
Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C.

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This Brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C., “Curtain Wealth”. If you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure, please contact us at (435) 776-6964. 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.

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. is registered as an Investment Adviser with the State of Utah. Registration of an Investment Adviser does not imply any level of skill or training.

Additional information about Curtain Wealth is available on the SEC’s website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov which can be found using the firm’s identification number 327595.

Item 2: Material Changes

Since the last filing dated March 20, 2024, no material changes have occurred:

In the future, any material changes made during the year will be reported here.

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Item 4: Advisory Business

Description of Advisory Firm

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. is registered as an Investment Adviser with the State of Utah. We were founded in July of 2023, with operations beginning in December 2023. Stephen K. Lay is the principal owner of Curtain Wealth.

Curtain Wealth is a fee-only hourly firm and does not manage clients' money. Because Curtain Wealth does not provide investment management services, it has no Assets Under Management to report.

Types of Advisory Services

Financial Planning

Financial planning is a comprehensive evaluation of a client's current and future financial state by using currently known variables to predict future cash flows, asset values and withdrawal plans. The key defining aspect of financial planning is that through the financial planning process, all questions, information and analysis will be considered as they impact and are impacted by the entire financial and life situation of the client. Clients purchasing this service will receive a written or an electronic report, providing the client with a detailed financial plan designed to achieve his or her stated financial goals, objectives and the client's Investment Policy Statement.

The client always has the right to decide whether or not to act upon our recommendations. If the client elects to act on any of the recommendations, the client always has the right to affect the transactions through anyone of their choosing.

In general, the financial plan will address any or all of the following areas of concern. The client and advisor will work together to select the specific areas to cover. These areas may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- **Cash Flow and Debt Management:** We will conduct a review of your income and expenses to determine your current surplus or deficit along with advice on prioritizing how any surplus should be used or how to reduce expenses if they exceed your income. Advice may also be provided on which debts to pay off first based on factors such as the interest rate of the debt and any income tax ramifications. We may also recommend what we believe to be an appropriate cash reserve that should be considered for emergencies and other financial goals, along with a review of accounts (such as money market funds) for such reserves, plus strategies to save desired amounts.
- **College Savings:** Includes projecting the amount that will be needed to achieve college or other post-secondary education funding goals, along with advice on ways for you to save the desired amount. Recommendations as to savings strategies are included, and, if needed, we will review your financial picture as it relates to eligibility for financial aid or the best way to contribute to grandchildren (if appropriate).

- **Employee Benefits Optimization:** We will provide review and analysis as to whether you, as an employee, are taking the maximum advantage possible of your employee benefits. If you are a business owner, we will consider and/or recommend the various benefit programs that can be structured to meet both business and personal retirement goals.
- **Estate Planning*:** This usually includes an analysis of your exposure to estate taxes and your current estate plan, which may include whether you have a will, powers of attorney, trusts and other related documents. Our advice also typically includes ways for you to minimize or avoid future estate taxes by implementing appropriate estate planning strategies such as the use of applicable trusts.

We always recommend that you consult with a qualified attorney when you initiate, update, or complete estate planning activities. We may provide you with contact information for attorneys who specialize in estate planning when you wish to hire an attorney for such purposes. From time-to-time, we will participate in meetings or phone calls between you and your attorney with your approval or request. *Please note that when meeting with your attorney, Firm's hourly fee will be charged.

- **Financial Goals:** We will help clients identify financial goals and develop a plan to reach them. We will identify what you plan to accomplish, what resources you will need to make it happen, how much time you will need to reach the goal, and how much you should budget for your goal.
- **Insurance:** Review of existing policies to ensure proper coverage for life, health, disability, long-term care, liability, home and automobile.
- **Investment Analysis:** This may involve developing an asset allocation strategy to meet clients' financial goals and risk tolerance, providing information on investment vehicles and strategies, reviewing employee stock options, as well as assisting you in establishing your own investment account at a selected broker/dealer or custodian. The strategies and types of investments we may recommend are further discussed in Item 8 of this brochure.
- **Retirement Planning:** Our retirement planning services typically include projections of your likelihood of achieving your financial goals, typically focusing on financial independence as the primary objective. For situations where projections show less than the desired results, we may make recommendations, including those that may impact the original projections by adjusting certain variables (e.g., working longer, saving more, spending less, taking more risk with investments).

