



# CMG

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This Brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of CMG Wealth Management. If you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure, please contact us at (469) 729-7084, or via email at [sengels@cmgwm.com](mailto:sengels@cmgwm.com). The information in this Brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or by any state securities authority.

CMG Wealth Management is a registered investment advisory firm. Registration of an investment advisory firm does not imply a particular level of skill or training.

Additional information about CMG Wealth Management 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

### Annual Update

The Material Changes section of this brochure will be updated annually, or when material changes occur since the previous release of our Firm Brochure. This Item discusses only specific material changes made to this Brochure and provides our clients with a summary of such changes.

### Material Changes since the Last Update

Since our last filing on March 7, 2024, there have been no material changes made to the brochure.

### Full Brochure and Additional Information

Full Brochure and additional information about CMG Wealth Management are available via the SEC's website [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov). The SEC's website also provides information about any persons affiliated with us who are registered or are required to be registered as investment adviser representatives ("IAR").

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## **Advisory Business**

### **FIRM INFORMATION**

CMG Global Holdings, LLC dba Course Made Good Wealth Management dba CMG Wealth Management ("CMG," "we," "us," "our"), formed in June 2018, is a registered investment advisory firm located in Plano, Texas.

### **PRINCIPAL OWNERS**

CMG is owned and controlled by its Managing Members Stephen M. Engels and James P. Pacholek. Stephen M. Engels is the Chief Compliance Officer.

### **INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES**

#### **Asset Management Services:**

We provide asset management services in which we manage your custodial accounts and provide you with continuous and ongoing supervision of your custodial accounts on both a discretionary and non-discretionary basis. Our services provide additional investment opportunities among stocks, bonds, mutual funds, exchange-traded funds (ETFs), Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), options, and additional securities.

### **CLIENT INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES/RESTRICTIONS**

CMG offers the same suite of services to all our clients. However, specific recommendations and their implementation are dependent upon the individual client's suitability form, which outlines a client's current financial situation such as income, net worth, and risk tolerance levels. This information is essential in the development of a client-specific plan in the selection of investments that matches restrictions, needs, and targets. On a case by case basis, our clients may impose restrictions on investing in certain securities or types of securities in accordance with their values or beliefs. However, if the restrictions prevent us from properly servicing the client's account, or if the restrictions would require us to deviate from our standard suite of services, we reserve the right to end the relationship. We may request additional information and documentation, such as current investments, tax returns, insurance policies, and estate plan. We will discuss your investment objectives, needs, and goals, but you must inform us of any changes. Unless directed by you, we do not independently verify any information provided to us by you or your attorney, accountant, or other professionals.

### **WRAP FEE PROGRAMS**

CMG does not participate in, recommend, or offer wrap fee programs.

### **ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT**

As of December 31, 2024, CMG managed \$331,309,891 on a discretionary basis and \$11,003,122 on a non-discretionary basis.

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## **Fees and Compensation**

### **ANNUAL FEES FOR ADVISORY SERVICES**

CMG is compensated for providing asset management services by charging a negotiable fee based on the total assets under management. The fees and billing will be pre-determined in writing in the Investment Advisory Agreement executed by you and CMG.

The below ranges are the standard fee ranges that are typically charged.

<b>Asset Management Fee Schedule</b>	
All Assets	0.25% - 1.25%

### **FEE BILLING & PAYMENT**

Our asset management fees are annual fees and may be negotiable. Asset management fees are paid quarterly in advance. Payments are due on the first day of the calendar quarter and are based on the account's asset value as of the last business day of the prior calendar quarter multiplied by the applicable annual rate and divided by four (4). The fee for the subsequent quarter is billed and payable within ten (10) days after the end of the prior quarter. We will deduct our asset management fee only when in receipt of your written authorization by executing an investment advisory agreement permitting the fees to be paid directly from your account. The qualified custodian will deliver an account statement to you at least quarterly, which will show all disbursements from your account. We urge you to review all statements for accuracy.

You are responsible for all third-party fees (i.e., custodian fees, mutual fund fees, transaction fees, etc.). These fees are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses charged by CMG.

