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This Brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Global City Advisors, LLC. If you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure, please contact us at telephone number (805) 231-9629 and/or by email at [info@gcwma.com](mailto:info@gcwma.com).

The information in this Brochure has not been approved or verified by any state or federal securities authority.

Registration of an investment adviser does not imply any level of skill or training. The oral and written communications received from an adviser provide you with information about which to utilize in determining to hire or retain an investment adviser.

Additional information about Global City Advisors, LLC is also available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov).

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## ITEM 2 – MATERIAL CHANGES

### Item 2 - Material Changes

Global City Advisors, LLC. (“GCA” or the “Adviser”) has not yet filed an annual updating amendment using the ADV Form 2A. Therefore there are no material changes to report.

You will receive a summary of any materials changes to this and subsequent Brochures within 120 days of the Brochure as necessary based on changes or new information, at any time, without charge. Currently, our Brochure may be requested by contacting us at phone number (805) 231-9629 and/or by email at [info@gcwma.com](mailto:info@gcwma.com).

Additional information about GCA is also available via the SEC's web site [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). The SEC's web site also provides information about any persons affiliated with GCA who are registered, or are required to be registered, as Investment Adviser Representatives (“IARs”) of Adviser.

## ITEM 4 – ADVISORY SERVICES

### Item 4 – Advisory Services

#### General

GCA is a limited liability corporation formed in the State of California on or about March 2016. GCA is owned by Richard Moran.

#### Description of Advisory Services

GCA provides asset management, research, and other financial advice to high net worth individuals, institutions and corporations. GCA's investment advisory services are provided through various types of discretionary and non-discretionary accounts (the "Accounts") in accordance with each client's investment objectives and pursuant to the terms outlined in its investment advisory agreement. The Adviser's discretionary and non-discretionary investment management services include the design, structure, and implementation of investment strategies for managed Accounts. Investment activities focus on investments in various kinds of assets and securities in a variety of markets that are intended to fit within the client's objectives, strategies and risk profile as described by each client. The overall advisory services offered by GCA fall within the following categories:

#### ➤ ***Customized Discretionary Portfolios***

Adviser offers discretionary separately managed Accounts that are customized to each client. Managed Accounts may focus on investments in specified and limited kinds of assets and securities, in limited markets, or they may be broad-based across many asset classes and markets. Such accounts are intended to fit within the investor's objectives, strategies and risk profile as described by each client. The strategies utilized for these customized accounts may be similar to or may vary widely from the core strategies typically utilized by the Adviser, as further outlined in Item No. 8 or customized for each client based upon varying factors. Clients may place targets on these accounts and may restrict the types of investments made in such accounts.

General services may include: Investment Policy Statement & Definition; Asset Allocation Strategy; Investment Strategy & Manager Review.

Investment services may include: Review of Current Portfolios & Proposals; Determine Modifications, Create Timeline and Implement; Suggest Reasonable Fees for Products and Services; Provide Consolidated Reporting and Analysis; Ongoing Monitoring and Re-evaluation; Define or Affirm Wealth Transfer Desires; Succession Illustration and Definition.

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### ➤ ***Other Non-Discretionary Advisory Services***

Adviser provides non-discretionary advisory services to all types of clients in accordance with a non-discretionary advisory agreement between Adviser and the client. Each agreement typically defines the services to be provided and if a fee is charged, which is outlined in the advisory agreement. Adviser also provides recommendations and research regarding the investment of securities and cash in a client's account. These services are individually tailored to each client's needs and such advice may be provided to accounts with assets maintained at various third parties.

### ➤ ***Family Office Services***

The Adviser may offer family office investment advisory services. Such services include, but are not limited to furnishing advice to clients on matters not involving securities, such as financial planning matters, retirement planning, real estate planning, trust services that often include estate planning and educational services.

The Adviser's services also include providing personalized confidential financial planning, investment management and financial advisory, as well as family office services to individuals, corporations, trusts and charitable organizations worldwide. Advice is provided through consultation with the client and may include: determination of financial objectives, identification of financial problems, cash flow management, insurance review, investment management, education funding, retirement planning, estate planning, real estate analysis and educational services.

### ➤ ***Selection of other Advisers***

The Adviser may from time-to-time engage the services of sub-advisers to assist or manage client portfolios and related funds. Such activities include, but are not limited to the selection and monitoring of client portfolios, as well as asset allocation and continued analysis related to the Adviser's portfolio management services. Sub-advisers services are contracted by the Adviser and are compensated pursuant to the terms of a formalized agreement. GCA may engage related parties to act as a sub-adviser. In the event GCA notes a potential conflict of interest may exist, it will provide appropriate disclosures to the clients.

### ➤ ***Other Services***

Adviser may provide additional services for clients from time to time as agreed between the client and the Adviser.

