Zoda Financial, LLC Firm Brochure - Form ADV Part 2A

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Item 4: Advisory Business

A. Description of the Advisory Firm

Zoda Financial, LLC is a Limited Liability Company organized in the state of Texas.

The firm was formed in March of 2013, and the principal owner is Robert David Zoda.

B. Types of Advisory Services

Zoda Financial, LLC (hereinafter "ZF") offers the following services to advisory clients:

Investment Supervisory Services

ZF offers ongoing portfolio management services based on the individual goals, objectives, time horizon, and risk tolerance of each client. ZF creates an Investment Policy Statement for each client, which outlines the client's current situation (income, tax levels, and risk tolerance levels) and then constructs a plan to aid in the selection of a portfolio that matches each client's specific situation. Investment Supervisory Services include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment strategy
 Personal investment policy
- Asset allocation
 Asset selection
- Risk tolerance
 Regular portfolio monitoring

ZF evaluates the current investments of each client with respect to their risk tolerance levels and time horizon. Risk tolerance levels are documented in the Investment Policy Statement, which is given to each client.

Financial Planning

Financial plans and financial planning may include, but are not limited to: investment planning, life insurance; tax concerns; retirement planning; college planning; and debt/credit planning. These services are based on fixed fees or hourly fees and the final fee structure is documented in Exhibit II of the Financial Planning Agreement.

Services Limited to Specific Types of Investments

ZF generally limits its investment advice and/or money management to mutual funds, equities, bonds, fixed income, debt securities, ETFs, hedge funds, REITs, insurance products including annuities, private placements, and government securities. ZF may use other securities as well to help diversify a portfolio when applicable.

C. Client Tailored Services and Client Imposed Restrictions

ZF offers the same suite of services to all of its clients. However, specific client financial plans and their implementation are dependent upon the client Investment Policy Statement which outlines each client's current situation (income, tax levels, and risk tolerance levels) and is used to construct a client specific plan to aid in the selection of a portfolio that matches restrictions, needs, and targets.

Clients may impose restrictions in investing in certain securities or types of securities in accordance with their values or beliefs. However, if the restrictions prevent ZF from properly servicing the client account, or if the restrictions would require ZF to deviate from its standard suite of services, ZF reserves the right to end the relationship.

D. Wrap Fee Programs

ZF participates in wrap fee programs, which are investment programs where the investor pays one stated fee that includes management fees, transaction costs, fund expenses, and any other administrative fees. ZF manages the investments in the wrap fee program, but does not manage those wrap fee accounts any differently than non-wrap fee accounts. A portion of the fees paid to the wrap account program will be given to ZF as a management fee.

E. Amounts Under Management

ZF has the following assets under management:

Discretionary Amounts:	Non-discretionary Amounts:	Date Calculated:
\$ 0.00	\$ 18,400,000.00	December 2021

Item 5: Fees and Compensation

A. Fee Schedule

Investment Supervisory Services Fees

Total Assets Under Management	Annual Fee
First \$100,000	1.50%
\$100,001 - \$249,999	1.25%
\$250,000 - \$499,999	1.10%
\$500,000 - \$3,000,000	1.00%
\$3,000,001 - \$5,000,000	0.90%
Above \$5,000,000	0.75%

These fees are negotiable depending upon the needs of the client and complexity of the situation and the final fee schedule is attached as Exhibit II of the Investment Advisory Contract. Fees are paid monthly in advance, and clients may terminate their contracts with fifteen days' written notice.

Refunds are given on a prorated basis, based on the number of days remaining in a month at the point of termination. The fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the daily rate* times the number of days in the month up to and including the day of termination. (*The daily rate is calculated by dividing the monthly AUM fee by the number of days in the termination month). Clients may terminate their contracts without penalty, for full refund, within 5 business days of signing the advisory contract. Client shall be given thirty (30) days' prior written notice of any proposed increase in fees.

Advisory fees are withdrawn directly from the client's accounts with client written authorization. In cases where Advisor fees are directly deducted, Advisor is required to a.) Obtain client authorization, b.) Send a copy of the invoice to the client at the same time that the ZF directs invoice to the custodian for payment, c.) Disclose that the custodian will send quarterly invoices to the client wherein Advisor fees are itemized.

