

## **POINT BREAK CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC**

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Point Break Capital Management, LLC is an investment adviser registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Registration with the SEC does not imply that Point Break or its employees possess a certain level of skill or training.

Additional information about Point Break 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**

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There were no material changes to Point Break Capital Management, LLC's Form ADV filings from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018 to the end of 2019.

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## **ITEM 4 — ADVISORY BUSINESS**

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### **Adviser's Advisory Business**

Point Break provides discretionary investment management services to Point Break Capital L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership (the “Partnership” or the “Client”), the limited partners of which are a small group of high net-worth individuals and sophisticated investors. Point Break was established in February 2012 and is 99% owned by Alexandre Pérez.

Mr. Pérez is also a member and a minority shareholder of the Partnership's general partner, Point Break Capital GP Ltd (the “General Partner”).

### **Types of Advisory Services**

Point Break manages investments for the Partnership on a discretionary basis and seeks to achieve absolute returns by managing and executing its own investment strategies.

Point Break typically invests the majority of the Partnership's assets in fixed income securities, including emerging market sovereign and corporate bonds. From time to time, it expresses macroeconomic views through interest rates, foreign exchange and credit derivatives. Public and private equity and equity-linked products are also used in the portfolio construction.

There is no assurance that the investment decisions made by Point Break will generate positive returns for the Partnership. Point Break may significantly change its investment strategy without seeking the prior consent of the Partnership or its General Partner.

### **Investment Restrictions**

The Partnership may impose restrictions on investments in certain securities or types of securities. Point Break retains the right to terminate any investment management agreement if it believes that the investment restrictions requested are inconsistent with Point Break's investment strategy and methodology.

### **Assets under Management**

Point Break manages client assets on a discretionary basis only and had approximately \$2,373,162,000 of regulatory assets under management as of December 31, 2019.

## **ITEM 5 — FEES AND COMPENSATION**

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### **Point Break's Basic Advisory Fees**

In consideration for the services provided, Point Break is paid a flat fee which is subject to periodic renegotiations ("Advisory Fee"). From time to time, the General Partner is also likely to determine, in its sole discretion but with the prior consent of Point Break, additional payments based on several factors including the performance, quality and relevance of the services it received ("Additional Advisory Fee").

### **Deduction of Fees**

Point Break is not authorized to, and does not, deduct fees from the Partnership's assets. The General Partner is typically billed monthly in advance.

### **Other Fees and Expenses**

In addition to the advisory fees, Point Break may also be entitled to reimbursements of pre-approved expenses that were incurred in relation with the performance of its duties under the investment management agreement.

Point Break's fees are exclusive of brokerage commissions, transaction fees, mark-ups and mark-downs, and other related costs and expenses, which are borne by the Partnership. The Partnership may incur certain charges imposed by custodians, brokers, and other third parties such as fees charged by sub-managers, custodial fees, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, and other fees and taxes on brokerage accounts and securities transactions. The Partnership also pays its own partnership-level expenses such as fund administration, audit, tax and legal fees.

## **ITEM 6 — PERFORMANCE-BASED FEES AND SIDE-BY-SIDE MANAGEMENT**

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As stated in the Item 5, Fees and Compensation, above, Point Break may receive Additional Advisory Fees. Although those fees are paid at the discretion of the Partnership and are not based on a fixed formula, they may be based upon the Partnership's performance.

Mr. Pérez and Gabriel Cunha are also members and minority shareholders of the General Partner. In this capacity, and subject to the decision of the controlling shareholders of the General Partner, they are likely to receive a portion of the General Partner's profit attributable to performance allocations from the Partnership.

Point Break currently is not engaged in side-by-side management situations.

## **ITEM 7 — TYPES OF CLIENTS**

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Point Break currently provides portfolio management services exclusively to pooled investment vehicles. Pooled investment vehicles are available only to investors who satisfy certain suitability standards.

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

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### General Description

Point Break seeks capital appreciation by searching for undervalued securities offering current income and/or opportunities for future capital appreciation.

Point Break currently invests the Partnership's assets in a diversified portfolio which is mainly composed by fixed income securities, foreign exchange and interest rates derivatives and equities. Point Break may sell short certain securities or indexes for hedging purposes and/or to enhance returns.

