

4,050,000 Shares**Angel Oak**

FUNDS

Angel Oak Dynamic Financial Strategies Income Term Trust Common Shares of Beneficial Interest

The Fund. Angel Oak Dynamic Financial Strategies Income Term Trust (the “Fund”) is a recently organized, diversified, closed-end management investment company.

Investment Objective. The Fund seeks current income with a secondary objective of total return. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

Investment Strategies. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions, which may include, but are not limited to, banks, thrifts, finance companies, business development companies (“BDCs”) that invest primarily in loans, commercial mortgage and residential mortgage real estate investment trusts (“REITs”), brokerage and advisory firms, insurance companies and financial holding companies. In pursuing its investment objective, the Fund invests primarily in debt issued by financial institutions, including subordinated debt (“sub-debt”), unrated debt, senior debt and high yield securities. The Fund may also invest in common equity, preferred equity, convertible securities and warrants and trust-preferred securities (“TruPS”) of these institutions. The Fund will target investing at least 80% of the Fund’s net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in debt issued by U.S. community banks and U.S. and non-U.S. non-bank financial institutions.

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in investments that are rated investment grade or, if unrated, judged to be of investment grade quality by the Fund’s investment adviser.

Investing in Shares involves a high degree of risk. See “Risks” beginning on page 38 of this prospectus.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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| | Public offering price | Sales load(2) | Estimated offering costs(3) | Proceeds, after expenses, to the Fund |
|---|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Per Share | \$ 20.00 | None | None | \$ 20.00 |
| Total | \$81,000,000 | None | None | \$81,000,000 |
| Total assuming full exercise of overallotment option(1) | \$93,136,900 | None | None | \$93,136,900 |

(see notes on inside front cover page)

The underwriters expect to deliver the Shares to purchasers on or about June 30, 2020.

UBS Investment Bank**Wells Fargo Securities****Oppenheimer & Co.****Keefe, Bruyette & Woods**
A Stifel Company**Wedbush Securities****RBC Capital Markets****B. Riley FBR****Bancroft Capital****Brookline Capital Markets****D.A. Davidson & Co.****Incapital****Janney Montgomery Scott****JonesTrading****Ladenburg Thalmann****Maxim Group LLC****National Securities Corporation****Newbridge Securities Corporation****Pershing LLC****Piper Sandler****Click IPO Securities**

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- (1) The Fund has granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 606,845 Shares at the public offering price within 45 days of the date of this prospectus solely to cover over-allotments, if any.
- (2) The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay, from its own assets, compensation of up to \$0.60 per Share to the Underwriters in connection with the offering, which aggregate amount will not exceed 2.9259% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering. Separately, the Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay, from its own assets, upfront structuring fees to UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., Wedbush Securities Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Brookline Capital Markets, a Division of Acadia Securities, LLC, Incapital LLC and Janney Montgomery Scott LLC in connection with the offering. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay a fee to Click IPO Securities, LLC in exchange for consulting services provided by a consultant to Click IPO Securities, LLC relating to the design, structuring and marketing strategies of the Fund in an amount equal to \$40,000. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has also agreed to pay Destra Capital Investments LLC for distribution assistance in connection with this offering in an amount up to \$186,274. See “Underwriting.”
- (3) The Adviser has agreed to pay all organizational expenses of the Fund and all offering costs associated with this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay any such organizational expenses or offering costs paid by the Adviser. See “Summary of fees and expenses.”

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Limited Term. The Fund will terminate on or before June 30, 2035 (the “Termination Date”); provided, that if the Board of Trustees (“Board”) believes that, under then-current market conditions, it is in the best interests of the Fund to do so, the Fund may extend the Termination Date: (i) once for up to one year (*i.e.*, up to June 30, 2036), and (ii) once for up to an additional six months (*i.e.*, up to December 31, 2036), in each case upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder (as defined below) approval. In addition, as of a date within twelve months preceding the Termination Date, the Board may cause the Fund to conduct a tender offer to all Shareholders to purchase Shares (as defined below) of the Fund at a price equal to the net asset value (“NAV”) per Share on the expiration date of the tender offer (an “Eligible Tender Offer”). The Board has established that, following an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund must have at least \$100 million of net assets to ensure the continued viability of the Fund (the “Termination Threshold”). In an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund will offer to purchase all Shares held by each Shareholder; provided, that if the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund’s net assets totaling less than the Termination Threshold, the Eligible Tender Offer will be terminated and no Common Shares will be repurchased pursuant to the Eligible Tender Offer. Instead, the Fund will begin (or continue) liquidating its portfolio and proceed to terminate on or before the Termination Date. The Adviser will pay all costs and expenses associated with the making of an Eligible Tender Offer, other than brokerage and related transaction costs associated with disposition of portfolio investments in connection with the Eligible Tender Offer, which will be borne by the Fund and its Shareholders. An Eligible Tender Offer would be made, and Shareholders would be notified thereof, in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”), the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) and the applicable tender offer rules thereunder (including Rule 13e-4 and Regulation 14E under the Exchange Act). If the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund’s net assets totaling greater than the Termination Threshold, all Shares properly tendered and not withdrawn will be purchased by the Fund pursuant to the terms of the Eligible Tender Offer. See “Risks—Limited Term Risk.”

Following the completion of an Eligible Tender Offer, the Board may eliminate the Termination Date upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. In making a decision to eliminate the Termination Date to provide for the Fund’s perpetual existence, the Board will take such actions with respect to the continued operations of the Fund as it deems to be in the best interests of the Fund, based on market conditions at such time, the extent of Shareholder participation in the Eligible Tender Offer and all other factors deemed relevant by the Board in consultation with the

investment adviser to the Fund, Angel Oak Capital Advisors, LLC (the “Adviser”), taking into account that the Adviser may have a potential conflict of interest in seeking to convert to a perpetual trust. The Fund is not a so called “target date” or “life cycle” fund whose asset allocation becomes more conservative over time as its target date, often associated with retirement, approaches. In addition, the Fund is not a “target term” fund whose investment objective is to return its original NAV on the termination date.

The Fund’s investment objective and policies are not designed to seek to return to investors that purchase Shares in this offering their initial investment of \$20.00 per Share on the Termination Date or in an Eligible Tender Offer, and such investors and investors that purchase Shares after the completion of this offering may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination or in an Eligible Tender Offer. See “Risks—Limited Term Risk.”

No Prior History. Because the Fund is recently organized, its common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.001 par value per share (the “Shares”), have no history of public trading. The shares of closed-end investment companies often trade at a discount from their NAV, which may increase investors’ risk of loss. The returns earned by holders of the Shares (“Shareholders”) who purchase their Shares in this offering and sell their Shares below NAV will be reduced. This risk may be greater for investors who intend to sell their Shares in a relatively short period after completion of the public offering.

Investment Adviser. The investment adviser to the Fund is Angel Oak Capital Advisors, LLC (the “Adviser” or “Angel Oak”), an investment adviser registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”). The Adviser oversees the management of the Fund’s activities and is responsible for making investment decisions for the Fund’s portfolio. Angel Oak manages approximately \$8.6 billion in assets specializing in structured and corporate credit as of March 31, 2020. Angel Oak was formed and has been investing in structured credit since 2009.

Leverage. The Fund may use leverage to the maximum extent allowable under the 1940 Act. Under the 1940 Act, the Fund generally may not (1) borrow money in an amount greater than 33 1/3% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (which equates to 50% of its net assets) or (2) issue preferred shares in an amount greater than 50% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets). If the Fund uses a combination of borrowing money and issuing preferred shares, the maximum allowable leverage will be between 33 1/3% and 50% (but in no event more than 50%) of the Fund’s Managed Assets based on the relative amounts borrowed or preferred shares issued. Initially, the Fund expects to use leverage through borrowings from certain financial institutions or reverse repurchase agreements. The Fund is permitted to obtain leverage using any form or combination of financial leverage instruments, including through funds borrowed from banks or other financial institutions (*i.e.*, a credit facility), margin facilities, the issuance of preferred shares or notes and the leverage attributable to reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls or similar transactions or derivatives that have the effect of leverage in an aggregate amount up to 50% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (including any assets attributable to borrowings for investment purposes) minus the sum of the Fund’s accrued liabilities (other than liabilities representing borrowings for investment purposes) (“Managed Assets”) immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund intends to enter into a credit facility within twelve months after the completion of this offering. Under current market conditions, the Fund initially expects to utilize leverage through borrowings in an aggregate amount of approximately 33% of the Fund’s Managed Assets. The Fund’s use of leverage is subject to risks and will cause the Fund’s NAV per Share to be more volatile than if leverage were not used. See “Leverage” and “Risks—Leverage Risk.”

Listing. The Fund’s Shares have been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DYFN, subject to notice of issuance.

