

## Q1 2021 EARNINGS KEY METRICS

LPL Financial Holdings Inc. Q1 2021 Earnings April 29, 2021

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Gross profit is calculated as total revenues, which were \$1,708 million for the three months ended March 31,2021, less advisory and commission expenses and brokerage, clearing and exchange fees ("BC&E"), which were \$1,109 million and \$19 million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31,2021. All other expense categories, including depreciation and amortization of fixed assets and amortization of intangible assets, are considered general and administrative in nature. Because the Company's gross profit amounts do not include any depreciation and amortization expense, the Company considers its gross profit amounts to be non-GAAP measures that may not be comparable to those of others in its industry. Management believes that gross profit amounts can provide investors with useful insight into the Company's core operating performance before indirect costs that are general and administrative in nature. For a calculation of gross profit, please see page 26 of this presentation.

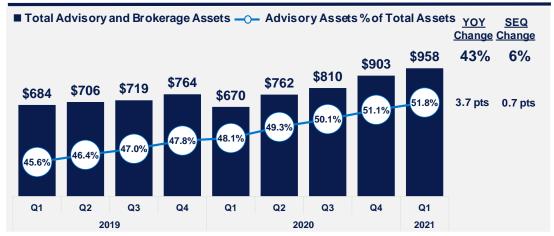
EBITDA is defined as net income plus interest and other expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization, and amortization of intangible assets. The Company presents EBITDA because management believes that it can be a useful financial metric in understanding the Company's earnings from operations. EBITDA is not a measure of the Company's financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP, or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of profitability or liquidity. For a reconciliation of net income to EBITDA, please see page 27 of this presentation. In addition, the Company's EBITDA calculated by other companies, depending on long-term strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax juris dictions in which companies operate and capital investments.

EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs is defined as GAAP earnings per share ("EPS") plus the per share impact of amortization of intangible assets and acquisition costs. The per share impact is calculated as amortization of intangible assets expense and acquisition costs, net of applicable tax benefit, divided by the number of shares outstanding for the applicable period. The Company presents EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs because management believes the metric can provide investors with useful insight into the Company's core operating performance by excluding non-cash items and acquisition costs that management does not believe impact the Company's ongoing operations. EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs is not a measure of the Company's financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to GAAP EPS or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of GAAP EPS to EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs, please see page 28 of this presentation.

Core G&A consists of total operating expenses, which were \$1,493 million for the three months ended March 31,2021, excluding the following expenses: advisory and commission, regulatory charges, promotional, employee share-based compensation, depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangible assets, and BC&E. Management presents Core G&A because it believes Core G&A reflects the corporate operating expense categories over which management can generally exercise a measure of control, compared with expense items over which management either cannot exercise control, such as advisory and commission expenses, or which management views as promotional expense necessary to support advisor growth and retention, including conferences and transition assistance. Core G&A is not a measure of the Company's total operating expenses as calculated in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of Core G&A to the Company's total operating expenses, please see page 29 of this presentation. The Company does not provide an outlook for its total operating expenses because it contains expense components, such as advisory and commission expenses, that are market-driven and over which the Company cannot exercise control. Accordingly, a reconciliation of the Company's outlook for Core G&A to an outlook for total operating expenses cannot be made available without unreasonable effort.

## We continue to drive long-term business growth...

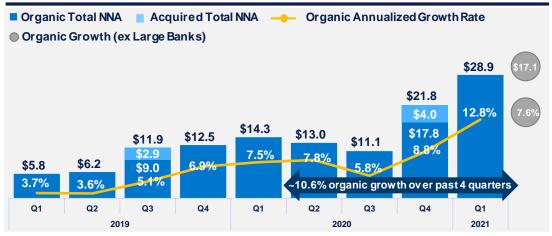
## Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets (\$ billions)



## Recruited Assets<sup>(2)</sup> (\$ billions)



### Total Net New Assets<sup>(1)</sup> (\$ billions)



AUM Retention Rate<sup>(3)</sup> (Quarterly Annualized)

