



# Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd (“Cantor”) **Approved Retirement Fund (ARF) Execution Only Account Opening Document** Cantor QFM Services

## HOW TO PROCEED

### ACCOUNT SET UP CHECKLIST:

- I have completed the attached application form in full and have signed and dated.
- I have completed the attached CRS/FATCA form and have signed and dated.
- I have attached a copy of my ID (Passport/Drivers Licence) certified by a Garda, Solicitor or Cantor member of staff - please ensure it is in date.
- I have attached two certified documents or two original documents listed below issued in the last 6 months and with the same address as noted on the application. One of these **MUST** also be a bank statement that matches the IBAN provided on the application form.
  - Bank Statement (must be for the IBAN provided on the application form)AND
  - Gas, electricity, phone or motor insurance certificate/home insurance certificate/tax certificateOR
  - Social insurance document or Revenue Commissioners documentBoth proofs of address **CANNOT** be from the same provider.  
*A list of acceptable/unacceptable Anti Money Laundering documents can be found on our website [cantorfitzgerald.ie](http://cantorfitzgerald.ie)*
- I have attached certified copy proof of PPS number:
  - P60 , P45 or P21 Balancing Statement
  - Drug Payment Scheme Card or European Health Insurance Card
  - Revenue Commissioners Document with address and PPS number

**Payment Details** Please use the Barclays Bank details below for any Electronic Fund Transfers to your account in Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. Please do not transfer funds until your Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. account is open as you will need an account number as a reference.

#### Euro Bank Details

**Bank Name:** Barclays Bank Ireland  
**Account Name:** Pershing Securities International Limited Client Asset Account – Hub Account  
**Sort Code:** 990212  
**Account No:** 45525315  
**BIC:** BARCIE2D  
**IBAN:** IE10BARC99021245525315  
**Reference:** Client Name and CFIL Client Reference Number (starting with DS)

**Post/Delivery** Return the completed application and identification to:  
DUBLIN: Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd, Cantor Fitzgerald House, 23 St Stephen’s Green, Dublin 2  
LIMERICK: Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd, Crescent House, Hartstonge St., Limerick  
CORK: Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd, 45 South Mall, Cork

**Queries/Advice** Call your Financial Advisor or your Cantor Fitzgerald Account Manager:  
DUBLIN: +353 1 633 3800. CORK: +353 21 422 2122. LIMERICK: +353 61 436 500  
Email Queries to Client Services at [ireland@cantor.com](mailto:ireland@cantor.com)

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## ARF Application Form



### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Cantor Broker Owner

Reviewed by Pension Team: Yes  No

Client Account Number

DS

### 1. Beneficial Owner Details (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

Title Mr  Mrs  Ms  Miss  Other

Civil Status Married  Single  Separated

Surname

Divorced  Widow(er)  Civil Partnership

Forename(s)

#### Spouse's/Civil Partner's Details

(if relevant)

PPS Number

Surname

Date of Birth

  

Forename(s)

Country of Residence

Date of Birth

  

Nationality

If your nationality is British please enter your NI number:

### 2. Contact Details (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

Home Address

Home No.

Mobile No.

Email\*

Office No.

*\*This will be the email address for account communications. An email address is required to open an account.*

### 3. Investment Type: ARF Details

1. Investment to your ARF €

2. Please confirm the source of your investment by selecting from the following options:

(If the transfer is coming from more than one source, please provide the following information for each source)

Personal Pension Plan  PRSA  Company Pension Scheme  Retirement Bond  ARF  AMRF

3. Name of the existing Insurance company or pension provider from which the benefits are being transferred

4. Pension Plan Number or Reference for which benefits are being transferred

5. Are your benefits subject to a Pension/Property Adjustment Order?

Yes\*  No

*\*If your benefits are subject to a Pension/ Property Adjustment Order please provide a copy of the order.*

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

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## 4. Minimum Distributions from ARFs

### Imputed Distributions explained:

Each year, a tax liability based on an imputed distribution shall apply for ARF holders aged 60 or over for the full tax year. The amount of the withdrawal depends on your age and the total value of all your ARF and vested PRSA policies as at 30th November of each year, as follows:

- 61 or more <€2 million 4%
- 71 or more <€2 million 5%
- 61 or more > €2 million 6%

It is your responsibility to inform us of the existence of other ARF and vested PRSA policies and the value of those policies. Otherwise we will proceed to set up a withdrawal as per the above table.

