### GONEKE INVESTMENT GROUP

# Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

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### **DEUTERONOMY 15:6 - KJV**

"For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee."



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### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

### 1. "You shall have no other gods before me." (Exodus 20:3)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Place truth, purpose, and integrity above profit, power, or personal gain. Let your decisions be guided by higher principles, not worldly idols.

## 2. "You shall not make for yourself a carved image... You shall not bow down to them or serve them." (Exodus 20:4–5)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Avoid idolising wealth, status, or systems. Stay committed to ethical values even when pressured by industry norms or short-term rewards.

## 3. "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain." (Exodus 20:7)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Honour sacred things. Speak and act with reverence, humility, and integrity—especially when invoking trust or making commitments.

## 4. "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." (Exodus 20:8) Corporate Principle:

Value rest, renewal, and reflection. We work with intensity, but we also honour balance, wellbeing, and the time to reconnect with purpose.

### 5. "Honour your father and your mother." (Exodus 20:12)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Respect heritage, authority, and the shoulders on which we stand. Show loyalty and gratitude to mentors, partners, and the legacy we are building.

### 6. "You shall not murder." (Exodus 20:13)

#### **Corporate Principle:**

Do no harm—physically, emotionally, financially, or reputationally. Our impact must always protect life, dignity, and humanity.



### 7. "You shall not commit adultery." (Exodus 20:14)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Be faithful—to your word, your team, and your mission. Honour the trust others place in you and uphold your professional relationships with integrity.

### 8. "You shall not steal." (Exodus 20:15)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Never take what isn't rightfully yours—whether information, credit, time, or resources. We operate with transparency and fairness at every level.

## 9. "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour." (Exodus 20:16)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Speak truth, even when it is costly. Reject gossip, misrepresentation, and deceit. Our reputation is built on clarity and honesty.

## 10. "You shall not covet... anything that is your neighbour's." (Exodus 20:17)

### **Corporate Principle:**

Practice contentment, gratitude, and focus. We strive for excellence—not by comparison, but through purpose-driven ambition.



## Goneke Investment Group (GIG) conducts business ethically, honestly, and in full compliance with applicable laws and regulations. This applies to every business decision in every area of the company worldwide:

At GIG, we are driven by a set of core values that guide our every action and decision. These values form the bedrock of our culture and serve as the compass for our interactions within our team, with our clients, and throughout our business endeavours.

- **1. HUMILITY:** At GIG, humility is not a posture it is our strength. We embrace a culture where learning never stops and ego never gets in the way of excellence. We acknowledge that no one has all the answers and that greatness comes from listening, adapting, and growing together. In our humility, we unlock innovation, empower collaboration, and remain open to truth even when it challenges us.
- **2. APPRECIATION:** We recognise that nothing great is built alone. Our culture is rooted in authentic appreciation for the work, the people, and the unseen sacrifices that drive our progress. Whether it's a colleague, a client, or a community partner, we honour contributions with gratitude and celebrate wins collectively. Through this spirit of appreciation, we fuel belonging, loyalty, and a shared sense of purpose.
- **3. RESPECT:** Respect at GIG is not merely practiced it's institutionalised. We honour the dignity, perspectives, and potential of every individual. From boardroom to grassroots, we cultivate an environment where every voice matters, where diversity is a strength, and where candour coexists with compassion. Respect enables us to engage with courage and build with conviction.
- **4. EMPATHY:** Empathy is our compass. It informs how we lead, how we invest, and how we serve. We seek to deeply understand the needs, dreams, and pain points of those we partner with and act with integrity in response. By embodying empathy, we earn trust, anticipate impact, and design solutions that resonate far beyond the balance sheet.

Together, these core values of humility, appreciation, respect, and empathy fuel our commitment to excellence, innovation, and positive impact. They define who we are as a company and guide us on our journey towards enhancing the quality of lives worldwide.



