#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM CUSTODY For Broker-Dealers

As of (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip Code)

CRD No.

(State)

(Please read instructions before preparing Form.)

Name of Broker/Dealer

\_8-\_\_\_\_ SEC File No.

Address of Principal Place of Business

(No. and Street)

# INSTRUCTIONS

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

A. Answer questions applicable to the broker-dealer's business activities and all "Yes" or "No" questions. Questions that cannot be answered because the broker-dealer does not engage in a particular activity do not need to be answered. For example, a broker-dealer that does not hold customer and non-customer funds or securities does not need to answer Items 3.C-3.E.

(City)

- B. Definitions: for purposes of this Form:
  - 1. "Affiliate" means any person who directly or indirectly controls the broker-dealer or any person who is directly or indirectly controlled by or under common control with the broker-dealer. Ownership of 25% or more of the common stock of an entity is deemed <u>prima facie</u> evidence of control.
  - 2. "Bank" has the same meaning as in 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(6).
  - 3. "Broker" has the same meaning as in 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(4).
  - 4. "Dealer" has the same meaning as in 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(5).
  - 5. "Carrying broker-dealer" means a broker-dealer that carries customer or broker or dealer accounts and receives or holds funds or securities for those customers.
  - 6. "Clearing broker-dealer" means a broker-dealer that clears transactions for itself or accounts of other broker-dealers either on a fully disclosed or omnibus basis.
  - 7. "Customer" has the same meaning as in 17 CFR 240.15c3-3(a)(1).
  - 8. "Free credit balance" means any liabilities of a broker-dealer to customers and non-customers that are subject to immediate cash payment to customers and non-customers on demand, whether resulting from

sales of securities, dividends, interest, deposits, or otherwise, excluding, however, funds in commodity accounts that are segregated in accordance with the Commodity Exchange Act or in a similar manner.

- 9. "Money Market Fund" means any security issued by an investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 that is considered a money market fund under Investment Company Act Rule 2a-7.
- 10. "Omnibus account" means an account carried and cleared by another broker-dealer and containing accounts of undisclosed customers on a commingled basis that are carried individually on the books of the broker-dealer introducing the accounts.
- 11. "Private Fund" means an issuer that would be an investment company as defined in section 3 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 but for section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of that Act.
- 12. "Structured debt" means any security or money market instrument issued by an asset pool or as part of any asset-backed or mortgage-backed securities transaction. Structured debt is a broad category of financial instrument and includes, but is not limited to, asset-backed securities such as residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") and other types of structured debt instruments such as collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs"), including synthetic and hybrid CDOs, or collateralized loan obligations ("CLOS").

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPECIFIC LINE ITEMS

Item 1.A	Answer the question by checking the appropriate box. A broker-dealer must check "Yes" if it introduces any customer accounts to another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis. A broker-dealer that carries customer accounts and/or introduces customer accounts on an omnibus basis must check "Yes" if it also introduces one or more customer accounts to another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis.
Item 1.B	Item 1.B applies to broker-dealers that introduce customer accounts on a fully disclosed basis to one or more other broker-dealers. If Item 1.B applies, identify each broker-dealer to which customer accounts are introduced on a fully disclosed basis.
Item 2.A	Answer the question by checking the appropriate box. A broker-dealer must check "Yes" if it introduces any customer accounts to another broker-dealer on an omnibus basis. A broker-dealer that carries customer accounts (other than those introduced on an omnibus basis) and/or introduces customer accounts on a fully disclosed basis must check "Yes" if it also introduces one or more customer accounts to another broker-dealer on an omnibus basis.
Item 2.B	Item 2.B applies to broker-dealers that introduce customer accounts on an omnibus basis to one or more other broker-dealers. If Item 2.B applies, identify each broker-dealer to which customer accounts are introduced on an omnibus basis.
Item 3.A	Answer the question by checking the appropriate box. A broker-dealer that introduces customer accounts to another broker-dealer on an omnibus basis is a carrying broker-dealer with respect to those accounts under the Commission's broker-dealer financial responsibility rules. If those accounts are the only accounts carried by the broker-dealer, check "No" in Item 3.A, as those accounts are addressed in Items 2.A and 2.B.
Item 3.B	Answer the question by checking the appropriate box. Answer "Yes" if accounts are carried by the broker-dealer for persons that are not "customers" as that term is defined in Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Examples of persons that are not customers of a broker-dealer include general partners, directors, or principal officers – such as the president, executive vice presidents, treasurer, secretary or any person performing similar functions – of the broker-dealer and accountholders that are themselves broker-dealers (unless such broker-dealer accountholders are required to be treated as customers under Rule 15c3-3).

