Mid Cap Core Concentrated: Performance & Commentary

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The strategy returned 6.63% before fees (6.18% net of fees) in the first quarter, underperforming the S&P 400 Index's 9.95% return.

Sector allocation (-32bps) was a slight negative this quarter, as the decision to be overweight the health care sector (-7bps) at the expense of consumer discretionary (-7bps) once again being be two of the biggest detractors. Our overweight to Information Technology offset a lot of this helping by 15bps, while our cash position served as a 34bps headwind.

Stock selection (-300bps) was the story of the quarter. The majority of our Information Technology (-178bps) underperformance came from not being in one Al affiliated company, while our Consumer Discretionary (-107bps) shortfall came in the durables area. Better results were seen in the Financials (+32bps) and Health Care (+31bps) sectors.

MARKET OUTLOOK

The stock market continued its strong trend into the new year. As inflation readings cooled, investors embraced a soft-landing scenario with lower rates and a slowing, but still growing economy. Mid-caps participated in these gains, with strength in Tech (+16.2%) and Energy (+15.9%) reflecting trends seen in broader markets, while slower growth Real Estate (-2.5%) and Communication Services (-8.6%) being the laggards.

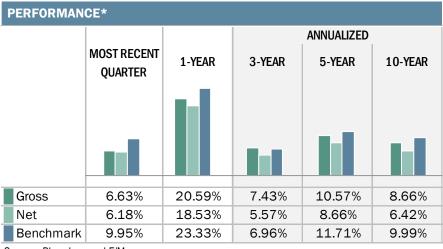
Financial markets have embraced expectations of a mid-year cut in the fed funds rates after the Fed's March meeting but could be disappointed if Fed retains "higher for longer" approach. S&P 400 earnings currently are estimated to be growing at a 19.9% rate in 2024 after posting a 12% decline in 2023. Strongs earning growth in the Infor Tech (+88%) and Financials (+44%) sectors are expected to offset weakness in the rate of earnings growth for Energy (-33%) and Staples (+4%). The current 21.7 trailing P/E is slightly below the ten year average, and has not had some of the run-up seen in other parts of the domestic equity markets.

Market participants infatuation with higher growth companies continued in Q1, with little regard to valuations. This comes despite the market facing rising geopolitical risks and slowing economic growth amid sticky inflation, which could make current earnings estimates difficult to achieve. The strategy's focus on strong, consistent cash flows, as well as reasonable valuations may prove to be fortuitous in such an environment.

STRATEGY OVERVIEW	
Benchmark:	S&P 400
Inception Date:	March 1, 2002

STRATEGY SUMMARY

The Mid Cap Core Concentrated Strategy seeks to identify stocks that demonstrate a high potential for producing future excess returns. These stocks have what we consider to be attractive valuation and are those of companies with tested operational success. Moreover, we believe we can identify catalysts that show they have a good probability of increasing in value. Our process seeks to exploit anomalies in behavioral finance that are supported by academic and proprietary in-house research which suggests that investors have a tendency to form their expectations for future equity returns based on past experience. Our proprietary quantitative screen combined with a fundamental overlay is the basis of our investment approach.



Source - Bloomberg and F/M

As of March 31, 2024. All benchmark returns presented are provided to represent the investment environment existing during the time periods shown. Actual investment performance will vary due to fees and expenses. Investment performance reflects the reinvestment of dividends and other income. Gross-of-fees performance is shown net of trading expenses. Net of fees performance is shown net of a model investment management fee that is equal to the highest fee charged to the intended audience. For comparison purposes, the benchmarks include the reinvestment of income. Indices are unmanaged, do not reflect fees and expenses, and are not available for direct investment. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

^{*}Estimated, Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Mid Cap Core Concentrated: Most Recent Quarter Attribution

SECTOR ATTRIBUTION								
	AVERAGE WEIGHT							
SECTOR	PORTFOLIO	PORTFOLIO BENCHMARK		SELECTION EFFECT	TOTAL EFFECT			
Communication Services	1.56%	1.56%	-0.01%	-0.06%	-0.07%			
Consumer Discretionary	13.41%	15.69%	-0.07%	-1.07%	-1.14%			
Consumer Staples	3.79%	4.47%	-0.04%	-0.13%	-0.17%			
Energy	3.83%	5.00%	-0.07%	-0.13%	-0.20%			
Financials	15.40%	15.90%	0.00%	0.32%	0.32%			
Health Care	9.10%	7.74%	-0.07%	0.31%	0.24%			
Industrials	22.58%	21.15%	0.03%	0.10%	0.13%			
Information Technology	11.32%	10.42%	0.15%	-1.78%	-1.63%			
Materials	5.21%	6.94%	0.06%	-0.28%	-0.22%			
Real Estate	6.62%	7.29%	0.08%	0.10%	0.18%			
Utilities	2.72%	3.16%	-0.04%	-0.38%	-0.42%			
Cash	4.45%	0.67%	-0.34%	0.00%	-0.34%			
Total Portfolio	100.00%	100.00%	-0.32%	-3.00%	-3.32%			

Benchmark: S&P 400

As of March 31, 2024. Individual client results may vary. Total Effect includes sector allocation effect + stock selection effect. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The benchmarks are unmanaged and unavailable for direct investment. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

^{*}The attribution analysis is based off a model portfolio, and does not include fees or expenses.

