# Form 5500 Schedule C Disclosure for Mutual Fund Series of DoubleLine Funds Trust

DoubleLine Capital LP and, with respect to DoubleLine Strategic Commodity Fund, DoubleLine Multi-Asset Trend Fund and DoubleLine Colony Real Estate and Income Fund, DoubleLine Alternatives LP (each an “Adviser”) provide this disclosure document to assist plan administrators in completing Form 5500 Schedule C (Service Provider Information) for investments in series of DoubleLine Funds Trust, a Delaware statutory trust (each series, a “Fund” and all series collectively, the “Funds”). The document contains information regarding eligible indirect compensation received by the Adviser and others from the Funds.

Eligible indirect compensation is defined as indirect compensation, including, for example:

(i) fees or expense reimbursement payments charged to investment funds and reflected in the value of the investment or return on investment of the participating plan or its participants (e.g., mutual fund expense ratios), (ii) “soft dollar” revenue, (iii) float revenue, and (iv) brokerage commissions or other transaction-based fees for transactions or services involving the plan that were not paid directly by the plan or plan sponsor. Form 5500 Schedule C provides a simplified “alternative reporting option” for eligible indirect compensation paid to a service provider if (i) the only compensation paid to a service provider is eligible indirect compensation, and (ii) the plan administrator receives the “required written disclosure.” Required written disclosure consists of written materials that describe the existence of indirect compensation, the services provided for (or the purpose of) the indirect compensation, the actual or estimated amount of the indirect compensation or the formula used to calculate the amount and the identity of the party or parties paying and receiving the indirect compensation. This document provides information intended to comply with the foregoing disclosure requirements and to enable plan sponsors to take advantage of the alternative reporting option.

The alternative reporting option requires plan sponsors to report the name and address of each service provider and the name and address of the person or entity providing the required written disclosures. Under the alternative reporting option, the plan sponsor is not required to report the information contained in the written disclosures. For these purposes, the identifying information of the Adviser is as follows:

DoubleLine Capital LP

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This document refers to pages in the prospectus relating to Class A, Class I, Class C, Class N and Class R6 shares of the Funds (the “Prospectus”) and the statement of additional information of Class A, Class I, Class C, Class N and Class R6 shares of the Funds (the “SAI”) and to parts of the Funds’ combined annual report to shareholders, each of which contains relevant information. These materials can be accessed at:

<https://doublelinefunds.com/prospectuses/> <https://doublelinefunds.com/documents/>

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# Identifying Information

The following table directs you to the general location of each Fund’s specified items of identifying information:

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| **Information** | **Location** |
| Fund Name | Please refer to the cover page of the Prospectus. |
| Share Class | Please refer to the cover page of the Prospectus. |
| Ticker Symbol | Please refer to the cover page of the Prospectus. |
| CUSIP | Please See Appendix A. |
| Date of the Fund’s Fiscal Year-End | March 31 |
| Fund Assets as of Fiscal Year-End | Please refer to “Net assets, end of period” in  the Fund’s table in the “Financial Highlights” section of the Prospectus or annual report to shareholders. |
| Expense Ratio (Exclusive of Fee Waivers) | Please refer to the Annual Fund Operating Expense table of the Prospectus. |
| Fund EIN | A Fund’s EIN is available upon request. |

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# Part 1. Compensation Earned by the Adviser and its Affiliates

Fund Advisory Fees

The following tables direct you to the general location of information about advisory fees paid by each Fund, including amounts previously waived by the Adviser that may be recaptured by the Adviser at a future date:

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| **Information** | **Location** |
| Investment Adviser to Whom Fees are Paid (Name and Address) | Please refer to the “Management of the Funds – Investment Advisers” section of the Prospectus for name and address information.  Please also refer to the “Statement of Operations” section of the applicable Fund in the annual report to shareholders or the “Investment Advisory Agreements” section of the SAI for fees paid. |
| Investment Adviser Fees (Net of Waivers) | Please refer to the “Statement of Operations” section of the applicable Fund in the annual report to shareholders or the “Investment Advisory Agreements” section of the SAI. |
| Services Provided in Exchange for Fee | Please refer to the “Investment Advisory Agreements” section of the SAI. |
| Suggested Department of Labor Service Codes | 28 (Investment Management), 52 (Investment Management Fees Paid Indirectly by Plan) |