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### **Additional General Information**

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

GCA's investment advisory agreements may not be assigned without client consent. GCA does not currently participate in any Wrap Fee Programs, and as it is a newly formed adviser, as such does not currently have any regulatory assets under management ("AUM").

## ITEM 5 – FEES AND COMPENSATION

### Item 5 – Fees and Compensation

#### Basic fee schedule

The specific manner in which fees are charged by Adviser is established in each client's written agreement with Adviser. Generally and pursuant to contract, fees for the management of Accounts will be based upon a percentage of the total assets in the account (including margined assets). Adviser typically receives an annual management fee, ranging between .75% to 1.25% of the net asset value of the Account. All fees are negotiable. Adviser may enter into flat fee arrangements from time to time, typically for administrative services provided to clients or client Accounts.

Basic Management Fee Schedule	
Account Value	Fee Percentage
Over \$50,000,000	.75%
\$25,000,000 to \$49,999,999	.85%
\$10,000,000 to \$24,999,999	1.00%
Up to \$9,999,999	1.25%

#### Calculation and Deduction of Advisory Fees

With respect to accounts that Adviser manages on a discretionary basis, including the specialized discretionary programs, clients are generally required to authorize Adviser to directly debit management fees from client accounts on a quarterly basis. Fees for Family Wealth Services and other non-discretionary programs are billed to clients, although frequently clients pre-authorize their custodians to automatically deduct the fees from the client's account and to make payment to Adviser. Management fees are deducted or billed, as applicable, on a quarterly basis in arrears. The Adviser may from time-to-time bill fees in advance as negotiated with each individual client.

A client may pay more or less fees than similar clients depending on the particular circumstances of the client, size, additional or differing levels of servicing or as otherwise agreed with specific clients. Clients that negotiate fees, including a flat fee, may end up paying a higher fee than that set forth above as a result of fluctuations in the client's assets under management and account performance.

In the event the Adviser bills fees in advance, refunds are given on a prorated basis, based on



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the number of days remaining in a quarter at the point of termination. Fees that are collected in advance will be refunded based on the prorated amount of work completed up to the day of termination within the quarter terminated. The fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the daily rate\* times the number of days in the quarter up to and including the day of termination. (\*The daily rate is calculated by dividing the quarterly AUM fee by the number of days in the termination quarter). Clients may terminate their contracts without penalty, for full refund, within 5 business days of signing the advisory contract. Advisory fees are withdrawn directly from the client's accounts with client written authorization.

### **Additional Fee Information**

Clients may authorize the Adviser to directly debit management fees from client accounts on a monthly basis. In such instances, management fees are prorated for each capital contribution and withdrawal made during the applicable calendar quarter. Accounts initiated or terminated during a calendar quarter will be charged a prorated fee.

Alternatively, in some instances, clients may receive an invoice for fees, in which it may choose to pay GCA directly for its billed fees for the relevant period.

Adviser's fees are exclusive of brokerage commissions, transaction fees, and other related costs and expenses which shall be incurred directly by the client. Clients may incur certain charges imposed by custodians, brokers, and other third parties such as fees charged by fund managers, custodial fees, deferred sales charges, odd-lot differentials, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic funds fees, and other fees and taxes on brokerage account and securities transactions. Mutual funds and exchange traded funds also charge internal management fees, which are disclosed in a fund's prospectus. It is the Adviser's policy not to accept "kick-backs" or retrocession fees from any non-affiliated (third) party providing services to the Adviser's clients.

### **Termination of the Agreement**

Although an Agreement between GCA and its clients are ongoing agreements 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 with a (30) thirty day advance notice or as agreed upon otherwise between the client and the Adviser.

If an agreement is terminated during a period in which the client has already paid GCA its advisory fees in advance, then the Adviser will reimburse, on a pro-rated basis, the remaining advisory fees collected for any service not rendered; these fees will be sent to the client's address of record, unless otherwise directed by the client, within (30) days of termination of the agreement.

## ITEM 6 – PERFORMANCE BASED FEES AND SIDE-BY-SIDE MANAGEMENT

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

GCA charges a management fee and in some cases may charge a performance fee. Adviser structures performance fee arrangements subject to Section 205(a)(1) of the Adviser's Act in accordance with the available exemptions thereunder, including the exemption set forth in Rule 205-3. Such performance fees would generally be between 5% to 20%. Performance fees are individually negotiated with each client and may be subject to a High Water Mark. Typically, the fee will be charged on a quarterly basis in arrears.

The term "High Water Mark" shall mean that no performance fee will be paid for recoupment of losses. Thus, if the net asset value of the Account (excluding the performance fee) at the end of a calculation period falls below the net asset value at the end of any previous calculation period, no performance fee will be owed to the Adviser for the calculation period then ended. The Adviser will only be entitled to a further performance fee once the net asset value of the Account exceeds the highest net asset value of the Account for all previous calculation periods. The High Water Mark is adjusted for contributions to and withdrawals from the Account. Each client is provided with additional information on the fees payable by their Account, including with respect to the High Water Mark, if any, in their advisory agreement.

