

## Dividends Pay Dividends®

As of September 30, 2024

#### Income Growth WRAP

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## Bahl & Gaynor Overview

We are guided by the philosophy that Dividends Pay Dividends<sup>®</sup>.

Bahl & Gaynor views its employee ownership structure as an extremely effective retention tool for promoting team stability and investment process execution.

**Assets** \$52.9B under management/advisement as of 9/30/24In strategy as of 9/30/24

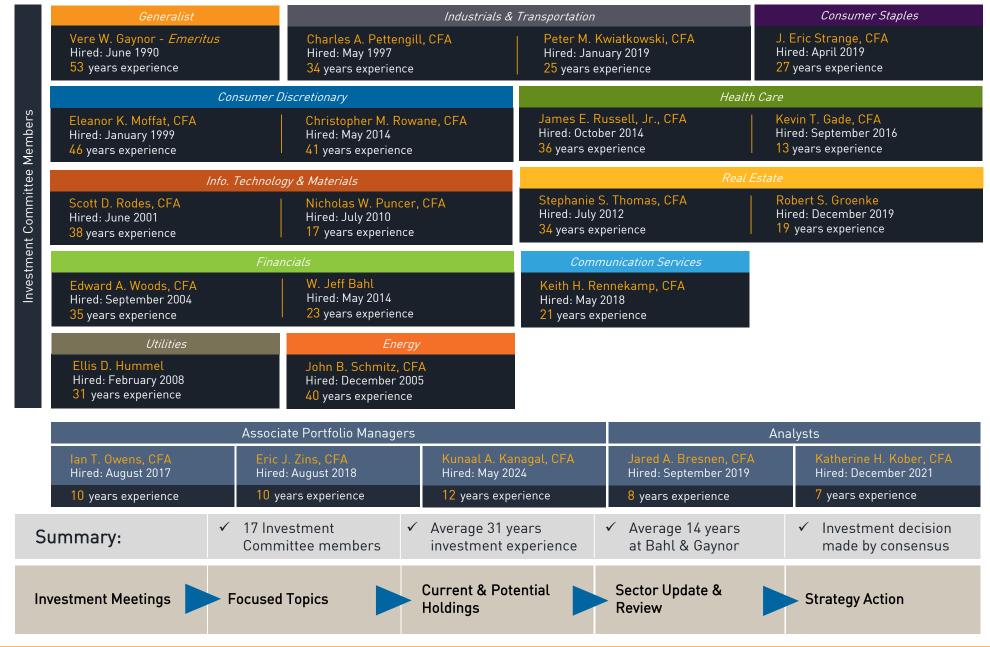
The Team employees Investment Committee members

Our Firm employee owned years of expertise investing in high-quality, dividend-paying stocks

<sup>†</sup>Bahl & Gaynor regulatory assets under management were \$20.5B and SMA platform assets under advisement were \$32.4B as of 9/30/2024. Income Growth AUM was \$9.4B and AUA was \$31.1B. Source: Bahl & Gaynor. Bahl & Gaynor identifies assets under management as assets over which the firm has discretion (including high net worth and institutional accounts and certain platform assets). Assets under advisement include model-only platform assets over which the firm does not have discretion.

A GIPS Composite report detailing GIPS compliant performance can be found within the final pages of this presentation.

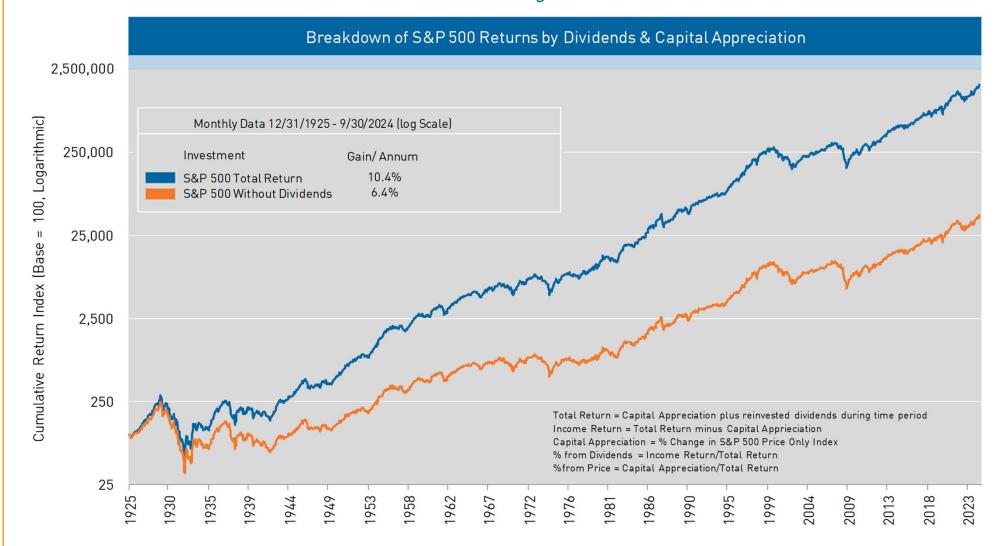
#### Investment Committee



## Dividends and Capital Appreciation:

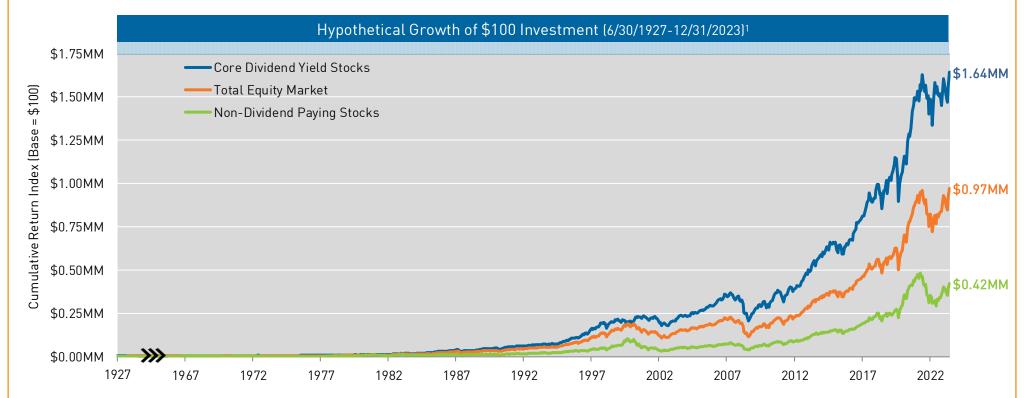
A powerful combination

Dividends have contributed 38% of the S&P 500's average annual total return from 1925 to 9/30/2024.1



