

Credential Asset Management Inc. Self-Directed Retirement Income Fund Declaration of Trust

(Effective January 18, 2021)

We, Canadian Western Trust Company, a trust company existing under the laws of Canada, hereby declare that we will act as trustee for you, the annuitant named in the application to which this declaration is attached, for the Credential Asset Management Inc. Self-Directed Retirement Income Fund (the "Fund") upon the following terms:

Some Definitions: In this declaration, in addition to terms defined elsewhere herein,

- "Act" means the Income Tax Act (Canada);
- "Agent" refers to the company named in paragraph 11;
- "applicable legislation" means all provincial and federal legislation governing the Fund, the Fund Assets and the parties hereto including, without limitation, privacy and securities legislation. Any reference to applicable legislation shall be deemed to include all such statutes and any regulations, policies, rules, orders or other provisions thereunder, all as may be amended, re-enacted or replaced from time to time;
- "common-law partner" has the meaning set forth in the Act;
- "Retirement Income" has the meaning set forth in the Act;
- "RRIF" means a registered retirement income fund, as defined in the Act;
- "RRSP" means a registered retirement savings plan, as defined in the Act;
- "Securities Regulator" means the government department, agency, board or commission, or self-regulatory
 organization which regulates the sale of Securities in the applicable jurisdiction.
- "spouse" means a spouse for the purposes of the Tax Laws;
- "Tax Laws" means the Act and any applicable tax legislation of your province of residence, as recorded in your application;
- "We", "us" and "our" refer to Canadian Western Trust Company; and
- **"You**", "your" and "yours" refer to the person who has signed the application and will be the owner of the Fund (under the Act, known as the "annuitant" of the Fund) and, after your death, your spouse or commonlaw partner if they become the successor annuitant of the Fund as described in paragraph 6 hereof.

1. Registration

We will apply for registration of the Fund in accordance with the Act. The purpose of the Fund is to provide you with a Retirement Income in accordance with the Act.

2. Acceptance of Property into the Fund

We will accept into the Fund only cash and other property that is transferred in accordance with the Act, from:

- a) an RRSP or RRIF under which you are the annuitant;
- b) you, to the extent only that the property was an amount described in subparagraph 60(1)(v) of the Act (including refunds of premiums from a deceased person's RRSP where he or she was your spouse or common-law partner, or you were dependent upon him or her by reason of physical or mental infirmity);
- c) an RRSP or RRIF under which your spouse, former spouse, common-law partner or former common-law partner, from whom you are living separate and apart, is the annuitant and the transfer is made pursuant to a decree, order or judgment of a competent tribunal, or a written separation agreement, relating to a division of property in settlement of rights arising out of your marriage or common-law partnership, or after the breakdown of such marriage or partnership;
- d) a registered pension plan of which you are a member (as defined in subsection 147.1(1) of the Act), or a registered pension plan in accordance with subsection 147.3(5) or (7) of the Act; or
- e) a specified pension plan in circumstances to which subsection 146(21) of the Act applies.

We will hold this property and any investments, income or gains therefrom (the "Fund Assets") in trust, to be held, invested and used according to the terms of this declaration and the Act.

If locked-in Fund Assets are transferred to the Fund in accordance with applicable provincial or federal pension legislation, the additional provisions contained in the Life Income Fund ("LIF") or Locked-In Retirement Income Fund ("LRIF") addendum (the "Addendum") to this Declaration of Trust will form part of this Declaration of Trust and will govern the Fund Assets. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Addendum and Declaration of Trust, the provisions of the Addendum will govern.



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3. Investments

We will hold, invest and sell the Fund Assets according to your instructions. We may require any instructions to be in writing. We will pay interest on any cash balances at such rate and credited at such time as we in our sole discretion determine.

Investments will not be limited to those authorized by law for trustees. However, it will be your responsibility to determine whether an investment is or remains a "qualified investment" for RRIFs pursuant to the Tax Laws. The Fund will bear any taxes, penalties or related interest imposed under the Tax Laws (other than those taxes, penalties and interest that the Trustee is liable for and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund). If the Fund Assets are insufficient to pay any taxes, penalties or related interest incurred, or if taxes, penalties or related interest are imposed after the Fund has ceased, you must pay or reimburse us directly for any such taxes, penalties or related interest.

You may, by way of a duly executed power of attorney in a form acceptable to us, appoint an agent to give investment instructions. You release us from any claim or liability when acting upon the instructions of such agent.

Notwithstanding anything in this declaration, we may decline to accept any particular transferred property or to make any particular investment, in our sole discretion or for any reason, including if it does not comply with our administrative requirements or policies in place from time to time. We may also need you to provide special supporting documentation as a condition to our making certain investments for the Fund.

We will not be responsible for any loss resulting from the sale or other disposition of any investment forming part of the Fund Assets.

4. Your Account and Statements

We will maintain an account in your name showing all Fund Assets, all investment transactions and all payments from the Fund. At least once each year we will send you an account statement showing these transactions, including income earned and expenses incurred during such period. We will also send you by the end of February in each year a tax information slip showing the total amount of all payments made to you from the Fund during the preceding calendar year to enable you to report this amount on your income tax return.

5. Management and Ownership

We may hold any investment in our own name, in the name of our nominee or agent, in bearer form or in such other name or form, or with any such custodian, clearing corporation or depository, as we may determine. We may generally exercise the power of an owner with respect to the Fund Assets, including the right to vote or give proxies to vote in respect thereof, or to sell assets to pay any taxes, assessments or charges in connection with the Fund (other than those taxes, assessments and charges that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund). However, you may request us to arrange for you to be able to exercise such voting rights, whereupon if we have been given sufficient time, we will make such arrangements. In exercising our rights and carrying out our responsibilities hereunder, we may employ agents and advisors, including legal counsel, and may act or not act on the advice or information of any such agent or advisor.

6. Payments

Each calendar year, we will make one or more payments to you, totalling not less than the minimum amount as defined in subsection 146.3(1) of the Act. No payment will be for an amount exceeding the value of the Fund Assets immediately before such payment. The minimum amount for the year in which the Fund is established is zero, meaning you do not have to take payments if you do not want to. We will make payments to you in the amounts and at the times you direct us, as set out in your application form or in other acceptable directions, and you may change these directions. You may direct us to make payments which exceed the minimum amount for the year, in which case we must withhold tax from the excess. If you do not specify the amount to be paid or if the amount you specify is less than the minimum amount for a year, we will make payment(s) to you equalling at least the minimum amount. At the end of the year in which the last payment is made, an amount equal to the value of the Fund Assets must be paid out.

