UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 5, 2021

LPL Financial Holdings Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdictions of incorporation) 001-34963 (Commission File Number) 20-3717839 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4707 Executive Drive,

San Diego, (Address of principal executive offices) California

92121 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 877-7210

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

	Trading	Name of each exchange
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	on which registered
Common Stock - par value \$0.001 per share	LPLA	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 5, 2021, the stockholders of LPL Financial Holdings Inc. (the "Company") approved the LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the "2021 Plan"). The material terms of the 2021 Plan are summarized on pages 70-74 of the Company's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 22, 2021 (the "Proxy Statement"), which description is incorporated by reference. The description of the 2021 Plan is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual terms of the 2021 Plan, which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1.

In addition, on May 5, 2021, the stockholders of the Company approved the LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "2021 ESPP"). The material terms of the 2021 ESPP are summarized on pages 75-77 of the Proxy Statement, which description is incorporated by reference. The description of the 2021 ESPP is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual terms of the 2021 ESPP, which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.2.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The Company held its 2021 annual meeting of stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") on May 5, 2021. The stockholders of the Company considered and acted upon the following proposals at the Annual Meeting:

1. *Election of Directors*. By the vote reported below, the stockholders elected the following nine nominees to serve as directors of the Company for a term to end at the 2022 annual meeting of stockholders:

Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions	Broker Non- Votes
70,639,402	194,902	86,222	3,163,539
70,683,792	181,826	54,908	3,163,539
68,669,084	2,197,227	54,215	3,163,539
70,542,476	323,203	54,847	3,163,539
70,483,391	382,913	54,222	3,163,539
69,076,185	1,790,268	54,073	3,163,539
69,351,186	1,514,538	54,802	3,163,539
68,763,213	2,101,382	55,931	3,163,539
70,684,037	181,592	54,897	3,163,539
	70,639,402 70,683,792 68,669,084 70,542,476 70,483,391 69,076,185 69,351,186 68,763,213	70,639,402194,90270,683,792181,82668,669,0842,197,22770,542,476323,20370,483,391382,91369,076,1851,790,26869,351,1861,514,53868,763,2132,101,382	70,639,402194,90286,22270,683,792181,82654,90868,669,0842,197,22754,21570,542,476323,20354,84770,483,391382,91354,22269,076,1851,790,26854,07369,351,1861,514,53854,80268,763,2132,101,38255,931

2. *Ratification of the Appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP*. The stockholders ratified the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP by the audit committee of the Company's board of directors as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year. 72,964,507 shares voted for the proposal; 1,066,977 shares voted against the proposal; and 52,581 shares abstained from voting on the proposal. There were no broker non-votes on the proposal.

3. *Advisory Vote on Named Executive Officer Compensation*. The stockholders approved, on an advisory, non-binding basis, the compensation paid to the named executive officers of the Company, as disclosed in the Proxy Statement. 70,129,199 shares voted for the proposal; 673,864 shares voted against the proposal; and 117,463 shares abstained from voting on the proposal. There were 3,163,539 broker non-votes on the proposal.

4. *Approval of the 2021 Plan*. The stockholders voted to approve the 2021 Plan. 61,606,265 shares voted for the proposal; 9,282,945 shares voted against the proposal; and 31,316 shares abstained from voting on the proposal. There were 3,163,539 broker non-votes on the proposal.

5. *Approval of the 2021 ESPP*. The stockholders voted to approve the 2021 ESPP. 70,162,075 shares voted for the proposal; 742,532 shares voted against the proposal; and 15,919 shares abstained from voting on the proposal. There were 3,163,539 broker non-votes on the proposal.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 5, 2021, the Company's board of directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.25 per share on the Company's outstanding common stock to be paid on June 7, 2021 to all stockholders of record on May 24, 2021.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 10.1 LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan
- 10.2 LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LPL FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC.

By: /s/ Gregory M. Woods

Name: Gregory M. Woods Title: Secretary

Dated: May 5, 2021

LPL FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC. 2021 OMNIBUS EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

1. DEFINED TERMS

Exhibit A, which is incorporated by reference, defines certain terms used in the Plan and includes certain operational rules related to those terms.

2. PURPOSE

The Plan has been established to advance the interests of the Company by providing for the grant to Participants of Stock and Stock-based Awards.

3. ADMINISTRATION

The Plan will be administered by the Administrator. The Administrator has discretionary authority, subject only to the express provisions of the Plan, to administer and interpret the Plan and any Awards; to determine eligibility for and grant Awards; to determine, modify or waive the terms and conditions of any Award; to determine the form of settlement of Awards (whether in cash, shares of Stock, Awards or other property); to prescribe forms, rules and procedures relating to the Plan and Awards; and to otherwise do all things necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of the Plan or any Award. Determinations of the Administrator made with respect to the Plan or any Award are conclusive and bind all persons.

4. LIMITS ON AWARDS UNDER THE PLAN

(a) <u>Number of Shares</u>. Subject to adjustment as provided in <u>Section 7(b)</u>, the number of shares of Stock that may be issued in satisfaction of Awards under the Plan is (i) 12,600,000 shares of Stock, *plus* (ii) (x) the number of shares of Stock available for issuance under the Prior Plan as of the Date of Adoption and (y) the number of shares of Stock underlying awards under the Prior Plan that on or after the Date of Adoption expire or terminate or are surrendered or cancelled without the delivery of shares of Stock, are forfeited to, or repurchased by, the Company, or otherwise become available again for grant under the Prior Plan, in each case, in accordance with its terms (in the case of this clause (ii), which will not exceed 5,154,197 shares in the aggregate) (collectively, the "<u>Share Pool</u>"). Up to 12,600,000 of the shares of Stock from the Share Pool may be issued in satisfaction of ISOs, but nothing in this <u>Section 4(a)</u> will be construed as requiring that any, or any fixed number of, ISOs be granted under the Plan. For purposes of the Share Pool, (i) each share of Stock subject to a Stock Option or SAR shall count as one (1) share and each share of Stock subject to any other Award shall count as three (3) shares. Further, for purposes of this <u>Section 4(a)</u>, the number of shares of Stock issued in satisfaction of Awards will be determined (i) by reducing the Share Pool by the number of shares of Stock withheld by the Company in payment of the exercise price or purchase price of a Stock Option or SAR or in satisfaction of tax withholding requirements with respect to an Award; (ii) by reducing the Share Pool by the full number of shares of Stock delivered in settlement); and (iii) by increasing the Share Pool by any shares of Stock underlying any portion of an Award that is settled in cash or that expires or that is cancelled, becomes unexercisable, terminates or is forfeited to or repurchased by the Company without the issuance of Stock (or retention, in the case of Restricted Stock or

Unrestricted Stock). For the avoidance of doubt, the Share Pool will not be increased by any shares of Stock delivered under the Plan that are subsequently repurchased using proceeds directly attributable to Stock Option exercises. The limits set forth in this <u>Section 4(a)</u> will be construed to comply with the requirements of Section 422, to the extent applicable.

(b) <u>Substitute Awards</u>. The Administrator may grant Substitute Awards under the Plan. To the extent consistent with the requirements of Section 422 and the regulations thereunder and other applicable legal requirements (including applicable stock exchange requirements), shares of Stock issued in respect of Substitute Awards will be in addition to and will not reduce the Share Pool. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything in <u>Section 4(a)</u> to the contrary, if any Substitute Award is settled in cash or expires, becomes unexercisable, terminates or is forfeited to or repurchased by the Company without the issuance (or retention, in the case of Restricted Stock or Unrestricted Stock) of Stock, the shares of Stock previously subject to such Award will not increase the Share Pool or otherwise be available for future issuance under the Plan. The Administrator will determine the extent to which the terms and conditions of the Plan apply to Substitute Awards, if at all, *provided, however*, that Substitute Awards will not be subject to the limits described in <u>Section 4(d)</u>.

(c) <u>Type of Shares</u>. Stock issued by the Company under the Plan may be authorized but unissued Stock or previously issued Stock acquired by the Company. No fractional shares of Stock will be issued under the Plan.

(d) Limits on Awards.

- (1) Individual Limits. The following additional limits apply to Awards of the specified type granted to any person in any calendar year:
 - (A) Stock Options: 1,000,000 shares of Stock;
 - (B) SARs: 1,000,000 shares of Stock; and
 - (C) Awards other than Stock Options and SARs: 500,000 shares of Stock;

except that, for the calendar year in which any person commences Employment, each of the foregoing limits will be multiplied by two (2).

In applying the foregoing limits, (i) all Awards of the specified type granted to the same person in the same calendar year are aggregated and made subject to one limit; (ii) the limits applicable to Stock Options and SARs refer to the number of shares of Stock underlying those Awards; and (iii) the share limit under clause (C) refers to the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be issued, or the value of which may be paid in cash or other property, under Awards of the type specified in clause (C), assuming maximum payout levels.

