

## **ADV Part 2 Brochure**

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There are no material changes.

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#### **ADVISORY BUSINESS**

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#### Principals and Incorporation

Roffman Miller was incorporated in 1990 and opened its doors to its first client in July of 1991. Our principal owners are Robert Hofmann, Paulette Greenwell and Mark Frombach.

We are headquartered in Philadelphia, PA and led by a team of investment professionals who share a vision of personalized portfolio management and sound financial disciplines.

#### **Advisory Services**

Our primary business is to provide investment management for our clients. We follow an investment strategy that focuses on meeting long-term goals and reducing volatility of returns. This is achieved by identifying client objectives, adhering to a value-oriented investment selection process, and diversification of securities and asset classes. As each individual has varying goals, obligations and risk factors, our team listens and takes a customized approach to our clients' portfolios.

For marketing purposes, we may show prospects sample client portfolios. They are for illustration only; each client portfolio is tailored to the needs of that specific client.

We typically utilize individual stocks, bonds, mutual funds and ETF's in our portfolios. While our investments are generally purchased for the long-term (three to five years), we will, in appropriate circumstances, engage in short-term purchases (securities sold within one year) and trading (securities sold within 30 days).

We will allow clients to hold legacy positions or certain self-directed securities. This will be part of the interview and building of the investment plan.

ERISA clients are treated the same as any other client in regards to services provided.

#### **Account Management**

We see outstanding customer service as our priority and we take pride in providing personalized service and extensive client communication. We conduct a client interview as a means of building a profile, looking at a number of factors including goals, history, need for income and risk threshold. Members of the Investment Committee discuss the profile and evaluate the optimum investment strategy on an individual basis.

Portfolios are managed by members of the Investment Committee. Investment Managers are assigned to each client and are responsible for placing trades and conducting reviews.

With a combination of meetings, written reports and informal discussions, we keep clients apprised of their portfolio. Such on-going communication allows us to monitor changing client needs and circumstances so we may make any appropriate adjustments.

In addition to traditional money management, our team acts as a partner and counsels our clients on any financial questions or concerns.

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#### Assets Under Management

As of December 31, 2019, Roffman Miller managed \$1,735,330,880 in assets.

- \$1,708,232,445 in discretionary assets
- \$27,098,435 in non-discretionary assets

See "Investment Discretion" for an explanation of discretionary and non-discretionary management.

We have another \$4,001,474 in assets under advisement.

#### FEES AND COMPENSATION

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#### Fee Schedule

For our services as an investment advisor we charge a percentage of the assets under management. The annual fees are paid quarterly and will be based on the market value of the Portfolio at the end of each quarter; March, June, September and December. Pricing of assets is done through reputable broker/dealer(s). For clients with Bonds, fees include accrued interest. Roffman Miller's portfolio management software may calculate accrued interest differently than your Broker Dealer. All fees are subject to review and revision at any time. All fees are negotiable on an individual basis.

All management fees are paid three months in advance. Clients may end their contracts at any time. The client will get a pro-rated refund. We do reserve the right to charge additional fees for any work completed after the termination date. Fees will be applied daily as per the original fee schedule. Such services include, but are not limited to: executing trades, facilitating transfers, and calculating and providing cost basis and tax information.

Existing clients opening new accounts will be billed using the fee schedule agreed upon at the beginning of the relationship.

As of November 1<sup>st,</sup> 2006 management fees will be computed in accordance with the following schedules:

**Equities & Structured Products** 

1.00% First \$2.0 Million
0.75% Next \$5.0 Million

Negotiable Thereafter

Fixed Income

0.50% First \$5.0 Million

Negotiable Thereafter

Mutual Funds

0.75% First \$5.0 Million

Negotiable Thereafter

Management fees for accounts opened from August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005 until October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 are computed in accordance with the following schedules.

1.00% 0.75% 0.50%	Equities/Balanced First Next Next Negotiable Thereaft	\$1.0 Million \$1.5 Million \$5.0 Million er
0.50%	Taxable Fixed Incon First Negotiable Thereaft	\$5.0 Million
0.375%	Municipal Fixed Incol First Negotiable Thereaft	\$5.0 Million
0.50%	<u>Mutual Funds</u> First Negotiable Thereaft	\$5.0 Million er

Management fees for accounts opened from 1990 until July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005 are computed in accordance with the following schedule.