If you are near retirement or already retired, advice may be given on appropriate distribution strategies to minimize the likelihood of running out of money or having to adversely alter spending during your retirement years.

- **Risk Management:** A risk management review includes an analysis of your exposure to major risks that could have a significantly adverse effect on your financial picture, such as premature death, disability, property and casualty losses, or the need for long-term care planning. Advice may be

provided on ways to minimize such risks and about weighing the costs of purchasing insurance versus the benefits of doing so and, likewise, the potential cost of not purchasing insurance (“self-insuring”).

- **Tax Planning Strategies*:** Advice may include ways to minimize current and future income taxes as a part of your overall financial planning picture. For example, we may make recommendations on which type of account(s) or specific investments should be owned based in part on their “tax efficiency,” with consideration that there is always a possibility of future changes to federal, state or local tax laws and rates that may affect your situation.

We recommend that you consult with a qualified tax professional before initiating any tax planning strategy, and we may provide you with contact information for accountants or attorneys who specialize in this area if you wish to hire someone for such purposes. We will participate in meetings or phone calls between you and your tax professional with your approval. *Please note that when meeting with your accountant or attorney, Firm’s hourly fee will be charged.

Client Tailored Services and Client Imposed Restrictions

We offer the same suite of services to all of our clients. However, specific client financial plans and their implementation are dependent upon a 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 reasonable restrictions for Curtain Wealth to follow when creating a financial plan. Curtain Wealth does not manage client assets.

Wrap Fee Programs

We do not participate in wrap fee programs.

Item 5: Fees and Compensation

Please note, unless a client has received the firm’s disclosure brochure at least 48 hours prior to signing the investment advisory contract, the investment advisory contract may be terminated by the client within five (5) business days of signing the contract without incurring any advisory fees and without penalty. How we are paid depends on the type of advisory service we are performing. Please review the fee and compensation information below.

Financial Planning Hourly Fee

Fees: Financial Planning fee is an hourly rate of \$325.00. The fee is not negotiable. An estimate of the total fee will be provided to the client as part of the client’s contract. Half of the fee is due at the initial client meeting and the remainder is due at completion of work, however, Curtain Wealth will not bill an amount above \$500.00 more than 6 months in advance.

When clients request that Curtain Wealth meet with an outside professional, for example your accountant or attorney, Curtain Wealth's hourly fee will be charged.

Payment of Fees: Fees can be paid by check or by credit card.

Termination: In the event of early termination, the client will be billed for the hours worked. If the initial deposit is greater than the amount billed, then the client will be refunded the difference. If the initial deposit is less, then the client will be billed the difference. Curtain Wealth will disclose the hours worked to the client before issuing a refund or invoicing any hours due.

Other Types of Fees and Expenses

When implementing an investment recommendation, the client may incur additional fees such as brokerage commissions, transaction fees, and other related costs and expenses. Clients may incur certain charges imposed by broker-dealers, and other third parties such as custodial fees, deferred sales charges, odd-lot differentials, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, and other fees and taxes on brokerage accounts and securities transactions. Mutual fund and exchange traded funds also charge internal management fees, which are disclosed in a fund's prospectus. Such charges, fees and commissions are exclusive of and in addition to our fee, and we shall not receive any portion of these commissions, fees, and costs.

Item 12 further describes the factors that we consider in selecting or recommending broker-dealers for client's transactions and determining the reasonableness of their compensation (e.g., commissions).

We do not accept 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

We do not offer performance-based fees.

Item 7: Types of Clients

We provide financial planning services to individuals and high net-worth individuals.

We do not have a minimum account size requirement.

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

When clients request us to complete an Investment Analysis (described in Item 4 of this brochure) as part of their financial plan, our primary methods of investment analysis are passive investing and Modern Portfolio theory.

