

# Form ADV Part 2B Investment Adviser Brochure Supplement

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Susan M. Tillery

October 2025

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Susan M. Tillery Born 1958

CRD #: 2619678

### **Business Background:**

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2007 to Present

President and Chief Executive Officer

### **Formal Education after High School:**

University of Georgia
Master of Accountancy

University of Georgia
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting

### **Professional Designations:**

Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Accredited Estate Planner® (AEP®) (Distinguished)

### **Professional Certifications**

Susan M. Tillery maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

### Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

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Issued By	State Boards of Accountancy
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Minimum experience levels (most states require at least one year of experience providing services that involve the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills, all of which must be achieved under the supervision of or verification by a CPA);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Successful passing of the Uniform CPA Examination</li> </ul>
Education Requirements	At minimum, a college education (typically 150 credit hours with at least a baccalaureate degree and a concentration in accounting)

Exam Type	Uniform CPA Examination
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 40 hours of continuing professional education each year (or 80 hours over a two-year period) in order to maintain a CPA license
	Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Issued By	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet <u>all of</u> the following requirements:</li> <li>Must hold an unrevoked CPA license;</li> <li>Fulfill 3,000 hours of personal financial planning business experience;</li> <li>Complete 80 hours of personal financial planning continuing professional education credits;</li> <li>Pass a comprehensive financial planning exam (PFS Exam); and</li> <li>Be an active member of the AICPA</li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Must meet minimum education requirements for CPA.
Exam Type Continuing Education Requirements	PFS Exam  Completion of 60 hours of financial planning continuing professional education credits every three years
	Accredited Estate Planner® (AEP®)
Issued By	National Association of Estate Planners & Councils
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet <u>all</u> of the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must be an attorney (JD), accountant (CPA), insurance professional and financial planner (CLU®/ChFC®, CFP®) or trust officer (CTFA)</li> <li>Must be in good standing with their professional organization and not be subject to disciplinary investigation</li> <li>Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in estate planning in one or more of the prerequisite professions</li> <li>Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in estate planning in one or more of the prerequisite professions</li> <li>Must devote at least 1/3 of their time to estate planning</li> <li>Must provide three professional references</li> <li>Must have a current membership in an affiliated local estate planning council</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	<ul> <li>Candidate must complete the following:</li> <li>2 graduate level courses administered by The American         College or from another accredited graduate program as part         of a master's or doctoral degree unless applicant has 15 or         more years' experience as an estate planner</li> </ul>

Exam Type

College, must be taken at Pearson VUE testing centers, which are proctored.

Continuing Education
Requirements

Final exam for each course. If self-study through The American
College, must be taken at Pearson VUE testing centers, which are proctored.

30 hours every 24 months, including 15 hours in estate planning. Receptification required annually

## **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Susan M. Tillery has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Disclosure on Outside Business Activities is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations.

Disclosure on Fees and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. Susan M. Tillery does not receive commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

Susan M. Tillery, is an owner of Financial Planning Advocate, LLC. Financial Planning Advocate, LLC provides curriculum and classroom instruction for various financial planning designations, including, but not limited to, the CFP® and CPA/PFS programs. She spends no more than 10% of her time on this activity.

## **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Susan M. Tillery does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular salaries and bonuses.

## **Item 6: Supervision**

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## **Item 7: Requirements for State Registered Advisers**

Susan M. Tillery has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

Susan M. Tillery has been the subject of a bankruptcy petition. The bankruptcy petition was discharged in 1993.



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**Thomas N. Tillery** 

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**Thomas N. Tillery** Born 1958

CRD #: 1776600

### **Business Background:**

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2006 to Present

Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer

### **Formal Education after High School:**

The American College
Master of Science in Financial Services

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Master of Arts in Christian Education

Columbus State University
Bachelor of Arts in English Literature

#### **Professional Designations:**

CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ (CFP®)
Accredited Estate Planner® (AEP®) (Distinguished)
Chartered Financial Consultant® (ChFC®)

### **Professional Certifications**

Thomas N. Tillery maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

	CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ (CFP®)
Issued By	Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc.
	Candidate must meet the following requirements:
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>A bachelor's degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university, and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>3 years of full-time personal financial planning experience</li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Candidate must complete a CFP®-board registered program, or hold one of the following:  • CPA

Exam Type Continuing Education Requirements	<ul> <li>ChFC®</li> <li>Chartered Life Underwriter® (CLU®)</li> <li>CFA®</li> <li>Ph.D. in business or economics</li> <li>Doctor of Business Administration</li> <li>Attorney's License</li> <li>CFP® Certification Examination</li> <li>30 hours every 2 years</li> </ul>
	Accredited Estate Planner® (AEP®)
Issued By	National Association of Estate Planners & Councils
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet <u>all</u> of the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must be an attorney (JD), accountant (CPA), insurance professional and financial planner (CLU®/ChFC®, CFP) or trust officer (CTFA)</li> <li>Must be in good standing with their professional organization and not be subject to disciplinary investigation</li> <li>Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in estate planning in one or more of the prerequisite professions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	<ul> <li>Candidate must complete the following:</li> <li>2 graduate level courses administered by The American         College or from another accredited graduate program as part         of a master's or doctoral degree unless applicant has 15 or         more years' experience as an estate planner     </li> </ul>
Exam Type	Final exam for each course. If self-study through The American College, must be taken at Pearson VUE testing centers, which are proctored.
Continuing Education Requirements	30 hours every 24 months, including 15 hours in estate planning. Recertification required annually
	Chartered Financial Consultant® (ChFC®)
Issued By	The American College
Prerequisites	Candidate must meet the following requirements:  • 3 years of full-time business experience within the five years preceding the awarding of the designation
Education Requirements	6 core and 2 elective courses
Exam Type	Final proctored exam for each course
Continuing Education Requirements	30 CE credits every 2 years

