

# Account Transfer (Re-Registration) Form (RIAs)

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## 1. Transferor/Seller (Indicate the exact name of the transferor/seller and include any custodial information)

Class D Shares       Class I Shares

Transferor/Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Transferor/Seller \_\_\_\_\_

Transferor/Seller Social Security/Taxpayer ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Transferor/Seller Social Security/Taxpayer ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Ares Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Custodian/Trustee Tax ID #, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Brokerage Account Number, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

If transferring out of a trust account please check appropriate box:       Grantor Trust       Non-Grantor Trust

## 2. Transferor/Seller Information (check all that apply)

Reason for Transfer:  Re-registration (Change of name, individual to trust, etc.) but otherwise no change to the ultimate beneficial owner of the shares)       Death (Include copy of Death Certificate) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Divorce (Include copy of Divorce Decree)       Gift       Custodian Change

Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Market Transfer: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Transfer Quantity: Number/Percentage of shares to be transferred/sold: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Transferor/Seller Signatures

The Transferor/Seller hereby certifies and represents that Transferor/Seller has possession of valid title and all requisite power to assign and transfer such shares and that the assignment and transfer is in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations and further certifies, under penalty of law, that the reason for transfer provided is correct. By signing below, the Transferor/Seller hereby acknowledges the disclosure in Section 9 of this form.

Signature of Transferor/Seller or Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Co-Transferor/Seller or Trustee, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Custodian \_\_\_\_\_

Guarantor: Affix Medallion Signature Guarantee here.

A Medallion Signature Guarantee is required for transferor/seller/custodian signature(s). A notary public is not an acceptable guarantor.

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## 4. Transferee/Buyer Information (All authorized owners must sign in Section 9)

### A. Type of Ownership

Does your account have a custodian or are your shares held in a brokerage/advisory account?

Yes  No

If yes, please complete the section below and deliver a completed account transfer form to your custodian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Custodian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Account #

Please select one type of ownership below

#### Non-Qualified

- Individual Ownership
  - Transfer on Death  
Fill out Transfer on Death Form to effect designation.  
(Available through your financial professional)
- Tenants in Common
  - Transfer on Death  
Fill out Transfer on Death Form to effect designation.  
(Available through your financial professional)
- Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship
- Community Property
- Uniform Gift to Minors Act
- Plan  
Additional documentation required in Section 4.
- Trust  
Additional documentation required in Section 4.
- Corporation/Partnership  
Additional documentation required in Section 4.
- Other (Specify)

#### Qualified

- Traditional IRA
- Roth IRA
- Decedent IRA
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Deceased
- Simplified Employee Pension/Trust (SEP)
- Other (Specify)

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## B. Investor Information

(Individual Investor/Trustee/Executor/Authorized Signatory information)

First Name Last Name

Social Security/Taxpayer ID # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Telephone # Email Address

Residential Address (no P.O. Box)

Street Address City State Zip

Mailing Address (if different from above)

Street Address City State Zip

Please Indicate Citizenship Status

U.S. Citizen  Resident Alien  Non-Resident Alien

## C. Co-Investor Information

(Individual Co-Investor/Co-Trustee/Co-Authorized Signatory Information, if applicable)

First Name Last Name

Social Security/Taxpayer ID # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Telephone #

Residential Address (no P.O. Box)

Street Address City State Zip

Mailing Address (if different from above)

Street Address City State Zip

Please Indicate Citizenship Status

U.S. Citizen  Resident Alien  Non-Resident Alien

## D. Entity Information – Retirement Plan/Trust/Corporation/Partnership/Other

(Trustee(s) and/or Authorized Signatory(s) information MUST be provided in Sections 4B and 4C)

Entity Name Entity Tax ID # Date of Trust

Entity Type (Select one – required)

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Plan  | <input type="checkbox"/> LLC (Plan documentation required)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taxable Trust (First and last pages of the trust document required)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership (Plan documentation required) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax-exempt Trust (First and last pages of the trust document required) | <input type="checkbox"/> Estate (Letter of Testamentary required)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> S-Corp (Corporate Resolution required)                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> C-Corp (Corporate Resolution required)                                 |  |

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## 5. E-Consent

Instead of receiving paper copies of the Prospectus, prospectus supplements, annual reports, proxy statements, tax documents, and other shareholder communications and reports, you may elect to receive electronic delivery of shareholder communications from ASIF. If you would like to consent to electronic delivery, including pursuant to email, please initial below for this election.