Please confirm if you would like Cantor to arrange an annual distribution to meet the imputed distribution obligation. Yes  No

Please note that Cantor will process the annual distribution at a single date within the relevant tax year. Cantor reserves the right to select the relevant distribution and to change this date without prior notification to you. You reserve the right to opt-out of the automatic minimum distribution at any time by advising us in writing.

### Withdrawal payment processing requirements

Payments from ARFs are liable to Income Tax, PRSI and USC. Cantor effectively becomes your employer. To ensure you are not taxed at the emergency tax rate, you will need to arrange a Certificate of Determination of Tax Credits and Standard Rate Cut Off Point.

To arrange this please contact your local tax office with the following information:  
Your PPSN and Cantor Employer No. 9547032R.

## 5. Bank Details (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

Bank Name	<input type="text"/>
Bank Address	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>
Account Name	<input type="text"/>
IBAN*	<input type="text"/>
BIC	<input type="text"/>

\*Your IBAN includes your account number and sort code and is an international standard for identifying bank accounts across national borders. This is detailed on your bank statement.

## 6. Source of Wealth/Funds (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

### Source of Wealth/Funds

(i) Please indicate how your **overall wealth** was accumulated. You can indicate more than one option.

- Savings
- Inheritance
- Equity/Fund Investment
- Property Investment
- Sale of Business
- Retirement Fund
- Redundancy
- Other: If other please specify

(ii) Please indicate the source of funds provided for this ARF investment. You can indicate more than one option.

- Transfer from other Investment/Pension Provider
- Other: If other please specify

### Dividends

Unless you specify otherwise you will receive cash dividends and in Euro currency.

If you wish to receive stock dividends (where available) please tick here

## 7. Knowledge & Experience Relevant to the Decision Maker\* (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

**WARNING: All of the following sections must be completed in order for us to open an account for you. This information is required by law to allow us to complete an appropriateness assessment, if required.**

\*Decision Maker is a person authorised on the account and appointed to make decisions on behalf of the account i.e. the account holder, beneficial owner or authorised signatory. A group of two or more natural persons are required to designate one person's Knowledge & Experience for the purposes of conducting the appropriateness assessment.

**(i) Please select your previous trading experience:** (You can select more than one option if applicable)

EXECUTION ONLY (no advice)	ADVISORY (broker advises, you decide)	DISCRETIONARY/MANAGED (broker agrees investment parameters with you and has discretion to transact)	NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**(ii) Please indicate your investment experience in relation to the following Financial Instruments:**

**Basic:** Have some knowledge but limited trading history.

**Good:** Have knowledge and have traded over a number of years.

**Extensive:** Have knowledge and have traded consistently over the past 5 years.

**THESE COLUMNS ARE MANDATORY**

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FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS	THESE COLUMNS ARE MANDATORY				THESE COLUMNS ARE MANDATORY	
	NONE**	BASIC	GOOD	EXTENSIVE	NUMBER OF YEARS EXPERIENCE	NUMBER OF TRADES IN THE LAST 5 YEARS <small>(if 'zero' trades please note 0 in the box)</small>
Equities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Corporate Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Government Bonds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Investment Funds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Structured Products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Corporate Finance/ Unquoted Investments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Derivatives <small>(CFD's, Options, Futures)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

\*\*If you have selected NONE for any Financial Instrument experience, you do not need to complete NUMBER OF YEARS EXPERIENCE and NUMBER OF TRADES IN THE LAST 5 YEARS