Performance based fee arrangements may create an incentive for Adviser to recommend investments which may be riskier or more speculative than those which would be recommended under a different fee arrangement. Performance fee arrangements may also create an incentive to favor higher fee paying accounts over other accounts in the allocation of investment opportunities. Adviser has procedures designed and implemented to ensure that all clients are treated fairly and equally, and to prevent this conflict from influencing the allocation of investment opportunities among clients. The Adviser may have clients with similar investment objectives. The Adviser is permitted to make an investment decision on behalf of clients that differs from decisions made for, or advice given to, such other accounts and clients faith and follows a policy of allocating, over a period of time, investment opportunities on a basis intended to be fair and equitable, taking into consideration the investment policies and investment restrictions to which such accounts and clients are subject.

## ITEM 7 – TYPES OF CLIENTS

### **Item 7 – Types of Clients**

GCA provides asset and/or portfolio management services to high net worth individuals, corporations and institutions or other entities. The minimum dollar value for establishing an Account is generally \$1MM. Initial investments of a lesser amount may be accepted at Adviser's discretion.

## ITEM 8 – METHODS OF ANALYSIS, INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND RISK OF LOSS

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

#### General Investment Strategies and Methods of Analysis

Adviser has arrangements with third party service providers through which Adviser receives general macroeconomic analyses of economies, currencies, markets and market sectors. Such third parties also provide research reports on specific securities, sample asset allocations and administrative services. Adviser uses such information and services as a tool and Adviser also performs its own research and due diligence on advisers and investment opportunities. Adviser makes investment allocation decisions based on each client's investment objectives and risk tolerance, among other factors. Adviser identifies, structures, monitors, invests and liquidates investments in discretionary accounts. The design and day-to-day management of client portfolios is determined by Adviser through the assigned portfolio manager. Such third party service providers do not have access to or knowledge of information concerning the specific investment decisions and recommendations made to Adviser's clients.

Through Adviser's strategy, Adviser seeks asset preservation and capital appreciation of clients' portfolios by customizing asset allocations and selecting investment vehicles that it believes will align clients' risk / return expectations with long term and short term investment needs and goals. The asset class allocations forecasts and expectations are analyzed and invested in various financial instruments, typically include equity, fixed income, options and alternative investments. Adviser will select and monitor the investment vehicles for each asset class in the portfolios based on their history and prospective risk and return characteristics, and determine suitability for each client's needs, as well as, estimated fees and expense.

#### Material Risks for Significant Investment Strategies

While it is the intention of Adviser to implement strategies which are designed to minimize potential losses suffered by its client, there can be no assurance that such strategies will be successful. It is possible that a client may lose a substantial proportion or all of its assets in connection with investment decisions made by Adviser. The following is a discussion of typical risks for Adviser's clients, but it does not purport to be a complete explanation of the risks involved with Adviser's investment strategies.

There is no guarantee that in any time period, particularly in the short term, a client's portfolio will achieve appreciation in terms of capital growth or that a client's investment objective will be met by Adviser.

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The value of the securities in which Adviser invests on behalf of its clients may be volatile. Price movements may result from factors affecting individual companies, sectors or industries that may influence certain strategies or the securities market as a whole. Furthermore, a client will be subject to the risk that inflation, economic recession, changes in the general level of interest rates or other market conditions over which Adviser will have no control may adversely affect investment results.

Adviser notes that while Adviser's management of accounts may not involve direct leveraging, or other risk factors discussed below, the underlying funds and other investments that comprise client accounts may engage in practices that can materially impact the performance of such fund or investment, which in turn may materially impact the value of Adviser's clients' portfolios.

### Hedging transactions may increase risks of capital losses

Adviser utilizes hedging strategies primarily to protect and preserve capital as well as yield enhancement. Investment products in which Adviser invests clients' accounts may utilize a variety of financial instruments, such as options, for risk management purposes. While hedging transactions may seek to reduce risk, such transactions may result in a worse overall performance. Certain risks cannot be hedged, such as credit risk, relating both to particular securities and counterparties. Adviser will not always invest in funds or other investment vehicles that utilize hedging strategies.

### Liquidity of investment portfolio

The market for some securities in which Adviser invests indirectly on behalf of its clients may be relatively illiquid. Liquidity relates to the ability to sell an investment in a timely manner. The market for relatively illiquid securities tends to be more volatile than the market for more liquid securities. Investments in relatively illiquid securities may restrict the ability of a fund or portfolio manager to dispose of investments at a price and time that it wishes to do so. The risk of illiquidity also arises in the case of over-the-counter transactions. There is no regulated market in such contracts and the bid and offer prices will be established solely by dealers in these contracts. Client accounts that are invested in funds or other instruments that contain illiquid investments may be subject to these risks.