Investors should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. No dealer, salesperson or other individual has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations that are not

contained in this prospectus. If any such information or statements are given or made, investors should not rely upon such information or representations. This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell any securities other than those to which this prospectus relates, or an offer to sell to, or a solicitation of an offer to buy from, any person in any jurisdiction where such an offer or solicitation would be unlawful. This prospectus speaks as of the date set forth below. Investors should not assume that the delivery of this prospectus or that any sale made pursuant to this prospectus implies that the information contained in this prospectus will remain fully accurate and correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this prospectus.

You should read this prospectus, which contains important information about the Fund, before deciding whether to invest in the Shares, and you should retain it for future reference. This prospectus sets forth concisely the information about the Fund that a prospective investor ought to know before investing. The Statement of Additional Information, dated June 25, 2020 as it may be supplemented, containing additional information about the Fund, has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this prospectus. You may request a free copy of the Statement of Additional Information, the table of contents of which is on page 101 of this prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports to Shareholders, when available, and other information about the Fund, and make Shareholder inquiries by calling (855) 751-4324; by writing to the Fund at c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services at P.O. Box 701, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701; or from the Fund's website (www.angeloakcapital.com). You also may obtain a copy of the Statement of Additional Information (and other information regarding the Fund) from the Securities and Exchange Commission's website (<http://www.sec.gov>).

The Fund's Shares are not deposits or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank or other insured depository institution, and Shares are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or any other government agency.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. Neither the Fund nor the Underwriters have authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. Neither the Fund nor the Underwriters are making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Until July 20, 2020 (25 days after the commencement of this offering), all dealers that buy, sell or trade the Fund's Shares, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This delivery requirement is in addition to the dealers' obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as underwriters and with respect to their unsold allotments or subscriptions.

Beginning on January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Fund's shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports from the Fund or from your financial intermediary, such as a broker-dealer or bank. Instead, the reports will be made available on a website, and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

If you already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. You may elect to receive shareholder reports and other communications from the Fund electronically by contacting your financial intermediary (such as broker-dealer or bank) or, if you are a direct investor, by calling (855) 751-4324.

You may elect to receive all future reports in paper free of charge. If you invest through a financial intermediary, you can contact your financial intermediary to request that you continue to receive paper copies of your shareholder reports.

If you invest directly with the Fund, you can call to let the Fund know you wish to continue receiving paper copies of your shareholder reports. Your election to receive reports in paper will apply to all funds held in your account if you invest through a financial intermediary or all funds held with the fund complex if you invest directly with the Fund.

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Prospectus summary

This is only a summary and does not contain all of the information that a prospective investor should consider before investing in the Fund. Before investing, a prospective investor in the Fund should carefully read the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information.

THE FUND

Angel Oak Dynamic Financial Strategies Income Term Trust (“Fund”) is a newly organized Delaware statutory trust that is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (“1940 Act”), as a diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Fund will have a limited term unless otherwise determined by the Fund’s Board of Trustees (“Board”). See “Limited Term” and “Risks—Limited Term Risk.”

The Fund intends to elect to be treated, and intends to comply with the requirements to qualify annually, as a regulated investment company (“RIC”) under Subchapter M under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

THE OFFERING

The Fund is offering 4,050,000 common shares of beneficial interest (“Shares” and the holders of such Shares, “Shareholders”) at \$20.00 per Share through a group of underwriters led by UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., Wedbush Securities Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC. You must purchase at least 50 Shares (\$1,000) in this offering. The Fund has given the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 606,845 additional Shares within 45 days of the date of this prospectus solely to cover over-allotments, if any. See “Underwriting.” The investment adviser to the Fund, Angel Oak Capital Advisors, LLC (the “Adviser” or “Angel Oak”), has agreed to pay underwriting compensation of up to \$0.60 per Share to the Underwriters in connection with the offering, which aggregate amount will not exceed 2.9259% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering. The Adviser also has agreed to pay all of the Fund’s organizational expenses and all offering costs associated with this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay any such organizational expenses or offering costs paid by the Adviser.

WHO MAY WANT TO INVEST

The Fund may be an appropriate investment for long-term investors seeking the potential for:

- current income and total return;
- a 15-year term;
- exposure to securities issued by financial institutions; and
- access to professional asset management by the Adviser.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks current income with a secondary objective of total return. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions, which may include, but are not limited to, banks, thrifts, finance companies, business development companies (“BDCs”) that invest primarily in loans, commercial mortgage and residential mortgage real estate investment trusts (“REITs”), brokerage and advisory firms, insurance companies and financial holding companies. In pursuing its investment objective, the Fund invests primarily in debt issued by financial institutions, including subordinated debt (“sub-debt”), unrated debt, senior debt and high yield securities. The Fund may also invest in common equity, preferred equity, convertible securities, warrants and trust-preferred securities (“TruPS”) of these institutions. The Fund’s investment policy to invest at least 80% of its assets in securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions is not fundamental and may be changed without Shareholder approval. The Fund will provide Shareholders with 60 days’ notice of any change in this 80% investment policy.

The Fund will target investing at least 80% of the Fund’s net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in debt issued by U.S. community banks and U.S. and non-U.S. non-bank financial institutions.

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in investments that are rated investment grade or, if unrated, judged to be of investment grade quality by the Fund’s investment adviser. The Fund will not invest more than 15% of its Managed Assets in credit instruments rated below Caa2 by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) or CCC by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services (“S&P”) or Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”). Below investment grade credit instruments are regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to capacity to pay interest and to repay principal.

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will concentrate its investments (*i.e.*, invest 25% or more of its total assets (measured at the time of purchase)) in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials. The Fund will not concentrate in any industry other than the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials.

The Fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers and in markets outside the United States. The Fund’s investments in structured credit instruments, which are commonly issued by special purpose vehicles formed in jurisdictions outside of the United States, are not subject to or limited by this policy.

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes indirectly in securities issued by financial institutions through Structured Products and credit derivatives. In particular, the Fund may invest in equity and junior debt tranches of asset-backed securities and debt securitizations, which are collateralized by a portfolio consisting primarily of unsecured, subordinated loans made to, and unsecured, subordinated debentures, notes or other securities issued by, financial institutions (“Structured Products”).

The Fund does not have a policy to target a particular average maturity or duration and may invest in bonds of any maturity or duration. Maturity refers to the length of time until a bond’s principal is repaid with interest. Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security’s price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security’s yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics.

The Fund may also incur leverage to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. See “Leverage.”

Although the Fund normally seeks to invest substantially all of its assets in securities issued by financial institutions, the Fund reserves the ability to invest up to 20% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in other types of securities and instruments (measured at the time of purchase). Additionally, the Fund may take temporary defensive positions that are inconsistent with its investment strategy in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. If the Fund does so, it may not achieve its investment objective. The Fund may also choose not to take defensive positions.

The Fund may invest without limitation in securities (*e.g.*, non-investment grade sub-debt and junior debt tranches of Structured Products) that are illiquid and expects that a substantial portion of its assets will be illiquid. The Fund may also invest in restricted securities.

The Fund will not invest more than 5% of its Managed Assets in securities of any one single issuer. In addition, the Fund will not invest more than 10% of its Managed Assets in preferred shares of commercial mortgage and residential mortgage REITs and will not invest more than 10% of its Managed Assets in securities issued by BDCs.

MARKET AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Adviser sees potential investment opportunities across a range of financial institutions that the Adviser believes currently exhibit strong capital positions and credit quality. Within the broad universe of financial institutions, the Adviser sees the most attractive opportunities in community banks and small-cap insurance companies, and to a lesser degree, mortgage REITs and BDCs. The Adviser believes these sub-segments of financial institutions, in particular, generally exhibit more niche market characteristics and typically have little analyst coverage or institutional following. As such, there may be an opportunity for investors to achieve relative excess yields. See “Market Opportunity.”

The Adviser believes it can find attractive investment opportunities in smaller-sized financial institutions and smaller sub-segments that have less analyst coverage or institutional following, as compared to the broader market.

The Adviser believes its strong reputation and the deep relationships it and individual members of its investment team have with issuers, underwriters, financial intermediaries and sponsors will support the Adviser’s execution of the Fund’s investment strategy. These segments of the financial sector are typically more difficult for retail investors to access. See “Investment Opportunity.”

THE INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Adviser’s investment process consists of three key elements: idea generation, research and portfolio construction.

Most of the “idea generation” and sourcing of potential alpha opportunities (“alpha” refers to excess returns relative to a benchmark) is driven by internal research and analysis. In addition, portfolio managers and analysts regularly monitor market conditions, trade flows and trade execution. Active market participation provides a strong understanding of current market trends, which leads to formation of immediate views on the relative value of investment opportunities within the structured fixed income markets, thus generating new investment ideas in real time.