	<u>Equities/Balanced</u>	
1.00%	First	\$1.0 Million
0.75%	Next	\$1.5 Million
0.50%	Next	\$4.0 Million
0.40%	Above	\$6.5 Million

Most of our clients have their fees deducted directly from their brokerage accounts. Fees are deducted four times a year; April, July, October and January. It is the client's responsibility to verify the accuracy of the management fee calculation. The Broker/Dealer will not determine whether the fee is properly calculated.

#### Additional Fees

In addition to the management fee the client may incur certain brokerage fees: commissions to purchase securities and certain mutual funds. These prices are set by the broker/dealer and may be higher than the retail rate charged as a result of services provided by the broker/dealer. (See Brokerage Practices) Roffman Miller will attempt to negotiate rates for our clients. A Prime Brokerage fee of \$25 is charged to purchase bonds away from Charles Schwab. Mutual Funds also charge management fees. When Roffman Miller selects a mutual fund for clients the management fee charged by the fund is a consideration. When possible we choose institutional funds whose management fees are lower. We do not buy funds that have a sales charge. A schedule of fees charged by the funds is available upon request.

Miscellaneous fees to overnight or wire funds, issue securities, etc. may also be charged by the broker. We do not participate in any of these fees.

ERISA client's rates are the same as any other client; there are no extra charges or fees.

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#### PERFORMCANCE-BASED FEES AND SIDE-BY-SIDE MANAGEMENT

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We do not charge any performance based fees. (See "Fees and Compensation")

#### TYPES OF CLIENTS

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Our clients consist of individuals, pension and profit-sharing plans, trusts, estates, charitable organizations and corporations. Our minimum account size is \$500,000, although we may in certain situations take smaller accounts.

#### METHODS OF ANALYSIS, INVESTMENT STRATEGIES and RISK OF LOSS

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Each portfolio is managed in accordance with the goals and risk tolerances of the individual client. Some of the goals and constraints we evaluate are risk, return, taxes, time horizon, liquidity needs, legal issues, and unique circumstances. An asset allocation target, equites vs fixed income and occasionally cash, is used to help in managing the portfolio(s), in most cases there is flexibility in the targets on either side, depending on the client and market conditions

Our portfolios are mostly invested in stocks, bonds, ETF's and mutual funds. In all cases, there are risks of temporary or permanent loss on investments due to poor economic conditions, corporate bankruptcies, and other unforeseen situations. We believe risk can be reduced in the portfolios by allocating monies to different asset classes, owning a diversified portfolio, and also by careful investment selection.

The paragraphs below describe in more detail how we select these investments.

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#### Research

The Investment Committee conducts its own research using all the data sources available to it. Our team also understands the importance of going out and "kicking the tires," and makes it a practice to have ongoing contact with company management, as much of it face-to-face as practicable, to understand their businesses. Additionally, we solicit independent research opinions from several outside sources to assist in our decisions.

#### Our research focuses on:

- Identifying quality companies with a superior management team, clear plan for success, proven track record and whose focus is on increasing shareholder value over the long term.
- Recognizing companies with favorable valuations based on such financial measures as profits, book value and cash flow
- Industry leaders with a competitive advantage in size, price, intellectual property, technology, geography or high barriers to entry.
- Selecting companies that not only have financial strength with solid sales earnings and appropriate levels of debt, but also those which can persevere and take advantage of opportunities that occur during difficult economic environments

Our commitment to research and analysis does not stop once a company is identified or selected. Like our client accounts, we pay close attention to and monitor each company's progress.

#### Common Stock Management

Investing in quality companies which have superior management is the cornerstone of our investment philosophy. Using the information gained from our fundamental analysis and in-depth client interview, we select the most ideal companies from our potential list of investment candidates. We invest in stocks of established companies that we feel are currently undervalued and those with the potential to increase shareholder value over time.

In keeping with our guiding principles, our sell discipline is based on value and fundamentals. We look to sell when:

- The security reaches a price indicating the potential for continued price appreciation may be limited.
- Our fundamental reasons for owning the stock have changed.
- The individual stock is greater than 10% of the stock portfolio.

Diversification is important and we view it in terms of both company and industry investments. Our typical equity accounts have between thirty and fifty stocks. Moreover, we do not initially invest more than five percent in one stock or twenty percent in one industry to avoid undue risk.

