

## Compliance Auditor's Report

To the Members of Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited

Compliance Audit Report as per the Regulation 19(3) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013 for the Financial Year 2022-23.

We have conducted a compliance audit of **Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited** ('the Company'), having its registered office at 142, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Maker Chamber VI, 220 Jamnalal Bajaj Marg, Nariman Point, Mumbai 400 021 in pursuance of the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Investment Advisors) Regulations, 2013 ('the Regulations'), and we annex hereto summary of our observations.

## Management's responsibility for compliance with the Regulations

Compliance with the provisions as laid down by the Regulations is solely the responsibility of the management of the Company. This responsibility, inter alia, includes compliance with capital adequacy requirement and qualification and certification requirement along with fulfilling certain general responsibilities and disclosure requirements as mentioned in the Regulations.

# Compliance Officers' responsibility for monitoring the compliance in respect of the Regulations

Monitoring compliance with the Regulations is solely the responsibility of the Compliance Officer who is appointed by the Company. This responsibility includes monitoring the compliance by the Company in respect of the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1922, the Regulations, notifications, guidelines and instructions issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ('SEBI').

## Our responsibility

- 1. Pursuant to clause 19(3) of the Regulations, it is our responsibility to conduct a compliance audit, form an opinion on the same, and to report our opinion to the Management of the Company.
- 2. We have conducted our examination, on a test basis to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the Company has complied with all the provisions as laid down in the Regulations. We have compared the information provided to us by the Company with the relevant records, documentation given to us, wherever possible. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Opinion

In our opinion and to the best of our knowledge and according to examination of relevant documents and explanations given to us, the Company has complied with the provisions of the Regulations.

#### Disclaimer of Opinion

Regulation 15(6) states that the investment adviser shall not divulge any confidential information about its client, which has come to its knowledge, without taking prior permission of its clients, except where such disclosures are required to be made in compliance with any law for the time being in force. To the best of our knowledge, we have not come across any instances of the non - compliance with the said clause, however, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate evidence to form an opinion / conclusion of the Company's statement in this regard. Accordingly, we are not in a position to express an opinion.





#### Restrictions on use

Our work was performed solely to obtain an assurance in respect of whether the Company has complied with all the clauses of the Regulations.

This audit report has been issued at the request of the Company, to whom it is addressed, for the purpose of obtaining an assurance as to whether the Company has complied with the provisions as laid down in the Regulation (only). It should not be used for any other purpose. We do not accept or assume any liability or duty of care for any other purpose or any other person on whom this audit report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

For **ZADN & Associates**Chartered Accountants

ICAI Firm Registration No. 112306W

Abuali Darukhanawala

Partner (Membership No. 108053) UDIN: 23108053BGUQGK3745

September 22, 2023 Mumbai

# Annexure-I to Compliance Auditor's Report

Name of BASL enrolled Investment Adviser	Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited
BASL Membership ID.	BASL1627
SEBI Registration No.	INA000001811
Annual compliance Audit Report for FY ended	2022-2023

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Regulation	Particulars	Compliance Status	Reasons for non-compliance/Non- applicability	Action taken on adverse findings	
Regulation 3	Application for grant of certificate  (1) No person shall act as an investment adviser or hold itself out as an investment adviser unless he has obtained a certificate of registration from the Board under these regulations.	Complied (Refer Attachment 1 and 2)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Regulation 6	Consideration of application and eligibility criteria  Regulation 6 states all matters, which are relevant for the purpose of grant of certificate of registration.	Complied	The company is already registered under SEBI and hence this regulation is complied with.	Not Applicable	
Regulation 7	Qualification and certification requirement An individual investment adviser or a principal officer of a non-individual investment adviser registered as an investment adviser under these regulations and persons associated with investment advice shall have minimum qualification and certification requirements as mentioned in Regulation 7(1) and 7(2).	I'	The Principal Officer as well as employees associated with investment advice have procured minimum qualification as well as certification requirements except for some instances.	The Company has an oversight and has purelevant controls. In place for the employees who have to appear for the NISM examination and whose NISM certificates are due for renewal.	