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### **Dividend Policy Matters**



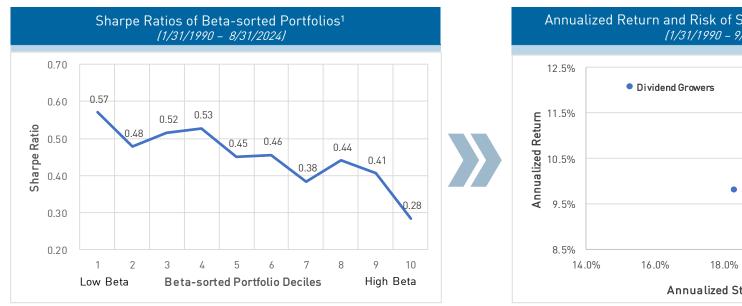
- Companies that have increased shareholder distributions have generally outperformed the total equity market and non-dividend paying companies.
- Market price may rise or fall, but dividend income that grows steadily increases income potential for individuals and institutions.
- Dividend growth provides a solid foundation for a stock's total return.

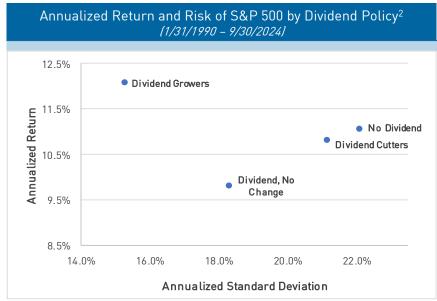
Source: Ken French's Website - <a href="http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/index.html">http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/index.html</a>. Total Equity Market representative of US public equity securities listed on the NYSE, AMEX or NASDAQ exchange; Core Dividend Yield Stocks Portfolio comprised of companies with a dividend yield in the middle 40% of the total market index, reconstituted annually. Monthly returns are calculated on a value-weighted basis. Information sourced from third party. Bahl & Gaynor does not represent the information is accurate or complete and it should not be relied on as such. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only. Past performance does not guarantee future results. All results are hypothetical, and the results are not based on the performance of an actual portfolio and the interpretation of the results should take into consideration of the limitation inherent in the results of the model. The results exclude any advisory fees, trading cost or other fees or charges. The reinvestment of dividends, interest, capital gains and withholding taxes are all built into the hypothetical analysis. Hypothetical returns may be dependent on the market and economic conditions that existed during the period. Future market or economic conditions can adversely affect the performance of the hypothetical analysis. The index and other amounts shown above do not relate to the Bahl & Gaynor Income Growth strategy and are for illustrative purposes only.



### The Low-Beta Anomaly

A historically robust complement to dividends and dividend growth style





- Low-beta portfolios have historically produced higher Sharpe ratios than high-beta portfolios.
- Dividend-growing companies have historically exhibited better return and lower risk profiles than both dividend-paying and non-dividend companies.
- Bahl & Gaynor believes low-beta portfolios and dividend-growing companies exhibit complementary fundamental characteristics such as business stability and through-cycle earnings quality - thus, downside protection is the secondary objective of Bahl & Gaynor's Income Growth strategy.

Source: Ken French's Website - http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/index.html. Copyright 2024 Kenneth R. French. Data range: 1/31/1990-8/31/2024, latest available data as of this report's release date. Beta-sorted portfolio returns were formed on a value-weighted basis at the end of June each year utilizing trailing 60-month returns for the calculation of beta using this Scholes-Williams method dividing the sample of portfolios into beta deciles. Sharpe Ratios for each beta-sorted portfolio were calculated based on monthly return series for the corresponding decile of beta-sorted portfolio. <sup>2</sup>Source: All data from Strategas Research, Inc. © Copyright 2024 Strategas Research, Inc. The "Dividend Growers" basket includes S&P 500 securities with a current dividend greater than the prior year dividend,

the "Dividend, No Change" basket includes securities with no dividend change from the prior year, the "Dividend Cutters" basket is comprised of securities that pay a current dividend less than the prior year, and the "No Dividend" basket includes S&P 500 companies that do not pay a dividend.

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## Why Dividends?

Bahl & Gaynor typically invests in high-quality companies that pay growing dividends.

We believe a strong dividend policy signals:

#### Earnings power

Regular dividends that follow a defined payout ratio are a useful proxy for management's confidence in the business.

Business stability

The ability to pay a dividend is an important indicator to investors that the company has a proven and sustainable business model.

#### Earnings quality

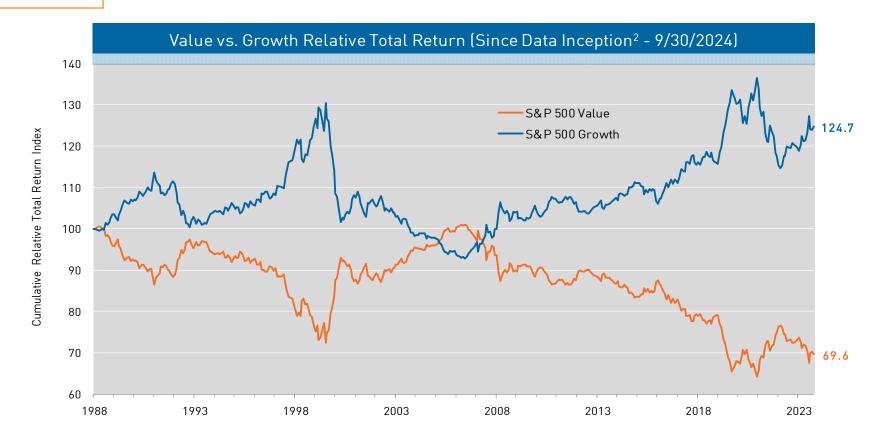
The ability to pay cash from reported earnings points to the inherent quality of those earnings.

#### Financial strength

Dividends are a powerful tool in communicating financial health to the capital markets.



## Secular Trends in Investor Style Preference<sup>1</sup>



- Bahl & Gaynor's dividend growth philosophy leads to ownership of both growth and value companies and is not predicated on style favoritism.
- Value and Growth style sentiment can fluctuate wildly over time, the last decade representing a Growth style bull market that may be ending amid geopolitical, inflationary, and valuation headwinds.
- Bahl & Gaynor's style agnosticism seeks to address risks attendant to myopic market-level favoritism.