Mid Cap Core Concentrated: Characteristics

STRATEGY OVERVIEW						
Benchmark:	S&P 400					
Holdings:	45-70 securities					
Diversification:	On a security basis, won't over/underweight to the benchmark by more than 5% On a sector basis, won't over/underweight to the benchmark by more than 5%					
Return Objective:	Outperform its benchmark by 1.00%					
Risk Control:	Tracking Error target of 2%-5% vs. benchmark					

TOP TEN HOLDINGS BY WEIGHT							
	TICKER	PERCENT WEIGHT					
ITT Inc.	ITT	2.76					
Owens Corning	OC	2.39					
Berry Global Group, Inc.	BERY	2.33					
Texas Roadhouse, Inc.	TXRH	2.18					
East West Bancorp Inc.	EWBC	2.15					
Primerica, Inc.	PRI	2.12					
Textron Inc.	TXT	2.12					
Crane Co.	CR	2.06					
Bruker Corp.	BRKR	1.97					
Old Dominion Freight Lines, Inc.	ODFL	1.95					

CHARACTERISTICS		
GENERAL MEASURES	мссс	BENCHMARK
Number Of Stocks In Portfolio	68	401
Weighted Average Cap (\$ Mil)	10,085	10,348
Yield (%)	1.4	1.4
ROE (%)	14.4	17.7
Debt/Equity Ratio (%)	94.5	99.2
Beta	1.02	_
VALUE MEASURES	мссс	BENCHMARK
Price/Earnings Ratio* (12-Month Trailing)	17.2	19.0
Price/Earnings Ratio* (Forecast FY)	15.3	17.2
Price/Book Value Ratio	2.4	2.5
Price/Cash Flow Ratio	10.3	10.8
Price/Sales Ratio	1.2	1.4
GROWTH MEASURES	мссс	BENCHMARK
EPS 1-Year Growth Rate (%) (Forecast FY)	8.9	14.0
EPS 5-Year Growth Rate (%) (Trailing)	11.1	13.9
EPS Growth - Long-Term Forecast	10.5	12.3

As of March 31, 2024. *Price /Earnings ratios exclude stocks with zero or negative earnings. Data Source: FactSet | Past performance does not guarantee future results. The benchmarks are unmanaged and unavailable for direct investment. Holdings are subject to change and are as of the date indicated. These holdings should not be considered a recommendation to purchase, hold, or sell any particular security. There is no assurance that any of the securities noted will remain in the portfolio at the time you receive this presentation. It should not be assumed that any of the holdings discussed were, or will prove to be profitable, or that the investment recommendations or decisions we make in the future will be profitable. A complete list of all recommendations made by the firm is available upon request. As of 1/1/2024, the Total Strategy ROE includes negative values, and also caps all ROE security values that are greater that 100 or less than -100. The targeted returns are forward-looking, do not represent actual performance, there is no guarantee that such performance will be achieved, and that actual results may vary substantially.

Mid Cap Core Concentrated: Sector Weights

SECTOR	мссс	S&P 400	Difference
Communication Services	1.47%	1.41%	0.06%
Consumer Discretionary	13.89%	16.06%	-2.17%
Consumer Staples	3.91%	4.62%	-0.72%
Energy	5.33%	5.29%	0.04%
Financials	16.97%	15.76%	1.20%
Health Care	8.52%	7.51%	1.02%
Industrials	22.59%	21.57%	1.02%
Information Technology	11.38%	10.69%	0.69%
Materials	6.11%	6.99%	-0.87%
Real Estate	7.08%	6.80%	0.28%
Utilities	2.76%	3.29%	-0.54%

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As of 3/31/2024 Ziegler Capital Management, LLC (aka ZCM) has been reorganized as part to F/m Investments, LLC. ("F/m"), is an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