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(2) Director Limits. In addition to the foregoing limits, the aggregate value of all compensation granted or paid to any Director with respect to any calendar year, including Awards granted under the Plan and cash fees or other compensation paid by the Company to such Director outside of the Plan, in each case, for his or her services as a Director during such calendar year, may not exceed \$1,400,000 (or \$2,000,000 for the calendar year the Director is first elected or appointed to the Board), calculating the value of any Awards based on the grant date fair value in accordance with the Accounting Rules and assuming maximum payout levels. For the avoidance of doubt, the limitation in this <u>Section 4(d)(2)</u> will not apply to any compensation granted or paid to a Director for his or her services to the Company or a subsidiary other than as a Director, including, without limitation, as a consultant or advisor to the Company or a subsidiary.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

The Administrator will select Participants from among Employees, Directors, registered representatives and investment advisor representatives of, and consultants and advisors to, the Company and its subsidiaries; *provided, however*, that, subject to such express exceptions, if any, as the Administrator may establish, eligibility shall be further limited to those persons as to whom the use of a Form S-8 registration statement is permissible. Eligibility for ISOs is limited to individuals described in the first sentence of this <u>Section 5</u> who are employees of the Company or of a "parent corporation" or "subsidiary corporation" of the Company as those terms are defined in Section 424 of the Code. Eligibility for Stock Options, other than ISOs, and SARs is limited to individuals described in the first sentence of this <u>Section 5</u> who are providing direct services on the date of grant of the Award to the Company or to a subsidiary of the Company that would be described in the first sentence of Section 1.409A-1(b)(5)(iii)(E) of the Treasury Regulations.

6. RULES APPLICABLE TO AWARDS

(a) All Awards.

(1) Award Provisions. The Administrator will determine the terms and conditions of all Awards, subject to the limitations provided herein. No term of an Award will provide for automatic "reload" grants of additional Awards upon exercise of an Option or SAR or otherwise as a term of an Award. By accepting (or, under such rules as the Administrator may prescribe, being deemed to have accepted) an Award, the Participant will be deemed to have agreed to the terms and conditions of the Award and the Plan. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, Substitute Awards may contain terms and conditions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions specified herein, as determined by the Administrator.

(2) **Term of Plan**. No Awards may be made after ten (10) years from the Date of Adoption, but previously granted Awards may continue beyond that date in accordance with their terms.

(3) Transferability. Neither ISOs nor, except as the Administrator otherwise expressly provides in accordance with the third sentence of this Section 6(a)(3), other Awards may be transferred other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution. During a Participant's lifetime, ISOs and, except as the Administrator otherwise expressly provides in accordance with the third sentence of this Section 6(a)(3), SARs and NSOs may be exercised only by the Participant (for the avoidance of doubt, including by the Participant's legal representative or by automatic exercise pursuant to the terms of the Award). The Administrator may permit the gratuitous transfer (i.e., transfer not for value) of Awards other than ISOs, subject to applicable securities and other laws and such terms and conditions as the Administrator may determine.

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(4) Vesting; Exercisability. The Administrator will determine the time or times at which an Award vests or becomes exercisable and the terms and conditions on which a Stock Option or SAR remains exercisable. The Administrator may at any time accelerate the vesting and/or exercisability of an Award (or any portion thereof), regardless of any adverse or potentially adverse tax or other consequences resulting from such acceleration. Unless the Administrator expressly provides otherwise, however, the following rules will apply if a Participant's Employment ceases:

(A) Except as provided in (B) and (C) below, immediately upon the cessation of the Participant's Employment each Stock Option and SAR (or portion thereof) that is then held by the Participant or by the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, will cease to be exercisable and will terminate, and each other Award that is then held by the Participant or by the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, to the extent not then vested, will be forfeited.

(B) Subject to (C), (D) and (E) below, each vested and unexercised Stock Option and SAR (or portion thereof) held by the Participant or the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, immediately prior to the cessation of the Participant's Employment, to the extent then exercisable, will remain exercisable for the lesser of (i) a period of ninety (90) days following such cessation of Employment or (ii) the period ending on the latest date on which such Stock Option or SAR could have been exercised without regard to this <u>Section 6(a)(4)</u>, and will thereupon immediately terminate.

(C) Subject to (D) and (E) below, each vested and unexercised Stock Option and SAR (or portion thereof) held by a Participant or the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, immediately prior to the cessation of the Participant's Employment due to his or her death or Disability, to the extent then exercisable, will remain exercisable for the lesser of (i) the one-year period ending on the first anniversary of such cessation of employment or (ii) the period ending on the latest date on which such Stock Option or SAR could have been exercised without regard to this Section 6(a)(4), and will thereupon immediately terminate.

(D) Subject to (E) below, each vested and unexercised Stock Option and SAR (or portion thereof) held by a Participant or the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, immediately prior to the cessation of the Participant's Employment due to his or her Retirement, to the extent then exercisable (for the avoidance of doubt, after giving effect to any accelerated vesting upon Retirement) will remain exercisable for the lesser of (i) the two-year period ending on the second anniversary of such cessation of Employment or (ii) the period ending on the latest date on which such Stock Option or SAR could have been exercised without regard to this <u>Section 6(a)(4)</u>, and will thereupon terminate;

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(E) All Awards (whether or not vested or exercisable) held by a Participant or the Participant's permitted transferees, if any, immediately prior to the cessation of the Participant's Employment will immediately terminate upon such cessation of Employment if the termination is for Cause or occurs in circumstances that in the determination of the Administrator would have constituted grounds for the Participant's Employment to be terminated for Cause (in each case, without regard to the lapsing of any required notice or cure periods in connection therewith).

(5) Additional Restrictions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, all Stock Options and SARs will terminate immediately in the event the Participant breaches any non-competition, non-solicitation, no-hire, non-disparagement, confidentiality, invention assignment or other restrictive covenant by which he or she is bound, or if the Participant engages in Competitive Activity within twelve (12) months following the cessation of the Participant's Employment, in all cases, as determined by the Administrator.

(6) Recovery of Compensation. Without limiting any provision of the Plan, the Administrator may provide in any case that any outstanding Award (whether or not vested or exercisable), the proceeds from the exercise or disposition of any Award or Stock acquired under any Award and any other amounts received in respect of any Award or Stock acquired under any Award will be subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to the Company, with interest and other related earnings, if the Participant to whom the Award was granted is not in compliance with any provision of the Plan or any applicable Award or any non-competition, non-solicitation, no-hire, non-disparagement, confidentiality, invention assignment or other restrictive covenant by which he or she is bound or if the Participant engages in Competitive Activity. Each Award will be subject to any policy of the Company or any of its subsidiaries that relates to trading on non-public information and permitted transactions with respect to shares of Stock, including limitations on hedging and pledging and stock ownership requirements. In addition, each Award will be subject to any policy of the Company or any of its subsidiaries that provides for forfeiture, disgorgement or clawback with respect to incentive compensation that includes Awards under the Plan and will be further subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to the extent required by law or applicable stock exchange listing standards, including, without limitation, Section 10D of the Exchange Act. Each Participant, by accepting or being deemed to have accepted an Award under the Plan, agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) to the terms of this Section 6(a)(6) and to any clawback, recoupment or similar policy of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and further agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) to cooperate fully with the Administrator, and to cause any and all permitted transferees of the Participant to cooperate fully with the Administrator, to effectuate any forfeiture or disgorgement described in this Section 6(a)(6). Neither the Administrator nor the Company nor any other person, other than the Participant and his or her permitted transferees, if any, will be responsible for any adverse tax or other consequences to a Participant or his or her permitted transferees, if any, that may arise in connection with this Section 6(a)(6).

(7) Taxes. The grant of an Award and the issuance, delivery, vesting and retention of Stock, cash or other property under an Award are conditioned upon the full satisfaction by the Participant of all tax and other withholding requirements with respect to the Award. The Administrator will prescribe such rules for the withholding of taxes and other amounts with respect to any Award as it deems necessary. Without limitation to the foregoing, the Company or any parent or subsidiary of the Company will have the authority and the right to deduct or withhold (by any means set forth herein or in an Award agreement), or require a Participant to remit to the Company, or to a parent or subsidiary of the Company, an amount sufficient to satisfy all U.S. and non-U.S. federal, state and local income tax, social insurance, payroll tax, fringe benefits tax,

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payment on account or other tax-related items related to participation in the Plan and any Award hereunder and legally applicable to the Participant and required by law to be withheld (including any amount deemed by the Company, in its discretion, to be an appropriate charge to the Participant even if legally applicable to the Company or any parent or subsidiary of the Company). The Administrator, in its sole discretion, may hold back shares of Stock from an Award or permit a Participant to tender previously owned shares of Stock in satisfaction of tax or other withholding requirements (but not in excess of the maximum withholding amount consistent with the Award being subject to equity accounting treatment under the Accounting Rules). Any amounts withheld pursuant to this <u>Section 6(a)(7)</u> will be treated as though such amounts had been made directly to the Participant. In addition, the Company may, to the extent permitted by law, deduct any such tax and other withholding amounts from any payment of any kind otherwise due to a Participant from the Company or any parent or subsidiary of the Company.

(8) Dividend Equivalents. The Administrator may provide for the payment of amounts (on terms and subject to such restrictions and conditions established by the Administrator) in lieu of cash dividends or other cash distributions with respect to Stock subject to an Award whether or not the holder of such Award is otherwise entitled to share in the actual dividend or distribution in respect of such Award; *provided, however*, that (i) dividends or dividend equivalents relating to any Award (other than an Award of Restricted Stock) that, at the dividend payment date, remains subject to a risk of forfeiture (whether service-based or performance-based) will be subject to the same risk of forfeiture as applies to the underlying Award and (ii) no dividends or dividend equivalents will be payable with respect to unvested Options or SARs. Any entitlement to dividend equivalents or similar entitlements will be established and administered either consistent with an exemption from, or in compliance with, the applicable requirements of Section 409A.