You may elect to have the minimum amount determined using your spouse's or common-law partner's age. To do so, you must complete the appropriate area on the application form before we make any payment to you out of the Fund.

It is solely your responsibility to ensure that there is sufficient cash in the Fund to make these payments. We will not be required to make any such payment in specie. If any Fund Assets must be sold to provide the required cash and we do not have your instructions as to which to sell, we will sell any of the Fund Assets that we, in our sole discretion, consider appropriate. We will not be liable for any loss that results from a sale.



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No payment from the Fund may be assigned, in whole or in part.

We will not make any payments other than those described in paragraphs 6, 7 and 9 of this declaration. However, before making any such payment, we may charge against the Fund the amount of any taxes, penalties, interest, fees and expenses that are payable hereunder, under the Tax Laws or under other applicable legislation.

7. Transfers (On Relationship Breakdown or Otherwise)

Subject to any reasonable requirements we impose, you may direct us in writing to transfer all or part of the Fund Assets (net of any costs of realizations and of any property we must retain under the Act to ensure that the minimum amount may be paid to you in that year) to:

- a) an RRIF under which you are the annuitant; or
- b) an RRSP or RRIF under which your spouse, former spouse, common-law partner or former common-law partner, from whom you are living separate and apart, is the annuitant and the transfer is made pursuant to a decree, order or judgment of a competent tribunal, or a written separation agreement, relating to a division of property in settlement of rights arising out of your marriage or common-law partnership, or after the breakdown of such marriage or partnership.

Such transfers will take effect in accordance with the Act and any other applicable legislation and within a reasonable time after any required forms have been completed. If the transfer is to another RRIF under which you are the annuitant, we will also transfer all information necessary for the continuance of the Fund. If only a portion of the Fund Assets is being transferred under this paragraph, you may specify in writing which Fund Assets you wish us to transfer or sell; otherwise, we will transfer or sell the Fund Assets that we deem appropriate. No transfer will be made until all fees, charges and taxes have been paid. We will be discharged from all further duties and liabilities in respect of any Fund Assets so transferred.

8. Designation of Successor Annuitant / Beneficiary

Where effective under applicable legislation, you may designate one or more beneficiaries to receive an amount or amounts out of the Fund after your death, in accordance with one of the following:

- a) Successor Annuitant: You may at any time elect that your spouse or common-law partner receive the payments under paragraph 6 after your death. (A successor annuitant cannot make this designation.) If you have not made this election, we may agree to make such payments to your spouse or common-law partner after your death, if your legal personal representative requests this; or
- b) Beneficiary of Lump Sum: You may designate one or more beneficiary(ies) to receive the Fund Assets or the proceeds thereof, less any applicable taxes and any fees or expenses payable under this declaration, in a lump sum payment.

You may make, change or revoke any such beneficiary designations by completing, dating and signing the form we provide or any other form appropriate for this purpose and ensuring we receive it before we pay out the Fund under paragraph 9. If more than one form has been received by us, we will act on the one with the latest signature date.

9. Death

In the event of your death, if you had not elected that your spouse or common-law partner become successor annuitant in accordance with paragraph 8(a) above (or you had so elected but your spouse or common-law partner predeceased you), we will, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of your death and all other documents we may require, transfer the Fund Assets, or sell them and payout the proceeds, to any other beneficiary(ies) designated in accordance with paragraph 8 above. If you had not designated a beneficiary or if such beneficiary(ies) die before you, we will make such transfer or payment to your legal personal representative. Deductions will be made for all fees, costs, charges and taxes to be paid or withheld (other than those taxes the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund). We will be fully discharged once we make such transfers or payments, even though any beneficiary designation made by you may be invalid as a testamentary instrument. We will not be liable for any loss caused by any delay in making any such transfer or payment.

10. Proof of Age

Your statement of your date of birth in your application will be deemed to be a certification of your age and your undertaking to provide any further evidence or proof of age that may be required for the purpose of calculating your Retirement Income.



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11. Delegation

You authorize us to delegate to Credential Asset Management Inc. (the "Agent") the performance of certain of our duties, including the following:

- a) receiving transfers of cash and other property into the Fund and accepting on our behalf your application;
- b) registering the Fund with the Canada Revenue Agency;
- c) investing the Fund Assets in accordance with this declaration;
- d) holding the Fund Assets in safekeeping, in its name or in the name of its nominee or custodian;
- e) maintaining your account and providing you with statements and notices;
- f) receiving and implementing your notices and instructions;
- g) collecting fees and expenses from you or the Fund;
- h) filing any elections permitted under the Tax Laws as directed by you or your personal representatives;
- i) issuing tax information slips and preparing and filing tax returns or forms relating to the Fund;
- withdrawing or transferring Fund Assets in accordance with your instructions or for the purpose of making payments to you, any government authority or any other person entitled to same under the Fund, the Tax Laws or other applicable legislation;

and any other duties relating to the Fund as we may determine appropriate from time to time. We, however, will bear ultimate responsibility for the administration of the Fund in accordance with this declaration and the Tax Laws.

You acknowledge that we may pay the Agent all or any portion of our fees hereunder and reimburse it for its out-of-pocket expenses in performing its delegated duties. You also acknowledge that the Agent will earn normal brokerage commissions on investment transactions processed by it. You acknowledge and agree that all protections, limitations of liability and indemnifications given to us under this declaration, including without limitation those under paragraphs 12 and 13 are also given to, and are for the benefit of, the Agent.

12. Fees and Expenses

We are entitled to receive and may charge against the Fund reasonable fees and other charges that we establish from time to time in conjunction with the Agent, provided that we will give you thirty (30) days written notice of a change in the amount of any such fee. We are also entitled to reimbursement for all taxes, penalties and interest and for all other costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by us or the Agent in connection with the Fund (other than those taxes, penalties and interest that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund). All amounts so payable will be charged against and deducted from the Fund Assets, unless you make other arrangements with us. If the cash in the Fund is not sufficient to pay these amounts, we may, in our sole discretion, sell any of the Fund Assets in order to pay same and we will not be responsible for any loss occasioned by any such sale.