ASIF encourages you to reduce printing and mailing costs and to conserve natural resources by electing to receive electronic delivery of shareholder communications and statement notifications. By consenting below to electronically receive shareholder communications, including your account-specific information, you authorize ASIF to either (i) email shareholder communications to you directly or (ii) make them available on ASIF's website and notify you by email when and where such documents are available.

Your consent to electronic delivery will be on an unlimited duration and you will not receive paper copies of these electronic materials unless (i) specifically requested, (ii) you inform ASIF in writing that you revoke your consent, (iii) the delivery of electronic materials is prohibited or (iv) ASIF, in its sole discretion, elects to send paper copies of the materials.

By consenting to electronic access, you will be responsible for certain costs, such as your customary internet service provider charges and may be required to download software in connection with access to these materials. You understand that there are possible risks associated with electronic delivery such as emails not transmitting, links failing to function properly and system failure of online service providers, and that there is no warranty or guarantee given concerning the transmissions of email, the availability of the website, or information on it, other than as required by law. You agree to promptly notify ASIF of any change in your email address. You agree that ASIF's sending of the notice or email will constitute good and effective delivery of the information to you, regardless of whether you actually access the website containing the information or open the email and/or attachments. The documents and other information delivered electronically may be formatted in Adobe Acrobat's portable document format ("PDF"), hypertext mark-up language or other file formats ASIF deems appropriate. In order to view or print documents provided in PDF format, you will have to obtain the Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free of charge at Adobe's website (located at [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com)), and install it on your computer. You are responsible for having any necessary hardware, software or other technology to access the information sent electronically, including a printer or other device to download and save any information that you may wish to retain.

Initials \_\_\_\_\_ I consent to electronic delivery.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

If blank, the email address provided in Section 4 will be used.

## 6. Transfer Information

### Transfer Quantity

Number/Percentage of shares to be transferred/bought: \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Price (to the extent applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you already own ASIF shares?  Yes  No

## 7. Distributions

Only complete the following information if you do not wish to enroll in the Distribution Reinvestment Plan.

### Non-Custodial Ownership

I prefer that my distribution be deposited directly into the account listed below.

I prefer that my distribution be paid by check and sent to the address in Section 4.

### Custodial Ownership

I prefer that my distribution be sent to my Custodian for deposit into my Custodial account cited in Transferee/Buyer Section 4.

If you wish to enroll in the Distribution Reinvestment Plan, check this box:

If you wish to enroll in the Distribution Reinvestment Plan, please complete the information below. If you do not make an election, then your distributions will be paid in cash to your custodian OR address of record.

I authorize ASIF or its agent to deposit my distribution into my checking or savings account. This authority will remain in force until I notify ASIF in writing to cancel it. If ASIF deposits funds erroneously into my account, it is authorized to debit my account for an amount not to exceed the amount of the erroneous deposit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Financial Institution

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) on Account

\_\_\_\_\_  
ABA Number/Bank Account Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Account Number

Checking (Attach a voided check.)  Savings (Attach a voided deposit slip.)  Brokerage

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## 8. Registered Investment Adviser (To be completed by the Registered Investment Adviser (RIA)).

The Registered Investment Adviser ("RIA") or authorized representative ("RIA Representative") must sign below to complete the order. The undersigned confirms by its signature, on behalf of the RIA, that it (i) has reasonable grounds to believe that the information and representations concerning the transferee(s)/buyer(s), including the eligibility to purchase shares, identified herein are true, correct and complete in all respects; (ii) has verified that the form of ownership selected is accurate, secured all identifying and supporting documents, including, without limitation, copies of trust agreements, where applicable, and, if other than individual ownership, has verified that the individual executing on behalf of the transferee(s)/buyer(s) is properly authorized and identified; (iii) has discussed such transferee's/buyer's prospective purchase of shares with such transferee(s)/buyer(s) and (iv) has advised such transferee(s)/buyer(s) of all pertinent facts with regard to the liquidity and marketability of the shares.