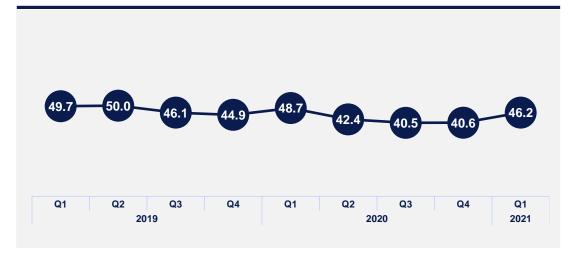


## ...And solid financial results

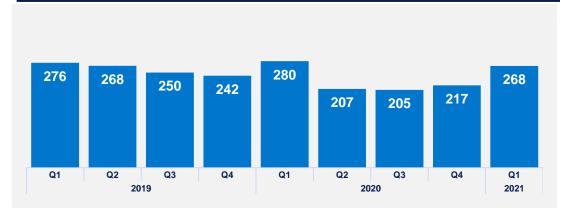
## Gross Profit\* (\$ millions)



#### EBITDA\* as a % of Gross Profit\*



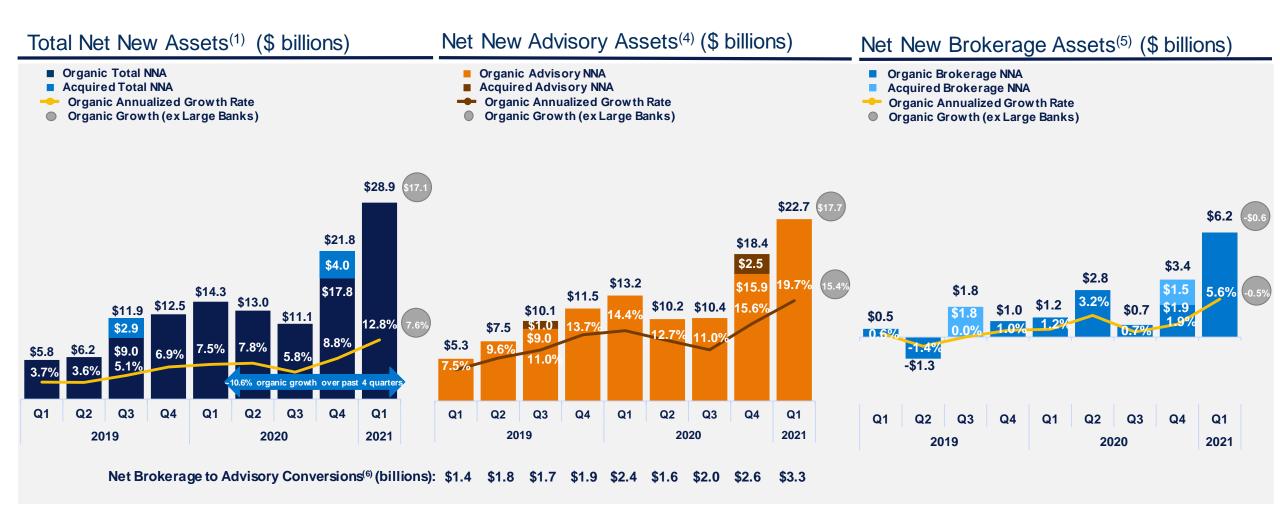
## EBITDA\* (\$ millions)



EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs\*



# We continued to drive solid organic growth with a Net New Asset growth rate of ~13% in Q1 and ~11% for the past year



# Waddell & Reed update: Our estimated retention improved to 95% and our expected run-rate EBITDA increased to \$80M+

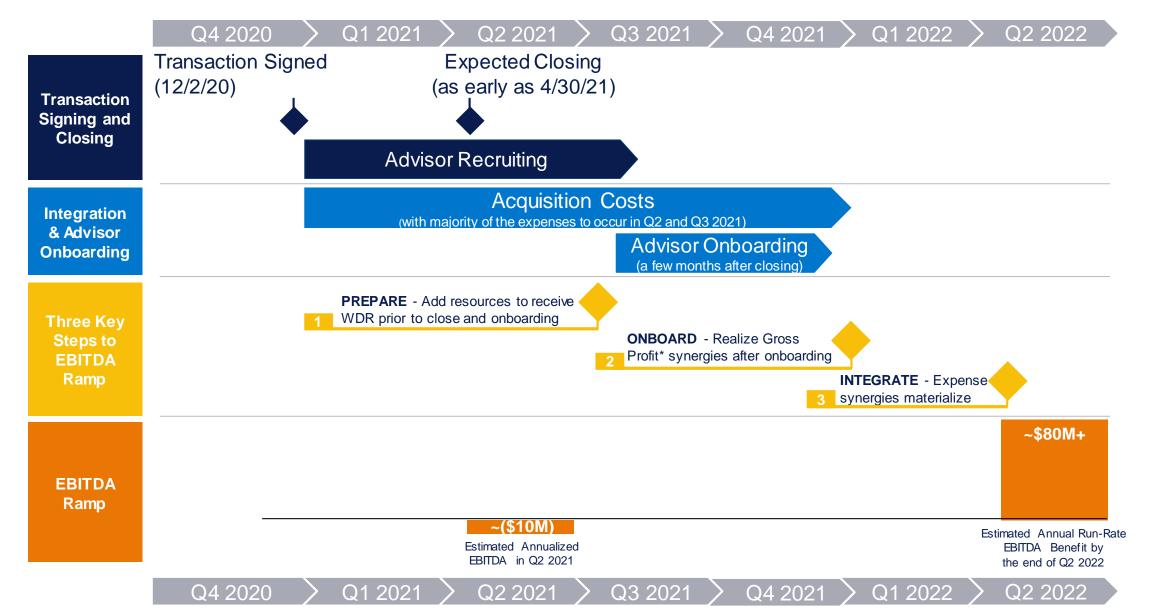
## **Transaction Details at Signing**

- On December 2nd, we signed an agreement to acquire Waddell & Reed's wealth management business
- Transaction structured primarily as an equity purchase with a price of \$300M
- Waddell & Reed's wealth management client assets were ~\$63B with asset mix of ~45% advisory and ~55% brokerage (as of September 30, 2020)
- Waddell & Reed's wealth management business has over 900 advisors, serving ~\$70M of client assets per advisor (as of September 30, 2020)





# We estimate reaching an annual EBITDA benefit of \$80M+ by the end of Q2 2022



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# We continue to scale and expand our Business Solutions portfolio

Business Solutions has grown to ~1,700 subscribers, more than double a year ago Annualized revenue from Business Solutions has increased to ~\$19M, up by ~\$9M from a year ago Launched our 6th Business Solution – M&A Solutions – in Q1 2021

#### **Professional Services**

- Digital and employee-powered solutions that provide practice management expertise to increase practice-level growth and operational efficiency
- Higher revenue and higher cost due to full support from a LPL team
- Subscriptions average \$1,500+ per month

# Admin Solutions Reduce daily tasks with experienced and trained administrative help

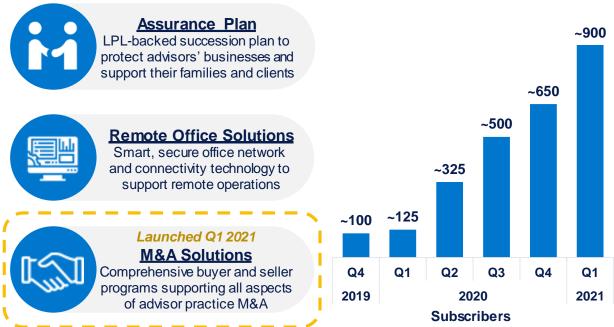






#### **Business Optimizers**

- Digital solutions that provide risk mitigation and business continuity services to support practice operations and succession planning
- Lower revenue and lower cost since they deliver digital capabilities
- Subscriptions average \$100+ per month

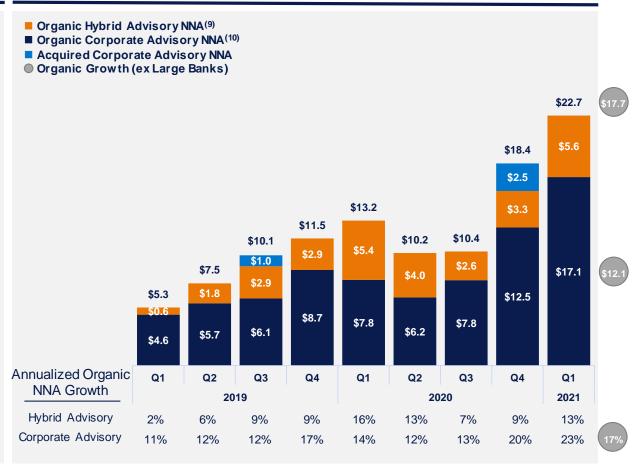


## Our Corporate and Hybrid Advisory platforms continue to grow

Corporate and Hybrid Advisory Platform Mix (\$ billions)



Corporate and Hybrid Advisory NNA Mix (\$ billions)



# Centrally Managed Assets grew at a 47% organic growth rate, or a 20% organic growth rate excluding Large Banks in Q1

### Centrally Managed Assets<sup>(11)</sup> (\$ billions)



### Centrally Managed NNA<sup>(12)</sup> (\$ billions)



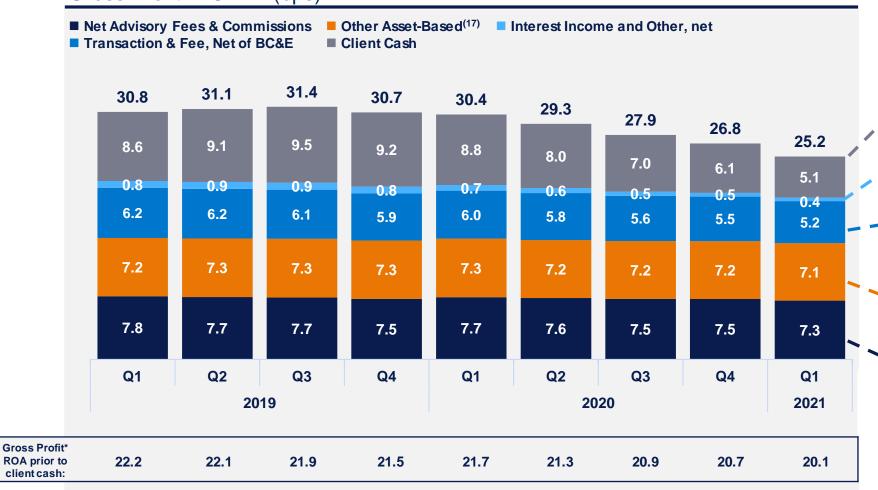
## We continued to drive solid EBIT ROA in Q1

### Average Total Advisory & Brokerage Assets (\$ billions)



# Gross Profit\* ROA decreased year-over-year, primarily driven by lower interest rates

### Gross Profit\* ROA<sup>(14)</sup> (bps)



Our Gross Profit\* ROA is primarily impacted by 3 key drivers

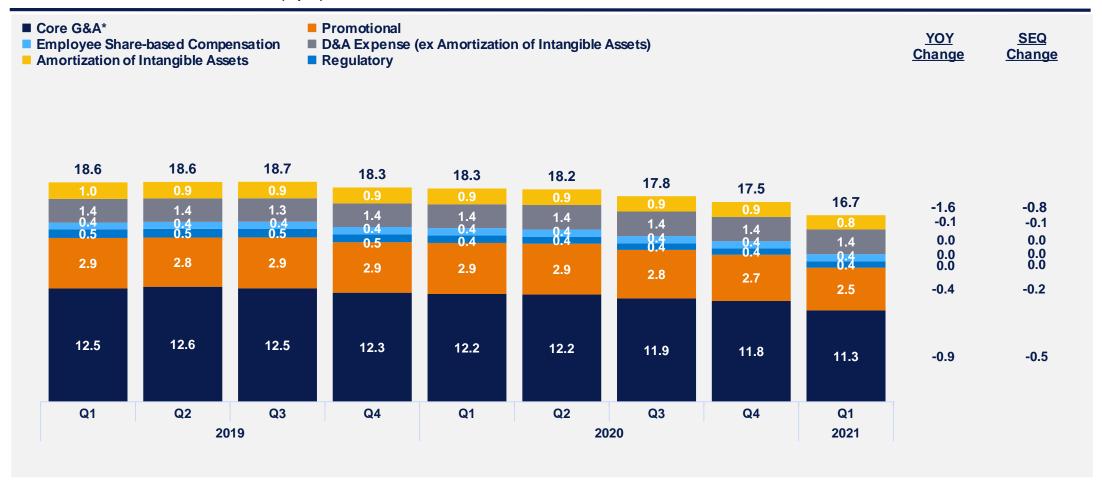
Client Cash and Interest Income and Other ROAs have declined year-over-year as lower interest rates reduce returns on client and corporate cash

Transaction & Fee ROA is driven by
Advisor count and trading levels; market
driven asset growth causes a ROA decline
even as advisor driven fees continue to
grow, as they don't move with assets

Asset levels drive Advisory Fees &
Commissions and Other Asset Based
ROAs, which have remained consistent as
advisors continue to shift to advisory and we
leverage our distribution capabilities

