

# Form ADV Part 2B Brochure Supplement

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## Item 1 - Cover Page

This Brochure Supplement provides information about Seth Matthew Stammler that supplements the Forum Financial Management, LP ("Forum") Form ADV Part 2A ("Firm Brochure"). You should have received a copy of that Firm Brochure. Please contact us at (630) 873-8520 if you did not receive Forum's Firm Brochure or if you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure Supplement. You can also obtain a copy of the Firm Brochure at <a href="www.forumfinancial.com">www.forumfinancial.com</a>. The home office of Forum Financial Management, LP is located at 1900 South Highland Avenue, Suite 100, Lombard, IL 60148.

Additional information about Seth Matthew Stammler is available on the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at <a href="https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov">www.adviserinfo.sec.gov</a>.

# Item 2 – Educational Background and Business Experience

Full Legal Name: Seth Matthew Stammler

Individual CRD #: 5942326

**Born:** 1981

#### **Education Background:**

- University of Chicago, Booth School of Business:
   Master of Business Administration (MBA), Analytic
   Finance, Econometrics, and Statistics 2012
- University of Maryland, College Park: Bachelor of Science (BS), Finance and Marketing – 2005

### **Business Experience:**

- Forum Financial Management, LP: Investment Adviser Representative – 11/2018 to Present
- Bluestone Financial Management, LLC: Owner 4/2017 to 12/2018
- Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC: Associate 8/2012 to 4/2017

#### **Professional Designations, Certifications, & Exams:**

- CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® (CFP®), 2018
- Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®), 2016

Please refer to Appendix for definitions of the above.

## Item 3 - Disciplinary Information

Seth has no reportable legal or disciplinary history.

#### Item 4 - Other Business Activities

Seth is not engaged in any other business or occupation beyond his role at Forum that is investment-related or otherwise poses a conflict of interest to his provision of advisory services through Forum.

## Item 5 - Additional Compensation

Seth does not receive any additional compensation or economic benefit for investment advisory or investmentrelated services beyond his roles at Forum.

## Item 6 - Supervision

As a registered investment adviser, Forum administers and enforces a regulatory compliance program,

reasonably designed to detect and prevent violations of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and other applicable state and federal securities laws. Forum's compliance program is overseen by Forum's Chief Compliance Officer, Allison Tronnes, who delegates advisor supervision responsibilities among various advisor support personnel and teams.

Forum has a dedicated Advisor Support Team, and within that team is the primary point of contact for advisor supervision. Should a client or prospective client have any questions or concerns, please reach out to one of the following:

#### **Allison Tronnes**

Chief Compliance Officer (630) 873-8512 atronnes@forumfinancial.com

#### Nikki Hopson

Advisor Development and Supervision (630) 376-4367 nhopson@forumfinancial.com

## **Appendix**

## CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® (CFP®) 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 <a href="https://www.cfp.net">www.cfp.net</a>. 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. CFP Board implemented the bachelor's degree or higher requirement in 2007 and the financial planning development capstone course requirement in March 2012. Therefore, a CFP® professional who first became certified before those dates may not have earned a bachelor's or higher degree or completed a financial planning development capstone course.

- 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.

#### **Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®)**

The Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®) is a professional certification granted by the CFA Institute. It is internationally recognized for its rigorous education and training requirements and its mission to promote and develop a high level of educational, ethical, and professional standards in the investment industry.

To become a CFA® charterholder, an individual must fulfill the following requirements:

- Pass three sequential, six-hour examinations.
- Have at least four years of qualified professional investment experience, a bachelor's degree, or a combination of professional and educational experience totaling four years.
- Join the CFA Institute as a members.
- Commit to abide by and annually reaffirm adherence to the CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct.

The CFA Program curriculum provides a comprehensive framework of knowledge for investment decision making and is firmly grounded in the knowledge and skills used every day in the investment profession. The three levels of the CFA Program test a proficiency with a wide range of fundamental and advanced investment topics. including ethical and professional standards, fixedincome and equity analysis, alternative and derivative investments, economics, financial reporting standards, portfolio management, and wealth planning. The CFA Program curriculum is updated every year by experts from around the world to ensure that candidates learn the most relevant and practical new tools, ideas, and investment and wealth management skills to reflect the dynamic and complex nature of the profession. For more information, refer to the CFA Institute website at: https://www.cfainstitute.org/.