13. Trustee's Liability

- a) The Trustee will exercise the care, diligence and skill of a reasonably prudent person to minimize the possibility of a non-qualified investment being acquired or held by the Fund.
- b) Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, the Trustee will not be liable in its personal capacity for or in respect of:
 - (i) Any taxes or interest which may be imposed on the Fund under Tax Laws (whether by way of assessment, reassessment or otherwise) or for any charge levied or imposed by any governmental authority upon or in respect of the Fund, as a result of the purchase, sale or retention of any investment including, without limiting the generality of the forgoing, non-qualified investments, other than taxes, penalties and interest imposed on the Trustee arising from its personal liability, including without limitation, arising from its administrative error, under Tax Laws and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund; or
 - (ii) Any loss suffered or incurred by you, the Fund, or any beneficiary under the Fund caused by or resulting from the Trustee acting or declining to act upon instruction given to it, whether by you, a person designated by you or any person purporting to be you, unless caused by the Trustee's dishonesty, bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard.



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c) You, your legal personal representative, and each beneficiary under the Fund will at all times, indemnify and save harmless the Trustee in respect of any taxes, penalties, interest or other governmental charges which may be levied or imposed on the Trustee in respect of the Fund or any losses incurred by the Fund (other than losses, taxes, penalties, interest or other government charges for which the Trustee is liable in accordance herewith and that can't be paid out of the property of the Fund) as a result of the acquisition, retention or transfer of any investment or as a result of payments out of the Fund made in accordance with these terms and conditions or as result of the Trustee acting or declining to act on any instruction given to it by you. You, where required or requested, will provide the Trustee with such information as it may require in order to value assets being acquired or held by the Fund.

The provisions of this section 13 shall survive the termination of the Fund.

14. Replacement of Trustee

We may at any time resign as trustee under the Fund by giving you and the Agent sixty (60) days written notice, or such shorter period of notice as the Agent may accept. The Agent may remove us as trustee by giving you and us sixty (60) days written notice, or such shorter notice as we may accept. Upon giving or receiving any such notice of our removal or resignation, the Agent will within the notice period appoint a successor trustee authorized under the Tax Laws and any other applicable legislation (the "Successor Trustee"). If a Successor Trustee is not found within such notice period, we and/or the Agent may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a Successor Trustee. Any costs incurred by us in securing the appointment of a Successor Trustee will constitute a charge against the assets of the Fund and will be reimbursed from the Fund Assets unless borne personally by the Agent. Our resignation or removal will not be effective until a Successor Trustee is appointed.

Any trust company resulting from a merger, amalgamation or continuation to which we are party, or succeeding to substantially all of our RRSP and RRIF trusteeship business (whether by sale of such business or otherwise), will, if authorized, become the Successor Trustee of the Fund without further act or formality.

In the event of a change of trustee, we will transfer the Fund Assets to the Successor Trustee within thirty (30) days after the effective date of such change. Such a transfer will be subject to the requirements of paragraph 7 hereof, including the retention of any property necessary to ensure payment to you that year of the minimum amount.

15. Amendments to this Declaration of Trust

We may from time to time amend this declaration with the approval, if required, of the applicable taxation authorities as long as the amendment will not disqualify the Fund as a RRIF under the Tax Laws. We will give you thirty (30) days written notice of any amendment unless it is made for the purpose of satisfying a requirement imposed by the Tax Laws.

16. Notice

You may give us instructions by personal delivery, fax or postage prepaid mail (or by such other means as we or the Agent may accept), properly sent to the Agent or to any other address that we designate. We may give you any notice, statement, receipt or other communication by postage prepaid mail, sent to the address recorded in your application or to any subsequent address you provide us. Our notices to you will be deemed to have been given on the second business day after mailing.

17. Reference to Statutes

All references herein to any statute, regulation or any provision thereof will mean such statute, regulation or provision as the same may be re-enacted or replaced from time to time.

18. Binding

The terms and conditions of this declaration will be binding upon your heirs and legal personal representatives and upon our successors and assigns. Notwithstanding that, if the Fund or the Fund Assets are transferred to a Successor Trustee, then the terms of such Successor Trustee's declaration of trust will govern thereafter.

19. Governing Law

This declaration will be construed, administered and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the laws of Canada applicable therein, except that where the circumstances require, the terms "spouse" and "common-law partner" will be recognized in accordance with the Act.



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20. Access to File (Applicable in Quebec Only)

You understand that the information contained in your application will be maintained in a file at the Agent's place of business. The object of this file is to enable us and the Agent, and our respective agents or representatives, to access your application, answer any questions you may have regarding the application and your Fund, and manage your Fund and your instructions on an ongoing basis. Subject to applicable legislation, personal information contained in this file may be used by us or by the Agent to make any decision relevant to the object of the file and no one may have access to the file except us, the Agent, our respective employees, agents and representatives, any other person required for the execution of our or the Agent's duties and obligations, you and any other person that you expressly authorize in writing. You are entitled to consult your file and to have anything in it corrected. In order to exercise these rights, you must notify us in writing.



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We, Canadian Western Trust Company, a trust company existing under the laws of Canada, hereby declare that we will act as trustee for you, the annuitant named in the application to which this declaration is attached, for the Credential Asset Management Inc. Self-Directed Retirement Savings Plan (the "Plan") upon the following terms:

Some **Definitions:** In this declaration, in addition to terms defined elsewhere herein,

- "Act" means the Income Tax Act (Canada);
- "Agent" refers to the company named in paragraph 15;
- "applicable legislation" means all provincial and federal legislation governing the Plan, the Plan Assets and the parties hereto including, without limitation, privacy and securities legislation. Any reference to applicable legislation shall be deemed to include all such statutes and any regulations, policies, rules, orders or other provisions thereunder, all as may be amended, re-enacted or replaced from time to time;
- "common-law partner" has the meaning set forth in the Act;
- "Contributions" means contributions of cash or investments to the Plan;
- "Maturity Date" has the meaning set forth in paragraph 8;
- "Retirement Income" has the meaning set forth in the Act:
- "RRIF" means a registered retirement income fund, as defined in the Act;
- "RRSP" means a registered retirement savings plan, as defined in the Act;
- "Securities Regulator" means the government department, agency, board or commission, or self-regulatory
 organization which regulates the sale of Securities in the applicable jurisdiction;
- "spouse" means a spouse for the purposes of the Tax Laws;
- "Tax Laws" means the Act and any applicable tax legislation of your province of residence, as recorded in your application;
- "We", "us" and "our" refer to Canadian Western Trust Company; and
- "You", "your" and "yours" refer to the person who has signed the application and will be the owner of the Plan (under the Act, you are known as the "annuitant" of the Plan).