Item 3.C	Identify the types of locations where the broker-dealer holds securities. Only identify types of
	locations where the broker-dealer holds securities directly in the name of the broker-dealer (i.e., do
	not identify a type of location if the broker-dealer only holds securities at the location through an
	intermediary). A location holds securities directly in the name of the broker-dealer if the location
	is aware of the identity of the broker-dealer and acts directly upon the broker-dealer's instructions.
	A location holds securities through an intermediary if the location is not aware of the identity of
	the broker-dealer or will not act on instructions directly from the broker-dealer (i.e., the location
	holding securities for the broker-dealer would only act on instructions relating to the broker-
	dealer's securities from the broker-dealer's intermediary). The information required by Items
	3.C.i-iii is intended to identify all locations used by the broker-dealer to hold securities listed on
	the broker-dealer's stock record, and to elicit information concerning the frequency with which the
	broker-dealer performs reconciliations between the information on its stock record and
	information about the securities provided by the location. In Item 3.C.i, check all applicable
	boxes, and in Items 3.C.i-iii provide all applicable information as specified for each Item.

- Item 3.D Answer the questions in Items 3.D.i-iii by checking appropriate boxes and entering appropriate financial information, where applicable, and by providing explanations as requested. In Item 3.D.i, check "Other" if a type of security carried by the broker-dealer for customers is not listed on the chart, and for each category of security, indicate by checking the approximate box for the approximate U.S. dollar market value of the securities.
- Item 3.E Answer the questions in Items 3.E.i-iii by checking appropriate boxes and entering appropriate financial information, where applicable, and by providing explanations as requested. In Item 3.E.i, check "Other" if a type of security carried by the broker-dealer for persons that are not customers is not listed on the chart, and for each category of security, indicate by checking the appropriate box the approximate U.S. dollar market value of the securities.
- Item 4 Answer the questions in Items 4.A.i-iii and 4.B.i-iii by checking appropriate boxes and, if applicable, providing requested information.
- Item 5 Answer the questions in Items 5.A and 5.B by checking the appropriate box and, if applicable, providing requested information. A broker-dealer should respond to Item 5.A by checking "Yes" if it employs a vendor to send trade confirmations to customers on its behalf because the broker-dealer is ultimately responsible for complying with its trade confirmation obligations, not the vendor.
- Item 6 Answer the questions by checking the appropriate boxes and, if applicable, providing requested information. In Item 6.C, check "Yes" if (i) a broker-dealer sends account statements to persons other than the beneficial owner of the account; or (ii) if a broker-dealer sends account statements to the beneficial owner of an account and duplicate account statements to persons other than the beneficial owner of the account.
- Item 7 Answer the question by checking the appropriate box.
- Item 8 Answer the questions in Item 8 by checking appropriate boxes and, if applicable, providing requested information.
- Item 9 Answer the questions in Item 9 by checking appropriate boxes and, if applicable, providing requested information.

Item 1. A. Does the broker-dealer introduce customer accounts on a fully disclosed basis to another broker-dealer?

Yes 🛛 No 🗖

- **B**. If the answer to question 1.A is "yes," identify below the broker-dealer(s) (by name, SEC No., and CRD No.) to which the customer accounts are introduced on a fully disclosed basis:
- Item 2. A. Does the broker-dealer introduce customer accounts to another broker-dealer on an omnibus basis?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- **B.** If the answer to question 2.A is "yes," identify below the broker-dealer(s) (by name, SEC No., and CRD No.) to which the customer accounts are introduced on an omnibus basis:
- **Item 3. A.** Does the broker-dealer carry securities accounts (*i.e.*, accounts that are not introduced on a fully disclosed basis to another broker-dealer) for customers?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