### Foreign currency markets

Adviser's investment strategies may cause a client to be exposed to fluctuations in currency exchange rates where it invests directly or indirectly in securities denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. Adviser does not engage in direct foreign currency trading. However, the underlying funds and other investment vehicles may engage in direct foreign currency

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trading. The markets in which foreign exchange transactions are effected are highly volatile, highly specialized and highly technical. Significant changes, including changes in liquidity and prices, can occur in such markets within very short periods of time, often within minutes. Foreign exchange trading risks include, but are not limited to, exchange rate risk, interest rate risk and potential interference by foreign governments through regulation of local exchange markets, foreign investment, or particular transactions in foreign currency.

### Derivatives

Adviser's investment strategy may cause a client to be exposed to derivatives including instruments and contracts the value of which is linked to one or more underlying securities, financial benchmarks or indices. Derivatives allow an investor to hedge or speculate upon the price movements of a particular security, financial benchmark, index, currency or interest rate at a fraction of the cost of investing in the underlying asset. The value of a derivative depends largely upon price movements in the underlying asset. Therefore, many of the risks applicable to trading the underlying asset are also applicable to derivatives trading. However, there are a number of other risks associated with derivatives trading. For example, because many derivatives provide significantly more market exposure than the money paid or deposited when the transaction is entered into, a relatively small adverse market movement can result not only in the loss of the entire investment, but may also expose a client to the possibility of a loss exceeding the original amount invested.

### Settlement risks

Adviser's investment strategies may expose a client to the credit risk of parties with whom Adviser, on behalf of the client or the underlying funds, trades and to the risk of settlement default. Market practices in the emerging markets in relation to the settlement of securities transactions and custody of assets will provide increased risk. Although the emerging markets have grown rapidly over the last few years, the clearing, settlement and registration systems available to affect trades on such markets are significantly less developed than those in more mature world markets which can result in delays and other material difficulties in settling trades and in registering transfers of securities. Problems of settlement in these markets may affect the net asset value and liquidity of a client's portfolio or investments in such portfolios.

### Emerging Markets

Adviser's investment strategies include direct and indirect investments in securities in emerging markets and such investments involve special considerations and risks. These include a possibility of nationalization, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, foreign exchange control, political changes, government regulation, social instability or diplomatic developments which could affect adversely the economies of such countries or the value of a client's investments,

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and the risks of investing in countries with smaller capital markets, such as limited liquidity, price volatility, restrictions on foreign investment and repatriation of capital, and the risks associated with emerging economies, including high inflation and interest rates and political and social uncertainties. In addition, it may be difficult to obtain and enforce a judgment in a court in an emerging country. The economies of many emerging market countries are still in the early stages of modern development and are subject to abrupt and unexpected change. In many cases, governments retain a high degree of direct control over the economy and may take actions having sudden and widespread effects. Investments in products of emerging market may also become illiquid which may constrain Adviser's ability to realize some or all of a client's portfolio holdings. Accounting standards in emerging market countries may not be as stringent as accounting standards in developed countries.

### **Investment Concentration**

Some client accounts may have a high concentration in one sector, industry, issuer or security that may subject such accounts to greater risk of loss in the event such investments take an economic downturn.

### **Material Risks for Particular Types of Securities**

The Adviser does not invest primarily in a specific security or type of security. The material risks involved with investing are described above.

## ITEM 9 – DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION

### Item 9 - Disciplinary Information

Investment advisers are required to disclose all material facts regarding any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to your evaluation of an adviser or the integrity of the adviser's management. Adviser has no information applicable to this Item. Please visit [www.advisorinfo@sec.gov](http://www.advisorinfo@sec.gov) at any time to view GCA's registration information and any applicable disciplinary action.



## ITEM 10 – OTHER FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATES

### Item 10 – Other Financial Activities and Affiliates

#### **Broker-Dealer Registration**

GCA is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as a broker-dealer and none of its management persons are registered and/or associated with a broker-dealer.

#### **Commodity Pool Operator, Commodity Trading Adviser, Futures Commission Merchant Registration**

Adviser nor its management or associated persons are registered or associated with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) as a futures commission merchant (“FCM”), a commodity pool operator (“CPO”) or a commodity trading advisor (“CTA”) or an associated person of the foregoing entities.

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

### Code of Ethics and Personal Trading Policies

Adviser has adopted a Code of Ethics pursuant to Rule 204A-I of the Advisers Act in an effort to prevent violations of federal securities laws. Adviser expects all employees to act with honesty, integrity and professionalism and to adhere to federal securities laws.