### **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

Either party may terminate the investment advisory agreement by providing 30-day advance written notice. Upon termination of any account, any prepaid, unearned fees will be promptly refunded, and any earned, unpaid fees will be due and payable up to and including the effective date of termination.

Notwithstanding the above, if we do not deliver the appropriate disclosure statement to you at least 48 hours prior to you entering into any written or oral advisory contract with us, then you have the right to terminate the contract without penalty within five (5) business days after entering into the contract.

### **OTHER EXPENSES AND FEES**

The fees discussed above include payment solely for the investment advisory services provided by us and are separate from certain fees or charges that are imposed by third parties in connection with investments made on your behalf for your account. Third-party fees may include markdowns, markups, brokerage commissions, other transaction costs, and/or custodial fees.

All fees paid to us for asset management services are separate from the expenses charged by exchange-traded funds and mutual funds to their shareholders. These fees and expenses will be used to pay management fees for the funds, other fund expenses, account administration, and a possible distribution fee. Exchanged traded funds and mutual funds can be invested in directly by you without our services. However, you would not receive our services to assist you in determining which products or services are

most suitable for your financial situation and objectives. You should review both the fees we charge and the fees charged by the fund(s) to understand the total fees to be paid fully.

### **OTHER COMPENSATION**

Certain of our associated persons are also licensed, insurance agents. In this capacity, the IARs may recommend insurance, advisory, or other products, and receive normal insurance commissions if products are purchased through the IAR(s) in this capacity. Thus, a conflict of interest exists between the interests of these individuals and those of the advisory clients, creating an incentive for the IAR(s) to recommend products based on the compensation received, rather than on a client's needs. However, clients are under no obligation to act upon any of these recommendations. Although our recommendations may include products offered by third parties, these recommendations are not limited to such products as all financial planning advice provided is of a generic nature. Clients have the option to purchase insurance products recommended by the IAR through other agents not affiliated with our firm. Please refer to Item 10 of this Brochure for a more detailed explanation of how our firm handles and mitigates these conflicts of interest.

## **ITEM 6**

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

We do not charge any performance-based fees, which are fees based on a share of capital gains on or capital appreciation of your assets.

## **ITEM 7**

### **Types of Clients**

We provide our investment advisory services to:

- Individuals
- High Net Worth Individuals
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Corporations
- Other business entities

We do not have a minimum account size for our asset management services.

## **ITEM 8**

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

#### **METHODS OF ANALYSIS**

We use various methods of analysis and investment strategies, including the following:

**Fundamental Analysis** – We evaluate economic and financial factors to determine if a security may be underpriced, overpriced, or fairly priced. This method entails assessing a security by attempting to determine its intrinsic value by examining related financial, economic, and other qualitative and quantitative factors. Fundamental analysis requires an in-depth look at all factors that can affect the security's value, from macroeconomic factors (like the overall economy and industry conditions) to individually specific factors (like the financial situation and management of companies). The overall

objective of performing the fundamental analysis is to determine a value that an investor can use to determine what sort of position to take with that security. This method of security analysis is contrary to technical analysis. Fundamental analysis involves using real data to evaluate a security's value. Although most analysts use fundamental analysis to value stocks, this method of valuation can be used for just about any type of security.

**Technical Analysis** – This method involves the evaluation of securities by performing an analysis of statical information that is generated by market activity, such as past prices and volume. Technical analysis does not attempt to measure a security's intrinsic value but instead, use charts and other tools to determine the patterns that can suggest future activity. Technical analysts believe that the historical performance of stocks and markets are indications of future performance.

**Modern Portfolio Theory** - Modern portfolio theory (MPT) is a risk-averse theory that involves the construction of portfolios to maximize and optimize expected return based on a given level of market risk, emphasizing that risk is an inherent part of higher reward. According to the theory, it's possible to construct an "efficient frontier" of optimal portfolios offering the maximum possible expected return for a given level of risk.

## INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

When formulating investment advice or managing client assets, we will use the following investment strategies. There are inherent risks associated with each of these strategies.