**B.** Does the broker-dealer carry securities accounts (*i.e.*, accounts that are not introduced on a fully disclosed basis to another broker-dealer) for non-customers?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- C. Location of Securities (if the answer to question 3.A and/or 3.B is "yes")
  - **i.** Indicate in the chart below the types of U.S. locations used by the broker-dealer to hold securities that it carries by checking each box in the first column that applies. For each type of location selected, indicate in the third column the frequency (*e.g.*, daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually) with which the broker-dealer performs a reconciliation between the information on its stock record and information about the securities provided by the location:

Location	<b>Reconciliation Frequency</b>
The broker-dealer's vault	
U.S. broker-dealer(s)	
The Depository Trust Company	
The Options Clearing Corporation	
U.S. bank(s)	
Transfer agents of mutual fund(s) under the Investment	
Company Act	

**ii.** Indicate in the chart below the types of U.S. locations not identified in Item 3.C.i used by the broker-dealer to hold securities that it carries by describing the type of entity in the first column. For each type of location, indicate in the second column the frequency (*e.g.*, daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually) with which the broker-dealer performs a reconciliation between the information on its stock record and information about the securities provided by location:

Other Types of U.S. Locations	<b>Reconciliation Frequency</b>

**iii.** Indicate in the chart below the types of foreign locations used by the broker-dealer to hold securities that it carries by describing the type of location in the first column. For each type of location indicate in the second column the frequency (*e.g.*, daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually) with which the broker-dealer performs a reconciliation between the information on its stock record and information about the securities provided by the location:

Non-U.S. Locations	<b>Reconciliation Frequency</b>

D. Securities and Cash Carried for the Accounts of Customers (if the answer to question 3.A is "yes")

Type of Securities	\$50 million or less	Greater than \$50 million to \$100 million	Greater than \$100 million to \$500 million	Greater than \$500 million to \$1 billion	Greater than \$1 billion to \$5 billion	Greater than \$5 billion
U.S. Equity Securities						
□ Foreign Equity Securities						
□ U.S. Listed Options						
□ Foreign Listed Options						
Domestic Corporate Debt						
□ Foreign Corporate Debt						
□ U.S. Public Finance Debt						
□ Foreign Public Finance Debt						
U.S. Government Debt						
□ Foreign Sovereign Debt						
□ U.S. Structured Debt						
□ Foreign Structured Debt						
U.S. Mutual Funds						
□ Foreign Mutual Funds						
U.S. Exchange Traded Funds						
□ Foreign Exchange Traded Funds						
U.S. Private Funds						
□ Foreign Private Funds						
□ Other						

**i.** Indicate by checking the appropriate boxes on the chart below the types and approximate market value of securities that are carried by the broker-dealer for the accounts of customers:

**ii.** Has the broker-dealer recorded all securities it carries for the accounts of customers on its stock record?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

If the answer is "no," explain in the space provided why the broker-dealer has not recorded such securities on its stock record and provide the approximate U.S. dollar market value of such unrecorded securities:

**iii.** Indicate in the chart below each process used by the broker-dealer with respect to free credit balances in cash accounts it holds for customers by checking all the boxes that apply and providing applicable information:

Process	
Included in a computation under Rule 15c3-3(e)	
Held in a bank account under Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i)	
Swept to a U.S. bank	
Swept to a U.S. money market fund	
Other (Briefly describe in the space provided below)	

- E. Securities and Cash Carried for the Accounts of Non-customers (if the answer to question 3.B is "yes")
  - **i.** Indicate by checking the appropriate boxes on the chart below the types and approximate market value of securities that are carried by the broker-dealer for the accounts of non-customers:

Type of Securities	\$50 million or less	Greater than \$50 million to \$100 million	Greater than \$100 million to \$500 million	Greater than \$500 million to \$1 billion	Greater than \$1 billion to \$5 billion	Greater than \$5 billion
U.S. Equity Securities						
□ Foreign Equity Securities						
U.S. Listed Options						
□ Foreign Listed Options						
Domestic Corporate Debt						
□ Foreign Corporate Debt						
U.S. Public Finance Debt						
□ Foreign Public Finance Debt						
U.S. Government Debt						
□ Foreign Sovereign Debt						
U.S. Structured Debt						
□ Foreign Structured Debt						