### A message from Darren M. Goneke

I founded this company not with a sole focus on profits, but with a grander vision—to enhance the well-being of humanity. Life Is composed by Our **CHOICES**, constructed by Our **WORDS**, and revealed by Our **CHARACTER**. Our ethical code reflects our profound respect for all individuals, and you should take pride in being an essential part of shaping this firm's identity.

Goneke Investment Group is steadfastly dedicated to upholding its esteemed reputation for excellence and unwavering integrity across all endeavours. The legacy we forge tomorrow will stand as a testament to each of you and the principled manner in which you steer the course of our business. With heartfelt gratitude, we extend our thanks to you.

The world has encountered trials and tribulations, many stemming from flawed ethical decisions or the absence of proper standards. Our time on this Earth serves as a judgment on our acknowledgment of the profound responsibilities that accompany abundant resources.

To ensure absolute clarity regarding the company's approach and the benchmarks that define us, we've compiled an encompassing Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. This guide is crafted to illuminate your path in decision-making.

It is of utmost importance that you not only peruse but internalise and adhere to these standards. This commitment will enable us to sustain our success and stand as a beacon of excellence in the years ahead.

Once again, we extend our appreciation for your diligence and collaboration in fortifying the esteemed reputation of GIG.

Darren M. Goneke

Founder, Chairman and CEO

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Integrity, honesty and sound judgment are fundamental to the reputation and success of Goneke Investment Group and its respective subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, "Goneke Investment Group", "GIG" the "Company" or the "Firm"). The policies outlined in this Code of Ethics (the "Code") are designed to ensure that all GIG directors, officers and employees not only conduct themselves lawfully at all times, but also maintain the highest ethical standards in every aspect of their dealings with other employees, the business community, clients, suppliers and government authorities.

The Firm is committed to providing equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, colour, religion, creed, gender, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, self-identified or perceived sex, gender identity or expression, the status of being transgender, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, alienage or citizenship status, age, disability, marital, familial, or partnership status, military or veteran status, predisposing genetic characteristics, status as a victim of domestic violence, sex offence, stalking, arrest or conviction record, caregiver status, credit history, unemployment status, uniformed service, or any other class or status protected by law in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws. This policy applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including but not limited to hiring, placement, promotion, termination, transfer, leave of absence, compensation and training. In addition, GIG prohibits any discriminatory conduct of its agents and non-employees who have contact with employees during working hours or at work-related events.

No employee should be misguided by any sense of false loyalty to the Firm or a desire for profitability that might cause him or her to disobey any applicable law or Firm policy. Violation of Firm policy will constitute grounds for disciplinary action, including, when appropriate, termination of service.

The Firm believes our people are our most important resource. We seek to hire the brightest and most talented and empower them to be better.

Management seeks to (1) foster a stimulating culture where there is a commitment to excellence; (2) promote and reward our personnel for their contributions and achievements; and (3) promote an ethical environment and a sense of mutual trust and shared responsibility.

The material contained in this Code, the Firm's Global Compliance Policies Manual (and related supplement) and Code of Ethics (such material referred to herein as the "Code of Conduct" or the "Code") serves as a guide for employees when faced with legal or ethical questions. The Code is not all-inclusive, and the Firm expects employees to use their own judgment at all times to follow the high ethical standards to which the Firm is committed.

The Firm takes this Code of Conduct very seriously. All employees must follow the ethical standards set forth in this Code and are obligated to report, in a timely fashion, any possible violations of law or of our ethical standards that they may witness or have a reasonable basis to believe exist. Reporting in good faith possible ethical violations by others will not subject you to reprisal. An employee retaliating or punishing another employee for reporting

suspected unethical or illegal conduct or any questionable situation may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination, and may be acting in violation of the law. As discussed below, all reports and inquiries will be handled confidentially to the greatest extent possible under the circumstances. It is the responsibility of employees to read carefully and understand this Code, but we do not expect this Code to answer every possible question an employee may have in the course of conducting business. To this end, employees should keep in mind the following steps as they consider a particular problem or concern:

### Always ask first, act later. If you are unsure of what to do in any situation, seek guidance before you act:

- Make sure you have all the facts. In order to reach the right solutions, we must be as fully informed as possible.
- Ask yourself: What specifically am I being asked to do? Does it seem unethical or improper? This will enable you to focus on the specific question you are faced with, and the alternatives you have. Use your judgment and common sense; if something seems unethical or improper, it probably is.
- Clarify your responsibility and role. In most situations, there is shared responsibility.
   Are your colleagues informed? It may help to get others involved and discuss the problem.
- Discuss the problem with your supervisor. This is the basic guidance for all situations. In many cases, your supervisor will be more knowledgeable about the question, and will appreciate being brought into the decision-making process. Remember that it is your supervisor's responsibility to help solve problems.
- Seek help from individuals other than your supervisor. In situations where it may not be appropriate to discuss an issue with your supervisor, or where you do not feel comfortable approaching your supervisor with your question, consider discussing the issue with someone from the Human Resources department. If the issue relates to a specific Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") or Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (as amended) matter, consider discussing the issue with the Legal and Compliance Department ("LCD"). In the case of accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, consider discussing the issue with the Chief Financial Officer or the audit committee of the board of directors.

If employees are concerned about an ethical situation or are not sure whether specific conduct meets the Firm's standards of conduct, employees are responsible for asking their supervisors or managers, the Chief Legal Officer ("CLO") or any other representative of the LCD, or the Human Resources Department any questions that they may feel are necessary to understand the Firm's expectations of them. If you believe you or another employee may have violated the law or our ethical standards, it is your responsibility to immediately report the violation to your supervisor or manager, a representative of the LCD or the Human Resources Department, or, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Employee and



Reporting Hotline or website described below. Similarly, if you are a supervisor or manager and you have received information from an employee concerning activity that he or she believes may violate the Code or that you believe may violate the Code, you should report the matter to a representative of the LCD or the Human Resources Department, the Audit Committee or the Employee and Reporting Hotline or website described below.

Employees who fail to comply (either in letter or spirit) with these policies, including supervisors or managers who fail to detect or report wrongdoing, may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. The following are examples of conduct that may result in discipline:

- Actions that violate a Firm policy;
- Requesting others to violate a Firm policy;
- Failure to promptly disclose a known or suspected violation of a Firm policy;
- Failure to cooperate in Firm investigations of possible violations of a Firm policy;
- Retaliation against another employee for reporting a good faith integrity concern;
   and
- Failure to demonstrate the leadership and diligence needed to ensure compliance with Firm policies and applicable law.

It is important to understand that a violation of certain of these policies may subject the Firm and the individual employee to civil liability and damages, regulatory sanction and/or criminal prosecution.

### **Employee and Reporting Hotline**

Employees interested in communicating a concern anonymously may call the Employee and Reporting Hotline, 24 hours a day from any country in which GIG has an office. Employees may also submit a report online at <a href="www.goneke.com">www.goneke.com</a>. At no time will the Employee Hotline utilise "Caller ID" technologies to identify an employee who wishes to remain anonymous. In order to facilitate positive action in response to employees' concerns, callers may give their names and work locations. Callers from the European Economic Area are encouraged to give their names and work locations. All reports and inquiries will be handled confidentially to the maximum extent practicable under the circumstances. As mentioned above, no employee will be subject to retaliation or punishment for good faith reporting of suspected violations of law or of our ethical standards by another employee or for coming forward to alert the Firm of any questionable situation. Furthermore, any person who participates in retaliation against such employee will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

Waivers of the Code Any waiver of any provision of this Code for executive officers or directors of Goneke Investment Group must be approved by the board of directors or a committee of the board of directors of Goneke Investment Group International Holdings and



will be promptly disclosed as required by applicable securities law and/or stock exchange rules.

### Respect at GIG

When Darren Goneke, under the instruction of the Holy Spirit formed the Firm in 2023, the aim was to build a group of related businesses, to attract the very best people and to provide an environment in which we could grow to become among the leaders in our respective business areas and make an impact on humanity. That has meant fostering an environment in which there was and is freedom of expression, constant interaction, attentive listening and consideration to personal and business issues at all levels.