<sup>1</sup>S&P Growth and Value Classifications sourced from Standard & Poor's and determined by ratio of Growth Factors (3YR Net Change in EPS over Current Price, 3YR Sales per Share Growth Rate and trailing twelve months (TTM) Momentum) and Value Factors (Book Value to Price Ratio, Earnings to Price Ratio and Sales to Price Ratio). <sup>2</sup>12/30/1988. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Historical performance results for investment indices and/or categories have been provided for general comparison purposes only, and generally do not reflect the deduction of transaction and/or custodial fees, the deduction of an investment management fee, nor the impact of taxes, the incurrence of which would have the effect of decreasing historical performance results. It should not be assumed that your account holdings do or will correspond directly to any comparative indices. The index and other amounts shown above do not relate to the Bahl & Gaynor Income Growth strategy and are for illustrative purposes only.

Source: FactSet, 2024.

#### Income Growth Overview

#### Goals

Bahl & Gaynor's Income Growth strategy seeks:

- 1 Income Growth
- 2 Downside Protection
- 3 Price Appreciation

#### Strategy

- Unique, fundamental equity strategy focused on high current and growing income to generate long-term purchasing power.
- Dividends provide tax-favored income for individuals.
  - 94.4% of dividend income was qualified. 1,2
- 100% of companies currently owned in the strategy pay dividends declared in US dollars.
- Current 2.4%<sup>2</sup> dividend yield could fund 48% of a typical 5% annual spending requirement.
- Trailing-twelve-month turnover of 13.3%<sup>2</sup>, consistent with longterm investment focus.
- Large core mandate seeking competitive through-cycle riskadjusted returns vs. S&P 500 benchmark.
- No MLPs, preferred stocks, options, ETFs or convertible securities are owned in the strategy.

'A qualified dividend is taxed at the capital gains tax rate versus the ordinary income tax rate. This does not constitute tax advice. Please consult a tax advisor regarding the taxation of dividends. Data as of most recent quarter end. Principal risks of investing in this strategy include stock market risk, management risk, recent market events risk, and large cap company risk. All equity investments inherently have aspects of risk associated with them; past performance is no guarantee of future results. An issuer of a security may be unwilling or unable to pay income on a security. Common stocks do not assure dividend payments and are paid only when declared by an issuer's board of directors. The amount of any dividend may vary over time.



## Inherent Risk Mitigation

A risk aware investment philosophy that has historically produced competitive risk-adjusted returns relative to the benchmark

#### High & Consistently Growing Income<sup>1</sup>

- Dividend yield of 2.4%<sup>2</sup> from 40+ stocks, all of which pay a dividend.
- Average stock contributed 2.1% to income, while the largest income contribution was 5.8%.
- 39 of the 47 holdings have increased the dividend for at least 10 straight years.<sup>3</sup>

#### Downside Protection, Diversification & Quality

- Over the last year, the strategy has exhibited a strong daily downside capture ratio of 69.2% versus the S&P 500.4
- Since Inception<sup>5</sup> gross/net monthly downside capture ratio of 79.6%/84.7% compared to the S&P 500 (6<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> percentile rank versus large cap core peers, "peers").
- High conviction, and often high-quality stocks are held at overweight positions; the top 10 holdings comprise 40.3% of the portfolio.1
- While the strategy typically trades at a premium, on a TTM P/E basis it traded at a 9% discount to the S&P 500.

#### Long-Term Capital Appreciation through Risk-Adjusted Returns, Since Inception<sup>5</sup>

- Gross/net beta of 0.80 / 0.80 compared to the S&P 500 (6<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> percentile rank versus peers).
- Gross/net alpha of 1.76 / -1.28 compared to the S&P 500 (12th / 99th percentile rank versus peers).
- Gross/net standard deviation of 13.01%/13.09% compared to the S&P 500 at 15.29% (6th / 6th percentile rank versus peers).
- Competitive risk adjusted returns with gross / net Sharpe ratio 0.68 / 0.43 versus the S&P 500 Sharpe ratio of 0.60 (12th / 99th percentile rank versus peers).

Data as of most recent quarter end. Sources: Bahl & Gaynor, FactSet, and Zephyr. Bahl & Gaynor assumes no liability for the interpretation or use of this report. For Illustration purposes only. Past performance does not quarantee future results. Data is drawn from the Income Growth model portfolio that is fully discretionary, unconstrained and subject to change. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may or may not hold these positions or have similar characteristics. <sup>2</sup>Dividend yield includes cash holdings. <sup>3</sup>An issuer of a security may be unwilling or unable to pay income on a security. Common stocks do not assure dividend payments and are paid only when declared by an issuer's board of directors. The amount of any dividend may vary over time. 4 Historical downside capture is the sum of Income Growth returns on all S&P 500 down days divided by the sum of S&P 500 returns on all respective down days. Down days are defined as any trading day the S&P 500 Index posts a negative total return. The above is intended only to illustrate how the strategy has behaved in relation to the S&P 500 on down days and makes no representation about investment performance. Income Growth performance is derived from the internal rate of return (IRR) of a single non-fee paying representative account. It is calculated on a gross of fee basis and does not incorporate the impact of advisory and other fees which will be experienced by investors. <sup>5</sup> Since Inception data as of 12/31/2005. Percentile ranking courtesy of Informa – PSN's Large Cap Core Universe. PSN US Large Cap Core Universe includes US equity products that select Large Cap (over \$10B) as their primary market capitalization range with core chosen as the primary style. REITs and convertible products are excluded.



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#### Investment Process

The Bahl & Gaynor Income Growth strategy invests in high-quality companies that typically produce steady earnings and dividend growth.