The RIA is not authorized or permitted to give and represents that it has not given, any information or any representation concerning the shares except as set forth in the Prospectus and any additional sales literature which has been approved in advance in writing by ASIF ("Supplemental Information"). ASIF has supplied the RIA with the Prospectus as well as any Supplemental Information, for delivery to the transferee(s)/buyer(s), and the RIA has delivered a copy of the Prospectus to the transferee(s)/buyer(s) (x) prior to or simultaneously with the first delivery of Supplemental Information or any other materials regarding ASIF to such transferee(s)/buyer(s) and (y) at least five (5) business days prior to the RIA and such transferee/buyer(s) signing this. The RIA represents that it has not shown or given to the transferee(s)/buyer(s) or reproduced any material or writing which was supplied to it by ASIF or its agents and marked "RIA only" or otherwise bearing a legend denoting that it is not to be shared with or given to transferees/buyers. The RIA further represents that it will retain such documents and records as required under applicable law and will make such documents available to (a) ASIF upon request; and (b) representatives of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and applicable state securities administrators upon ASIF's receipt of an appropriate document subpoena or other appropriate request for documents from any such agency.

The RIA hereby agrees to, and shall, indemnify and hold harmless Ares Wealth Management Solutions, LLC ("AWMS"), ASIF, their respective affiliates, and any members, principals, directors, officers, partners, employees or agents of the foregoing (collectively, "Ares Affiliates"), against any and all direct or third-party claims, losses, damages, or liabilities, joint or several, including but not limited to any claims, losses, damages, or liabilities relating to or regarding the suitability of the investment for the transferee/buyer, whether or not the investment was in the best interest of the transferee/buyer, and/or any claims relating to statements made by the RIA to the transferee/buyer with respect to the purchase of shares or otherwise with respect to ASIF (including any investigative, legal, and other costs and expenses reasonably incurred in connection with, and any amounts paid in settlement of any action, suit, proceeding, or legislative or regulatory inquiry) (collectively "Claims"), for which any of the Ares Affiliates may become subject, to the extent that such Claims arise out of or are based upon: (i) the RIA's fraud, willful default, or negligence; or (ii) the RIA's (a) violation of applicable law or regulation, (b) misrepresentation to the transferee(s)/buyer(s), (c) breach of any warranty or representation of the RIA herein, (d) unauthorized use of ASIF's sales materials, use of any documents other than as permitted pursuant to this account transfer form and the Prospectus, or use of unauthorized verbal representations concerning ASIF or any class of ASIF's shares, or (e) material failure to fulfill any covenant or agreement of the RIA contained herein.

If the RIA is obligated to provide indemnification pursuant to this account transfer form, the RIA shall not be liable under the indemnification provisions of this account transfer form with respect to a party or other person entitled to indemnification hereunder (the "Indemnified Party") unless such Indemnified Party shall have notified the RIA in writing within a reasonable time after notice giving information of the nature of the claim shall have been received by such Indemnified Party, but failure to notify the RIA of any such claim shall not relieve the RIA from any liability that it may have to the Indemnified Party against whom such claim is made, except to the extent that the failure to notify results in the failure of actual notice to the RIA and such indemnifying party is materially damaged by being unable effectively to defend such claim solely as a result of failure to give or delay in giving such notice.

In case an action is brought directly against the Indemnified Party, or the Indemnified Party becomes directly involved in the action, the RIA will be entitled to participate, at its own expense, in the defense thereof. The RIA also shall be entitled to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to the Indemnified Party in its reasonable judgment. After notice from the RIA to the Indemnified Party of the RIA's election to assume the defense thereof, the Indemnified Party shall bear the fees and expenses of any additional counsel retained by it, and the RIA will not be liable to such party under this account transfer form for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such party independently in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation, unless (i) the RIA and the Indemnified Party shall have mutually agreed to the retention of such counsel or (ii) the named parties to any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the RIA and the Indemnified Party and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between or among them. The RIA shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent but if settled with such consent, the RIA agrees to indemnify the Indemnified Party from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement. The RIA may settle any Claim covered by indemnification hereunder, provided such settlement involves solely the payment of money and a complete and total release from said Claim. The Indemnified Party shall not unreasonably withhold consent to any settlement which does not involve injunctive relief. A successor by law of the Indemnified Parties shall be entitled to the benefits of the indemnification contained in this account transfer form.

