

FORM ADV

UNIFORM APPLICATION FOR INVESTMENT ADVISER REGISTRATION AND REPORT BY EXEMPT REPORTING ADVISERS

Primary Business Name: DISCOVERY INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC	CRD Number: 144150
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WARNING: Complete this form truthfully. False statements or omissions may result in denial of your application, revocation of your registration, or criminal prosecution. You must keep this form updated by filing periodic amendments. See Form ADV General Instruction 4.

Item 1 Identifying Information

Responses to this Item tell us who you are, where you are doing business, and how we can contact you.

A. Your full legal name (if you are a sole proprietor, your last, first, and middle names):
DISCOVERY INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC

B. Name under which you primarily conduct your advisory business, if different from Item 1.A.:
DISCOVERY INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC

List on Section 1.B. of Schedule D any additional names under which you conduct your advisory business.

C. If this filing is reporting a change in your legal name (Item 1.A.) or primary business name (Item 1.B.), enter the new name and specify whether the name change is of
☐ your legal name or ☐ your primary business name:

D. (1) If you are registered with the SEC as an investment adviser, your SEC file number:
(2) If you report to the SEC as an *exempt reporting adviser*, your SEC file number:

E. If you have a number ("CRD Number") assigned by the FINRA's CRD system or by the IARD system, your CRD number: 144150

If your firm does not have a CRD number, skip this Item 1.E. Do not provide the CRD number of one of your officers, employees, or affiliates.

F. Principal Office and Place of Business

(1) Address (do not use a P.O. Box):
Number and Street 1: Number and Street 2:
City: State: Country: ZIP+4/Postal Code:

If this address is a private residence, check this box: ☒

List on Section 1.F. of Schedule D any office, other than your principal office and place of business, at which you conduct investment advisory business. If you are applying for registration, or are registered, with one or more state securities authorities, you must list all of your offices in the state or states to which you are applying for registration or with whom you are registered. If you are applying for SEC registration, if you are registered only with the SEC, or if you are reporting to the SEC as an exempt reporting adviser, list the largest five offices in terms of numbers of employees.

(2) Days of week that you normally conduct business at your principal office and place of business:
☒ Monday - Friday ☐ Other:

Normal business hours at this location:
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

(3) Telephone number at this location:
970-249-8001

(4) Facsimile number at this location:
877-284-7592

G. Mailing address, if different from your principal office and place of business address:

Number and Street 1: Number and Street 2:
City: State: Country: ZIP+4/Postal Code:

If this address is a private residence, check this box: ☐

H. If you are a sole proprietor, state your full residence address, if different from your principal office and place of business address in Item 1.F.:

Number and Street 1: Number and Street 2:
City: State: Country: ZIP+4/Postal Code:

I. Do you have one or more websites?

Yes No
☒ ☐

Website Address: HTTP://WWW.DISCOVERYINVESTMENTADVISORS.COM

Website Address: HTTP://WWW.DISCOVERYINVESTMENTADVISORS.NET

Website Address: HTTP://WWW.DISCOVERYINVESTMENTADVISORS.ORG

Website Address: HTTP://WWW.DISCOVERYIA.ORG

SECTION 1.L. Location of Books and Records

No Information Filed

SECTION 1.M. Registration with Foreign Financial Regulatory Authorities

No Information Filed

Item 3 Form of Organization

- A. How are you organized?
- ☐ Corporation
 - ☐ Sole Proprietorship
 - ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
 - ☐ Partnership
 - ☒ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 - ☐ Limited Partnership (LP)
 - ☐ Other (specify):

If you are changing your response to this Item, see Part 1A Instruction 4.

- B. In what month does your fiscal year end each year?
- DECEMBER

- C. Under the laws of what state or country are you organized?
- | | |
|----------|---------------|
| State | Country |
| Colorado | United States |

If you are a partnership, provide the name of the state or country under whose laws your partnership was formed. If you are a sole proprietor, provide the name of the state or country where you reside.

If you are changing your response to this Item, see Part 1A Instruction 4.