In the research component of its investment process, the Adviser uses a combination of proprietary fundamental and quantitative research to analyze investment opportunities. In selecting investments, the Adviser may consider maturity, yield and ratings information and opportunities for price appreciation among other criteria. The Adviser also considers certain environmental, social and governance (“ESG”)

factors that it believes could have a material negative or positive impact on the risk profiles of the issuers of certain securities in which the Fund may invest. These determinations may not be conclusive, and securities that may be negatively impacted by such factors may be purchased and retained by the Fund while the Fund may divest or not invest in securities that may be positively impacted by such factors. The Adviser's quantitative analysis involves a data-oriented analysis of financial information, market trends and other factors.

The Adviser will construct the portfolio investments in two ways. First, the Adviser will participate in the primary market via a syndicated transaction brought to market by a broker/dealer specializing in the financial institutions sector. These deals have the potential to trade for higher prices in the secondary market and may allow the Fund to generate secondary trading profits. Second, the Adviser will source transactions in the secondary market. Although this may be infrequent, the Adviser believes it is well suited to take advantage of opportunities in the secondary market.

The Adviser may sell investments if it determines that an investment is no longer earning a return commensurate with its risk or that a different security will better help the Fund achieve its investment objective.

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

The Fund's portfolio will consist primarily of:

Community banks

The Fund generally considers a "community bank" to mean banks, savings associations and their holding companies with less than \$10 billion in consolidated assets that serve local markets. As of December 31, 2019, the community banking sector is a highly fragmented \$3 trillion sector, comprised of over 5,000 banks located throughout the United States, including underserved rural, semi-rural, suburban and other niche markets. Community banks typically do not have exposure to non-U.S. credit and are focused on lending to borrowers in their distinct communities. As a result, the Adviser believes that community banks frequently have a better understanding of the local businesses they finance than larger banking organizations.

Subordinated debt, senior debt and preferred securities of banks and diversified financial companies

Subordinated debt securities, sometimes also called "junior debt" or "sub-debt," are debt securities for which the issuer's obligations to make principal and interest payment are secondary to the issuer's payment obligations to more senior debt securities. Many subordinated debt securities may be unrated and some may be considered high-yield securities or "junk bonds." See "—High Yield Securities." Preferred securities may pay fixed or adjustable rates of return and are subject to many of the risks associated with debt securities, as well as issuer-specific and market risks applicable generally to equity securities. A company's preferred securities generally pay dividends only after the company makes required payments to holders of its bonds and other debt.

Subordinated debt securities and Structured Products collateralized by such securities typically have floating or variable interest rates based on the London Inter-bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), or may have a fixed coupon for a period of years and then convert to a floating rate, and are subject to the risks associated with securities tied to LIBOR, including the risks associated with the future replacement of LIBOR with an alternative reference rate. See "Risks—LIBOR Risk."

High yield securities

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets plus of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in below investment grade securities, including certain securities issued by financial institutions. These “high-yield” securities (also known as “junk bonds”) will generally be rated BB or lower by S&P or of equivalent quality rating from another Nationally Recognized Statistical Ratings Organization, or if unrated, considered by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. There is no minimum credit quality for securities in which the Fund may invest, provided that not more than 15% of the Fund’s net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes may be invested in debt securities rated CCC+ or below by S&P or Fitch Ratings or Caa1 or below by Moody’s Investors Service.

Real Estate Investment Trusts (“REITs”)

REITs are financial vehicles that pool investors’ capital to invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. The Fund’s REIT investments can generally be classified as “Mortgage REITs,” “Equity REITs” and “Hybrid REITs.” Mortgage REITs invest the majority of their assets in real estate mortgages and derive their income primarily from interest payments. Equity REITs invest the majority of their assets directly in real property and derive their income primarily from rents, royalties and lease payments. Hybrid REITs combine the characteristics of both Mortgage REITs and Equity REITs. The Fund may invest in REIT shares, including preferred shares, that trade in the secondary market on a U.S. securities exchange or invest in an initial public offering of REIT shares. The Fund also may invest in debt securities of REITs. Debt securities issued by a REIT are, for the most part, general and unsecured obligations and are subject generally to risks associated with the REIT. Distributions received by the Fund from REITs may consist of dividends, capital gains and/or return of capital. REITs are not taxed on income distributed to their shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The securities of REITs, which are required to distribute substantially all of their income to investors in order to not be subject to entity level taxation, often offer a yield advantage over securities of other issuers, such as corporations, that are taxed on income at the entity level and are able to retain all or a portion of their income rather than distributing it to investors. Many of these distributions, however, will not generally qualify for favorable treatment as qualified dividend income. As an investor in common equity securities of a REIT, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other operating expenses charged by the REITs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Fund. The Fund considers Mortgage REITs to be financial institutions for purposes of the Fund’s policy of investing at least 80% of its assets in financial institutions.

Business Development Companies (“BDCs”)

BDCs are a type of closed-end fund regulated under the 1940 Act. BDCs typically invest in and lend to small- and medium-sized private and certain public companies that may not have access to public equity markets for capital raising. The interest earned by a BDC flows through to investors in the form of a dividend, normally without being taxed at the BDC entity level. BDCs may invest in a diverse array of industries. BDCs are unique in that generally, at least 70% of their investments must be made in private and certain public U.S. businesses, and BDCs are required to make available significant managerial assistance to their portfolio companies. Unlike corporations, BDCs are not taxed on income distributed to their shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Code. Similar to REITs, the securities of BDCs, which are required to distribute substantially all of their income on an annual basis to investors in order to not be subject to entity level taxation, often offer a yield advantage over securities of other issuers, such as corporations, that are taxed on income at the entity level and are able to retain all or a portion of their income rather than distributing it to investors. The Fund may invest in common equity, preferred equity and debt securities of BDCs, and is not limited with respect to

the specific types of BDCs in which it may invest. As an investor in common equity securities of a BDC, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other expenses, and of any performance based or incentive fees, charged by the BDCs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Fund. The Fund considers BDCs that invest primarily in loans to be financial institutions for purposes of the Fund's policy of investing at least 80% of its assets in financial institutions.

Structured Products

The Fund may invest in Structured Products, including asset-backed securities and debt securitizations (which may be referred to as collateralized debt securities or CDOs), which are collateralized by a portfolio consisting primarily of unsecured, subordinated loans made to, and unsecured, subordinated debentures, notes or other securities issued by, financial institutions. Some Structured Products have credit ratings, but are typically issued in various classes with various priorities. Normally, Structured Products are privately offered and sold (that is, they are not registered under the securities laws) and may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities; however, an active dealer market may exist for Structured Products that qualify for Rule 144A transactions. The senior and junior tranches of Structured Products collateralized by debt securitizations typically have floating or variable interest rates based on LIBOR and are subject to the risks associated with securities tied to LIBOR, including the risks associated with the future replacement of LIBOR with an alternative reference rate. See "Risks—LIBOR Risk."

Subordinated/equity tranches of Structured Products

The Fund may also invest in the equity tranches of a Structured Product, which typically represent the first loss position in the Structured Product, are unrated and are subject to higher risks. Equity tranches of Structured Products typically do not have a fixed coupon and payments on equity tranches will be based on the income received from the underlying collateral and the payments made to the senior tranches, both of which may be based on floating rates based on LIBOR.

Derivatives

Derivatives, which are instruments that have a value based on another instrument, exchange rate or index, may be used as substitutes for securities in which the Fund can invest. The Fund uses derivatives to gain or adjust exposure to markets, sectors, securities and currencies and to manage exposure to risks relating to creditworthiness, interest rate spreads, volatility and changes in yield curves. In certain market environments, the Fund may use interest rate swaps and futures contracts to help protect its portfolio from interest rate risk. The Fund may also invest in swaps, including total return swaps and credit default swaps, options and warrants.

Convertible securities

The Fund may invest in convertible securities which are preferred stocks or bonds that pay a fixed dividend or interest payment and are convertible into common stock or other equity interests at a specified price or conversion ratio during a specified period.

Common and preferred stock

The Fund may invest in common stock. Common stock represents an equity (ownership) interest in a company, and usually possesses voting rights and earns dividends. Dividends on common stock are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of the issuer. The Fund may invest in preferred stock. Preferred stock is a class of stock having a preference over common stock as to the payment of dividends and the

recovery of investment should a company be liquidated, although preferred stock is usually junior to the debt securities of the issuer. Preferred stock typically does not possess voting rights and its market value may change based on changes in interest rates.

