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Target Market Document: Start Investing Service

1. Target Market Description

The **Start Investing Service** is designed for:

- Children of existing Zenith Asset Management clients, supporting the next generation to begin their investment journey.
- Individuals with less than £50,000 to invest, either as a lump sum or through regular contributions.
- Young or first-time investors who may have limited experience with financial products and are seeking simple, accessible entry into investing.

2. Key Needs and Objectives

- Low-cost, simple solutions: The service focuses on straightforward, cost-effective investment and tax planning options suitable for smaller portfolios and new investors.
- Education and support: Clients are introduced to investing in a way that builds confidence and financial literacy, with clear, jargon-free communication.
- **Family integration:** The service leverages the relationship with existing Zenith clients, providing reassurance and continuity for families.
- Flexible contributions: Regular savings and lump sum options are available, with minimum fees and transparent charges (e.g., a minimum initial advice fee of £500 for children of Enhanced or Elite clients).

3. Exclusions / Negative Target Market

- Individuals not connected to existing Zenith clients (i.e., not children or dependents of current clients).
- Clients with more than £50,000 to invest, who may be better suited to the Essential, Enhanced, or Elite services.
- Individuals seeking complex financial planning, advanced tax strategies, or bespoke portfolio construction.
- Clients unwilling or unable to provide written instructions (paper or electronic) as required for all transactions.

4. Distribution Strategy

- Initial consultation is provided free of charge to explain the service, gather information, and outline costs and options.
- **Daytime meetings** (video or in-office) are encouraged to keep fees low and support adviser wellbeing; discounted initial fees apply for daytime meetings.
- Written recommendations are provided, with all instructions accepted in writing for clarity and compliance.

5. Vulnerability Considerations

- Assessment: Advisers assess for vulnerability, especially given the age and inexperience of many clients in this segment.
- Clear communication: All advice is delivered in accessible, jargon-free language, with educational support as needed.
- Family involvement: Parents or guardians are encouraged to be involved in meetings and decision-making, where appropriate.

6. Ongoing Review and Governance

- Ongoing review options are discussed at the outset and can be tailored as the client's needs evolve.
- **Suitability checks** are performed before any recommendation, ensuring the service aligns with the client's objectives, risk tolerance, and capacity for loss.
- **Feedback mechanisms** are in place to monitor client understanding and satisfaction, supporting continuous improvement under FCA Consumer Duty.