Item 4 Successions

- | | Yes | No |
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| A. Are you, at the time of this filing, succeeding to the business of a registered investment adviser? | ☐ | ☒ |

If "yes", complete Item 4.B. and Section 4 of Schedule D.

- B. Date of Succession: (MM/DD/YYYY)

If you have already reported this succession on a previous Form ADV filing, do not report the succession again. Instead, check "No." See Part 1A Instruction 4.

(g)	Pension and profit sharing plans (but not the plan participants)	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(h)	Charitable organizations	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(i)	Corporations or other businesses not listed above	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(j)	State or municipal <i>government entities</i>	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(k)	Other investment advisers	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(l)	Insurance companies	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
(m)	Other:	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

(2) Indicate the approximate amount of your regulatory assets under management (reported in Item 5.F. below) attributable to each of the following type of *client*. If a *client* fits into more than one category, check all that apply.

	None	Up to 25%	Up to 50%	Up to 75%	>75%	
(a)	Individuals (other than <i>high net worth individuals</i>)	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
(b)	<i>High net worth individuals</i>	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
(c)	Banking or thrift institutions	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(d)	Investment companies	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(e)	Business development companies	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(f)	Pooled investment vehicles (other than investment companies)	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(g)	Pension and profit sharing plans (but not the plan participants)	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(h)	Charitable organizations	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(i)	Corporations or other businesses not listed above	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(j)	State or municipal <i>government entities</i>	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(k)	Other investment advisers	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(l)	Insurance companies	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
(m)	Other:	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐

Compensation Arrangements

E. You are compensated for your investment advisory services by (check all that apply):

- ☒ (1) A percentage of assets under your management
- ☒ (2) Hourly charges
- ☐ (3) Subscription fees (for a newsletter or periodical)
- ☐ (4) Fixed fees (other than subscription fees)
- ☐ (5) Commissions
- ☐ (6) *Performance-based fees*
- ☐ (7) Other (specify):

Item 5 Information About Your Advisory Business - Regulatory Assets Under Management

Regulatory Assets Under Management

Yes No

F. (1) Do you provide continuous and regular supervisory or management services to securities portfolios?☒ ☐

(2) If yes, what is the amount of your regulatory assets under management and total number of accounts?

	U.S. Dollar Amount	Total Number of Accounts
Discretionary:	(a) \$ 0	(d) 0
Non-Discretionary:	(b) \$ 5,865,796	(e) 48
Total:	(c) \$ 5,865,796	(f) 48

Part 1A Instruction 5.b. explains how to calculate your regulatory assets under management. You must follow these instructions carefully when completing this Item.

Item 5 Information About Your Advisory Business - Advisory Activities

Advisory Activities

G. What type(s) of advisory services do you provide? Check all that apply.

- ☐ (1) Financial planning services
- ☒ (2) Portfolio management for individuals and/or small businesses
- ☐ (3) Portfolio management for investment companies (as well as "business development companies" that have made an election pursuant to section 54 of the Investment Company Act of 1940)
- ☐ (4) Portfolio management for pooled investment vehicles (other than investment companies)
- ☐ (5) Portfolio management for businesses (other than small businesses) or institutional *clients* (other than registered investment companies and other pooled investment vehicles)
- ☐ (6) Pension consulting services

- ☐

(7)

Selection of other advisers (including *private fund* managers)
- ☐

(8)

Publication of periodicals or newsletters
- ☐

(9)

Security ratings or pricing services
- ☐

(10)

Market timing services
- ☐

(11)

Educational seminars/workshops
- ☒

(12)

Other(specify): GENERAL CONSULTING SERVICES

Do not check Item 5.G.(3) unless you provide advisory services pursuant to an investment advisory contract to an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, including as a subadviser. If you check Item 5.G.(3), report the 811 or 814 number of the investment company or investment companies to which you provide advice in Section 5.G.(3) of Schedule D.

H. If you provide financial planning services, to how many *clients* did you provide these services during your last fiscal year?