**(iii) If you have answered '0' for NUMBER OF TRADES IN THE LAST 5 YEARS in part (ii) above, please explain how you have attained your years experience?** (if not applicable please write N/A or leave blank):

**(iv) Relevant Professional Qualification or Experience**

- Do you have a relevant professional qualification? Yes  No   
Please list qualification(s)
- Do you work as an investment manager/advisor? Yes  No
- Are you a member of a professional body? e.g. ACOI, LIA, IIB, Chartered Accountants Ireland etc. Yes  No

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

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### 8. Research and Product Information

#### Insights & Research Publications

As part of our service offering, we regularly share key insights, research publications and updates on latest investment opportunities. Please select the communications you wish to receive:

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily Note             | <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Talking Points Newsletter   | <input type="checkbox"/> Investment Bonds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly Trader          | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Finance Investments (Private Equity, EIS Investments, Property Investments) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Papers Summary | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethical Investing   |   |

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## 9. Acknowledgement

In signing this document it will constitute a contract, both legally binding and enforceable. If you have any queries about any aspect of the account opening documentation please contact Cantor for clarification or, if you think it appropriate to do so, obtain independent legal advice.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that:

(a) I have carefully read, acknowledge and understand the terms of the below listed documentation which I have been presented with and have had an opportunity to consider. I hereby agree that by signing this acknowledgement that I will be bound by all terms and conditions contained in the following documents:

1. ARF Execution Only Account Opening Document
2. Terms and Conditions booklet:
  - i. Terms and Conditions of Service
  - ii. Conflicts of Interest Policy
  - iii. Order Execution Policy
  - iv. Information on Financial Instruments

(b) The service description set out in the Terms and Conditions booklet incorporates the service to be provided by Cantor to me in its entirety, and for which I now hereby apply.

(c) The details provided in the Account Opening Document are a complete and accurate record of all information relevant and necessary to allow Cantor to provide an execution only service to me.

(d) I acknowledge that Cantor will arrange for a nominee account to be opened with Pershing Securities International Limited on behalf of my ARF.

(e) I have been presented with and have had an opportunity to consider the **Client Asset Key Information Document** and I have carefully read, acknowledge and understand the arrangements Cantor has put in place for holding client assets and the risks associated with them.

(f) I have been presented with a current rate card and I am aware that any changes to this will be updated to the Cantor Fitzgerald website for my reference.

(g) I declare that I am beneficially entitled to the funds that are to be invested under this application and that I am entitled to apply for an ARF.

(h) Electronic Communications

By opening an account with Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland you are consenting to the electronic delivery of communications and documentation through our online portal, to which we will issue you the necessary access as part of account opening process. Within our online portal you can view your account information, transactions, documentation and communications.

If you do not want documentation issued to you electronically please tick the box below:

**I/We wish to receive any communications and documentation issued to my/our client portal in paper format.**

Please note if you choose NOT to avail of electronic communications through our online portal charges may be incurred for paper documentation. These charges will be deducted from your account. Please see our rate card for further details.

You may receive periodic documentation in paper format not related to this consent.

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

### BENEFICIARY SIGNATURE

Print Name

Date Signed

  

### AUTHORISED SIGNATORY FOR AND ON BEHALF OF CANTOR FITZGERALD AS QFM

Print Name

Date Signed

  

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## 10. Certificate of Investment Source – Approved Retirement Fund (ARF)

This Certificate must be completed by Cantor and the transferring Pension Provider/Administrator.

### Section 1: ARF Investment to be completed by Cantor

Title Mr  Mrs  Ms  Miss  Other

Surname

Forename(s)

Address

PPS Number

Date of Birth  DD  MM  YY

Name of Existing Insurance Company or QFM or other source

### Section 2: Source of ARF Investment to be completed by the Insurance Company, QFM, PRSA Provider or Scheme Administrator

We certify that the investments described above are currently held in:

- Personal Retirement Savings Account (PRSA)
- Retirement Annuity Contract
- Exempt Approved Occupational or Statutory Pension Scheme
- Approved Retirement Fund
- Approved Minimum Retirement Fund

Please give full details including the policy/reference number and name of the Life Insurance Company, PRSA Provider or Qualifying Fund Manager or the full name and Revenue reference of the pension scheme.