Research and Other Services / “Soft Dollar” Arrangements

As permitted by Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), each Adviser may, on behalf of a client, pay a broker or dealer, including those acting in the capacity of a futures commission merchant, that provides “brokerage and research services” (as defined in the Exchange Act) to the Adviser an amount of commission for effecting a portfolio investment transaction in excess of the amount of commission that another broker or dealer would have charged for effecting that transaction, if the Adviser determines in good faith that such amount of commission was reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and research services provided by such broker or dealer, viewed in terms of either that particular transaction or the Adviser’s overall responsibilities to the client and to other client accounts over which the Adviser exercises investment discretion. Such research services include proprietary research created internally by a broker or by a third-party provider (and made available to an Adviser by a broker) such as, for example, individual stock information and research, industry and sector analysis, trend analysis and forecasting, discussions with individual stock analysts, and meetings arranged with various sources of information regarding particular issuers, industries, governmental policies, specific information about local markets and applicable regulations, economic trends, and other matters. In addition, a broker may accumulate credits for an Adviser’s account and use them to purchase brokerage and research services at the Adviser’s discretion and based on the Adviser’s determination of the relative benefits of the various services available for purchase. These arrangements are commonly known as “commission sharing arrangements.” Accordingly, an Adviser’s clients may be deemed to be paying for research and these other services with “soft” or commission dollars. Research furnished by brokers or dealers or pursuant to credits accumulated at brokers or dealers through commission sharing arrangements may be used in servicing any or all of the Advisers’ clients and may be used for client accounts other than those that pay commissions to the broker or dealer providing the research. An Adviser also may receive soft dollar credits based on certain “riskless” principal securities transactions with brokerage firms. With respect to certain products and services used for both research/brokerage and non- research/brokerage purposes, an Adviser generally allocates the costs of such products and services between their research/brokerage and non-research/brokerage uses, and generally uses soft dollars to pay only for the portion allocated to research/brokerage uses. Examples of products and services used for non-research/brokerage purposes (and not paid for with soft dollars) include equipment and exchange data (e.g., quotes, volume). Some of these services may be of value to the Advisers and their related parties in advising various of their clients (including the Funds), although not all of these services are necessarily useful and of value in managing the Funds. The management fee paid by a Fund is not reduced because an Adviser or its related parties receive these services even though the Adviser might otherwise be required to purchase some of these services for cash. An Adviser’s authority to cause a Fund to pay any such greater commissions is also subject to such policies as the Trustees may adopt from time to time.

The Adviser may pay commissions for the purpose of obtaining “brokerage and research services” (as defined for purposes of Section 28(e)) in reliance on Section 28(e) of the 1934 Act. Below is a non-exhaustive list of broker-dealers to whom the Adviser has sent trades or may send trades for the Funds’ accounts during the current fiscal year. In addition to trade execution, these broker-dealers may also provide research services, such as those described above, to the Adviser. Such research is not provided to the Adviser with respect to any specific client of the Adviser or retirement plan product. As a result, the value of brokerage or research services received by the Adviser in connection with the Funds is very difficult to quantify and there is no formula by which they could be determined with precision.