All personnel should treat everyone, including fellow employees, clients, vendors and guests, with respect and dignity. We are all individually responsible for creating and maintaining a work environment that is built on these values.

### **Confidential Information**

The Firm regularly comes into possession of Confidential Information (as that term is defined below) in the course of the Firm's business. The Firm is strongly committed to protecting Confidential Information, whether entrusted to the Firm by an actual or prospective client, investor or portfolio company, generated within the Firm or obtained from some other source. The Firm is also strongly committed to avoiding the misuse, or the appearance of misuse, of such information, whether in connection with the trading of securities or otherwise.

During the course of employment by or association with GIG, employees may learn of or have access to information concerning the (i) business, (ii) affairs, (iii) operations, (iv) strategies, (v) policies, (vi) procedures, (vii) organisational and personnel matters related to any present or former employee of GIG, including compensation and investment arrangements, (viii) terms of agreements, (ix) financial structure, (x) financial position, financial results or other financial affairs, (xi) actual or proposed transactions or investments, (xii) investment results, (xiii) existing or prospective clients or investors, (xiv) computer programs or (xv) other confidential information related to the business of GIG or to its affiliates, actual or prospective portfolio companies or other third parties. Such information may have been or may be provided in written or electronic form or orally or otherwise accessed via a data room portal such as Intra-links. All of such information, from whatever source learned or obtained and regardless of the Company's connection to the information, is "Confidential Information."

Without limiting the foregoing, Confidential Information includes any information, whether public or not, which (1) represents, or is aggregated in such a way as to represent, or purport to represent, all or any portion of the investment results of, or any other information about the investment "track record" of, (a) the Firm, (b) a business group of the Firm, (c) one or more funds managed by affiliates of the Firm or (d) any individual or group of individuals

during their time at the Firm, or (2) describes an individual's role in achieving or contributing to any such investment results.

Confidential Information does not include information that has been made generally available to the public, but information that when viewed in isolation may be publicly known or can be accessed by a member of the public will still constitute Confidential Information for these purposes if such information has become proprietary to GIG through GIG's aggregation or interpretation of such information.

Because all of its Confidential Information constitutes a valuable asset of GIG and/or GIG's clients, without the prior written consent of GIG (which may be given or withheld in GIG's sole discretion) or GIG's clients, as applicable, no employee of GIG or any of its affiliates may, while he or she is employed by or associated with GIG or at any time thereafter, (a) disclose any Confidential Information to any person except at the direction of GIG or its clients, as applicable, (b) make any other use of any Confidential Information except in the business of GIG and in a manner which at all times is intended to serve the interests of GIG or its clients, or (c) disclose any information (whether or not Confidential Information) concerning GIG or its affiliates or its present or former employees, clients or investors to any reporter, author or similar person or entity or take any other action likely to result in such information being made available to the public in any form, including books, articles or writings of any other kind, film, videotape, electronic means of communication or any other medium, except in compliance with GIG policy. Any Firm personnel who fail to comply, either in letter or spirit, with these important policies may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. The Firm may pursue appropriate legal action against present or former employees or members to enforce these policies. In addition to complying with the important policies set forth above, employees and members are required to execute a confidentiality agreement prior to the commencement of employment and familiarise themselves with and acknowledge that agreement by their signature, as well as adhere to the policies and procedures set forth in the Firm's Global Compliance Policies Manual. The latter document contains important additional policies and procedures concerning Confidential Information and related matters. Notwithstanding any confidentiality or nondisclosure agreement (whether in writing or otherwise, including without limitation as part of an employment agreement, separation agreement or similar employment or compensation arrangement) applicable to a current or former employees, the Firm does not restrict any current or former employee from reporting, communicating, cooperating or filing a complaint on possible violations of federal, state or local law or regulation to or with any governmental agency or regulatory authority (collectively, a "Governmental Entity"), including, but not limited to, the, SEC, FINRA, EEOC or NLRB, or from making other disclosures to any Governmental Entity that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of federal, state or local law or regulation, provided that in each case such communications and disclosures are consistent with applicable law. Moreover, employees do not need to give prior notice to (or get prior authorisation from) GIG regarding any such communication or disclosure. In addition, the Firm does not restrict employees from discussing, disclosing or inquiring about wages to the extent consistent with applicable pay