Trust preferred securities

The Fund may invest in TruPS, which are securities that are typically issued by banks and other financial institutions that combine the features of debt securities and preferred securities as well as certain features of equity securities. TruPS are typically issued by banks and other financial institutions, generally in the form of interest bearing notes with preferred securities characteristics, or by an affiliated business trust of a parent corporation, generally in the form of beneficial interests in subordinated debentures or similarly structured securities. Many TruPS are issued by trusts or other special purpose entities established by banks and other financial institutions and are not a direct obligation of banks and other financial institutions. The TruPS market consists of both fixed and adjustable coupon rate securities that are either perpetual in nature or have stated maturity dates. TruPS are typically issued with a final maturity date, although some (usually those of foreign issuers) are perpetual in nature. TruPS are typically junior and fully subordinated liabilities of an issuer and benefit from a guarantee that is junior and fully subordinated to the other liabilities of the guarantor. In addition, TruPS typically permit an issuer to defer the payment of income for five years or more without triggering an event of default. Because of their subordinated position in the capital structure of an issuer, the ability to defer payments for extended periods of time without default consequences to the issuer, and certain other features (such as restrictions on common dividend payments by the issuer or ultimate guarantor when full cumulative payments on the TruPS have not been made), TruPS are often deemed to be a close substitute for traditional preferred securities. TruPS also possess many of the typical characteristics of equity securities due to their subordinated position in an issuer's capital structure and because their quality and value are heavily dependent on the issuer's profitability as opposed to any legal claims to specific assets or cash flows.

International securities

The Fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in the securities of non-U.S. issuers, including direct investments in companies whose securities are principally traded outside the United States on foreign exchanges or foreign over-the-counter markets. The Fund intends to invest in securities of companies in developed markets.

CLOSED-END, LIMITED TERM FUND STRUCTURE AND ELIGIBLE TENDER OFFER

The Fund has been organized as a diversified closed-end management investment company. Closed-end funds differ from open-end funds (commonly known as mutual funds) in that closed-end fund Shareholders do not have the right to redeem their Shares on a daily basis.

The Fund will terminate on or before June 30, 2035 (the "Termination Date"); provided, that if the Board believes that, under then-current market conditions, it is in the best interests of the Fund to do so, the Fund may extend the Termination Date: (i) once for up to one year (*i.e.*, up to June 30, 2036), and (ii) once for up to an additional six months (*i.e.*, up to December 31, 2036), in each case upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. In determining whether to extend the Termination Date, the Board may consider the inability to sell the Fund's assets in a time frame consistent with termination due to lack of market liquidity or other extenuating circumstances. Additionally, the Board may determine that market conditions are such that it is reasonable to believe that, with an extension, the Fund's remaining assets will appreciate and generate income in an amount that, in the aggregate, is meaningful relative to the cost and expense of continuing the operation of the Fund.

Beginning one year before the Termination Date (the “wind-down period”), the Fund may begin liquidating all or a portion of the Fund’s portfolio, and may deviate from its investment policies and may not achieve its investment objective. See “Risks—Limited Term Risk.” In addition, within twelve months preceding the Termination Date, the Board may (but is not required to) cause the Fund to conduct an Eligible Tender Offer. An Eligible Tender Offer would consist of a tender offer to all Shareholders to purchase Shares of the Fund at a price equal to the net asset value (“NAV”) per Share on the expiration date of the tender offer. The Board has established that, following an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund must have at least \$100 million of net assets to ensure the continued viability of the Fund (the “Termination Threshold”).

In an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund will offer to purchase all Shares held by each Shareholder; provided, that if the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund’s net assets totaling less than the Termination Threshold, the Eligible Tender Offer will be terminated and no Shares will be repurchased pursuant to the Eligible Tender Offer. Instead, the Fund will begin (or continue) liquidating its portfolio and proceed to terminate on or before the Termination Date. The Adviser will pay all costs and expenses associated with the making of an Eligible Tender Offer, other than brokerage and related transaction costs associated with disposition of portfolio investments in connection with the Eligible Tender Offer, which will be borne by the Fund and its Shareholders. An Eligible Tender Offer would be made, and Shareholders would be notified thereof, in accordance with the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) and the applicable tender offer rules thereunder (including Rule 13e-4 and Regulation 14E under the Exchange Act).

If the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund’s net assets totaling greater than the Termination Threshold, all Shares properly tendered and not withdrawn will be purchased by the Fund pursuant to the terms of the Eligible Tender Offer. See “Risks—Limited Term Risk.” Following such completion of the Eligible Tender Offer, the Board may eliminate the Termination Date and convert the Fund to a perpetual trust upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval unless such approval is required by the 1940 Act. In making such decision, the Board will take such actions with respect to the continued operations of the Fund as it deems to be in the best interests of the Fund, based on market conditions at such time, the extent of Shareholder participation in the Eligible Tender Offer and all other factors deemed relevant by the Board in consultation with the Adviser.

The Fund is not a so called “target date” or “life cycle” fund whose asset allocation becomes more conservative over time as its target date, often associated with retirement, approaches. In addition, the Fund is not a “target term” fund whose investment objective is to return its original NAV on the termination date. The Fund’s investment objective and policies are not designed to seek to return to investors that purchase Shares in this offering their initial investment of \$20.00 per Share on the Termination Date or in an Eligible Tender Offer, and such investors and investors that purchase Shares after the completion of this offering may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination or in an Eligible Tender Offer. See “Certain Provisions in the Declaration of Trust and By-Laws” and “Risks—Limited Term Risk.”

LEVERAGE

The Fund may seek to enhance the level of its current distributions to its Shareholders through the use of leverage. Under the 1940 Act, the Fund generally may not (1) borrow money in an amount greater than 33 1/3% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (which equates to 50% of its net assets) or (2) issue preferred shares in an amount greater than 50% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets). If the Fund uses a combination of borrowing money and issuing preferred shares, the maximum allowable leverage will be between 33 1/3% and 50% (but in no event more than 50%) of the Fund’s

Managed Assets based on the relative amounts borrowed or preferred shares issued. Under the 1940 Act, the Fund may not incur indebtedness if, immediately after incurring such indebtedness, the Fund would have asset coverage (as defined in the 1940 Act) of less than 300% (*i.e.*, for every dollar of indebtedness outstanding, the Fund is required to have at least three dollars of total assets, including the proceeds of leverage). Under the 1940 Act, the Fund may not issue preferred shares if, immediately after issuance, the Fund would have asset coverage (as defined in the 1940 Act) of less than 200% (*i.e.*, for every dollar of preferred shares outstanding, the Fund is required to have at least two dollars of total assets, including the proceeds of leverage).

Initially, the Fund expects to use leverage through borrowings from certain financial institutions or the use of reverse repurchase agreements. The Fund is permitted to obtain leverage using any form or combination of financial leverage instruments, including through funds borrowed from banks or other financial institutions (*i.e.*, a credit facility), margin facilities, the issuance of preferred shares or notes and the leverage attributable to reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls or similar transactions or derivatives that have the effect of leverage in an aggregate amount up to 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund intends to enter into a credit facility within twelve months after the completion of this offering. Under current market conditions, the Fund initially expects to utilize leverage through borrowings in an aggregate amount of approximately 33% of the Fund's Managed Assets. The Fund does not intend to issue preferred shares during its first twelve months of operations.

Managed Assets includes total assets (including any assets attributable to borrowings for investment purposes) minus the sum of the Fund's accrued liabilities (other than liabilities representing borrowings for investment purposes) ("Managed Assets"). In addition, the Fund may borrow for temporary, emergency or other purposes as permitted under the 1940 Act. Any such indebtedness would be in addition to the combined effective leverage ratio of 50% of Managed Assets (at the time of borrowing). The Fund's leverage strategy may not be successful. By leveraging its investment portfolio, the Fund creates an opportunity for increased net income or capital appreciation. However, the use of leverage also involves risks, which can be significant. see "Risks—Leverage Risk". The Adviser intends to leverage the Fund only when it believes that the potential return on the additional investments acquired through the use of leverage is likely to exceed the costs incurred in connection with the use of leverage and is in the best interests of the Fund.

THE ADVISER

Angel Oak, an investment adviser registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"), oversees the management of the Fund's activities and is responsible for making investment decisions for the Fund's portfolio. Angel Oak manages approximately \$8.6 billion in assets specializing in structured and corporate credit as of March 31, 2020. Angel Oak was formed and has been investing in structured credit since 2009. Angel Oak is located at 3344 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1725, Atlanta, Georgia 30326. The Adviser is controlled by the Managing Partners, Michael A. Fierman and Sreeniwas V. Prabhu.

MANAGEMENT FEE

The Fund will pay the Adviser a monthly fee computed at the annual rate of 1.35% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets. If the Fund utilizes leverage, the fees paid to the Adviser for investment advisory and management services will be higher than if the Fund did not utilize leverage because the fees paid will be calculated based on the Fund's Managed Assets, which includes the principal amount of outstanding borrowings from banks or other financial institutions (*i.e.*, a credit facility), margin facilities,

the issuance of preferred shares or notes and the leverage attributable to reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls or similar transactions. See “Leverage.”