Point Break uses qualitative and quantitative proprietary and third party research to make investment decisions and analyzes macroeconomic cycles and structural adjustments as part of the asset allocation decision.

Point Break may, at any time, change how it manages the Partnership's assets in terms of portfolio composition, security selection, investment processes, use of leverage, etc.

### Material Risks for Significant Investment Strategies and Securities

While it is the intention of Point Break to implement strategies which are designed to minimize potential losses suffered by its clients, there can be no assurance that such strategies will be successful. The following is a discussion of certain material risks for Point Break's significant investment strategies, but it does not purport to be a complete explanation of the risks involved in Point Break's investment strategies.

It is possible that a client may lose a substantial proportion or all of its assets in connection with investment decisions made by Point Break, and 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 Point Break. Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that clients should be prepared to bear. The risks of investing in emerging market countries are significant. In addition, Point Break may invest, on behalf of its clients, in lower-rated securities, distressed securities, derivatives and convertible securities, or engage in short-selling, which have inherent risks. A client's portfolio may also be subject to interest rate risks, sovereign debt risks and currency risks.

The following is not meant to be a complete description of risks.

- **Business Risk**: These risks are associated with a particular industry or a particular company within an industry. For example, oil companies in general may depend on finding oil and then refining it, a lengthy process, before they can generate a profit. They may carry a higher risk of volatility than an electric company, which generates its income from a steady stream of customers who use electricity no matter what the economic environment is like.
- **Counterparty and Broker Credit Risk**: Certain assets will be exposed to the credit risk of the counterparties when engaging in exchange-traded or off-exchange transactions. There may be a risk of loss of assets on deposit with or in the custody of a broker in the event of the broker's bankruptcy, the bankruptcy of any clearing broker through which the broker executes and clears transactions, or the bankruptcy of an exchange clearinghouse.
- **Currency Risk**: Overseas investments and derivatives linked to exchange rates are subject to fluctuations due to changes in the relative value of the dollar against the foreign currency. This is also referred to as exchange rate risk.



- Financial Risk: Borrowing to finance a business' operations increases the risk of profitability, because the company must meet the terms of its obligations in good and bad times. During periods of financial stress, the inability to meet loan obligations may result in bankruptcy and/or a declining market value.
- Foreign Market Risk: The securities markets of many foreign countries, including emerging countries, have substantially less trading volume than the securities markets of the United States, and securities of some foreign companies are less liquid and more volatile than securities of comparable United States companies. As a result, foreign securities markets may be subject to greater influence by adverse events generally affecting the market, by large investors' trading significant blocks of securities, or by large dispositions of securities, than as it is in the United States. The limited liquidity of some foreign markets may affect Point Break's ability to acquire or dispose of securities at a price and time it believes is advisable.

Further, many foreign governments are less stable than that of the United States. There can be no assurance that any significant, sustained instability would not increase the risks of investing in the securities markets of certain countries.

- Inflation Risk: When inflation is present, a dollar today will not buy as much as a dollar next year, because purchasing power is eroding at the rate of inflation.
- Interest-Rate Risk: Fluctuations in interest rates may cause investment prices to fluctuate. For example, when interest rates rise, yields on existing bonds become less attractive, causing their market values to decline.
- Liquidity Risk: Liquidity is the ability to readily convert an investment into cash. Generally, assets are more liquid if the specific asset is well known and widely followed. For example, Treasury Bills are highly liquid, while real estate properties are not.
- Margin Risk: Borrowing from banks, brokerage firms and other financial institutions is known commonly as margin. Borrowed funds are invested in additional securities. Gains made with additional funds borrowed will generally cause the value of a portfolio to rise faster than would be the case without borrowing. Conversely, if investment results fail to cover the cost of borrowing, the value of a portfolio could decrease faster than if there had been no borrowing. In connection with borrowing, the borrower may be required to reduce its borrowing on a timely basis in the event the value of assets falls below the coverage requirement of the margin limitations. If there is such a required reduction of borrowing, the borrower could be required to liquidate securities positions at times when it might not be desirable or advantageous to do so.
- Market Risk: The price of any security, including bonds or mutual funds may drop in reaction to tangible and intangible events and conditions. This type of risk is caused by external factors independent of a security's particular underlying circumstances. For example, political, economic and social conditions may trigger market events.
- Reinvestment Risk: This is the risk that future proceeds from investments may have to be reinvested at a potentially lower rate of return (i.e. interest rate). This primarily relates to fixed income securities.