  
  
  
  

Withdrawals taken from the existing ARF policy in the current year? €  %

### ARF Declaration

We confirm that:

- the proposed investment amount to which this certificate relates comprises of assets to which the individual named above is beneficially entitled; and
- the assets to which this certificate relates derive from an approved source within the meaning of Section 784B of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (as amended).

### Signature of Authorised Signatory

Position/Title

Print Name

Company

Date

 DD  MM  YY

Email

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

Please return completed Certificate of Investment Source to: **Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Limited, 23 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.**

# CRS/FATCA Individual/Entity Self-Certification



Please see our useful forms section on our website for the Common Reporting Standard "CRS" and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act "FATCA" Appendix with further definitions and information on the below classifications

## Self-Certification for FATCA and CRS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

### INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

Please select the relevant account type and complete Section 1(a), 2 and 5.

- Individual       Joint       ARF       AMRF  
 Cantor PRB       Cantor PRSA

Please select the relevant account type, and complete Section 1(b), 2, 3, 4 (if applicable) and 5.

- Corporate       Trust       Charity       Institutional       Pension (e.g. Trust Structure)       Partnership  
 Other type of entity (Please note legal structure):

PLEASE NOTE: If you believe the above instruction does not apply to your account type please complete the form as per your local tax advice.

### SECTION 1: Account Details

1(a): Personal Details Please complete if applicable to your account type, based on the instructions noted above:

#### Person 1

Title      Mr       Mrs       Ms       Miss       Other

Surname

Forename(s)

Residential Address

#### Person 2

Title      Mr       Mrs       Ms       Miss       Other

Surname

Forename(s)

Residential Address

1(b): Entity Details Please complete if applicable to your account type, based on the instructions noted above:

Entity Name (Legal)

Registered Address   
 Country:

### SECTION 2: Declaration of Person or Entities Tax Residency All account types MUST complete

Name of Person/Entity	Country of Tax Residency(List all)	Tax ID Number (TIN)	If TIN not available, please indicate reason
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### SECTION 3: Entity's Classification Please complete if applicable to your account type, as per the instructions at the start of this form

You are required to choose one CRS classification and one FATCA classification within this section.

You MUST choose one of the below options:

#### FATCA Classification

- Reporting Model 1 FFI  
 Reporting Model 2 FFI

#### GIIN (if applicable)

(continued on following page)

ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED



## Self-Certification for FATCA and CRS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

- Participating FFI
- Registered Deemed Compliant (other than Reporting Model 1 FFI/Sponsored FFI or Non-Reporting IGA FFI)
- Sponsored Direct Reporting NFFE
- Direct Reporting NFFE
- Sponsored FFI
- Non-Reporting IGA
- Foreign Government
- Entity Wholly Owned by an Exempt Beneficial Owner
- 501 (c) Organization
- International Organization
- Exempt Retirement fund
- Active Non-Financial Foreign Entity
- Non-Profit Organization
- Passive Non-Financial Foreign Entity **(also complete Section 4 for Controlling Persons)**
- Other Specify:

If the GIIN provided above is issued in the name of your sponsor, please provide your sponsor's name and sponsor's GIIN

Name of the sponsoring Entity

GIIN number of the sponsoring Entity

You MUST choose one of the below options:

### CRS Classification

- Financial Institution other than investment entity (custodial institution, depository institution/specified insurance company)
- Financial Institution non-reporting according to local jurisdiction legislation where you are a resident
- Investment Entity with Tax Residence in a non-participating jurisdiction and managed by another FI **(also complete Section 4 for Controlling Persons)**
- Passive Non-Financial Entity **(also complete Section 4 for Controlling Persons)**
- Active Non-Financial Entity which is a Government/Central Bank/International Organization
- Active Non-Financial Entity (corporation that is publically traded or an affiliate of a publicly traded corporation)
- Active Non-Financial Entity-other
- Other investment entity

