

## **StockShield, LLC Form CRS (Client Relationship Summary)**

### **Introduction**

StockShield, LLC is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). StockShield, LLC is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”). StockShield, LLC is not a registered investment adviser. The firm maintains a website at <http://www.stockshield.com/>.

This document is a summary of the services and fees we offer to retail investors. A “retail investor” is defined by the SEC as a natural person who seeks or receives investment services primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

Free and simple tools are available to research firms and investment professionals at [Investor.gov/CRS](http://Investor.gov/CRS) which also provides educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers and investing. [Brokercheck.finra.org](http://Brokercheck.finra.org) provides information that includes disciplinary history about member firms and individual registered representatives.

### **What investment services and advice can you provide me?**

The investment services we offer to retail investors are limited to exempt offerings of our proprietary risk management capabilities (structured as Delaware Statutory Trusts) that are sold as private placement securities to accredited investors. We do *not* offer retail investors the ability to buy or sell other securities. There may be a minimum required investment for a given private offering. Please refer to the Confidential Private Placement Memorandum for limitations and requirements specific to each investment. We are not obligated to and do *not* monitor your investments which are not in our custody.

Here are some questions you can use to start a conversation with your financial professional:

- Given my financial situation, should I choose a brokerage service? Why or why not?
- How will you choose investments to recommend to me?
- What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications? What do these qualifications mean?

### **What fees will I pay?**

StockShield, LLC is paid a placement fee by the Delaware Statutory Trust in which you choose to invest. The fee is a one-time upfront placement fee than can range between 1% and 2% of the amount of protected value. Because it is paid a placement fee, the firm has an incentive to encourage an investor to invest in its offerings. This placement fee is not paid directly by you but is part of the offering price and still causes a conflict between your interests and ours. All fees and costs associated with our proprietary risk management capabilities are discussed within the Confidential Private Placement Memorandum for each offering, which you should read carefully.

There are also certain administrative fees associated with the operation of each trust, including trustee fees (which can be charged by either U.S. Bank or The Bank of New York), taxes and independent accounting fees (which can involve taxes charged by government agencies and accounting fees charged by an independent certified public accounting firm), third-party administration fees (which can be charged by a third-party administration firm), and licensing fees (for the licensing by StockShield, LLC, of its U.S. patents to the Delaware Statutory Trust).

You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying.

Here are some questions you can use to start a conversation with your financial professional:

- Help me understand how these fees and costs might affect my investments.
- If I give you \$10,000 to invest, how much will go to fees and costs, and how much will be invested for me?

**What are your legal obligations to me when providing recommendations? How else does your firm make money and what conflicts of interest do you have?**

*When we provide you with a recommendation to participate in our risk management solutions, we have to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours. At the same time, the way we make money creates some conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect the recommendations we provide you. Here is an example to help you understand what this means:* Because we are paid a placement fee, StockShield, LLC and its representatives have a conflict of interest with you.

Here is a question you can use to start a conversation with your financial professional:

- How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?

**How do your financial professionals make money?**

Our company receives a placement fee from the sale of privately placed securities. The firm may pay your registered financial professional part of those commissions. The compensation structure for every offering may be different. For information regarding a specific offering, please refer to the Confidential Private Placement Memorandum. Our financial professionals are also paid salaries by StockShield, LLC.

**Do you or your financial professionals have legal or disciplinary history?**

No. [Visit Investor.gov/CRS](http://Investor.gov/CRS) for a free and simple search tool to research us and our financial professionals.

**Additional Information**

If you would like additional, up-to-date information on our services or a copy of this disclosure, please call 310-203-8844.

Here are some questions you can use to start a conversation with your financial professional:

- Who is my primary contact person? Is that person a registered representative of the broker-dealer?
- Who can I talk to if I have concerns about how this person is treating me?