| **Potential Research Providers** | |
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| InspereX (formerly 280 Securities LLC) | Loop Capital Markets LLC |
| Academy Securities, Inc. | Macquarie Bank Limited |
| Amherst Pierpont Securities LLC | Macquarie Capital Markets North America Ltd. |
| Antares Capital | Macquarie Capital (USA) Inc. |
| ANZ Securities, Inc. | Macquarie Group Limited |
| Banco do Brasil Securities LLC | MarketAxess Corporation |
| Bank of America Merrill Lynch | Maxim Group LLC |
| Barclays Capital Inc. | Mesirow Financial |
| Bay Crest Partners, LLC | Millennium Advisors, LLC |
| B. Riley FBR, Inc. | Mizuho Securities USA LLC |
| BBVA Securities Inc. | MKM Partners LLC |
| BCP Securities, LLC | Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC |
| Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., LLC | MUFG Securities Americas Inc. |
| BMO Capital Markets | NABSecurities, LLC |
| BNP Paribas Securities Corp. | National Alliance Securities, LLC |
| BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC | National Bank of Canada Financial Inc. |
| Bradesco Securities, Inc. | Natixis Securities Americas LLC |
| Brean Capital, LLC | NatWest Markets Securities Inc. |
| Brownstone Investment Group, LLC | Needham & Company, LLC |
| BTG Pactual US Capital, LLC | Neovest |
| BTIG, LLC | Nomura Securities International, Inc. |
| C.L. King & Associates, Inc. | Northern Trust Securities, Inc. |
| Cabrera Capital Markets, LLC | Odeon Capital Group LLC |
| Cambridge International Securities, LLC | Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. |
| Canaccord Genuity LLC | Penserra Securities, LLC |
| Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. | Performance Trust Capital Partners LLC |
| CastleOak Securities, L.P. | Pershing LLC |
| CIBC World Markets Corp. | Piper Jaffray & Co. |
| Citadel Securities LLC | PNC Capital Markets LLC |
| Citigroup Global Markets Inc. | Raymond James & Associates, Inc. |
| Citizens Securities, Inc. | RB International Markets (USA) LLC |
| CLSA Americas, LLC | RBC Barbados |
| Commerz Markets LLC | RBC Capital Markets, LLC |
| Commonwealth Australia Securities, LLC | Robert W. Baird & Company |
| Cowen and Company, LLC | ROC Capital |
| Crédit Agricole Securities (USA) Inc. | R.W. Pressprich & Co. |
| Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC | Sandler O’Neill & Partners, LP. |
| Daiwa Capital Markets America | Santander Investment Securities Inc. |
| DBS Bank Ltd. | Sberbank CIB USA, Inc. |
| Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. | Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. |
| Drexel Hamilton, LLC | Seaport Global Securities LLC |
| ED&F Man Capital Markets Inc. | Seminario y Cia SAB |
| Evercore Group L.L.C (Evercore ISI) | SG Americas Securities, LLC |
| Fifth Third Securities, Inc. | Shellpoint Capital LLC |
| FYNSA (Finanzas y Negocios) | SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. |
| FHN Financial Securities Corp | Standard Chartered Securities North America LLC |
| Gazprombank | State Street Global Markets, LLC |
| Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC | Stephens Inc. |
| GreensLedge Capital Markets LLC | Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated |
| Guggenheim Securities LLC | StoneX |
| Haitong Securities USA LLC | Stormhabour Securities LP |
| Hilltop Securities Inc. | SumRidge Partners, LLC |
| HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. | Susquehanna Financial Group, LLLP |
| Hunt Financial Securities, LLC | SWS (Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC) |
| Imperial Capital, LLC | TD Securities (USA) LLC |
| Incapital LLC | Tellimer Markets Inc. |
| ING Financial Markets LLC | TPCG Markets Financial Services, S.A. |
| Itau International Securities Inc. | Truist Securities, Inc. |
| Jane Street Execution Services, LLC | Trumid Financial LLC |
| Janney Montgomery Scott LLC | Tullett Prebon Financial Services LLC |
| Jefferies LLC | UBS Securities LLC |
| Jones Trading Institutional Services LLC | UMBNA |
| J.P. Morgan Securities LLC | UMBFSI |
| KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. | Virtu Americas LLC |
| LarrainVial Securities US LLC | Wells Fargo Securities, LLC |
| SVB Leerink LLC | William Blair & Company, LLC |
| Liquidity Finance LP | WR Securities, LLC |
| Liquidnet, Inc. | XP Investments US, LLC |
| Lloyds Securities Inc. | Xtellius |

For additional information regarding the provision of brokerage or research services, please refer to the applicable SAI’s “Brokerage, Allocation and Other Trading Practices” section.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Code for these services is 68 (‘Soft Dollars’ Commissions).

Gifts and Entertainment

The Adviser has reviewed the gifts and entertainment received by its employees and determined that, under any reasonable method of allocation, the amount of gifts and entertainment attributable to any plan are of insubstantial value. Accordingly, no amount of gift or entertainment compensation must be reported on Form 5500 Schedule C.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Code for these services is 56 (Non-monetary Compensation).

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# Part 2. Information on Payments Made by the Fund or the Adviser

Note to plan administrators: The information provided in this Part 2 provides information on payments that the Funds or the Adviser make to others that may be required to be reported on Form 5500 Schedule C. **It is the responsibility of the recipient of a payment to report such receipt to the plan administrator.** The information here is being provided solely to alert plan

administrators to seek information from brokers, record-keepers and others. This information is of a general nature and may not cover all of the compensation received by your service provider.

Fees Related to Purchase and Sale / Commissions

For information regarding sales loads, breakpoints for sales loads, and the services provided in exchange for sales loads, please refer to the “Fund Summary – Fees and Expenses of the Fund” and “Share Class Features” [[1]](#footnote-1) sections of the Prospectus, and the “Distribution of Trust Shares” section of the SAI. Please note that the application, amount and operation of sales loads may vary between various classes of Fund shares.