EXPENSE LIMITATION AGREEMENT

The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse certain expenses (exclusive of any management fees, taxes, interest on borrowings, dividends on securities sold short, brokerage commissions, acquired fund fees and expenses, expenses incurred in connection with any merger or reorganization and extraordinary expenses) to limit the Fund’s Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses to 0.25% of the Fund’s Managed Assets (the “Expense Limit”). The Expense Limit will remain in effect indefinitely unless terminated by the Board, on behalf of the Fund, upon 60 days’ written notice to the Adviser. The Expense Limit may not be terminated by the Adviser without the consent of the Board of Trustees. The Adviser may recoup from the Fund any waived amount or reimbursed expenses pursuant to the Expense Limit if such recoupment does not cause the Fund to exceed the current Expense Limit or the Expense Limit in place at the time of the waiver or reimbursement (whichever is lower) and the recoupment is made within three years after the end of the month in which the Adviser incurred the expense.

ADMINISTRATOR, FUND ACCOUNTANT, CUSTODIAN AND TRANSFER AGENT AND DIVIDEND DISBURSING AGENT

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (“Fund Services”) acts as administrator and fund accountant to the Fund and U.S. Bank National Association (“U.S. Bank”) acts as the custodian to the Fund.

Pursuant to the Fund’s agreements with Fund Services and U.S. Bank, they will receive a portion of fees from the Fund for services performed as administrator, fund accountant and custodian, as applicable. Fund Services expects to receive a fee based on the average daily net assets of the Fund, subject to an annual minimum amount.

Fund Services acts as transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent to the Fund.

DISTRIBUTIONS

The Fund intends to make regular monthly cash distributions of all or a portion of its investment company taxable income (which includes ordinary income and short-term capital gains) to Shareholders. The Fund also intends to make annual distributions of its realized “net capital gains” (which is the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital losses). The Fund expects its initial distribution will be declared approximately 30 to 45 days, and paid approximately 45 to 60 days, after the completion of this offering. At times, the Fund may pay out less than all of its investment income or pay out accumulated undistributed income in addition to current net investment income. Distributions by the Fund may include a return of capital, if the Board determines that such distributions are in the best interests of Shareholders. Dividend and capital gains distributions generally are used to purchase additional Shares of the Fund. However, an investor can choose to receive distributions in cash. Dividend and capital gains distributions generally are taxable to Shareholders whether they are reinvested in Shares of the Fund or received in cash.

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN

The Fund has established an automatic dividend reinvestment plan (the “Plan”). Under the Plan, distributions of dividends and capital gains are automatically reinvested in Shares of the Fund by Fund

Services (“Plan Agent”). Unless a Shareholder indicates another option on the account application or otherwise opts-out, Shareholders holding at least one full Share of the Fund will be automatically enrolled in the Plan. Shareholders who receive distributions in the form of additional Shares will nonetheless be required to pay applicable federal, state or local taxes on the reinvested dividends but will not receive a corresponding cash distribution with which to pay any applicable tax. Shareholders who do not participate in the Plan will receive all distributions in cash. Reinvested dividends increase the Fund’s Managed Assets on which an advisory fee is payable to the Adviser. Shareholders who intend to hold their Shares through a broker or nominee should contact such broker or nominee regarding the Plan. It is expected that Shareholders will receive cash in any liquidating distribution from the Fund, regardless of their participation in the Plan. See “Dividend Reinvestment Plan” for more information and on how to withdraw from the Plan.

BOARD

The Board has overall responsibility for monitoring and overseeing the Fund’s management and operations. A majority of the Trustees are Independent Trustees. See “Management of the Fund.”

SUMMARY OF TAXATION

The Fund intends to elect to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and intends to qualify annually, as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, the Fund generally will not be subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any net ordinary income or capital gains that are currently distributed as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes to Shareholders, as applicable. To qualify and maintain its qualification as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Fund is required to meet certain specified source-of-income and asset diversification requirements, and is required to distribute dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes of an amount at least equal to 90% of the sum of its net ordinary income and the excess, if any, of its realized net short-term capital gains over its realized net long-term capital losses each tax year to Shareholders, as applicable. See “Distribution Policy” and “Tax Aspects.”

INVESTOR SUPPORT SERVICES

The Fund has retained Destra Capital Investments LLC (“Destra”) to provide investor support services in connection with the ongoing operation of the Fund. Such services include providing ongoing contact with respect to the Fund and its performance with financial advisors that are representatives of financial intermediaries, communicating with the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) specialist for the Shares, and with the closed-end fund analyst community regarding the Fund on a regular basis, and hosting and maintaining a website for the Fund. The Fund will pay Destra a services fee in an annual amount equal to 0.12% of the average aggregate daily value of the Fund’s Managed Assets during the Fund’s first year of operations and 0.10% of the average daily value of the Fund’s Managed Assets from the end of the Fund’s first year of operations through the Termination Date (as may be extended in accordance with the terms described herein). The compensation received by Destra pursuant to the investor support services agreement is for ongoing investor support services following the completion of this offering and is separate from the compensation Destra will receive for providing distribution assistance in connection with this offering.

RECENT MARKET DISRUPTIONS

In December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus (also known as “COVID-19”) surfaced in China and has since been detected in numerous countries, including the United States. COVID-19 spread quickly

and has been identified as a global pandemic by the World Health Organization. In response, governmental authorities have imposed restrictions on travel and the temporary closure of many corporate offices, retail stores, restaurants, fitness clubs and manufacturing facilities and factories in affected jurisdictions, including, beginning in March 2020, in the United States. The ongoing spread of COVID-19 has had, and will continue to have, a material adverse impact on the global economy, including the U.S. economy, as cross border commercial activity and market sentiment have been negatively impacted by the outbreak and government and other measures seeking to contain its spread. Local, state and federal and numerous non-U.S. governmental authorities have imposed travel restrictions, business closures and other quarantine measures on service providers and other individuals that remain in effect on the date of this prospectus. These have resulted in the effective cessation of all business activity deemed non-essential by such governmental authorities. Periods of market disruption and instability, like the one due to the COVID-19 outbreak, could severely adversely impact the companies in which the Fund invests and significantly reduce the Fund's returns.

LISTING

The Fund's Shares have been approved for listing on the NYSE, subject to notice of issuance. See "Description of Capital Structure." The trading or "ticker" symbol of the Shares is "DYFN." Shares of the Fund may trade at a discount the Fund's NAV. See "Risks—Market Discount Risk."

SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL RISKS

The principal risks of investing in the Fund are summarized below. There may be circumstances that could prevent the Fund from achieving its investment objective and you may lose money by investing in the Fund. You should carefully consider the Fund's investment risks before deciding whether to invest in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not a deposit at a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

For a more complete discussion of the risks of investing in the Fund, see "Risks." Shareholders should consider carefully the following principal risks before investing in the Fund.

General market risk

The capital markets may experience periods of disruption, instability and volatility due to, among other things, social, political, economic and other conditions and events such as natural disasters, epidemics and pandemics. Such conditions may materially and adversely affect the markets globally and the issuers, industries, governments and jurisdictions in which the Fund invests, which may have a negative impact on the Fund's performance. Most recently, the COVID-19 outbreak is having, and any future outbreaks could have, an adverse impact on the markets and the economy in general, which could have a material adverse impact on financial institutions and consequently harm the Fund's performance.

Management risk

The Fund's financial condition and results of operations could be negatively affected if a significant investment fails to perform as expected.

Market discount risk

Shares of closed-end management investment companies frequently trade at a discount from their NAV, which is a risk separate and distinct from the risk that the Fund's NAV could decrease as a result of its

investment activities. Although the value of the Fund's net assets is generally considered by market participants in determining whether to purchase or sell Shares, whether investors will realize gains or losses upon the sale of Shares will depend entirely upon whether the market price of Shares at the time of sale is above or below the investor's purchase price for Shares. Because the market price of Shares will be determined by factors such as NAV, dividend and distribution levels (which are dependent, in part, on expenses), supply of and demand for Shares, stability of dividends or distributions, trading volume of Shares, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the Fund, the Fund cannot predict whether Shares will trade at, below or above NAV or at, below or above the initial public offering price. Shares of the Fund are designed primarily for long-term investors; investors in Shares should not view the Fund as a vehicle for trading purposes.