(9) Rights Limited. Nothing in the Plan or any Award will be construed as giving any person the right to be granted an Award or to continued employment or service with the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or any rights as a stockholder except as to shares of Stock actually issued under the Plan. The loss of existing or potential profit in any Award will not constitute an element of damages in the event of a termination of a Participant's Employment for any reason, even if the termination is in violation of an obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries to the Participant.

(10) Coordination with Other Plans. Shares of Stock and/or Awards under the Plan may be issued or granted in tandem with, or in satisfaction of or substitution for, other Awards under the Plan or awards made under other compensatory plans or programs of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. For example, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, awards under other compensatory plans or programs of the Company or any of its subsidiaries may be settled in Stock (including, without limitation, Unrestricted Stock) under the Plan if the Administrator so determines, in which case the shares delivered will be treated as awarded under the Plan (and will reduce the Share Pool in accordance with the rules set forth in <u>Section 4</u>).

(11) Section 409A.

(A) Without limiting the generality of <u>Section 11(b)</u>, each Award will contain such terms as the Administrator determines and will be construed and administered, such that the Award either qualifies for an exemption from the requirements of Section 409A or satisfies such requirements.

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(B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Award agreement, the Administrator may unilaterally amend, modify or terminate the Plan or any outstanding Award, including, without limitation, changing the form of the Award, if the Administrator determines that such amendment, modification or termination is necessary or advisable to avoid the imposition of an additional tax, interest or penalty under Section 409A.

(C) If a Participant is determined on the date of the Participant's termination of Employment to be a "specified employee" within the meaning of that term under Section 409A(a)(2)(B) of the Code, then, with regard to any payment that is considered nonqualified deferred compensation under Section 409A, to the extent applicable, payable on account of a "separation from service," such payment will be made or provided on the date that is the earlier of (i) the first business day following the expiration of the six- (6) month period measured from the date of such "separation from service"; and (ii) the date of the Participant's death (the "Delay Period"). Upon the expiration of the Delay Period, all payments delayed pursuant to this Section 6(a)(11)(C) (whether they would have otherwise been payable in a single lump sum or in installments in the absence of such delay) will be paid, without interest, on the first business day following the expiration of the Delay Period in a lump sum and any remaining payments due under the Award will be paid in accordance with the normal payment dates specified for them in the applicable Award agreement.

(D) For purposes of Section 409A, each payment made under the Plan or any Award will be treated as a separate payment.

(E) With regard to any payment considered to be nonqualified deferred compensation under Section 409A, to the extent applicable, that is payable upon a change in control of the Company or other similar event, to the extent required to avoid the imposition of any additional tax, interest or penalty under Section 409A, no amount will be payable unless such change in control constitutes a "change in control event" within the meaning of Section 1.409A-3(i)(5) of the Treasury Regulations.

(b) Stock Options and SARs.

(1) Time and Manner of Exercise. Unless the Administrator expressly provides otherwise, no Stock Option or SAR will be deemed to have been exercised until the Administrator receives a notice of exercise in a form acceptable to the Administrator that is signed by the appropriate person and accompanied by any payment required under the Award. The Administrator may limit or restrict the exercisability of any Stock Option or SAR in its discretion, including in connection with any Covered Transaction. Any attempt to exercise a Stock Option or SAR by any person other than the Participant will not be given effect unless the Administrator has received such evidence as it may require that the person exercising the Award has the right to do so.

(2) Exercise Price. The exercise price (or the base value from which appreciation is to be measured) per share of each Award requiring exercise must be no less than one hundred percent (100%) (in the case of an ISO granted to a ten percent (10%) stockholder within the meaning of Section 422(b)(6) of the Code, one hundred ten percent (110%)) of the Fair Market Value of a share of Stock, determined as of the date of grant of the Award, or such higher amount as the Administrator may determine in connection with the grant.

(3) Payment of Exercise Price. Where the exercise of an Award (or portion thereof) is to be accompanied by a payment, payment of the exercise price must be made by cash or check acceptable to the Administrator or, if so permitted by the Administrator and if legally permissible, (i) through the delivery of previously acquired unrestricted shares of Stock, or the withholding of unrestricted shares of Stock otherwise issuable upon exercise, in either case, that have a Fair Market Value equal to the exercise price; (ii) through a broker-assisted cashless exercise program acceptable to the Administrator; (iii) by other means acceptable to the Administrator; or (iv) by any combination of the foregoing permissible forms of payment. The delivery of previously acquired shares in payment of the exercise price under clause (i) above may be accomplished either by actual delivery or by constructive delivery through attestation of ownership, subject to such rules as the Administrator may prescribe.

(4) **Maximum Term**. The maximum term of Stock Options and SARs must not exceed ten (10) years from the date of grant (or five (5) years from the date of grant in the case of an ISO granted to a ten percent (10%) stockholder described in <u>Section 6(b)(2)</u>).

(5) No Repricing. Except in connection with a corporate transaction involving the Company (which term includes, without limitation, any stock dividend, stock split, extraordinary cash dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination or exchange of shares) or as otherwise contemplated by <u>Section 7</u>, the Company may not, without obtaining stockholder approval in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market, (i) amend the terms of outstanding Stock Options or SARs to reduce the exercise price or base value of such Stock Options or SARs; (ii) cancel outstanding Stock Options or SARs in exchange for Stock Options or SARs with an exercise price or base value that is less than the exercise price or base value of the original Stock Options or SARs; or (iii) cancel outstanding Stock Options or SARs that have an exercise price or base value greater than the Fair Market Value of a share of Stock on the date of such cancellation in exchange for cash or other consideration.

7. EFFECT OF CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS

(a) <u>Covered Transactions</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided in an Award or other agreement or in the Company's Executive Severance Plan (or other similar plan), the following provisions will apply in the event of a Covered Transaction:

(1) Provisions that Apply in the Event of a Covered Transaction that Constitutes a Change of Control.

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(A) Assumption or Substitution of Awards. Upon the consummation of a Covered Transaction that constitutes a Change of Control, this paragraph shall apply solely to the extent that then outstanding Awards ("Replaced Awards") are assumed, continued or substituted ("Replacement Award") by the acquiror or survivor or an affiliate of the acquiror or survivor under such Covered Transaction in accordance with the terms of this subclause (A). With respect to each unvested Replaced Award (or portion thereof) that is outstanding as of the consummation of the Covered Transaction that is eligible to vest based on performance, the Administrator will determine the extent to which the applicable performance vesting conditions have been achieved as of the consummation of the Covered Transaction (or the end of the applicable performance period, if earlier) and the Replaced Award (or portion thereof), to the extent earned based on performance, will thereafter be eligible to vest solely based on continued Employment over the remaining term of the applicable service or performance period, as applicable. Each unvested Replaced Award that is outstanding as of the consummation of the Covered Transaction that is eligible to vest solely based on continued Employment will vest based on continued Employment over the service period. In order for a Replaced Award to be treated as having been assumed, continued or substituted under this subclause (A), the Replacement Award shall reflect the foregoing provisions and shall meet the following conditions: (i) it is of the same type as the Replaced Award (or, if it is of a different type as the Replaced Award (such as a deferred cash equivalent award), the Administrator, as constituted immediately prior to the Covered Transaction, finds such type acceptable); (ii) it has a value at least equal to the value of the Replaced Award; (iii) it relates to publicly traded equity securities listed on a U.S. national securities exchange of the acquiror or survivor or an affiliate of the acquiror or survivor in the Covered Transaction, except in the case of a Replacement Award granted in the form of a deferred cash equivalent award; (iv) its terms and conditions are not less favorable than the terms and conditions of the Replaced Award, as determined by the Administrator, as constituted immediately prior to the Covered Transaction, in its sole discretion; and (v) it provides that upon the termination of Employment without Cause of a holder of the Replacement Award within eighteen (18) months following the consummation of the Covered Transaction, such Replacement Award shall immediately vest and, in the case of a Replacement Award that is not in the form of a stock option or stock appreciation right, shall be settled within thirty (30) days of such termination of Employment and, in the case of a Replacement Award that is in the form of a stock option or stock appreciation right, shall remain exercisable for the remaining term of such Replacement Award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any Replaced Award that is considered deferred compensation subject to Section 409A, settlement of such Replacement Award shall be made pursuant to the schedule applicable to the Replaced Award if necessary to comply with Section 409A.

(B) Acceleration of Awards that are not Replacement Awards. Each unvested Award that is outstanding as of the consummation of a Covered Transaction that constitutes a Change of Control that is not assumed, continued or substituted in a manner that complies with <u>Section 7(a)</u> (<u>1)(A)</u> will immediately vest in full upon the consummation of the Covered Transaction and, without limiting the Administrator's authority under subclause (C) below to provide a vested cash payment with respect to such vested Awards, on a basis that allows the Participant holding such Award to participate in the Covered Transaction.