#### **Fixed Income Management**

We invest in a diverse mix of fixed income investments including individual bonds, taxable and taxexempt; fixed income funds, ETFs, and closed-end funds of varying assets and management styles; and non-traditional fixed income investments like preferred stock to create a broadly diversified fixed income portfolio to accomplish two primary goals:

• Current Income – Help meet the cash flow needs of our clients primarily by generating a level of interest income equal with capital preservation and price stability.

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 Portfolio Diversification – Fixed income investments serve well as a hedge against equity market risk, reducing overall portfolio volatility and smoothing out the total long-term return of a portfolio.

While looking to accomplish our two primary goals, we take strides in managing the risk side of our fixed income portfolios as we do in our stock portfolios. There are many different types of risks involved in fixed income investing to consider but the two primary concerns of ours are typically:

- Interest Rate Risk The price volatility of a fixed income investment or portfolio as it relates to changes in market interest rates.
- Credit Risk The risk that a bond issuer will not be able to meet the interest and principal payments as scheduled and agreed upon in the bond offering.

To manage the risks involved with fixed income investing we do three primary things:

- Broadly diversify portfolios by the type of assets, management style and security.
- Set individual position sizes relative to the size of the portfolio thereby limiting the effect of even the worst-case scenario for any given position.
- We do not take "bets" on any given interest rate scenario that would involve over allocating a
  portfolio to benefit from a specific market outcome.

In general, we seek to preserve capital and generate income and returns in-line with prevailing market conditions while understanding historical value in the fixed income markets. Although we purchase investment grade bonds, there are instances where holdings are subsequently downgraded to non-investment grade status during our holding period. We may choose to sell or hold those positions depending on the circumstances in each case.

#### Mutual Fund Management

Mutual funds invest in diversified pools of stocks, bonds, or other securities. We look for mutual fund managers that have proven track records and that are willing to communicate their strategy to us and are also available to speak with us and provide updates from time to time.

#### **DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION**

There are no disciplinary events.

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#### OTHER FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES AND AFFLIATIONS

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We do not participate in any other industry activities or have any affiliations.

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

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Pursuant to SEC rule 204A-1, we have a code of ethics policy. The basic principle of this policy is that; since our clients place their trust in us, we have not only a fiduciary responsibility but an ethical responsibility to behave with the utmost integrity and honesty. Before we do anything the question, "Is this in the best interest of the Client?" should be foremost in our thoughts.

Several members of the firm are either CFA Charter holders or Certified Financial Planners and are bound by those organizations Codes of Ethics. See the *Roffman Miller Supplemental Brochure*.

Because our investment strategy is to evaluate and invest in companies on a long-term basis, employees may purchase securities which are recommended to clients.

Personal accounts of the employee include all accounts for family members living within the employee's household and accounts over which the employee has authority even though the account owner does not live within the same household as the employee.

There are restrictions placed on employees as far as the timing of buying and/or selling of securities by employees. These restrictions depend on the type of security, the rating, the size and if the Chief investment Officer or Investment Committee states any other reason for a particular security.

Employees are required to report on a quarterly basis securities transactions and holdings for all accounts in which the employee has a direct or indirect beneficial ownership interest. This includes personal securities information of any family member living within the same household as the employee.

It is further noted that the firm and its employees shall comply with the Insider Trading and Securities Fraud Enforcement Act of 1998. We forbid any officer, director or employee from trading, either personally or on behalf of others, (such as, mutual funds and private accounts managed by Roffman Miller Associates, Inc.) on material nonpublic information or communicating material nonpublic information to others in violation of the law. This conduct is frequently referred to as "insider trading". Our policy applies to every officer, director and employee and extends to activities within and outside their duties at Roffman Miller Associates, Inc.

Additional information on these policies is available upon request.

#### BROKERAGE PRACTICES

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Products and Services Available to us from Schwab Advisor Services™ is Schwab's business serving independent investment advisory firms like us. They provide us and our clients with access to its institutional brokerage—trading, custody, reporting, and related services—many of which are not typically available to Schwab retail customers. Schwab also makes available various support services. Some of those services help us manage or administer our clients' accounts; while others help us manage and grow our business. Schwab's support services generally are available on an unsolicited basis (we don't have to request them) and at no charge to us as long as our clients collectively maintain a total of at least \$10 million of their assets in accounts at Schwab. If our clients collectively have less than \$10 million in

assets at Schwab, Schwab may charge us quarterly service fees of \$1,200.

#### Services That Benefit You

Schwab's institutional brokerage services include access to a broad range of investment products, execution of securities transactions, and custody of client assets. The investment products available through Schwab include some to which we might not otherwise have access or that would require a significantly higher minimum initial investment by our clients.