U.S. Mutual Funds			
□ Foreign Mutual Funds			
U.S. Exchange Traded Funds			
□ Foreign Exchange Traded Funds			
U.S. Private Funds			
□ Foreign Private Funds			
□ Other			

**ii.** Has the broker-dealer recorded all securities it carries for the accounts of non-customers on its stock record?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

If the answer is "no," explain in the space provided why the broker-dealer has not recorded such securities on its stock record and provide the approximate total U.S. dollar market value of such unrecorded securities:

**iii.** Indicate in the chart below each process used by the broker-dealer with respect to free credit balances in the securities accounts of non-customers by checking all the boxes that apply and providing applicable information:

Process
Included in a reserve computation
Swept to a U.S. bank
Swept to a U.S. money market fund
Other (Briefly describe in space provided below)

Item 4. Acting as a Carrying Broker-Dealer for Other Broker-Dealers

- A. On a fully disclosed basis
  - i. Does the broker-dealer carry customer accounts for another broker-dealer(s) on a fully disclosed basis?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- ii. If the answer to question 4.A.i is "yes," indicate the number of broker-dealers:
- **iii.** If the answer to question 4.A.i is "yes," identify any of these broker-dealers that are affiliates of the broker-dealer by name and "SEC File No.":

- **B.** On an omnibus basis
  - i. Does the broker-dealer carry customer accounts for another broker-dealer(s) on an omnibus basis?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- **ii.** If the answer to question 4.B.i is "yes," indicate the number of broker-dealers:
- **iii.** If the answer to question 4.B.i is "yes," identify any of these broker-dealers that are affiliates of the broker-dealer by name and "SEC File No.":
- Item 5. A. Does the broker-dealer send trade confirmations directly to customers and other accountholders?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- **B**. If the answer to question 5.A is "no," who sends the trade confirmations to customers and other accountholders? :\_\_\_\_\_.
- Item 6. A. Does the broker-dealer send account statements directly to customers and other accountholders?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

- **B.** If the answer to question 6.A is "no," who sends the account statements to customers and other accountholders? :\_\_\_\_\_.
- **C.** Does the broker-dealer send account statements to anyone other than the beneficial owner of the account?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

Item 7. Does the broker-dealer provide customers and other accountholders with electronic access to information about the securities and cash positions in their accounts?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

Item 8. A. Is the broker-dealer also registered as an investment adviser:

i. With the SEC under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

ii. With one or more U.S. states under the laws of the state?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

If the answer to question 8.A.i or 8.A.ii is "yes," answer each of the following items:

- **B.** Provide the number of investment adviser clients:\_\_\_\_\_\_.
- **C.** Complete the following chart concerning the custodians of investment adviser client assets if any (including, if applicable, the broker-dealer):
- **Column 1**: The name of the custodian
- **Column 2:** The identity of the custodian by SEC File No. or CRD No. (if applicable)
- **Column 3**: Whether the broker-dealer/investment adviser has the authority to effect transactions in these advisory client accounts at the custodian
- **Column 4**: Whether the broker-dealer/investment adviser has the authority to withdraw funds and securities out of any accounts at the custodian

Column 5: Whether the custodian sends account statements directly to the investment adviser clients

Column 6: Whether the investment adviser client assets are on the broker-dealer's stock record

1	2	3	4	5	6
		Yes 🗖	Yes 🛛	Yes 🗖	Yes 🗖
		No 🛛	No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆
		Yes 🗖	Yes 🛛	Yes 🗖	Yes 🗆
		No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆
		Yes 🗖	Yes 🛛	Yes 🛛	Yes 🗆
		No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆
		Yes 🗖	Yes 🛛	Yes 🛛	Yes 🗖
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		Yes 🗖	Yes 🛛	Yes 🛛	Yes 🗖
		No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🗆	No 🛛

Item 9. A. Is the broker-dealer an affiliate of an investment adviser?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

B.i. If the answer to Item 9.A is "yes," does the broker-dealer have custody of client assets of the adviser?

Yes 🗆 No 🗖

**B.ii.** If the answer to Item 9.B.i is "yes" indicate the approximate U.S. dollar market value of the adviser client assets of which the broker-dealer has custody: \_\_\_\_\_\_.