All officers, directors, partners and employees of the Adviser and any other person who provides advice on behalf of Adviser are subject to Adviser's control and supervision (collectively referred to as "Supervised Persons") are required to adhere to the Code.

### Prevention of Insider Trading

Adviser has adopted policies designed to prevent insider trading that is more fully described in the Code. Adviser's policy on insider trading applies to securities trading and information handling by all Supervised Persons of Adviser (including spouses, minor children and adult members of their households and any other relative of a Supervised Person on whose behalf Supervised Person is acting) for their own account or the account of any client of Adviser.

Adviser takes its obligation to detect and prevent insider trading with the utmost seriousness. Adviser may impose penalties for breaches of the policies and procedures contained in this manual, even in the absence of any indication of insider trading. Depending on the nature of the breach, penalties may include a letter of censure, profit "give ups," fines, referrals to regulatory and self-regulatory bodies and dismissal.

### Personal Securities Transactions

#### *Periodic Reports*

As more fully described in the Code, "access persons" are required to submit reports detailing their personal securities holdings to the Chief Compliance Officer on an initial basis, a quarterly basis, and an annual basis.

As an alternative to submitting quarterly transaction reports, Adviser requires persons who are "access persons" to submit brokerage statements or trade confirmations as long as such

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documents contain the information required under Rule 204A-I(b)(2)(i)(A)-(E) under the Advisers Act.

### *Initial Public Offerings and Limited Public Offerings*

Access Persons must obtain prior written approval from the Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer before investing in initial public offerings (“IPOs”) or limited offerings (i.e., private placements).

### *Review of Personal Securities Reports*

The Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer (or its designee) is responsible for reviewing the Access Person’s Quarterly Transaction Reports as well as the Initial Holdings Report and the Annual Holdings Report as part of Adviser’s duty to maintain and enforce its Code.

### **Outside Business Activities and Private Investments of Employees**

Unless otherwise consented by the Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer, all employees are required to devote their full time and efforts Adviser’s business. As such, no person may make use of either his or her position as an employee or information acquired during employment, or make personal investments in a manner that may create a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between the employee’s personal interests and Adviser’s interests. Accordingly, every employee is required to complete a disclosure form and have the form approved by Adviser’s Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer prior to serving in any of the capacities or making any of the investments more fully described in the Code.

### **Reporting Violations**

All Supervised Persons (any officer, director, partner and employee of Adviser) are required to report actual or known violations or suspected violations of Adviser’s Code promptly to the Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer or his designee.

Any report of a violation or suspected violation of the Code will be treated as confidential to the extent permitted by law. As part of Adviser’s obligations to conduct an annual review of all of its policies and procedures pursuant to Rule 206(4)-7 of the Advisers Act, the Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer shall review on an annual basis the adequacy of the Code and the effectiveness of its implementation.

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### **Recordkeeping**

Adviser maintains the following:

- Copies of the Code;
- Records of violations of the Code and actions taken as a result of the violations;
- Copies of Adviser's supervised persons' written acknowledgement of receipt of the Code;
- Records of Access Persons' personal trading — Initial Holdings Reports, Annual Holdings Reports, and Quarterly Transaction Reports, including any information provided under Rule 204A-1(b)(3)(iii) in lieu of such reports, i.e., brokerage confirmations and transaction reports;
- A record of the names of Adviser's "Access Persons";
- Records of decisions, and the reasons supporting the decision to approve an Access Person's acquisition of securities in initial public offerings or limited offerings; and
- Records of decisions, and the reasons supporting the decision to approve the Chief Compliance Officer's acquisition of securities in initial public offerings or limited offerings.

### **Acknowledgement of the Code**

Each employee will execute a written statement certifying that the employee has (i) received a copy of Adviser's Code; (ii) read and understands the importance of strict adherence to such policies and procedures; and (iii) agreed to comply with the Code.

### **Training and Education**

All Supervised Persons, i.e., all employees, are to receive training on complying with the Code on an annual basis as part of Adviser's annual employee compliance review meeting to ensure that all employees fully understand their duties and obligations and how to comply with the Policy's procedures.

### **Copies of Adviser's Code**

A copy of Adviser's Code is available upon request. For a copy, please contact Adviser at (805) 231-9629.

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### **Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Associated Conflicts of Interest**

Adviser may recommend or invest in securities, including funds, issued or managed by its affiliates (or where the affiliate acts as general partner) in which its affiliates have a material financial interest. Adviser has policies that require personnel who develop advice and recommendations for clients to render only disinterested and impartial advice to clients and to comply with other fiduciary obligations, including having an adequate basis in fact for all recommendations and an obligation to recommend only investments that are suitable for the particular client.

The potential conflicts of interest involved in any such transactions are generally governed by Adviser's Code. Pursuant to the stipulations of the Code, Adviser or a related person may buy or sell for itself securities that it also recommends to clients. The potential conflicts of interest involved in such transactions are governed by the Code, which establishes sanctions if its requirements are violated and requires that Adviser and employees place the interests of Adviser's clients above their own.