#### Services That May Not Directly Benefit You

Schwab also makes available to us other products and services that benefit us but may not directly benefit you or your account. These products and services assist us in managing and administering our clients' accounts. They include investment research, both Schwab's own and that of third parties. We may use this research to service all or a substantial number of our clients' accounts, including accounts not maintained at Schwab. In addition to investment research, Schwab also makes available software and other technology that:

- Provide access to client account data (such as duplicate trade confirmations and account statements)
- Facilitate trade execution and allocate aggregated trade orders for multiple client accounts
- Provide pricing and other market data
- Facilitate payment of our fees from our clients' accounts
- Assist with back-office functions, recordkeeping, and client reporting

#### Services That Generally Benefit Only Us

Schwab also offers other services intended to help us manage and further develop our business enterprise. These services include:

- Educational conferences and events
- Consulting on technology, compliance, legal, and business needs
- · Publications and conferences on practice management and business succession
- Access to employee benefits providers, human capital consultants, and insurance providers

Schwab may provide some of these services itself. In other cases, it will arrange for third-party vendors to provide the services to us. Schwab may also discount or waive its fees for some of these services or pay all or a part of a third party's fees. Schwab may also provide us with other benefits, such as occasional business entertainment of our personnel.

#### Our Interest in Schwab's Service

The availability of these services from Schwab benefits us because we do not have to produce or purchase them. We don't have to pay for Schwab's services so long as our clients collectively keep a total of at least \$10 million of their assets in accounts at Schwab. Beyond that, these services are not contingent upon us committing any specific amount of business to Schwab in trading commissions or assets in custody. The \$10 million minimum may give us an incentive to recommend that you maintain your account with Schwab, based on our interest in receiving Schwab's services that benefit our business rather than based on your interest in receiving the best value in custody services and the most favorable execution of your transactions. This is a potential conflict of interest.

We believe, however, that our selection of Schwab as custodian and broker is in the best interests of our clients. We have used Charles Schwab as our primary custodian/broker dealer since we first opened our doors. They were the only discount broker offering this service, since then we have grown together. We have investigated other services but have not found any that we like better or had more to offer. Our selection is primarily supported by the scope, quality, and price of Schwab's services (see "How We Select Brokers/Custodians") and not Schwab's services that benefit only us. We have over \$1,500,000,000 in client assets at Schwab, and do not believe that recommending our clients to

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collectively maintain at least \$10 million of those assets at Schwab in order to avoid paying Schwab quarterly service fees presents a material conflict of interest. We also participate in and receive benefits from the Schwab Advisor Network program. See Client Referrals and other Compensation, for information on this program.

We do not maintain custody of the assets that we manage although we may be deemed to have custody of your assets if you give us authority to withdraw assets from your account (see "Custody"). Your assets must be maintained in an account at a "qualified custodian," generally a broker dealer or bank. We recommend that our clients use Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. (Schwab), a registered broker-dealer. member SIPC, as the qualified custodian. We are independently owned and operated and are not affiliated with Schwab. Schwab will hold your assets in a brokerage account and buy and sell securities when we instruct them to. While we recommend that you use Schwab as a custodian/broker, you will decide whether to do so and will open your account with Schwab by entering into an account agreement directly with them. We do not open the account for you, although we may assist you in doing so. Even though your account is maintained at Schwab, we can still use other brokers to execute trades for your account as described below (see "Your Brokerage and Custody Costs").

We seek to use a custodian/broker who will hold your assets and execute transactions on terms that are, overall, most advantageous when compared to other available providers and their services. We primarily use Charles Schwab as the broker-dealer for all of its clients. We feel Charles Schwab not only provides us with best execution they also have the following characteristics that we feel are necessary in a broker/dealer and custodian:

- Good record keeping and excellent back office functions
- Knowledge of market, securities and industries
- Technological capabilities & infrastructure
- Combination of transaction execution services and asset custody services (generally without a separate fee for custody)
- Capability to execute, clear, and settle trades (buy and sell securities for your account)
- Capability to facilitate transfers and payments to and from accounts (wire transfers, check requests, bill payment, etc.)
- Breadth of available investment products (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, exchange-traded funds [ETFs], etc.)
- Availability of investment research and tools that assist us in making investment decisions
- Competitiveness of the price of those services (commission rates, margin interest rates, other fees, etc.) and willingness to negotiate the prices
- Reputation, financial strength, and stability
- Prior service to us and our other clients
- Availability of other products and services that benefit us, as discussed below (see "Products and Services Available to Us From Schwab")

The client in the end has the final say and may elect for their account(s) to be held at another custodian.