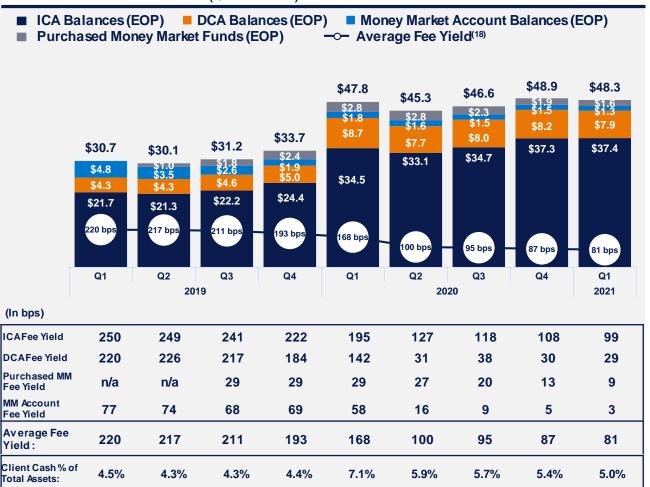
# **OPEX** % of Assets continued to decrease, primarily driven by Core G&A\*

## Total OPEX % of Assets<sup>(15)</sup> (bps)

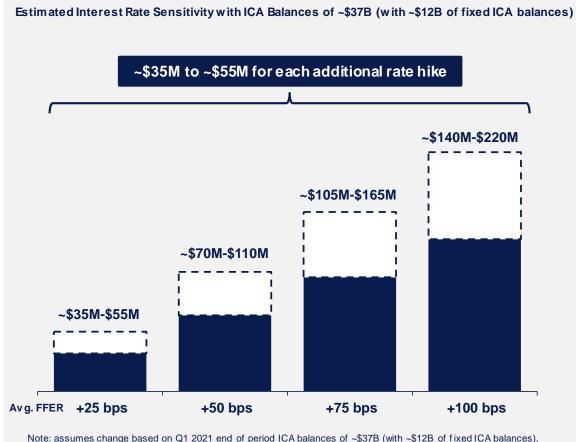


## Q1 Client Cash balances decreased 1% sequentially

#### Client Cash balances (\$ billions)

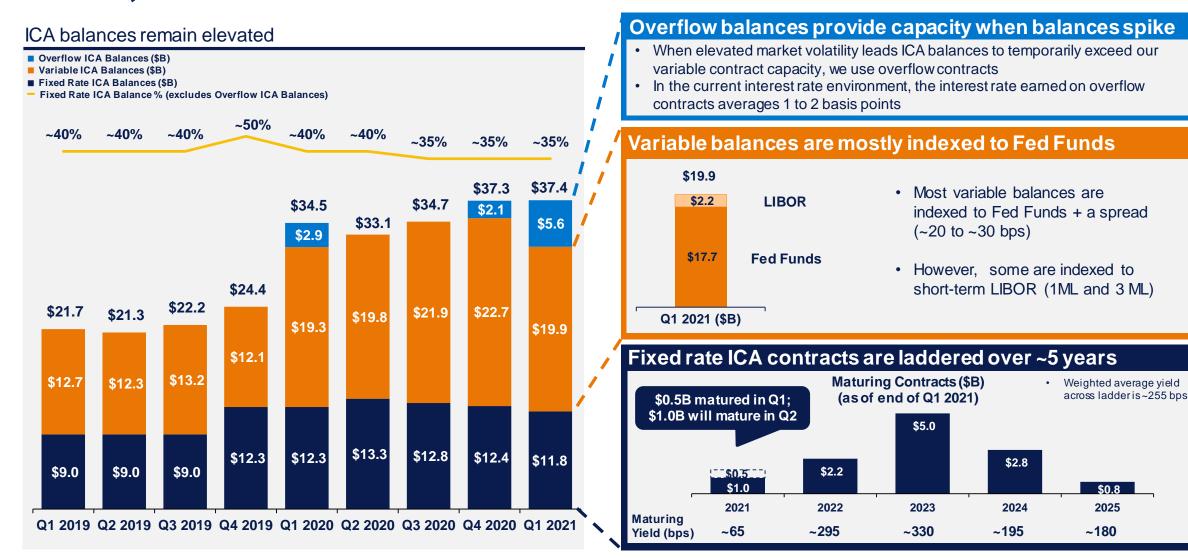


### Annual potential Gross Profit\* benefit from rising interest rates



Note: assumes change based on Q1 2021 end of period ICA balances of ~\$37B (with ~\$12B of fixed ICA balances), deposit betas of 25-50%, ~\$20M change in DCA revenue per 25 bps rate hike, and ~\$3M change in interest expense on floating rate debt per 25 bps rate hike.

## In Q1, ICA balances remained well above 2019 levels



Note: Yields shown on this page are prior to client deposit rates (~1 bps) and administrator fees (~4 bps).

\$0.8

2025

~180

## We remain focused on investing to drive organic growth while delivering long-term operating leverage in our core business

### Long-term cost strategy

- Deliver operating leverage in core business
- Prioritize investments that drive additional growth
- Drive productivity and efficiency
- Adapt cost trajectory as environment evolves

#### 2021 Core G&A\* context

- Our 2021 Core G&A\* plans are for a range of \$975M to \$1,000M prior to Waddell & Reed (~5.5% to ~ 8% growth) to drive growth across existing and new markets
- In Q1, Core G&A\* was \$236M, or an annualized rate of \$945M, below the lower end of our 2021 outlook range
- We expect to be within our 2021 Core G&A\* range of \$975M to \$1,000M. This includes costs to support BMO and M&T, but is prior to expenses associated with Waddell & Reed

#### Recent expense trajectory, prior to acquisitions



#### Core G&A\* outlook

Q1 2021 Actual **\$236M** 

Q1 2021 Annualized \$945M

2021 Outlook Prior to Waddell & Reed

\$975M - \$1,000M

## Our balance sheet remained strong in Q1...



### Credit Agreement Net Leverage Ratio



We define corporate cash as the sum of (1) cash held at the Parent and its non-regulated subsidiaries, (2) cash held at The Private Trust Company in excess of Credit Agreement capital requirements and (3) cash held at LPL Financial in excess of 10 percent of its aggregate debits, which represents five times the net capital LPL Financial is required to maintain under the terms of our Credit Agreement.

# ...And we are currently prioritizing capital deployment to organic growth and M&A

Shareholder Capital Returns (\$ millions)



<sup>†</sup> Total Payout Ratio is defined as (Dividends + Share Repurchases) / (Net Income + Amortization of Intangible Assets, net of Tax) ‡ Increased share repurchase authorization to \$1B as of December 31, 2018.



## **APPENDIX**

## Disclosure Update – AUM Retention vs. Production Retention

Updated Retention Metric AUM Retention Rate<sup>(3)</sup> (Quarterly Annualized)





Production Retention Rate<sup>(19)</sup> (YTD Annualized)

Previous Retention Metric

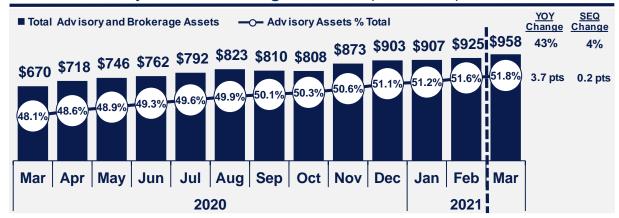


#### Context

- In an effort to provide more clarity into our business results, we have evolved our retention metric
- Starting in Q1 2021, we will disclose retained assets in the quarter
- Previously, we disclosed year-to-date production
- This change aligns with how we evaluate our business results and simplifies our disclosure

## Monthly metrics dashboard through March 2021

### Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets (\$ billions)



## Client Cash Balances (\$ billions)



### Total Net New Assets (\$ billions)



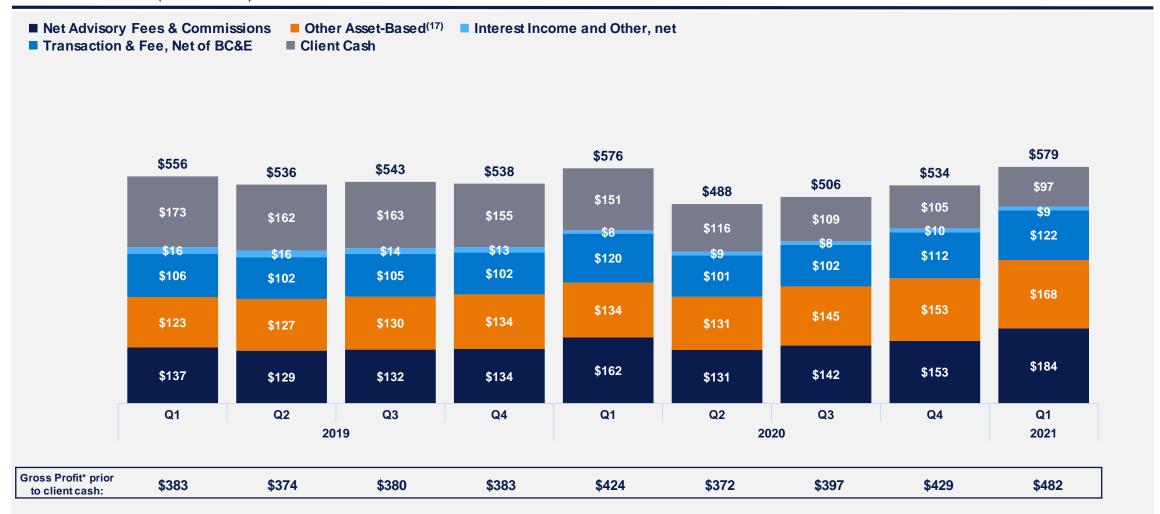
### Net Buy (Sell) Activity (\$ billions)



