# Diversified Large Cap Value Equity



# Objective

We seek to outperform the Russell 1000® Value Index by investing in undervalued large-cap stocks, as identified by a low price-to-earnings (P/E) or price-to-book (P/B) ratio, while maintaining a low tracking error, typically between 2–4% versus the index.

## **Investment Process Summary**

We manage the portfolios with a disciplined combination of quantitative and fundamental investment styles. Our investment strategy employs a deselection approach with the goal of identifying and avoiding undervalued stocks that we believe will have difficulty outperforming the benchmark. Our low tracking error discipline enhances long-term returns by reducing significant drawdowns versus the benchmark. We utilize a team-oriented process with experienced investment managers.

## **Investable Universe**

Within the universe of U.S. equities, we identify stocks with:

- Market capitalizations among the top 800 largest U.S. stocks
- P/E ratios among the lowest 40% or P/B ratios among the lowest 25% in this universe

## **Deselection Process**

From the resulting 300-400 large-cap value companies, we quantitatively eliminate stocks with:

- Weak stock price momentum, as these stocks often continue to underperform
- High relative share issuance, which often precedes weaker stock returns

We perform our fundamental analysis on the remaining 200-300 companies. We seek to understand why each is undervalued to avoid stocks that are unlikely to return to a normal valuation. Our focused research process allows us to efficiently manage a diversified portfolio of companies with desirable characteristics. Our in-depth review includes:

- Adjusting reported earnings and book values to purchase only genuinely undervalued stocks;
- Eliminating stocks with significant pre-announced earnings deterioration; and
- Excluding stocks with severe fundamental decline or substantial financial, legal, or product risks.

## **Portfolio Management**

The portfolio holds approximately 175-250 stocks to diversify risk and enhance liquidity. We initially weight each stock's position proportional to its market capitalization. We will deviate from strict capitalization weight if necessary to maintain our tracking error targets versus the index. Industry and sector weightings are the direct result of our bottom-up investment process and our tracking error management.

Typically, we sell a stock when: its P/E and P/B ratios are both no longer undervalued, its market cap no longer qualifies as large cap, its price momentum lags the market sufficiently to trigger our stop loss control, a substantial number of new shares are issued, or fundamentals deteriorate significantly.

#### Our Competitive Advantage

The strategy combines the advantages of the discipline found in a quantitative process with fundamental analysis targeted to avoid potential poor performers. Managing return differences versus the benchmark helps limit significant downside to the index and benefits longterm returns. Our team has managed portfolios in the Diversified style for over 25 years.



#### At a Glance

- Primary Benchmark: Russell 1000® Value Index
- Universe: Large-capitalization U.S. common stocks
- We purchase stocks with a low valuation based on either P/E or P/B that pass through our quantitative and fundamental deselection processes
- Our portfolios generally purchase all holdings on a capitalization-weighted basis with exceptions to keep tracking error in the 2-4% range versus the index
- Cash is residual of the investment process, and we manage portfolios with the goal of remaining fully invested at all times

#### Characteristics<sup>1,2</sup>

	Strategy	Benchmark
Price-to-Earnings <sup>3</sup>	13.9	19.5
Price-to-Book	2.5	2.7
Dividend Yield (%)	2.5	2.1
Avg. Market Cap (\$B)	153.1	158.6
Current # of Securities	239	845
Turnover (% LTM)	47.3	-

## Sector Weights<sup>1,2</sup> (%)



#### Assets Under Management (M) (Shown in USD)

Brandywine Global, Firmwide	61,025
Diversified Value Equity Product Group	9,075
Diversified Large Cap Value Equity	5,585

#### Calendar Year Returns<sup>2</sup> (%) (Results shown in USD)

	Gross	Net	R1000V	S&P 500
2024	12.14	11.99	8.99	10.56
2023	8.21	7.62	11.46	26.29
2022	-0.66	-1.21	-7.54	-18.11
2021	30.83	30.13	25.16	28.71
2020	-0.64	-1.19	2.80	18.40
2019	26.60	25.92	26.54	31.49
2018	-8.19	-8.70	-8.27	-4.38
2017	21.05	20.40	13.66	21.83
2016	15.13	14.50	17.34	11.96
2015	-2.28	-2.98	-3.83	1.38
2014	13.22	12.39	13.45	13.69