1. Registration

We will apply for registration of the Plan in accordance with the Act. The purpose of the Plan is to provide you with a Retirement Income.

2. Contributions

We will accept Contributions made by you or, where applicable, your spouse or common-law partner. You or such other person will be solely responsible for determining the maximum limits for Contributions in any taxation year as permitted by the Tax Laws and for determining the taxation years, if any, in which such Contributions are deductible for tax purposes. We will hold the Contributions and any investments, income or gains therefrom (the "Plan Assets") in trust, to be held, invested and used according to the terms of this declaration and the Tax Laws. No Contributions to the Plan may be made after the Maturity Date.

If locked-in Plan Assets are transferred to the Plan in accordance with applicable provincial or federal pension legislation, the additional provisions contained in the Locked-In Retirement Account ("LIRA") or Locked-In Retirement Savings Plan ("LRSP") addendum (the "Addendum") to this Declaration of Trust will form part of this Declaration of Trust and will govern the Plan Assets. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Addendum and Declaration of Trust, the provisions of the Addendum will govern.

3. Investments

We will hold, invest and sell the Plan Assets according to your instructions. We may require any instructions to be in writing. We will pay interest on any cash balances at such rate and credited at such time as we in our sole discretion determine.

Investments will not be limited to those authorized by law for trustees. However, it will be your responsibility to determine whether any Contribution or investment is or remains a "qualified investment" for RRSPs pursuant to the Tax Laws. The Plan will bear any taxes, penalties or related interest imposed under the Tax Laws (other than those taxes, penalties and interest that the Trustee is liable for and that can't be paid out of the property of the



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Plan). If the Plan Assets are insufficient to pay any taxes, penalties or related interest incurred, or if taxes, penalties or related interest are imposed after the Plan has ceased, you must pay or reimburse us directly for any such taxes, penalties or related interest.

You may, by way of a duly executed power of attorney in a form acceptable to us, appoint an agent to give investment instructions. You release us from any claim or liability when acting upon the instructions of such agent.

Notwithstanding anything in this declaration, we may decline to accept any particular Contribution or to make any particular investment, in our sole discretion or for any reason, including if it does not comply with our administrative requirements or policies in place from time to time. We may also need you to provide special supporting documentation as a condition to our making certain investments for the Plan.

We will not be responsible for any loss resulting from the sale or other disposition of any investment forming part of the Plan Assets.

4. Income Tax Receipt

On or before March 31 of each year, we will send to you, your spouse or your common-law partner, as applicable, a receipt showing Contributions made by you or such person during the preceding year and, if applicable, the first sixty (60) days of the current year. You, your spouse or your common-law partner will be solely responsible for ensuring that any deductions claimed for income tax purposes do not exceed the permitted deductions under the Tax Laws.

5. Your Account and Statements

We will maintain an account in your name showing all Contributions made to the Plan, all investment transactions and all withdrawals from the Plan. At least once each year we will send you an account statement showing these transactions, including income earned and expenses incurred during such period.

6. Management and Ownership

We may hold any investment in our own name, in the name of our nominee or agent, in bearer form or in such other name or form, or with any such custodian, clearing corporation or depository, as we may determine. We may generally exercise the power of an owner with respect to the Plan Assets, including the right to vote or give proxies to vote in respect thereof, or to sell assets to pay any taxes, assessments or charges in connection with the Plan (other than those taxes, assessments and charges that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan). In exercising our rights and carrying out our responsibilities hereunder, we may employ agents and advisors, including legal counsel, and may act or not act on the advice or information of any such agent or advisor.

7. Refund of Over Contributions

We will, upon receiving a written request from you or, if applicable, your spouse or common-law partner, refund an amount to that person in order to reduce the amount of tax that would otherwise be payable under Part X.1 of the Act, or under any other Tax Laws, by that person. We will not be responsible for determining the amount of any such refund.

8. Purchase of Retirement Income or Transfer to a RRIF

Your Plan will mature on the date (the "Maturity Date") you select for the start of a Retirement Income but this date must not be later than December 31 of the calendar year in which you reach 71 years of age. You must notify us in writing at least ninety (90) days prior to the Maturity Date. This notice must also give us your instructions to either:

- f) sell the Plan Assets and use all of the cash in the Plan, less any sale costs and other related fees and charges (the "Plan Proceeds"), to purchase a Retirement Income for you starting on the Maturity Date; or
- g) transfer the Plan Assets on or before the Maturity Date to a RRIF.

If you instruct us to purchase a Retirement Income for you, you must also specify the particular type of annuity, in accordance with section 146 of the Act, that you would like to receive as your Retirement Income and the name of the authorized company from which we are to purchase same. Any annuity so selected may have one or more of the features permitted by subsection 146(3) and subsection 146(2)(b.1) of the Act. However, any Retirement Income so acquired may not be assigned in whole or in part and must be commuted if it would otherwise become payable to a person other than you or, after your death, your spouse or common law partner. In addition, the total of the periodic payments in a year under an annuity after your death shall not exceed the total of the payments made in a year before your death. It is solely your responsibility to select a Retirement Income that complies with the Act.



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If we do not receive your notice and instructions at least 60 days prior to December 31 of the calendar year in which you reach seventy-one (71) years of age, we will sell the Plan Assets, subject to the requirements of the Act. If the amount of the Plan Proceeds exceeds \$10,000 (or such greater or lesser amounts as we may in our sole discretion determine), we will prior to the end of that year transfer the Plan Proceeds to a RRIF for you and you hereby appoint us (and/or the Agent) as your attorney(s) in fact to execute all such documents and make elections as are necessary to establish the RRIF. You will be deemed (i) to have elected to use your age to determine the minimum amount payable under the RRIF according to the Act; (ii) not to have elected to designate your spouse or common-law partner to become the successor annuitant of the RRIF on your death; and (iii) not to have designated any beneficiary of the RRIF. We will administer such RRIF as trustee in accordance with the provisions of the Act. If the amount of the Plan Proceeds is less than \$10,000 (or such greater or lesser amount as we may in our sole discretion determine) we will deposit same, net of any required withholding, in a non-registered interest-bearing deposit account on your behalf and we will be entitled to collect administration fees directly from that account.

