# EGWELE SECURITIES LLC CLIENT RELATIONSHIP SUMMARY – "FORM CRS" AS OF JANUARY 7, 2025

Egwele Securities LLC ("we", the "Firm", or "our") is a registered broker-dealer with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). Brokerage and investment advisory fees differ and it is important for you to understand these differences. Free and simple tools are available to research firms and financial professionals on the SEC's investment education website (Investor.gov/CRS), which will provide you with educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers and investing.

There are various ways you can get help with your investments. You should carefully consider which types of accounts and services are most appropriate for you. This document gives you a summary of the types of services we provide and how we are compensated for those services. You will find some suggested questions to ask the Firm financial professional you interact with throughout this document.

#### **RELATIONSHIP & SERVICES**

### WHAT INVESTMENT SERVICES AND ADVICE CAN YOU PROVIDE ME?

The Firm does not offer brokerage accounts and will not monitor your brokerage investments. The Firm provides investment banking services to its clients, with primary capabilities in mergers and acquisitions and strategic advisory. We also advise corporations, private funds and institutional investors on private placements. Some private placements are not suitable for all retail investors, as they are often highly speculative in nature and illiquid. Private placements often have minimum investment requirements which are most suitable for high-networth individuals and institutional investors. Disclosure on investment requirements can be found in the applicable offering documents. You should independently evaluate any investment opportunity offered to you and consider consulting independent tax, legal, and/or financial professionals of your choosing.

For additional information regarding our services, please visit <u>egwele.com</u>. Information about the Firm can also be found at <u>brokercheck.finra.org</u>.

### **Questions:**

- Given my financial situation, should I choose a brokerage service? Why or why not?
- How will you choose specific investments to recommend to me?
- What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications? What do these qualifications mean?

## FEES, COSTS, CONFLICTS & STANDARD OF CONDUCT

### WHAT FEES WILL I PAY?

The Firm does not charge you fees if you invest in a private placement offered by one of our clients. We receive advisory fees from our clients. Such advisory fees are negotiated between the parties and may result in either a flat fee or a fee based on the size of the transaction. You should expect to pay fees to the fund manager or issuer of the private placement. For additional information on fees, please review any appliable prospectuses, private placement memoranda and/or any other related transaction documents provided to you in connection with your

investments. Please make sure you understand the investments you are considering and consider consulting independent tax, legal, and/or financial professionals of your choosing to assist in evaluating any potential investment.

You will pay fees and costs whether the value of your investments increase or decrease. Fees and costs will reduce the net realizable value of your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying.

Questions: 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?

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?

If we were to provide you with a recommendation, we are required to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours. At the same time, the way we earn income creates some conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect the services we provide you. Here is an example to help you understand what this means. The Firm markets private placements to selected investors and generally we receive a fee upon the closing of a transaction. As such, the Firm may have an incentive to recommend a private placement to an investor, regardless of whether or not the recommendation is in the investor's best interest.

Questions: How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?

#### **HOW DO YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS MAKE MONEY?**

Our financial professionals receive a combination of a salary and discretionary bonus award. They do not earn sales commissions. Several factors are considered in determining bonuses such as individual performance, business unit performance and overall Firm performance.

#### **DISCIPLINARY HISTORY**

#### DO YOU OR YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS HAVE LEGAL OR DISCIPLINARY HISTORY?

No, visit <u>Investor.gov/CRS</u> for a free and simple search tool to research the Firm and our financial professionals.

Questions: As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct?

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For additional information regarding the Firm's services, please visit egwele.com or call (312) 803-6936.

Questions: 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?