### **Investments in Securities by Adviser and its Personnel**

Adviser's personnel or a related person of Adviser may invest in the same or similar securities and investments as those recommended to or entered into on behalf of Adviser's clients. The results of the investment activities of Adviser's personnel or related persons for their accounts may differ from the results achieved by or for client accounts managed by Adviser. The conflicts raised by these circumstances are discussed below.

Adviser may recommend or effect the purchase or sale of securities in which its related persons or an affiliate, directly or indirectly, has a position or interest, or of which related or affiliated person buys or sells for itself. Such transactions may also include trading in securities in a manner inconsistent with the advice given to Adviser's clients.

Activities and transactions for client accounts may be impaired or effected at prices or terms that may be less favorable than would otherwise have been the case had Adviser or related persons not pursued a particular course of action with respect to the issuer of the securities. In addition, in certain instances Adviser's personnel may obtain information about the issuer that could limit the ability of such personnel to buy or sell securities of the issuer on behalf of client accounts.

Transactions undertaken by Adviser's clients may also adversely impact one or more client accounts. Other clients of the Adviser may have, as a result of receiving client reports or

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otherwise, access to information regarding Adviser's transactions or views that may affect their transactions outside of accounts controlled by Adviser, and such transactions may negatively impact other clients' accounts. A client's account may also be adversely affected by cash flows and market movements arising from purchase and sale transactions by, as well as increases of capital in and withdrawals of capital from, other clients' accounts. These effects can be more pronounced in less liquid markets.

The results of the investment activities of a client's account may differ significantly from the results achieved by Advisers related persons and from the results achieved by Adviser for other client accounts.

As more fully described above, Adviser has adopted a Code of Ethics. Such Code of Ethics together with Advisers policies and procedures restrict the ability of certain officers and employees of Adviser from engaging in securities transactions in any securities that its clients have purchased, sold or considered for purchase or sale, for an appropriate "black out" period. Other restrictions and reporting requirements are included in Advisers procedures and Code of Ethics minimize or eliminate conflicts of interest.

### **Trading Alongside by Adviser and its Personnel**

Client accounts managed by Adviser may trade in the same or similar securities at or about the same time as accounts managed or advised by affiliates of the Adviser. Investments by Adviser's affiliates and their clients may have the effect of diluting or otherwise disadvantaging the values, prices or investment strategies of a client's account, particularly in small capitalization, emerging market or less liquid strategies. This may occur when portfolio decisions regarding a client's account are based on research or other information that is also used to support portfolio decisions for Adviser's affiliates. If a portfolio decision or strategy for Adviser's affiliates' accounts or the accounts of clients of affiliates is implemented ahead of, or contemporaneously with, similar portfolio decisions or strategies for Adviser's client's account, market impact, liquidity constraints, or other factors could result in the account receiving less favorable trading results and the costs of implementing such portfolio decisions or strategies could be increased.

### **Errors**

Errors may occur from time to time in transactions for client accounts. The Adviser will typically correct any such errors that are the fault of the Adviser or an affiliate at no cost to the client, other than costs that the Adviser deems immaterial. To the extent that the subsequent sale of such securities generates a profit to the Adviser, the Adviser may retain such profits, and may, but is not required to, use such profits to offset errors in the future or pay other client-related

## ITEM 11 – CODE OF ETHICS, PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS AND PERSONAL TRADING

expenses. The Adviser will not be responsible for any errors that occur that are not the fault of the Adviser or any affiliate.

### **Privacy Policy**

Adviser considers your privacy our utmost concern. Adviser does not share any information of clients with nonaffiliated third parties, except such information may be disclosed as necessary to process a transaction an investor has requested, to the extent the investor specifically authorized the disclosure, to service providers or joint marketers who agree to limit their use of such information, and to the extent required or specifically permitted by law or reasonably necessary to prevent fraud, unauthorized transactions or liability.

When Adviser discloses non-public personal information of clients to a non-affiliated third party that provides services to Adviser or engages in joint marketing, Adviser shall:

- notify investors of the possibility of such disclosure; and
- enter into a contractual agreement with the third party that prohibits the third party from disclosing or using the investors' information other than to carry out the purposes for which the information was disclosed to the third party.

In particular, Adviser may enter, in compliance with the above conditions, into an agreement with a non-affiliated third party to store the records of Adviser clients and investors including electronic and e-mail records.

For more information about Adviser's privacy policies or to request a brochure describing Adviser's privacy policies contact Adviser at (805) 231-9629.

