

## Introduction

Fred Alger & Company, LLC (“FAC”, “we” or “us”) is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a broker dealer and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”), which is described at [www.sipc.org](http://www.sipc.org). Fees for brokerage and investment advisory services differ among broker-dealers and investment advisers and it is important that you understand the differences. Free and simple tools are available to research firms and financial professionals at [Investor.gov/CRS](http://Investor.gov/CRS), which also provides educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers, and investing.

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

We do not conduct public brokerage business and offer only limited brokerage services to retail investors. It is important that you discuss your options with your financial adviser to determine which type of services are most appropriate for you.

The principal types of brokerage services we engage in include:

- Serving as the underwriter and distributor to the Alger Family of Funds, open-end management investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (including mutual funds and ETFs).
- Providing execution only services for securities listed on U.S. exchanges to clients of our affiliated investment advisers. This means if clients allow trading with an affiliate of the investment advisers in their investment management agreement, we can implement the buying and selling of securities resulting from such investment adviser’s discretionary authority.
- Recommending the buying and selling of securities in proprietary and non-proprietary brokerage accounts. This means we provide advice regarding the value and characteristics of securities or advisability of transactions in securities. We can make recommendations on proprietary and non-proprietary products.
- For some clients with investment advisory agreements with our affiliated investment advisers, Fred Alger Management, LLC (“FAM”), or Weatherbie Capital, LLC (“WC”) or Redwood Investments, LLC (“RI”), FAC acts as an introducing broker in order for such clients to establish brokerage accounts with an unaffiliated brokerage clearing firm.

With the exception of a few legacy brokerage accounts, FAC generally does not have brokerage accounts for our clients. Additionally, FAC generally does not establish and maintain brokerage accounts for new clients. If you are an investment advisory client of FAM, WC or RI and we acted as an introducing broker for you to establish a brokerage account with an unaffiliated brokerage clearing firm, the services our affiliates provide on your account may be different than those provided on our brokerage accounts. Please refer to the [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for FAM, the [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for WC and the [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for RI for additional information on these services.

The following are additional features of our brokerage accounts and the services we may perform:

- **Minimums:** We generally do not require a minimum account size to open or maintain a brokerage account; however, some securities in which we invest on behalf of clients may require investment minimums.
- **Monitoring:** We may voluntarily review the holdings in your brokerage account but, for purposes of Regulation Best Interest, we do not provide an ongoing monitoring service or monitor your brokerage account, and Regulation Best Interest does not require us to do so.
- **Reconciliation:** For certain accounts, we perform periodic account reconciliation to ensure the holdings in the custodial account match our records.

To help you better understand the types of services we offer and the relationship we will have with you, we would like to discuss the following questions with you: *Given my financial situation, should I choose a brokerage service? Why or why not? How will you choose investments to recommend to me? What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications? What do these qualifications mean?*

Please refer to our [Regulation Best Interest Disclosure](#) for additional information about our brokerage services.

## What fees will I pay?

As an underwriter and distributor of the Alger Family of Funds, we receive distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees from the mutual funds in the Alger Family of Funds.

When we buy or sell a security as agent on behalf of FAM’s, WC’s or RI’s clients, we charge a commission on each transaction. This is an additional source of compensation for us. Because FAM, WC and RI engage in active trading of securities held in a client account, such client accounts will incur increased transaction costs and brokerage commissions. Active trading can also increase short-term gains and losses, which may affect the taxes you have to pay.

We sometimes charge commissions for brokerage services at the time any security is purchased or sold in your account. We make more when there are more trades in your account. This means we have an incentive to encourage you to trade often. Transaction charges include order tickets, execution and clearing costs that we pay the clearing firm.

In addition, you will incur additional fees and costs related to the investments in your account, such as custodian fees, IRA account fees, account maintenance fees, wire and electronic fund transfer fees, surrender charges, fees related to mutual funds, ETFs, and variable annuities, such as management fees and other product related fees, such as redemption fees. We may reimburse some of these fees subject to your account agreement.

To help you better understand the impact of fees and costs, we would like to discuss the following question with you: *Help me understand how these fees and costs might affect my investments. If I give you \$10,000 to invest, how much will go to fees and costs, and how much will be invested for me?*

**You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying. You should carefully review the section of our [Regulation Best Interest Disclosure](#) entitled “Scope and Terms of Your Relationship with FAC—Fees” to understand the specific fees and costs you will pay.**

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

**When we provide you with a recommendation, we have to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours. At the same time, the way we make money creates some conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect the recommendations, we provide you. Here are some examples to help you understand what this means.**

- **Proprietary Products:** We buy and sell products offered by our affiliates on behalf of clients, which means that we have an incentive to offer these investments because our firm makes more money if you purchase of our proprietary products. Our investment professionals make more money if you buy these investments.
- **Mutual Fund Payments:** As the underwriter and distributor of the mutual funds in the Alger Family of Funds accounts, we receive distribution and/or service (12b-1) and shareholder servicing fees. This means we have a financial incentive to offer certain investments to you.
- **Transaction Fees:** With respect to certain accounts, we charge commissions when any security is purchased or sold in your account. We make more when there are more trades in your account. This means we have an incentive for you to trade often.
- **Affiliated Businesses:** FAM, WC and RI are our affiliated investment advisers. This is a conflict of interest because our affiliated businesses receive compensation for providing these other services to you. We have an incentive for you to purchase these other services.

To help you better understand the conflicts of interest we have with you, we would like to discuss the following question: *How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?*

**You should carefully review the section of our [Regulation Best Interest Disclosure](#) entitled “Conflicts of Interest Associated with a Recommendation” for more detailed information about our conflicts of interest.**

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

Our financial professionals are licensed to provide brokerage services and receive different types of compensation when providing different types of services to you.

Some of our financial professionals are compensated based on the amount of client assets they sell and/or service. Although our financial professionals generally do not directly sell products to retail customers, they receive compensation based on the assets invested through third-party intermediaries through which retail investors may invest.

Our financial professionals are paid a salary and a bonus, which is based, in part, on the amount of revenue they generate.

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

Yes, please visit [Investor.gov/CRS](http://Investor.gov/CRS) for a free and simple search tool to research our firm and our financial professionals.

To help you better understand our disciplinary history, we would like to discuss the following question with you: *As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct?*

## **Additional Information**

**You can find additional up-to-date information about our brokerage services and request a copy of our Customer Relationship Summary by contacting us at (212) 806-8800.**

To help you better understand who to contact with any questions or complaints, we would like to discuss the following question with you: *Who is my primary contact person? Is he or she a representative of an investment adviser or a broker-dealer? Who can I talk to if I have concerns about how this person is treating me?*

The [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for FAM, the [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for WC, and the [Customer Relationship Summary](#) for RI may be requested by contacting us at the above phone number.