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(C) Cash-Out of Awards. Subject to Section 7(a)(1)(E), in connection with the consummation a Covered Transaction that constitutes a Change of Control, the Administrator may provide for a cash payment (a "<u>cash-out</u>"), with respect to some or all Awards that are not assumed, continued or substituted for as described in Section 7(a)(1)(A) above or any portion thereof (including only the vested portion thereof), equal in the case of each applicable Award or portion thereof to the excess, if any, of (i) the fair market value of a share of Stock *multiplied by* the number of shares of Stock subject to the Award or such portion, *minus* (ii) the aggregate exercise or purchase price, if any, of such Award or such portion (or, in the case of a SAR, the aggregate base value above which appreciation is measured), in each case, on such payment and other terms and subject to such conditions (which need not be the same as the terms and conditions applicable to holders of Stock generally) as the Administrator determines, including that any amounts paid in respect of such Award in connection with the Covered Transaction be placed in escrow or otherwise made subject to such restrictions as the Administrator deems appropriate. For the avoidance of doubt, if the per share exercise or purchase price (or base value) of an Award or portion thereof is equal to or greater than the fair market value of a share of Stock, such Award or portion may be cancelled with no payment due hereunder or otherwise in respect thereof.

(D) *Termination of Awards*. Except as the Administrator may otherwise determine, each Award will automatically terminate (and in the case of outstanding shares of Restricted Stock, will automatically be forfeited) immediately upon the consummation of a Covered Transaction that constitutes a Change of Control, other than (i) any Award that is assumed, continued or substituted for pursuant to <u>Section 7(a)(1)(A)</u> and (ii) any Award that by its terms, or as a result of action taken by the Administrator, continues following the Covered Transaction.

(E) *Additional Limitations*. Any cash delivered pursuant to $\underline{Section 7(a)(1)(C)}$ with respect to an Award may, in the discretion of the Administrator, contain such limitations or restrictions, if any, as the Administrator deems appropriate, including to reflect any performance or other vesting conditions to which the Award was subject and that did not lapse (and were not satisfied) in connection with the Covered Transaction. For purposes of the immediately preceding sentence, a cash-out under $\underline{Section 7(a)(1)(C)}$ will not, in and of itself, be treated as the lapsing (or satisfaction) of a performance or other vesting condition. In the case of Restricted Stock that does not vest and is not forfeited in connection with the Covered Transaction, the Administrator may require that any amounts delivered, exchanged or otherwise paid in respect of such Stock in connection with the Covered Transaction be placed in escrow or otherwise made subject to such restrictions as the Administrator deems appropriate to carry out the intent of the Plan.

(2) Provisions that Apply in the Event of a Covered Transaction that Does Not Constitute a Change of Control. Upon the consummation of a Covered Transaction that does not constitute a Change of Control, the Administrator will determine the treatment of each Award (or portion thereof) that is outstanding as of the consummation of the Covered Transaction, which may include, but is not limited to: (i) the assumption or continuation of some or all outstanding Awards or any portion thereof, or the grant of new awards in substitution therefor by

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any acquiror or survivor or affiliate of the acquiror or survivor, to the extent applicable, in the Covered Transaction; (ii) that each unvested Award or portion thereof that is outstanding as of the consummation of a Covered Transaction that is not so assumed, continued or substituted for will immediately vest in full upon the consummation of the Covered Transaction; or (iii) payment (a "<u>cash-out</u>") with respect to some or all Awards or portions thereof (including only the vested portion thereof) that are not so assumed, continued or substituted for, equal in the case of each applicable Award or portion thereof to the excess, if any, of (A) the fair market value of a share of Stock *multiplied by* the number of shares of Stock subject to the Award or such portion, *minus* (B) the aggregate exercise or purchase price, if any, of such Award or such portion (or, in the case of a SAR, the aggregate base value above which appreciation is measured), in each case, on such payment and other terms and subject to such conditions (which need not be the same as the terms and conditions applicable to holders of Stock generally) as the Administrator determines, including that any amounts paid in respect of such Award in connection with the Covered Transaction be placed in escrow or otherwise made subject to such restrictions as the Administrator deems appropriate (provided, for the avoidance of doubt, that such Award or portion may be cancelled with no payment due hereunder or otherwise in respect thereof if the per share exercise or purchase price (or base value) of an Award or portion thereof is equal to or greater than the fair market value of a share of Stock).

(3) Uniform Treatment. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrator need not treat Participants or Awards (or portions thereof) in a uniform manner, and may treat different Participants and/or Awards differently, in connection with a Covered Transaction.

(b) Changes in and Distributions with Respect to Stock.

(1) Basic Adjustment Provisions. In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares (including a reverse stock split), recapitalization or other change in the Company's capital structure that constitutes an equity restructuring within the meaning of the Accounting Rules, the Administrator will make appropriate adjustments to the Share Pool, the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be delivered in satisfaction of ISOs under the Plan, the individual limits described in <u>Section 4(d)</u>, the number and kind of shares of stock or securities underlying Awards then outstanding or subsequently granted, any exercise or purchase prices (or base values) relating to Awards and any other provision of Awards affected by such change.

(2) Certain Other Adjustments. The Administrator may also make adjustments of the type described in <u>Section 7(b)(1)</u> to take into account distributions to stockholders other than those provided for in <u>Sections 7(a)</u> and <u>7(b)(1)</u>, or any other event, if the Administrator determines that adjustments are appropriate to avoid distortion in the operation of the Plan or any Award.

(3) Continuing Application of Plan Terms. References in the Plan to shares of Stock will be construed to include any stock or securities resulting from an adjustment pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u>.

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8. LEGAL CONDITIONS ON DELIVERY OF STOCK

The Company will not be obligated to issue any shares of Stock pursuant to the Plan or to remove any restriction from shares of Stock previously issued under the Plan until: (i) the Company is satisfied that all legal matters in connection with the issuance of such shares have been addressed and resolved; (ii) if the outstanding Stock is at the time of issuance listed on any stock exchange or national market system, the shares to be issued have been listed or authorized to be listed on such exchange or system upon official notice of issuance; and (iii) all conditions of the Award have been satisfied or waived. The Company may require, as a condition to the exercise of an Award or the issuance of shares of Stock under an Award, such representations or agreements as counsel for the Company may consider appropriate to avoid violation of U.S. federal securities laws or any applicable state or non-U.S. securities law. Any Stock issued under the Plan will be evidenced in such manner as the Administrator determines appropriate, including book-entry registration or delivery of stock certificates. In the event that the Administrator determines that stock certificates will be issued in connection with Stock issued under the Plan, the Administrator may require that such certificates bear an appropriate legend reflecting any restriction on transfer applicable to such Stock, and the Company may hold the certificates pending the lapse of the applicable restrictions.

9. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

The Administrator may at any time or times amend the Plan or any outstanding Award for any purpose which may at the time be permitted by applicable law, and may at any time terminate the Plan as to any future grants of Awards; *provided* that, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan or the applicable Award, the Administrator may not, without the Participant's consent, alter the terms of an Award so as to materially and adversely affect the Participant's rights under the Award, unless the Administrator expressly reserved the right to do so in the Plan or at the time the applicable Award was granted. Any amendments to the Plan will be conditioned upon stockholder approval only to the extent, if any, such approval is required by applicable law (including the Code) or stock exchange requirements, as determined by the Administrator. For the avoidance of doubt, without prejudice to the Administrator's rights hereunder, no adjustment to any Award pursuant to the terms of <u>Section 7</u> or <u>Section 12</u> will be treated as an amendment to such Award requiring a Participant's consent.

10. OTHER COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS

The existence of the Plan or the grant of any Award will not affect the right of the Company or any of its subsidiaries to grant any person bonuses or other compensation in addition to Awards under the Plan.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. By accepting or being deemed to have accepted an Award under the Plan, each Participant waives (or will be deemed to have waived), to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, any right to a trial by jury in any action, proceeding or counterclaim concerning any rights under the Plan or any Award, or under any amendment, waiver, consent, instrument, document or other agreement delivered or which in the future may be

delivered in connection therewith, and agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) that any such action, proceedings or counterclaim will be tried before a court and not before a jury. By accepting or being deemed to have accepted an Award under the Plan, each Participant certifies that no officer, representative, or attorney of the Company has represented, expressly or otherwise, that the Company would not, in the event of any action, proceeding, or counterclaim, seek to enforce the foregoing waivers. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, nothing herein is to be construed as limiting the ability of the Company and a Participant to agree to submit any dispute arising under the terms of the Plan or any Award to binding arbitration or as limiting the ability of the Company to require any individual to agree to submit such disputes to binding arbitration as a condition of receiving an Award hereunder.

(b) <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Award, neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries, nor the Administrator, nor any person acting on behalf of the Company, any of its subsidiaries, or the Administrator, will be liable to any Participant, to any permitted transferee, to the estate or beneficiary of any Participant or any permitted transferee, or to any other person by reason of any acceleration of income, any additional tax, or any penalty, interest or other liability asserted by reason of the failure of an Award to satisfy the requirements of Section 422 or Section 409A or by reason of Section 4999 of the Code, or otherwise asserted with respect to any Award.

(c) <u>Unfunded Plan</u>. The Company's obligations under the Plan are unfunded, and no Participant will have any right to specific assets of the Company in respect of any Award. Participants will be general unsecured creditors of the Company with respect to any amounts due or payable under the Plan.

12. RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS IN CERTAIN JURISDICTIONS

The Administrator may at any time and from time to time (including before or after an Award is granted) establish, adopt or revise any rules and regulations as it may deem necessary or advisable for purposes of satisfying applicable blue sky, securities, tax or other laws of various jurisdictions, including by establishing one or more sub-plans, supplements or appendices under the Plan or any Award agreement setting forth (i) such limitations on the Administrator's discretion under the Plan and (ii) such additional or different terms and conditions, in each case, as the Administrator deems necessary or desirable. Any such sub-plan, supplement, appendix, rule or regulation will be deemed to be part of the Plan but will apply only to Participants within the applicable jurisdiction (as determined by the Administrator); *provided, however*, that no sub-plan, supplement, appendix, rule or regulation established pursuant to this provision will increase the Share Pool.

13. GOVERNING LAW

(a) <u>Certain Requirements of Corporate Law</u>. Awards and shares of Stock will be granted, issued and administered consistent with the requirements of applicable Delaware law relating to the issuance of stock and the consideration to be received therefor, and with the applicable requirements of the stock exchanges or other trading systems on which the Stock is listed or entered for trading, in each case, as determined by the Administrator.

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(b) <u>Other Matters</u>. Except as otherwise provided by the express terms of an Award agreement or under a sub-plan described in <u>Section 12</u>, the domestic substantive laws of the State of Delaware govern the provisions of the Plan and of Awards under the Plan and all claims or disputes arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award under the Plan or relating to the subject matter hereof or thereof, without giving effect to any choice or conflict of laws provision or rule that would cause the application of the domestic substantive laws of any other jurisdiction.

(c) <u>Jurisdiction</u>. By accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award, each Participant agrees or will be deemed to have agreed to (i) submit irrevocably and unconditionally to the jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware for the purpose of any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award; (ii) not commence any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware for the purpose of any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award; (ii) not commence any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award, except in the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware; and (iii) waive, and not assert, by way of motion as a defense or otherwise, in any such suit, action or proceeding, any claim that he or she is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts that his or her property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that the suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, that the venue of the suit, action or proceeding is improper or that the Plan or any Award or the subject matter thereof may not be enforced in or by such court.

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<u>Exhibit A</u> DEFINITION OF TERMS

The following terms, when used in the Plan, have the meanings and are subject to the provisions set forth below:

"Accounting Rules": Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, or any successor provision.

"<u>Administrator</u>": The Compensation Committee, except with respect to such matters that are not delegated to the Compensation Committee by the Board (whether pursuant to committee charter or otherwise). The Compensation Committee (or the Board, with respect to such matters over which it retains authority under the Plan or otherwise) may delegate (i) to one or more of its members (or one or more other members of the Board) such of its duties, powers and responsibilities as it may determine; (ii) to one or more officers of the Company the power to grant Awards to the extent permitted by applicable law; and (iii) to such Employees or other persons as it determines such ministerial tasks as it deems appropriate. For purposes of the Plan, the term "Administrator" will include the Board, the Compensation Committee, and the person or persons delegated authority under the Plan to the extent of such delegation, as applicable.

"<u>Award</u>": Any or a combination of the following:

- (i) Stock Options.
- (ii) SARs.
- (iii) Restricted Stock.
- (iv) Unrestricted Stock.
- (v) Stock Units, including Restricted Stock Units.
- (vi) Performance Awards.
- (vii) Awards (other than Awards described in (i) through (vi) above) that are convertible into or otherwise based on Stock.

"Board": The board of directors of the Company.

"<u>Cause</u>": In the case of any Participant who is party to an employment, change of control, severance-benefit or other agreement with the Company or any of its subsidiaries that contains a definition of "Cause" (or a correlative term), the definition set forth in such agreement applies with respect to such Participant for purposes of the Plan for so long as such agreement is in effect. In every other case, "Cause" means, as determined by the Administrator, a termination by the Company or an affiliate of the Participant's Employment or a termination by the Participant of the Participant's Employment, in either case, following the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) the Participant's willful and continued failure to perform, or gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of, his or her material duties with respect to the Company or an affiliate which, if curable, continues beyond ten (10) business days after a written demand for substantial performance is delivered to the Participant by the Company (provided that the Company will not be required to provide any such notice or opportunity to cure with respect to any subsequent similar or related conduct); (ii) the Participant's commission of a crime constituting a felony under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or involving moral turpitude; (iii) the Participant's committing or engaging in any act of fraud, embezzlement, theft or other act of dishonesty that causes material injury, monetarily or otherwise, to the Company or an affiliate; (iv) the Participant's breach of any non-competition, non-solicitation, no-hire, non-disparagement, confidentiality, invention assignment or other restrictive covenant by which he or she is bound, or engaging in Competitive Activity; (v) the Participant's wielation of the code of conduct of the Company or its subsidiaries or any policy of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (vi) the Participant's violation of the code of conduct of the Company or its subsidiaries; or (vii) other conduct that could reasonably be expected to be harmful to the business, interests or reputation of the Company.

"<u>Change of Control</u>": the consummation of (i) any transaction or series of related transactions, whether or not the Company is a party thereto, after giving effect to which in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the Company's voting power is owned directly, or indirectly through one or more entities, by any person and its "affiliates" or "associates" (as such terms are defined in the Exchange Act) or any "group" (as defined in the Exchange Act) other than, in each case, the Company or an Affiliate of the Company immediately following the Date of Adoption or (ii) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the consolidated assets of the Company; *provided* that, notwithstanding the foregoing, a Change of Control will not be deemed to occur as a result of any such transaction following which the individuals or entities who were beneficial owners of the outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the Company immediately prior to such transaction beneficially own, directly or indirectly, fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the Securities entitled to vote generally in the election. For purposes of this definition, "<u>Affiliates</u>" means, with respect to any person or entity, all persons and entities directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with such person or entity, where control may be by management authority, contract or equity interest.

"<u>Code</u>": The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended and in effect, or any successor statute as from time to time in effect.

"Company": LPL Financial Holdings Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Compensation Committee": The Compensation and Human Resources Committee of the Board.

"<u>Competitive Activity</u>": Engaging, directly or indirectly, alone or as principal, agent, employee, employer, consultant, investor, partner or manager, or providing advisory or other services to, or owning any stock or any other ownership interest in, or making any financial investment in any business (or entity) that engages in any business in which the Company and its subsidiaries are engaged, or that provides any material products and/or services that the Company

or its subsidiaries were actively developing or designing (provided that where such Competitive Activity occurs following termination of Employment, the Competitive Activity shall be determined at the date of termination); *provided, however*, that the foregoing shall not restrict the Participant from owning less than two percent (2%) of the outstanding securities of any class of securities listed on a national exchange or inter-dealer quotation system.

"<u>Covered Transaction</u>": Any of (i) a consolidation, merger or similar transaction or series of related transactions, including a sale or other disposition of stock, in which the Company is not the surviving corporation or which results in the acquisition of all or substantially all of the Company's then outstanding common stock by a single person or entity or by a group of persons and/or entities acting in concert; (ii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all the Company's assets; or (iii) a dissolution or liquidation of the Company. Where a Covered Transaction involves a tender offer that is reasonably expected to be followed by a merger described in clause (i) (as determined by the Administrator), the Covered Transaction will be deemed to have occurred upon consummation of the tender offer.

"<u>Date of Adoption</u>": The date the Plan was approved by the Company's stockholders.

"Director": A member of the Board who is not an Employee.

"Disability": In the case of any Participant who is party to an employment, change of control, severance-benefit or other agreement with the Company or any of its subsidiaries that contains a definition of "Disability" (or a correlative term), the definition set forth in such agreement applies with respect to such Participant for purposes of the Plan for so long as such agreement is in effect. In every other case, "Disability" means a physical or mental incapacity or disability of the Participant that renders the Participant unable to substantially perform all of his or her duties and responsibilities to the Company and its affiliates (with or without any reasonable accommodation) (i) for one hundred twenty (120) days in any twelve- (12) month period or (ii) for a period of ninety (90) successive days in any twelve- (12) month period. If any question arises as to whether the Participant has a Disability, then at the request of the Administrator the Participant shall submit to a medical examination by a qualified third-party health care provider selected by the Administrator to whom the Participant or his or her duly appointed guardian, if any, has no reasonable objection to determine whether the Participant has a Disability and such determination shall be conclusive of the issue for the purposes of the Plan. If such question shall arise and the Participant shall fail to submit to such medical examination, the Administrator's determination of the issue shall be conclusive of the issue for the purposes of the Plan.