Limited term risk

Unless the Fund completes an Eligible Tender Offer and converts to perpetual existence, the Fund will terminate on or about the Termination Date. The Fund is not a so called "target date" or "life cycle" fund whose asset allocation becomes more conservative over time as its target date, often associated with retirement, approaches. In addition, the Fund is not a "target term" fund whose investment objective is to return its original NAV on the termination date. **The Fund's investment objective and policies are not designed to seek to return to investors that purchase Shares in this offering their initial investment of \$20.00 per Share on the Termination Date or in an Eligible Tender Offer, and such investors and investors that purchase Shares after the completion of this offering may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination or in an Eligible Tender Offer.**

Because the assets of the Fund will be liquidated in connection with the termination, the Fund will incur transaction costs in connection with dispositions of portfolio securities. The Fund does not limit its investments to securities having a maturity date prior to the Termination Date and may be required to sell portfolio securities when it otherwise would not, including at times when market conditions are not favorable, which may cause the Fund to lose money. In particular, the Fund's portfolio may still have large exposures to illiquid securities as the Termination Date approaches, and losses due to portfolio liquidation may be significant. During the wind-down period, beginning one year before the Termination Date, the Fund may begin liquidating all or a portion of the Fund's portfolio, and may deviate from its investment policies and may not achieve its investment objective. During the wind-down period, the Fund's portfolio composition may change as more of its portfolio holdings are called or sold and portfolio holdings are disposed of in anticipation of liquidation. The disposition of portfolio investments by the Fund could cause market prices of such instruments, and hence the NAV and market price of the Shares, to decline. In addition, disposition of portfolio investments will cause the Fund to incur increased brokerage and related transaction expenses. The Fund may receive proceeds from the disposition of portfolio investments that are less than the valuations of such investments by the Fund. Rather than reinvesting the proceeds of matured, called or sold securities, the Fund may invest such proceeds in short-term or other lower yielding securities or hold the proceeds in cash, which may adversely affect its performance and the market price of the Shares. The Fund may distribute the proceeds in one or more liquidating distributions prior to the final liquidation, which may cause fixed expenses to increase when expressed as a percentage of assets under management. Upon a termination, it is anticipated that the Fund will have distributed substantially all of its net assets to Shareholders, although securities for which no market exists or securities trading at depressed prices, if any, may be placed in a liquidating trust. Shareholders will bear the costs associated with establishing and maintaining a liquidating trust, if necessary. Securities placed in a liquidating trust may be held for an indefinite period of time until they can be sold or pay out all of their cash flows. The Fund cannot predict the amount, if any, of securities that will be required to be placed in a liquidating trust.

If the Fund conducts an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund may be required to dispose of portfolio investments in connection with any reduction in the Fund's outstanding leverage necessary in order to maintain the Fund's desired leverage ratios following a tender offer. The risks related to the disposition of securities in connection with the Fund's termination also would be present in connection with the disposition of securities in connection with an Eligible Tender Offer. In addition, the Fund's purchase of tendered Shares pursuant to a tender offer will have tax consequences for tendering Shareholders and may have tax consequences for non-tendering Shareholders. All Shareholders remaining after a tender offer will be subject to proportionately higher expenses due to the reduction in the Fund's total assets. The reduction in the Fund's total assets may also result in less investment flexibility, reduced diversification and greater volatility for the Fund, and may have an adverse effect on the Fund's investment performance. See "Risks—Limited Term Risk."

The Adviser may have a conflict of interest in recommending to the Board that the Termination Date be eliminated and the Fund have a perpetual existence. The Fund is not required to conduct additional tender offers following an Eligible Tender Offer and conversion to perpetual existence. Therefore, remaining Shareholders may not have another opportunity to participate in a tender offer. Shares of closed-end management investment companies frequently trade at a discount from their NAV, and as a result remaining Shareholders may only be able to sell their Shares at a discount to NAV. See "Risks—Market Discount Risk."

Banks and diversified financials concentration risk

The Fund's assets will be concentrated in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials, potentially exposing it to greater risks than companies that invest in multiple sectors. The ability of management of financial institutions to identify, measure, monitor and control the risks of an institution's activities and to ensure a financial institution's safe, sound and efficient operation in compliance with applicable laws and regulations are critical. Additionally, financial institutions are subject to substantial regulations that could adversely affect their ability to operate and the value of the Fund investments, including from future banking regulations. Ownership of the stock of certain types of regulated financial institutions may subject the Fund to additional regulations. Investments in banking institutions and transactions related to the Fund investments may require approval from one or more regulatory authorities. If the Fund were deemed to be a bank holding company or thrift holding company, bank holding companies or thrift holding companies that invest in the Fund would be subject to certain restrictions and regulations. To the extent the Fund invests in brokers, dealers or registered investment advisers, it will do so in compliance with Rule 12d3-1 under the 1940 Act and applicable SEC interpretive positions and guidance thereunder. In addition, the Fund's investments in banks and diversified financials are particularly susceptible to the risks caused by the spread of COVID-19, including increases in market volatility and loan defaults and decreases in liquidity.

BDC risk

Investments in closed-end funds that elect to be treated as BDCs may be subject to a high degree of risk and speculative investing. BDCs typically invest in and lend to small and medium-sized private and certain public companies that may not have access to public equity markets or capital raising. As a result, a BDC's portfolio typically will include a substantial amount of securities purchased in private placements, and its portfolio may carry risks similar to those of a private equity or private debt fund. Securities that are not publicly registered may be difficult to value and may be difficult to sell at a price representative of their intrinsic value. Small and medium-sized companies also may have fewer lines of business so that changes in any one line of business may have a greater impact on the value of their stock than is the case with a larger company. Some BDCs invest substantially, or even exclusively, in one sector or industry group and therefore carry risk of that particular sector or industry group. To the extent a

BDC focuses its investments in a specific sector, the BDC will be susceptible to adverse conditions and economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the specific sector or industry group, which tends to increase volatility and result in higher risk.

Investments in BDCs are also subject to the risk that the management team will be unable to meet the BDC's investment objective or manage the BDC's portfolio when the underlying securities are redeemed or sold, particularly during periods of market turmoil and as investors' perceptions regarding a BDC or its underlying investments change. Common shares of BDCs are not redeemable at the option of the BDC shareholder and, as with shares of other closed-end funds, they may trade in the secondary market at a discount to their NAV.

BDCs may utilize leverage in their portfolios through borrowings or the issuance of preferred stock. While leverage often serves to increase the yield of a BDC, this leverage also subjects the BDC to increased risks, including the likelihood of increased volatility and the possibility that the BDC's common share income may fall if the interest rate on any borrowings rises.

Instability in the financial markets or deterioration in credit and financing conditions could have material and adverse consequences on the availability of debt and equity capital relied on by certain BDCs, and the companies in which they invest, to grow or could otherwise increase the costs of such capital and/or result in less favorable terms and conditions, thereby decreasing the investment income or otherwise damaging the business of such BDCs. Recently, the spread of COVID-19 has caused disruptions to the businesses that BDCs invest in and created uncertainty as to their credit quality.

Closed-end fund risk

The Fund is a diversified, closed-end management investment company and designed primarily for long-term investors. Closed-end funds differ from open-end management investment companies (commonly known as mutual funds) because investors in a closed-end fund do not have the right to redeem their shares on a daily basis. Shares of the Fund may trade at a discount to the Fund's NAV. See "Risks—Market Discount Risk."

REIT risk

Investing in REITs involves certain unique risks in addition to those risks associated with investing in the real estate industry in general. An Equity REIT may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REIT. A Mortgage REIT may be affected by the ability of the issuers of its portfolio mortgages to repay their obligations. REITs are dependent upon the skills of their managers and are not necessarily diversified. REITs are generally dependent upon maintaining cash flows to repay borrowings and to make distributions to shareholders and are subject to the risk of default by lessees or borrowers. The recent spread of COVID-19 has resulted in massive unemployment and increased the risks of default by lessees or borrowers that would negatively impact REITs. REITs also are subject to the possibilities of failing to qualify for tax free pass-through of income under the Code, and failing to maintain their exemption from registration under the 1940 Act. REITs whose underlying assets are concentrated in properties used by a particular industry, such as health care, are also subject to risks associated with such industry. By investing in REITs, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of the expenses of the REITs. The expenses at the REIT level are not included in the Fund's expense table as acquired fund fees and expenses. REITs (especially Mortgage REITs) are also subject to interest rate risks. When interest rates decline, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations may be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to decline. If the REIT invests in adjustable rate mortgage loans, the interest rates on which are reset periodically and yields on a REIT's investments in such loans will gradually align

themselves to reflect changes in market interest rates. This causes the value of such investments to potentially fluctuate less dramatically in response to interest rate fluctuations than would investments in fixed rate obligations.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that securities owned by the Fund will decline in value or the issuer of a security owned by the Fund will not be able to make interest or principal payments on the security when due because the issuer of the security experiences a decline in its financial circumstances. Certain investments may be exposed to the credit risk of the counterparties with whom the Fund deals.

Equity risk

Equity securities are susceptible to general stock market fluctuations and to volatile increases and decreases in value. The equity market may experience declines and companies whose equity securities are in the Fund's portfolio may not increase their earnings at the rate anticipated. The Fund's NAV and investment return will fluctuate based upon changes in the value of its portfolio securities.

Extension risk

When interest rates rise, certain obligations may be paid off by the obligor more slowly than anticipated, causing the value of these securities to fall.

Fixed-income instruments risk

Investments in fixed-income instruments are subject to interest rate, credit, maturity, duration, prepayment and general market risk. The issuer of fixed-income instruments may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal and/or interest payments or otherwise honor its obligations.