## Bottom-Up Quantitative Screen

- At least 2% dividend yield and \$1 billion market cap at initiation
- Historical earnings and dividend growth (e.g., two dividend increases in the last five years)
- Strong balance sheets and cash flow generation

#### Fundamental Sector Review

- Conducted by Investment Committee, with assigned sector responsibility
- Review current and potential holdings
- Quantitative and qualitative comparison of stocks versus peers, history and market

#### Fundamental Security Investigation

- Target dominant companies with clear competitive advantage and reasonable valuation
- Shareholder-friendly management with large insider ownership
- Emphasize companies with consistently growing revenue and earnings (R<sup>2</sup>)
- Seek to meet with senior management
- Reduces stock universe to a Focus List of 100-150 stocks

## Investment Committee Review & Implementation

- Consensus decision-making process
- Portfolio typically contains 40-50 stocks and a non-tactical 1% - 3% cash position
- Portfolio typically managed to maximum 5% capital and 6% income contributions per stock
- No minimum or maximum sector weights
- Harmonious balance between absolute yield and growth of income

#### Bahl & Gaynor will consider selling or trimming our Income Growth positions for any one of the following reasons:

#### **Dividend Policy**

- Declining growth rate
- No increase for some time
- Dividend payment reduction

#### **Fundamental**

- Valuation
- Oversized capital or income position
- Better opportunity for yield, enhanced fundamentals, or income growth elsewhere

#### Cash Flow or Earnings

- Declining cash flow return on investment
- Negative operating cash flow
- Declining earnings quality
- Accounting issues

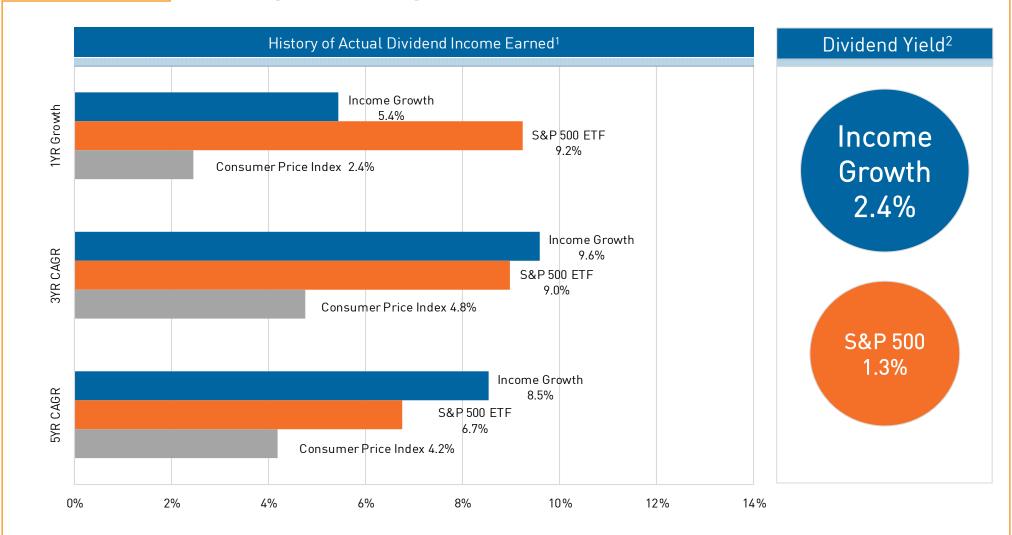
#### Management

- Unexpected leadership change
- New ownership, acquisition or rising debt level
- Unusual insider trading



#### Income Growth Results – 3Q24

Strong cash flow growth at enhanced yield



CAGR is the compound annual growth rate. Past performance does not guarantee future results. These figures are for illustrative purposes only. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may realize different income growth rates due to variable client investing needs. <sup>1</sup>The income growth rate for the Bahl & Gaynor Income Growth strategy is calculated as of the most recent quarter-end using the trailing twelve months of income earned in a model portfolio, with income reinvestment, compared to the income earned in the twelve-month period one, three, and five years prior, and first twelve months for the S/l calculation. The income growth rate for the SPDR® S&P 500 ETF Trust (SPY) is shown as an investable proxy for the S&P 500 Index that pays out real distributions of dividend income paid by the index constituents. SPY was chosen versus other S&P 500 Index Tracking ETFs due to its status as the largest ETF tracking the S&P 500 Index and its longer history, with an inception date of 1/22/1993, versus peers. SPY income is calculated as of the most recent quarter-end using the trailing twelve months of income earned per the distribution rate paid by the ETF, with income reinvestment at the end of each quarter, compared to the income earned in the twelve-month period one, three and five years prior. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics as a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. <sup>2</sup>Dividend yield includes cash holdings.

Source: Bahl & Gaynor, FactSet, and Bloomberg.



## Income Growth Portfolio Model Portfolio Dividend Analysis<sup>†</sup>

A harmonic balance between yield and growth

Company Name	1- Year Dividend Growth	5-Year Average Dividend Growth <sup>1</sup>	Dividend Yield	Income Percentage	10+ Years of Dividend Increases
AbbVie Inc	4.7%	7.7%	3.1%	5.8%	<b>√</b>
Air Prods & Chems Inc	1.1%	8.8%	2.4%	1.8%	<b>√</b>
Automatic Data Processing Inc	12.0%	12.1%	2.0%	1.9%	\ \ \ \ \ \
Broadcom Inc	15.2%	14.9%	1.2%	3.5%	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Chevron Corp	7.9%	6.5%	4.4%	4.2%	\ \ \ \ \
Cisco Systems Inc	2.6%	2.7%	3.0%	0.7%	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
CME Group Inc CI A	4.5%	8.9%	2.1%	1.0%	
Corning Inc	0.0%	7.0%	2.5%	1.4%	<b>√</b>
Dell Technologies Inc CI C	20.3%	N/A	1.5%	0.8%	
Eaton Corp PLC	9.3%	5.8%	1.1%	1.2%	
Eli Lilly & Co	15.0%	15.0%	0.6%	1.3%	\ \
Exxon Mobil Corp	4.4%	1.8%	3.2%	1.7%	<b>√</b>
Fastenal Co	11.4%	12.1%	2.2%	0.5%	\ \ \ \ \ \
General Dynamics Corp	7.6%	6.8%	1.9%	0.7%	<b>√</b>
Home Depot Inc	7.7%	10.6%	2.2%	2.6%	√ √
Hp Inc	5.0%	11.5%	3.1%	1.2%	<b>√</b>
Illinois Tool Works Inc	7.1%	7.0%	2.3%	1.3%	√ √
JPMorgan Chase & Co	19.0%	6.8%	2.4%	2.1%	<b>√</b>
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc	7.0%	8.9%	2.5%	1.5%	<b>√</b>
Kinder Morgan Inc	1.8%	2.8%	5.2%	1.8%	
Lockheed Martin Corp	5.0%	5.6%	2.2%	1.9%	,
Marsh & McLennan Cos Inc	14.8%	12.4%	1.5%	1.7%	<b>√</b>
McDonalds Corp	6.0%	7.2%	2.3%	2.8%	<b>√</b>
Merck & Co Inc	5.5%	7.0%	2.7%	4.4%	<b>√</b>
Microsoft Corp	10.7%	10.2%	0.8%	0.7%	<b>√</b>
Mondelez Intl Inc CI A	10.6%	10.5%	2.6%	4.1%	<b>√</b>
Nextera Energy Inc	10.2%	10.5%	2.4%	3.3%	√ √
NXP Semiconductors NV	0.0%	22.0%	1.7%	0.5%	<b>√</b>
Oneok Inc	3.7%	2.2%	4.3%	1.8%	
Paychex Inc	10.1%	9.6%	2.9%	1.8%	
PepsiCo Inc	7.1%	7.2%	3.2%	4.5%	
Phillips 66	9.5%	5.0%	3.5%	2.6%	<b>√</b>
PNC Financial Services Group Inc	3.2%	6.8%	3.5%	4.0%	<b>√</b>
PPL Corp	7.3%	-9.0%	3.1%	1.7%	✓
Procter & Gamble Co	7.0%	6.2%	2.3%	3.1%	,
ProLogis Inc	10.3%	12.6%	3.0%	1.4%	<b>√</b>
Qualcomm Inc	6.3%	6.5%	2.0%	1.0%	<b>√</b>
Realty Income Corp	2.9%	3.0%	5.0%	4.2%	<b>√</b>
Rtx Corporation Com	6.8%	6.8%	2.1%	0.7%	<b>√</b>
Sempra	4.2%	5.1%	3.0%	2.8%	,
Starbucks Corp	0.0%	9.6%	2.3%	1.3%	<b>√</b>
Texas Instruments Inc	4.6%	8.6%	2.5%	2.7%	<b>√</b>
Travelers Companies Inc	5.0%	5.1%	1.8%	2.7%	<b>√</b>
United Parcel Service Inc CIB	0.6%	11.2%	4.8%	1.0%	<b>√</b>
US Bancorp Del	4.2%	3.5%	4.6%	0.8%	<b>√</b>
Wec Energy Group Inc	7.1%	7.2%	3.5%	1.4%	<b>√</b>
Williams Cos Inc	6.1%	4.6%	4.2%	5.0%	<b>√</b>
Average (\$ Weighted)	8.1%	8.3%	2.4% <sup>2</sup>	3.070	
S&P 500	6.7%	5.2%	1.3%		