Withdrawals

You may, by written instructions or by other manner of communication acceptable to us, at any time before the commencement of a Retirement Income, request that we pay you all or any part of the Plan Assets. In order to make such payment, we may sell all or part of any of the investments, to the extent we deem appropriate. We will withhold any income taxes or other taxes and charges required on the withdrawal of funds and pay you the balance, after deducting any applicable fees and expenses. We will have no liability to you in respect of any sold Plan Assets or for any losses that may result from such sales.

10. Transfers (On Relationship Breakdown or Otherwise)

Subject to any reasonable requirements we impose, you may direct us in writing to transfer Plan Assets (net of any costs of realizations), less any fees or charges payable hereunder and any taxes, penalties or interest that are or may become payable or have to be withheld under the Tax Laws (other than those taxes, penalties and interest that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan), to:

- a) an RRSP or RRIF under which (i) you are the annuitant; or (ii) your spouse, former spouse, common-law partner or former common-law partner, from whom you are living separate and apart, is the annuitant and the transfer is made pursuant to a decree, order or judgment of a competent tribunal, or a written separation agreement, relating to a division of property in settlement of rights arising out of your marriage or common-law partnership, or after the breakdown of such marriage or partnership; or
- b) a Registered Pension Plan (as defined in the Tax Laws) for your benefit.

Such transfers will take effect in accordance with the Tax Laws and any other applicable legislation and within a reasonable time after any required forms have been completed. If only a portion of the Plan Assets is transferred under this paragraph, you may specify in writing which Plan Assets you wish us to transfer or sell; otherwise, we will transfer or sell the Plan Assets that we deem appropriate. No transfer will be made until all fees, charges and taxes have been paid.

11. No Advantages

No advantage that is conditional in any way on the existence of the Plan may be extended to you or to a person with whom you do not deal at arm's length, other than the benefits and advantages permitted by the Act.

12. Designation of Beneficiary

Where effective under applicable legislation, you may designate one or more beneficiaries to receive the Plan Assets or Plan Proceeds on your death. You may make, change or revoke a beneficiary designation by completing, dating and signing the form we provide or any other form appropriate for this purpose and ensuring we receive it before we payout the Plan under paragraph 13. If more than one form has been received by us, we will act on the one with the latest signature date.

13. Death

If you die before the Maturity Date, we will, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of your death and all other documents we may require, transfer the Plan Assets, or sell them and payout the Plan Proceeds, to the designated beneficiary(ies) under the Plan. If you had not designated a beneficiary or if such beneficiary(ies) dies we will make such transfer or payment to your legal personal representative. Deductions will be made for all fees, costs, charges and taxes to be paid or withheld (other than taxes that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan). We will be fully discharged once we make such transfers or payments, even though any beneficiary designation made by you may be invalid as a testamentary instrument. We will not be liable for any loss caused by any delay in making any such transfer or payment.



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14. Proof of Age

Your statement of your date of birth in your application will be deemed to be a certification of your age and your undertaking to provide any further evidence or proof of age that may be required for the purpose of determining the Maturity Date and acquiring a Retirement Income.

15. Delegation

You authorize us to delegate to Credential Asset Management Inc. (the "Agent") the performance of certain of our duties, including the following:

- a) registering the Plan with the Canada Revenue Agency;
- b) receiving Contributions;
- c) investing the Plan Assets in accordance with this declaration;
- d) holding the Plan Assets in safekeeping, in its name or in the name of its nominee or custodian;
- e) maintaining your account and providing you with statements and notices;
- f) receiving and implementing your notices and instructions;
- g) collecting fees and expenses from you or the Plan;
- filing any elections permitted under the Tax Laws as directed by you or your personal representatives;
- i) issuing tax receipts and preparing and filing tax returns or forms relating to the Plan;
- withdrawing or transferring Plan Assets in accordance with your instructions or for the purpose of making payments to you, any government authority or any other person entitled to same under the Plan, the Tax Laws or other applicable legislation;

and any other duties relating to the Plan as we may determine appropriate from time to time. We will, however, bear ultimate responsibility for the administration of the Plan in accordance with this declaration and the Tax Laws.

You acknowledge that we may pay the Agent all or any portion of our fees hereunder and reimburse it for its out-of-pocket expenses in performing its delegated duties. You also acknowledge that the Agent will earn normal brokerage commissions on investment transactions processed by it. You acknowledge and agree that all protections, limitations of liability and indemnifications given to us under this declaration, including without limitation those under paragraph 16 and 17 are also given to, and are for the benefit of, the Agent.

16. Fees and Expenses

We are entitled to receive and may charge against the Plan reasonable fees and other charges that we establish from time to time in conjunction with the Agent, provided that we will give you thirty (30) days written notice of a change in the amount of any such fee. We are also entitled to reimbursement for all taxes, penalties and interest and for all other costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by us or the Agent in connection with the Plan (other than those taxes, penalties and interest that the Trustee is liable for under the Act and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan). All amounts so payable will be charged against and deducted from the Plan Assets, unless you make other arrangements with us. If the cash in the Plan is not sufficient to pay these amounts, we may, in our sole discretion, sell any of the Plan Assets in order to pay same and we will not be Responsible for any loss occasioned by any such sale.

17. Group RSP

If the Plan is part of a Group RSP. You are required to be an employee or member, or the spouse or commonlaw partner of the employee or member, of the sponsoring organization of the Group RSP named in the Application (the "Group Sponsor"). You accept the Group Sponsor as your Agent for the purposes of constituting the plan. Upon your ceasing to be an employee or member of the Group Sponsor and upon notification from the Group Sponsor being received by us, the following will apply:

- a) We will not accept any further contributions to this Plan; and
- b) You shall provide us with written notice to transfer the Plan to a self-directed RRSP, self-directed RRIF with us or another financial institution which is not part of the Group RSP. If we do not receive your written instructions within fifteen (15) days from the date we receive notice from the Group Sponsor, you will be deemed to have instructed us to transfer Plan Assets and to act as your attorney to execute documents and



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make elections necessary to establish another RSP or RIF, selected by us in our sole discretion and to apply for registration of such RSP or RIF under Applicable Tax Legislation.