Passive Investment Management

We primarily practice passive investment management. Passive investing involves building portfolios that are comprised of various distinct asset classes. The asset classes are weighted in a manner to achieve a desired relationship between correlation, risk and return. Funds that passively capture the returns of the desired asset classes are placed in the portfolio. The funds that are used to build passive portfolios are typically index mutual funds or exchange traded funds.

Passive investment management is characterized by low portfolio expenses (i.e. the funds inside the portfolio have low internal costs), minimal trading costs (due to infrequent trading activity), and relative tax efficiency (because the funds inside the portfolio are tax efficient and turnover inside the portfolio is minimal).

In contrast, active management involves a single manager or managers who employ some method, strategy or technique to construct a portfolio that is intended to generate returns that are greater than the broader market or a designated benchmark.

Modern Portfolio Theory states that by employing securities whose price movements have historically low correlations, it is possible to create an efficient portfolio that can offer the highest expected return for a given level of risk, or one with the lowest level of risk for a given expected return. The practice of Modern Portfolio Theory does not employ market timing or stock selection methods of investing but rather a long term, buy-and-hold strategy with periodic rebalancing of the account to maintain desired risk levels.

Material Risks Involved

Curtain Wealth does not provide investment management; however, investment recommendations may be made as part of the financial planning service. **All investing strategies we offer involve risk and may result in a loss of your original investment which you should be prepared to bear.** Many of these risks apply equally to stocks, bonds, commodities and any other investment or security. Material risks associated with our investment strategies are listed below.

Market Risk: Market risk involves the possibility that an investment's current market value will fall because of a general market decline, reducing the value of the investment regardless of the success of the issuer's operations or its financial condition.

Strategy Risk: The Adviser's investment strategies and/or investment techniques may not work as intended.

Small and Medium Cap Company Risk: Securities of companies with small and micro market capitalizations are often more volatile and less liquid than investments in larger companies. Small and medium cap

companies may face a greater risk of business failure, which could increase the volatility of the client's portfolio.

Turnover Risk: At times, the strategy may have a portfolio turnover rate that is higher than other strategies. A high portfolio turnover would result in correspondingly greater brokerage commission expenses and may result in the distribution of additional capital gains for tax purposes. These factors may negatively affect the account's performance.

Concentration Risk: Certain investment strategies focus on particular asset-classes, industries, sectors or types of investment. From time to time these strategies may be subject to greater risks of adverse developments in such areas of focus than a strategy that is more broadly diversified across a wider variety of investments.

Interest Rate Risk: Bond (fixed income) prices generally fall when interest rates rise, and the value may fall below par value or the principal investment. The opposite is also generally true: bond prices generally rise when interest rates fall. In general, fixed income securities with longer maturities are more sensitive to these price changes. Most other investments are also sensitive to the level and direction of interest rates.

Legal or Legislative Risk: Legislative changes or Court rulings may impact the value of investments, or the securities' claim on the issuer's assets and finances.

Inflation: Inflation may erode the buying-power of your investment portfolio, even if the dollar value of your investments remains the same.

Risks Associated with Securities

Apart from the general risks outlined above which apply to all types of investments, specific securities may have other risks.

Corporate Bonds are debt securities to borrow money. Generally, issuers pay investors periodic interest and repay the amount borrowed either periodically during the life of the security and/or at maturity. Alternatively, investors can purchase other debt securities, such as zero coupon bonds, which do not pay current interest, but rather are priced at a discount from their face values and their values accrete over time to face value at maturity. The market prices of debt securities fluctuate depending on such factors as interest rates, credit quality, and maturity. In general, market prices of debt securities decline when interest rates rise and increase when interest rates fall. The longer the time to a bond's maturity, the greater its interest rate risk.

Bank Obligations including bonds and certificates of deposit may be vulnerable to setbacks or panics in the banking industry. Banks and other financial institutions are greatly affected by interest rates and may be adversely affected by downturns in the U.S. and foreign economies or changes in banking regulations.

