**Q4 | 2024** 



# **Long/Short Equity**

**Quarterly Update** 

### Investment Performance - Long / Short Equity



| Annualized Performance (%)        |            |           |           |           |            |            |            |                     |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------|--|
|                                   | 40<br>2024 | 1<br>Year | 3<br>Year | 5<br>Year | 10<br>Year | 20<br>Year | 25<br>Year | Since<br>Inception* |  |
| Long/Short Equity - Gross of Fees | -1.97      | 14.66     | 13.01     | 13.37     | 9.29       | 12.03      | 13.51      | 12.38               |  |
| Long/Short Equity - Net of Fees   | -2.28      | 12.77     | 11.48     | 12.01     | 8.05       | 10.37      | 11.25      | 10.12               |  |
| S&P 500® Index                    | 2.41       | 25.02     | 8.94      | 14.53     | 13.10      | 10.35      | 7.70       | 8.83                |  |

| Calendar Year Performance (%)     |       |       |        |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|------|
|                                   | 2024  | 2023  | 2022   | 2021  | 2020  | 2019  | 2018   | 2017  | 2016  | 2015 |
| Long/Short Equity - Gross of Fees | 14.66 | 16.06 | 8.47   | 35.18 | -4.03 | 11.75 | -13.34 | 5.41  | 25.71 | 1.15 |
| Long/Short Equity - Net of Fees   | 12.77 | 14.32 | 7.45   | 33.92 | -4.94 | 10.70 | -14.22 | 4.30  | 24.03 | 0.17 |
| S&P 500® Index                    | 25.02 | 26.29 | -18.11 | 28.71 | 18.40 | 31.49 | -4.38  | 21.83 | 11.96 | 1.38 |

\* Inception date is August 1, 1997.

Data are preliminary, unaudited for Long/Short Equity as of December 31, 2024.

Boston Partners has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup>. Returns reflect composite results gross and net of fees and individual portfolio results may vary. Past performance is not an indication of future results. Please refer to the appendix for other important disclosures.

## Performance Attribution – Long/Short Equity

### Fourth Quarter 2024

| <b>C</b> 4 - <i>x</i>         |                   | L/S Equit       | S&P 500 Index             |                   |                 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Sector                        | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return | Contribution<br>to Return | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return |
| Long                          | 96.74             | 1.92            | 1.73                      | 100.00            | 2.41            |
| <b>Communication Services</b> | 4.73              | -0.67           | -0.05                     | 9.05              | 8.87            |
| Consumer Discretionary        | 10.50             | 5.33            | 0.56                      | 10.57             | 14.25           |
| Consumer Staples              | 5.56              | 1.92            | 0.10                      | 5.67              | -3.26           |
| Energy                        | 4.10              | 5.62            | 0.22                      | 3.34              | -2.44           |
| Financials                    | 21.53             | 9.57            | 1.84                      | 13.42             | 7.09            |
| Health Care                   | 13.90             | -9.38           | -1.27                     | 10.76             | -10.30          |
| Industrials                   | 12.02             | 5.38            | 0.63                      | 8.46              | -2.27           |
| Information Technology        | 16.19             | 5.96            | 0.79                      | 32.00             | 4.84            |
| Materials                     | 4.26              | -16.49          | -0.75                     | 2.09              | -12.42          |
| Real Estate                   | 3.97              | -8.87           | -0.35                     | 2.21              | -7.94           |
| Utilities                     | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      | 2.42              | -5.51           |
| Short                         | -20.46            | 21.62           | -3.89                     |                   | 2.41            |
| <b>Communication Services</b> | -1.44             | 56.58           | -0.71                     |                   | 8.87            |
| <b>Consumer Discretionary</b> | -5.66             | 3.42            | -0.22                     |                   | 14.25           |
| Consumer Staples              | -1.03             | 25.39           | -0.02                     |                   | -3.26           |
| Energy                        | -0.34             | 23.57           | -0.07                     |                   | -2.44           |
| Financials                    | -1.74             | 37.19           | -0.61                     |                   | 7.09            |
| Health Care                   | -2.36             | -6.07           | 0.12                      |                   | -10.30          |
| Industrials                   | -1.84             | 17.44           | -0.30                     |                   | -2.27           |
| Information Technology        | -5.27             | 42.25           | -1.78                     |                   | 4.84            |
| Materials                     | -0.79             | 20.57           | -0.31                     |                   | -12.42          |
| Real Estate                   | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      |                   | 0.00            |
| Utilities                     | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      |                   | 0.00            |