The RIA represents that it is presently registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"), and has complied with registration or notice filing requirements of the appropriate regulatory agency of each state in which the RIA has clients or is exempt from such registration requirements. The RIA represents that it is in compliance with all the applicable requirements imposed upon it under (a) the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Advisers Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated under each such act, (b) all applicable state securities laws and regulations as from time to time in effect, (c) any other state and federal laws and regulations applicable to the activities of the RIA pursuant to this account transfer form, including without limitation the privacy standards and requirements of state and federal laws, including the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999, and the laws governing money laundering abatement and anti-terrorist financing efforts, including the applicable rules of the SEC, the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended, and the sanctions programs administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"); and (d) this account transfer form and the Prospectus as amended and supplemented. The RIA's acceptance of this account transfer form constitutes a representation to ASIF that the RIA is a properly registered or licensed registered investment adviser, duly authorized to perform those activities contemplated by this account transfer form under federal and state securities laws and regulations and in the states in which such activities occur.

The RIA acknowledges that the transferee who purchases shares pursuant to this account transfer form is a "customer" of the RIA and not of ASIF, AWMS, or their affiliates. The RIA hereby represents and warrants that (a) it has implemented its own anti-money laundering program that is consistent with the requirements of 31 U.S.C. 5318(h) and will update such anti-money laundering program as necessary to implement changes in applicable laws and guidance; (b) it (or its agent) has implemented and maintained a customer identification program ("CIP") consistent with the requirements of Section 326 of the USA PATRIOT Act and analogous to the CIP rule requirements applicable to broker-dealers in securities (31 C.F.R. § 1023.220) or mutual funds (31 C.F.R. § 1024.220), and the CDD Rule requirements as outlined in 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230, and a customer due diligence ("CDD") program consistent with the requirements of 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230; (c) it monitor for and promptly disclose to ASIF potentially suspicious or unusual activity detected as part of the CIP and/or CDD Rule procedures being performed in order to enable ASIF (or its agent) to file a suspicious activity report, as appropriate based on the ASIF's judgment; (d) check the names of new and existing customers against government watch lists, including OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals And Blocked Persons List. The RIA agrees to notify ASIF immediately if the RIA is subject to any SEC disclosure event or a fine from the SEC related to foregoing. Upon request by ASIF (or its agent) at any

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time, the RIA hereby agrees to furnish (i) a copy of its written anti-money laundering compliance program ("AML Program") to ASIF (or its agent) for review, and (b) a copy of the findings and any remedial actions taken in connection with the RIA's most recent independent testing of its AML Program (as applicable).

The RIA represents and warrants that: (a) it is not a registered broker-dealer, that its activities do not require it to register as a broker-dealer under any federal or state laws, and that no RIA Representative is licensed or registered with a registered broker-dealer or required to be so licensed or registered; or (b) to the extent that the RIA is also registered as broker-dealer, or that the RIA Representatives are also licensed or registered with a registered broker-dealer, the RIA and the RIA Representative are appropriately licensed and registered under federal and state law and regulations, and members of and licensed with each applicable self-regulatory organization ("SRO"), including FINRA, and that the RIA and each RIA personnel has complied with all federal, state and SRO requirements applicable to the activities contemplated under this account transfer form.

The RIA and the RIA Representatives understand and acknowledge that they are not entitled to any compensation from the Ares Affiliates in respect of any services it provides to the transferee(s)/buyer(s), including but not limited to the matters described herein and/or investments by the transferee(s)/buyer(s) in the ASIF.

The RIA represents that the transferee(s)/buyer(s) meet(s) the financial qualifications set forth in the Prospectus or in any letter, memorandum or other communication sent to it by ASIF and a person who is eligible to purchase the applicable class of shares as described in the Prospectus. The RIA has made every reasonable effort to determine that the purchase of shares and, if applicable, the election to participate in the distribution reinvestment plan by the transferee/buyer is a suitable and appropriate investment for such transferee/buyer. In making this determination, the RIA has ascertained that the transferee/buyer: (a) meets the minimum income and net worth standards established for the ASIF, as described in the Prospectus; (b) can reasonably benefit from the investment in ASIF based on the prospective transferee's/buyer's overall investment objectives and portfolio structure; (c) is able to bear the economic risk of the investment based on the prospective transferee's/buyer's overall financial situation; and (d) has apparent understanding of (1) the fundamental risks of the investment; (2) the risk that the transferee/buyer may lose the entire investment; (3) the lack of liquidity of the shares; (4) the restrictions on transferability of the shares; (5) the tax consequences of the investment; and (6) the background of ASIF's external adviser. The RIA has made this determination on the basis of information it has obtained from the transferee(s)/buyer(s), including at least the age, investment objectives, investment experiences, income, net worth, financial situation, and other investments of the prospective transferee(s)/buyer(s), as well as any other pertinent factors. The undersigned further represents and certifies that the RIA has delivered its Form CRS to the transferee(s)/buyer(s) and has delivered its Form CRS to all other retail customers of the RIA who have invested in ASIF. The RIA agrees to maintain records of the information used to determine that an investment in shares is suitable and appropriate for the transferee/buyer for a period of six years. The RIA further agrees to make the suitability records available to the Ares Affiliates upon request and to make them available to regulators and self-regulatory bodies upon ASIF's receipt of a subpoena or other appropriate document request from such agency.