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Dividend increases from portfolio companies in 3Q24

8.2%

Average TTM increase of holdings that increased in the quarter

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Portfolio dividend increases YTD

Dividend Increase in 3Q24

Largest Income Percentage

Income Growth model portfolio is fully discretionary, unconstrained and is subject to change. Actual portfolios may differ for various reasons. The holdings shown should not be considered a recommendation or solicitation to buy or sell any particular security and may not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for any particular advisory client. You should not assume that an investment in any of the securities was or will be profitable.

The 10+ Years of dividend increases represent consecutive years of dividend increases. The 1-year dividend growth, 5-year average dividend growth and 10+ years of dividend increases statistics are included for informational purposes and represent past performances. The portfolio did not necessarily hold all these securities for the 1-, 5- or 10- year periods and therefore, the portfolio has not necessarily experienced all these dividend increases even though these securities had those dividend increases over that period.

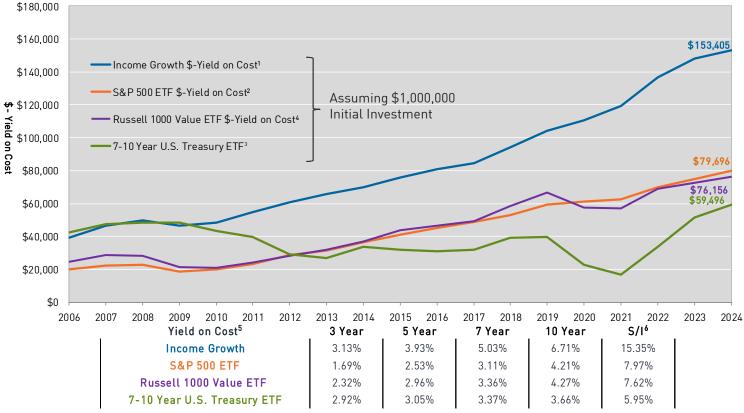
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### Income History

#### Yield on Cost is an important consideration

- Yield on Cost is the actual dividend income earned by the initial investment specified at the starting date. It can only grow through owning stocks that increase the dividends they pay over time.
- The Income Growth strategy generated \$153,405 in income during the year ending 9/30/2024 on a \$1mm initial investment at inception, 12/31/2005.

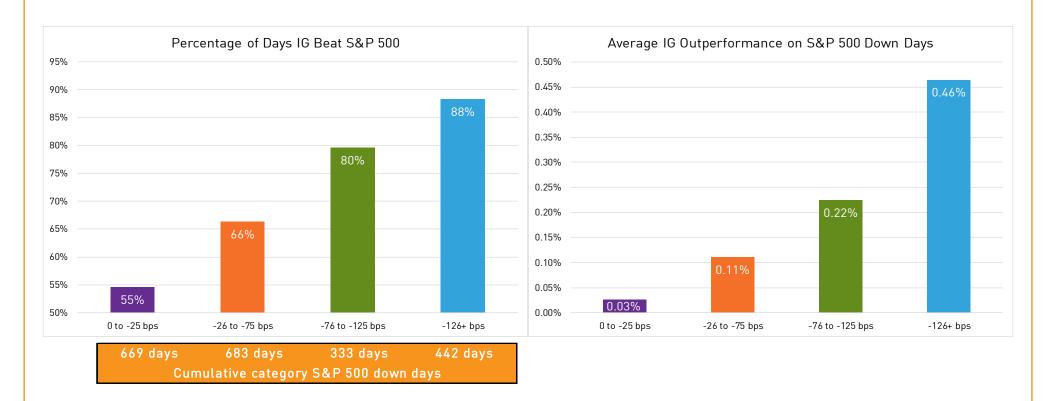


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### Income Growth Downside Capture vs. S&P 500<sup>+</sup>