The recipient of sales loads paid by the plan (if any) is the Funds’ distributor, Quasar Distributors, LLC, 111 East Kilbourn Avenue, Suite 2200, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, who, in turn, pays or re-allows a commission to the selling broker/dealer. Please contact your broker/dealer for details. Quasar Distributors, LLC may retain any sales loads paid attributable to a plan if there is no broker-dealer associated with the plan’s account.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Codes for these services are 49 (Other services) and 54 (Sales Loads (front-end and deferred)).

Distribution (Rule 12b-1) Fees

For information regarding the amount and purpose of Rule 12b-1 distribution fees paid by shares of a Fund, please refer to the “Fund Summary – Fees and Expenses of the Fund,” “Share Class Features,” [[2]](#footnote-2) “How to Buy Shares – Distribution and Rule 12b-1 Fees (Class A, Class C, and Class N Shares Only); Other Distribution-Related Payments to Financial Intermediaries,” [[3]](#footnote-3) and “How to Buy Shares – Payments to Financial Intermediaries for Shareholder Services” [[4]](#footnote-4) section of the Prospectus and the “Distribution of Trust Shares” section of the SAI.

Class R6 and Class I shares of the Funds do not pay 12b-1 fees.

Distribution fees are paid to the Funds’ distributor, Quasar Distributors, LLC, 111 East Kilbourn Avenue, Suite 2200, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, who, in turn, pays fees to the broker- dealer associated with the plan’s account. Quasar Distributors, LLC may retain any distribution fees paid attributable to a plan if there is no broker-dealer associated with the plan’s account.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Code for these services is 63 (Distribution (12b-1) Fees).

Payments Made for Providing Services to Plan Investors or Plan Participants

For information regarding administrative fees paid by shares of a Fund for sub-transfer agency and other administrative services, please refer to the “Summary of Other Important Information Regarding Fund Shares – Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries”, “How to Buy Shares – Distribution and Rule 12b-1 Fees (Class A, Class C, and Class N Shares Only); Other Distribution-Related Payments to Financial Intermediaries” and “How to Buy Shares – Payments to Financial Intermediaries for Shareholder Services” sections of the Prospectus, the “Distribution of Trust Shares” and “Shareholder Servicing Arrangements” sections of the SAI and the applicable Fund’s “Statement of Operations” section in the annual report to shareholders. Class R6 shares of the Funds do not make payments to financial intermediaries to provide administrative, recordkeeping or similar services in respect of plan investors or other beneficial shareholders (or any compensation in respect of such services provided by others).

The suggested Department of Labor Service Codes for these services are 15 (Recordkeeping and Information Management (computing, tabulating, data processing, etc.)), 59 (Shareholder servicing fees), 60 (Sub-transfer agency fees), 64 (Recordkeeping fees), and 65 (Account maintenance fees).

Additional Reportable Payments or Compensation Paid by any Fund or the Adviser

For information regarding fees that may be paid by the Adviser at its own expense and out of its own revenues in connection with the sale and distribution of the Funds’ shares or for services to the Funds and their shareholders, including a list of recipients of such fees as of a specified date, please see the “Payments by the Advisers” section of the SAI, the “How to Buy Shares – Payments to Financial Intermediaries”, the “How to Buy Shares – Distribution and Rule 12b-1 Fees (Class A, Class C, and Class N Shares Only); Other Distribution-Related Payments to Financial Intermediaries,” the “How to Buy Shares – Other Payments to Financial Intermediaries” and the “How to Buy Shares – Payments to Financial Intermediaries for Shareholder Services” sections of the Prospectus. For additional information, please consult your financial advisor or financial intermediary to learn more about the total amounts paid to your financial advisor or financial intermediary in respect of shares of a Fund. You should also consult any disclosures made by your financial intermediary at the time of purchase.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Codes for these services are 49 (other services) and 56 (Non-monetary compensation).

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, serves as the administrator for the Funds. For more information about administrative fees paid by the Funds, please refer to the “Administration Agreements” section of the SAI and the applicable Fund’s “Statement of Operations” section in the annual report to shareholders.

The suggested Department of Labor Service Code for these services is 52 (Investment Management Fees Paid Indirectly by Plan).

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# If you have questions about this disclosure document, please contact DoubleLine Funds Trust by telephone at 877-354-6311.

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# This disclosure document is not intended to be and shall not constitute legal, tax or accounting advice to plan administrators or pension plans subject to Form 5500 Schedule C reporting obligations and is intended solely to furnish information to such plans to assist them in complying with Form 5500 Schedule C reporting obligations.

