

## Growth – Plus

Investment Performance as of 09/30/2023



|                  | Pure Gross<br>(Before Fees) | Net*<br>(After Fees) | Benchmark<br>(S&P 500) | Inflation |
|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Inception</b> | 8.2%                        | 5.0%                 | 10.5%                  | 1.8%      |
| <b>10-year</b>   | 10.1%                       | 6.8%                 | 11.9%                  | 1.9%      |
| <b>5-year</b>    | 9.6%                        | 6.4%                 | 9.9%                   | 2.1%      |
| <b>3-year</b>    | 8.5%                        | 5.3%                 | 10.1%                  | 2.5%      |
| <b>1-year</b>    | 13.3%                       | 9.9%                 | 21.6%                  | 2.3%      |
| <b>YTD</b>       | 4.7%                        | 2.3%                 | 13.1%                  | 1.7%      |
| <b>QTD</b>       | (2.9%)                      | (3.7%)               | (3.3%)                 | 0.6%      |

| Calendar<br>Year | Pure Gross<br>(Before Fees) | Net*<br>(After Fees) | Benchmark<br>(S&P 500) | Inflation | Difference<br>(Gross-Bchmk) | No. of<br>Portfolios | Composite<br>Assets (000s) | Total Firm<br>Assets (000s) | Composite<br>3yr Std Dev | Benchmark<br>3yr Std Dev | Composite<br>Dispersion |
|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>2008**</b>    | (29.8%)                     | (30.5%)              | (28.9%)                | (0.0%)    | (0.9%)                      | 2                    | \$252                      | \$291,644                   | N/A                      | N/A                      | N/A                     |
| <b>2009</b>      | 29.2%                       | 25.4%                | 26.5%                  | 1.1%      | 2.7%                        | 73                   | \$10,824                   | \$533,832                   | N/A                      | N/A                      | 0.0%                    |
| <b>2010</b>      | 14.5%                       | 11.1%                | 15.1%                  | 1.6%      | (0.5%)                      | 124                  | \$18,719                   | \$751,909                   | N/A                      | N/A                      | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2011</b>      | (1.5%)                      | (4.5%)               | 2.1%                   | 1.9%      | (3.7%)                      | 155                  | \$32,263                   | \$937,487                   | 17.8%                    | 18.7%                    | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2012</b>      | 11.0%                       | 7.7%                 | 16.0%                  | 2.0%      | (5.0%)                      | 152                  | \$36,374                   | \$1,272,265                 | 14.0%                    | 15.1%                    | 0.1%                    |
| <b>2013</b>      | 17.7%                       | 14.2%                | 32.4%                  | 2.0%      | (14.7%)                     | 119                  | \$35,195                   | \$1,955,915                 | 11.2%                    | 11.9%                    | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2014</b>      | 14.6%                       | 11.2%                | 13.7%                  | 1.8%      | 0.9%                        | 115                  | \$38,771                   | \$2,589,024                 | 8.5%                     | 9.0%                     | 0.3%                    |
| <b>2015</b>      | (0.4%)                      | (3.3%)               | 1.4%                   | 1.4%      | (1.8%)                      | 133                  | \$35,486                   | \$3,175,419                 | 9.5%                     | 10.5%                    | 0.1%                    |
| <b>2016</b>      | 13.1%                       | 9.7%                 | 12.0%                  | 1.5%      | 1.1%                        | 70                   | \$24,178                   | \$4,413,659                 | 10.1%                    | 10.6%                    | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2017</b>      | 16.0%                       | 12.5%                | 21.8%                  | 1.8%      | (5.8%)                      | 76                   | \$15,068                   | \$5,944,479                 | 9.2%                     | 9.9%                     | 0.1%                    |
| <b>2018</b>      | (10.1%)                     | (12.7%)              | (4.4%)                 | 2.0%      | (5.7%)                      | 65                   | \$11,109                   | \$5,486,737                 | 10.5%                    | 10.8%                    | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2019</b>      | 23.9%                       | 20.2%                | 31.5%                  | 1.6%      | (7.6%)                      | 60                   | \$15,524                   | \$7,044,708                 | 11.7%                    | 11.9%                    | 0.2%                    |
| <b>2020</b>      | 33.1%                       | 29.1%                | 18.4%                  | 1.3%      | 14.7%                       | 48                   | \$16,186                   | \$6,889,798                 | 16.9%                    | 18.5%                    | 0.6%                    |
| <b>2021</b>      | 18.8%                       | 15.3%                | 28.7%                  | 2.6%      | (9.9%)                      | 54                   | \$14,434                   | \$7,761,687                 | 15.3%                    | 17.2%                    | 0.1%                    |
| <b>2022</b>      | (11.1%)                     | (13.7%)              | (18.1%)                | 2.8%      | 7.1%                        | 66                   | \$18,216                   | \$6,931,635                 | 17.2%                    | 20.9%                    | 0.2%                    |

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## Investment Performance as of 09/30/2023

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\*Net-of-fee performance was calculated using the highest applicable annual bundled fee of 3.00% applied quarterly. This fee includes brokerage commissions, portfolio management, consulting services and custodial services. The Confluence fee schedule for this composite is as follows: 0.40% on the first \$500,000; 0.35% on the next \$500,000; and 0.30% over \$1,000,000. There are no incentive fees. Clients pay an all-inclusive fee based on a percentage of assets under management. The collection of fees produces a compounding effect on the total rate of return net of fees. Bundled fee accounts make up 100% of the composite for all periods. Actual investment advisory fees incurred by clients may vary. Wrap fee schedules are provided by independent wrap sponsors and are available upon request from the respective wrap sponsor.

A complete list of composite descriptions is available upon request. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request. The annual composite dispersion is an equal-weighted standard deviation, using gross-of-fee returns, calculated for the accounts in the composite for the entire year. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite gross returns over the preceding 36-month period. The Growth–Plus Composite contains fully discretionary Growth–Plus wrap accounts. The Growth strategy is implemented using ETFs and the investment objective is the pursuit of nominal returns (yield and growth) in excess of inflation, subject to the limitations of the risk constraint for the Growth strategy. The allocation may include equity asset classes ranging from small cap to large cap. International allocations may include both developed and emerging markets, while commodities, real estate and fixed income may be utilized for total return and diversification. This portfolio may be appropriate for equity-oriented investors with an average risk tolerance.

The benchmark is the S&P 500 Index. Inflation is provided as additional information and is represented by the U.S. 5-year TIP breakeven spread (Bloomberg: USGGBE05 Index), which had 3-year standard deviation as follows: 0.1% 2011, 0.1% 2012, 0.1% 2013, 0.1% 2014, 0.1% 2015, 0.1% 2016, 0.1% 2017, 0.1% 2018, 0.1% 2019, 0.1% 2020, 0.2% 2021, 0.2% 2022.

\*\*Results shown for the year 2008 represent partial period performance from September 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008.

N/A- Composite Dispersion: Information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year.

N/A- 3yr Std Dev: Composite does not have 3 years of monthly performance history.