Financial Planning Fees

Fixed Fees

Depending upon the complexity of the situation and the needs of the client, the rate for creating client financial plans is between \$500 and \$2,500. Fees are paid in advance, but

never more than six months in advance. Fees that are charged in advance will be refunded based on the prorated amount of work completed at the point of termination. The fees are negotiable and the final fee schedule will be attached as Exhibit II of the Financial Planning Agreement. Clients may terminate their contracts without penalty within five business days of signing the advisory contract.

Hourly Fees

Depending upon the complexity of the situation and the needs of the client, the hourly fee for these services is between \$150 and \$250. The fees are negotiable and the final fee schedule will be attached as Exhibit II of the Financial Planning Agreement. Fees are paid in advance, but never more than six months in advance. The fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the hourly rate times the number of hours of work that has been completed up to and including the day of termination. Clients may terminate their contracts without penalty within five business days of signing the advisory contract.

B. Payment of Fees

Payment of Investment Supervisory Fees

Advisory fees are withdrawn directly from the client's accounts with client written authorization. Fees are paid monthly in advance.

Payment of Financial Planning Fees

Hourly Financial Planning fees are paid via check or credit card in advance, but never more than six months in advance. The fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the hourly rate times the number of hours of work that has been completed up to and including the day of termination.

Fixed Financial Planning fees are paid via check or credit card in advance, but never more than six months in advance. Fees that are charged in advance will be refunded based on the prorated amount of work completed at the point of termination.

C. Clients Are Responsible For Third Party Fees

Clients are responsible for the payment of all third party fees (i.e. custodian fees, brokerage fees, mutual fund fees, transaction fees, etc.). Those fees are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses charged by ZF. Please see Item 12 of this brochure regarding broker/custodian.

D. Prepayment of Fees

ZF collects fees in advance. Fees will be returned within fourteen days to the client via mailed check or return to credit card.

Fixed financial planning fees that are collected in advance will be refunded based on the prorated amount of work completed at the point of termination.

For hourly financial planning fees that are collected in advance, the fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the hourly rate times the number of hours of work that has been completed up to and including the day of termination.

For all asset based fees paid in advance the fee refunded will be the balance of the fees collected in advance minus the daily rate* times the number of days in the month up to and including the day of termination. (*The daily rate is calculated by dividing the monthly AUM fee by the number of days in the termination month).

E. Outside Compensation For the Sale of Securities to Clients

Neither ZF nor its supervised persons accept any compensation for the sale of securities or other investment products, including asset-based sales charges or service fees from the sale of mutual funds.

Item 6: Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

ZF does not accept performance-based fees or other fees based on a share of capital gains on or capital appreciation of the assets of a client.

Item 7: Types of Clients

ZF generally provides investment advice and/or management supervisory services to the following types of clients:

- Individuals
- ❖ High-Net-Worth Individuals
- Corporations or Business Entities

Minimum Account Size

There is no account minimum.

Item 8: Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies, and Risk of Investment Loss

A. Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategies

Methods of Analysis

ZF's methods of analysis include fundamental analysis and technical analysis.

Fundamental analysis involves the analysis of financial statements, the general financial health of companies, and/or the analysis of management or competitive advantages.

Technical analysis involves the analysis of past market data; primarily price and volume.

Investment Strategies

ZF uses long term trading, short term trading, short sales, margin transactions, and options writing (including covered options, uncovered options, or spreading strategies).

Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

B. Material Risks Involved

Methods of Analysis

Fundamental analysis concentrates on factors that determine a company's value and expected future earnings. This strategy would normally encourage equity purchases in stocks that are undervalued or priced below their perceived value. The risk assumed is that the market will fail to reach expectations of perceived value.

Technical analysis attempts to predict a future stock price or direction based on market trends. The assumption is that the market follows discernible patterns and if these patterns can be identified then a prediction can be made. The risk is that markets do not always follow patterns and relying solely on this method may not work long term.

Investment Strategies

Long term trading is designed to capture market rates of both return and risk. Frequent trading, when done, can affect investment performance, particularly through increased brokerage and other transaction costs and taxes.

