GRAYSCALE BITCOIN TRUST (BTC)

2023 Grantor Trust Tax Information EIN: 46-7019388

The following information is being provided to assist Shareholders of the Grayscale Bitcoin Trust (BTC) (the "Trust") with reporting of their taxable income and expenses for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

TAXATION OF THE TRUST

The Trust is a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, the Trust itself is not subject to U.S. federal income tax. Instead, the Trust's income and expenses "flow through" to the Shareholders.

TAXATION OF US INDIVIDUAL SHAREHOLDERS

Shareholders generally will be treated, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as if they directly owned a pro rata share of the underlying assets held in the Trust. Shareholders also will be treated as if they directly received their respective pro rata shares of the Trust's income and proceeds, and directly incurred their pro rata share of the Trust's expenses. Most state and local tax authorities follow U.S. income tax rules in this regard. However, Shareholders should contact their own tax advisors as to the state and local tax consequences of ownership of the Trust.

The Trust holds only Bitcoin ("BTC") tokens and, accordingly, received no income during the year.

The Trust paid expenses periodically, as shown in the attached 2023 Gross Proceeds File. These expenses are allocated into monthly periods as shown in the 2023 Expense File. An example illustrating the computation of a Shareholder's share of expenses is provided.

Because the Trust paid out only a de minimis amount of BTC tokens for payment of Trust expenses during the year and made no distributions of sale proceeds to its Shareholders, under Treas. Reg. Sec. 1.671- 5(c)(2)(iv)(B) neither the Trust nor brokers are required to report the gross proceeds of Trust sales to Shareholders on Form 1099B. In lieu of Form 1099B, this information is contained in the attached 2023 Gross Proceeds File together with an example illustrating how a Shareholder should calculate gain or loss.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Grayscale Bitcoin Trust (BTC) - (the "Trust")

Expense File - Summary of allocated monthly Trust expenses per share in USD (page 2)

<u>Gross Proceeds File</u> – Summary of daily value per share (in BTC), amount of BTC paid to cover trust expenses (in BTC), and per share proceeds from BTC paid to cover trust expenses (in USD) - (pages 3 -14)

<u>Pro-Rated Shares</u> – All income and expenses are distributed pro rata based on the actual number of days in the calendar month (see example on page 2)

GRAYSCALE BITCOIN TRUST (BTC) 2023 EXPENSE FILE

Summary of Expenses by Month (Details on pages 3-14)					
Date	Expenses Per Share (USD)	Amount of BTC Per Share			
January	0.03578105	0.00000155			
February	0.03251812	0.00000140			
March	0.04396417	0.00000154			
April	0.04384145	0.00000149			
May	0.04158188	0.00000154			
June	0.04514990	0.00000149			
July	0.04472045	0.00000153			
August	0.04004884	0.00000153			
September	0.03999369	0.00000148			
October	0.05274304	0.00000153			
November	0.05565891	0.0000147			
December	0.06470379	0.00000152			
Total for year	0.54070529	0.00001807			

How to Calculate the Shareholder's Investment Expenses

Identify in the table above the months (full and partial) in which the Shareholder held shares in the Trust. The amount in the column labeled "Expenses Per Share", represents the amount of investment expense paid per share for a full month. For any month in which the shares were not held on each day in such month, the expenses should be pro-rated based on the number of days held (see attached details for each month pages 3-14).

Example illustrating calculation of a Shareholder's 2023 Grayscale Bitcoin Trust (BTC) Expenses

Assume that a Shareholder purchased 20,000 shares on February 15, 2023 and sold them on September 15, 2023. For the month of February, Shareholder's expenses are 0.03251812 (See Summary Table above – February Factor) x (13/28) = 0.01509770 per share. For the months of March through August, the expenses per share are as shown in the summary table above. For the month of September, Shareholder's expenses are 0.03999369 (See Summary Table above – September Factor) x (15/30) = 0.01999685. The total expenses for Shareholder are therefore 0.29440123 per share (sum of all factors from February 15th through September 15th) multiplied by the number of shares held (20,000), or 0.01999685.