#### **Directed Brokerage**

From time to time, clients may instruct us to direct trades to a specific broker-dealer in exchange for certain benefits to be received by the client or out of lovalty to the broker. There could be certain limitations associated with these types' arrangements:

- 1. The client may forgo any benefit from savings on execution costs that we could obtain for other clients, such as negotiating volume discounts on bunched orders; and
- 2. The client may not receive the same price or commission paid by other clients who utilize different brokers.

As a matter of practice even with client-directed accounts we will make our best efforts to negotiate

reduced commission rates when possible.

#### Trade Aggregation

We strive to treat all clients in a fair manner. This is the basic principal underlying this aggregation and allocation policy. The allocations of a particular security will be determined by us before the trade is placed with the broker. When practical, client trades in the same security will be bunched in a single order (a "block") in an effort to obtain best execution at the best security price available. When using a block trade:

- We will attempt to fill client orders by day-end.
- If the block order is not filled by day-end, the Investment Committee will allocate shares executed to underlying accounts on a pro rata basis, adjusted as necessary to keep client transaction costs to a minimum and in accordance with specific account guidelines.
- If a block order is filled (full or partial fill) at several prices through multiple trades, an average price and commission will be used for all trades executed.
- All participants receiving securities from the block trade will receive the average price; and only trades executed within the block on the single day may be combined for purposes of calculating the average price.

It is expected that this trade aggregation and allocation policy will be applied consistently. However, if application of this policy results in unfair or inequitable treatment to some or all of our clients, we may deviate from this policy.

#### **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

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Reviews of investments are conducted by members of the investment committee on a daily basis. At a minimum client accounts are reviewed at length quarterly. Accounts are assigned to a primary manager, but any member of the committee may at one time or another review or discuss a portfolio with a client. The number of clients assigned depends on the experience of the manager, account size and style of investing. The Investment Committee typically meets weekly to ensure we are all up-to-date on what is happening in the markets, our securities, the economy and the world and how it could effect our clients.

Factors which might trigger additional reviews include (1) a substantial change in the financial condition or business management of a particular company; (2) a big move in a security either up or down; (3) a substantial change in the economy or market conditions; (4) a significant change in clients' objectives; or (5) a deposit or withdrawal of cash.

Depending on the client's advisory agreement we may provide a quarterly report showing all holdings and their current value, income generated by holdings, and cost basis, etc. If you receive statements from both Roffman Miller and Charles Schwab, we sugggest you compare the values on both statements to make sure they match. Compare the numbers without accrued interest, as these calcuations may vary. Realized Gains and Losses reports, statements of Management Fees on taxable accounts and various other portfolio reports are available to clients on request. In addition, it is expected that each client will receive confirmations of trades and monthly reports from the broker-dealers who custody their accounts and execute their securites transactions.(see "Custody")

#### CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION

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We periodically use research information provided by broker-dealers with whom we conduct business. However, we do not have any formal agreements to compensate broker-dealers for the receipt of such research information. We as a matter of practice do not compensate broker-dealers for third-party research services (known as "soft dollar arrangements") with the use of client commissions, any payment required for such research will be made in cash.

#### Charles Schwab

We receive an economic benefit from Schwab in the form of the support products and services it makes available to us and other independent investment advisors whose clients maintain their accounts at Schwab.

These products and services, how they benefit us, and the related conflicts of interest are described above (see *Brokerage Practices*). The availability to us of Schwab's products and services is not based on us giving particular investment advice, such as buying particular securities for our client.

We also receive client referrals from Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. ("Schwab") through our participation in Schwab Advisor Network® ("the Service"). The Service is designed to help investors find an independent investment advisor. Schwab is a broker-dealer independent of and unaffiliated with Roffman Miller Associates. Schwab does not supervise us and has no responsibility for the management of our clients' portfolios. We pay Schwab fees to receive client referrals through the Service. Our participation in the Service may raise potential conflicts of interest described below.

We pay Schwab Participation Fees on all referred clients' accounts that are maintained in custody at Schwab and a Non-Schwab Custody Fee on all accounts that are maintained at, or transferred to, another custodian.