**Long-Term Strategy** - A long-term strategy may not take advantage of short-term gains or may experience more volatility over the life of the portfolio.

**Short-Term Strategy** - A short-term strategy may incur more trading and brokerage costs and runs the risk that certain anticipated market movements do not occur, resulting in the client holding a security for longer than intended.

Your accounts are managed separately with your underlying investment strategies, restrictions, or investment limitations defined within the investment management agreement.

## POTENTIAL RISKS

Investing involves different levels of risk that can result in loss of any profits and/or principal you have not realized. We manage your account in a manner consistent with your pre-determined risk tolerance and suitability profile. However, we cannot guarantee that our efforts will be successful. Investing in securities involves the risk of loss clients should be prepared to bear.

**Investing involves the assumption of risk, including:**

**Financial Risk:** This is the risk that the companies we recommend to you perform poorly, which affect the price of your investment.

**Market Risk:** This is the risk that the stock market will decline, decreasing the value of the securities we recommend to you with it.

**Inflation Risk:** which is the risk that the rate of price increases in the economy deteriorates the returns associated with the stock.

**Political and Governmental Risk:** This is the risk that the value of your investment will be affected by the introduction of new laws or regulations.

**Interest Rate Risk:** which is the risk that the value of the investments we recommend to you will fall if interest rates rise.

**Call Risk:** This is the risk that your investment will be called or purchased back from you when conditions are favorable to the bond issuer and unfavorable to you.

**Default Risk:** This is the risk that the issuer is unable to pay the contractual interest or principal on the investment promptly or at all.

**Manager Risk:** This is the risk that an actively managed mutual fund's investment adviser will fail to execute the fund's stated investment strategy.

**Industry Risk:** This is the risk that a group of stocks in a single industry will decline in price due to adverse developments in that industry, decreasing the value of mutual funds that are significantly invested in that industry.

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### Disciplinary Information

As of the date of this brochure, we have not been subject to any disciplinary, legal, or regulatory events related to past or present investment clients. There has been no disciplinary, legal, or regulatory events related to us or any of our management persons.

## ITEM 10

### Other Financial Activities and Affiliations

#### FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES

Stephen Engels and James Pacholek are both registered representatives with Purshe Kaplan Sterling Investments, a member of FINRA/SIPC. They both are licensed to sell securities. As registered representatives of an unaffiliated broker-dealer, They may earn additional compensation in the form of commissions for the sale of general securities products such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, and a variable annuity to investment advisory clients. As such, your IAR may suggest that you implement investment advice by purchasing securities products through a commission-based account introduced through our unaffiliated broker-dealer in addition to an investment advisory account. In the event that you elect to purchase these products through our unaffiliated broker-dealer, your investment adviser, in the capacity as a registered representative, and our unaffiliated broker-dealer will receive the standard and customary commission compensation in connection with the particular product purchased.

Neither CMG nor its management persons are registered or has an application pending to register as a futures commission merchant, commodity pool operator, or commodity trading advisor.

#### AFFILIATIONS

Certain associates of the firm are also insurance agents licensed to sell insurance products. A conflict of interest exists in that these services pay a commission, which conflicts with the IAR's fiduciary duties. CMG does not require its IARs to encourage clients to implement investment advice through our insurance product recommendations. Clients have the right to implement insurance product recommendations through the insurance agency and agent of their choice. We require that all IARs disclose this conflict of



interest when such recommendations are made. We also require IARs to disclose that the client has the right to purchase recommended products from individuals not affiliated with us.

#### **SELECTION OF OTHER INVESTMENT ADVISERS**

We do not recommend or select other investment advisers for our clients.

### **ITEM 11**

## **Code of Ethics, Participation in Client Transactions and Personal Trading**

### **CODE OF ETHICS**

CMG has developed a code of ethics that will apply to all of our supervised persons. We and our IARs must act in a fiduciary capacity when providing investment advisory services to you. As a fiduciary, it is an investment adviser's responsibility to provide fair and full disclosure of all material facts and to act solely in the best interest of each of our clients at all times. CMG has a fiduciary duty to all clients. This fiduciary duty is considered the core underlying principle of our code of ethics, which also covers our insider trading and personal securities transactions policies and procedures. We require all of our supervised persons to conduct business with the highest level of ethical standards and to comply with all federal and state securities laws at all times. Upon employment or affiliation and at least annually thereafter, all supervised persons will acknowledge that they have read, understand, and agree to comply with our Code of Ethics.