equity laws, or from engaging in activity protected by the National Labor Relations Act; for example, non-managerial and non-supervisory employee discussions regarding their terms and conditions of employment.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

A conflict of interest occurs when an individual's private interest interferes, or even appears to interfere, with the interests of the Firm as a whole. A conflict of interest may arise when an employee takes actions or has interests that may make it difficult to perform his or her work objectively and effectively. Conflicts of interest also arise when an employee, officer or director, or a member of his or her family, receives improper personal benefits as a result of his or her position in the Firm. Loans to, or guarantees of obligations of, such persons are of special concern. Business decisions and actions must be based on the best interests of the Firm and its clients. Employees may not have outside interests that conflict or appear to conflict with their ability to make business decisions in the best interests of the Firm or its clients. Employees are expected to act solely for the benefit of the Firm and its clients and must not be influenced by a personal interest that may result from other individual or business concerns. Conflicts of interest are to be scrupulously avoided and, if unavoidable, must be disclosed to the LCD at the earliest opportunity. If you have any uncertainty about whether your actions or relationships present a conflict of interest, contact the LCD for guidance.

Family Members and Close Personal Relationships: Conflicts of interest may arise when doing business with organisations in which employees' family members have an ownership or employment interest. Family members include spouses, parents, children, siblings and inlaws. Employees may not conduct business on behalf of the Firm and may not use their influence to get the Firm to do business with family members or an organisation with which an employee or an employee's family member is associated unless specific written approval has been granted in advance by the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer or the CLO.

**Outside Employment / Directorships:** All employees are expected to devote their best efforts to their job at all times. Employees may not maintain outside employment activities that compromise job performance or that may present a conflict of interest. All outside business activities are subject to the prior approval of the Firm's LCD.

**Consultants and Agents:** Whenever it becomes necessary to engage the services of an individual or firm to consult for or represent the Firm, special care must be taken to ensure that no conflicts of interest exist between the Firm and the person or firm to be retained. Employees must also ensure that outside consultants and agents of the Firm are reputable and qualified. Agreements with consultants or agents should be in writing and should be approved by the CLO.

**Other Situations:** Because other conflicts of interest may arise, it would be impractical to attempt to list all possible situations. Any employee, officer or director who becomes aware of a conflict of interest or a potential conflict of interest should bring it to the attention of supervisor, manager or other appropriate personnel, the LCD or the CLO.



### **Corporate Opportunities**

It is the Firm's policy that employees, officers and directors may not take opportunities for themselves that are discovered through the use of Firm property, information or position, or use Firm property, information or position for personal gain. Furthermore, employees may not compete with the Firm directly or indirectly. Employees, officers and directors have a duty to the Firm to advance its legitimate interests when the opportunity to do so arises.

### **Protection and Proper Use of Firm Assets**

Theft, carelessness and waste have a direct impact on the Firm's profitability. Employees, officers and directors have a duty to safeguard Firm assets and ensure their efficient use. Firm assets should be used only for legitimate business purposes and employees and directors should take measures to ensure against their theft, damage, or misuse. Firm assets include intellectual property such as trademarks, business and marketing plans, salary information and any unpublished financial data and reports. Unauthorised use or distribution of this information is a violation of Firm policy.

### **Fair Dealing**

Each employee, officer and director shall endeavour to deal fairly with the Firm's equity holders, competitors, suppliers and employees. No employee or director shall take unfair advantage of anyone through manipulation, concealment, abuse of privileged information, misrepresentation of material facts, or any other unfair practice. No bribes, kickbacks or other similar payments in any form shall be made directly or indirectly to or for anyone for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business or obtaining any other favourable action. The Firm and the employee, officer or director involved may be subject to disciplinary action as well as potential civil or criminal liability for violation of this policy.