Floating or variable rate securities risk

Floating or variable rate securities pay interest at rates that adjust in response to changes in a specified interest rate or reset at predetermined dates (such as the end of a calendar quarter). Securities with floating or variable interest rates are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than securities with fixed interest rates, but may decline in value if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as comparable market interest rates. Conversely, floating or variable rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline. The impact of interest rate changes on floating or variable rate securities is typically mitigated by the periodic interest rate reset of the investments. Floating or variable rate securities can be rated below investment grade or unrated; therefore, the Fund relies heavily on the analytical ability of the Adviser. Lower-rated floating or variable rate securities are subject to many of the same risks as high yield securities, although these risks are reduced when the instruments are senior and secured as opposed to many high yield securities that are junior and unsecured. Floating or variable rate securities are often subject to restrictions on resale, which can result in reduced liquidity.

High-yield securities risk

The below investment grade instruments in which the Fund invests (also known as "junk bonds") have predominantly speculative characteristics and may be particularly susceptible to economic downturns, which could cause losses. There is no minimum credit quality for securities in which the Fund may invest, provided that not more than 15% of the Fund's net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for

investment purposes may be invested in debt securities rated CCC+ or below by S&P or Fitch Ratings or Caa1 or below by Moody's Investors Service.

Illiquid securities risk

It is expected that a substantial portion of the securities and instruments held by the Fund will not trade on any exchange and will be illiquid.

Convertible securities risk

Convertible securities may be subordinate to other securities. The total return for a convertible security may depend upon the performance of the underlying stock into which it can be converted. Issuers of convertible securities are often not as strong financially as those issuing securities with higher credit ratings, are more likely to encounter financial difficulties and typically are more vulnerable to changes in the economy, including a sustained period of rising interest rates, which could affect their ability to make interest and principal payments. If an issuer stops making interest and/or principal payments, the Fund could lose its entire investment.

Senior debt, subordinated debt and preferred securities of banks and diversified financial companies risk

Banks may issue subordinated debt securities, which have a lower priority to full payment behind other more senior debt securities. In addition to the risks generally associated with fixed income instruments (e.g., interest rate risk, counterparty risk, credit risk, etc.), bank subordinated debt is also subject to risks inherent to banks. Because banks are highly regulated and operate in a highly competitive environment, it may be difficult for a bank to meet its debt obligations. Banks also may be affected by changes in legislation and regulations applicable to the financial markets. Bank subordinated debt is often issued by smaller community banks that may be overly concentrated in a specific geographic region, lack the capacity to comply with new regulatory requirements or lack adequate capital. Some preferred securities allow the issuer to convert its preferred stock into common stock, these preferred securities are often sensitive to declining common stock values. Preferred security values can be affected by changes in interest rates. Preferred securities may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than many other securities. Although the Fund will invest in securities and other obligations of FDIC-insured depository institutions and their affiliates, neither those securities and obligations nor your investment in the Fund will be protected by FDIC insurance.

Structured Products risk

Structured Products, including community bank debt securitizations and other asset-backed securities and debt securitizations (which may be referred to as collateralized debt securities or CDOs), which are collateralized by a portfolio consisting primarily of unsecured, subordinated loans made to, and unsecured, subordinated debentures, notes or other securities issued by, community banks or other financial institutions, are subject to the normal interest rate, default and other risks associated with fixed-income securities and asset-backed securities. Additionally, the risks of an investment in a Structured Product depend largely on the type of the collateral securities and the class of the Structured Product or other asset-backed security in which the Fund invests. The Fund generally may have the right to receive payments only from the Structured Product, and generally does not have direct rights against the issuer or the entity that sold the underlying collateral assets. Such collateral may be insufficient to meet payment obligations and the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default. Also, the class

of the Structured Product may be subordinate to other classes, values may be volatile, and disputes with the issuer may produce unexpected investment results. Structured Products are typically privately offered and sold, and thus, are not registered under the securities laws. As a result, investments in certain Structured Products or other asset-backed securities may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities. The Fund may invest in any tranche of a Structured Product, including the subordinated/equity tranches. If applicable accounting pronouncements or SEC staff guidance require the Fund to consolidate the Structured Product's financial statements with the Fund's financial statements, any debt issued by the Structured Product would be generally treated as if it were issued by the Fund for purposes of the asset coverage ratio applicable to the Fund. If the assets of a Structured Product are not consolidated with the Fund's assets and liabilities, then the leverage incurred by such Structured Product may or may not be treated as borrowings by the Fund for purposes applicable limitations on the Fund's ability to issue debt. In addition to the general risks associated with fixed-income securities discussed herein, Structured Products carry additional risks, including, but not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default; (iii) the possibility that the investments in Structured Products are subordinate to other classes or tranches thereof; and (iv) the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results. The activities of the issuers of certain Structured Products, including bank debt securitizations, will generally be directed by a collateral manager. In the Fund's capacity as holder of interests in such a Structured Product, the Fund is generally not able to make decisions with respect to the management, disposition or other realization of any investment, or other decisions regarding the business and affairs, of the Structured Product. Consequently, the success of the securitizations in will depend, in part, on the financial and managerial expertise of the collateral manager. To the extent that an affiliate of the Adviser serves as the sponsor and/or collateral manager of a Structured Product in which the Fund invests, or the Adviser or its affiliates hold other interests in Structured Products in which the Fund invests, the Fund may be limited in its ability to participate in certain transactions with the Structured Product and may not be able to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product if no secondary market exists for the interests. Even if a secondary market exists, the Adviser or its affiliates at times may possess material non-public information that may restrict the Fund's ability to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product. The Fund does not currently contemplate making investments in any specific investments sponsored by the Adviser or an affiliate; however, to the extent the Fund does, it will do so only as permitted under the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder.

Additional risks relating to investing in the subordinated/equity tranche of Structured Products.

Up to all of the Fund's investments in Structured Products may be in the subordinated/equity tranches. Investments in the equity tranches of Structured Products typically represent the first loss position, are unrated and are subject to greater risk. To the extent that any losses are incurred by the Structured Product in respect of any collateral, such losses will be borne first by the owners of the equity interests, which may include the Fund. Any equity interests that the Fund holds in a Structured Product will not be secured by the assets of the Structured Product or guaranteed by any party, and the Fund will rank behind all creditors of the Structured Product, including the holders of the secured notes issued by the Structured Product. Equity interests are typically subject to certain payment restrictions in the indenture governing the senior tranches. Accordingly, equity interests may not be paid in full, may be adversely impacted by defaults by a relatively small number of underlying assets held by the Structured Product and may be subject to up to 100% loss. Structured Products may be highly levered, and therefore equity interests may be subject to a higher risk of loss, including the potential for total loss. The market value of equity interests may be significantly affected by a variety of factors, including changes in interest rates, changes in the market value of the collateral held by the securitization, defaults and recoveries on that

collateral and other risks associated with that collateral. The leveraged nature of equity interest is likely to magnify these impacts. Equity interests typically do not have a fixed coupon and payments on equity interests will be based on the income received from the underlying collateral and the payments made to the senior tranches, both of which may be based on floating rates. While the payments on equity interest will be variable, equity interests may not offer the same level of protection against changes in interest rates as other floating rate instruments. Equity interests are typically illiquid investments and subject to extensive transfer restrictions, and no party is under any obligation to make a market for equity interests. At times, there may be no market for equity interests, and the Fund may not be able to sell or otherwise transfer equity interests at their fair value, or at all, in the event that it determines to sell them.

Derivatives risk

Derivative investments have risks, including the imperfect correlation between the value of such instruments and the underlying assets of the Fund; the loss of principal, including the potential loss of amounts greater than the initial amount invested in the derivative instrument; the possible default of the other party to the transaction; and illiquidity of the derivative investments. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. Certain derivatives may give rise to a form of leverage. Leverage magnifies the potential for gain and the risk of loss.

Interest rate risk

The Fund is exposed to risks associated with changes in interest rates. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of fixed rate securities can be expected to decline. Interest rates have been historically low for much of the time following the recent financial crises, and the risk that interest rates may increase may be greater than the likelihood they will decline or remain unchanged if the financial recovery continues.

