

# US Overview of Services

The Maples Group in the US brings in-depth knowledge of a wide range of investment vehicles and structures, including regulatory and investor requirements, across an extensive global network. A robust institutional-grade infrastructure coupled with a highly responsive approach to client service ensures vehicles we act on are comprehensively supported in navigating the complexities of today's global business landscape.

# **Formation and Filing Services**

- Provide entity formation and registration services to US entities;
- Provide a registered agent address and service of process and mail forwarding services relating to the company;
- Coordination of all regulatory filings with the respective Secretary of State (including the payment of annual and government fees) in order to maintain regulatory compliance and good standing of entities;
- Provide secure online access to entity data via our online portal, eServices. Information available via the portal includes key corporate records such as appointments, operating agreements and transaction documents.

# Company Secretarial & Board Support Services

• Act as the named company secretary and registered office, maintaining the statutory registers, minute books and seals;

- Provide meeting facilities and initiate and attend board of director and annual general meetings either via telephone or in person;
- Prepare and distribute agendas, board packs, minutes and action items to relevant parties; and
- Sign secretarial certificates, arrange for the execution of agreements, liaise with third parties and provide copies of other documents prepared or retained by us as company secretary.

# **Directorship Services**

- Provide independent, non-executive directors / managers based in Delaware with appropriate experience in investment funds, structured finance vehicles and corporate entities;
- Provide independent directors / managers for bankruptcy remote special purpose entities; and
- Provide directors or managing members to vehicles which can act as general partner.

#### **Trustee Services**

 Provide trust administration services to Delaware statutory trusts; and • Act as collateral and / or security agent.

# Accounting, Tax & Agency Services

- Prepare US GAAP and IFRS consolidated accounts;
- Monitor obligations and prepare waterfall or other calculations required under the transaction documents;
- Act as escrow agent and provide paying agent services;
- Liaise with the IRS on behalf of a client company for the purposes of an EIN application;
- Prepare relevant IRS Forms W-8 or W-9\*;
- Provide daily or monthly corporate / management accounting where required;
- Provide designated US based 'Partnership Representative' as required for US partnerships for tax purposes; and
- Liaise with auditor(s), where applicable.

#### **Permanent Office Services**

- Provide offices for use by the client company;
- Assist with the procurement of employees to be contracted directly with the client company;
- Facilitate mail delivery and forwarding;
- Provide access to meeting rooms with A / V capabilities; and
- Store corporate records.

#### **Process Agent Services**

• Provide process agent services in all US States.

### Bureau of Economic Analysis ("BEA") Filing Services

• Provide survey respondent services to assist clients with their filings, including collating, reviewing and submitting required data to the BEA.

#### **Corporate Transparency Act Services**

- Prepare and submit beneficial ownership information report filings as required by the US Corporate Transparency Act ("CTA");
- Develop protocol and processes to support clients' entity formation process to ensure compliance with the CTA; and
- Develop efficient workflows to support client CTA filings throughout the full lifecycle of their entities.

#### **Entity Management Services**

- Provide centralised compliance, data and document management, and billing solutions to meet client requirements; and
- Design protocols and processes to meet client requirements and promote efficiencies across teams and regions.

# **Liquidation Services**

• Provide filing services in respect of cancelling or deregistering entities with the Secretary of State.

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\*based on certain confirmations from qualified tax advisors