

— RAYMOND JAMES COPILOT INDIVIDUAL(K)™ PLANS FOR OWNER-ONLY BUSINESSES

# An Individual(k) retirement solution designed specifically for owner-only businesses

### An Individual(k) is ideal for1:

- Owner-only businesses whose only employees are the owner or the owner and spouse.
- Partnerships whose only employees are partners or partners and spouse.
- C and S corporations where the corporation has only one shareholder and the only employees are the shareholder or shareholder and spouse.

### How does an Individual(k) work?

- Just like traditional 401(k) plans, an Individual(k), also known in the industry as a Solo(k), allows you to decide how much to contribute as the employee *and* the employer:
  - » Employee contributions are typically deposited monthly
  - » Employer contributions are typically deposited just before tax filing
- Ascensus provides all documents to implement the plan, annual administration, and annual tax reporting.



In general, Individual(k) is for businesses without full-time employees. The plan may still be viable if employees are union workers, non-resident aliens, or under age 21. Long-term, part-time employees must be allowed to make salary deferrals to the plan if they satisfied the plan's minimum age requirement and 500 hours of service in three consecutive 12–month periods (for plan years that begin on or after January 1, 2021) or two consecutive 12–month periods (for plan years that begin on or after January 1, 2025). Since the Individual(k) plan is designed exclusively for owner-only businesses, if "less than full-time" non-owner employees meet this requirement the business would no longer be eligible for the Ascensus Individual(k) product.

### Participants can save more...faster

In 2025, Individual(k) allows for deferrals of up to \$23,500 of pretax income plus additional profit-sharing contributions based on a percentage of self-employed earnings or W-2 compensation if taxed as a corporation. This can translate to significantly larger retirement savings over the years compared to a SIMPLE or SEP IRA. SIMPLE IRAs allow for deferrals up to \$16,500.

### Comparison of Retirement Saving Potential<sup>2</sup>

| Your W-2 Compensation | Individual(k) | SIMPLE <sup>®</sup> IRA | SEP IRA  |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------|
| \$50,000              | \$35,500      | \$17,500                | \$12,500 |
| \$150,000             | \$60,500      | \$20,500                | \$37,500 |
| \$200,000             | \$69,000      | \$22,000                | \$50,000 |

If the owner reaches age 50 or over by the end of the year, they may be eligible to make additional elective deferrals, called catch-up contributions, of \$7,500 (or \$11,250 aged 60-63) to an Individual(k) plan and \$3,500 (or \$5,250 aged 60-63) to a SIMPLE IRA plan.

# The Raymond James CoPilot Individual(k) offers key features that meet the specific needs of an owner-only business.

### **PLAN DESIGN AND SETUP**

- ERISA/plan document services
- Rollover contributions
- Onboarding support
- IRS Form 5500 EZ
- Quarterly participant statements
- Ascensus account access

### **PLAN SERVICES**

- Recordkeeping and administration
- · Contribution, loan, and distribution processing
- Raymond James as the 3(38) Investment manager
- Trust services
- READYSAVE™ App

### Goal: Offer a streamlined, cost-effective solution

| Optimized for      | Individuals and financial advisors that want a set lineup managed for them and immediate access to balances and information through a plan website. |  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Investment options | 3(38) investment fiduciary services provided by Raymond James   |  |
| Pricing            | Implementation Fee\$50  |  |
|                    | Base Fee\$25/month  |  |
|                    | Recordkeeping Fee   |  |

Pricing is subject to change. Excludes investment expenses.

## Ascensus' award-winning service, technology, expertise, and the simple plan design of an Individual(k) makes offering a retirement solution an easy decision.



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For illustrative purposes only; assumes W-2 compensation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Assumes a 3 percent employer matching contribution on elective deferrals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Fees are shown in annual terms but are deducted monthly.