

**ITEM 1: COVER PAGE FOR PART 2B OF FORM ADV:  
BROCHURE SUPPLEMENT  
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**This brochure supplement provides information about Mr. Benavides that supplements Tamar Securities, LLC doing business as Firefighters United Financial Services™ Form ADV Part 2A brochure(s). You should have received a copy of that brochure. Please contact Amit Stavinsky, Chief Compliance Officer, if you either did not receive this brochure or if you have any questions regarding the contents of this supplement.**

**Additional information about Mr. Benavides is available on the SEC's website at [www.adviserinfo.sec.gov](http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov) by searching CRD #6251508.**

## Item 2

### Educational Background and Business Experience

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#### **Mark Anthony Benavides**

**Year of Birth:** 1967

#### **Educational Background:**

- 2000: University of La Verne; Master of Science
- 1998: University of La Verne; Bachelor of Science

#### **Business Background:**

- 10/2020 – Present      Tamar Securities, LLC; Investment Adviser Representative
- 10/2013 – 10/2020      PFS Investments Inc.; Sales
- 03/2013 – 10/2020      Primerica Financial Services; Division Leader

#### **Exams, Licenses & Other Professional Designations:**

- 09/2020: Series 65 Examination
- 10/2018: SIE
- 10/2013: Series 6 & Series 63 Examinations
- 12/2013: Series 26 Examination
- 05/2013: California Life Insurance Licensed

## Item 3

### Disciplinary Information<sup>1</sup>

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If there are legal or disciplinary events material to your evaluation of Mr. Benavides, we are required to disclose all material facts regarding those events.

There are no legal or disciplinary events material to the evaluation of Mr. Benavides.

## Item 4

### Other Business Activities

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- A. If Mr. Benavides is actively engaged in any investment-related business or occupation, including if Mr. Benavides is registered, or has an application pending to register, as a broker-dealer, registered representative of a broker-dealer, futures commission merchant (“FCM”), commodity pool operator (“CPO”), commodity trading advisor (“CTA”), or an associated person of an FCM, CPO, or CTA, we are required to disclose this fact and describe the business relationship, if any, between the advisory business and the other business.

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<sup>1</sup> Note: Our firm may, under certain circumstances, rebut the presumption that a disciplinary event is material. If an event is immaterial, we are not required to disclose it. When we review a legal or disciplinary event involving the advisor to determine whether it is appropriate to rebut the presumption of materiality, we consider all of the following factors: (1) the proximity of advisor to the advisory function; (2) the nature of the infraction that led to the disciplinary event; (3) the severity of the disciplinary sanction; and (4) the time elapsed since the date of the disciplinary event. If we conclude that the materiality presumption has been overcome, we prepare and maintain a file memorandum of our determination in our records. We follow SEC rule 204-2(a)(14)(iii) and similar state rules.

1. If Mr. Benavides receives commissions, bonuses or other compensation based on the sale of securities or other investment products, including as a broker-dealer or registered representative, and including distribution or service (“trail”) fees from the sale of mutual funds, we have to disclose this fact. If this compensation is not cash, we are required to explain what type of compensation Mr. Benavides receives. We must explain that this practice gives Mr. Benavides an incentive to recommend investment products based on the compensation received, rather than on your needs.

Mr. Benavides does not receive any other economic benefit for providing advisory services in addition to advisory fees.

- B. If Mr. Benavides is actively engaged in any business or occupation for compensation not discussed in response to Item 4.A, above, and the other business activity or activities provide a substantial source of Mr. Benavides’ income or involve a substantial amount of Mr. Benavides’ time, we are required to disclose this fact and must describe the nature of that business. If the other business activities represent less than 10 percent of Mr. Benavides’ time and income, we may presume that they are not substantial.

Mr. Benavides, a licensed insurance agent, may offer insurance products and receive customary fees as a result of insurance sales. A conflict of interest may arise as these insurance sales may create an incentive to recommend products based on the compensation earned. To mitigate this potential conflict, Mr. Benavides, as a fiduciary, will act in the client’s best interest.

## **Item 5 Additional Compensation**

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If someone who is not a client provides an economic benefit to Mr. Benavides for providing advisory services, we are required to generally describe the arrangement. For purposes of this Item, economic benefits include sales awards and other prizes, but do not include Mr. Benavides’ regular salary. Any bonus that is based, at least in part, on the number or amount of sales, client referrals, or new accounts should be considered an economic benefit, but other regular bonuses should not.

Mr. Benavides has nothing to disclose in this regard.

## **Item 6 Supervision**

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We are required to explain how we supervise Mr. Benavides, including how we monitor the advice Mr. Benavides provides to you. Our firm has to provide the name, title and telephone number of the person responsible for supervising Mr. Benavides’ advisory activities on behalf of our firm.

Mr. Stavinsky, Chief Compliance Officer of Tamar Securities, LLC, supervises and monitors Mr. Benavides’ activities on a regular basis. Please contact Mr. Stavinsky if you have any questions regarding Mr. Benavides’ brochure supplement at Tamar Securities, LLC’s main office number; 818-914-7460.