- ☒

0
- ☐

1 - 10
- ☐

11 - 25
- ☐

26 - 50
- ☐

51 - 100
- ☐

101 - 250
- ☐

251 - 500
- ☐

More than 500
- If more than 500, how many?
- (round to the nearest 500)

In your responses to this Item 5.H., do not include as "clients" the investors in a private fund you advise, unless you have a separate advisory relationship with those investors.

I. If you participate in a *wrap fee program*, do you (check all that apply):

- ☐

(1)

sponsor the wrap fee program?
- ☐

(2)

act as a portfolio manager for the *wrap fee program*?

If you are a portfolio manager for a wrap fee program, list the names of the programs and their sponsors in Section 5.I.(2) of Schedule D.

If your involvement in a wrap fee program is limited to recommending wrap fee programs to your clients, or you advise a mutual fund that is offered through a wrap fee program, do not check either Item 5.I.(1) or 5.I.(2).

J.

In response to Item 4.B. of Part 2A of Form ADV, do you indicate that you provide investment advice only with respect to limited types of investments?

Yes

No

SECTION 5.G.(3) Advisers to Registered Investment Companies and Business Development Companies

No Information Filed

SECTION 5.I.(2) Wrap Fee Programs

No Information Filed

Item 6 Other Business Activities

In this Item, we request information about your firm's other business activities.

A. You are actively engaged in business as a (check all that apply):

☐

(1)

broker-dealer (registered or unregistered)

☐

(2)

registered representative of a broker-dealer

☐

(3)

commodity pool operator or commodity trading advisor (whether registered or exempt from registration)

☐

(4)

futures commission merchant

☐

(5)

real estate broker, dealer, or agent

☐

(6)

insurance broker or agent

☐

(7)

bank (including a separately identifiable department or division of a bank)

☐

(8)

trust company

☐

(9)

registered municipal advisor

☐

(10)

registered security-based swap dealer

☐

(11)

major security-based swap participant

☐

(12)

accountant or accounting firm

☐

(13)

lawyer or law firm

No Information Filed

Item 7 <i>Private Fund</i> Reporting	
	Yes No
B. Are you an adviser to any <i>private fund</i> ?	
If "yes," then for each private fund that you advise, you must complete a Section 7.B.(1) of Schedule D, except in certain circumstances described in the next sentence and in Instruction 6 of the Instructions to Part 1A. If another adviser reports this information with respect to any such private fund in Section 7.B.(1) of Schedule D of its Form ADV (e.g., if you are a subadviser), do not complete Section 7.B.(1) of Schedule D with respect to that private fund. You must, instead, complete Section 7.B.(2) of Schedule D. If either case, if you seek to preserve the anonymity of a private fund client by maintaining its identity in your books and records in numerical or alphabetical code, or similar designation, pursuant to rule 204-2(d), you may identify the private fund in Section 7.B.(1) or 7.B.(2) of Schedule D using the same code or designation in place of the fund's name.	