"Employee": Any person who is employed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

"<u>Employment</u>": A Participant's employment or other service relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries. Employment will be deemed to continue, unless the Administrator otherwise determines, so long as the Participant is employed by, or otherwise is providing services in a capacity described in <u>Section 5</u> to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries. If a Participant's employment or other service relationship is with any subsidiary of the Company and that entity ceases to be a subsidiary of the Company, the Participant's Employment will be deemed to have terminated when the entity ceases to be a subsidiary of the Company unless the Participant transfers Employment to the Company or one of its remaining subsidiaries.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in construing the provisions of any Award relating to the payment of "nonqualified deferred compensation" (subject to Section 409A) upon a termination or cessation of Employment, references to termination or cessation of employment, separation from service, retirement or similar or correlative terms will be construed to require a "separation from service" (as that term is defined in Section 1.409A-1(h) of the Treasury Regulations, after giving effect to the presumptions contained therein) from the Company and from all other corporations and trades or businesses, if any, that would be treated as a single "service recipient" with the Company under Section 1.409A-1(h)(3) of the Treasury Regulations. The Company may, but need not, elect in writing, subject to the applicable limitations under Section 409A, any of the special elective rules prescribed in Section 1.409A-1(h) of the Treasury Regulations for purposes of determining whether a "separation from service" has occurred. Any such written election will be deemed a part of the Plan.

"Exchange Act": The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"<u>Fair Market Value</u>": As of a particular date, (i) the closing price for a share of Stock reported on the Nasdaq Stock Market (or any other national securities exchange on which the Stock is then listed) for that date or, if no closing price is reported for that date, the closing price on the immediately preceding date on which a closing price was reported or (ii) in the event that the Stock is not traded on a national securities exchange, the fair market value of a share of Stock determined by the Administrator consistent with the rules of Section 422 and Section 409A to the extent applicable.

"<u>ISO</u>": A Stock Option intended to be an "incentive stock option" within the meaning of Section 422. Each Stock Option granted pursuant to the Plan will be treated as providing by its terms that it is to be an NSO unless, as of the date of grant, it is expressly designated as an ISO in the Award agreement evidencing such Stock Option.

"NSO": A Stock Option that is not intended to be an "incentive stock option" within the meaning of Section 422.

"Participant": A person who is granted an Award under the Plan.

"Performance Award": An Award subject to performance vesting conditions, which may include Performance Criteria.

"<u>Performance Criteria</u>": Specified criteria, other than the mere continuation of Employment or the mere passage of time, the satisfaction of which is a condition for the grant, exercisability, vesting or full enjoyment of an Award. A Performance Criterion and any targets with respect thereto need not be based upon an increase, a positive or improved result or avoidance of loss and may be applied to a Participant individually, or to a business unit or division of the Company or to the Company as a whole. A Performance Criterion also may be based on individual performance and/or subjective performance criteria. The Administrator may provide that one or more of the Performance Criteria applicable to an Award will be adjusted in a manner to reflect events (for example, but without limitation, acquisitions or dispositions) occurring during the performance period that affect the applicable Performance Criteria.

"Plan": The LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, as from time to time amended and in effect.

"Prior Plan,": The LPL Financial Holdings Inc. Amended and Restated 2010 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated.

"<u>Restricted Stock</u>": Stock subject to restrictions requiring that it be forfeited, redelivered or offered for sale to the Company if specified performance or other vesting conditions are not satisfied.

"<u>Restricted Stock Unit</u>": A Stock Unit that is, or as to which the issuance of Stock or delivery of cash in lieu of Stock is, subject to the satisfaction of specified performance or other vesting conditions.

"<u>Retirement</u>": Unless otherwise defined in a Participant's Award agreement, termination of Employment other than for Cause following (i) attainment of age sixty-five (65) and completion of five (5) years of continuous service with the Company or (ii) attainment of age fifty-five (55) and completion of ten (10) years of continuous service with the Company.

"<u>SAR</u>": A right entitling the holder upon exercise to receive an amount (payable in cash or in shares of Stock of equivalent value) equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of the shares of Stock subject to the right over the base value from which appreciation under the SAR is to be measured.

"Section 409A": Section 409A of the Code and the regulations thereunder.

"Section 422": Section 422 of the Code and the regulations thereunder.

"Stock": Common stock of the Company, par value \$0.001 per share.

"Stock Option": An option entitling the holder to acquire shares of Stock upon payment of the exercise price.

"Stock Unit": An unfunded and unsecured promise, denominated in shares of Stock, to issue Stock or deliver cash measured by the value of Stock in the future.

"Substitute Award": An Award issued under the Plan in substitution for one or more equity awards of an acquired company that are converted, replaced or adjusted in connection with the acquisition.

"Unrestricted Stock": Stock not subject to any restrictions under the terms of the Award.

LPL FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC. 2021 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

1. Defined Terms

Exhibit A, which is incorporated by reference, defines the terms used in the Plan and sets forth certain operational rules related to those terms.

2. Purpose of Plan

The Plan is intended to enable Eligible Employees to use payroll deductions to purchase shares of Stock in offerings under the Plan, and thereby acquire an interest in the Company. The Plan is intended to qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 and to be exempt from the application and requirements of Section 409A of the Code, and is to be construed accordingly.

3. Options to Purchase Stock

Subject to adjustment pursuant to <u>Section 16</u> of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of shares of Stock available for purchase pursuant to the exercise of Options granted under the Plan will be 2,800,000 shares (the "<u>Share Pool</u>"). The shares of Stock to be delivered upon exercise of Options under the Plan may be either shares of authorized but unissued Stock, treasury Stock, Stock acquired in an open-market transaction or previously issued Stock acquired by the Company. If any Option granted under the Plan expires or terminates for any reason without having been exercised in full or ceases for any reason to be exercisable in whole or in part, the unpurchased shares of Stock subject to such Option will not reduce the Share Pool and will again be available for purchase under the Plan. If, on a Purchase Date, the total number of shares of Stock that would otherwise be subject to Options granted under the Plan expires then available in the Share Pool, the Administrator shall make a pro rata allocation of the shares remaining available for purchase under the Plan in as uniform a manner as is practicable and as it determines to be equitable. In such event, the Administrator shall notify each Participant of such reduction and of the effect on the Participant's Options and may reduce the rate of a Participant's payroll deductions, if necessary.

4. Eligibility

(a) *Eligibility Requirements*. Subject to <u>Section 13</u> of the Plan, and the exceptions and limitations set forth in <u>Section 4(b)</u>, <u>Section 4(c)</u> <u>Section 4(d)</u>, and <u>Section 6</u> of the Plan, or as may be provided elsewhere in the Plan or in any sub-plan contemplated by <u>Section 23</u>, each Employee who is employed by the Company as of the first day of an applicable Enrollment Period will be an Eligible Employee.

(b) *Five Percent Shareholders*. No Employee may be granted an Option under the Plan if, immediately after the Option is granted, the Employee would own (or pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code would be deemed to own) stock possessing five percent (5%) or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of stock of the Company or of its Parent or Subsidiaries, if any.

(c) *Officers*. No Employee may be granted an Option under the Plan if such Employee is subject to the disclosure requirements of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, in accordance with Section 1.423-2(e)(ii) of the Treasury Regulations.

(d) *Additional Requirements*. The Administrator may, for Offering Periods that have not yet commenced, establish additional or other eligibility requirements, or amend the eligibility requirements set forth in <u>Section 4(a)</u> above, in each case, consistent with the requirements of Section 423.

5. Offering Periods

The Plan will generally be implemented by a series of separate offerings referred to as "<u>Offering Periods</u>." Unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, the Offering Periods will be successive periods of approximately three (3) months and will commence on the first day of the payroll period occurring on or near February 10, May 19, August 11 and November 3 of each year; *provided*, that the initial Offering Period under the Plan may commence on some other date, as the Administrator may specify. The first payroll date to occur following the end of each Offering Period will be a "<u>Purchase Date</u>." The Administrator may change the Purchase Date, the commencement date, the ending date and the duration of each Offering Period, in each case, to the extent permitted by Section 423; *provided*, *however*, that no Option may be exercised after twenty-seven (27) months from its grant date.

6. Option Grant

Subject to the requirements and limitations set forth in <u>Sections 4</u> and <u>10</u> of the Plan and the Maximum Share Limit, on the first day of an Offering Period, each Participant will automatically be granted an Option to purchase shares of Stock on the Purchase Date; *provided*, *however*, that no Participant will be granted an Option under the Plan that permits the Participant's right to purchase shares of Stock under the Plan and under all other employee stock purchase plans of the Company and its Parent and Subsidiaries, if any, to accrue at a rate that exceeds \$25,000 in Fair Market Value (or such other maximum as may be prescribed from time to time by the Code) for each calendar year during which any Option granted to such Participant is outstanding at any time, as determined in accordance with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code.

7. Method of Participation

(a) *Payroll Deduction and Participation Authorization*. Preceding each Offering Period there will be an Enrollment Period specified by the Administrator, during which each Eligible Employee may elect to participate in the Plan by executing and delivering to the Administrator a payroll deduction and participation authorization form by the last day of the Enrollment Period in accordance with the procedures prescribed by, and in a form acceptable to, the Administrator and, in so doing, the Eligible Employee will thereby become a Participant as of the first day of such Offering Period. Such an Eligible Employee will remain a Participant with respect to subsequent Offering Periods until his or her participation in the Plan is terminated as provided herein. The Administrator may change the duration and timing of Enrollment Periods in its discretion.

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(b) Changes to Payroll Deduction Authorization for Subsequent Offering Periods. A Participant's payroll deduction authorization will remain in effect for subsequent Offering Periods unless the Participant files a new authorization with the Administrator during a subsequent Enrollment Period (or such other time as specified by the Administrator) or the Participant's Option is cancelled pursuant to <u>Section 13</u> or <u>Section 14</u> of the Plan.