| Morket Con                             |                   | L/S Equit       | S&P 500 Index             |                   |                 |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Market Cap                             | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return | Contribution<br>to Return | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return |
| Long                                   | 96.74             | 1.92            | 1.73                      | 100.00            | 2.41            |
| Mega: >\$61.7 Billion                  | 22.88             | -4.31           | -0.93                     | 80.23             | 3.26            |
| Large: \$15.6 Billion - \$61.7 Billion | 15.99             | -3.44           | -0.50                     | 17.59             | -0.75           |
| Mid: \$3.8 Billion - \$15.6 Billion    | 16.38             | 6.16            | 1.01                      | 2.17              | -3.04           |
| Small: < \$3.8 Billion                 | 41.48             | 6.09            | 2.15                      | 0.00              | 0.00            |
| Short                                  | -20.46            | 21.62           | -3.89                     |                   | 2.41            |
| Mega: >\$61.7 Billion                  | -0.45             | -25.09          | 0.10                      |                   | 3.26            |
| Large: \$15.6 Billion - \$61.7 Billion | -0.86             | -4.24           | 0.04                      |                   | -0.75           |
| Mid: \$3.8 Billion - \$15.6 Billion    | -3.94             | 2.64            | -0.12                     |                   | -3.04           |
| Small: <\$3.8 Billion                  | -15.21            | 30.17           | -3.90                     |                   | 0.00            |

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## Performance Attribution – Long/Short Equity

### Calendar Year 2024

| <b>C</b> 4 - <i>v</i>         |                   | L/S Equit       | у                         | S&P 500 Index     |                 |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| Sector                        | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return | Contribution<br>to Return | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return |  |
| Long                          | 97.34             | 18.06           | 16.87                     | 100.00            | 25.02           |  |
| <b>Communication Services</b> | 4.88              | -14.15          | -1.00                     | 9.04              | 40.23           |  |
| Consumer Discretionary        | 10.68             | 7.00            | 0.70                      | 10.25             | 30.14           |  |
| Consumer Staples              | 5.61              | 31.16           | 1.63                      | 5.91              | 14.87           |  |
| Energy                        | 5.41              | 6.15            | 0.35                      | 3.64              | 5.72            |  |
| Financials                    | 20.45             | 44.38           | 7.80                      | 13.05             | 30.56           |  |
| Health Care                   | 16.03             | 9.86            | 2.21                      | 11.86             | 2.58            |  |
| Industrials                   | 12.46             | 34.72           | 3.89                      | 8.52              | 17.48           |  |
| Information Technology        | 15.37             | 11.19           | 1.60                      | 30.89             | 36.61           |  |
| Materials                     | 3.53              | -14.54          | -0.73                     | 2.23              | -0.04           |  |
| Real Estate                   | 2.92              | 21.75           | 0.43                      | 2.26              | 5.23            |  |
| Utilities                     | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      | 2.35              | 23.43           |  |
| Short                         | -21.37            | 13.29           | -1.65                     |                   | 25.02           |  |
| <b>Communication Services</b> | -1.90             | 39.21           | -0.39                     |                   | 40.23           |  |
| Consumer Discretionary        | -5.75             | -15.75          | 1.34                      |                   | 30.14           |  |
| Consumer Staples              | -1.15             | -11.07          | 0.13                      |                   | 14.87           |  |
| Energy                        | -0.23             | -16.85          | 0.05                      |                   | 5.72            |  |
| Financials                    | -1.75             | 7.33            | -0.20                     |                   | 30.56           |  |
| Health Care                   | -2.39             | 8.49            | -0.24                     |                   | 2.58            |  |
| Industrials                   | -2.57             | 3.66            | 0.06                      |                   | 17.48           |  |
| Information Technology        | -5.10             | 38.68           | -1.68                     |                   | 36.61           |  |
| Materials                     | -0.52             | 99.04           | -0.72                     |                   | -0.04           |  |
| Real Estate                   | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      |                   | 0.00            |  |
| Utilities                     | 0.00              | 0.00            | 0.00                      |                   | 0.00            |  |