Downside protection greater with more negative market returns



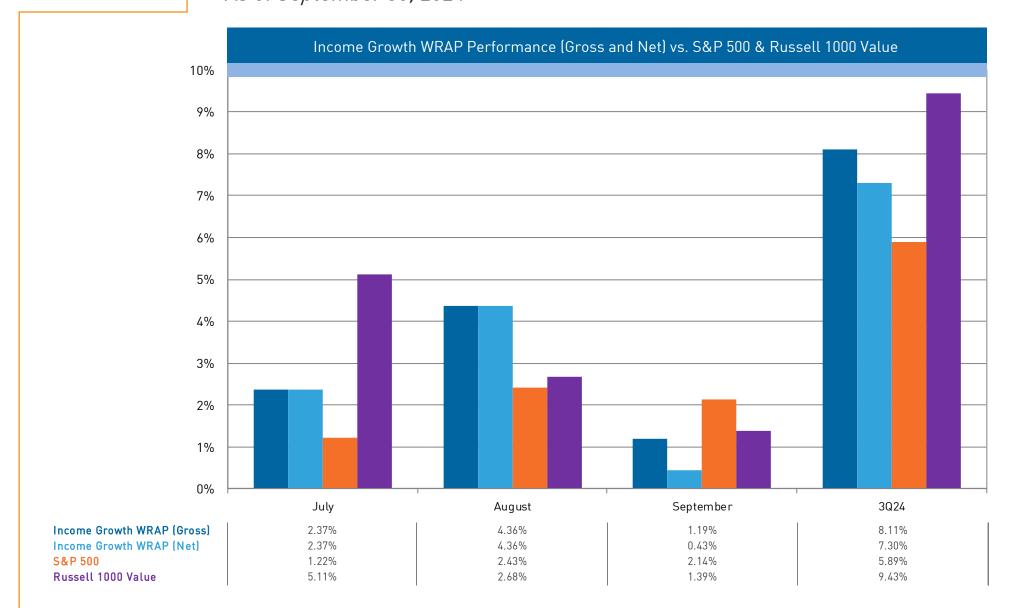
- Income Growth value-added has historically increased as daily market returns become more negative.
- In total, the Income Growth strategy outperformed the S&P 500 on 69.3% of down days since inception<sup>†</sup>.
- Lower standard deviation of return and beta relative to peers and the broader market can indicate fewer and less severe losses in volatile times.

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## Income Growth WRAP Composite Performance As of September 30, 2024

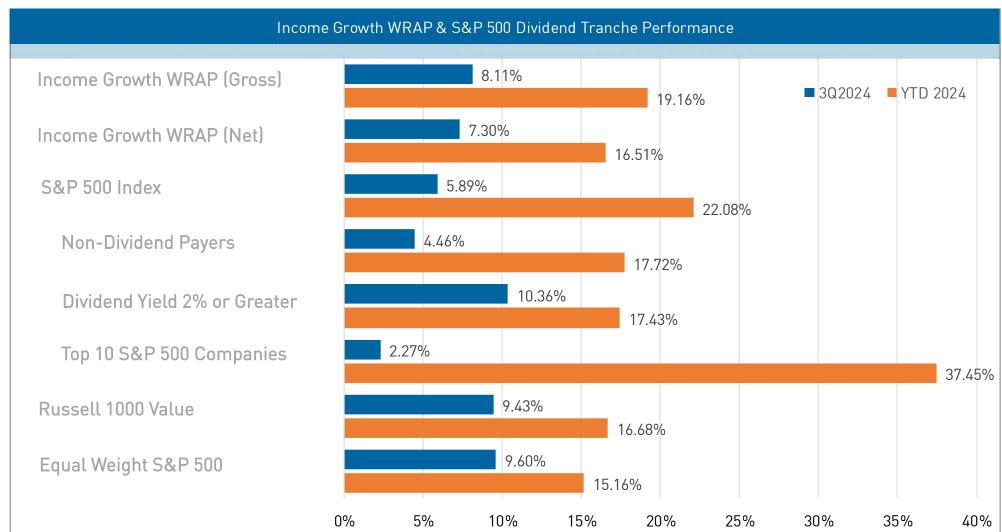


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## 2024 Income Growth WRAP Composite Performance

Dividend-paying and equal-weight stocks gained momentum in 3Q2024

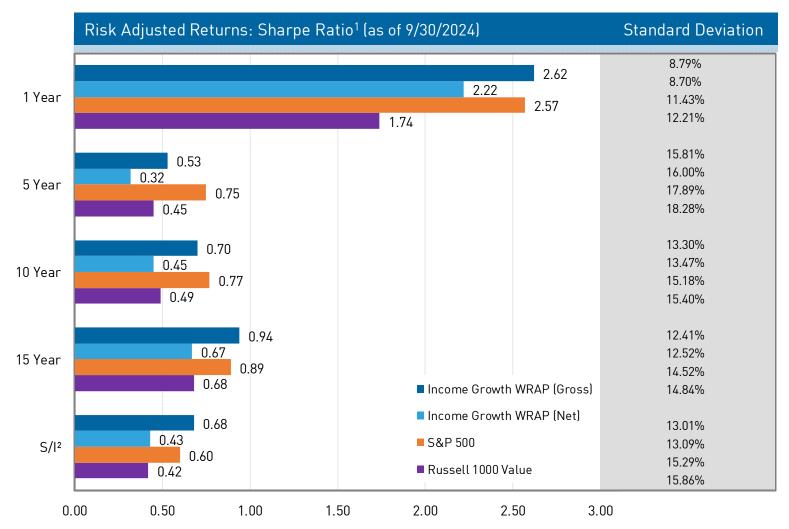


Data as of most recent quarter end. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The S&P 500 dividend tranches are calculated as cap-weighted return figures. Historical performance results for investment indices and/or categories have been provided for general comparison purposes only, and generally do not reflect the deduction of transaction and/or custodial fees, the deduction of an investment management fee, nor the impact of taxes, the incurrence of which would have the effect of decreasing historical performance results. Top 10 S&P 500 Companies include the top market-cap weighted companies, or top 11 stocks including both share classes of Alphabet, throughout the period. 2024 year-to-date return is the average cap-weighted return of Apple (AAPL), Microsoft (MSFT), Nvidia (NVDA), Amazon (AMZN), Meta Platforms (META), Alphabet (G00G/L), Berkshire Hathaway (BRK.B), Eli Lilly (LLY), Broadcom (AVGO), and JPMorgan & Chase (JPM). 3Q2024 return is the average cap-weighted return of Apple (AAPL), Microsoft (MSFT), Nvidia (NVDA), Amazon (AMZN), Meta Platforms (META), Alphabet (G00G/L), Berkshire Hathaway (BRK.B), Eli Lilly (LLY), Broadcom (AVGO), and Tesla (TSLA). The Equal Weight S&P 500 is proxied by the S&P 500 Equal weighted USD Total Return Index (SPXEWTR). It should not be assumed that client account holdings do or will correspond directly to any comparative indices. The Income Growth strategy is typically compared to the S&P 500 Index. Any comparison to the Russell 1000 Value or Equal Weight S&P 500 Index is for illustrative purposes only.