Our Code of Ethics is available to clients and prospective clients upon request.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS INVOLVING A MATERIAL FINANCIAL INTEREST**

Neither we nor any related person recommend to clients or buys or sells for clients' accounts, securities in which we or a related person has a material financial interest.

### **PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS**

There may be instances where an IAR will recommend to investment advisory clients or prospective clients the purchase or sale of securities in which an IAR, its affiliates, or other clients may also have a position or interest. Certain affiliated accounts may trade in the same securities with client accounts on an aggregated basis. Generally, in such circumstances, the affiliated and client accounts will share execution costs equally. Completed trade orders will be allocated according to the instructions from the initial trade order. Partially filled trade orders will be allocated on a pro-rata basis. Any exceptions will be explained in the trade order.

### **PERSONAL TRADING**

Employees are permitted to have personal securities accounts as long as personal investing practices are in line with fiduciary standards and regulatory requirements, and do not conflict with their duty to CMG and our clients. CMG monitors and controls personal trading through pre-approval of all personal securities transactions or blackout periods imposed upon employees trading in the same securities as CMG. We forbid any officer or employee, either personally or on behalf of others, to trade on material, nonpublic information, or to communicate such information to others in violation of the law.

## Brokerage Practices

CMG currently has arrangements with Charles Schwab & Co, Inc. ("Schwab"). Schwab is the unaffiliated qualified custodian, whereby CMG would suggest you custody your accounts. Schwab is an independent SEC-registered broker-dealer and a member of FINRA and SIPC.

As a fiduciary, we are obligated to seek out the best execution of client transactions for that accounts that we manage. In general, the execution of securities transactions is at a total cost to process each transaction and are the most favorable under the circumstances. However, we do not limit the best execution to the lowest available price. Additional factors are taken into consideration when determining the arrangement and services in the selection of a broker-dealer or qualified custodian. Our review consists of reviewing the commission and fee structures of various broker-dealers, research platforms, and execution services. Accordingly, while we consider competitive rates, we do not necessarily obtain the lowest possible commission rates for account transactions. Therefore, the overall services provided by unaffiliated broker-dealers and qualified custodians are evaluated to determine the best execution. You may pay trade execution charges and higher commissions through the trading platforms approved by us than through platforms that have not been approved by us.

### RESEARCH AND OTHER SOFT DOLLAR BENEFITS

#### Products & Services Available to Us from Schwab

Schwab Advisor Services (formerly called Schwab Institutional) is Schwab's business serving independent investment advisory firms like ours. They provide our clients and us 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 are generally available on an unsolicited basis and at no charge to us as long as we maintain a total of at least \$10 million of our clients' assets in accounts at Schwab.

#### Services that Benefit Client

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. Schwab's services described in this paragraph generally benefit clients or their account(s).

#### Services that May Not Directly Benefit Clients

Schwab also makes available to us other products and services that benefit us but may not directly benefit the client or their account(s). 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 some 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:

- provides access to client account data (such as duplicate trade confirmations and account statements);
- facilitates trade execution and allocate aggregated trade orders for multiple client accounts;

- provides pricing and other market data;
- facilitates payment of our fees from our clients' accounts; and
- assists with back-office functions, recordkeeping, and client reporting.

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

- educational conferences and events
- technology, compliance, legal, and business consulting;
- publications and conferences on practice management and business succession; and
- 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.

Irrespective of direct or indirect benefits to our client through Schwab, we strive to enhance the client's experience, help reach their goals, and put their interests before that of our firm or its associated persons.

### **BROKERAGE FOR CLIENT REFERRALS**

We do not receive client referrals from broker-dealers.

### **DIRECTED BROKERAGE**

We do not recommend, request, require, or permit clients to direct us to executed transactions through a specific broker-dealer other than those we recommend.