### **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Thomas N. Tillery has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

Disclosure on Outside Business Activities is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations.

Disclosure on Fees and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. Thomas N. Tillery does not receive commissions, bonuses, or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

Thomas N. Tillery, is an owner of Financial Planning Advocate, LLC. Financial Planning Advocate, LLC provides curriculum and classroom instruction for various financial planning designations, including, but not limited to, the CFP® and CPA/PFS programs. He spends no more than 10% of his time on this activity.

## **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Thomas N. Tillery does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular salaries and bonuses.

## **Item 6: Supervision**

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## **Item 7: Requirements for State Registered Advisers**

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Thomas N. Tillery has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.



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Patricia F. Steward

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Patricia F. Steward Born 1951

CRD #: 5769447

### **Business Background:**

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2010 to Present

**Investment Adviser Representative** 

Steward Ingram & Cooper, PLLC (an accounting firm)

Principal 1987 to 2018
Certified Public Accountant 2018 to Present

### Formal Education after High School:

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Classes completed for CPA Certification

North Carolina State University
Bachelor of Science in Math Education

#### **Professional Designations:**

Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)

### **Professional Certifications**

Patricia F. Steward maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

### **Certified Public Accountant (CPA)**

Issued By	State Boards of Accountancy
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Minimum experience levels (most states require at least one year of experience providing services that involve the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills, all of which must be achieved under the supervision of or verification by a CPA);</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Successful passing of the Uniform CPA Examination</li> </ul>
Education	At minimum, a college education (typically 150 credit hours with at
Requirements	least a baccalaureate degree and a concentration in accounting)
Exam Type	Uniform CPA Examination
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 40 hours of continuing professional education each year (or 80 hours over a two-year period) in order to maintain a CPA license

	Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Issued By	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must hold an unrevoked CPA license;</li> <li>Fulfill 3,000 hours of personal financial planning business experience;</li> <li>Complete 80 hours of personal financial planning continuing professional education credits;</li> <li>Pass a comprehensive financial planning exam (PFS Exam); and</li> <li>Be an active member of the AICPA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Must meet minimum education requirements for CPA.
Exam Type	PFS Exam
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 60 hours of financial planning continuing professional education credits every three years

## **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Patrica F. Steward has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

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Disclosure on Fees and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. Patrica F. Steward does not receive commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

Patricia F. Steward is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and the owner of Steward Ingram & Cooper, PLLC, a public accounting firm which provides traditional accounting and tax services. Patricia Steward provides accounting services to clients of Steward Ingram & Cooper, PLLC on a part-time basis.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Patricia F. Steward does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular salaries and bonuses.

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William N/M/I Jones

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William N/M/I Jones Born 1976

CRD #: 7752305

**Business Background:** 

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2023 to Present

**Investment Advisor Representative** 

Jones CPAs and Advisors, Inc. 2014 to Present

President

**Formal Education after High School:** 

Florida International University Master of Accounting

**Professional Designations:** 

Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)

### **Professional Certifications**

William NMI Jones maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

	Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
Issued By	State Boards of Accountancy
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Minimum experience levels (most states require at least one year of experience providing services that involve the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills, all of which must be achieved under the supervision of or verification by a CPA);</li> <li>Successful passing of the Uniform CPA Examination</li> </ul>
Education	At minimum, a college education (typically 150 credit hours with at
Requirements	least a baccalaureate degree and a concentration in accounting)
Exam Type	Uniform CPA Examination

Requirements	year (or 80 hours over a two-year period) in order to maintain a CPA license
	Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Issued By	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must hold an unrevoked CPA license;</li> <li>Fulfill 3,000 hours of personal financial planning business experience;</li> <li>Complete 80 hours of personal financial planning continuing professional education credits;</li> <li>Pass a comprehensive financial planning exam (PFS Exam); and</li> <li>Be an active member of the AICPA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Must meet minimum education requirements for CPA.
Exam Type	PFS Exam
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 60 hours of financial planning continuing professional education credits every three years

Completion of 40 hours of continuing professional education each

## **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

Continuing Education

William NMI Jones has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

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Disclosure on Fee and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. William NMI Jones does not receive commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

William NMI Jones is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA)) and the President of Jones CPAs and Advisors, Inc., a public accounting firm which provides traditional accounting and tax services. William NMI Jones provides accounting services to clients of Jones CPAs and Advisors, Inc. on a part-time basis.