SECTION 7.B.(1) <i>Private Fund</i> Reporting
No Information Filed

SECTION 7.B.(2) <i>Private Fund</i> Reporting
No Information Filed

Item 8 Participation or Interest in <i>Client</i> Transactions	
In this Item, we request information about your participation and interest in your <i>clients</i> ' transactions. This information identifies additional areas in which conflicts of interest may occur between you and your <i>clients</i> .	
Like Item 7, Item 8 requires you to provide information about you and your <i>related persons</i> , including foreign affiliates.	
Proprietary Interest in <i>Client</i> Transactions	
A. Do you or any <i>related person</i> :	Yes No
(1) buy securities for yourself from advisory <i>clients</i> , or sell securities you own to advisory <i>clients</i> (principal transactions)?	☐ ☒
(2) buy or sell for yourself securities (other than shares of mutual funds) that you also recommend to advisory <i>clients</i> ?	☒ ☐
(3) recommend securities (or other investment products) to advisory <i>clients</i> in which you or any <i>related person</i> has some other proprietary (ownership) interest (other than those mentioned in Items 8.A.(1) or (2))?	☐ ☒
Sales Interest in <i>Client</i> Transactions	
B. Do you or any <i>related person</i> :	Yes No
(1) as a broker-dealer or registered representative of a broker-dealer, execute securities trades for brokerage customers in which advisory <i>client</i> securities are sold to or bought from the brokerage customer (agency cross transactions)?	☐ ☒
(2) recommend purchase of securities to advisory <i>clients</i> for which you or any <i>related person</i> serves as underwriter, general or managing partner, or purchaser representative?	☐ ☒
(3) recommend purchase or sale of securities to advisory <i>clients</i> for which you or any <i>related person</i> has any other sales interest (other than the receipt of sales commissions as a broker or registered representative of a broker-dealer)?	☐ ☒
Investment or Brokerage Discretion	
C. Do you or any <i>related person</i> have <i>discretionary authority</i> to determine the:	Yes No
(1) securities to be bought or sold for a <i>client's</i> account?	☐ ☒
(2) amount of securities to be bought or sold for a <i>client's</i> account?	☐ ☒
(3) broker or dealer to be used for a purchase or sale of securities for a <i>client's</i> account?	☐ ☒
(4) commission rates to be paid to a broker or dealer for a <i>client's</i> securities transactions?	☐ ☒
D. If you answer "yes" to C.(3) above, are any of the brokers or dealers <i>related persons</i> ?	☐ ☐
E. Do you or any <i>related person</i> recommend brokers or dealers to <i>clients</i> ?	☒ ☐
F. If you answer "yes" to E above, are any of the brokers or dealers <i>related persons</i> ?	☐ ☒
G. (1) Do you or any <i>related person</i> receive research or other products or services other than execution from a broker-dealer or a third party	☐ ☒

206(4)-2(b)(1)) must be identified in Section 7.A. of Schedule D, regardless of whether you have determined the related person to be operationally independent under rule 206(4)-2 of the Advisers Act.

E.

If you are filing your *annual updating amendment* and you were subject to a surprise examination by an *independent public accountant* during your last fiscal year, provide the date (MM/YYYY) the examination commenced:

F.

If you or your *related persons* have *custody of client* funds or securities, how many persons, including, but not limited to, you and your *related persons*, act as qualified custodians for your *clients* in connection with advisory services you provide to *clients*?

SECTION 9.C. *Independent Public Accountant*

No Information Filed

Item 10 Control Persons

In this Item, we ask you to identify every *person* that, directly or indirectly, *controls* you.

If you are submitting an initial application or report, you must complete Schedule A and Schedule B. Schedule A asks for information about your direct owners and executive officers. Schedule B asks for information about your indirect owners. If this is an amendment and you are updating information you reported on either Schedule A or Schedule B (or both) that you filed with your initial application or report, you must complete Schedule C.

Yes

No

A.

Does any *person* not named in Item 1.A. or Schedules A, B, or C, directly or indirectly, *control* your management or policies?

If yes, complete Section 10.A. of Schedule D.

B.

If any *person* named in Schedules A, B, or C or in Section 10.A. of Schedule D is a public reporting company under Sections 12 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, please complete Section 10.B. of Schedule D.

SECTION 10.A. *Control Persons*

No Information Filed

SECTION 10.B. *Control Person Public Reporting Companies*

No Information Filed

Item 11 Disclosure Information

In this Item, we ask for information about your disciplinary history and the disciplinary history of all your *advisory affiliates*. We use this information to determine whether to grant your application for registration, to decide whether to revoke your registration or to place limitations on your activities as an investment adviser, and to identify potential problem areas to focus on during our on-site examinations. One event may result in "yes" answers to more than one of the questions below.

Your *advisory affiliates* are: (1) all of your current *employees* (other than *employees* performing only clerical, administrative, support or similar functions); (2) all of your officers, partners, or directors (or any *person* performing similar functions); and (3) all *persons* directly or indirectly *controlling</*

charges that are currently pending.

B.

In the past ten years, have you or any *advisory affiliate*:

(1) been convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere ("no contest") in a domestic, foreign, or military court to a *misdemeanor* involving: investments or an *investment-related* business, or any fraud, false statements, or omissions, wrongful taking of property, bribery, perjury, forgery, counterfeiting, extortion, or a conspiracy to commit any of these offenses?