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**Appendix A Table of CUSIPS[[5]](#footnote-5)**

| **Fund Name** | **Ticker** | **CUSIP** |
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| DoubleLine Core Fixed Income Fund, Class I | DBLFX | 258620 301 |
| DoubleLine Core Fixed Income Fund, Class N | DLFNX | 258620 400 |
| DoubleLine Core Fixed Income Fund, Class R6 | DDCFX | 258620558 |
| DoubleLine Total Return Bond Fund, Class I | DBLTX | 258620 103 |
| DoubleLine Total Return Bond Fund, Class N | DLTNX | 258620 202 |
| DoubleLine Total Return Bond Fund, Class R6 | DDTRX | 258620566 |
| DoubleLine Emerging Markets Fixed Income Fund, Class I | DBLEX | 258620 509 |
| DoubleLine Emerging Markets Fixed Income Fund, Class N | DLENX | 258620 608 |
| DoubleLine Multi-Asset Growth Fund, Class I | DMLIX | 258620 889 |
| DoubleLine Multi-Asset Growth Fund, Class A | DMLAX | 258620 707 |
| DoubleLine Low Duration Bond Fund, Class I | DBLSX | 258620 863 |
| DoubleLine Low Duration Bond Fund, Class N | DLSNX | 258620 855 |
| DoubleLine Low Duration Bond Fund, Class R6 | DDLDX | 258620541 |
| DoubleLine Floating Rate Fund, Class I | DBFRX | 258620 848 |
| DoubleLine Floating Rate Fund, Class N | DLFRX | 258620 830 |
| DoubleLine Shiller Enhanced CAPE®, Class I | DSEEX | 258620 822 |
| DoubleLine Shiller Enhanced CAPE®, Class N | DSENX | 258620 814 |
| DoubleLine Shiller Enhanced CAPE®, Class R6 | DDCPX | 258620525 |
| DoubleLine Flexible Income Fund, Class I | DFLEX | 258620 798 |
| DoubleLine Flexible Income Fund, Class N | DLINX | 258620 780 |
| DoubleLine Flexible Income Fund, Class R6 | DFFLX | 258620533 |
| DoubleLine Low Duration Emerging Markets Fixed Income Fund, Class I | DBLLX | 258620 772 |
| DoubleLine Low Duration Emerging Markets Fixed Income Fund, Class N | DELNX | 258620 764 |
| DoubleLine Long Duration Total Return Bond Fund, Class I | DBLDX | 258620 749 |
| DoubleLine Long Duration Total Return Bond Fund, Class N | DLLDX | 258620 731 |
| DoubleLine Strategic Commodity Fund, Class I | DBCMX | 258620 715 |
| DoubleLine Strategic Commodity Fund, Class N | DLCMX | 258620 723 |
| DoubleLine Global Bond Fund, Class I | DBLGX | 258620 699 |
| DoubleLine Global Bond Fund, Class N | DLGBX | 258620 681 |
| DoubleLine Infrastructure Income Fund, Class I | BILDX | 258620 673 |
| DoubleLine Infrastructure Income Fund, Class N | BILTX | 258620 665 |
| DoubleLine Ultra Short Bond Fund, Class I | DBULX | 258620 657 |
| DoubleLine Ultra Short Bond Fund, Class N | DLUSX | 258620 640 |
| DoubleLine Shiller Enhanced International CAPE®, Class I | DSEUX | 258620 632 |
| DoubleLine Shiller Enhanced International CAPE®, Class N | DLEUX | 258620 624 |
| DoubleLine Colony Real Estate and Income Fund, Class I | DBRIX | 258620 616 |
| DoubleLine Colony Real Estate and Income Fund, Class N | DLREX | 258620 590 |
| DoubleLine Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund, Class I | DBELX | 258620 582 |
| DoubleLine Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund, Class N | DLELX | 258620 574 |
| DoubleLine Income Fund, Class I | DBLIX | 258620 517 |
| DoubleLine Income Fund, Class N | DBLNX | 258620 491 |
| DoubleLine Multi-Asset Trend Fund, Class I | DBMOX | 258620483 |
| DoubleLine Multi-Asset Trend Fund, Class N | DLMOX | 258620475 |

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1. For Class A and Class C shares only. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. For Class A, Class C and Class N shares only. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. For Class A, Class C and Class N shares only. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. For Class A, Class C and Class N shares only. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures (CUSIP). CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)