Participation Fees are a percentage of the value of the assets in the client's account. We pay Schwab Participation Fees for so long as the referred client's account remains in custody at Schwab. Participation Fees are billed to us quarterly and may be increased, decreased or waived by Schwab from time to time. Participation Fees are paid by us and not by the client. We do not charge clients referred through the Service fees or costs greater than the fees or costs we charge clients with similar portfolios who were not referred through the Service.

We generally pay Schwab a Non-Schwab Custody Fee if custody of a referred client's account is not maintained by, or assets in the account are transferred from Schwab. This Fee does not apply if the client was solely responsible for the decision not to maintain custody at Schwab. The Non-Schwab Custody Fee is a one-time payment equal to a percentage of the assets placed with a custodian other than Schwab. The Non-Schwab Custody Fee is higher than the Participation Fees Advisor generally would pay in a single year. Thus, we will have an incentive to recommend that client accounts be held in custody at Schwab.

The Participation and Non-Schwab Custody Fees are based on the amount of assets in accounts of our clients who were referred by Schwab and those referred clients' family members living in the same household. Thus, we will have incentives to encourage household members of clients referred through the Service to maintain custody of their accounts at Schwab.

For accounts of our clients maintained in custody at Schwab, Schwab generally does not charge the

client separately for custody but receives compensation from the client in the form of commissions or other transaction-related compensation on securities trades Schwab executes for the client's account. Clients also pay Schwab a fee for clearance and settlement of trades executed through broker-dealers other than Schwab. Schwab's fees for trades executed at other broker-dealers are in addition to the other broker-dealer's fees. Thus, we may have an incentive to cause trades to be executed through Schwab rather than another broker-dealer. We, nevertheless, acknowledge its duty to seek best execution of trades for client accounts. Trades for client accounts held in custody at Schwab may be executed through a different broker-dealer than trades for our other clients. Thus, trades for accounts custodied at Schwab may be executed at different times and different prices than trades for accounts that are executed at other broker-dealers.

We manage accounts for some Charles Schwab employees and/or their family members. This could be a conflict as the Charles Schwab employees are the ones referring us to potential new clients.

#### Solicitors

We may pay cash referral fees to either affiliates (such as employees) or unaffiliated entities that directly or indirectly solicit any client for or refer any client to us. For purposes of this policy, affiliated entities include any partner, officer, director or employee of Roffman Miller Associates. Any client referred to us by an unaffiliated solicitor is notified before signing a contract and must acknowledge the arrangement in writing. None of our unaffiliate solicitors provide investment advice to prospective clients, they make introductions only.

#### **CUSTODY**

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Under SEC rules, we are deemed to have custody of clients' assets if any one of the following is true: authorization to the custodian to deduct advisory fees directly from client accounts; acting as a Trustee on a client account; coming into possession of certain client assets such as stock certificates or by having the authority to make standing third party distributions for clients.

At this point we are not the Trustees on any client accounts, and we have policies in place to prevent the possession of clients' physical assets. We do however deduct the majority of management fees directly from client accounts and we have the authority to make standing third-party distributions for clients. Because of this Roffman Miller has custody under the SEC rule.

In order to deduct fees or make distributions the client must give written authorization using the custodian's forms. Clients may make some changes or cancel the instructions through Roffman Miller or directly with the custodian at any time. Roffman Miller may not under any circumstances change the identity of the third party. Changes may require new written authorization. For third party distributions, the custodian will provide the client with a letter at setup detailing the instructions and annual letter confirming the instructions.

Clients will also receive monthly account statements directly from the custodian. The statements will come quarterly if there is no account activity. They will be sent to the email or postal mailing address provided to the custodian. Carefully review the statements promptly when received. Notify Roffman Miller immediately if the custodial statements have not arrived. Depending on the advisory agreement, Roffman Miller may also provide a quarterly report showing all holdings. If this is the case, please compare the custodians account statements to the periodic portfolio reports received from Roffman Miller.

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#### INVESTMENT DISCRETION

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We generally have discretion over each client's account; so that we have the authority to place all orders to purchase and sell securities in accordance with the client's portfolio and investment objectives; however; we do also provide investment advice to clients on a non-discretionary basis. Non-discretionary arrangements are made on an individual basis and give us varying amounts of control over investment decisions.

Best execution could be affected for non-discretionary accounts. If a non-discretionary client cannot be reached a trade may not be made during the same time frame as other clients, thus affecting price. We will make every effort to contact clients in a reasonable amount of time.