Short term trading, short sales, margin transactions, and options writing generally hold greater risk and clients should be aware that there is a material risk of loss using any of those strategies.

Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

C. Risks of Specific Securities Utilized

ZF generally seeks investment strategies that do not involve significant or unusual risk beyond that of the general domestic and/or international equity markets. However, it will utilize short sales, margin transactions, and options writing. Short sales, margin transactions, and options writing generally hold greater risk of capital loss and clients should be aware that there is a material risk of loss using any of those strategies. The investment types listed below (leaving aside Treasury Inflation Protected/Inflation Linked Bonds) are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or any other government agency.

Mutual Funds: Investing in mutual funds carries the risk of capital loss and thus you may lose money investing in mutual funds. All mutual funds have costs that lower investment returns. They can be of bond "fixed income" nature (lower risk) or stock "equity" nature (mentioned above).

Equity investment generally refers to buying shares of stocks by an individual or firms in return for receiving a future payment of dividends and capital gains if the value of the stock increases. There is an innate risk involved when purchasing a stock that it may decrease in value and the investment may incur a loss.

Treasury Inflation Protected/Inflation Linked Bonds: The Risk of default on these bonds is dependent upon the U.S. Treasury defaulting (extremely unlikely); however, they carry a potential risk of losing share price value, albeit rather minimal.

Fixed Income is an investment that guarantees fixed periodic payments in the future that may involve economic risks such as inflationary risk, interest rate risk, default risk, repayment of principal risk, etc.

Debt securities carry risks such as the possibility of default on the principal, fluctuation in interest rates, and counterparties being unable to meet obligations.

Stocks & Exchange Traded Funds (ETF): Investing in stocks & ETF's carries the risk of capital loss (sometimes up to a 100% loss in the case of a stock holding bankruptcy).

Hedge Funds are not suitable for all investors and involve a high degree of risk due to several factors that may contribute to above average gains or significant losses. Such factors include leveraging or other speculative investment practices, commodity trading, complex tax structures, a lack of transparency in the underlying investments, and generally the absence of a secondary market.

REITs have specific risks including valuation due to cash flows, dividends paid in stock rather than cash, and the payment of debt resulting in dilution of shares.

Private placements carry a substantial risk as they are largely unregulated offerings not subject to securities laws.

Precious Metal ETFs (Gold, Silver, Palladium Bullion backed "electronic shares" not physical metal): Investing in precious metal ETFs carries the risk of capital loss.

Long term trading is designed to capture market rates of both return and risk. Due to its nature, the long-term investment strategy can expose clients to various other types of risk that will typically surface at various intervals during the time the client owns the investments. These risks include but are not limited to inflation (purchasing power) risk, interest rate risk, economic risk, market risk, and political/regulatory risk.

Short term trading risks include liquidity, economic stability and inflation.

Short sales risks include the upward trend of the market and the infinite possibility of loss.

Margin transactions use leverage that is borrowed from a brokerage firm as collateral.

Options writing involve a contract to purchase a security at a given price, not necessarily at market value, depending on the market.

Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns. Investing in securities involves a risk of loss that you, as a client, should be prepared to bear.

Item 9: Disciplinary Information

A. Criminal or Civil Actions

There are no criminal or civil actions to report.

B. Administrative Proceedings

There are no administrative proceedings to report.

C. Self-regulatory Organization (SRO) Proceedings

There are no self-regulatory organization proceedings to report.

Item 10: Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

A. Registration as a Broker/Dealer or Broker/Dealer Representative

Neither ZF nor its representatives are registered as, or have pending applications to become, a broker/dealer or a representative of a broker/dealer.

B. Registration as a Futures Commission Merchant, Commodity Pool Operator, or a Commodity Trading Advisor

Neither ZF nor its representatives are registered as or have pending applications to become a Futures Commission Merchant, Commodity Pool Operator, or a Commodity Trading Advisor.

C. Registration Relationships Material to this Advisory Business and Possible Conflicts of Interests

Neither ZF nor its representatives have any material relationships to this advisory business that would present a possible conflict of interest.

D. Selection of Other Advisers or Managers and How This Adviser is Compensated for Those Selections

ZF does not utilize nor select other advisers or third party managers. All assets are managed by ZF management.