You can find further definitions on the different classification on our CRS/FATCA Appendix accessible at [cantorfitzgerald.ie](http://cantorfitzgerald.ie)

## Self-Certification for FATCA and CRS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

**SECTION 4: CRS and FATCA – Controlling Persons (“CP”) Identification** Please complete this section if you have completed section 1(b) **AND** have selected an entity classification, in the previous section, that notes section 4 must be completed.

- For a Trust this includes the settlor, the trustees, the protector (if any) and any known beneficiaries
- For a Corporation or Non-Corporate entity (other than a Trust) this would include natural persons who own or control, directly or indirectly, 25% or more of the entity
- Where no natural person is identified, the senior managing official is a controlling person
- TIN or equivalent must be provided
- Refer to table below for CP types

**Should the below space not be sufficient, please provide information on a separate sheet.**

Should Controlling Persons have more than one tax residence, please use the below space or provide information on a separate sheet.

ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

Controlling Persons type code	Print Name & Signature*	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Full residence address	Tax residence country	TIN /if TIN not available please indicate reason

\*By signing you are confirming the information to be accurate and complete.

**Controlling Persons Type codes:**

CP of legal person – ownership	<b>801</b>	CP of legal arrangement – trust – other	<b>808</b>
CP of legal person – other means	<b>802</b>	CP of legal arrangement – other – settlor-equivalent	<b>809</b>
CP of legal person – senior managing official	<b>803</b>	CP of legal arrangement – other – trustee-equivalent	<b>810</b>
CP of legal arrangement – trust – settlor	<b>804</b>	CP of legal arrangement – other – protector-equivalent	<b>811</b>
CP of legal arrangement – trust – trustee	<b>805</b>	CP of legal arrangement – other – beneficiary-equivalent	<b>812</b>
CP of legal arrangement – trust – protector	<b>806</b>	CP of legal arrangement – other – other-equivalent	<b>813</b>
CP of legal arrangement – trust – beneficiary	<b>807</b>	Unknown	<b>UN</b>

## Self-Certification for FATCA and CRS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

### SECTION 5: Declaration and Undertakings All account types MUST complete

- (a) I declare that all statements made in this declaration are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct and complete.
- (b) I acknowledge that the information contained in this form and information regarding the Account Holder and any Reportable Account(s) may be provided to the tax authorities of the country/jurisdiction in which this account(s) is/are maintained and exchanged with tax authorities of another country/jurisdiction or countries/jurisdictions in which the Account Holder may be tax resident pursuant to intergovernmental agreements to exchange financial account information under the Common Reporting Standard (CRS) and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA).
- (c) I certify that I am the Account Holder (or am authorised to sign for the Account Holder) of all the account(s) to which this form relates.
- (d) If there is a change in circumstances that affects the tax residence status of the Account Holder or causes the information contained herein to become incorrect or incomplete, I understand that I am obligated to inform Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland of the change in circumstances within 30 days of its occurrence and to provide a suitably updated CRS or FATCA self-certification.

#### Client Acceptance

If you completed [section 1\(a\)](#) please ensure all beneficiaries sign below:

##### PERSON 1

Print Name

Date Signed

##### PERSON 2 (if applicable)

Print Name

Date Signed

If you completed [section 1\(b\)](#) please ensure the relevant authorised signatories sign below:

##### AUTHORISED SIGNATORY 1

Print Name

Date Signed

##### AUTHORISED SIGNATORY 2 (if applicable)

Print Name

Date Signed

ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

# CLIENT ASSETS KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT

## 1. Introduction

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When Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd (“CFIL” or the “firm”) provides investments services to you as our client under our terms of business, we have regulatory responsibility over client assets (both funds and financial instruments) in your account with us.