| Market Cap                             |                   | L/S Equity      | S&P 500 Index             |                   |                 |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| маткет сар                             | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return | Contribution<br>to Return | Average<br>Weight | Total<br>Return |
| Long                                   | 97.34             | 18.06           | 16.87                     | 100.00            | 25.02           |
| Mega: >\$61.7 Billion                  | 26.59             | 5.30            | 1.90                      | 77.22             | 28.76           |
| Large: \$15.6 Billion - \$61.7 Billion | 18.08             | 14.70           | 2.74                      | 20.07             | 13.67           |
| Mid: \$3.8 Billion - \$15.6 Billion    | 13.82             | 23.47           | 3.21                      | 2.71              | 9.66            |
| Small: < \$3.8 Billion                 | 38.85             | 25.01           | 9.02                      | 0.00              | 0.00            |
| Short                                  | -21.37            | 13.29           | -1.65                     |                   | 25.02           |
| Mega: >\$61.7 Billion                  | -0.86             | -4.16           | 0.11                      |                   | 28.76           |
| Large: \$15.6 Billion - \$61.7 Billion | -0.72             | -37.54          | 0.29                      |                   | 13.67           |
| Mid: \$3.8 Billion - \$15.6 Billion    | -4.28             | -5.78           | 0.27                      |                   | 9.66            |
| Small: <\$3.8 Billion                  | -15.52            | 23.39           | -2.33                     |                   | 0.00            |

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### Long/Short Equity

Bottom-up stock selection drives portfolio construction: December 31, 2024

| Largest Long Holdings              |                |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Stock                              | % of Portfolio |  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited | 2.8            |  |  |  |  |
| Alphabet Inc. Class A              | 2.3            |  |  |  |  |
| Sterling Infrastructure, Inc.      | 2.2            |  |  |  |  |
| Canadian Natural Resources Limited | 2.2            |  |  |  |  |
| Interdigital, Inc.                 | 2.1            |  |  |  |  |

| Largest Short Holdings          |                |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Stock                           | % of Portfolio |  |  |  |  |
| lonQ, Inc.                      | 1.0            |  |  |  |  |
| Warby Parker, Inc. Class A      | 0.7            |  |  |  |  |
| PROCEPT BioRobotics Corporation | 0.6            |  |  |  |  |
| NextNav Inc.                    | 0.6            |  |  |  |  |
| Brunswick Corporation           | 0.5            |  |  |  |  |

| Sector Weightings             |                                 |                                  |       |                  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                               | Long Portfolio<br>as % of Total | Short Portfolio<br>as % of Total | Net % | S&P 500<br>Index |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Communication Services</b> | 5.0                             | 0.6                              | 4.4   | 9.4              |  |  |  |  |
| Consumer Discretionary        | 9.4                             | 5.1                              | 4.3   | 11.3             |  |  |  |  |
| Consumer Staples              | 5.5                             | 1.5                              | 4.0   | 5.5              |  |  |  |  |
| Energy                        | 4.0                             | 0.4                              | 3.6   | 3.2              |  |  |  |  |
| Financials                    | 21.2                            | 1.7                              | 19.5  | 13.6             |  |  |  |  |
| Health Care                   | 12.5                            | 2.5                              | 10.0  | 10.1             |  |  |  |  |
| Industrials                   | 12.3                            | 2.0                              | 10.4  | 8.2              |  |  |  |  |
| Information Technology        | 16.7                            | 5.8                              | 10.9  | 32.5             |  |  |  |  |
| Materials                     | 3.9                             | 0.6                              | 3.3   | 1.9              |  |  |  |  |
| Real Estate                   | 3.4                             | 0.0                              | 3.4   | 2.1              |  |  |  |  |
| Utilities                     | 0.0                             | 0.0                              | 0.0   | 2.3              |  |  |  |  |