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Regulation	Particulars	Compliance Status	Reasons for non-compliance/Non- applicability	Action taken on adverse findings	
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P	Qualification and certification requirement	Not Applicable	Since the company is not an Individual IA,	Not Applicable	
/2020/182 (Dated	Existing individual IAs above fifty years of age shall not be		this SEBI Circulation is not applicable to it		
September 23, 2020)	required to comply with the qualification and experience				
Clause (iv)	requirements specified under Regulation 7(1) (a) and 7(1) (b) of				
	the amended IA Regulations. However, such IAs shall hold NISM				
	accredited certifications and comply with other conditions as				
	specifies under Regulation 7(2) of the amended IA regulations at				
	all times.				
Regulation 8	Net worth	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
	(1) Investment advisers who are non-individuals shall have a net				
	worth of not less than fifty lakh rupees.				
	(2) Investment advisers who are individuals shall have net				
	tangible assets of value not less than five lakh rupees.				
Regulation 13	Conditions of certificate	Not applicable	To the best of our knopwledge, no such	Not applicable	
	(b) The investment adviser shall inform the Board in writing, if		instances were noticed during the period		
	any information or particulars previously submitted to the Board		under audit.		
	are found to be false or misleading in any material particular or if				
	there is any material change in the information already				
	submitted.				
EBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P	Registration as Non-Individual Investment Advisor	Not Applicable	Since the company is not an Individual IA,	Not applicable	
2020/182 (Dated	An individual IA, whose number of clients exceed one hundred		this SEBI Circulation is not applicable to it		
eptember 23, 2020)	and fifty in total, shall apply for registration as non-individual				
Clause 2(v)	investment adviser within such time as specified under this				
	clause.				
Regulation 15	General Responsibility	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
	The regulation 15 imposes certain responsibilities on the				
	Investment Adviser for the transactions it undertakes on behalf of				
	its clients.				
Regulation 15 A	Fees	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
	Investment Adviser shall be entitled to charge fees for providing				
	investment advice from a client in the manner as specified by the				
	Board.				

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SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P /2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(iii)	<u>Fees</u> Investment Advisers shall charge fees from the clients in either Assets under Advice (AUA) mode or Fixed fee mode.	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Regulation 16	Risk profiling This involves profiling, assessing the risk appetite of each client individually, and communication of such profile to the respective client.	Complied (Refer Attachment 5 and 6)	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Regulation 17	<u>Suitability</u> Investment adviser shall ensure suitability of the advice being provided to the client.	Complied (Refer Attachment 5)	Not applicable	Not applicable	
	Risk profiling and suitability for non-individual clients  (b) In case of non-individual clients, IA shall use the investment policy as approved by board/management team of such non-individual clients for risk profiling and suitability analysis.  (c) The discretion to share the investment policy/relevant excerpts of the policy shall lie with the non-individual client. However, IA shall have discretion not to onboard non-individual clients if they are unable to do risk profiling of the non-individual client in the absence of investment policy.	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Regulation 18	<u>Disclosure to clients</u> This involves disclosure of all necessary information by the investment adviser to its clients.	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Regulation 19	Maintenance of records This regulation requires maintenance of certain records, preservation of the same and audit of such records by the prescribed professional.	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable	

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SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P	Maintenance of record	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable
/2020/182 (Dated	IA shall maintain and preserve records of interactions, with all			
September 23, 2020)	clients including prospective clients, where any conversation			
Clause 2(vi)	related to advice has taken place, in the form as specified under			
	this clause.			
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P	Agreement between IA and the client	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable
/2020/182 (Dated	IA shall enter into an investment advisory agreement with its			
September 23, 2020)	clients as prescribed under this clause and shall ensure that			
Clause 2(ii)	neither any investment advice is rendered nor any fee is charged			
	until the client has signed the aforesaid agreement.			
Regulation 20	Appointment of Compliance officer	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable
	An investment adviser shall appoint a compliance officer who	(Refer Attachment		
	shall be responsible for monitoring the compliance by the	7)		
	investment adviser.			
Regulation 21	Redressal of client grievances	Complied	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Investment adviser shall redress client grievances promptly			
	through an adequate procedure.			

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Regulation	Particulars	Compliance Status	Reasons for non-compliance/Non- applicability	Action taken on adverse findings	
Regulation 22	Client level segregation of advisory and distribution activities  (1) An individual investment adviser shall not provide distribution services.  (2) The family of an individual investment adviser shall not provide distribution services to the client advised by the individual investment adviser and no individual investment adviser shall provide advice to a client who is receiving distribution services from other family members.  (3) A non-individual investment adviser shall have client level segregation at group level for investment advisory and distribution services.  (4) Non-individual investment adviser shall maintain an arm's length relationship between its activities as investment adviser and distributor by providing advisory services through a separately identifiable department or division.	Not Applicable	Based on the details and information provided to and verified by us and to the best of our knowledge, the Company does not provide any such distribution services. Furthermore, the company is only providing investment advisory services and hence they are maintaining arm's length relationship	Not applicable	
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P /2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(i)	Client Level Segregation of Advisory and Distribution Activities Compliance and monitoring process for client segregation at group or family level shall be in accordance with the guidelines as specified under this clause.	Not Applicable	Based on the details and information provided to and verified by us and to the best of our knowledge, the Company does not provide any distribution services. Furthermore, the company is only providing investment advisory services.	Not Applicable	