### **Relationships with Suppliers**

The Firm encourages good supplier relations. However, employees may not benefit personally, whether directly or indirectly, from any purchase of goods or services for the Firm. Employees whose responsibilities include purchasing (be it merchandise, fixtures, services or other), or who have contact with suppliers, must not exploit their position at the Firm for personal gain. Generally, employees may not receive cash or other items of value from any supplier, whether directly or indirectly unless it is not pursuant to a quid pro quo and is not related to hiring or other business decisions (e.g., random chance raffle). Ordinary and customary periodic holiday gifts of a de-minimus amount are also permitted, subject to compliance with any requirements of GIG as well as the business group in question



### **Compliance with Laws**

The Firm operates strictly within the bounds of the laws, rules and regulations that affect the conduct of our business. All employees are expected to know and to follow the law. Supervisors, managers or other appropriate personnel must ensure that employees understand and are informed of the requirements relating to their jobs. They must also be available to answer employee questions or concerns and, when necessary, to guide them to other subject-matter experts, including the Firm's outside counsel. There are serious consequences for failing to follow any applicable laws, rules and regulations, up to and including termination of employment and potential criminal and civil penalties.

## Governmental Filings and Responding to Governmental and Regulatory Requests

It is Firm policy to cooperate with all reasonable requests concerning Firm business from US federal, state, municipal and foreign government agencies, such as the Federal Trade Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Department of Justice, and from regulatory organisations such as FINRA and the New York Stock Exchange. All contacts, inquiries, or requests – written or oral – for information or documents by governmental or self- regulatory authorities, including representatives of the SEC, FINRA, the states and non-US regulators, should be reported immediately to the applicable CCO. In the case of telephone requests, the employee receiving the request should make sure to obtain the name, agency, address, and telephone number of the representative making such request and refer the inquiry to the LCD. With respect to filings made with US federal, state, municipal and foreign governmental agencies, particularly those filings (e.g., Apple Inc. filings) that are made in connection with an investment by the Firm, it is Firm policy that counsel retained by the Firm must generally be consulted prior to the submission of the filing with such agencies. In the event a decision not to contact outside counsel is made, written notification must be made to the CLO.

### **Insider Trading**

The Firm's policy against insider trading is designed to promote compliance with securities laws and to protect the Firm as well as Firm representatives from the very serious liability and penalties that can result from violations of these laws. The Firm is committed to maintaining its reputation for integrity and ethical conduct and this policy is an important part of that effort. It is GIG's policy that directors, executive officers and other employees of GIG may not trade securities, of the Firm or otherwise, about which they learn material, non-public information.



They are also prohibited from passing on such information to others who might make an investment decision based on it. Any questions as to whether information is material or has been adequately disclosed should be directed to the LCD. In addition, directors, executive officers and employees are prohibited from engaging in transactions in GIG's securities that are inconsistent with a long-term investment in GIG, signal a lack of confidence in GIG or may lead to the appearance of insider trading. Such transactions include any trading activity designed to profit from fluctuations in the price of these securities, such as "day trading" and arbitrage trading, short sales, buying securities on margin, and the use of forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, exchange funds, puts, calls, options and other derivative securities or any instruments designed to increase in value as a result of, or hedge or offset any decrease in, the market value of GIG's securities.

Any violation of the Firm's policies and procedures regarding personal securities trading by an employee or an employee's family member may result in dismissal, suspension, with or without pay, or other disciplinary sanctions against the employee, whether or not the violation of the Firm's policy also constitutes a violation of law.