18. Trustee's Liability

- a) The Trustee will exercise the care, diligence and skill of a reasonably prudent person to minimize the possibility of a non-qualified investment being acquired or held by the Plan.
- b) Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, the Trustee will not be liable in its personal capacity for or in respect of:
 - (i) Any taxes or interest which may be imposed on the Plan under Tax Laws (whether by way of assessment, reassessment or otherwise) or for any charge levied or imposed by any governmental authority upon or in respect of the Plan, as a result of the purchase, sale or retention of any investment including, without limiting the generality of the forgoing, non-qualified investments, other than taxes, penalties and interest imposed on the Trustee arising from its personal liability, including without limitation, arising from its administrative error, under Tax Laws and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan; or
 - (ii) Any loss suffered or incurred by you, the Plan, or any beneficiary under the Plan caused by or resulting from the Trustee acting or declining to act upon instruction given to it, whether by you, a person designated by you or any person purporting to be you, unless caused by the Trustee's dishonesty, bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard.
- c) You, your legal personal representative, and each beneficiary under the Plan will at all times, indemnify and save harmless the Trustee in respect of any taxes, penalties, interest or other governmental charges which may be levied or imposed on the Trustee in respect of the Plan or any losses incurred by the Plan (other than losses, taxes, penalties, interest or other government charges for which the Trustee is liable in accordance herewith and that can't be paid out of the property of the Plan) as a result of the acquisition, retention or transfer of any investment or as a result of payments out of the Plan made in accordance with these terms and conditions or as result of the Trustee acting or declining to act on any instruction given to it by you. You, where required or requested, will provide the Trustee with such information as it may require in order to value assets being acquired or held by the Plan.

The provisions of this section 18 shall survive the termination of the Plan.

19. Replacement of Trustee

We may at any time resign as trustee under the Plan by giving you and the Agent sixty (60) days written notice, or such shorter period of notice as the Agent may accept.

The Agent may remove us as trustee by giving you and us sixty (60) days written notice, or such shorter notice as we may accept. Upon giving or receiving any such notice of our removal or resignation, the Agent will within the notice period appoint a successor trustee authorized under the Tax Laws and any other applicable legislation (the "Successor Trustee"). If a Successor Trustee is not found within such notice period, we and/or the Agent may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a Successor Trustee. Any costs incurred by us in securing the appointment of a Successor Trustee will constitute a charge against the assets of the Plan and will be reimbursed from the Plan Assets unless borne personally by the Agent. Our resignation or removal will not be effective until a Successor Trustee is appointed.

Any trust company resulting from a merger, amalgamation or continuation to which we are party, or succeeding to substantially all of our RRSP and RRIF trusteeship business (whether by sale of such business or otherwise), will, if authorized, become the Successor Trustee of the Plan without further act or formality.

In the event of a change of trustee, we will transfer the Plan Assets to the Successor Trustee within thirty (30) days after the effective date of such change. Such a transfer will be subject to the requirements of paragraph 10 hereof

20. Amendments to this Declaration of Trust

We may from time to time amend this declaration with the approval, if required, of the applicable taxation authorities as long as the amendment will not disqualify the Plan as an RRSP under the Tax Laws. We will give you thirty (30) days written notice of any amendment unless it is made for the purpose of satisfying a requirement imposed by the Tax Laws.

21. Notice



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You may give us instructions by personal delivery, fax or postage prepaid mail (or by such other means as we or the Agent may accept), properly sent to the Agent or to any other address that we designate. We may give you any notice, statement, receipt or other communication by postage prepaid mail, sent to the address recorded in your application or to any subsequent address you provide us. Our notices to you will be deemed to have been given on the second business day after mailing.

22. Reference to Statutes

All references herein to any statute, regulation or any provision thereof will mean such statute, regulation or provision as the same may be re-enacted or replaced from time to time.

23. Binding

The terms and conditions of this declaration will be binding upon your heirs and legal personal representatives and upon our successors and assigns. Notwithstanding that, if the Plan or the Plan Assets are transferred to a Successor Trustee, then the terms of such Successor Trustee's declaration of trust will govern thereafter.

24. Governing Law

This declaration will be construed, administered and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the laws of Canada applicable therein, except that where the circumstances require, the terms "spouse" and "common law partner" will be recognized in accordance with the Act.

25. Access to File (Applicable in Quebec Only)

You understand that the information contained in your application will be maintained in a file at the Agent's place of business. The object of this file is to enable us and the Agent, and our respective agents or representatives, to access your application, answer any questions you may have regarding the application and your Plan, and manage your Plan and your instructions on an ongoing basis. Subject to applicable legislation, personal information contained in this file may be used by us or by the Agent to make any decision relevant to the object of the file and no one may have access to the file except us, the Agent, our respective employees, agents and representatives, any other person required for the execution of our or the Agent's duties and obligations, you and any other person that you expressly authorize in writing. You are entitled to consult your file and to have anything in it corrected. In order to exercise these rights, you must notify us in writing.



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Canadian Western Trust Company is a trust company incorporated under the laws of Canada. The words "us", "our" and "we" are also used in this Declaration of Trust to refer to Canadian Western Trust Company. "You" (the account holder) are the "Holder" as defined in the *Income Tax Act*, the person who has completed the application form (the "Application") to which this Declaration of Trust is attached. Within this Declaration of Trust we use the word "agent" when referencing "agent for the trustee". "Survivor" Subsection 146.2(1) defines an individual to be a "survivor" of another individual if the individual was immediately before that other individual's death, a spouse or common-law partner of that other individual.

We agree to act as trustee for the Credential Asset Management Inc. Self-Directed Tax-Free Savings Account created pursuant to the Application and this Declaration of Trust (the "TFSA") in accordance with the terms and conditions set out below:

1. Registration

We will file an election to register the TFSA under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (the "Act") and any applicable income tax legislation of a province of Canada (collectively, "Applicable Tax Legislation"). If registered, the TFSA will be a "qualifying arrangement" and you will be known for the purposes of the Applicable Tax Legislation as the "Holder" of the TFSA.

2. Purpose of the TFSA

The primary purpose of the TFSA is to accumulate and invest funds for savings and investment purposes. The TFSA will be maintained for the exclusive benefit of you as the Holder, except as provided under Clauses 17 and 20.

3. Compliance

The TFSA shall, at all times, comply with all relevant provisions of the Act. You are bound by the terms and conditions imposed under the Act.

4. Contributions

Deposits to the TFSA made by you according to this Declaration of Trust and theAct will be called the "Contributions". Only you may make Contributions to the TFSA. Contributions may be cash, securities mutual funds or other property. We will hold the Contributions and any income or gains from them, in trust for you. We will invest and reinvest such income or gains accumulated in accordance with the instructions provided by you. These amounts, together with any amounts transferred to the TFSA under section 12 below, will be called the "TFSA Assets". The trustee is not responsible for determining whether the aggregate of all Contributions made by you to the TFSA in respect of a year exceeds the maximum amount that is permitted to be contributed to the TFSA in respect of the year.