Source: FactSet, 2024

## Risk-Adjusted Return Results

Active, differentiated risk adjusted return profile vs. index



 Bahl & Gaynor's active risk management approach seeks to deliver a differentiated risk-adjusted return profile versus the S&P 500 and Russell 1000 Value

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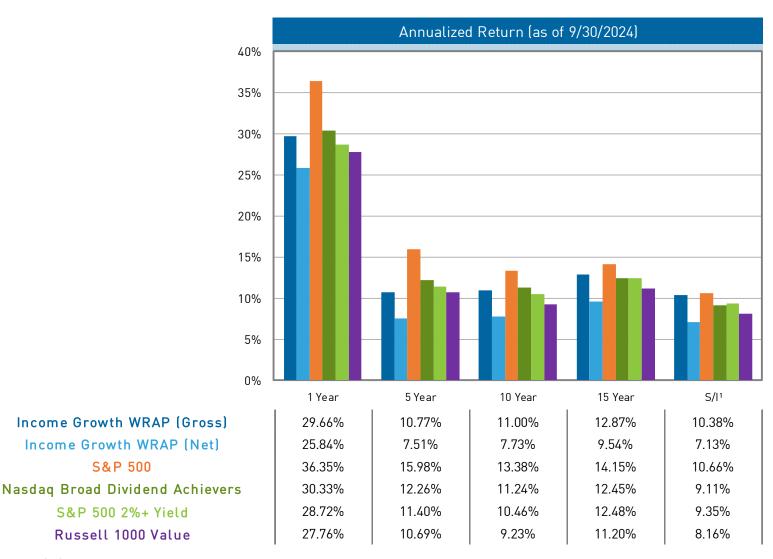
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Sharpe Ratio is a measure for calculating risk-adjusted return. It is the return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility or total risk. Inception date 12/31/2005. All periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Other methods may produce different results and the results for individual accounts and for different periods may vary depending on market conditions and the composition of the account. Care should be used when comparing these results to those published by other investment advisers, other investment vehicles The return figures are calculated as a cap-weighted, float-adjusted index. The Income Growth strategy is typically compared to the S&P 500 index. Any comparison to the Russell 1000 Value is for illustrative purpose only.



### Income Growth WRAP Composite Performance

Long-term focus has provided competitive through-cycle returns relative to style proxies and benchmark



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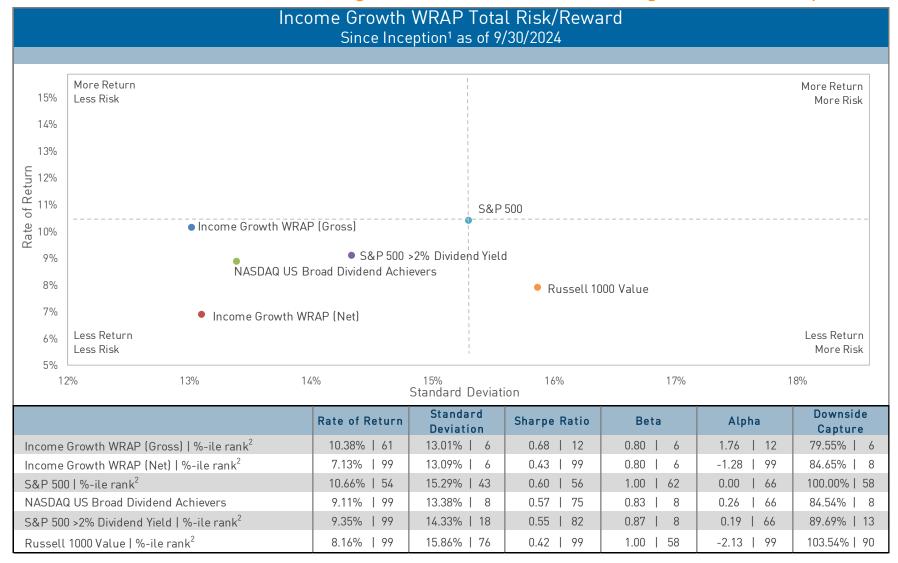
S&P 500 2%+ Yield

Russell 1000 Value



## Income Growth WRAP Risk/Reward Analysis:

Percentile rankings have indicated a strong risk/reward profile



<sup>•</sup> Our primary objectives are income growth, downside protection, and price appreciation.

Since Inception 12/31/2005. Percentile rankings courtesy of Informa – PSN's Large Cap Core Universe. PSN US Large Cap Core Universe includes US equity products that select Large Cap (over \$10 billion) as their primary market capitalization range with Core chosen as the primary style. REIT and convertible products are excluded. As of the time of this update, there were 57 peers are available for consideration in the rankings. Past performance does not quarantee future results. A glossary of investment terms is available on the Disclosure page at the end of this presentation. The Income Growth strategy is typically compared to the S&P 500 index. Any comparison to the Russell 1000 Value is for illustrative purpose only. 20 Source: Zephyr



#### Income Growth Model Portfolio

as of September 30, 2024

Income Growth Sector Allocation History										S&P 500	% of Income			
Sector <sup>1</sup>	4Q'13	4Q'14	4Q'15	4Q'16	4Q'17	4Q'18	4Q'19	4Q'20	4Q'21	4Q'22	4Q'23	3Q24	3Q24	3Q24
Communication Services	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	1.4%	3.3%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.9%	0.0%
Consumer Discretionary	8.5%	3.9%	6.7%	6.8%	5.1%	9.6%	9.4%	8.7%	9.1%	8.1%	8.4%	7.2%	10.1%	6.8%
Consumer Staples	14.9%	18.1%	12.4%	12.1%	9.7%	5.9%	7.3%	8.4%	9.3%	12.2%	12.6%	12.1%	5.9%	13.1%
Energy	8.4%	8.4%	4.9%	5.5%	6.8%	5.6%	6.4%	2.4%	2.4%	6.7%	8.7%	10.2%	3.3%	17.1%
Financials	8.4%	12.2%	14.6%	14.3%	11.9%	12.6%	16.3%	14.8%	14.9%	12.9%	11.2%	12.1%	12.9%	11.6%
Health Care	16.0%	14.9%	12.0%	14.0%	16.0%	17.4%	11.3%	13.6%	12.1%	14.5%	13.5%	13.7%	11.6%	11.5%
Industrials	9.0%	12.2%	12.5%	11.6%	10.9%	9.0%	7.8%	7.9%	7.2%	8.4%	13.6%	12.6%	8.5%	10.9%
Information Technology	17.4%	14.9%	16.9%	17.4%	18.2%	18.5%	18.0%	20.5%	22.9%	17.5%	15.8%	17.6%	31.7%	12.4%
Materials	0.0%	1.7%	1.9%	2.6%	4.4%	4.0%	4.0%	3.4%	3.2%	3.5%	3.1%	1.8%	2.2%	1.8%
Real Estate	5.0%	4.4%	9.9%	6.9%	6.1%	5.6%	6.4%	5.9%	8.2%	6.8%	4.5%	3.1%	2.3%	5.5%
Utilities	6.2%	4.7%	5.6%	5.8%	8.1%	8.6%	9.0%	9.0%	7.4%	7.6%	6.6%	8.0%	2.5%	9.3%
Telecommunications	3.0%	1.6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Money Market	3.2%	3.0%	2.6%	3.0%	2.8%	3.2%	2.9%	2.1%	1.4%	1.8%	2.0%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%