<sup>†</sup> Calculated as current period total organic net new assets multiplied by twelve, divided by preceding period Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets.

## Q1 Gross Profit\* increased 9% sequentially

### Gross Profit\* (\$ millions)



## Q1 Total OPEX was flat sequentially, and increased 8% yearover-year

### Total OPEX<sup>(20)</sup> (\$ millions)



## Net Buy (Sell) Activity was \$17.4 billion in Q1, while Payout **Ratio was 85.6%**





## **Calculation of Gross Profit**

Gross Profit is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of gross profit under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Set forth below is a calculation of Gross Profit for the periods presented on pages 5, 12, 13 and 23.

\$ in millions	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019
Total revenues	\$1,708	\$1,581	\$1,460	\$1,367	\$1,463	\$1,448	\$1,416	\$1,390	\$1,372
Advisory and commission expense	1,109	1,030	937	860	871	894	857	838	800
Brokerage, clearing and exchange fees	19	18	18	19	17	16	16	16	16
Gross Profit	\$579	\$534	\$506	\$488	\$576	\$538	\$543	\$536	\$556

## Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA

EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of EBITDA under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are reconciliations of the Company's net income to EBITDA for the periods presented on page 5:

\$ in millions	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019
NET INCOME	\$130	\$112	\$104	\$102	\$156	\$127	\$132	\$146	\$155
Non-operating interest expense and other	25	25	25	26	29	31	32	34	33
Provision for income taxes	36	34	32	36	52	38	46	49	48
Depreciation and amortization	35	29	28	27	27	26	24	23	23
Amortization of intangible assets	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16
Loss on extinguishment of debt	24	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
EBITDA	\$268	\$217	\$205	\$207	\$280	\$242	\$250	\$268	\$276

# Reconciliation of GAAP EPS to EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs

EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are the following reconciliations of EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets and Acquisition Costs to GAAP EPS for the periods presented on page 5:

in millions, except per share data	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019
GAAP EPS	\$1.59	\$1.38	\$1.29	\$1.27	\$1.92	\$1.53	\$1.57	\$1.71	\$1.79
Amortization of intangible assets	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$16	\$16	\$16
Acquisition Costs	\$2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tax benefit	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$4)	(\$5)	(\$5)
Amortization of intangible assets and acquisition costs, net of tax benefit	\$15	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12
Diluted share count	81.6	80.9	80.6	80.1	81.2	82.7	83.8	85.4	86.7
EPS impact	\$0.18	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.13
EPS prior to amortization of intangible assets and acquisition costs	\$1.77	\$1.53	\$1.44	\$1.42	\$2.06	\$1.68	\$1.71	\$1.85	\$1.93

## Reconciliation of Core G&A to Total Operating Expenses

Core G&A is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of Core G&A under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are reconciliations of Core G&A to the Company's total operating expenses for the periods presented on pages 14, 17 and 24:

\$ in millions	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019
Core G&A	\$236	\$252	\$227	\$222	\$223	\$230	\$215	\$211	\$213
Regulatory charges	8	9	8	6	6	8	8	9	8
Promotional	54	48	58	45	57	51	62	41	51
Acquisition Costs	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee share-based compensation	11	8	7	8	9	7	7	7	8
Total G&A	\$312	\$317	\$301	\$281	\$295	\$296	\$292	\$268	\$280
Advisory and commissions	1,109	1,030	937	860	871	894	857	838	800
Depreciation and amortization	35	29	28	27	27	26	24	23	23
Amortization of intangible assets	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16
Brokerage, clearing and exchange fees	19	18	18	19	17	16	16	16	16
Total operating expenses	\$1,493	\$1,410	\$1,300	\$1,203	\$1,226	\$1,248	\$1,205	\$1,161	\$1,135