Municipal Bonds are debt obligations generally issued to obtain funds for various public purposes, including the construction of public facilities. Municipal bonds pay a lower rate of return than most other types of bonds. However, because of a municipal bond's tax-favored status, investors should compare the relative after-tax return to the after-tax return of other bonds, depending on the investor's tax bracket. Investing in municipal bonds carries the same general risks as investing in bonds in general. Those risks include interest

rate risk, reinvestment risk, inflation risk, market risk, call or redemption risk, credit risk, and liquidity and valuation risk.

Exchange Traded Funds prices may vary significantly from the Net Asset Value due to market conditions. Certain Exchange Traded Funds may not track underlying benchmarks as expected.

Investment Companies Risk. When a client invests in open end mutual funds or ETFs, the client indirectly bears its proportionate share of any fees and expenses payable directly by those funds. Therefore, the client will incur higher expenses, many of which may be duplicative. In addition, the client's overall portfolio may be affected by losses of an underlying fund and the level of risk arising from the investment practices of an underlying fund (such as the use of derivatives). ETFs are also subject to the following risks: (i) an ETF's shares may trade at a market price that is above or below their net asset value; (ii) the ETF may employ an investment strategy that utilizes high leverage ratios; or (iii) trading of an ETF's shares may be halted if the listing exchange's officials deem such action appropriate, the shares are de-listed from the exchange, or the activation of market-wide "circuit breakers" (which are tied to large decreases in stock prices) halts stock trading generally. The Adviser has no control over the risks taken by the underlying funds in which clients invest.

Item 9: Disciplinary Information

Criminal or Civil Actions

Curtain Wealth and its management have not been involved in any criminal or civil action.

Administrative Enforcement Proceedings

Curtain Wealth and its management have not been involved in administrative enforcement proceedings.

Self-Regulatory Organization Enforcement Proceedings

Curtain Wealth and its management have not been involved in legal or disciplinary events that are material to a client's or prospective client's evaluation of Curtain Wealth or the integrity of its management.

Item 10: Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

No Curtain Wealth employee is registered, or has an application pending to register, as a broker-dealer or a registered representative of a broker-dealer.

Curtain Wealth, nor any employee is registered, or have an application pending to register, or relationship or arrangement with any of the following: broker-dealer, municipal securities dealer, or government securities dealer or broker; an investment company or other pooled investment vehicle (e.g. mutual fund, private fund, etc.); another investment adviser or financial planner; a futures commission merchant, commodity pool operator, or commodity trading advisor; a banking or thrift institution; an accountant or accounting firm; a

lawyer or law firm; an insurance company or agency; a pension consultant; a real estate broker or dealer; or a sponsor or syndicator of limited partnerships.

Curtain Wealth only receives compensation directly from clients. We do not receive compensation from any outside source. We do not have any conflicts of interest with any outside party.

As mentioned in Item 4, Curtain Wealth may provide clients with contact information for an attorney or tax professional. Curtain Wealth nor its employees receive compensation for such referrals.

Recommendations or Selections of Other Investment Advisers

Curtain Wealth does not recommend or select other investment advisers for its clients and does not have any other business relationships with other advisers.

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

As a fiduciary, our firm and its associates have a duty of utmost good faith to act solely in the best interests of each client. Our clients entrust us with their funds and personal information, which in turn places a high standard on our conduct and integrity. Our fiduciary duty is a core aspect of our Code of Ethics and represents the expected basis of all of our dealings. The firm also adheres to the Code of Ethics and Professional Responsibility adopted by the CFP® Board of Standards Inc., and accepts the obligation not only to comply with the mandates and requirements of all applicable laws and regulations but also to take responsibility to act in an ethical and professionally responsible manner in all professional services and activities.

Code of Ethics Description

This code does not attempt to identify all possible conflicts of interest, and literal compliance with each of its specific provisions will not shield associated persons from liability for personal trading or other conduct that violates a fiduciary duty to advisory clients. A summary of the Code of Ethics' Principles is outlined below.