## **ITEM 9 — DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION**

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Point Break has no legal or disciplinary events that are material to a client's or prospective clients' evaluation of our advisory business or the integrity of our management.

## **ITEM 10 — OTHER FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS**

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Point Break has no other financial industry activities or affiliations other than its activities as an investment advisor.

Even though the Partnership and the General Partner bear similar names to Point Break's name, Point Break is not affiliated with and does not control those companies.

Mr. Pérez is a member and a minority shareholder of the General Partner.

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

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### **Code of Ethics**

As a fundamental mandate, Point Break demands the highest standards of ethical conduct and care from all of its employees, officers, and directors. All employees of Point Break must abide by this basic business standard and must not take inappropriate advantage of their position with Point Break. Each employee is under a duty to exercise his or her authority and responsibility for the primary benefit of our clients and may not have outside interests that inappropriately conflict with the interests of Point Break or of Point Break's clients. Each employee must avoid circumstances or conduct that adversely affect or that appear to adversely affect our clients. Every employee must comply with applicable federal securities laws and must report violations of its Code of Ethics to our Chief Compliance Officer.

In recognition of Point Break's fiduciary duty to its clients and its desire to maintain high ethical standards, Point Break adopted a Code of Ethics, pursuant to Rule 204A-1, promulgated under the Advisers Act, containing provisions designed to prevent improper personal trading, identify conflicts of interest, and provide a means to resolve any actual or potential conflicts in favor of Point Break's client and prospective clients. Clients or prospective clients may obtain a copy of the Adviser's Code of Ethics upon request.

### **Participation or Interest in Client Transactions, Recommendations, and Trading**

Principals, members, officers and employees of Point Break and its related persons and affiliates are or may be investors in the Partnership. As such, it is possible that Point Break could cause the Partnership to buy or sell securities in which one of its related persons has a financial interest. In cases where Point Break recommends a security to its client, and a related person has a material financial interest in the transaction, Point Break's policy is to disclose this conflict of interest to the client, and as far as is practicable or relevant, to the beneficial owners of the Partnership.

Point Break employees must disclose or avoid activities, interests, that run contrary (or appear to run contrary) to the best interest of the Partnership and any future clients. That includes trading in certain instruments held by the Partnership.

## **ITEM 12 — BROKERAGE PRACTICES**

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### **Broker-Dealer Selection**

In the course of providing our services, we will execute trades for the Partnership through broker-dealers. Point Break has no restriction on the brokers it may select to execute client transactions. Our general guiding principle is to trade through broker-dealers who offer the best overall execution under the particular circumstances. With respect to execution, we consider a number of factors, the actual handling of the order, the ability of the broker-dealer to settle the trade promptly and accurately, the financial standing of the broker-dealer, the ability of the broker-dealer to position stock to facilitate execution, our past experience with similar trades, and other factors which may be unique to a particular order.

Based on these judgmental factors, we may trade through broker-dealers that charge fees that are higher than the lowest available fees. In addition, Point Break may cause the Partnership to pay a commission that is higher than the lowest available commission if Point Break believes that the value of the products and services, execution and other services rendered by the broker are reasonable in relation to the amount of the commission.

### **Research and Other Soft Dollar Benefits**

Consistent with seeking to obtain best execution, brokerage commissions on transactions may be directed to brokers in recognition of research services furnished by them, as well as for services rendered in the execution of orders by such brokers. Point Break may use client commissions or “soft dollars,” in its discretion, to pay for research and execution-related products and services within the scope of the Section 28(e) safe harbor of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. In obtaining research or other products and services with soft dollars, Point Break receives a benefit because we do not have to separately produce or pay for the research, products or services. Additionally, soft dollar practices may result in commissions (or markups or markdowns) higher than those charged by other broker-dealers in return for soft dollar benefits. Furthermore, Point Break may have an incentive to select or recommend a broker-dealer based on its interest in receiving the research or other products or services, rather than our clients’ interest in receiving most favorable execution. Currently, since Point Break only has one client, the Partnership, any soft dollar benefits received by Point Break would only be used to service the account that generated the commissions. At this time, Point Break does not utilize soft dollars to pay for third-party products or services. However, Point Break receives proprietary research reports, analyses, or recommendations from broker-dealers with whom it places client transactions and in return for such research, may choose to direct any corresponding orders to that broker-dealer for execution. In the past fiscal year Point Break has received research reports from various broker dealers.