### **Document Retention**

Destruction or falsification of any information that the Firm is required to retain pursuant to legal or regulatory requirements, or that is potentially relevant to any violation of law, government investigation or civil legal matter, may lead to prosecution for obstruction of justice, regulatory action, legal sanctions or other adverse consequences for the Firm. The Firm's Information Management and Legal Holds Policies govern the Firm's retention, preservation or destruction of information. Employees are required to manage, retain and dispose of Firm information in accordance with those policies. Questions with regard to retention or destruction of information should be directed to the CLO. Please refer to the Firm's Information Management Policy, Legal Holds Policy, and various compliance manuals for other provisions relating to information retention and disposal.

### **Taxes**

The Firm and its employees, whether acting on behalf of the Firm or individually, are not permitted to attempt to evade taxes or the payment of taxes. Neither should employees solicit clients on the basis of nor actively participate in assisting clients in attempting to evade the tax laws. The Firm and its employees, whether acting on behalf of the Firm or individually, are not permitted to (i) make false statements to tax authorities regarding any matter, (ii) file fraudulent returns, statements, lists or other documents, (iii) conceal property or withhold records from tax authorities, (iv) wilfully fail to file tax returns, keep required records or supply information to tax authorities or (v) wilfully fail to collect, account for or pay a tax. None of this prevents you from arranging your personal affairs in a manner serving to lawfully minimise the tax you are required to pay, and in so doing, you can consider all allowable deductions and credits that you may be entitled to claim. In addition to complying with the tax laws, employees must cooperate fully with any regulatory entity or governmental authority and may not interfere with the administration of the tax laws.



Payments and gifts to tax agents and other government officials are strictly prohibited. To this end, employees are required to refer business inquiries to the CLO and respond immediately to personal inquiries from a tax authority, including summons to testify or produce books, accounts, records, memoranda or other papers.

### Maliciously False, Defamatory, or Other Unlawful Remarks

Maliciously false, defamatory, or other unlawful remarks or statements about the Firm or any of its personnel are strictly prohibited. No employee of the Firm, directly or indirectly, may make, while in the employ of the Firm or at any time thereafter, any such remarks or statements (whether of a professional or personal nature) to any individual or other third party (including without limitation any present or former member, partner or employee of the Firm) or entity regarding the Firm or any of their respective affiliates, members, partners or employees, or regarding such employee's relationship with the Firm or the termination of such relationship. Employees who violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. The Firm may also pursue appropriate legal action against present or former employees or members to enforce this policy.

This policy does not prohibit employees from making truthful disclosures to governmental agencies.

### **Doing Business Internationally**

While the Firm must adapt to business customs and market practices in global markets, all employees worldwide should adhere to applicable US laws and regulations and Firm standards. Every employee involved in non-US operations should also respect the laws, cultures and customs of all countries in which the Firm operates and should conduct the Firm's overseas activities in a way that contributes to development in all such locales.

### Foreign Corrupt Practices Act / UK Bribery Act

GIG and its employees, agents and representatives must conduct their activities in full compliance with all applicable anti-corruption laws, including without limitation, the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), the UK Bribery Act, and any other anti-corruption laws that are in effect in the country in which the GIG employee, agent or representative operates. The FCPA reaches conduct occurring outside of the territorial boundaries of the United States and applies to domestic and foreign subsidiaries of GIG and to both US citizens and non-US citizens. Under the FCPA:

- GIG and its Senior Managing Directors, agents, officers and employees are prohibited from making or authorising the payment of either money or anything of value, directly or indirectly, to government officials, political parties or candidates for political office to win or retain business or influence any act or decision of such officials;
- All books, records and accounts, domestic and overseas, must accurately and fairly reflect business transactions and dispositions of GIG's assets;



• A system of internal accounting controls must be maintained to provide adequate corporate supervision over the accounting and reporting activities at all levels.

### **Disclaimer**

This Code is designed to acquaint directors, executive officers and employees with the Firm's policies with respect to business conduct and ethics. The information contained in this Code is not intended to represent all of the Firm's policies. In addition, directors, executive officers and employees should be aware that the Firm may revise, supplement or rescind any policies or portions of this Code at any time as it deems appropriate, in its sole and absolute discretion. This Code is the property of the Firm.