	Pure Gross Gross-of-Fees	Net-of-Fees	Daniel and	Composite	Benchmark	Composite		Portfolios With	Composite	Strategy	Firm	Firm
V F			Benchmark	3 Yr. Ex Post	3 Yr. Ex Post	Number of Portfolios	Internal	With Bundled	Assets	Assets	AUM	AUA
Year-End	Return	Return	Return	Std. Dev.	Std. Dev.	Portrollos	Dispersion	Fees (%)	(USD millions)	(USD millions)	(USD millions)	(USD millions)
2013	37.3%	33.3%	33.5%	16.6%	15.2%	27	0.3%	100%	\$10	\$22	\$4,321	\$162
2014	14.3%	11.0%	9.8%	12.1%	11.3%	23	0.1%	100%	\$10	\$23	\$5,748	\$318
2015	-0.9%	-3.8%	-2.2%	12.2%	11.9%	11	0.1%	100%	\$4	\$19	\$9,781	\$605
2016	16.7%	13.3%	20.7%	13.1%	12.4%	9	0.2%	100%	\$4	\$20	\$10,651	\$1,170
2017	18.2%	16.2%	16.2%	12.0%	11.1%	7	0.0%	91%	\$3	\$27	\$9,888	\$1,561
2018	-18.2%	-19.6%	-11.1%	14.0%	13.5%	8	0.1%	91%	\$2	\$21	\$10,084	\$1,775
2019	22.9%	20.8%	26.2%	15.9%	14.7%	9	0.1%	91%	\$3	\$25	\$10,693	\$2,112
2020	8.6%	6.7%	13.7%	25.7%	23.6%	7	N.A.	88%	\$2	\$10	\$8,238	\$2,118
2021	28.9%	26.8%	24.8%	24.4%	22.1%	<6	N.A.	82%	\$2	\$10	\$8,035	\$2,293
2022	-13.2%	-14.7%	-13.1%	26.0%	24.9%	<6	N.A.	64%	\$1	\$7	\$6,383	\$1,734

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Composite and Benchmark Description: Mid Cap Core Concentrated is an actively managed equity strategy that applies a quantitative approach to identify neglected, attractive stocks. Starting in the third quarter of 2013, the investment team was broadened, and our process was refined. The composite includes wrap-fee portfolios that hold between 45-65 securities. The benchmark is the S&P 400 Index. The S&P 400 measures the performance of US mid-cap equities. The composite includes portfolios with bundled fees where the actual trading expenses cannot be identified. Bundled-fee portfolios are charged a single fee by the custodian, broker or financial adviser which includes brokerage commissions, investment management, portfolio monitoring, consulting services, and in some cases, custodial services. Bundled fee schedules are available from the custodian, broker or financial adviser and range up to 3%.

Minimum Account Size: The minimum account size is \$100,000. Prior to 1/1/13 there was no minimum.

Composite Creation and Inception Date: The Mid Cap Core Concentrated composite creation date is June 10, 2011. Prior returns reflect the performance of Lotsoff Capital Management LLC. Returns prior to 1/1/06 do not comply with GIPS standards but instead represent an asset weighted average of the individual returns for each wrap-fee account across multiple managed account programs as calculated by the program sponsor. Ziegler Capital Management did not independently verify the individual account returns provided by the sponsor. The composite inception date is March 1, 2002.

Significant Cash Flow Policy: Portfolios with significant cash flows are excluded from the composite. Cash flows of 10% or more are considered significant. Prior to 1/1/13 cash flows of 5% or more were considered significant.

Internal Dispersion: The internal dispersion is measured by the asset-weighted standard deviation across portfolio returns represented within the composite for the full period. If there are less than 6 portfolios in the composite for the entire year, the internal dispersion is not statistically meaningful and is presented as N.A. All risk measures are calculated using gross-of-fees returns.

Fees: Pure gross-of-fees returns are presented as supplemental information and may not be reduced by any fees, expenses, or transaction costs (i.e. Pure Gross). Net-of-Fees returns are presented after the application of the highest model wrap program fee of 1.75% beginning 01/01/17 applied on a monthly basis. Prior to 01/01/17, the assumed, highest bundled fee was 3%. The fee schedule is: 0.90% on the first \$5 million; 0.85% on the next \$10 million; 0.75% on the next \$10 million; 0.60% on all additional assets. Wrap fee schedules are available from individual wrap sponsors and currently range up to 1.75%. Wrap program fees include brokerage commissions, investment management, portfolio monitoring, consulting services, and in some cases, custodial services. Fees are calculated separately for each portfolio, and therefore, performance may differ from one portfolio to another.

Other: Strategy assets include all portfolios in the Mid Cap Core strategy, even those portfolios that are excluded from the composite because of significant cash flows or for other reasons, and include non-wrap, wrap and UMA assets. This is presented as supplemental information.

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