### **TRADE AGGREGATION**

We attempt to allocate trade executions in the most equitable manner possible, taking into consideration current asset allocation and availability of funds using price averaging, proration, and consistently non-arbitrary methods of allocation. We may aggregate orders in order to obtain best execution, to negotiate more favorable commission rates, or to allocate equitably among our clients' differences in prices and commission or other transaction costs. In aggregated orders, transactions will be price-averaged and allocated among our clients in proportion to the purchase and sale orders placed for each client account on any given day.

## **ITEM 13** **Review of Accounts**

### **PERIODIC REVIEWS**

We review asset management accounts as frequently as requested by our clients but no less than annually. These accounts will be reviewed by Stephen M. Engels. Accounts are reviewed to evaluate asset allocation, investment strategy and objectives, cash balance, and performance as well as the general economic outlook and current investment trends.

## REVIEW TRIGGERS

We conduct periodic reviews to evaluate the current market, economic and political events and how these may affect client accounts. Additional reviews may be triggered by these events or by events in the client's financial or personal status.

## REGULAR REPORTS

Asset management clients will receive advisory account statements no less than quarterly. These statements show asset value by cash balances, security, unit cost, total cost, current per share values, etc. Clients are urged to review the quarterly statements provided by us with those provided by their custodian and notify us of any differences. Clients are encouraged to phone or email us as often as they deem necessary to receive information regarding the investment tactics and strategies being followed.

### ITEM 14

## Client Referrals and Other Compensation

Please see Item 12 Brokerage Practices for information regarding the benefits we receive from our custodian.

We do not pay, nor do we receive compensation to refer clients to third parties.

### ITEM 15

## Custody

We are deemed to have custody of client funds and securities due to our ability to deduct management fees from clients' accounts. We will not take physical custody of clients' funds and will not assign or transfer trading authorization to another advisor. Clients will receive account statements from the qualified custodian(s) holding their funds and securities at least quarterly. The custodian's account statements will indicate the amount of our advisory fees deducted from the clients' account(s) each billing period. The client should carefully review these statements for accuracy. Item 5 – Fees and Compensation has additional information regarding our ability to deduct management fees from clients' accounts.

### ITEM 16

## Investment Discretion

### DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY FOR TRADING

If you are participating in our asset management services, upon receiving your written authorization via our executed investment advisory agreement, we will maintain trading authorization over your designated account and may also implement trades on a discretionary basis.

When discretionary authority is granted, we will have the limited authority to determine the type of securities to be purchased, sold, or exchanged and a number of securities that can be bought, sold, or exchanged for your portfolio without obtaining your consent for each transaction.

If you do not grant this limited investment discretion, your IAR will be required to contact you and get affirmation regarding our investment recommendations, such as the security being recommended, the number of shares, whether the security should be bought or sold before implementing changes in your account.

Once the above factors are agreed upon, we will be responsible for making decisions regarding the timing of buying or selling an investment and the price at which the investment is bought or sold. If your accounts

are managed on a non-discretionary basis, it is critical that you respond promptly. If we do not receive a response to our request immediately, the timing of trade implementation may lead to an adverse impact where we may not achieve the optimal trading price.

On a case by case basis, you may place reasonable restrictions on the types of investments that may be purchased or sold in your account so long as the restrictions are explicitly set forth or included as an attachment to the investment advisory agreement.

#### ITEM 17

### Voting Client Securities

We do not have the authority to vote proxies as it pertains to the issuers of securities held in your account. The responsibility for voting your securities places increased liability to us and does not add enough value to the services provided to you to justify the additional compliance and regulatory costs associated with voting your securities.

Therefore, you are responsible for voting all proxies for securities held in accounts managed by us. Typically, our qualified custodian will forward you your proxy information. Although we do not vote your proxies, you can contact us if you have a question about a particular proxy.

#### ITEM 18

### Financial Information

We are not required to include a balance sheet for our most recent fiscal year. We are not subject to a financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair our ability to meet contractual commitments to our clients.

We are currently not in, nor have been historically in a financially precarious situation or the subject of a bankruptcy petition.