(c) *Changes to Payroll Deduction Authorization for Current Offering Period*. A Participant may, at any time up to fifteen (15) days prior to the applicable Purchase Date, reduce his or her withholding rate for future payroll periods during an ongoing Offering Period by filing a new payroll deduction authorization with the Administrator, which will become effective, to the extent administratively practicable, for the subsequent payroll period following receipt of such payroll deduction authorization by the Administrator. A Participant may terminate his or her payroll deduction authorization by canceling his or her Option in accordance with <u>Section 13</u> of the Plan.

(d) *Payroll Deduction Amount*. Each payroll deduction authorization will authorize payroll deductions as a specific dollar amount, within a range specified by the Administrator prior to the applicable Offering Period, of the Participant's Eligible Compensation per payroll period.

(e) *Payroll Deduction Account*. All payroll deductions made pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u> will be credited to the Participant's Account. Amounts credited to a Participant's Account will not be required to be set aside in trust or otherwise segregated from the Company's general assets.

8. Method of Payment

A Participant must pay for shares of Stock purchased under the Plan with accumulated payroll deductions credited to the Participant's Account.

9. Purchase Price

The Purchase Price of shares of Stock issued pursuant to the exercise of an Option on each Purchase Date will be eighty-five percent (85%) (or such greater percentage specified by the Administrator to the extent permitted under Section 423) of the lesser of (i) the Fair Market Value of a share of Stock on the date on which the Option was granted pursuant to <u>Section 6</u> of the Plan (i.e., the first day of the Offering Period) and (ii) the Fair Market Value of a share of a share of Stock on the date on which the Option is deemed exercised pursuant to <u>Section 10</u> of the Plan (i.e., the Purchase Date).

10. Exercise of Options

(a) *Purchase of Shares*. Subject to the limitations set forth in <u>Section 6</u> of the Plan and this <u>Section 10</u>, with respect to each Offering Period, on the applicable Purchase Date, each Participant will be deemed to have exercised his or her Option and the accumulated payroll deductions in the Participant's Account will be applied to purchase the greatest number of shares of Stock that can be purchased with such Account balance at the applicable Purchase Price (which may include a fractional share); *provided, however*, that no more than one hundred (100) shares of Stock may be purchased by a Participant on any Purchase Date, or such other number as the Administrator may prescribe in accordance with Section 423 (the "<u>Maximum Share Limit</u>"). As soon as practicable thereafter, shares of Stock so purchased will be placed, in book-entry form, into a record keeping account in the name of the Participant.

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(b) *Return of Account Balance*. Any accumulated amount of payroll deductions in a Participant's Account for an Offering Period that are not used for the purchase of shares of Stock, whether because of the Participant's withdrawal from participation in an Offering Period or for any other reason, will be returned to the Participant (or his or her designated beneficiary or legal representative, as applicable), without interest, as soon as administratively practicable after such withdrawal or other event, as applicable. If the Participant's accumulated payroll deductions on the Purchase Date of an Offering Period would otherwise enable the Participant to purchase shares of Stock in excess of the Maximum Share Limit or the maximum Fair Market Value set forth in Section 6 of the Plan, the excess of the amount of the accumulated payroll deductions over the aggregate Purchase Price of the shares of Stock actually purchased will be returned to the Participant, without interest, as soon as administratively practicable after such Purchase Date.

11. Interest

No interest will accrue or be payable on any amount held in the Account of any Participant.

12. Taxes

Payroll deductions will be made on an after-tax basis. The Administrator will have the right to make such provision as it deems necessary for, and may condition the exercise of an Option on, the satisfaction of its obligations to withhold federal, state, local income or other taxes incurred by reason of the purchase or disposition of shares of Stock under the Plan. In the Administrator's discretion and subject to applicable law, such tax obligations may be satisfied in whole or in part by delivery of shares of Stock to the Company, including shares of Stock purchased under the Plan, valued at Fair Market Value, but not in excess of the maximum withholding amount consistent with the award being subject to equity accounting treatment under the Accounting Rules. The Administrator may, to the extent permitted by law, deduct any tax obligations from any payment of any kind due to the Participant.

13. Cancellation and Withdrawal

A Participant who has been granted an Option under the Plan may cancel all (but not less than all) of such Option and terminate his or her participation in the Plan by notice to the Administrator in accordance with the procedures prescribed by, and in a form acceptable to, the Administrator. To be effective with respect to an upcoming Purchase Date, such cancellation notice must be delivered not later than fifteen (15) calendar days prior to such Purchase Date (or such other time as specified by the Administrator). Upon such termination and cancellation, the balance in the Participant's Account will be returned to the Participant, without interest, as soon as administratively practicable thereafter. For the avoidance of doubt, a Participant who reduces his or her withholding rate for a future Offering Period to zero pursuant to <u>Section 7</u> of the Plan will be deemed to have terminated his or her payroll deduction authorization and canceled his or her participation in the Plan as to such Offering Period and all future Offering Periods, unless the Participant delivers a new payroll deduction authorization for a subsequent Offering Period in accordance with the rules of <u>Section 7</u> of the Plan.

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14. Termination of Employment; Death of Participant

Upon the termination of a Participant's employment with the Company or a Designated Subsidiary, as applicable, for any reason (including the death of a Participant during an Offering Period prior to an Purchase Date) or in the event the Participant ceases to qualify as an Eligible Employee, the Participant will cease to be a Participant, any Option held by the Participant under the Plan will be canceled, the balance in the Participant's Account will be returned to the Participant (or his or her estate or designated beneficiary in the event of the Participant's death), without interest, as soon as administratively practicable thereafter, and the Participant will have no further rights under the Plan.

15. Equal Rights; Participant's Rights Not Transferable

All Participants granted Options in an offering under the Plan will have the same rights and privileges, consistent with the requirements set forth in Section 423. Any Option granted under the Plan will be exercisable during the Participant's lifetime only by him or her and may not be sold, pledged, assigned, or transferred in any manner. In the event any Participant violates or attempts to violate the terms of this <u>Section 15</u>, as determined by the Administrator in its sole discretion, any Options granted to the Participant under the Plan may be terminated by the Company and, upon the return to the Participant of the balance of his or her Account, without interest, all of the Participant's rights under the Plan will terminate.

16. Change in Capitalization; Corporate Transaction

(a) *Change in Capitalization*. In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares (including a reverse stock split), recapitalization or other change in the Company's capital structure that constitutes an equity restructuring within the meaning of the Accounting Rules, the Administrator shall make appropriate adjustments to the aggregate number and type of shares of stock available under the Plan, the number and type of shares of stock granted under any outstanding Options, the maximum number and type of shares of stock purchasable under any outstanding Option, and/or the Purchase Price under any outstanding Option, in any case, in a manner that complies with Section 423.

(b) *Corporate Transaction*. In the event of a sale of all or substantially all of the Stock or a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or a merger or similar transaction in which the Company is not the surviving corporation or that results in the acquisition of the Company by another person, the Administrator may, in its discretion, (i) if the Company is merged with or acquired by another corporation, provide that each outstanding Option will be assumed or exchanged for a substitute Option granted by the acquiror or successor corporation or by a parent or subsidiary of the acquiror or successor corporation; (ii) cancel each outstanding Option and return the balances in Participants' Accounts to the Participants; and/or (iii) pursuant to <u>Section 18</u> of the Plan, terminate the Offering Period on or before the date of the proposed sale, merger or similar transaction.

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17. Administration

The Plan will be administered by the Administrator. The Administrator has discretionary authority, subject only to the express provisions of the Plan, to administer and interpret the Plan; to determine eligibility under the Plan; to prescribe forms, rules and procedures relating to the Plan; and to otherwise do all things necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of the Plan. Determinations of the Administrator made with respect to the Plan are conclusive and bind all persons.

The Administrator may specify the manner in which the Company and/or Employees are to provide notices and forms under the Plan, and may require that such notices and forms be submitted electronically.

18. Amendment and Termination of Plan

(a) *Amendment*. The Administrator reserves the right at any time or times to amend the Plan to any extent and in any manner it may deem advisable; *provided, however*, that any amendment that would be treated as the adoption of a new plan for purposes of Section 423 will have no force or effect unless approved by the shareholders of the Company within twelve (12) months before or after its adoption.

(b) *Termination*. The Administrator reserves the right at any time or times to suspend or terminate the Plan. In connection therewith, the Administrator may provide, in its sole discretion, either that outstanding Options will be exercisable on the Purchase Date for the applicable Offering Period or on such earlier date as the Administrator may specify (in which case such earlier date will be treated as the Purchase Date for the applicable Offering Period), or that the balance of each Participant's Account will be returned to the Participant, without interest.

19. Approvals

Shareholder approval of the Plan will be obtained prior to the date that is twelve (12) months after the date of Board approval. In the event that the Plan has not been approved by the shareholders of the Company prior to February 11, 2022, all Options to purchase shares of Stock under the Plan will be cancelled and become null and void.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the obligation of the Company to issue and deliver shares of Stock under the Plan will be subject to the approval required of any governmental authority in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale or transfer of such shares of Stock and to any requirements of any national securities exchange applicable thereto, and to compliance by the Company with other applicable legal requirements in effect from time to time.