- Integrity - Associated persons shall offer and provide professional services with integrity.
- Objectivity - Associated persons shall be objective in providing professional services to clients.
- Competence - Associated persons shall provide services to clients competently and maintain the necessary knowledge and skill to continue to do so in those areas in which they are engaged.
- Fairness - Associated persons shall perform professional services in a manner that is fair and reasonable to clients, principals, partners, and employers, and shall disclose conflict(s) of interest in providing such services.
- Confidentiality - Associated persons shall not disclose confidential client information without the specific consent of the client unless in response to proper legal process, or as required by law.

- Professionalism - Associated persons' conduct in all matter shall reflect credit of the profession.
- Diligence - Associated persons shall act diligently in providing professional services.

We periodically review and amend our Code of Ethics to ensure that it remains current, and we require all firm access persons to attest to their understanding of and adherence to the Code of Ethics at least annually. Our firm will provide a copy of its Code of Ethics to any client or prospective client upon request.

Investment Recommendations Involving a Material Financial Interest and Conflicts of Interest

Neither our firm, its associates or any related person is authorized to recommend to a client, or effect a transaction for a client, involving any security in which our firm or a related person has a material financial interest, such as in the capacity as an underwriter, adviser to the issuer, etc.

Advisory Firm Purchase of Same Securities Recommended to Clients and Conflicts of Interest

Our firm and its "related persons" may buy or sell securities similar to, or different from, those we recommend to clients for their accounts. Our policy is designed to assure that the personal securities transactions, activities and interests of the employees of our firm will not interfere with (i) making decisions in the best interest of advisory clients and (ii) implementing such decisions while, at the same time, allowing employees to invest for their own accounts. Nonetheless, because the Code of Ethics in some circumstances would permit employees to invest in the same securities as clients, there is a possibility that employees might benefit from market activity by a client in a security held by an employee. In an effort to reduce or eliminate certain conflicts of interest involving the firm or personal trading, our policy may require that we restrict or prohibit associates' transactions in specific reportable securities transactions. Any exceptions or trading pre-clearance must be approved by the firm principal in advance of the transaction in an account, and we maintain the required personal securities transaction records per regulation.

Trading Securities at/Around the Same Time as Client's Securities

From time to time, our firm or its "related persons" may buy or sell securities for themselves at or around the same time as clients. We will not trade non-mutual fund securities prior to the same security for clients on the same day.

Item 12: Brokerage Practices

Factors Used to Select Custodians and/or Broker-Dealers

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. does not have any affiliation with Broker-Dealers. Specific custodian recommendations are made to client based on their need for such services. We recommend custodians based on the reputation and services provided by the firm.

1. Research and Other Soft-Dollar Benefits

We currently do not receive soft dollar benefits.

2. Brokerage for Client Referrals

We receive 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

As a fee only financial planner, who does not offer investment management services, we do not have a concern over which broker-dealers a client may choose in order to implement our investment recommendations.

Aggregating (Block) Trading for Multiple Client Accounts

Some Registered Investment Advisers execute client accounts on an aggregated basis as a way to lower expenses. As a fee only financial planner, who does not offer investment management services, we do not execute trades on behalf of clients. As a result, it is up to the client to negotiate their own trading costs with their broker-dealer.

Item 13: Review of Accounts

Stephen K. Lay, President and CCO of Curtain Wealth, will work with clients to obtain current information regarding their assets and investment holdings and will review this information as part of our financial planning services. Curtain Wealth does not provide specific reports to clients, other than financial plans.

Upon delivery of the financial plan, Curtain Wealth deems the relationship with the client complete.

You should contact our firm for additional reviews when making decisions about changes in your financial situation (i.e., the loss of a job, retirement, receipt of a significant bonus, an inheritance, the birth of a new child, or other circumstances). Unless provided for in your engagement agreement, reviews are generally conducted under a new or amended agreement and will be assessed at our current hourly rate.