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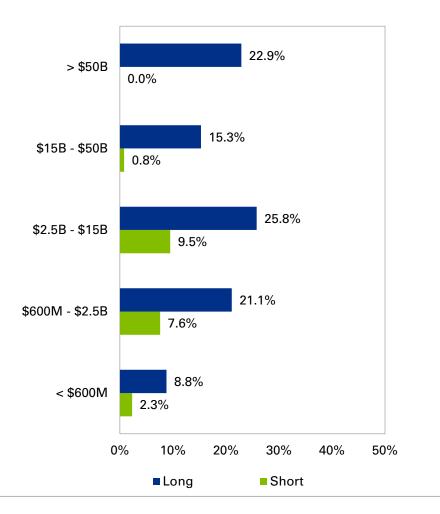
Portfolio characteristics and sector weightings are based upon a representative account in the Boston Partners Long/Short Equity composite. Individual portfolio characteristics may vary. The specific securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for advisory clients. It should not be assumed that investments in these sectors or securities were or will be profitable. A GIPS® compliant report is contained herein. Please refer to the appendix for other important disclosures.

### Long/Short Equity

Bottom-up stock selection drives portfolio construction: December 31, 2024

| Characteristics                 | Characteristics |                    |               |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                 | Long Portfolio  | Short Portfolio    | S&P 500 Index |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wtd. Avg. Market Cap            | \$87.7 B        | \$4.6 B            | \$1,054.1 B   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Median Mkt. Cap                 | \$2.9 B         | \$1.8 B            | \$37.1 B      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Price/Earnings FY1 <sup>1</sup> | 8.9x            | 27.6x <sup>2</sup> | 21.2x         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Price/Book                      | 1.6x            | 7.1x               | 5.1x          |  |  |  |  |  |
| OROA (5 Yr)                     | 25.8%           | 2.8%               | 39.3%         |  |  |  |  |  |
| # of Holdings                   | 113             | 75                 | 503           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Monthly Exposure        | 93.9%           | 20.2%              | -             |  |  |  |  |  |

Market Cap Exposure (%)



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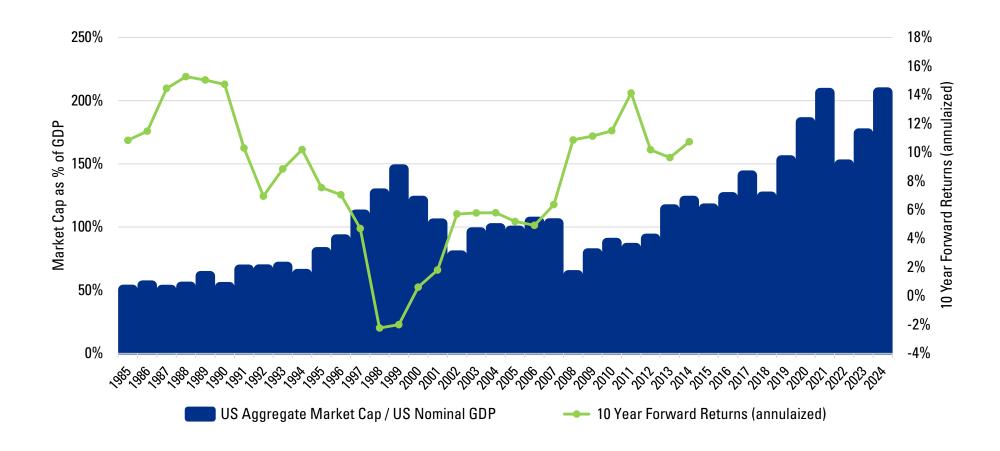
<sup>2</sup> 38.7% of the short book has negative earnings.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weighted harmonic mean. Negative P/E values are excluded.