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

A. Code of Ethics

ZF has a written Code of Ethics that covers the following areas: Prohibited Purchases and Sales, Insider Trading, Personal Securities Transactions, Exempted Transactions, Prohibited Activities, Conflicts of Interest, Gifts and Entertainment, Confidentiality, Service on a Board of Directors, Compliance Procedures, Compliance with Laws and Regulations, Procedures and Reporting, Certification of Compliance, Reporting Violations, Compliance Officer Duties, Training and Education, Recordkeeping, Annual Review, and Sanctions. Our Code of Ethics is available free upon request to any client or prospective client.

B. Recommendations Involving Material Financial Interests

ZF does not recommend that clients buy or sell any security in which a related person to ZF or ZF has a material financial interest.

C. Investing Personal Money in the Same Securities as Clients

From time to time, representatives of ZF may buy or sell securities for themselves that they also recommend to clients. This may provide an opportunity for representatives of Form ADV 2A Version: 02/10/2022

ZF to buy or sell the same securities before or after recommending the same securities to clients resulting in representatives profiting off the recommendations they provide to clients. Such transactions may create a conflict of interest. ZF will always document any transactions that could be construed as conflicts of interest and will always transact client business before their own when similar securities are being bought or sold.

D. Trading Securities At/Around the Same Time as Clients' Securities

From time to time, representatives of ZF may buy or sell securities for themselves at or around the same time as clients. This may provide an opportunity for representatives of ZF to buy or sell securities before or after recommending securities to clients resulting in representatives profiting off the recommendations they provide to clients. Such transactions may create a conflict of interest. ZF will always transact client's transactions before its own when similar securities are being bought or sold.

Item 12: Brokerage Practices

A. Factors Used to Select Custodians and/or Broker/Dealers

ZF participates in the institutional advisor program (the "Program") offered by TD Ameritrade Institutional. TD Ameritrade Institutional is a division of TD Ameritrade Inc., member FINRA/SIPC/NFA ("TD Ameritrade"), an unaffiliated SEC-registered broker-dealer and FINRA member. TD Ameritrade offers to independent investment advisors services which include custody of securities, trade execution, clearance and settlement of transactions. ZF receives some benefits from TD Ameritrade through its participation in the Program.

As disclosed above, ZF participates in TD Ameritrade's institutional customer program and ZF may recommend TD Ameritrade to Clients for custody and brokerage services. There is no direct link between ZF's participation in the program and the investment advice it gives to its Clients, although ZF receives economic benefits through its participation in the program that are typically not available to TD Ameritrade retail investors. These benefits include the following products and services (provided without cost or at a discount): receipt of duplicate Client statements and confirmations; research related products and tools; consulting services; access to a trading desk serving ZF participants; access to block trading (which provides the ability to aggregate securities transactions for execution and then allocate the appropriate shares to Client accounts); the ability to have advisory fees deducted directly from Client accounts; access to an electronic communications network for Client order entry and account information; access to mutual funds with no transaction fees and to certain institutional money managers; and discounts on compliance, marketing, research, technology, and practice management products or services provided to ZF by third party vendors. TD Ameritrade may also have paid for business consulting and professional services received by ZF's related persons. Some of the products and services made available by TD Ameritrade

through the program may benefit ZF but may not benefit its Client accounts. These products or services may assist ZF in managing and administering Client accounts, including accounts not maintained at TD Ameritrade. Other services made available by TD Ameritrade are intended to help ZF manage and further develop its business enterprise. The benefits received by ZF or its personnel through participation in the program do not depend on the amount of brokerage transactions directed to TD Ameritrade. As part of its fiduciary duties to clients, ZF endeavors at all times to put the interests of its clients first. Clients should be aware, however, that the receipt of economic benefits by ZF or its related persons in and of itself creates a potential conflict of interest and may indirectly influence the ZF's choice of TD Ameritrade for custody and brokerage services.

The custodian, TD Ameritrade, was chosen based on its relatively low transaction fees and access to mutual funds and ETFs. ZF will never charge a premium or commission on transactions, beyond the actual cost imposed by the custodian.

1. Research and Other Soft-Dollar Benefits

ZF receives no research, product, or services other than execution from a broker-dealer or third-party in connection with client securities transactions ("soft dollar benefits").

