December 31, 2023

## **OBJECTIVE**

Outperform the S&P 500° Index over full market cycles by providing a rising stream of income compared to the S&P 500 Index, resulting in superior risk adjusted total returns. We seek to do so with favorable upside/downside capture results.

#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

We believe that companies with an attractive dividend yield, enhanced growth in dividends and consistent earnings results provide capital protection and competitive long-term total return.

We believe that increasingly, investors perceive risk as loss of capital, and high quality, dividend paying companies possess favorable risk characteristics relative to the S&P 500 Index.

Further, we believe that focusing on companies that are growing faster than their peer group versus focusing only on yield or very small increases in the dividend leads to lower volatility and more consistency.

#### **INVESTMENT PROCESS**

A fundamental approach that incorporates both a valuation and a relative strength discipline.

We search for companies with a minimum market cap of \$2 billion along with certain dividend momentum attributes including:

- S&P rating typically > B+
- Pays dividend
- Raised dividend three times in last five years
- Dividends and earnings growth > long term S&P 500
- Earning stability

Our investment process is dedicated to seeking companies that possess a combination of three essential criteria: growth of dividends, consistency of earnings and enhanced profitability.

We are looking for companies that display characteristics that reflect strong quality, or are moving quickly higher on the quality scale, and that are likely to improve more than the market expects over our investible time horizon.

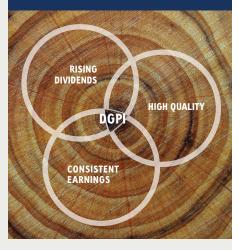
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#### **INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY**

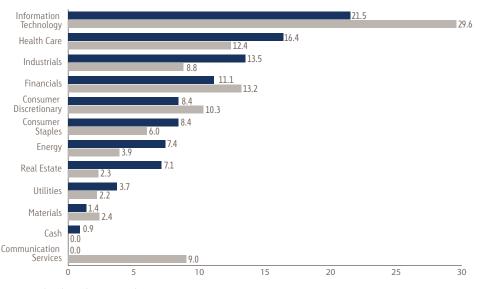
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- Julia Batchenko



#### SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION



Source: Bloomberg, Clearwater Analytics

The characteristics shown are based on a representative account and are for illustrative purposes only. Individual client accounts may differ based on a variety of client-specific factors, including account fees, account size, cash flows, client specific investment opportunities and restrictions. Strategy performance results shown may reflect the reinvestment of income. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Index performance used throughout this piece is intended to illustrate historical market trends and is provided solely as representative of the general market performance for the same period of time. Indices are unmanaged, may not include reinvestment of income, and do not incur investment management fees. An investor is unable to invest in an index. The holdings and sectors listed should not be considered to be a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security. Actual holdings are subject to change daily. The mention of specific securities illustrates the application of our investment approach only and is not to be considered a recommendation by RCIM.

ASSETS Strategy Assets (\$M) Composite 19.24

## **KEY FACTS**

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Benchmark	S&P 500° Index	
Business Minimum		\$1 M
Number of Holdings		44
CHARACTERISTICS	Strategy	Index
LT Fut EPS Growth Rate (%)	11.5	13.8
ROE (%)	34.2	28.5
Median Mkt. Cap (\$M)	103,472	35,418
P/E (forward 12 month)	20.5	22.0
Dividend Yield (%)	2.2	1.4
Dividend Growth (%)	9.2	12.9
Wtd. Avg. Market Cap. (\$M)	433,392	803,924
1-Year Turnover (%)	18.7	n/a
Active Shares [%]	77.7	n/a

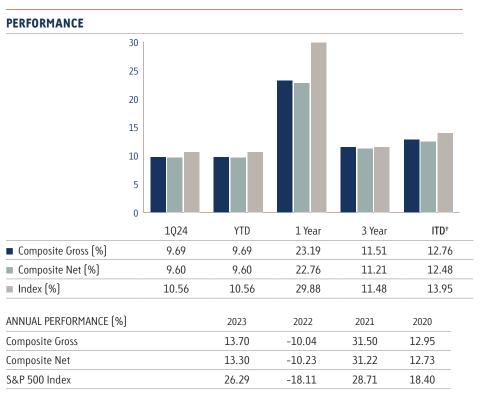
#### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

6.2
6.0
5.6
4.8
4.4
3.6
3.5
3.5
3.4
3.2

Holdings are subject to change and may not equal 100% due to rounding.

# **FIRST QUARTER 2024 Dividend Growth Premium Income Fact Sheet**

March 31, 2024



+Performance calculated from inception date 1/1/2020 Periods greater than 12 months are annualized

Source: Bloomberg, Clearwater Analytics

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The benchmark is the Standard & Poor's 500 Index (S&P 500 Index). The S&P 500 Index is a market-capitalizationweighted index of the 500 largest U.S. publicly traded companies.

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