Total Expenses per Share	\$0	.29440123
Number of Shares Held		20,000
Total Expense	\$	5,888.02

(Please consult your tax advisor as to reporting)

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
1/1/2023	0.00091282		
1/2/2023	0.00091277		
1/3/2023	0.00091272		
1/4/2023	0.00091267		
1/5/2023	0.00091262		
1/6/2023	0.00091257		
1/7/2023	0.00091252		
1/8/2023	0.00091247		
1/9/2023	0.00091242		
1/10/2023	0.00091237		
1/11/2023	0.00091232		
1/12/2023	0.00091227		
1/13/2023	0.00091222		
1/14/2023	0.00091217		
1/15/2023	0.00091212		
1/16/2023	0.00091207		
1/17/2023	0.00091202		
1/18/2023	0.00091197		
1/19/2023	0.00091192		
1/20/2023	0.00091187		
1/21/2023	0.00091182		
1/22/2023	0.00091177		
1/23/2023	0.00091172		
1/24/2023	0.00091167		
1/25/2023	0.00091162		
1/26/2023	0.00091157		
1/27/2023	0.00091152		
1/28/2023	0.00091147		
1/29/2023	0.00091142		
1/30/2023	0.00091137		
1/31/2023	0.00091132	0.00000155	0.03578105

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
2/1/2023	0.00091127		
2/2/2023	0.00091122		
2/3/2023	0.00091117		
2/4/2023	0.00091112		
2/5/2023	0.00091107		
2/6/2023	0.00091102		
2/7/2023	0.00091097		
2/8/2023	0.00091092		
2/9/2023	0.00091087		
2/10/2023	0.00091082		
2/11/2023	0.00091077		
2/12/2023	0.00091072		
2/13/2023	0.00091067		
2/14/2023	0.00091062		
2/15/2023	0.00091057		
2/16/2023	0.00091052		
2/17/2023	0.00091047		
2/18/2023	0.00091042		
2/19/2023	0.00091037		
2/20/2023	0.00091032		
2/21/2023	0.00091027		
2/22/2023	0.00091022		
2/23/2023	0.00091017		
2/24/2023	0.00091012		
2/25/2023	0.00091007		
2/26/2023	0.00091002		
2/27/2023	0.00090997		
2/28/2023	0.00090992	0.0000140	0.03251812

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
3/1/2023	0.00090987		
3/2/2023	0.00090982		
3/3/2023	0.00090977		
3/4/2023	0.00090972		
3/5/2023	0.00090967		
3/6/2023	0.00090962		
3/7/2023	0.00090957		
3/8/2023	0.00090952		
3/9/2023	0.00090947		
3/10/2023	0.00090942		
3/11/2023	0.00090937		
3/12/2023	0.00090932		
3/13/2023	0.00090927		
3/14/2023	0.00090922		
3/15/2023	0.00090917		
3/16/2023	0.00090912		
3/17/2023	0.00090907		
3/18/2023	0.00090902		
3/19/2023	0.00090897		
3/20/2023	0.00090892		
3/21/2023	0.00090887		
3/22/2023	0.00090882		
3/23/2023	0.00090877		
3/24/2023	0.00090872		
3/25/2023	0.00090867		
3/26/2023	0.00090862		
3/27/2023	0.00090857		
3/28/2023	0.00090853		
3/29/2023	0.00090848		
3/30/2023	0.00090843		
3/31/2023	0.00090838	0.0000154	0.04396417