## 2. An explanation of the Regulations

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The manner in which we handle your assets is governed by Part 6, Client Asset Requirements, of the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013 (Section 48(1)) (Investment Firms) Regulations 2023 (SI No. 10 of 2023) and Schedule 3 Safeguarding Client Financial Instruments and Funds, EU MiFIR 2017. In addition, the CBI has issued a Guidance Note on the Central Bank Client Assets Regulations. These documents can be found on the CBI Website at the following web address:

<https://www.centralbank.ie/regulation/industry-market-sectors/client-assets>

The regulations require CFIL to provide you with a Client Assets Key Information Document (“CAKID”) with the below objectives:

- Explain the key features of the regulatory regime that applies to the safeguarding of client assets.
- Explain what constitutes client assets under that regime.
- Explain the circumstances in which that regime applies and does not apply.
- Explain the circumstances in which the investment firm will hold client assets itself, deposit client assets with a third party and deposit client assets with a third party outside the State.
- Explain the arrangements applying to the holding of client assets and the relevant risks associated with these arrangements.

Please read this document in conjunction with the firm’s terms of business.

### Key Principles of the Client Asset Regulations

The purpose of the Regulations is to regulate and safeguard the handling of client assets to enable swift and safe return of these assets to the clients. However, it is important to note that it can never fully eliminate all risks relating to client assets some of which are identified in Section 6 below.

The key principles of these Regulations require that:

- client assets are segregated from the firm’s own assets through registration of client assets in designated client asset accounts with the relevant institution holding the assets.
- all client assets are clearly identified in internal records and identifiable from the firm’s own assets.
- we ensure the accuracy of both our records and those of the institutions holding the assets through regular reconciliations and daily calculations.
- we inform you through our terms of business and the CAKID of our arrangements and where relevant obtain your consent to the manner in which your assets are held.
- CFIL have appropriate risk management processes and systems, including documented policies and procedures to ensure that a risk-based approach is adopted in safeguarding your assets.

### 3. An explanation of what constitutes client assets under the Regulations

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Client Assets include both

- (i) Client Funds: Any money, to which you are beneficially entitled, which we have received from you or on your behalf. It includes cash, cheques or other payable orders, current and deposit accounts including pledged accounts you may have.
- (ii) Client Financial Instruments: Any financial instrument (for example, shares, bonds, and units held in collective investment schemes) held by us on your behalf including any held with a nominee.

The values assigned to your investments are not covered by these Regulations.

### 4. The circumstances in which the Regulations apply and do not apply

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Client assets cease to be client assets where:

- a) they are paid, or transferred, to the client whether directly or into an account with a third party or a relevant party in the name of the client (not being an account which is also in the name of the investment firm); or
- b) where they are paid, or transferred, to a third party on the written instructions of the client and are no longer under the control of CFIL. In addition, acting in accordance with the terms of an investment management agreement or the completion of an order or application form will be considered to be a request from the client to pay the client assets to the relevant third party.

It is important to note that the Client Asset Regulations:

**Do apply:**

- (i) For funds or financial instruments that have been received in respect of activities which are regulated financial services.
- (ii) Once a cheque or other payable order is received by the firm except where it is payable to a third party and transmitted by CFIL to that party.
- (iii) Once interest is received where it has been agreed in writing that it is payable on your client funds.

**Do not apply:**

- (i) When funds or financial instruments have been received in respect of activities which are not regulated financial services.
- (ii) Where you have transferred full ownership of funds or financial instruments to cover or secure present or future, actual or contingent or prospective obligations.
- (iii) Where we receive a cheque or other payable order from you or on your behalf payable to a third party and we transmit that to the third party.
- (iv) Funds that are due and payable to the firm in accordance with our terms of business.
- (v) Where a cheque or other payable order received from you on your behalf is not honoured by the bank.
- (vi) Where funds have been paid to you or a nominated third party (within the limited circumstances such instructions can be undertaken). Please note that payments to third parties can only be done on written instruction from you. Completion of an order or application form is considered a request to pay a third party.
- (vii) Where financial instruments are registered in your own name and we are not providing safe custody.