The RIA shall return this completed account transfer form and any other applicable paperwork and a check or wire transfer in the amount of the transferee's/buyer's purchase to a location mutually agreed upon by the RIA and ASIF, as set forth in this account transfer form or other applicable paperwork. With respect to any use by the RIA of electronic delivery of the Prospectus and Supplemental Information and electronic signature of the account transfer form, the RIA represents and warrants that it will comply with (a) all applicable rules, regulations and guidelines issued by the SEC, the North American Securities Administrators Association, Inc. ("NASAA") and individual state securities administrators and any other applicable laws or regulations and guidelines pertaining to electronic delivery of the Prospectus and Supplemental Information and electronic signature of the account transfer form; (b) all of the applicable requirements set forth in the NASAA Statement of Policy Regarding Use of Electronic Offering Documents and Electronic Signatures, as may be amended from time to time (the "Statement of Policy") in every U.S. jurisdiction irrespective of whether the jurisdiction has adopted the Statement of Policy; and (c) the Electronic Signatures in the Global and National Commerce Act and the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, to the extent applicable, as adopted in each applicable jurisdiction and any other applicable laws. The RIA acknowledges that it is acting as an agent of ASIF only with respect to the delivery of the Prospectus and Supplemental Information electronically, the administration of the subscription process and the obtainment of electronic signatures and only to the extent its actions are in compliance with the Statement of Policy and the provisions of this account transfer form.

AWMS will arrange for ASIF to provide the RIA with access to account records of the transferee/buyer. The RIA represents that the transferee/buyer has authorized the RIA to receive such information. The RIA confirms that it has and will continue to have in place internal privacy policies and procedures governing the disclosure of such information, and agrees to abide by and comply in all respects with the privacy standards and requirements of applicable federal or state law and its internal privacy policies and procedures.

Any Claim arising between an Ares Affiliates and/or the RIA (collectively, the "Parties") relating to this account transfer form or a securities offering made by ASIF (collectively, a "Claim") (whether such Claim arises under any Federal, state or local statute or regulation, or at common law), shall be resolved by final and binding arbitration administered in accordance with the then current Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"). Any matter to be settled by arbitration shall be submitted to the AAA in Denver, Colorado, which shall be the exclusive venue for any such dispute and the Parties agree to abide by all awards rendered in such proceedings. The Parties shall attempt to designate one arbitrator from the AAA, but if they are unable to do so, then the AAA shall designate an arbitrator. Any arbitrator selected by the Parties or the AAA shall be a qualified person who has experience with complex securities disputes. The arbitration shall be final, binding, and enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction. The Parties agree that upon application pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Arbitration Act 9 USC § 1 et seq. the court shall enter a judgment upon an award made pursuant to an arbitration under this account transfer form.

The RIA agrees that ASIF or an Ares Affiliate may file an action to enjoin the RIA from pursuing any Claim arising between the Parties in any forum or venue other than that specified in this account transfer form ("Suit for Injunctive Relief"). The exclusive venue for any Suit for Injunctive Relief, Motion to Confirm, Motion to Modify, or Motion to Vacate an award made under this account transfer form shall be the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, Denver Division. In the event the United States District Court for the District of Colorado does not have subject matter jurisdiction, then such exclusive jurisdiction shall be in the District Court of Denver County, Colorado. The RIA hereby consents to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, Denver Division and the District Court of Denver County, Colorado for purposes of this account transfer form and waives any right to challenge the exercise of personal jurisdiction or venue in connection with any Claim brought pursuant to this account transfer form. This arbitration provision shall be binding upon the past, present, and future agents, employees, and representatives of the Parties.