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
4/1/2023	0.00090833		
4/2/2023	0.00090828		
4/3/2023	0.00090823		
4/4/2023	0.00090818		
4/5/2023	0.00090813		
4/6/2023	0.00090808		
4/7/2023	0.00090803		
4/8/2023	0.00090798		
4/9/2023	0.00090793		
4/10/2023	0.00090788		
4/11/2023	0.00090783		
4/12/2023	0.00090778		
4/13/2023	0.00090773		
4/14/2023	0.00090768		
4/15/2023	0.00090763		
4/16/2023	0.00090758		
4/17/2023	0.00090753		
4/18/2023	0.00090748		
4/19/2023	0.00090743		
4/20/2023	0.00090738		
4/21/2023	0.00090733		
4/22/2023	0.00090728		
4/23/2023	0.00090723		
4/24/2023	0.00090718		
4/25/2023	0.00090713		
4/26/2023	0.00090708		
4/27/2023	0.00090703		
4/28/2023	0.00090698		
4/29/2023	0.00090693		
4/30/2023	0.00090688	0.0000149	0.04384145

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
5/1/2023	0.00090683		
5/2/2023	0.00090678		
5/3/2023	0.00090673		
5/4/2023	0.00090668		
5/5/2023	0.00090664		
5/6/2023	0.00090659		
5/7/2023	0.00090654		
5/8/2023	0.00090649		
5/9/2023	0.00090644		
5/10/2023	0.00090639		
5/11/2023	0.00090634		
5/12/2023	0.00090629		
5/13/2023	0.00090624		
5/14/2023	0.00090619		
5/15/2023	0.00090614		
5/16/2023	0.00090609		
5/17/2023	0.00090604		
5/18/2023	0.00090599		
5/19/2023	0.00090594		
5/20/2023	0.00090589		
5/21/2023	0.00090584		
5/22/2023	0.00090579		
5/23/2023	0.00090574		
5/24/2023	0.00090569		
5/25/2023	0.00090564		
5/26/2023	0.00090559		
5/27/2023	0.00090554		
5/28/2023	0.00090549		
5/29/2023	0.00090544		
5/30/2023	0.00090539		
5/31/2023	0.00090534	0.0000154	0.04158188

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
6/1/2023	0.00090529		
6/2/2023	0.00090525		
6/3/2023	0.00090520		
6/4/2023	0.00090515		
6/5/2023	0.00090510		
6/6/2023	0.00090505		
6/7/2023	0.00090500		
6/8/2023	0.00090495		
6/9/2023	0.00090490		
6/10/2023	0.00090485		
6/11/2023	0.00090480		
6/12/2023	0.00090475		
6/13/2023	0.00090470		
6/14/2023	0.00090465		
6/15/2023	0.00090460		
6/16/2023	0.00090455		
6/17/2023	0.00090450		
6/18/2023	0.00090445		
6/19/2023	0.00090440		
6/20/2023	0.00090435		
6/21/2023	0.00090430		
6/22/2023	0.00090425		
6/23/2023	0.00090420		
6/24/2023	0.00090415		
6/25/2023	0.00090411		
6/26/2023	0.00090406		
6/27/2023	0.00090401		
6/28/2023	0.00090396		
6/29/2023	0.00090391		
6/30/2023	0.00090386	0.0000149	0.04514990

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
7/1/2023	0.00090381		
7/2/2023	0.00090376		
7/3/2023	0.00090371		
7/4/2023	0.00090366		
7/5/2023	0.00090361		
7/6/2023	0.00090356		
7/7/2023	0.00090351		
7/8/2023	0.00090346		
7/9/2023	0.00090341		
7/10/2023	0.00090336		
7/11/2023	0.00090331		
7/12/2023	0.00090326		
7/13/2023	0.00090321		
7/14/2023	0.00090316		
7/15/2023	0.00090311		
7/16/2023	0.00090307		
7/17/2023	0.00090302		
7/18/2023	0.00090297		
7/19/2023	0.00090292		
7/20/2023	0.00090287		
7/21/2023	0.00090282		
7/22/2023	0.00090277		
7/23/2023	0.00090272		
7/24/2023	0.00090267		
7/25/2023	0.00090262		
7/26/2023	0.00090257		
7/27/2023	0.00090252		
7/28/2023	0.00090247		
7/29/2023	0.00090242		
7/30/2023	0.00090237		
7/31/2023	0.00090232	0.0000153	0.04472045