Item 14: Client Referrals and Other Compensation

We do not receive any economic benefit, directly or indirectly from any third party for advice rendered to our clients. Nor do we directly or indirectly compensate any person who is not advisory personnel for client referrals.

Item 15: Custody

Curtain Wealth does not accept custody of client funds.

Item 16: Investment Discretion

We do not provide investment management services, and therefore do not exercise discretion.

Item 17: Voting Client Securities

Curtain Wealth does not provide investment management services and does not vote client securities.

Item 18: Financial Information

Registered Investment Advisers are required in this Item to provide you with certain financial information or disclosures about our financial condition. We have no financial commitment that impairs our ability to meet contractual and fiduciary commitments to clients, and we have not been the subject of a bankruptcy proceeding.

We do not have custody of client funds or securities, nor do we require the prepayment of fees of more than \$500 six months or more in advance.

Item 19: Requirements for State-Registered Advisers

Stephen K. Lay, CFP®, RICP®

Born: 1967

Educational Background

- 1995 – Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Louisiana State University – Shreveport
- 1995 – Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts, Louisiana State University – Shreveport

Business Experience

- 06/2023 – Present, Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. (formerly Curtain Wealth Management L.L.C.), President and CCO
- 11/1999 – 07/2021, LPL Financial, Senior Investment Transition Partner
- 09/1997 – 11/1999, Scudder Kemper Investments, Registered Representative

Professional Designations, Licensing & Exams

CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional

I am certified for financial planning services in the United States by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. (“CFP Board”). Therefore, I may refer to myself as a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional or a CFP® professional, and I may use these and CFP Board’s other certification marks (the “CFP Board Certification Marks”). The CFP® certification is voluntary. No federal or state law or regulation requires

financial planners to hold the CFP® certification. You may find more information about the CFP® certification at www.cfp.net.

CFP® professionals have met CFP Board's high standards for education, examination, experience, and ethics. To become a CFP® professional, an individual must fulfill the following requirements:

- **Education** – Earn a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and complete CFP Board-approved coursework at a college or university through a CFP Board Registered Program. The coursework covers the financial planning subject areas CFP Board has determined are necessary for the competent and professional delivery of financial planning services, as well as a comprehensive financial plan development capstone course. A candidate may satisfy some of the coursework requirement through other qualifying credentials.
- **Examination** – Pass the comprehensive CFP® Certification Examination. The examination is designed to assess an individual's ability to integrate and apply a broad base of financial planning knowledge in the context of real-life financial planning situations.
- **Experience** – Complete 6,000 hours of professional experience related to the personal financial planning process, or 4,000 hours of apprenticeship experience that meets additional requirements.
- **Ethics** – Satisfy the *Fitness Standards for Candidates for CFP® Certification and Former CFP® Professionals Seeking Reinstatement* and agree to be bound by CFP Board's *Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct* ("*Code and Standards*"), which sets forth the ethical and practice standards for CFP® professionals.

Individuals who become certified must complete the following ongoing education and ethics requirements to remain certified and maintain the right to continue to use the CFP Board Certification Marks:

- **Ethics** – Commit to complying with CFP Board's *Code and Standards*. This includes a commitment to CFP Board, as part of the certification, to act as a fiduciary, and therefore, act in the best interests of the client, at all times when providing financial advice and financial planning. CFP Board may sanction a CFP® professional who does not abide by this commitment, but CFP Board does not guarantee a CFP® professional's services. A client who seeks a similar commitment should obtain a written engagement that includes a fiduciary obligation to the client.
- **Continuing Education** – Complete 30 hours of continuing education every two years to maintain competence, demonstrate specified levels of knowledge, skills, and abilities, and keep up with developments in financial planning. Two of the hours must address the *Code and Standards*.

Retirement Income Certified Professional (RICP®): The RICP® designation teaches advisers techniques and best practices used to create sustainable streams of retirement income. The education covers retirement income planning, maximizing Social Security and other income sources, minimizing risks to the plan, and managing portfolios during the asset distribution phase. The designation includes three required, college-level courses that represent a total average study time of more than 150 hours. RICP® designees must meet experience, continuing education and, ethics requirements. The credential is awarded by The American College, a non-profit educator with an 85-year heritage and the highest form of academic accreditation.