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Regulation 22A	Implementation of advice or execution  (1) Investment adviser may provide implementation services to advisory clients, provided no consideration shall be obtained directly or indirectly either at group level or at family level.  (2) Investment adviser shall provide implementation services only through direct schemes.  (3) Investment adviser or group or family of investment adviser shall not charge any implementation fees from the client.  (4) The client shall not be under any obligation to avail implementation services offered by the investment adviser.	Complied	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P /2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(ix)	Display of details on website and in other communication channels  IAs shall prominently display the information as specified under this clause, on its website, mobile app, printed or electronic materials, know your client forms, client agreements and other correspondences with the clients.	Complied	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
(SEBI/HO/MIRSD2/DOR/ CIR/P/2020/221) dated November 03, 2020)	Compliance of the SEBI circular for Advisory for financial Sector Organizations regarding Software as a Service (SaaS) based solutions for half-yearly ended 30th September 2022 and 31st March 2023	Complied	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		

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SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II CIS/P/CIR/2021/0686 (Dated December 13, 2021)	Publishing Investor Charter and disclosure of Investor Complaints  (2) All registered investment advisers are required to publish investor charter on their websites and mobile applications. If registered investment adviser does not have websites/mobile applications, then as a one-time measure, send investor charter to the investors on their registered e-mail address.  (3) All registered investment advisers are required to disclose the details of investor complaints by seventh of the succeeding month on a monthly basis on their websites and mobile applications. If investment adviser does not have websites/mobile applications, then send status of investor complaints to the investors on their registered email on a monthly basis.	Complied	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	

## For ZADN & Associates

**Chartered Accountants** 

ICAI Firm Registration No. 112306W

Abuali Darukhanawala

Partner

Membership No. 108053 UDIN: 23108053BGUQGK3745

Date: September 22, 2023

Mumbai



For Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited

Kartik Kini

Chief Operating Officer & Brand Custodian

Date: September 22, 2023

Mumbai



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# Addendum to Compliance Auditor's Report

Name of BASL enrolled Investment Adviser	Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited
BASL Membership ID.	BASL1627
SEBI Registration No.	INA00001811
Annual compliance Audit Report for FY ended	2022-2023
Details of Principal Officer	
A. Name	A. Ms. Soumya Rajan
B. Contact Details	B. +91 022 66210700 and
	principal.officer@waterfieldadvisors.com
Details of Compliance Officer	
A. Name	A. Mr. Kartik Kini
B. Contact Details	B. +91 022 66210700 and kartik.kini@waterfieldadvisors.com
No. of Clients	
Total No. of Clients as on March 31, 2023	
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Regulation	Annual Compliance Ai Particulars	udit Report for F. Y Compliance Status	. 2022-2023  Reasons for non-compliance/Non- applicability	Action taken on adverse findings
Cyber Security Awareness	A. Whether any planned Cyber Security Awareness carried out among employees, stakeholders and clients? B. If Yes, details of Cyber Security Awareness programme conducted in the Audit FY	Complied	Refer Annexure A below.	awerse midnigs
SEBI / BASL Inspections	Last SEBI / BASL Inspection carried out date and Whether complied with inspection Observations.	Not Applicable	No SEBI/BASL Inspection carried out till date for the Company.	
SEBI Circular No.:	Audit:	Complied		
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/	a) As per regulation 19(3) of the amended IA			
P/2020/182 dated	Regulations, IA shall ensure that annual audit			
September 23, 2020	in respect of compliance of SEBI (Investment			
	Advisers) Regulations, 2013 and circulars			
	issued thereunder is conducted. The audit			
	shall be completed within six months from the			
	end of each financial year.	¥		
SEBI Circular No.:	Audit:	Not Applicable	No adverse finding was reported in	
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/	b) The adverse findings of the audit, if any, along	7.	Investment Adviser Annual Audit	
P/2020/182 dated	with action taken thereof duly approved by the		Report for FY 2021-22	
	individual IA/management of the non-individual		2021-22	
	IA, shall be reported to respective SEBI office			
	(based on the registered address of IA) within a period of one month from the date of the audit			
	report but not later than October 31st of each year			
,	for the previous financial year starting with the			
	financial year ending March 31, 2021.			
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# For ZADN & Associates

**Chartered Accountants** 

ICAI Firm Registration No. 112306W

Abuali Darukhanawala

Partner

Membership No. 108053 UDIN:23108053BGUQMH4402

Date: November 17, 2023

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For Waterfield Financial and Investment Advisors Private Limited

Kartik Kini

Chief Operating Officer & Brand Custodian

Date: November 17, 2023

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