## ITEM 12 – BROKERAGE PRACTICES

### Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

As part of GCA's relationship with its clients, its Investment Advisory Agreement provides that client may restrict the discretion and direct brokerage to any broker-dealer. The Adviser is authorized in its Investment Advisory Agreement to select other securities brokers, unless the client directs otherwise in the Agreement.

Typically, GCA considers which broker-dealer will be able to effect the transaction efficiently. Additionally, the research and services provided by the broker-dealer with respect to the particular type of investment may be a factor in the selection process. The commissions payable to such broker-dealers may in certain cases be higher than those attainable from other broker-dealers who do not provide such research and services. Ordinarily, such research will be used to service all of the Adviser's accounts. Under the Adviser's standard Investment Advisory Agreement, the client can revoke the Adviser's authority to select the broker-dealer for the accounts.

#### **Research and Other Soft Dollar Arrangements**

GCA's policy is to only use "soft" or commission dollars to the extent that such expenses come within Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Section 28(e)"). Section 28(e) provides a "safe harbor" to investment managers that use commission dollars of their advised accounts to obtain investment research and brokerage services that provide lawful and appropriate assistance to the investment manager in performing investment decision-making responsibilities. Conduct outside of the safe harbor afforded by Section 28(e) is subject to the traditional standards of fiduciary duty under state and federal law. Items for which we may use soft dollars, and that fall within the safe harbor, include:

- research seminars and similar programs (however, travel expenses, meals and hotel accommodations are not included);
- computer analyses of securities portfolios;
- economic factors and trends as well as political analysis;
- third party research, provided that the broker is contractually obligated to pay the provider of the service or products and does not merely act as a conduit to pass on the Adviser's commissions to the provider of the services to satisfy the Adviser's obligation.

The Adviser may from time to time enter into formal or informal arrangements with certain brokers ("Soft Dollar Brokers") whereby the provision of research or brokerage execution services is explicitly dependent on the level of commissions and underwriting concessions



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generated by the client accounts. In selecting Soft Dollar Brokers to initiate soft dollar transactions, GCA will consider the capabilities of the Soft Dollar Broker to provide best execution. GCA does not currently have a formal soft dollar arrangement with a Soft Dollar Broker.

Research services received from Soft Dollar Brokers will be used to supplement and augment GCA's own research capabilities, and will directly assist in its investment decision-making process. Soft Dollar Brokers also may provide execution-related products and services, including trade execution and electronic access to broker networks, in exchange for commission business.

All products and services that are paid for with client transaction charges are of the type described in Section 28(e). All products and services that are paid for with soft dollars are reviewed and approved to ensure that the product or service provides lawful and appropriate assistance in the performance of our investment decision-making activities. In addition, a determination will be made as to whether the amount of the commissions paid is reasonable in light of the value of the products or services provided. Section 28(e) permits products and services obtained by soft dollars to be used for any or all client accounts.

### **Brokerage for Client Referrals**

Adviser does not direct brokerage to particular brokers in consideration for client referrals.

## ITEM 13 – REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS

### Item 13 – Review of Accounts

Accounts are typically reviewed by the Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer on a periodic basis or as needed due to market conditions or transactional activity. The Chief Executive Officer/Chief Compliance Officer typically reviews daily transactions entered into for investment advisory clients to determine that correct entries have been made for all client records.

#### **Factors Triggering a Review**

There are no specific triggering factors leading to a review.

#### **Client Reports**

Clients of the Adviser with discretionary accounts receive quarterly reports from their qualified Custodian. The Adviser will provide a performance report quarterly or as agreed between the Adviser and the client.

## ITEM 14 – CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION

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

GCA, from time to time, receives client referrals, and such referrals often come from current clients, attorneys, accountants, employees, personal friends of employees and other similar sources. Furthermore, GCA does not currently accept referral fees or any form of remuneration from other professionals when a prospect or client is referred to them.

## ITEM 15 – CUSTODY

### **Item 15 – Custody**

All assets are typically held at qualified custodians, which means the custodians provide account statements directly to clients at their address of record at least quarterly. Therefore, aside from debiting fees from its clients' accounts to pay for services rendered, GCA does not maintain custody of its clients' funds. Clients receive monthly or quarterly statements from the broker-dealer, bank or other qualified custodian that holds and maintains the client's investment assets.

## ITEM 16 – INVESTMENT DISCRETION

### Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Adviser receives discretionary authority from the client at the outset of an advisory relationship to select the identity and amount of securities to be bought or sold. In all cases, however, such discretion is to be exercised in a manner consistent with the stated investment objectives for the particular client account. With respect to Adviser's discretionary programs and accounts, GCA is generally conferred with discretionary authority to make the following determinations without obtaining the consent of the client before a transaction is effected:

- which securities are to be bought or sold;
- the total amount of the securities to be bought or sold;
- the broker or dealer through whom securities are to be bought or sold; and,
- the commission rates at which securities transactions for client accounts are effected.

