

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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The franchise is an aspect of a financial services business offered to licensed and registered financial advisors ("FAs") that allows FAs to use Our franchised A+LIFE FAMILY PENTAGON Methods to attract, and provide needed services to high-wealth clients and their families. FAs to whom this franchise will be offered, and approved, will already have an established financial services business.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of an A+LIFE FAMILY PENTAGON franchise is Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$13,750). This includes Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,750) that must be paid to the franchisor or affiliate.

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of Your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before You sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or any affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.**

The terms of Your contract will govern Your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand Your contract. Read all of Your contract carefully. Show Your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help You make up Your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help You understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"). You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call Your state agency or visit Your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in Your state. Ask Your state agencies about them.

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Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in Your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state administrators listed in <u>Exhibit A</u> for information about the franchisor, about other franchisors, or about franchising in Your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please also consider the following RISK FACTORS before You buy this franchise.

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION/LITIGATION ONLY IN MARYLAND. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION/LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE/LITIGATE WITH US IN MARYLAND THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT MARYLAND LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAWS. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. THIS IS A NEW FRANCHISE OFFERING. WE WERE FORMED ON NOVEMBER 1, 2012 AND HAVE NO EXPERIENCE OPERATING A FRANCHISE SYSTEM.
- 4. YOU MUST PAY US MINIMUM FEES RANGING FROM \$2,250 TO \$3,750 EACH MONTH EVEN IF THE FRANCHISE BUSINESS HAS NO REVENUE.
- 5. WE AND OUR AFFILIATES MAY ESTABLISH OTHER FRANCHISES AND COMPANY OWNED OUTLETS ANYWHERE AND OTHER CHANNELS OF DISTRIBUTION AND SELL OR DISTRIBUTE ANY PRODUCT OR SERVICE, UNDER THE SAME AND/OR DIFFERENT TRADEMARK, IN COMPETITION WITH THE FRANCHISE.
- 6. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

We use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist Us in selling Our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents Us, not You. We pay this person a fee for selling Our franchise or referring You to Us. You should be sure to do Your own investigation of the franchise.

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