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
8/1/2023	0.00090227		
8/2/2023	0.00090222		
8/3/2023	0.00090218		
8/4/2023	0.00090213		
8/5/2023	0.00090208		
8/6/2023	0.00090203		
8/7/2023	0.00090198		
8/8/2023	0.00090193		
8/9/2023	0.00090188		
8/10/2023	0.00090183		
8/11/2023	0.00090178		
8/12/2023	0.00090173		
8/13/2023	0.00090168		
8/14/2023	0.00090163		
8/15/2023	0.00090158		
8/16/2023	0.00090153		
8/17/2023	0.00090148		
8/18/2023	0.00090143		
8/19/2023	0.00090138		
8/20/2023	0.00090134		
8/21/2023	0.00090129		
8/22/2023	0.00090124		
8/23/2023	0.00090119		
8/24/2023	0.00090114		
8/25/2023	0.00090109		
8/26/2023	0.00090104		
8/27/2023	0.00090099		
8/28/2023	0.00090094		
8/29/2023	0.00090089		
8/30/2023	0.00090084		
8/31/2023	0.00090079	0.00000153	0.04004884

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9/1/2023	0.00090074		
9/2/2023	0.00090069		
9/3/2023	0.00090064		
9/4/2023	0.00090059		
9/5/2023	0.00090055		
9/6/2023	0.00090050		
9/7/2023	0.00090045		
9/8/2023	0.00090040		
9/9/2023	0.00090035		
9/10/2023	0.00090030		
9/11/2023	0.00090025		
9/12/2023	0.00090020		
9/13/2023	0.00090015		
9/14/2023	0.00090010		
9/15/2023	0.00090005		
9/16/2023	0.00090000		
9/17/2023	0.00089995		
9/18/2023	0.00089990		
9/19/2023	0.00089985		
9/20/2023	0.00089981		
9/21/2023	0.00089976		
9/22/2023	0.00089971		
9/23/2023	0.00089966		
9/24/2023	0.00089961		
9/25/2023	0.00089956		
9/26/2023	0.00089951		
9/27/2023	0.00089946		
9/28/2023	0.00089941		
9/29/2023	0.00089936		
9/30/2023	0.00089931	0.0000148	0.03999369

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
10/1/2023	0.00089926		
10/2/2023	0.00089921		
10/3/2023	0.00089916		
10/4/2023	0.00089912		
10/5/2023	0.00089907		
10/6/2023	0.00089902		
10/7/2023	0.00089897		
10/8/2023	0.00089892		
10/9/2023	0.00089887		
10/10/2023	0.00089882		
10/11/2023	0.00089877		
10/12/2023	0.00089872		
10/13/2023	0.00089867		
10/14/2023	0.00089862		
10/15/2023	0.00089857		
10/16/2023	0.00089852		
10/17/2023	0.00089848		
10/18/2023	0.00089843		
10/19/2023	0.00089838		
10/20/2023	0.00089833		
10/21/2023	0.00089828		
10/22/2023	0.00089823		
10/23/2023	0.00089818		
10/24/2023	0.00089813		
10/25/2023	0.00089808		
10/26/2023	0.00089803		
10/27/2023	0.00089798		
10/28/2023	0.00089793		
10/29/2023	0.00089788		
10/30/2023	0.00089784		
10/31/2023	0.00089779	0.0000153	0.05274304