(2) been *charged* with a *misdemeanor* listed in Item 11.B.(1)?

If you are registered or registering with the SEC, or if you are reporting as an exempt reporting adviser, you may limit your response to Item 11.B.(2) to charges that are currently pending.

For "yes" answers to the following questions, complete a Regulatory Action DRP:

C.

Has the SEC or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) ever:

(1) *found* you or any *advisory affiliate* to have made a false statement or omission?

(2) *found* you or any *advisory affiliate* to have been *involved* in a violation of SEC or CFTC regulations or statutes?

(3) *found* you or any *advisory affiliate* to have been a cause of an *investment-related* business having its authorization to do business denied, suspended, revoked, or restricted?

(4) entered an *order* against you or any *advisory affiliate* in connection with *investment-related* activity?

(5) imposed a civil money penalty on you or any *advisory affiliate*, or *ordered* you or any *advisory affiliate* to cease and desist from any activity?</

- (a) in the case of an owner that is a corporation, each of its shareholders that beneficially owns, has the right to vote, or has the power to sell or direct the sale of, 25% or more of a class of a voting security of that corporation;

For purposes of this Schedule, a *person* beneficially owns any securities: (i) owned by his/her child, stepchild, grandchild, parent, stepparent, grandparent, spouse, sibling, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law, sharing the same residence; or (ii) that he/she has the right to acquire, within 60 days, through the exercise of any option, warrant, or right to purchase the security.

(b) in the case of an owner that is a partnership, all general partners and those limited and special partners that have the right to receive upon dissolution, or have contributed, 25% or more of the partnership's capital;

(c) in the case of an owner that is a trust, the trust and each trustee; and

(d) in the case of an owner that is a limited liability company ("LLC"), (i) those members that have the right to receive upon dissolution, or have contributed, 25% or more of the LLC's capital, and (ii) if managed by elected managers, all elected managers.
3. Continue up the chain of ownership listing all 25% owners at each level. Once a public reporting company (a company subject to Sections 12 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act) is reached, no further ownership information need be given.
4. In the DE/FE/I column below, enter "DE" if the owner is a domestic entity, "FE" if the owner is an entity incorporated or domiciled in a foreign country, or "I" if the owner is an individual.
5. Complete the Status column by entering the owner's status as partner, trustee, elected manager, shareholder, or member; and for shareholders or members, the class of securities owned (if more than one is issued).</

you are currently registered or where you have an application for registration pending.

Jurisdictions

☐ AL	☐ ID	☐ MO	☐ PA
☐ AK	☐ IL	☐ MT	☐ PR
☐ AZ	☐ IN	☐ NE	☐ RI
☐ AR	☐ IA	☐ NV	☐ SC
☐ CA	☐ KS	☐ NH	☐ SD
☒ CO	☐ KY	☐ NJ	☐ TN
☐ CT	☐ LA	☐ NM	☐ TX
☐ DE	☐ ME	☐ NY	☐ UT
☐ DC	☐ MD	☐ NC	☐ VT
☐ FL	☐ MA	☐ ND	☐ VI
☐ GA	☐ MI	☐ OH	

been *found* liable in, a civil, *self-regulatory organization*, or administrative *proceeding* involving any of the following:

(1) an investment or *investment-related* business or activity?

(2) fraud, false statement, or omission?

(3) theft, embezzlement, or other wrongful taking of property?

(4) bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, or extortion?

(5) dishonest, unfair, or unethical practices?

Part 1B - Business Information

G. Other Business Activities

(1) Are you, any *advisory affiliate*, or any *management person* actively engaged in business as a(n) (check all that apply):

☐ Tax Preparer

☐ Issuer of securities

☐ Sponsor or syndicator of limited partnerships (or equivalent), excluding pooled investment vehicles

☐ Sponsor, general partner, managing member (or equivalent) of pooled investment vehicles

☐ Real estate adviser

(2) If you, any *advisory affiliate*, or any <