20. Participants' Rights as Shareholders and Employees

A Participant will have no rights or privileges as a shareholder of the Company and will not receive any dividends in respect of any shares of Stock covered by an Option granted hereunder until such Option has been exercised, full payment has been made for such shares, and the shares have been issued to the Participant.

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Nothing contained in the provisions of the Plan will be construed as giving to any Employee the right to be retained in the employ of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary or as interfering with the right of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary to discharge, promote, demote or otherwise re-assign any Employee from one position to another within the Company or any Designated Subsidiary at any time.

21. Restrictions on Transfer; Information Regarding Disqualifying Dispositions.

(a) *Restrictions on Transfer*. All shares of Stock purchased under the Plan will be subject to a restriction prohibiting the transfer of such shares of Stock from the account where such shares of Stock are initially held until such shares are sold through the Plan's custodian and record keeper. Shares of Stock purchased under the Plan may, in the discretion of the Administrator, be subject to additional restrictions prohibiting the transfer, sale, pledge or alienation of such shares of Stock by a Participant, other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution, for such period following such purchase as may be determined by the Administrator.

(b) *Disqualifying Dispositions*. By electing to participate in the Plan, each Participant agrees to provide such information about any transfer of Stock acquired under the Plan that occurs within two (2) years after the first day of the Offering Period in which such Stock was acquired and within one (1) year after the day such Stock was purchased as may be requested by the Company or any Designated Subsidiary in order to assist it in complying with applicable tax laws.

22. Miscellaneous

(a) *Waiver of Jury Trial*. By electing to participate in the Plan, each Participant waives (or will be deemed to have waived), to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, any right to a trial by jury in any action, proceeding or counterclaim concerning any rights under the Plan or with respect to any Option, or under any amendment, waiver, consent, instrument, document or other agreement delivered or which in the future may be delivered in connection therewith, and agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) that any such action, proceedings or counterclaim will be tried before a court and not before a jury. By electing to participate in the Plan, each Participant certifies that no officer, representative, or attorney of the Company has represented, expressly or otherwise, that the Company would not, in the event of any action, proceeding or counterclaim, seek to enforce the foregoing waivers. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, nothing herein is to be construed as limiting the ability of the Company and a Participant to agree to submit any dispute arising under the terms of the Plan or in respect of any Option to binding arbitration or as limiting the ability of the Company to require any individual to agree to submit such disputes to binding arbitration as a condition of receiving an Option hereunder.

(b) *Limitation of Liability*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries, nor the Administrator, nor any person acting on behalf of the Company, any of its subsidiaries, or the Administrator, will be liable to any Participant, to any permitted transferee, to the estate or beneficiary of any Participant or any permitted transferee, or to any other person by reason of any acceleration of income, any additional tax, or any penalty, interest or other liability asserted by reason of the failure of the Plan or any Option to satisfy the requirements of Section 423, or otherwise asserted with respect to the Plan or any Option.

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(c) *Unfunded Plan*. The Company's obligations under the Plan are unfunded, and no Participant will have any right to specific assets of the Company in respect of any Option. Participants will be general unsecured creditors of the Company with respect to any amounts due or payable under the Plan.

23. Establishment of Sub-Plans

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any provision of the Plan to the contrary, consistent with the requirements of Section 423, the Administrator may, in its sole discretion, amend the terms of the Plan, or an offering and/or provide for separate offerings under the Plan in order to, among other things, reflect the impact of local law outside of the United States as applied to one or more Eligible Employees of a Designated Subsidiary and may, where appropriate, establish one or more sub-plans to reflect such amended provisions.

24. Governing Law

(a) *Certain Requirements of Corporate Law*. Options and shares of Stock will be granted, issued and administered consistent with the requirements of applicable Delaware law relating to the issuance of stock and the consideration to be received therefor, and with the applicable requirements of the stock exchanges or other trading systems on which the Stock is listed or entered for trading, in each case as determined by the Administrator.

(b) *Other Matters*. Except as otherwise provided by the express terms of a sub-plan described in <u>Section 23</u> or as provided in <u>Section 24(a)</u>, the domestic substantive laws of the State of Delaware govern the provisions of the Plan and of Options under the Plan and all claims or disputes arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Option or relating to the subject matter hereof or thereof without giving effect to any choice or conflict of laws provision or rule that would cause the application of the domestic substantive laws of any other jurisdiction.

(c) Jurisdiction. By electing to participate in the Plan, each Participant agrees or will be deemed to have agreed to (i) submit irrevocably and unconditionally to the jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware for the purpose of any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Option; (ii) not commence any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Option; (iii) not commence any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Option, except in the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware; and (iii) waive, and not assert, by way of motion as a defense or otherwise, in any such suit, action or proceeding, any claim that he or she is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts that his or her property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that the suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, that the venue of the suit, action or proceeding is improper or that the Plan or any Option or the subject matter thereof may not be enforced in or by such court.

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25. Effective Date and Term

The Plan will become effective upon adoption of the Plan by the Board and no rights will be granted hereunder after the earliest to occur of (i) the Plan's termination by the Company; (ii) the issuance of all shares of Stock available for issuance under the Plan; and (iii) the day before the ten-(10) year anniversary of the date the Board approves the Plan.

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<u>Exhibit A</u> DEFINED TERMS

The following terms, when used in the Plan, have the meanings and are subject to the provisions set forth below:

"401(k) Plan": A savings plan qualifying under Section 401(k) of the Code that is sponsored by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of its employees.

"Account": A notional payroll deduction account maintained in the Participant's name on the books of the Company.

"Accounting Rules": Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, or any successor provision.

"<u>Administrator</u>": The Compensation and Human Resources Committee of the Board, except that such Committee may delegate its authority under the Plan to a sub-committee comprised of one or more of its members, to members of the Board, or to officers or employees of the Company to the extent permitted by applicable law. In each case, references herein to the Administrator refer, as applicable, to such persons or groups so delegated to the extent of such delegation.

"Board": The Board of Directors of the Company.

"<u>Code</u>": The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended and in effect, or any successor statute as from time to time in effect, including any applicable regulations and guidance thereunder.

"<u>Company</u>": LPL Financial Holdings Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"<u>Designated Subsidiary</u>": A Subsidiary of the Company that has been designated by the Board or the Compensation and Human Resources Committee of the Board from time to time as eligible to participate in the Plan. A list of Designated Subsidiaries as of the date the Plan has been approved by the Board is set forth on <u>Annex A</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, any Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not a Subsidiary on the Effective Date, shall be eligible to be designated as a Designated Subsidiary hereunder.

"Effective Date": The date set forth in Section 25 of the Plan.

"<u>Eligible Compensation</u>": Regular base salary, regular base wages and overtime payments (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any bonus, commission or sales incentive payments or long-term or equity-based incentive payments or awards). Eligible Compensation will not be reduced by any income or employment tax withholdings or any contributions by the Employee to a 401(k) Plan or a plan under Section 125 of the Code, but will be reduced by any contributions made on the Employee's behalf by the Company or any Subsidiary to any deferred compensation plan or welfare benefit program now or hereafter established.

"Eligible Employee": Any Employee who meets the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 4 of the Plan.

"<u>Employee</u>": Any person who is employed by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary. For the avoidance of doubt, independent contractors and consultants are not "Employees."

"Enrollment Period": An enrollment period established in accordance with Section 7(a) of the Plan.

"Fair Market Value":

(i) If the Stock is readily traded on an established national exchange or trading system (including the Nasdaq Stock Market), the closing price of a share of Stock as reported by the principal exchange on which such Stock is traded; *provided, however*, that if such day is not a trading day, Fair Market Value will mean the reported closing price of a share of Stock for the immediately preceding day that is a trading day.

(ii) If the Stock is not traded on an established national exchange or trading system, the average of the bid and ask prices for shares Stock where the bid and ask prices are quoted.

(iii) If the Stock cannot be valued pursuant to clauses (i) or (ii), the value as determined in good faith by the Board in its sole discretion.

"Maximum Share Limit": The meaning set forth in Section 10 of the Plan.

"Offering Period": An offering period established in accordance with Section 5 of the Plan.

"<u>Option</u>": An option granted pursuant to the Plan entitling the holder to acquire shares of Stock upon payment of the Purchase Price per share of Stock.

"Parent": A "parent corporation" as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.

"Participant": An Eligible Employee who elects to participate in an Offering Period under the Plan.

"Plan": The LPL Financial Holdings Inc. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as from time to time amended and in effect.

"<u>Purchase Date</u>": The date set forth in <u>Section 5</u> of the Plan or otherwise designated by the Administrator with respect to a particular Offering Period on which a Participant will be deemed to have exercised the Option granted to him or her for such Offering Period.

"Purchase Price": The price per share of Stock with respect to an Offering Period determined in accordance with Section 9 of the Plan.

"Section 423": Section 423 of the Code and the regulations thereunder.

"Stock": Common stock of the Company, par value \$0.001 per share.

"Subsidiary": A "subsidiary corporation" as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.

<u>Annex A</u>

DESIGNATED SUSIDIARIES

Allen & Company of Florida, LLC

LPL Employee Services, LLC

LPL Financial LLC

The Private Trust Company, N.A.