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
11/1/2023	0.00089774		
11/2/2023	0.00089769		
11/3/2023	0.00089764		
11/4/2023	0.00089759		
11/5/2023	0.00089754		
11/6/2023	0.00089749		
11/7/2023	0.00089744		
11/8/2023	0.00089739		
11/9/2023	0.00089734		
11/10/2023	0.00089729		
11/11/2023	0.00089725		
11/12/2023	0.00089720		
11/13/2023	0.00089715		
11/14/2023	0.00089710		
11/15/2023	0.00089705		
11/16/2023	0.00089700		
11/17/2023	0.00089695		
11/18/2023	0.00089690		
11/19/2023	0.00089685		
11/20/2023	0.00089680		
11/21/2023	0.00089675		
11/22/2023	0.00089670		
11/23/2023	0.00089666		
11/24/2023	0.00089661		
11/25/2023	0.00089656		
11/26/2023	0.00089651		
11/27/2023	0.00089646		
11/28/2023	0.00089641		
11/29/2023	0.00089636		
11/30/2023	0.00089631	0.0000147	0.05565891

Date	BTC Per Share	Number of BTC Used to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in BTC)	Proceeds from Payout of BTC to Cover Trust Expenses Per Share (in USD)
12/1/2023	0.00089626		
12/2/2023	0.00089621		
12/3/2023	0.00089616		
12/4/2023	0.00089611		
12/5/2023	0.00089607		
12/6/2023	0.00089602		
12/7/2023	0.00089597		
12/8/2023	0.00089592		
12/9/2023	0.00089587		
12/10/2023	0.00089582		
12/11/2023	0.00089577		
12/12/2023	0.00089572		
12/13/2023	0.00089567		
12/14/2023	0.00089562		
12/15/2023	0.00089557		
12/16/2023	0.00089553		
12/17/2023	0.00089548		
12/18/2023	0.00089543		
12/19/2023	0.00089538		
12/20/2023	0.00089533		
12/21/2023	0.00089528		
12/22/2023	0.00089523		
12/23/2023	0.00089518		
12/24/2023	0.00089513		
12/25/2023	0.00089508		
12/26/2023	0.00089504		
12/27/2023	0.00089499		
12/28/2023	0.00089494		
12/29/2023	0.00089489		
12/30/2023	0.00089484		
12/31/2023	0.00089479	0.0000152	0.06470379
TOTAL		0.00001807	0.54070529

Grayscale Bitcoin Trust (BTC) Gross Proceeds and Expense Files show BTC tokens per share owned in the Trust, as well as BTC tokens paid out, proceeds, and expenses per share in the Trust. You can use this information to calculate your share of Trust expenses, and your gain or loss on sale of BTC tokens to pay such expenses.

The Trust holds no assets other than BTC tokens. Accordingly, when expenses are incurred, Trust assets (i.e., BTC tokens) are sold to cover the expenses. The following example illustrates the tax consequences to the Shareholder. In Step 1, we discuss how a Shareholder would determine his or her stake in the Trust (i.e., how many BTC tokens they own). In Step 2, we discuss how much of his or her stake is sold throughout the year to cover expenses (and how many BTC tokens they still own). In Step 3, we determine the Shareholder's basis in the BTC tokens sold by the Trust. Gain or loss from this sale is determined in relation to the basis of the assets sold. In Step 4, we determine the gain or loss from the sale of the assets and where the gain or loss is reported on the Shareholder's tax return. In Step 5, we calculate the Shareholder's portion of the Trust's expenses. In Step 6, we determine the Shareholder's new balance of BTC tokens at the end of the year and his or her new cost basis in the BTC tokens.

The following example is for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to be construed as tax advice. Shareholders should consult a tax professional in the use of their information on their respective tax returns.

Example: Shareholder XYZ purchases 20,000 Trust shares on 2/10/2023 at a price of \$19.79 per share for a total purchase price of \$395,800. Shareholder XYZ had no other purchases or sales of Trust shares during 2023 and held the shares for the remainder of 2023.

Step 1: Identify the shareholder's pro rata ownership of Bitcoin.

Locate the Bitcoin Per Share amount on Shareholder XYZ's purchase date of 2/10/2023 in the gross proceeds file. In this example the number is 0.00091082. This represents the number of BTC tokens per share on that date.