Other Business Activities

Stephen K. Lay is not involved with outside business activities.

Performance Based Fees

Curtain Wealth is not compensated by performance-based fees.

Material Disciplinary Disclosures

No management person at Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. has ever been involved in an arbitration claim of any kind or been found liable in a civil, self-regulatory organization, or administrative proceeding.

Material Relationships That Management Persons Have with Issuers of Securities

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C., nor Stephen K. Lay, have any relationship or arrangement with issuers of securities.

Business Continuity Plan Notice

General

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. has a Business Continuity Plan in place that provides detailed steps to mitigate and recover from the loss of office space, communications, services or key people.

Disasters

The Business Continuity Plan covers natural disasters such as snowstorms, hurricanes, tornados, and flooding. The Plan covers man-made disasters such as loss of electrical power, loss of water pressure, fire, bomb threat, nuclear emergency, chemical event, biological event, communications line outage, Internet outage, railway accident and aircraft accident. Electronic files are backed up daily and archived offsite.

Alternate Offices

Alternate offices are identified to support ongoing operations in the event the main office is unavailable. It is our intention to contact all clients within five days of a disaster that dictates moving our office to an alternate location.

Loss of Key Personnel

Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. is operated as an LLC with Stephen K. Lay as the President and CCO. As the sole employee, the business depends fully on his capabilities. In the case of his disability, steps will be taken to determine if the business will continue and in what capacity. In the case of his death, there is no plan for continuation of the business and the business must be dissolved. At that time, clients will be notified.

Privacy Notice

FACTS

WHAT DOES CURTAIN WEALTH PLANNING L.L.C. DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

Why?

Registered Investment Advisers choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives clients the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

What?

The types of personal information we collect, and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Information you provide in the subscription documents and other forms (including name, address, social security number, date of birth, income and other financial-related information); and
- Data about your transactions with us (such as the types of investments you have made and your account status).

How?

All financial companies need to share clients' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their clients' personal information; the reasons Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information

For our everyday business purposes— to process your transactions, maintain your accounts (for example we may share with our third-party service providers that perform services on our behalf or on your behalf, such as accountants, attorneys, consultants, clearing and custodial firms, and technology companies, respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus.

For Marketing purposes— to offer our products and services to you

How do we protect your information?

To safeguard your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we maintain physical, procedural and electronic safeguards. These include computer safeguards such as passwords, secured files and buildings.

Our employees are advised about Curtain Wealth's need to respect the confidentiality of each client's non-public personal information. We train our employees on their responsibilities.

We require third parties that assist in providing our services to you to protect the personal information they receive. This includes contractual language in our third-party agreements.

Other important information

We will send you notice of our Privacy Policy annually for as long as you maintain an ongoing relationship with us. Periodically we may revise our Privacy Policy and will provide you with a revised policy if the changes materially alter the previous Privacy Policy. We will not, however, revise our Privacy Policy to permit the sharing of non-public personal information other than as described in this notice unless we first notify you and provide you with an opportunity to prevent the information sharing.

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For

Stephen Kenneth Lay, CFP®, RICP®

President, and Chief Compliance Officer

This brochure supplement provides information about Stephen K. Lay that supplements the Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. (“Curtain Wealth”) brochure. A copy of that brochure precedes this supplement. Please contact Stephen K. Lay if the Curtain Wealth brochure is not included with this supplement or if you have any questions about the contents of this supplement. Stephen K. Lay is licensed as an Investment Adviser Representative in Utah.

Additional information about Stephen K. Lay is available on the SEC’s website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov which can be found using the identification number 2461633.