### U.S. Market Cap / GDP vs. Subsequent 10 Year Returns



## **Boston Partners**

Appendix

# Long/Short Equity Performance disclosures

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Boston Partners claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup>. Boston Partners has been independently verified for the periods 2007 through 2023. Before then, Boston Partners Asset Management ("BPAM"), the previous entity name, and WPG were independently verified on an annual basis from 1995 through 2006 and 1993 through 2006, respectively. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS® must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS®. Verification provides assurance on whether a firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup> and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. Verification does not provide assurance on the accuracy of any specific performance report.

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#### **Composite Construction(s)**

Performance results attained at Boston Partners are linked to the results achieved at BPAM beginning on January 1, 2007 in compliance with the GIPS® standards on performance record portability. The Boston Partners Long/Short Equity Composite includes all separately managed and commingled vehicles, fully discretionary, fee-paying accounts under management with a similar investment mandate. Prior to January 1, 2007 the minimum account size for inclusion in the composite was \$5 million. After January 1, 2007, it changed to \$1 million. No composites have a minimum account size for inclusion as of June 1, 2019. The composite may contain proprietary assets. The inception date and creation date of the Boston Partners Long/Short Equity composite is August 1, 1997. The strategy is an absolute return product that balances long and short portfolio strategies and seeks to achieve stable absolute returns with approximately half the risk of the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index. However, this product is not risk neutral. It is exposed to style, capitalization, sector and short-implementation risks. Prior to October 1, 1998, the composite was managed on a non-fee paying basis. Participant results would have been substantially different if fee waivers were not applied. The composite is benchmarked against the S&P 500® Index and the Russell 3000® Value/Russell 3000® Growth Indices for comparative purposes only since the strategy is not correlated to equity market returns.

#### **Benchmarks**

Index returns are provided for comparison purposes only to show how the composite's returns compare to a broad-based index of securities, as the indices do not have costs, fees, or other expenses associated with their performance. In addition, securities held in indices may not be similar to securities held in the composite's accounts.

The S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index is an unmanaged index of the common stocks of 500 widely held U.S. companies.

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#### **Calculation Methodology**

Composite account returns are asset value weighted using beginning of month asset values and composite account returns are calculated on a total return, time-weighted basis using trade date valuations. Composite returns are geometrically linked on a monthly basis. Effective January 1, 2011, Boston Partners adopted a significant cash flow policy. If an external cash flow is greater than or equal to 10.0% of the beginning market value of the portfolio on the day of the flow and has a return that deviates from the representative account for the strategy +/- 50 bps, then the portfolio is removed from the composite for the month that the flow occurred. The portfolio is then placed back into the composite on the first day of the month. This policy became effective January 1, 2024. Example: if a portfolio has a 24% flow on May 13th and its return is 1.03% while the representative account return is 1.59%, then the portfolio is removed from the composite for the month of May and returned back on June 1. The effective date of this policy is January 1, 2024 and the policy will not be applied retroactively. An account is generally added back to the composite as of the first full month following the significant cash flow. Returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings and are expressed in U.S. Dollars unless otherwise noted. Additional information regarding policies for valuing accounts, calculating performance, and preparing compliant reports is available upon request.