## **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

William NMI Jones does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular salaries and bonuses.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

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L. Stephen McNamara

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L. Stephen McNamara Born 1963

CRD #: 5317022

**Business Background:** 

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2024 to Present

Investment Advisor Representative

McNamara Financial Solutions LLC 2015 to Present

Managing Member

**Formal Education after High School:** 

Arkansas State University (attended) Biology, Chemistry

University of Alaska Fairbanks
Bachelor of Business Administration, Minor in Biology

**Professional Designations:** 

Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)

#### **Professional Certifications**

L. Stephen McNamara maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

## Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

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Issued By	State Boards of Accountancy
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Minimum experience levels (most states require at least one year of experience providing services that involve the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills, all of which must be achieved under the supervision of or verification by a CPA);</li> <li>Successful passing of the Uniform CPA Examination</li> </ul>
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Education	At minimum, a college education (typically 150 credit hours with at
Requirements	least a baccalaureate degree and a concentration in accounting)
Exam Type	Uniform CPA Examination
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 40 hours of continuing professional education each year (or 80 hours over a two-year period) in order to maintain a CPA license

	Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Issued By	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must hold an unrevoked CPA license;</li> <li>Fulfill 3,000 hours of personal financial planning business experience;</li> <li>Complete 80 hours of personal financial planning continuing professional education credits;</li> <li>Pass a comprehensive financial planning exam (PFS Exam); and</li> <li>Be an active member of the AICPA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Must meet minimum education requirements for CPA.
Exam Type	PFS Exam
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 60 hours of financial planning continuing professional education credits every three years

## **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

L. Stephen McNamara has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

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Disclosure on Fees and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. L. Stephen McNamara does not receive commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

L. Stephen McNamara is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and the Managing Member of McNamara Financial Solutions LLC, a public accounting firm which provides traditional accounting and tax services. L. Stephen McNamara provides accounting services to clients of McNamara Financial Solutions LLC on a part-time basis.

### **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Larry Stephen McNamara does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular compensation.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

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Matthew A. Blumberg

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Matthew A. Blumberg Born 1989

CRD #: 7955492

**Business Background:** 

Paraklete® Financial, Inc. 2024 to Present

Investment Advisor Representative

Matthew Blumberg CPA LLC 2020 to Present

Owner

Mitchell Taylor CPA PA 2015 to 2020

Accountant

### Formal Education after High School:

University at Albany (SUNY Albany)

Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Minor in Business Administration and Economics

#### **Professional Designations:**

Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)

#### **Professional Certifications**

Matthew A. Blumberg maintains professional designations, which requires the following minimum requirements:

### Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Issued By	State Boards of Accountancy
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:</li> <li>Minimum experience levels (most states require at least one year of experience providing services that involve the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills, all of which must be achieved under the supervision of or verification by a CPA);</li> </ul>
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Exam Type	Uniform CPA Examination
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 40 hours of continuing professional education each year (or 80 hours over a two-year period) in order to maintain a CPA license

	Personal Financial Specialist (PFS)
Issued By	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>Candidate must meet the following requirements:         <ul> <li>Must hold an unrevoked CPA license;</li> <li>Fulfill 3,000 hours of personal financial planning business experience;</li> <li>Complete 80 hours of personal financial planning continuing professional education credits;</li> <li>Pass a comprehensive financial planning exam (PFS Exam); and</li> <li>Be an active member of the AICPA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education Requirements	Must meet minimum education requirements for CPA.
Exam Type	PFS Exam
Continuing Education Requirements	Completion of 60 hours of financial planning continuing professional education credits every three years

## **Item 3: Disciplinary Information**

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### **Item 4: Other Business Activities**

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Disclosure on Fees and Compensation is provided in Form ADV Part 2A Item 5 – Fees and Compensation. Matthew A. Blumberg does not receive commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products.

Matthew A. Blumberg is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and the Owner of Matthew Blumberg CPA LLC, a public accounting firm which provides traditional accounting and tax consulting services. Matthew A. Blumberg provides accounting services to clients of Matthew Blumberg CPA LLC on a part-time basis.

## **Item 5: Additional Compensation**

Matthew A. Blumberg does not receive any economic benefit outside of regular compensation.

### **Item 6: Supervision**

Susan M. Tillery, President, and Thomas N. Tillery, Vice President, and Chief Compliance Officer, supervises the person named in this Form ADV Part 2B Investment Adviser Brochure Supplement. Susan M. Tillery and Thomas N. Tillery supervise this person by holding regular staff, investment, and other ad hoc meetings. In addition, Susan M. Tillery and Thomas N. Tillery regularly reviews client reports, emails and trading, as well as employees' personal securities transaction and holdings reports. Susan M. Tillery and Thomas N. Tillery may be reached at (678) 290-3930.

## **Item 7: Requirements for State Registered Advisers**

Matthew A. Blumberg has not been involved in any activities resulting in a disciplinary disclosure.

Matthew A. Blumberg has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition.