously required to disclose.

After our initial filing of this Brochure, this Item will be used to provide our clients with a summary of new and/or updated information. We will inform you of the revision(s) based on the nature of the updated information.

Consistent with the new rules, we will ensure that you receive a summary of any material changes to this and subsequent Brochures within 120 days of the close of our business' fiscal year. Furthermore, we will provide you with other interim disclosures about material changes as necessary.

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## **Item 4     Advisory Business**

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. is a SEC-registered investment adviser with its principal place of business located in Illinois. Solutions Funds Group, Inc. began conducting business in 2011.

Ronald Stanley Niemaszyk, Larry Shover, and Richard Knott are the firm's executive officers and together they control the activities of Solutions Funds Group, Inc. .

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. offers the following advisory services to our clients:

### **MUTUAL FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

Our firm provides discretionary portfolio management services to clients using model asset allocation portfolios. Each model portfolio is designed to meet a particular investment goal.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. provides these services to the SFG Futures Strategy Fund (the "Mutual Fund"), a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. serves as the investment manager to the Mutual Fund, and continuously manages the fund assets based on the investment goals and objectives as outlined in the Mutual Fund's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information ("SAI").

Interested investors should refer to the Mutual Fund's prospectus and SAI for important information regarding objectives, investments, time-horizon, risks, fees, and additional disclosures. These documents are available from Solutions Funds Group, Inc. by contacting us at 847-913-5400.

Prior to making any investment in the funds, investors and prospective investors should carefully review these documents for a comprehensive understanding of the terms and conditions applicable for investment in the Mutual Fund.

## **Item 5     Fees and Compensation**

### **MUTUAL FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT FEES**

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. charges an asset-based fee for this service at 1.55% of assets under management. The fee arrangement, termination, and refund policies are described in the Mutual Fund's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"). Specific advisory fees and expense-related information may be found in the Funds' Prospectus and SAI.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

***Termination of the Advisory Relationship:*** A client agreement may be canceled at any time, by either party, for any reason upon receipt of 30 days written notice. Upon termination of any account, any prepaid, unearned fees will be promptly refunded. In calculating a client's reimbursement of fees, we will pro rate the reimbursement according to the number of days remaining in the billing period.

***Mutual Fund Fees:*** All fees paid to Solutions Funds Group, Inc. for investment advisory services are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses charged by mutual funds and/or ETFs to their shareholders. These fees and expenses are described in each fund's prospectus. These fees will generally include a management fee, other fund expenses, and a

possible distribution fee. If the fund also imposes sales charges, a client may pay an initial or deferred sales charge. A client could invest in a mutual fund directly, without our services. In that case, the client would not receive the services provided by our firm which are designed, among other things, to assist the client in determining which mutual fund or funds are most appropriate to each client's financial condition and objectives. Accordingly, the client should review both the fees charged by the funds and our fees to fully understand the total amount of fees to be paid by the client and to thereby evaluate the advisory services being provided.

***Additional Fees and Expenses:*** In addition to our advisory fees, clients are also responsible for the fees and expenses charged by custodians and imposed by broker dealers, including, but not limited to, any transaction charges imposed by a broker dealer with which an independent investment manager effects transactions for the client's account(s). Please refer to the "Brokerage Practices" section (Item 12) of this Form ADV for additional information.

***Advisory Fees in General:*** Clients should note that similar advisory services may (or may not) be available from other registered (or unregistered) investment advisers for similar or lower fees.

***Limited Prepayment of Fees:*** Under no circumstances do we require or solicit payment of fees in excess of \$1200 more than six months in advance of services rendered.

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

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. does not charge performance-based fees and does not participate in side-by-side management.

## **Item 7 Types of Clients**

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. provides advisory services to mutual fund portfolios.

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

### **METHODS OF ANALYSIS**

We use the following methods of analysis in formulating our investment advice and/or managing client assets:

***Fundamental Analysis.*** We attempt to measure the intrinsic value of a security by looking at economic and financial factors (including the overall economy, industry conditions, and the financial condition and management of the company itself) to determine if the company is underpriced (indicating it may be a good time to buy) or overpriced (indicating it may be time to sell).

Fundamental analysis does not attempt to anticipate market movements. This presents a potential risk, as the price of a security can move up or down along with the overall market regardless of the economic and financial factors considered in evaluating the stock.

***Technical Analysis.*** We analyze past market movements and apply that analysis to the present in an attempt to recognize recurring patterns of investor behavior and potentially predict future price movement.

Technical analysis does not consider the underlying financial condition of a company. This presents a risk in that a poorly-managed or financially unsound company may underperform regardless of market movement.

***Cyclical Analysis.*** In this type of technical analysis, we measure the movements of a particular stock against the overall market in an attempt to predict the price movement of the security.

***Risks for all forms of analysis.*** Our securities analysis methods rely on the assumption that the companies whose securities we purchase and sell, the rating agencies that review these securities, and other publicly available sources of information about these securities, are providing accurate and unbiased data. While we are alert to indications that data may be incorrect, there is always a risk that our analysis may be compromised by inaccurate or misleading information.

## ***INVESTMENT STRATEGIES***

We use the following strategy(ies) in managing client assets, provided that such strategy(ies) are appropriate to the needs of the client and consistent with the client's investment objectives, risk tolerance, and time horizons, among other considerations:

### Equity

- Alpha Strategies - Equity portfolios where the initial starting universe is a broad index, and through a quantitative, rules-based investment process, stocks are selected with the objective of outperforming the benchmark index over long periods of time (i.e. generate Alpha). Alpha Strategies illustrate hypothetical performance of the quantitative investment process in the prospectus and marketing materials
- The Beta Strategies - Is a measure of a stock's (or portfolio's) volatility in relation to the rest of the market. Beta is calculated for individual companies using regression analysis.
- Alternative Strategies - A set of portfolios that invest in non-traditional asset classes, or employ investment strategies that are designed to maximize risk-return levels with lower correlation levels than traditional stock and bond investments
- Sector/Industry - Equity portfolios that are designed to track a particular sector or industry, and where stocks are selected by fundamental analysis or a quantitative process
- International/Global - Investments that provide exposure to non-U.S. markets by investing in stocks through American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) or through stocks that trade on foreign exchanges
- Index Based - Strategies where stocks are selected by quantitative stock selection, or by fundamental analysis, with the objective of providing a higher relative return over the index/benchmark
- Closed-end – A Strategy that seek to achieve their objectives by investing in a set of closed-end funds that meet certain criteria such as liquidity, market cap, discount to NAV, and dividend levels

### Fixed Income

- Tax-Free Fixed Income – Contain municipal bonds that are exempt from federal and/or state income taxes
- Taxable Fixed Income – Invest in a portfolio of corporate bonds and/or taxable municipal bonds such as Build America Bonds

### Risk of Loss

All investment strategies have certain risks that are borne by the investor. Our investment approach keeps the risk of loss in mind. Securities investments are not guaranteed and you may lose money on your investments.

## **Item 9 Disciplinary Information**

We are required to disclose any legal or disciplinary events that are material to a client's or prospective client's evaluation of our advisory business or the integrity of our management.

Our firm and our management personnel have no reportable disciplinary events to disclose.

## **Item 10 Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations**

Our firm and our related persons are not engaged in other financial industry activities and have no other industry affiliations.

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

Our firm has adopted a Code of Ethics which sets forth high ethical standards of business conduct that we require of our employees, including compliance with applicable federal securities laws.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. and our personnel owe a duty of loyalty, fairness and good faith towards our clients, and have an obligation to adhere not only to the specific provisions of the Code of Ethics but to the general principles that guide the Code.

Our Code of Ethics includes policies and procedures for the review of quarterly securities transactions reports as well as initial and annual securities holdings reports that must be submitted by the firm's access persons. Among other things, our Code of Ethics also requires the prior approval of any acquisition of securities in a limited offering (e.g., private placement) or an initial public offering. Our code also provides for oversight, enforcement and recordkeeping provisions.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc.'s Code of Ethics further includes the firm's policy prohibiting the use of material non-public information. While we do not believe that we have any particular access to non-public information, all employees are reminded that such information may not be used in a personal or professional capacity.

A copy of our Code of Ethics is available to our advisory clients and prospective clients. You may request a copy by email sent to [ron.niemaszyk@sfgalternatives.com](mailto:ron.niemaszyk@sfgalternatives.com), or by calling us at (866) 734-0131.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. and individuals associated with our firm are prohibited from engaging in principal transactions and agency cross transactions.

## **Item 12 Brokerage Practices**

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. does not have any soft-dollar arrangements and does not receive any soft-dollar benefits.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. requires that clients provide us with written authority to determine the broker-dealer to use and the commission costs that will be charged to our clients for these transactions.

Clients must include any limitations on this discretionary authority in this written authority statement. Clients may change/amend these limitations as required. Such amendments must be provided to us in writing.

Depending on client circumstances and needs, we may recommend the use of one of several brokers, provided that such recommendation is consistent with our firm's fiduciary duty to the client. Our clients must evaluate these brokers before opening an account. The factors considered by Solutions Funds Group, Inc. when making these recommendations are the broker's ability to provide professional services, our experience with the broker, the broker's reputation, the broker's quality of execution services and costs of such services, among other factors. Clients are not under any obligation to affect trades through any recommended broker.

As a matter of policy and practice, Solutions Funds Group, Inc. does not generally block client trades and, therefore, we implement client transactions separately for each account. Consequently, certain client trades may be executed before others, at a different price and/or commission rate. Additionally, our clients may not receive volume discounts available to advisers who block client trades.

## **Item 13 Review of Accounts**

### **MUTUAL FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

**REVIEWS:** Solutions Funds Group, Inc. continually reviews and monitors the Mutual Fund's holdings in accordance with the investment objectives as detailed in the Fund Prospectus and SAI.

**REPORTS:** Clients should refer to the Fund Prospectus and SAI for information regarding regular reports to the fund by Solutions Funds Group, Inc.

## **Item 14 Client Referrals and Other Compensation**



## **CLIENT REFERRALS**

Our firm may pay referral fees to independent persons or firms ("Solicitors") for introducing clients to us. Whenever we pay a referral fee, we require the Solicitor to provide the prospective client with a copy of this document (our *Firm Brochure*) and a separate disclosure statement that includes the following information:

- the Solicitor's name and relationship with our firm;
- the fact that the Solicitor is being paid a referral fee;
- the amount of the fee; and
- whether the fee paid to us by the client will be increased above our normal fees in order to compensate the Solicitor.

As a matter of firm practice, the advisory fees paid to us by clients referred by solicitors are not increased as a result of any referral.

It is Solutions Funds Group, Inc.'s policy not to accept or allow our related persons to accept any form of compensation, including cash, sales awards or other prizes, from a non-client in conjunction with the advisory services we provide to our clients.

### **Item 15 Custody**

Our firm does not have actual or constructive custody of client accounts.

### **Item 16 Investment Discretion**

Clients may hire us to provide discretionary asset management services, in which case we place trades in a client's account without contacting the client prior to each trade to obtain the client's permission.

Our discretionary authority includes the ability to do the following without contacting the client:

- Determine the security to buy or sell; and/or
- Determine the amount of the security to buy or sell

Clients give us discretionary authority when they sign a discretionary agreement with our firm, and may limit this authority by giving us written instructions. Clients may also change/amend such limitations by once again providing us with written instructions.

### **Item 17 Voting Client Securities**

We vote proxies for all client accounts; however, clients always have the right to vote proxies themselves. They can exercise this right by instructing us in writing to not vote proxies in their account.

We will vote proxies in the best interests of our clients and in accordance with our established policies and procedures. Our firm will retain all proxy voting books and records for the requisite period of time, including a copy of each proxy statement received, a record of each vote cast, a copy of any document created by us that was material to making a decision how to vote proxies, and a copy of each written client request for information on how the adviser voted proxies. If our firm has a conflict of interest in voting a particular action, we will notify the client of the conflict and retain an independent third-party to cast a vote.

Clients may obtain a copy of our complete proxy voting policies and procedures by contacting Ron Niemaszyk by telephone, email, or in writing. Clients may request, in writing, information on how proxies for his/her shares were voted. If any client requests a copy of our complete proxy policies and procedures or how we voted proxies for his/her account(s), we will promptly provide such information to the client.

We will neither advise nor act on behalf of the client in legal proceedings involving companies whose securities are held in the client's account(s), including, but not limited to, the filing of "Proofs of Claim" in class action settlements. If desired, clients may direct us to transmit copies of class action notices to the client or a third party. Upon such direction, we will make commercially reasonable efforts to forward such notices in a timely manner.

You can instruct us to vote proxies according to particular criteria (for example, to always vote with management, or to vote for or against a proposal to allow a so-called "poison pill" defense against a possible takeover). These requests must be made in writing. You can also instruct us on how to cast your vote in a particular proxy contest by contacting us at 300 Village Green Drive, Suite 210, Lincolnshire, IL 60069.

## **Item 18 Financial Information**

As an advisory firm that maintains discretionary authority for client accounts, we are also required to disclose any financial condition that is reasonable or likely to impair our ability to meet our contractual obligations. Solutions Funds Group, Inc. has no additional financial circumstances to report.

Under no circumstances do we require or solicit payment of fees in excess of \$1200 per client more than six months in advance of services rendered. Therefore, we are not required to include a financial statement.

Solutions Funds Group, Inc. has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition at any time during the past ten years.