

**FACT SHEET** 

# 1919 Dividend Growth Strategy

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#### **Objective**

The Dividend Growth Strategy (the "Strategy") seeks to generate above-average income and above-average growth of income relative to the S&P 500.

### **Our Investment Approach**

**Initial Screening for Dividend Growers** 

Focus on Dividend Support Factors

Fundamental Analysis of Individual Stocks

Final Portfolio
Selection

## **Investment Approach**

The Strategy focuses on companies with dividend growth greater than the S&P 500 with the capability to support the dividend during challenging economic environments. A focus on companies with strong cash flow generation and capacity for continued dividend increases is paramount. Sector allocations are also considered when constructing the portfolio.

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#### Performance as of March 31, 2024

	_	Average Annualized Total Returns			
	3 Months	1 year 3 year		Since Inception*	
Gross	8.80%	23.84%	11.13%	14.91%	
Net	8.55	22.67	10.05	13.80	
S&P 500 Index	10.56	29.88	11.49	16.92	

\*6/30/2020. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized.

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#### **10 Largest Equity Holdings**

as of March 31, 2024

Company	% of Portfolio
Microsoft Corp.	7.76
Apple Inc.	4.59
Eli Lilly and Co.	4.04
Broadcom Inc.	3.85
Eaton Corp. Plc	3.57
Cintas Corp.	3.41
Intuit Inc.	3.27
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	3.00
Home Depot, Inc.	2.82
TJX Companies Inc.	2.23
Total	38.54%

#### **Sector Allocation**

as of March 31, 2024

Sector	% of Portfolio		
Information Technology	27.42		
Industrials	15.00		
Health Care	14.23		
Financials	13.66		
Consumer Staples	6.60		
Consumer Discretionary	5.94		
Materials	5.59		
Energy	4.93		
Communication Services	2.49		
Real Estate	2.29		
Utilities	1.85		
	100.00		

Holdings and allocation data is for aggregate accounts in the specific Strategy. Individual accounts may vary. Portfolio composition is shown as of a point in time and is subject to change without notice.

#### **Dividend Growth Rates**

as of March 31, 2024

1 Year	10.82%
3 Year	11.19%
5 Year	10.65%

Dividend Yield 1.54%

#### Composite Historical Performance as of December 31, 2023

		Composi	te Assets	Standard Deviation		Annual Performance Results			
						Composite			
Year End	Total Firm Assets (Millions)	U.S. Dollars (Millions)	Number of Accounts	Composite	Benchmark	Gross	Net	S&P 500	Composite Dispersion
2023	21,255.5	26.9	22	15.84%	17.29%	15.84%	14.72%	26.29%	1.57%
2022	17,378.9	22.0	17	N.A.	N.A.	-13.07%	-13.97%	-18.11%	0.27%
2021	21,063.2	8.7	7	N.A.	N.A.	29.86%	28.65%	28.71%	1.99%
2020*	17,554.4	10.6	10	N.A.	N.A.	18.40%	17.86%	22.16%	N.M.

\*2020 returns reflect the time period of 06/30/2020 to 12/31/2020. This composite was created July 1, 2020, and its inception date is June 30, 2020. Performance results shown herein are included as part of a complete disclosure presentation. N.A. – The 3-year standard deviation is not presented as 36 monthly returns are not available. N.M. – Dispersion is not presented for periods with less than 5 accounts included for the entire year because it is not considered meaningful.

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