When selecting securities and determining amounts, Adviser observes the investment policies, limitations and restrictions of the clients for which it advises. Investment guidelines and restrictions must be provided to Adviser in writing.

## ITEM 17 – VOTING CLIENT SECURITIES

### Item 17 – Voting Client Securities

Adviser generally votes proxies relating to securities held in discretionary client accounts. Arrangements may also be made to forward the proxies to clients for their voting if the client instructs otherwise. If Adviser votes a proxy, a record of how Adviser has voted is available free of charge and will be provided upon a client's request. SEC-registered advisers that have the authority to vote proxies (which authority may be implied from a general grant of investment discretion) are required to adopt policies and procedures reasonably designed to ensure, among other things, that the adviser votes proxies in the best interests of its clients. Advisers also must maintain certain records on proxy voting. Adviser's proxy voting policies and procedures are set out below.

Additional information will be provided at the request of a client. In accounts where Adviser votes proxies, Adviser will determine to vote a proxy depending on, among other things, the cost of analyzing the proxy compared to the expected benefit of the vote to its clients, the subject of the proxy and the size of the position the clients hold in the issuer (proxies of issuers in which clients hold a small position are less likely to be voted than those for issuers in which clients have made a controlling investment). In determining how to vote individual proxies, Adviser shall take into account the best interests of its clients as well as any potential conflicts of interest among its clients and Adviser or its affiliates. Adviser or its delegate shall make and keep a written record of how all proxies have been voted on behalf of clients. Adviser is responsible for identifying any potential conflicts of interest that may arise in the proxy voting process. Examples of conflicts may include situations where Adviser or its affiliates have a material business relationship with a proponent of a proxy proposal, which may influence how the vote is cast, or has a business or personal relationship with participants in a proxy contest, directors, or candidates for directorships (other than by virtue of Adviser employee's status as a director of the company). Adviser will refer any such conflicts of interest to the Designated Principals for resolution.

Adviser will retain (i) its proxy voting policies and procedures; (ii) proxy statements received regarding client securities (Adviser may rely on proxy statements filed on the SEC's EDGAR system instead of keeping its own copies); (iii) records of votes cast on behalf of clients; (iv) records of clients requests for proxy voting information, and (v) any specific documents Adviser prepared that were material to making a decision how to vote, or that memorialized the basis for the decision.

## ITEM 18 – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### **Item 18 – Financial Information**

Adviser has no financial commitment that impairs its ability to meet contractual and fiduciary commitments to clients. Also, the Adviser has not been the subject of a bankruptcy proceeding.

## ITEM 19 – BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND INFORMATION SECURITY

### Item 19 - Business Continuity and Information Security

#### **Business Continuity Plan**

GCA 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 persons. 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 are identified to support ongoing operations in the event the main office is unavailable. It is our intention to contact all clients promptly after a disaster that dictates moving our office to an alternate location.

#### **Privacy and Information Security**

GCA maintains an information security program to reduce the risk that your personal and confidential information may be breached. Furthermore, GCA 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.

We maintain a secure office to ensure that your information is not placed at unreasonable risk. We employ a firewall barrier and use other 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.



## PART 2B – BROCHURE SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION

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*April 2016*

This Brochure Supplement provides information about the supervised persons listed below that supplements the Global City Advisors, LLC brochure. You should have received a copy of that Brochure. Please contact Richard Moran, Chief Compliance Officer if you did not receive GCA's brochure or if you have any questions or concerns with this information.

#### List of Supervised Person(s)

Richard Moran - Chief Executive Officer and Chief Compliance Officer

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Additional information about the above supervised persons is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov).

# RICHARD MORAN – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER & CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

## Richard Moran – Chief Executive Officer and Chief Compliance Officer

### ***Item 1 – Educational Background and Business Experience***

Richard Moran (“Mr. Moran”) was born in 1959. Mr. Moran has held executive and senior management positions at wealth management companies including President at Symetra Investment Services, President & Chief Operating Officer at Capital Guardian, Senior Vice President & Director of Investment Consulting Services at UBS Wealth Management and Managing Director at Bear Stearns. Mr. Moran earned a bachelor’s degree in economics at the University of Massachusetts and holds a Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst designation. He has been active in industry organizations including RIIA, FINRA & SIFMA.

### ***Item 2 - Disciplinary Information***

Registered investment advisers are required to disclose all material facts regarding any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to your evaluation of each supervised person providing investment advice. No information is applicable to this Item.

### ***Item 3 - Other Business Activities***

No items to disclose at this time.

### ***Item 4 - Additional Compensation***

No items to disclose at this time.

### ***Item 5 - Supervision***

Due to Mr. Moran’s senior management position, the Adviser has established provisions whereby an independent third party conducts an annual compliance program review, which is targeted at assessing overall compliance of the Adviser.