## **Footnotes**

- (1) In April 2020, the Company updated its definition of net new assets to include dividends plus interest, minus advisory fees (see FNs 4 and 5). Net new assets figures for periods prior to Q2 2020 appearing in this presentation have been recast using the updated definition.
- (2) Represents the estimated Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets expected to transition to the Company's broker-dealer subsidiary, LPL Financial LLC ("LPL Financial"), associated with advisors who transferred their licenses to LPL Financial during the period. The estimate is based on prior business reported by the advisors, which has not been independently and fully verified by LPL Financial. The actual transition of assets to LPL Financial generally occurs over several quarters including the initial quarter of the transition, and the actual amount transitioned may vary from the estimate.
- (3) Reflects retention of total advisory and brokerage assets, calculated by deducting quarterly annualized attrition from total advisory and brokerage assets, over the prior-quarter total advisory and brokerage assets.
- (4) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts (including advisory assets serviced by Allen & Company advisors) less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts, plus dividends, plus interest, minus advisory fees (see FN 1). The Company considers conversions to and from advisory accounts as deposits and withdrawals respectively. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period organic Net New Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.
- (5) Consists of total client deposits into brokerage accounts (including brokerage accounts serviced by Allen & Company advisors) less total client withdrawals from brokerage accounts, plus dividends, plus interest (see FN 1). The Company considers conversions to and from brokerage accounts as deposits and withdrawals respectively. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period organic Net New Brokerage Assets divided by preceding period total Brokerage Assets, multiplied by four.
- (6) Consists of existing custodied assets that converted from brokerage to advisory, less existing custodied assets that converted from advisory to brokerage.
- (7) Consists of total assets on LPL Financial's independent advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of separate investment advisor firms ("Hybrid RIAs"), rather than of LPL Financial.
- (8) Consists of total assets on LPL Financial's corporate advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of LPL Financial or Allen & Company of Florida LLC ("Allen & Company").
- (9) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts on LPL Financial's independent advisory platform less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts on its independent advisory platform. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Hybrid Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Hybrid Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.
- (10) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts on LPL Financial's corporate advisory platform less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts on its corporate advisory platform. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Corporate Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Corporate Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.
- (11) Represents those advisory assets in LPL Financial's Model Wealth Portfolios, Optimum Market Portfolios, Personal Wealth Portfolios and Guided Wealth Portfolios platforms.
- (12) Consists of total client deposits into Centrally Managed Assets (see FN 11) accounts less total client withdrawals from Centrally Managed Assets accounts. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Centrally Managed Assets divided by preceding period total Centrally Managed Assets, multiplied by four.
- (13) Represents the average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period.
- (14) Represents total trailing twelve-month Gross Profit\* for the period, divided by average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period (see FN 13).
- (15) Represents total trailing twelve-month operating expenses for the period, excluding production-related expense ("OPEX"), divided by average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period (see FN 13). Production-related expense includes advisory and commissions expense and brokerage, clearing and exchange expense. For purposes of this metric, operating expenses includes Core G&A\*, Regulatory, Promotional, Employee Share-Based Compensation, Depreciation & Amortization and Amortization of Intangible Assets.
- (16) EBIT ROA is calculated as Gross Profit ROA (see FN 14) less OPEX ROA (see FN 15).
- (17) Consists of revenues from the Company's sponsorship programs with financial product manufacturers and omnibus processing and networking services, but not including fees from client cash programs. Other asset-based revenues are a component of asset-based revenues and are derived from the Company's Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.
- (18) Calculated by dividing revenue for the period by the average balance during the quarter.
- (19) Reflects retention of advisory and commission revenues, calculated by deducting the prior year production of the annualized year-to-date attrition rate, over the prior year total production.
- (20) Represents operating expenses for the period, excluding production-related expense. Production-related expense includes advisory and commissions expense and brokerage, clearing and exchange expense. For purposes of this metric, operating expenses includes Core G&A\*, Regulatory, Promotional, Employee Share-Based Compensation, Depreciation & Amortization of Intangible Assets.
- (21) Represents the amount of securities purchased less the amount of securities sold in client accounts custodied with LPL Financial. Reported activity does not include any other cash activity, such as deposits, withdrawals, dividends received or feespaid.