The undersigned further confirms by its signature, on behalf of the RIA that, to the extent the transferee/buyer identified herein is a plan, plan fiduciary, plan participant or beneficiary, IRA, or IRA owner subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA") or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (Code): (i) there is no financial interest, ownership interest, or other relationship, agreement, or understanding that would limit its ability to carry out its fiduciary responsibility to such transferee/buyer beyond the control, direction, or influence of other persons involved in such transferee's/buyer's purchase of shares; (ii) it is capable of evaluating investment risk independently, both in general and with regard to particular transactions and investment strategies; and (iii) it is a fiduciary under ERISA or the Code, or both, with respect to such transferee's/buyer's purchase of shares, and it is responsible for exercising independent judgment in evaluating such transferee's/buyer's purchase of shares.

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The undersigned confirms that the transferee(s)/buyer(s) meet the suitability standards set forth in the Prospectus and that the suitability standards set forth in the Prospectus have been discussed with the transferee(s)/buyer(s), if applicable, for their state of residence. .

Name of RIA Representative		Name of RIA Firm	
Mailing Address		RIA IARD#	
City	State	ZIP	Name of Clearing Firm
CRD#	Telephone Number	Email Address	
Signature – RIA Representative			
Operations Contact (not required)			

Please be aware that ASIF, Ares Capital Management LLC (the "Adviser"), AWMS and their respective officers, directors, employees and affiliates are not undertaking to provide impartial investment advice or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity in connection with ASIF's public offering or the purchase of ASIF's common stock and that the Adviser and AWMS have financial interests associated with the purchase of ASIF's common stock, as described in ASIF's Prospectus, including fees, expense reimbursements and other payments they anticipate receiving from ASIF in connection with the purchase of ASIF's common shares of beneficial interest.

No sale of shares may be completed until at least five (5) business days after you receive the final Prospectus. All items on this account transfer form must be completed in order for a subscription to be processed. The transferee should read the Prospectus in its entirety. For transferees/buyers participating in the Distribution Reinvestment Plan or making additional purchases of shares, we request that such transferees/buyers promptly notify ASIF and the RIA in writing if they experience a material change to their financial condition, including failure to meet the minimum income and net worth standards applicable to such transferee/buyer, and can no longer make the representations and warranties set forth in Section 9.

## 9. Transferee/Buyer Signatures

ASIF is required by law to obtain, verify and record certain personal information from the Transferee/Buyer or persons on the Transferee's/Buyer's behalf in order to establish the account. Required information includes name, date of birth, permanent residential address and social security/taxpayer identification number. ASIF may also ask to see other identifying documents. By signing the account transfer form, the Transferee/Buyer agrees to provide this information and confirm that this information is true and correct. If ASIF is unable to verify the Transferee's/Buyer's identity, or that of another person(s) authorized to act on the Transferee's/Buyer's behalf, or if ASIF believes it has identified potentially criminal activity, we reserve the right to take action as it deems appropriate which may include closing the Transferee's/Buyer's account.

Except in the case of fiduciary accounts, the Transferee/Buyer may not grant any person a power of attorney to make the representations on its behalf. In order to induce ASIF to accept this transfer, the Transferee/Buyer hereby represents and warrants to ASIF, the Adviser and AWMS as follows:

### Suitability

I meet the suitability requirements imposed by my state of primary residence as set forth in the Prospectus under "Suitability Standards."

### Substitute IRS Form W-9 Certifications (required for U.S. investors)

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that:

1. The Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number shown on this application is correct.
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding; or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends; or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding.
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. Person (including resident alien).
4. I am exempt from FATCA reporting.

**Note:** Cross out number 2 if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding.

The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid back-up withholding.

**Investing in ASIF's common shares involves a high degree of risk. You should purchase these securities only if you can afford the complete loss of your investment. See "Risk Factors" in ASIF's Prospectus for additional information. Also consider the following:**

- ASIF has a limited operating history and there is no assurance that ASIF will achieve its investment objective.
- ASIF has not identified specific investments that it will make with the proceeds of this offering. As a result, this may be deemed a "blind pool" offering and you will not have the opportunity to evaluate ASIF's investments before it makes them.
- You should not expect to be able to sell your common shares regardless of how ASIF performs.
- You should consider that you may not have access to the money you invest for an extended period of time.
- ASIF does not intend to list its common shares on any securities exchange, and ASIF does not expect a secondary market in its common shares to develop prior to any listing.
- Because you may be unable to sell your common shares, you will be unable to reduce your exposure in any market downturn.