#### **VOTING CLIENT SECURITIES**

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We do not vote proxies for our clients. As stated in the contract, it is the responsibility of the client to vote. Clients will receive proxy voting materials from their Broker Dealer. The proxy materials will come either in paper form or electronically, the same form of delivery chosen for statements and confirms. We will, however, answer any questions or give you advice on voting.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMAITON

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We do not require prepayment of fees more than three months in advance.



# FORM ADV PART 2B BROCHURE SUPPLEMENT

04/1/2020

The Following Investment Committee Members are presented in this Supplement.

- Robert Hofmann, CFP<sup>®</sup>
- Paulette Greenwell, CFA, MBA
- Mark Frombach, CFA, MBA
- Susan Arnold
- Ryan Crooks, MBA
- Lori Hartman
- Kevin Cooke, CFP<sup>®</sup>, MBA
- Gerry G. Guertin, ChFC®
- Earl R. Miller, MBA
- Jeffery Moyers , CFP<sup>®</sup>, MBA

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Additional information about any Roffman Miller Investment Committee Member is available on the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov">www.adviserinfo.sec.gov</a>.

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Portfolios are managed by the 9 members of the Investment Committee. Investment Managers are assigned to each client and are responsible for placing trades and conducting reviews.

### The Following sections are included for each Investment Committee Member:

- Educational Background and Business Experience
- Disciplinary Information
- Other Business Activities
- Additional Compensation
- Supervision



Robert Thomas Hofmann, CFP<sup>®</sup> (Bob)

President

Year of Birth: 1970

**Education Background and Business Experience** 

Formal Education after High School: Rider University, Bachelor of Science, Finance, 1992

#### Business Background:

Bob brings extensive financial planning experience to Roffman Miller. After beginning his career as an Investment Advisor with Morgan Stanley, he joined Charles Schwab as an Investment Specialist in 1996. Within three years, he was promoted to manager of the Newtown, PA office. He finished his tenure with Schwab as the manager of the flagship office in center city Philadelphia.

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#### **Disciplinary Information**

There is no disciplinary information to report.

#### Other Business Activities

There are no other business activities.

#### **Additional Compensation**

There is no additional compensation.

#### Supervision

Bob does not have a direct supervisor. If you have any questions or comments, please direct them to Mark Frombach or Paulette Greenwell at 215-981-1030.



### Frances Paulette Greenwell, CFA, MBA (Paulette) Vice President & Chief Compliance Officer

Year of Birth: 1969

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: Temple University, Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, 1991 Drexel University, Masters of Business Administration, Finance, 1995

**Business Background:** 

Paulette has been with Roffman Associates since 1995, after her graduation from Drexel.

Certifications: Chartered Financial Analyst

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#### **High Ethical Standards**

The CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct, enforced through an active professional conduct program, require CFA charterholders to:

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Additionally, regulatory bodies in 19 countries recognize the CFA charter as a proxy for meeting certain licensing requirements, and more than 125 colleges and universities around the world have incorporated a majority of the CFA Program curriculum into their own finance courses.

#### **Comprehensive and Current Knowledge**

The CFA Program curriculum provides a comprehensive framework of knowledge for investment decision making and is firmly grounded in the knowledge and skills used every day in the investment profession. The three levels of the CFA Program test a proficiency with a wide range of fundamental and advanced investment topics, including ethical and professional standards, fixed-income and equity analysis, alternative and derivative investments, economics, financial reporting standards, portfolio management, and wealth planning.

The CFA Program curriculum is updated every year by experts from around the world to ensure that candidates learn the most relevant and practical new tools, ideas, and investment and wealth management skills to reflect the dynamic and complex nature of the profession. To learn more about the CFA charter, visit <a href="www.cfainstitute.org">www.cfainstitute.org</a>.

#### **Disciplinary Information**

There is no disciplinary information to report.

**Other Business Activities** 

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**Additional Compensation** 

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Supervision

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Mark Richard Frombach, CFA, MBA Chief Investment Officer

Year of Birth: 1966

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School:

Rutgers University, Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, 1988 Rutgers University, Masters of Business Administration, Finance, 1995

#### **Business Background:**

Mark began his career at Nabisco, Inc. followed by extended domestic and international assignments with Air Products and Chemicals. He spent seven years at Morgan Stanley prior to joining Roffman Miller in 2006.