2. Brokerage for Client Referrals

ZF receives no referrals from a broker-dealer or third party in exchange for using that broker-dealer or third party.

3. Clients Directing Which Broker/Dealer/Custodian to Use

ZF will require clients to use a specific broker-dealer to execute transactions.

B. Aggregating (Block) Trading for Multiple Client Accounts

ZF maintains the ability to block trade purchases across accounts. Block trading may benefit a large group of clients by providing ZF the ability to purchase larger blocks resulting in smaller transaction costs to the client. Declining to block trade can cause more expensive trades for clients.

Item 13: Reviews of Accounts

A. Frequency and Nature of Periodic Reviews and Who Makes Those Reviews

Client accounts are reviewed at least monthly only by Robert David Zoda, Managing Member. Robert David Zoda is the chief advisor and is instructed to review clients'

accounts with regard to clients' respective investment policies and risk tolerance levels. All accounts at ZF are assigned to this reviewer.

All financial planning accounts are reviewed upon financial plan creation and plan delivery by Robert David Zoda, Managing Member. There is only one level of review and that is the total review conducted to create the financial plan.

B. Factors That Will Trigger a Non-Periodic Review of Client Accounts

Reviews may be triggered by material market, economic or political events, or by changes in client's financial situations (such as retirement, termination of employment, physical move, or inheritance).

C. Content and Frequency of Regular Reports Provided to Clients

Each client will receive at least monthly from the custodian, a written report that details the client's account including assets held and asset value which will come from the custodian.

Item 14: Client Referrals and Other Compensation

A. Economic Benefits Provided by Third Parties for Advice Rendered to Clients (Includes Sales Awards or Other Prizes)

ZF does not receive any economic benefit, directly or indirectly from any third party for advice rendered to ZF clients.

B. Compensation to Non – Advisory Personnel for Client Referrals

ZF does not directly or indirectly compensate any person who is not advisory personnel for client referrals.

Item 15: Custody

ZF, with client written authority, has limited custody of client's assets through direct fee deduction of ZF's fees only. If the client chooses to be billed directly by the custodian, ZF would have constructive custody over that account and must have written authorization from the client to do so. Clients will receive all account statements and billing invoices that are required in each jurisdiction, and they should carefully review those statements for accuracy.

Item 16: Investment Discretion

ZF does not have discretion over client accounts at any time.

Item 17: Voting Client Securities (Proxy Voting)

ZF will not ask for, nor accept voting authority for client securities. Clients will receive proxies directly from the issuer of the security or the custodian. Clients should direct all proxy questions to the issuer of the security.

Item 18: Financial Information

A. Balance Sheet

ZF does not require nor solicit prepayment of more than \$500 in fees per client, six months or more in advance and therefore does not need to include a balance sheet with this brochure.

B. Financial Conditions Reasonably Likely to Impair Ability to Meet Contractual Commitments to Clients

Neither ZF nor its management have any financial conditions that are likely to reasonably impair our ability to meet contractual commitments to clients.

C. Bankruptcy Petitions in Previous Ten Years

ZF has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition in the last ten years.

Item 19: Requirements For State Registered Advisers

A. Principal Executive Officers and Management Persons; Their Formal Education and Business Background

ZF currently has only one management person/executive officer: Robert David Zoda. Robert David Zoda's education and business background can be found on the Supplemental ADV Part 2B form.

B. Other Businesses in Which This Advisory Firm or its Personnel are Engaged and Time Spent on Those (If Any)

Robert David Zoda's other business activities can be found on the Supplemental ADV Part 2B form.

C. How Performance-based Fees are Calculated and Degree of Risk to Clients

ZF does not accept performance-based fees or other fees based on a share of capital gains on or capital appreciation of the assets of a client.

D. Material Disciplinary Disclosures for Management Persons of this Firm

No management person at ZF or ZF has been involved in an arbitration claim or been found liable in a civil, self-regulatory organization, or administrative proceeding that is material to the client's evaluation of the firm or its management.

E. Material Relationships That Management Persons Have With Issuers of Securities (If Any)

Neither ZF, nor its management persons, has any relationship or arrangement with issuers of securities.