# Account Transfer (Re-Registration) Form (RIAs)

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2023

**IMPORTANT: Transferor/Seller and Transferee/Buyer Sections must be submitted simultaneously.**

To be completed by individual transferring/selling Ares Strategic Income Fund ("ASIF") shares. Throughout this form, references to "Prospectus" mean the prospectus in effect and as amended and supplemented through the date this form is executed.



Ares Strategic Income Fund

- At the discretion of ASIF's Board of Trustees ("Board") and beginning no later than the first full calendar quarter after ASIF holds the first closing in the offering of common shares pursuant to ASIF's registration statement, ASIF intends to commence a share repurchase program in which ASIF intends to offer to repurchase up to 5% of its common shares outstanding (either by number of shares or aggregate NAV) in each quarter. In addition, to the extent ASIF offers to repurchase shares in any particular quarter, any such repurchases will be at prices equal to the NAV per share as of the last calendar day of the applicable month designated by the Board, except that ASIF deducts 2.00% from such NAV for shares that have not been outstanding for at least one year. Such share repurchase prices may be lower than the price at which you purchase ASIF's common shares in this offering. You should not expect to be able to sell your common shares regardless of how ASIF performs.
- You will bear varying expenses of ASIF, including organization and ongoing offering expenses, unless otherwise advanced by the Adviser and not repaid by ASIF pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Expense Support and Conditional Reimbursement Agreement. These expenses, which are liabilities of ASIF, will reduce the NAV of common shares and you will have to receive a total return at least in excess of those expenses to receive an actual return on your investment. You will also bear upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, depending on the class of common shares you purchase and the selling agent through whom you purchase such common shares.
- An investment in ASIF's common shares is not suitable for you if you need access to the money you invest.
- An investment in ASIF's common shares is suitable only for investors with the financial ability and willingness to accept the high risks and lack of liquidity inherent in an investment in ASIF's common shares.
- ASIF cannot guarantee that it will make distributions, and if ASIF does it may fund such distributions from sources other than cash flow from operations, including, without limitation, the sale of assets, borrowings, return of capital or offering proceeds, and ASIF has no limits on the amounts it may pay from such sources. A return of capital is a return of a portion of your original investment in ASIF's common shares.
- Distributions may also be funded in significant part, directly or indirectly, from temporary waivers or expense reimbursements borne by the Adviser or its affiliates made pursuant to ASIF's Expense Support and Conditional Reimbursement Agreement that may be subject to reimbursement by ASIF to the Adviser or its affiliates. The repayment of any amounts owed to the Adviser or ASIF's affiliates will reduce future distributions to which you would otherwise be entitled.
- ASIF expects to use leverage, which will magnify the potential for loss on amounts invested in us.
- ASIF qualifies as an "emerging growth company" as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act and it cannot be certain if the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies will make ASIF's common shares less attractive to investors.
- ASIF invests in securities that are rated below investment grade by rating agencies or that would be rated below investment grade if they were rated. Bonds that are rated below investment grade are sometimes referred to as "high yield bonds" or "junk bonds." These unrated and below investment grade securities have predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal. They may also be illiquid and difficult to value. ASIF intends to invest significantly in junk bonds.

If this is an individual retirement account, the custodian or trustee of the account is also required to execute this Application below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Investor, Trustee or Custodian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Co-Investor, Trustee or Custodian (If applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name(s) of Authorized Signer(s) (for verification purposes)

(Must be signed by custodian or trustee if plan is administered by a third party)

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Investor Name



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Guarantor:  
Affix Medallion Signature Guarantee here.

A Medallion Signature Guarantee is required for transferor/seller/custodian signature(s). A notary public is not an acceptable guarantor.

## 10. Notice to Transferor/Seller and Transferee/Buyer

Please be aware that ASIF, the Adviser, AWMS and their respective officers, directors, employees and affiliates are not undertaking to provide impartial investment advice or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity in connection with any transaction in ASIF's common shares.

**IMPORTANT: Transferor/Seller and Transferee/Buyer Sections must be submitted simultaneously. Please mail this completed form to:**

**Direct Overnight Mail:**

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c/o SS&C GIDS, Inc.  
430 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 219079  
Kansas City, MO 64105

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