### 5. An explanation of the circumstances in which the firm will hold clients' assets, hold client assets with a third party and hold client assets in another jurisdiction

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Client Assets are never held directly by CFIL except where they have been received as part of the settlement process or held while in transit to the client or custodian.

Cantor Fitzgerald have entered into an agreement ("the Pershing Agreement") with Pershing Securities International Limited ("PSIL", "Custodian"), Riverside Two, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Grand Canal Dock, Dublin 2, D02 KV60, [www.pershing.ie](http://www.pershing.ie) on behalf of ourselves

and each of our clients whereby PSIL has agreed to provide clearing and settlement, safe custody, and other associated services for clients whom Cantor introduces to them. PSIL are regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland and are bound by the Client Asset Regulations.

All client asset accounts are clearly designated as “Client Asset Accounts” in both the internal records of PSIL and the records of any of the institutions holding the assets.

Those assets must be identifiable from ours or PSIL’s own assets.

### **5.1 Client Funds:**

Funds received are lodged to a n omnibus Client Asset Account with an eligible bank or credit institution. This means that a number of client’s funds are held in the same client asset account with the bank or credit institution. However, PSIL maintain detailed records identifying the amount being held for each client within the omnibus account. We refer to section 6 regarding the risks associated with omnibus accounts.

The funds are lodged to an account in the same currency as they are received unless PSIL do not have a client asset account in that currency and it would be unduly burdensome to open one. Amounts are converted at the rates prevailing when lodged to the Client Asset Account.

Where funds are received which include funds not qualifying as Client Funds the total funds are lodged to PSIL’s client funds account but an immediate transfer is made of portion not deemed client funds to a non-client asset account.

Our preference is to receive funds by way of electronic transfer from clients. To facilitate this, details of PSIL’s client asset bank account is provided to you.

### **5.2 Client Financial Instruments**

Where you have elected to use the safe custody services of PSIL, you consent that your investments will not be registered in your own name. Documents of title to your investments shall be held in physical or dematerialised form by PSIL or an Eligible Third Party.

Your investments will be held in a safe custody account designated as a client asset account and will be registered either in the name of

- (i) A nominee company owned by PSIL,
- (ii) A member of PSIL’s group,
- (iii) An exchange which is a regulated market, or
- (iv) An Eligible Third Party, in accordance with the CBOI Client Assets Regulations. PSIL will exercise due skill, care and diligence in the selection, appointment and periodic review of any Eligible Third Party and the arrangements for holding and safekeeping of your investments, but PSIL shall not be responsible for any acts, omissions or default of any such Eligible Third Party save where such a default is caused by fraud, wilful default or negligence on the part of PSIL or its nominee company.

In some instances, due to the characteristics of a particular financial instrument it is not possible for PSIL to hold the assets within the Irish jurisdiction. In such cases they will be held with a custodian in the relevant jurisdiction. It is important to note that where assets are held outside this jurisdiction:

- (i) The Client Assets Regulations applicable may differ to those applicable within this state.
- (ii) The Investment Compensation scheme in operation in Ireland will not apply to any default by the foreign custodian.

PSIL hold client assets on a pooled nominee basis. Under this structure, the share register of the companies in which the underlying investors hold shares (investment companies) will show one entry for the nominee company. This entry will be the aggregate of all the individual investors’ holdings. We refer to section 6 regarding the risks associated with omnibus accounts and where assets are held outside Ireland or the European Economic Area (EEA) as described above.

PSIL are obliged to keep a detailed breakdown of each individual investor’s holding. The total of these holdings must equate to the aggregate on the investment company register.