For Shareholder XYZ, the total amount of BTC tokens owned for its 2/10/2023 purchase is 18.21640000 (0.00091082 per share multiplied by 20,000 shares purchased on 2/10/2023). Note: This step should be completed for each date on which Trust shares were purchased.

Step 2: Calculate the Bitcoin paid out from Shareholder XYZ's account during 2023 to pay expenses

The BTC tokens paid out per share during 2023 includes the cumulative amounts of all BTC token payouts for the period which includes the day after the purchase date of 2/10/2023 through the day before payout date.

During 2023, the total amount of BTC tokens paid out after the 2/10/2023 purchase date is 0.00001602 per share. This is determined by taking the total amount of BTC tokens per share paid out in 2023 (0.00001807) and subtracting the amount of BTC tokens paid out prior to the purchase (0.00000155 from January plus 0.00000050 (10/28 multiplied by 0.00000140 from February)). Then multiply this number (0.00001602) by the number of shares owned (20,000) for a total of 0.32040000 BTC tokens paid to cover trust expenses.

Step 3: Calculate Shareholder's cost basis in Bitcoin paid out from Shareholder's account

Total BTC token payout (Step 2) 0.32040000
------ x \$ 395,800
BTC tokens acquired (Step 1) 18.21640000

Cost basis of BTC token payout \$ 6,961.55

Step 4: Calculate Shareholder's gain or loss on Bitcoin payout for each lot purchased

Identify all proceeds per share received by the Trust after Shareholder XYZ's 2/10/2023 purchase date. During 2023, periodic payouts for the period 2/11/2023 through 12/31/2023 generated proceeds per share of \$0.49331063 (total proceeds of payout of BTC tokens for the year, \$0.54070529, less \$0.04739466, which is the proceeds of payouts made prior to purchase [\$0.03578105 from January] plus \$0.01161361 from the first ten days in February). Therefore, Shareholder XYZ's gain or loss is determined as follows:

Total Proceeds: \$0.49331063 per share X 20,000 shares	\$	9,866.21
Less: Total cost basis of BTC token payout (Step 3)		6,961.55
Total Reportable Gain/(Loss)	\$	2,904.66
(To be reported on Shareholder's Form 1040 Schedule D)	-	

Step 5: Calculate Shareholder's investment expenses

Identify all expenses per share paid by the Trust after Shareholder XYZ's 2/10/2023 purchase date. During 2023, the expenses were paid periodically and for the period of 2/11/2023 through 12/31/2023 amounted to \$0.49331063 per share. Therefore, Shareholder XYZ's expenses are as follows:

Total Expenses Per Share (Step 4)		.49331063
Total Shares		20,000
Total Expense	\$	9,866.21

Step 6: Calculate Shareholder's Adjusted Bitcoin Held and Cost Basis

BTC tokens Purchased on 2/10/2023 (Step 1) Less: BTC token payout during 2023 (Step 2) Adjusted Shareholder's BTC tokens at 12/31/2023	18.21640000 0.32040000 17.89600000
Original Purchase Cost on 2/10/2023	\$ 395,800.00
Less: Cost of BTC token payout during 2023 (Step 3)	6,961.55
Adjusted Shareholder's basis at 12/31/2023	\$ 388,838.45

Shareholder's adjusted BTC tokens and adjusted cost calculated in Step 6 are his/her adjusted BTC tokens and adjusted basis for the 2/10/2023 purchase at the end of 12/31/2023.

Shareholders with several purchases should calculate gain, loss and adjusted basis separately for each purchased lot and then sum up the results of each lot to arrive at the net reportable gain or loss and the total investment expenses. Shareholders who purchased their shares prior to 2023, and made no other purchases, should calculate their adjusted cost basis using the gross proceeds information for the relevant years by following the same steps as in the example above. The adjusted cost basis at 12/31/2022 should be used as the beginning cost for 2023 instead of the original purchase cost. Shareholders with an additional purchase in 2023 will have two cost lots to account for in 2023. The calculation of gains and losses will be affected by the cost basis method used to account for the sales.