#### **Fees and Expenses**

Composite returns are provided on a gross and net of fee basis. Composite account returns will be reduced by any fees and expenses incurred in the management of the account. Net of fee composite returns are asset weighted and reflect the deduction of management fees, which may include performance-based fees, commissions and transaction costs, and are calculated by deducting actual fees charged to the accounts in a composite. Gross composite returns are calculated by deducting commissions and transaction costs charged to accounts in a composite. Fees are applied to gross returns at month end. Actual fees may vary depending on the applicable fee schedule and account size. Additional information regarding policies for valuing accounts, calculating performance, and preparing compliant reports is available upon request. Investment advisory fees are listed herein and are fully described in Boston Partners' Form ADV, Part 2.

#### **Composite Dispersion**

The measurement of composite dispersion is calculated by the weighted average standard deviation of the annual account gross-of-fee returns within the composite. Dispersion in composites with less than five accounts included for the entire year is not considered meaningful and is denoted with "N/A". Prior to January 1, 2007, the measurement of composite dispersion was calculated by determining the difference between the highest and lowest annual account returns within

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the composite. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. This calculation has been adopted effective with the period ended December 31, 2011.

#### Long/Short Equity:

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|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------|-----|
|               | # of Accts. | Total Assets | Comp.      |           | Bench. 3-Yr. |     |
|               | in Comp.    | in Comp.     | Dispersion | Std. Dev. | Std. Dev.    | AUM |
| 2023:         | 2           | \$178 mm     | n/a        | 15.86%    | 17.29%       | 0%  |
| 2022:         | 2           | \$179 mm     | n/a        | 17.89%    | 20.87%       | 0%  |
| 2021:         | 2           | \$169 mm     | n/a        | 16.63%    | 17.17%       | 0%  |
| 2020:         | 2           | \$169 mm     | n/a        | 12.81%    | 18.53%       | 0%  |
| 2019:         | 2           | \$311 mm     | n/a        | 9.53%     | 11.93%       | 0%  |
| <b>2018</b> : | 2           | \$515 mm     | n/a        | 9.81%     | 10.80%       | 1%  |
| <b>2017</b> : | 2           | \$1.1 bn     | n/a        | 9.09%     | 9.92%        | 1%  |
| <b>2016</b> : | 2           | \$1.0 bn     | n/a        | 9.68%     | 10.77%       | 1%  |
| 2015:         | 2           | \$687 mm     | n/a        | 8.41%     | 10.47%       | 1%  |
| 2014:         | 2           | \$958 mm     | n/a        | 6.77%     | 8.98%        | 1%  |
| Firm /        | Assets:     |              |            |           |              |     |
| Year          | Asse        | ts (mm)      | Year       | Assets (  | mm)          |     |
| 2023:         | \$94        | 4,056        | 2018:      | \$81,5    | 50           |     |
| 2022:         | \$88        | 3,117        | 2017:      | \$99,2    | 41           |     |
| 2021:         | \$96        | 5,320        | 2016:      | \$87,2    | 22           |     |
| 2020:         | \$77        | 7,120        | 2015:      | \$78,3    | 63           |     |
| <b>2019</b> : | \$89        | 9,368        | 2014:      | \$73,2    | 50           |     |

#### **Other Disclosures**

GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) sector classification is used. All product characteristics and sector weightings are calculated using a representative account.

Risk statistics are calculated using composite data. Account composition is subject to change and information contained in this publication may not be representative of the current account. Foreign investors may have taxes withheld. Investing involves risk including the risk of loss of principal. Value investing involves buying the stocks of companies that are out of favor or are undervalued. This may adversely affect an account's value and return. Stock values fluctuate in response to issuer, political, regulatory, market or economic developments. The value of small and mid-capitalization securities may be more volatile than those of larger issuers, but larger issuers could fall out of favor. Investments in foreign issuers may be more volatile than in the U.S. market, and international investing is subject to special risks including, but not limited to, currency risk associated with non-U.S. dollar denominated securities, which may be affected by fluctuations in currency exchange rates, political, social or economic instability, and differences in taxation, auditing and other

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#### **Annual Fee Schedules**

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