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#### Other Business Activities

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#### **Additional Compensation**

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#### Supervision

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Susan Lynn Arnold Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1973

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: Penn State University, Bachelor of Science, Economics, 1996 LaSalle University, Masters of Business Administration, 22 Credits (2004-2008)

#### **Business Background:**

Susan originally started working for Roffman Miller in 2005. In 2008 Susan re-joined Roffman Miller after spending two years managing the Radnor office of TD Ameritrade. Her career started at Charles Schwab as an Investment Specialist and in 2004, she was promoted to branch manager.

#### **Disciplinary Information**

There is no disciplinary information to report.

#### **Other Business Activities**

There are no other business activities

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#### Supervision

Paulette Greenwell is her direct supervisor and can be reached at 215-981-1030.



Ryan Timothy Crooks, MBA Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1976

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School:

University of Scranton, Bachelor of Science, Finance, 1998
Drexel University, Masters of Business Administration, Finance, 2007

#### **Business Background:**

Ryan joined Roffman Miller in 2007 bringing with him his extensive fixed income experience. Prior to joining Roffman Miller he held positions as Vice President-Fixed Income Capital Markets with Spear, Leeds & Kellogg, FTN Financial and Sterne, Agee & Leach.

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Lori Ann Hartman Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1978

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: West Chester University, Bachelor of Science, Finance, 2002

#### **Business Background:**

Lori joined the firm in 1998 as an Intern and upon graduation she became a full-time employee. She began her career as an Assistant Investment Manager. She is currently an Investment Manager. She also supervises all of the IT Services.

#### **Disciplinary Information**

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Kevin Joseph Cooke, CFP®, MBA Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1967

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

#### Formal Education after High School:

Temple University, Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance, 1991 St. Joseph's University, Masters of Business Administration, 2001

#### Business Background:

Kevin joined the firm in early 2014, and brings extensive industry experience. He began his financial career in 1992 as a 401(k) Plan Administrator and has over 16 years in the industry, including eight years with the Vanguard Group. While at Vanguard, he held various leadership positions including Project Manager and Relationship Manager of Vanguard Brokerage Services. In 2009, he started a fee-only practice, Cooke Financial Planning, based in Fort Washington, PA.

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Gerry G. Guertin ChFC® Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1970

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: St. Joseph's University, Bachelor of Science, Financial Management, 1992

#### **Business Background:**

Prior to joining Roffman Miller Associates in 2016, Gerry spent 3.5 years with Charles Schwab as an Associate Financial Consultant meeting with individual clients and families. Before that he was a Financial Consultant with Citigroup Smith Barney, working with institutional clients.

Certifications: Chartered Financial Consultant®

The Chartered Financial Consultant designation (ChFC°) has been a mark of excellence for almost thirty years and currently requires nine college-level courses, the most of any financial planning credential. Average study time to earn the ChFC° exceeds 450 hours. Required courses cover extensive education and application training in financial planning, income taxation, investments, and estate and retirement planning. Additional electives are chosen from such topics as macroeconomics, financial decisions for retirement, and executive compensation. ChFC° designees must meet experience requirements and adhere to continuing education and ethical standards. The credential is awarded by The American College, a non-profit educator founded in 1927 and the highest level of academic accreditation.

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Earl Miller, MBA Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1968

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: Saint Leo University, Bachelor of Arts, Business Management, 1992 Northeastern University, MBA, 2011

#### **Business Background:**

Prior to joining Roffman Miller Associates in 2018, Earl served as the director of client development with Main Line Investment Partners and Main Line Private Wealth. He also has experience as a vice president and senior relationship manager with PNC Investments and a vice president and financial advisor with Sanford C. Bernstein, the Private Wealth Management division of Alliance Bernstein. From 1986 to 1995 Mr. Miller proudly served our country as a decorated member of the United States Air Force.

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Jeff Moyers, MBA, CFP® Investment Advisor Year of Birth: 1964

#### **Education Background and Business Experience**

Formal Education after High School: Eastern University, Bachelor of Arts, Organizational Management, 1995 Eastern University, MBA, 2008

#### Business Background:

Jeff joined Roffman Miller in 2020 after gaining over 20 years of experience in the financial services industry. He began his career with Prudential Securities in 1998 as a Financial Advisor, a few years later added the responsibilities of Satellite Branch Manager in the Princeton, NJ branch. In 2002 he joined Charles Schwab and for the next 16 years served in a variety of roles including Financial Consultant and Branch Manager. In 2019 he joined PNC Wealth Management as Vice President and Senior Relationship Strategist in the Princeton market.

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