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First Clearing Coverage

First Clearing¹, as (a/the) chosen clearing firm of Nations Financial Group, Inc., is a registered brokerdealer, non-bank affiliate of Wells Fargo & Company, and a leading provider of clearing and custody services to financial institutions. First Clearing is a member of SIPC.

Securities and cash in client accounts held at First Clearing have two sources of protection in the event of First Clearing's insolvency. SIPC coverage insures each client up to a maximum of \$500,000 (including up to \$250,000 for claims for cash). For more information about SIPC, please visit sipc.org. In addition, First Clearing maintains a program of additional protection provided through London Underwriters, led by Lloyd's of London Syndicates, ("Lloyd's"). For clients who have received the full SIPC payout limit, First Clearing's policy with Lloyd's provides additional coverage above the SIPC limits for any missing securities and cash in client brokerage accounts up to a clearing-firm aggregate limit of \$1 billion (including up to \$1.9 million for cash per client).

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