The firm does not provide safe custody arrangements for the holding of share certificates in client’s own names. Where the firm receives share certificates either from clients or on behalf of clients as a result of share transactions the firm immediately passes them to the client or relevant settlement agent. In such cases the firm maintains a log of all receipts and dispatch of share certificates.

## **6. The arrangements applying to the holding of client assets and the relevant risks associated with these arrangements**

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Your assets are held by PSIL in a specifically designated Client Assets Account within the institutions outlined above.

Transactions in respect of your assets may only be undertaken by the institution based on an instruction from Cantor Fitzgerald. The principal risks associated with holding your assets in this manner include exposures relating to:

- Loss of financial instrument and /or client funds (The Assets):- the risk that those charged with safeguarding client assets fail to ensure clients assets are only released when authorized by the fund manager or agent on behalf of the underlying investor.
- Administrative risk: - the risk that due to administrative errors, accurate records are not maintained detailing correct shareholdings of the underlying investors.
- Default Risk: - the risk that the owner of the nominee company goes into liquidation, or the custodian goes into liquidation.
- Corporate Actions Risk: - the risk that corporate actions are missed by the custodians.
- Negligence or the perpetuation of a fraud by persons employed by either this firm or the institution holding the assets.
- Misappropriation of your assets.
- Risks associated with omnibus accounts: Under a pooled arrangement, client assets are held along with investments belonging to other clients. The risks associated with this arrangement are: a) This involves a possibility where assets held for one client are temporarily used to meet the settlement obligations of another client; b) In the event of an irreconcilable shortfall, clients may not receive their full entitlement and may share in the shortfall in proportion to their original share, or on some other basis in accordance with the applicable law; c) When your investments are pooled, you may not receive the same treatment or options when there is a corporate action or other event as you would if the investment were held in a separately designated account with a nominee company or custodian, or held in your own name. For example, following an allocation or share issue that favours the small investor, your allocation may be less than it otherwise would have been if your investments had been registered in your own name.
- Risks associated with investments held by sub custodians outside Ireland or the EEA: Investing in overseas securities may give rise to different settlement, legal and regulatory requirements from those in Ireland or the EEA and different practices for the separate identification of investments. This means that your protection may be less should a default occur on the part of the custodian or sub-custodian. In certain jurisdictions where different laws/regulations apply, your investments will not necessarily be separately identifiable and may be subject to third party claims made against the relevant custodian or sub-custodian.
- "Un-invested money" (i.e. money not immediately required to settle an investment transaction) will not attract credit interest but may attract cash handling charges. Negative cash balances on your account may attract debit interest.

Cantor Fitzgerald endeavour to minimise these risks by confirming that PSIL do the following:

- Undertake risk assessments, as set out below, of institutions with whom your assets are held.
- Have written confirmation, in line with the Regulations, from these institutions that your assets will be segregated from the firm's own assets and will be held in separately designated Client Asset Accounts.
- Undertaking regular reconciliations of their records with those of the institutions and following up any differences in a timely manner.
- Undertaking daily calculations of the client funds held for clients as per their records with the client funds resource that should be held with the bank or credit institution.
- Ensuring instructions on your account are passed to the institutions by appropriately authorised members of staff.
- Ensuring financial instruments are registered and designated as outlined above.
- Ensuring adequate oversight of your assets is maintained by them through appropriate documented procedures and controls to minimise the risk of loss for clients.

PSIL in selecting relevant institutions to hold client assets on behalf of this firm's clients undertake an assessment, at least biannually, covering: The institution's credit rating (where available)

- (i) Known service levels for the institution (where we have past experience with the institution)
- (ii) Whether the institution is independent of the firm.
- (iii) What clients' rights would be in the event of insolvency of the institution.

Where the institution is not in the jurisdiction a similar assessment is undertaken. Particular attention is paid to establishing the relevant guidelines and compensation scheme.

Once an institution has been selected to hold Client Assets a facilities letter confirming specified details, as set out in the Regulations, will be obtained from the institution. No Client Assets will be lodged prior to receipt of the facilities letter.

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