Top 10 Portfolio Holdings									
Holding	% of Portfolio	Dividend Yield							
Broadcom (AVGO)	6.86%	1.2%							
Eli Lilly (LLY)	5.22%	0.6%							
AbbVie (ABBV)	4.47%	3.1%							
Merck & Co. (MRK)	3.99%	2.7%							
Mondelez International (MDLZ)	3.87%	2.6%							
PepsiCo (PEP)	3.41%	3.2%							
NextEra Energy (NEE)	3.28%	2.4%							
Procter & Gamble (PG)	3.27%	2.3%							
McDonald's (MCD)	2.98%	2.3%							
Williams Companies (WMB)	2.95%	4.2%							
% of Portfolio Value:	40.30%								

Portfolio Characteristics									
Characteristic	Income Growth	S&P 500							
P/E Ratio (trailing 12 months)	24.5x	26.8x							
P/B Ratio	4.2x	4.8x							
Weighted Average Market Cap	\$318.4 B	\$999.7 B							
Median Market Cap	\$109.7 B	\$38.1 B							
Dividend Yield	2.4%	1.3%							
Number of Positions	47	504							

Data is drawn from the Income Growth model portfolio that is fully discretionary, unconstrained and subject to change. Individual Bahl & Gaynor clients may or may not hold these positions or have similar characteristics. Portfolio dividend yield includes cash holdings.

Source: Bahl & Gaynor and FactSet.

1 Sector weights are as of period end.



## Income Growth WRAP Composite Performance

Income Growth versus S&P 500 and Other Indices										
Annual & Quarterly Performance	Income Growth WRAP (Gross)	Income Growth WRAP (Net)	S&P 500	Equal Weight S&P 500	Russell 1000 Value					
3Q 2024	8.11%	7.30%	5.89%	9.60%	9.43%					
2Q 2024	1.13%	0.38%	4.28%	-2.63%	-2.17%					
1Q 2024	8.99%	8.18%	10.56%	7.91%	8.99%					
2023	7.34%	4.18%	26.29%	13.87%	11.46%					
2022	-8.14%	-10.85%	-18.11%	-11.45%	-7.54%					
2021	26.14%	22.43%	28.71%	29.63%	25.16%					
2020	7.46%	4.30%	18.40%	12.83%	2.80%					
2019	27.01%	23.27%	31.49%	29.24%	26.54%					
2018	-1.27%	-4.18%	-4.38%	-7.64%	-8.27%					
2017	20.51%	16.96%	21.83%	18.90%	13.66%					
2016	13.08%	9.75%	11.96%	14.80%	17.34%					
2015	0.34%	-2.61%	1.38%	-2.20%	-3.83%					
2014	13.82%	10.47%	13.69%	14.49%	13.45%					
2013	24.35%	20.69%	32.39%	36.16%	32.53%					
2012	9.87%	6.63%	16.00%	17.65%	17.51%					
2011	16.14%	12.72%	2.11%	-0.11%	0.39%					
2010	16.61%	13.18%	15.06%	21.91%	15.51%					
2009	17.22%	13.76%	26.46%	46.31%	19.69%					
2008	-24.45%	-26.68%	-37.00%	-39.72%	-36.85%					
2007	5.63%	2.52%	5.49%	1.53%	-0.17%					
2006	18.51%	15.02%	15.80%	15.80%	22.25%					

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#### Income Growth WRAP Platform Composite

December 31, 2005 (inception date) - December 31, 2023

		"Pure"	Benchmark			3 Year Ex-Post Sta	andard Deviation	Total			
Year	Net Return (%)	Gross Return (%)	Return (%) S&P 500	Number of Accounts	Composite Dispersion (%)	Composite (%)	S&P 500 (%)	Composite Assets (\$MM)	Non-fee Paying Assets (%)	Total Firm Assets (\$MM)	Total AUA (\$MM)¹
2014	10.47	13.82	13.69	10	0.08	8.0	9.0	1,720.9	0.0	7,545.8	5,699.9
2015	-2.61	0.34	1.38	10	0.07	10.2	10.5	2,011.5	0.0	7,966.6	6,050.1
2016	9.75	13.08	11.96	10	0.16	9.5	10.6	2,177.1	0.0	8,792.4	8,425.1
2017	16.96	20.51	21.83	8	0.09	8.9	9.9	2,804.8	0.0	10,778.1	11,541.5
2018	-4.18	-1.27	-4.38	8	0.04	9.6	10.8	2,964.8	0.0	10,688.5	12,901.4
2019	23.27	27.01	31.49	7	0.11	10.2	11.9	3,291,4	0.0	15,358.8	22,144.9
2020	4.30	7.46	18.40	7	0.07	16.4	18.5	3,417.6	0.0	16,244.6	25,716.4
2021	22.43	26.14	28.71	6	0.03	15.8	17.2	3,681.9	0.0	18,705.1	32,123.7
2022	-10.85	-8.14	-18.11	7	0.06	19.0	20.9	3,427.2	0.0	16,936.7	29,420.5
2023	4.18	7.34	26.29	7	0.05	15.4	17.3	3,238.1	0.0	17,722.1	29,724.3

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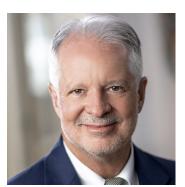
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