#### Risk Characteristics<sup>2</sup> (Composite Net of Fees) (Since Inception)

Sharpe Ratio	0.42
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Information Ratio	0.29

#### Top Ten Holdings<sup>1,2</sup> (%)

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Jpmorgan Chase	e & Co		5.3
Exxon Mobil Cor	р		4.0
Johnson & Johns	son		2.9
Abbvie Inc			2.8
Chevron Corp			2.5
Bank Of America	a Corp		2.3
Lowe's Cos Inc			2.1
Cisco Systems Ir	nc		1.9
Comcast Corp			1.7
Qualcomm Inc			1.7

#### Lead Portfolio Managers



Joseph J. Kirby Portfolio Manager 31 Years of Experience



Henry F. Otto Managing Director & Portfolio Manager 42 Years of Experience



#### **Steven M. Tonkovich** Managing Director & Portfolio Manager 36 Years of Experience

Data as of March 31, 2024 Past performance is no guarantee of future results.



## Annualized Returns (%) (Results shown in USD)

S&P 500
10.56
10.56
29.88
11.48
15.03
14.08
12.95
7.78

Inception Date: 4/1/1999

## GIPS Information (%, unless otherwise noted) (Results shown in USD)

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Year or YTD	Gross	Net	R1000V	S&P 500	# of Accounts	Market Value (M)	Total Firm Assets (M)	Composite Dispersion	Composite Rolling 3Y SD	R1000V Rolling 3Y SD	S&P 500 Rolling 3Y SD
2024	12.14	11.99	8.99	10.56	11	5,585	60,106	0.03	16.63	16.20	17.35
2023	8.21	7.62	11.46	26.29	11	5,031	59,468	0.03	17.07	16.51	17.29
2022	-0.66	-1.21	-7.54	-18.11	11	6,080	52,601	0.03	21.50	21.25	20.87
2021	30.83	30.13	25.16	28.71	9	7,452	67,356	0.08	19.33	19.06	17.17
2020	-0.64	-1.19	2.80	18.40	11	6,928	63,872	0.03	19.82	19.62	18.53
2019	26.60	25.92	26.54	31.49	11	7,456	74,024	0.02	12.88	11.85	11.93
2018	-8.19	-8.70	-8.27	-4.38	11	7,143	70,070	0.02	11.96	10.82	10.80
2017	21.05	20.40	13.66	21.83	10	7,883	74,382	0.17	11.35	10.20	9.92
2016	15.13	14.50	17.34	11.96	10	7,397	65,498	0.14	11.74	10.77	10.59
2015	-2.28	-2.98	-3.83	1.38	10	7,257	68,819	0.05	11.19	10.68	10.47
2014	13.22	12.39	13.45	13.69	8	5,898	63,375	0.03	9.16	9.20	8.97

Data as of March 31. 2024 R1000V = Russell 1000 Value S&P 500 = 5&P 500 Organization: Standywine Global Investment Management, LLC (the "Firm") is a wholly owned, independently operated, subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC has been independently verified for the periods January 1, 1993 through June 30, 2022. A firm that daims compliance with the GIPS standards. Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC has been independently verified for the periods January 1, 1993 through June 30, 2022. A firm that daims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards and have been examination for the periods April 1, 1999 through June 30, 2021. The verification and performance examination for the periods April 1, 1999 through June 30, 2021. The verification and performance examination for the periods April assets under the Firm's management. GIPS Abla is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute Cost on tenders or promote this organization, nor does it warant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. Composite Description: Diversified Large Cap Value Equip Composite (the "Composite") Inception date: April 1, 1999. Threat on the Eriot Standard's and Pitole Bescription: Diversified Large Cap Value Equip Composite (the "Composite") Inception date: April 1, 1999. Threat on the Eriot Standard's and Pitole Bescription: Diversified Large Cap Value Equip Composite (the "Composite") Inception date: April 1, 1999. Threat composite induces all Huld is ScreitIng Huld Bis ScreitIng Huld Bis

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Benchmark = R1000V R1000V = Russell 1000® Value Index S&P 500 = S&P 500® Index

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- $2\;$  Supplemental Information to the attached Diversified Large Cap Value GIPS report.
- 3 Portfolio characteristics calculation uses weighted harmonic average methodology.

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