## **ITEM 13 — REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

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### **General Description**

Point Break's investment team monitors capital market conditions and client circumstances and makes portfolio adjustments as appropriate. The Partnership's accounts are reviewed periodically for compliance with investment guidelines. Generally, the Portfolio Manager and/or Chief Compliance Officer participate in the review.

Clients receive monthly account statements from the Administrator and may receive performance reports from Point Break. Point Break urges clients to review the account statements they receive from the Administrator with those they may receive from Point Break and rely solely on those received from the Administrator.

### **Factors Triggering a Review**

There are no specific triggering factors leading to a review.

## **ITEM 14 — CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION**

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### **Other Compensation**

Point Break does not receive any benefits, economic or otherwise, from non-clients for providing investment advice or other advisory services.

### **Compensation for Client Referrals**

Point Break does not directly or indirectly compensate any person for client or investor referrals.

## **ITEM 15 — CUSTODY**

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Point Break does not have custody of the Partnership's funds or securities and is not authorized to deduct its fees (or the fees of any other service provider) from the accounts of the Partnership. With the exception of trade settlements, the transfer of funds and securities between accounts of the Partnership and the payment of certain custody fees, the assets of the Partnership are controlled by its General Partner.

The Client and its representatives have full access to daily account statements for all bank and broker-dealer accounts of the Partnership. Point Break urges the General Partner and the Partnership to review the account statements provided to them by the qualified custodians and compare them with those received from Point Break (if any) and rely solely on those provided by the qualified custodians.



## **ITEM 16 — INVESTMENT DISCRETION**

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Point Break has discretionary authority to manage securities on behalf of the Partnership. Under this discretionary authority, Point Break can invest, reinvest and manage proceeds in the Partnership's account without obtaining the Partnership's prior confirmation of any proposed action. In all cases, however, such discretion is to be exercised in a manner consistent with the Partnership's stated investment objectives. Before accepting discretionary authority to manage investments, Point Break enters into the appropriate investment advisory agreements, power of attorney, or other relevant documentation.

## ITEM 17 — VOTING CLIENT SECURITIES

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### **Proxy Voting Policies – Authority to Vote**

In general, Point Break does not vote proxies and cast votes. However it has adopted policies and procedures designed to ensure that, when it judges appropriate, it votes proxies and casts votes at meetings in the best interests of clients, discloses to clients information about those policies and procedures, and discloses to clients how they may obtain information on how Point Break has voted their proxies (for purposes of the discussion below, “proxies” are understood to include votes cast at meetings).

On behalf of its clients, Point Break invests in publicly listed securities. In relation to these investments, Point Break has the authority to vote proxies. Proxy voting decisions are the responsibility of the portfolio managers and are made in accordance with Point Break’s proxy voting policies and procedures.

Point Break usually does not vote proxies but it has the right to decide each proxy vote on a case-by-case basis taking into account the best interests of its clients, as well as any potential conflicts of interest among its clients and Point Break or its affiliates. Point Break is responsible for identifying any potential conflicts of interest that may arise in the proxy voting process. Point Break will refer any conflicts of interest to the designated principals for resolution.

Point Break will follow the proxy voting procedures and policies discussed above. In addition, Point Break will retain (i) written proxy voting policies and procedures; (ii) proxy statements provided by the prime broker/custodian regarding client securities; (iii) records of votes cast on behalf of clients; (iv) records of clients’ requests for proxy voting information; and (v) any specific documents Point Break prepared that were material to making a decision how to vote, or that memorialized the basis for the decision. Point Break’s proxy voting policies and procedures and information on how specific proxies were voted is available to clients and prospective clients upon request.

## **ITEM 18 — FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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### **Balance Sheet, Financial Conditions, Bankruptcy Petition**

Point Break is not aware of any financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet its contractual commitments to clients, nor has Point Break been the subject of a bankruptcy petition at any time during the past ten years.