5. Investments

TFSA Assets will be invested and reinvested from time to time in accordance with your investment instructions or those of your assigns as set out in Clause 20 (if applicable). Investment instructions must comply with requirements imposed by us in our sole discretion. Your TFSA will not be limited to investments authorized by law governing the investments of property held in trust other than the investment rules imposed by the Act for a TFSA. We will only act on your instructions if they are in a form acceptable to us and are accompanied by related documents as required by us, in our sole discretion. We may accept and act on any investment instructions, which we believe, in good faith, to be given by you. At any time, it is your responsibility to ensure all investments held in the TFSA are qualified investments under the Act. We may be entitled to a fee for any cash deposited in an account at Canadian Western Bank or for any investments made with Canadian Western Bank or, if requested by you, another financial institution, and if so, such a fee shall accrue to us. If we do not have any instructions from you at the time we receive a cash Contribution, we will deposit your cash Contribution in an interest bearing account with us or Canadian Western Bank.

6. Non-Qualified Investments and Excess Contributions

You are responsible for any tax, interest or penalties (collectively, the "Charges") imposed under Applicable Tax Legislation or by any other provincial or federal regulatory authorities as it pertains to the Contributions and investments in the TFSA except for the Charges and Income Tax that the Trustee is liable under the *Income Tax Act* and that can't be deducted from the TFSA Assets. If the TFSA becomes liable for any Charges, you will be deemed to have authorized us to sell or withdraw any of the TFSA Assets and obtain a fair market value that we, in our sole discretion, consider appropriate to pay any Charges to the TFSA and we will issue notice to you as prescribed under the Act in respect of any such transaction. We will not be liable for any loss or income taxes incurred as it pertains to the collection of unpaid Charges. It is your sole responsibility to provide appropriate documents supporting the fair market value of TFSA Assets not publicly traded on a recognized stock exchange



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within the meaning of Applicable Tax Legislation. Furthermore, we may deem TFSA Assets as worthless and remove them from the TFSA if you cannot provide documents supporting their fair market valuation as we may impose. We will not be liable for any Charges imposed on you or the TFSA under Applicable Tax Legislation or by any provincial or federal regulatory authorities related to the removal of TFSA Assets from the TFSA.

7. Accounting

We will maintain records relating to the TFSA reflecting the following:

- a) Contributions to the TFSA:
- b) Name, amount and cost of investments purchased or sold by the TFSA;
- c) Purchases and sales of investments we hold for you in the TFSA;
- d) Any income or loss earned or incurred by the TFSA;
- e) Withdrawals, transfers and any other payments from the TFSA; and
- f) The balance of the TFSA.

8. Statements

We will issue statements for the TFSA at least once annually or more frequently as determined by us, in our sole discretion. Should there occur full or partial nonpayment of fees referred to in Clause 16 hereof, we may, in our sole discretion, cease the issue of statements for the TFSA.

Withdrawals

Upon receipt of your written instructions to withdraw all or a part of the TFSA Assets, or the written instructions of your assigns under Clause 20, we will pay you or your assigns as the case may be an amount less any related fees or costs. Prior to us processing your written instructions, you will ensure sufficient cash is in the TFSA to cover the amount requested or you will withdraw an investment(s) in-kind, equal to the fair market value at the time of the transaction. We will issue notice to you as prescribed under the Act in respect of any such transaction. Once the withdrawal is issued and notice provided, we no longer have any further liability or duty to you for the TFSA Assets that you have withdrawn.

10. Refunds of Excess Contributions

You may send us written instructions to refund an amount to reduce the taxes otherwise payable under Part XI.01 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) relating to Contributions that exceed the limits permitted under the Act. Prior to us processing your written instructions, you will ensure sufficient cash is in the TFSA to cover the amount requested or we will refund an investment in-kind equal to the fair market value at the time of the transaction. We will issue notice to you as prescribed under the Act in respect of any such transaction. Once the refund is issued and the notice provided, we no longer have any further liability or duty to you for the TFSA Assets that have been refunded.

11. Transfers to the TFSA

You may request a transfer of amounts to the TFSA from another "TFSA" or any other source permitted under the Act or other applicable law. The trustee may, in its sole discretion refuse to accept the property into the TFSA for any reason whatsoever and authorizes to transfer out of the TFSA to the Holder, without notice, any property of the TFSA the trustee believes is not or may not be a Qualified Investment. The terms and conditions of the TFSA will be subject to any additional terms or conditions that may be required to complete the transfer according to applicable law.

12. Transfers from the TFSA

You, or your assigns under Clause 20 (if applicable), may request a transfer of all or part of the TFSA Assets to a TFSA that is registered under the Act under which you are the Holder. All transfer requests may be subject to tax under the Act and any other related fees or costs. We will process your transfer request within a reasonable period of time after we have received all completed documents as required by us and applicable law. Once the transfer is issued, we no longer have any further liability or duty to you for the TFSA Assets transferred.

13. Transfers for Division of Property

You may request a transfer of all or part of the TFSA Assets to a TFSA or under which your spouse or commonlaw partner (within the meaning of Applicable Tax Legislation) is the Holder if the transfer is made under the terms of a decree, order or judgment of a competent tribunal, or of a written separation agreement, that relates to the division of property between you and your spouse or common-law partner or former spouse or common-law partner in settlement of rights arising out of or on the breakdown of your marriage or common-law partnership.



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Any transfer requests may be subject to any tax under Applicable Tax Legislation and any other related fees or costs. We will process your request within a reasonable period of time after we have received all completed documents as required by applicable law and us. Once the transfer is issued, we no longer have any further liability or duty to you for the TFSA Assets transferred.

14. Fees

We may charge you or the TFSA fees for services we provide to you or the TFSA from time to time in accordance with our current fee schedule. We will give you a minimum of sixty (60) days notice of any change in our fees. We are entitled to reimbursement from you or the TFSA for all Trustee fees, mortgage foreclosure fees, disbursements, expenses and any other charges reasonably incurred by us in connection with the TFSA. We are entitled to deduct our unpaid fees, disbursements, expenses and any other charges from the TFSA Assets and where insufficient cash is available, you authorize us to sell or withdraw any of the TFSA Assets and obtain a fair market value that we, in our sole discretion, consider appropriate to collect unpaid fees, disbursements, expenses and any other charges. We will issue notice to you as prescribed in the Act in respect of any withdrawals from the TFSA Assets and we will not be liable for any loss or income tax incurred as such loss or tax pertains to the collection of any unpaid fees, disbursements, expenses and any other charges.

