



## **Morgan Christen**

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### **Form ADV, Part 2B Brochure Supplement**

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This brochure supplement provides information about Morgan Christen that supplements the Spinnaker Investment Group, LLC brochure. You should have already received a copy of that brochure. Please contact us at 949-396-6700 if you did not receive our brochure or if you have any questions about the contents of this supplement.

Additional information about Morgan Christen is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov).

## ITEM 2 - EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

**Morgan Christen**, Investment Adviser Representative and Chief Compliance Officer, b. 1971

### *Education:*

Pepperdine University, Masters of Business Administration, 2006

University of Southern California, B.S., Finance, 1993

### *Business Background:*

Spinnaker Investment Group, LLC, Investment Adviser Representative and Chief Compliance Officer, 5/2016 – Present

Galt Financial Group, Inc., Registered Representative, 9/2016 – 01/2023

Signature Resources Capital Management, LLC, Investment Adviser Representative, 5/2007 – 3/2017

Signature Resources Capital Management, LLC, Chief Investment Officer and Chief Compliance Officer, 5/2007 – 5/2016

Signature Resources Insurance & Financial Services, Inc., Agent, 10/2014 – 5/2016

Signature Resources Insurance & Financial Services, Inc., VP Investments, 12/2006 – 10/2014

Signator Investors, Inc., Registered Representative, 12/2006 to 10/2014

## Professional Designations

### Chartered Financial Analyst

The CFA® charter is a credential awarded by the CFA Institute to individuals who meet its education, examination, sponsorship, experience and ethics requirements. To earn a CFA® charter, eligible candidates must have four years of qualified investment work experience, become a member of the CFA Institute, adhere to the Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct on an ongoing basis, and complete the CFA® program, which requires the passage of three separate six-hour examinations. Topics tested by the CFA Institute include ethical standards, quantitative methods, economics, financial reporting, corporate finance, equities, fixed income, derivatives, alternative investments, and portfolio management.

### Certified Divorce Financial Analyst (“CDFA”)

The CDFA designation is conferred by the Institute for Divorce Financial Analysts™ (IDFA™). Eligible candidates are generally required to have three years of professional experience in finance or divorce and a Bachelor’s degree. To earn the designation, the participant must complete a series of self-study course modules and pass an exam for each module. To retain the CDFA designation, CDFA professionals must obtain 15 divorce-related hours of continuing education every two years.

### Certified Financial Planner™ (“CFP®”)

The CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™, CFP® and federally registered CFP (with flame design) marks (collectively, the “CFP® marks”) are professional certification marks granted in the United States by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. (“CFP Board”).

The CFP® certification is a voluntary certification; no federal or state law or regulation requires financial planners to hold CFP® certification. It is recognized in the United States and a number of other countries for its (1) high standard of professional education; (2) stringent code of conduct and standards of practice; and (3) ethical requirements that govern professional engagements with clients. To attain the right to use the CFP® marks, an individual must satisfactorily fulfill the following requirements:

- Education – Complete an advanced college-level course of study addressing the financial planning subject areas that CFP Board’s studies have determined as necessary for the competent and professional delivery of financial planning services, and attain a Bachelor’s Degree from a regionally accredited United States college or university (or its equivalent from a foreign university). CFP Board’s financial planning subject areas include insurance planning and risk management, employee benefits planning, investment planning, income tax planning, retirement planning, and estate planning;
- Examination – Pass the comprehensive CFP® Certification Examination. The examination includes case studies and client scenarios designed to test one’s ability to correctly diagnose financial planning issues and apply one’s knowledge of financial planning to real world circumstances;
- Experience – Complete either three years of full-time financial planning-related experience (or the equivalent, measured as 2,000 hours per year) or 4,000 hours of apprenticeship experience that meets additional requirements; and
- Ethics – Agree to be bound by CFP Board’s *Standards of Professional Conduct*, a set of documents outlining the ethical and practice standards for CFP® professionals.

Individuals who become certified must complete the following ongoing education and ethics requirements to maintain the right to continue to use the CFP® marks:

- Continuing Education – Complete 30 hours of continuing education hours every two years, including two hours on the *Code of Ethics* and other parts of the *Standards of Professional Conduct*, to maintain competence and keep up with developments in the financial planning field; and
- Ethics – Renew an agreement to be bound by the *Standards of Professional Conduct*. The *Standards* prominently require that CFP® professionals provide financial planning services at a fiduciary standard of care. This means CFP® professionals must provide financial planning services in the best interests of their clients.

CFP® professionals who fail to comply with the above standards and requirements may be subject to CFP Board’s enforcement process, which could result in suspension or permanent revocation of their CFP® certification.

### ITEM 3 - DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION

Spinnaker Investment Group is required to disclose information regarding any legal or disciplinary events material to a client’s evaluation of Morgan Christen. Spinnaker Investment Group has no information to disclose in relation to this Item.

### ITEM 4 - OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Spinnaker Investment Group is required to disclose information regarding any investment-related

business or occupation in which Morgan Christen is actively engaged.

### **Licensed Insurance Agent**

Morgan Christen is a licensed insurance agent. Morgan Christen will receive commissions on the sale of insurance products. The insurance commissions and compensation Morgan Christen receives are separate from and in addition to any fees that Spinnaker Investment Group receives for advisory/financial planning services. Therefore, a conflict of interest will exist between his interests and those of Spinnaker Investment Group clients if he recommends insurance services for which he is individually compensated when providing advisory/financial planning advice to a Spinnaker Investment Group client. However, clients are under no obligation to act upon any of his recommendations or effect any transactions through him if they decide to follow his recommendations. Morgan Christen will disclose any conflict of interest with a Spinnaker Investment Group client before effecting a sale of insurance transactions.

### **ITEM 5 - ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION**

Morgan Christen receives compensation from the activities described in Item 4, above.

### **ITEM 6 - SUPERVISION**

Joseph Stapleton, Managing Member, is generally responsible for supervising Morgan Christen's advisory activities on behalf of Spinnaker Investment Group. Joseph Stapleton can be reached at the firm's main telephone number listed on the cover page of this Brochure Supplement.

Spinnaker Investment Group supervises its personnel and the investments made in client accounts. Spinnaker Investment Group monitors the investments recommended by Morgan Christen to ensure they are suitable for the particular client and consistent with their investment needs, goals, objectives and risk tolerance, as well as any restrictions previously requested by the client. Spinnaker Investment Group periodically reviews the advisory activities of Morgan Christen, which may include reviewing individual client accounts and correspondence (including e-mails) sent and received by Morgan Christen.