Item 2: Educational Background and Business Experience

Stephen K. Lay, CFP®, RICP®

Born: 1967

Educational Background

- 1995 – Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Louisiana State University – Shreveport
- 1995 – Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts, Louisiana State University – Shreveport

Business Experience

- 06/2023 – Present, Curtain Wealth Planning L.L.C. (formerly Curtain Wealth Management L.L.C.), President and CCO
- 08/2002 – 07/2021, LPL Financial, Senior Investment Transition Partner
- 11/1999 – 05/2001, LPL Financial, Senior Investment Transition Partner
- 09/1997 – 11/1999, Scudder Kemper Investments, Registered Representative

Professional Designations, Licensing & Exams

CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional

I am certified for financial planning services in the United States by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. (“CFP Board”). Therefore, I may refer to myself as a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional or a CFP® professional, and I may use these and CFP Board’s other certification marks (the “CFP Board Certification Marks”). The CFP® certification is voluntary. No federal or state law or regulation requires financial planners to hold the CFP® certification. You may find more information about the CFP® certification at www.cfp.net.

CFP® professionals have met CFP Board’s high standards for education, examination, experience, and ethics. To become a CFP® professional, an individual must fulfill the following requirements:

- **Education** – Earn a bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited college or university and complete CFP Board-approved coursework at a college or university through a CFP Board Registered Program. The coursework covers the financial planning subject areas CFP Board has determined are necessary for the competent and professional delivery of financial planning services, as well as a comprehensive financial plan development capstone course. A candidate may satisfy some of the coursework requirement through other qualifying credentials.
- **Examination** – Pass the comprehensive CFP® Certification Examination. The examination is designed to assess an individual’s ability to integrate and apply a broad base of financial planning knowledge in the context of real-life financial planning situations.
- **Experience** – Complete 6,000 hours of professional experience related to the personal financial planning process, or 4,000 hours of apprenticeship experience that meets additional requirements.
- **Ethics** – Satisfy the *Fitness Standards for Candidates for CFP® Certification and Former CFP® Professionals Seeking Reinstatement* and agree to be bound by CFP Board’s *Code of Ethics and*

Standards of Conduct (“*Code and Standards*”), which sets forth the ethical and practice standards for CFP® professionals.

Individuals who become certified must complete the following ongoing education and ethics requirements to remain certified and maintain the right to continue to use the CFP Board Certification Marks:

- **Ethics** – Commit to complying with CFP Board’s *Code and Standards*. This includes a commitment to CFP Board, as part of the certification, to act as a fiduciary, and therefore, act in the best interests of the client, at all times when providing financial advice and financial planning. CFP Board may sanction a CFP® professional who does not abide by this commitment, but CFP Board does not guarantee a CFP® professional's services. A client who seeks a similar commitment should obtain a written engagement that includes a fiduciary obligation to the client.
- **Continuing Education** – Complete 30 hours of continuing education every two years to maintain competence, demonstrate specified levels of knowledge, skills, and abilities, and keep up with developments in financial planning. Two of the hours must address the *Code and Standards*.

Retirement Income Certified Professional (RICP®): The RICP® designation teaches advisers techniques and best practices used to create sustainable streams of retirement income. The education covers retirement income planning, maximizing Social Security and other income sources, minimizing risks to the plan, and managing portfolios during the asset distribution phase. The designation includes three required, college-level courses that represent a total average study time of more than 150 hours. RICP® designees must meet experience, continuing education and, ethics requirements. The credential is awarded by The American College, a non-profit educator with an 85-year heritage and the highest form of academic accreditation.

Item 3: Disciplinary Information

Stephen K. Lay does not have a disciplinary history to report.

Item 4: Other Business Activities

Stephen K. Lay is not involved with outside business activities.

Item 5: Additional Compensation

Stephen K. Lay does not receive any economic benefit from any person, company, or organization, in exchange for providing clients advisory services through Curtain Wealth.

Item 6: Supervision

Stephen K. Lay, as President and Chief Compliance Officer of Curtain Wealth, is responsible for supervision and supervises personnel. He may be contacted at the phone number on this brochure supplement.

Item 7: Requirements for State Registered Advisers

Stephen K. Lay has NOT been found liable in an arbitration, civil, self-regulatory, or administrative proceeding, and has not been subject of a bankruptcy petition.