15. Social Insurance Number

The social insurance number that you provide on the Application shall be deemed a certification by you of its truth and you give us your undertaking to provide additional evidence if we require the proof of its validity.

16. Designation of Beneficiary

Where applicable provincial law permits, you may designate one or more beneficiaries to receive the TFSA Assets or the proceeds from the sale of the TFSA Assets on or after your death. You may make, change or revoke a beneficiary designation by providing us with a written instruction in a form acceptable to us. When the TFSA Assets or the proceeds from the TFSA Assets have been distributed to your designated beneficiary, even though the designation may be invalid as a testamentary instrument, we will be fully discharged of any liability under this Declaration of Trust.

17. Death of a TFSA Holder

Upon verification of a benefit entitlement under Applicable Tax Legislation, we will require, in our sole discretion, satisfactory evidence of your death and any other documents as it pertains to your death prior to proceeding with a request to distribute the TFSA Assets or the proceeds from the TFSA Assets less any tax under the Applicable Tax Legislation and any other related fees or costs. If you have designated more than one beneficiary under your TFSA, we will distribute TFSA Assets as designated by you. If we cannot establish a valid designation of beneficiary or beneficiaries, we will distribute the TFSA Assets to your estate. Once the TFSA Assets are transferred or the proceeds of the sale of the TFSA Assets are paid, we no longer have any further liability or duty to your heirs, executors, administrators or legal representatives.

18. Ownership and Voting Rights

The TFSA Assets will be held in our name, our nominee's name, bearer form or any other name that we determine. The voting rights attached to securities held under the TFSA and credited to your account may be exercised by you and for this purpose, you are hereby appointed as our agent and attorney to execute and deliver proxies and/or other instruments mailed by us to you according to applicable laws.

19. Notices

Any notices, demands, orders, documents or any other written communication we may forward to you by mail, postage paid, to your address indicated on the Application (or subsequent written notification of a new address which we acknowledge received) shall be deemed to be received by you (3) days after such mailing. You acknowledge that we shall be under no further obligation to locate you for the purpose of forwarding any such notices, demands, orders, documents or any other written communication.

20. Restrictions and Security for Indebtedness

No advantage that is conditional in any way on the existence of the TFSA may be extended to you or any person with whom you do not deal at arm's-length, other than the benefits and advantages specifically permitted under the Act. The trust is prohibited from borrowing money or other property for purposes of the TFSA. The TFSA interests may be pledged or assigned as security for indebtedness in whole or in part in accordance with the provisions of subsection 146.2(4) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). While there is a holder of the TFSA, anyone, other than you or us, is prohibited from having any rights under the TFSA relating to the amount and timing of distributions and the investing of the TFSA.



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21. Amendments

We may from time to time, in our sole discretion, amend the terms of the TFSA and this Declaration of Trust, providing that such amendments shall not disqualify the TFSA as a qualifying arrangement within the meaning of the Act. We will obtain approval from the necessary provincial and federal authorities if any amendments are made and as required. We will provide you with thirty (30) days' notice of any amendments.

22. Delegation of Duties

Without limiting our responsibility as trustee of the TFSA, we may appoint agents and may delegate to our agents the performance of administrative and any other duties required under the TFSA and Declaration of Trust. We may engage accountants, brokers, lawyers or others for their advice and services and may rely on them for the same. We may pay to any agent or advisor a fee under the provisions of this Declaration of Trust but we will not be liable for any acts, omissions or negligence of any of our agents or advisors so long as we have acted in good faith. We acknowledge that we are ultimately responsible for the administration of the TFSA.

23. Liability of Canadian Western Trust Company

You are responsible for determining whether an investment made in the TFSA is a qualified investment within the meaning of the Act. We are not responsible for valuing TFSA Assets that are not publicly traded on a stock exchange recognized within the Applicable Tax Legislation. We, our officers, employees, and agents shall be indemnified by you and the TFSA directly from TFSA Assets against all expenses, liabilities, claims, demands or penalties arising out of or in respect of the TFSA and the TFSA Assets except for those penalties the Trustee is liable under the *Income Tax Act* and that can't be deducted from the TFSA Assets. We, our officers, employees, and agents will accept investment instruction made in good faith by you or your authorized agent, dealer, or representative. We will not be liable for any expense, liability, claim, demands, taxes, damages, losses or penalties imposed on us or the TFSA as a result of us acting in good faith on your authority or the authority of your authorized agent, dealer or representative except for those taxes and penalties the Trustee is liable under the *Income Tax Act* and that can't be deducted from the TFSA Assets. We will not be liable for any Charges incurred in performing our duties under the TFSA, the Declaration of Trust or any additional terms and conditions which may apply to the TFSA under applicable law in connection with any transfers by the TFSA, unless caused by willful misconduct or gross negligence by us, our officers, employees or agents.

24. Indemnification

You, your heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives or assigns and each beneficiary under the TFSA will at all times indemnify the trustee, its directors, officers, employees and agents and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors, assigns and our agents directly and out of the TFSA Assets for any taxes, interest, penalties or charges levied or imposed on us in respect of the TFSA (except for those taxes, interest and penalties the Trustee is liable under the *Income Tax Act* and that can't be deducted from the TFSA Assets), costs incurred in performing our duties under this Declaration of Trust or any losses incurred by the TFSA as a result of any loss or diminution of the TFSA Assets, purchases, sales, or retention of any investments, payments or distributions out of the TFSA made according to these terms and conditions, or acting or declining to act on any instructions given to us, whether by you, a person designated by you or any person purporting to be you or the person designated by you.

25. Successor Trustee

We may resign as the trustee of the TFSA and be discharged from all duties and liabilities under this Declaration of Trust by giving thirty (30) days written notice to you. If you do not appoint a successor trustee within ten (10) days of our written notice, we may appoint a successor trustee for the TFSA. Upon our resignation we will provide the successor trustee with all conveyances, transfers and further assurances that may be required to give effect to the appointment of the successor trustee.

26. Governing Law

The terms of the TFSA will be construed, administered and enforced according to the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal laws of Canada applicable in British Columbia.

27. Binding

The terms of this Declaration of Trust will be binding on your heirs, executors, administrators or legal representatives and permitted assigns and our successors and assigns.