LIBOR risk

Instruments in which the Fund invests may pay interest at floating rates based on LIBOR or may be subject to interest caps or floors based on LIBOR. The Fund and issuers of instruments in which the Fund invests may also obtain financing at floating rates based on LIBOR. Derivative instruments utilized by the Fund and/or issuers of instruments in which the Fund may invest may also reference LIBOR. The Fund also may utilize leverage or borrowings primarily based on LIBOR. In July 2017, the head of the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority announced the desire to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. There is currently no definitive information regarding the future utilization of LIBOR or of any particular replacement rate. Abandonment of or modifications to LIBOR could have adverse impacts on newly issued financial instruments and existing financial instruments that reference LIBOR. The effect of a phase out of LIBOR on U.S. community bank subordinated debt and other instruments in which the Fund may invest is currently unclear. While some instruments may contemplate a scenario where LIBOR is no longer available by providing for an alternative rate setting methodology, not all instruments may have such provisions, and there is significant uncertainty regarding the effectiveness of any such alternative methodologies. To the extent that any replacement rate utilized for community bank subordinated debt securities or other securities differs from that utilized for a Structured Product that holds those securities, the Structured Product would experience an interest rate mismatch between its assets and liabilities. Structured Products generally contemplate a scenario where LIBOR is no longer available by requiring the Structured Product's administrator to calculate a replacement rate primarily through dealer polling on the applicable measurement date. However, there is uncertainty regarding the

effectiveness of the dealer polling processes, including the willingness of banks to provide such quotations. Recently, some Structured Products have included, or have been amended to include, language permitting the Structured Product's investment manager to implement a market replacement rate upon the occurrence of certain material disruption events. However, not all Structured Products may adopt such provisions, nor can there be any assurance that Structured Products' investment managers will undertake the suggested amendments when able. Abandonment of or modifications to LIBOR could lead to significant short-term and long-term uncertainty and market instability. It remains uncertain how such changes would be implemented and the effects such changes would have on the Fund, issuers of instruments in which the Fund invests and financial markets generally.

Leverage risk

The Fund may use leverage, which will cause the Fund's NAV to be more volatile than it would otherwise be, may cause the Fund to experience losses if earnings on the investments made with borrowed money do not cover the costs of borrowing and may increase the risk of investing with the Fund. In addition, when short-term interest rates rise without a corresponding increase in long-term interest rates, the benefits the Fund derives from leverage will be reduced, which may cause the Fund to reduce its distributions to Shareholders. A decline in the Fund's NAV could affect the ability of the Fund to make dividend payments. If the asset coverage for preferred shares or debt securities declines to less than two hundred or three hundred percent, respectively (as a result of market fluctuations or otherwise), the Fund may have to sell a portion of its investments at an inopportune time.

Conflicts of interest risk

There are significant and potential conflicts of interest that could impact the Fund's investment returns, including the potential for portfolio managers to devote unequal time and attention to the management of the Fund and any other accounts managed; identify a limited investment opportunity that may be suitable for more than one client; and acquire material non-public information or otherwise be restricted from trading in certain potential investments. While the Fund generally may not purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates directly from the issuer thereof, the Fund may, under certain circumstances, purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates from third parties in secondary market transactions. The Fund does not currently contemplate making investments in any specific investments sponsored by the Adviser or an affiliate; however, to the extent the Fund does, it will do so only as permitted under the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. To the extent that the Fund holds Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates, or holds Structured Products in which the Adviser or its affiliates also hold interests, certain conflicts of interest may arise. The Fund may be limited in its ability to participate in certain transactions with the Structured Product and may not be able to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product if no secondary market exists for the interests. Even if a secondary market exists, the Adviser or its affiliates at times may possess material non-public information that may restrict the Fund's ability to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product. Additionally, because the amount of fees paid to the Adviser for its services is based on Managed Assets, the fees paid to the Adviser will be higher if the Fund uses leverage, which may create an incentive for the Adviser to leverage the Fund or increase the Fund's use of leverage.

Distributions risk

The Fund's distributions may include a return of capital, thus reducing a Shareholder's cost basis in his or her Fund Shares and reducing the amount of capital available to the Fund for investment and likely increasing the Fund's expense ratio. A Shareholder who receives a capital distribution may be subject to tax even though the Shareholder has experienced a net loss on his or her investment in the Fund. Any

capital returned to Shareholders through distributions will be distributed after the payment of fees and expenses. Shareholders who periodically receive payment of a distribution consisting of a return of capital may be under the impression that they are receiving net income or profits when they are not. A return of capital to Shareholders is a return of a portion of their original investment in the Fund. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Fund is net income or profit.

Trust preferred securities risk

The risks associated with TruPS include those risks typically associated with debt securities and preferred securities, including the risk of default. Because the issuer is typically able to defer or skip payments for up to five years without being in default, distributions may not be made for extended periods of time. Holders of TruPS generally have limited voting rights to control the activities of the trust and no voting rights with respect to the parent corporation. The market for TruPS may be limited due to restrictions on resale, and the market value may be more volatile than those of conventional debt securities. Many TruPS are issued by trusts or other special purpose entities established by banks and other financial institutions and are not a direct obligation of banks and other financial institutions.

Prepayment risk

During periods of declining interest rates, borrowers may exercise their option to prepay principal earlier than scheduled, forcing the Fund to reinvest in lower yielding securities, resulting in a possible decline in the Fund's income and distributions to Shareholders.

International securities risk

International securities may be traded in undeveloped, inefficient and less liquid markets and may experience greater price volatility and changes in value.

Unrated securities risk

The Fund may purchase unrated securities which are not rated by a rating agency. Unrated securities may be less liquid than comparable rated securities and involve the risk that the Adviser may not accurately evaluate the security's comparative credit rating.

Large investors risk

Ownership of Shares of the Fund may be concentrated among certain institutional investors who purchase Shares. The ownership of large numbers of Shares of the Fund by one or more institutional investors could, depending on the size of such ownership, result in such investors being in a position to exercise significant influence on matters put to a vote of Shareholders. Dispositions of Shares by large investors could adversely impact the market price and premium or discount to NAV at which the Shares trade. As a result of the concentration of a significant portion of the Fund's outstanding Shares among a limited number of investors and the applicable restrictions on resale, the trading volume of Shares may be lesser than that of funds of a similar size whose shares are more widely held. As a result, there may be less secondary market liquidity for the Shares, the Shares may be subject to wider bid-ask spreads and the market price of the Shares may fluctuate more sharply.

Limited investment opportunities risk

The market for debt issued by financial institutions, particularly those financial institutions in the U.S. community bank sector, is more limited than the market for other debt issuances. There can be no assurance that sufficient investment opportunities will be available.

Limited operating history risk

The Fund is a newly organized, diversified, closed-end investment company with limited operating history.

Maturity and duration risk

Prices of longer-term fixed-income instruments generally fluctuate more than the prices of shorter-term fixed income instruments as interest rates change. In addition, a fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration. Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security's price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security's yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics. For example, if a portfolio has a duration of three years, and interest rates increase (fall) by 1%, the portfolio would decline (increase) in value by approximately 3%.

Liquidity and valuation risk

It may be difficult for the Fund to purchase and sell particular investments within a reasonable time at a favorable price. The valuation of securities or instruments that lack a central trading place (such as fixed-income securities or instruments) may carry greater risk than those that trade on an exchange.

Portfolio turnover risk

The Fund's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year, as well as within a given year. The portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Fund. High portfolio turnover may result in the realization of net short-term capital gains by the Fund which, when distributed to Shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income. In addition, a higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Fund.

Rating agencies risk

Rating agencies may fail to make timely changes in credit ratings and an issuer's current financial condition may be better or worse than a rating indicates. In addition, rating agencies are subject to an inherent conflict of interest because they are often compensated by the same issuers whose securities they grade.

Regulatory and legal risk

Legal and regulatory changes, including those implemented in connection with respect to new and existing tax laws and the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), could occur, which may materially adversely affect the Fund.

Repurchase agreement risk

Repurchase agreements involve the risk that a seller will become subject to bankruptcy or other insolvency proceedings or fail to repurchase a security from the Fund.

Reverse repurchase agreement risk

Reverse repurchase agreements provide the Fund with cash for investment purposes, which creates leverage and subjects the Fund to the risks of leverage, including increased volatility. Reverse repurchase agreements also involve the risk that the other party may fail to return the securities in a timely manner or at all.

Risk relating to the Fund's RIC status

To qualify and remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to RICs and their Shareholders under the Code, the Fund must meet certain source-of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements, and failure to do so could result in the loss of RIC status, which would require the Fund to pay income taxes on all of its taxable income at regular corporate tax rates.

Uncertain tax treatment risk

Investments in below investment grade instruments and certain other investments may present special tax issues for the Fund because U.S. federal income tax rules are not entirely clear. Although the Fund will seek to address these issues to the extent necessary to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income that it does not become subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax, no assurances can be given that the Fund will not be adversely affected as a result of such issues.

U.S. government securities risk

Some obligations issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies, instrumentalities or GSEs, including, for example, pass-through certificates issued by Ginnie Mae, are supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Other obligations issued by or guaranteed by federal agencies or GSEs, such as securities issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase certain obligations of the federal agency or GSE, while other obligations issued by or guaranteed by federal agencies or GSEs, such as those of the Federal Home Loan Banks, are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury. The maximum potential liability of the issuers of some U.S. Government securities held by the Fund may greatly exceed their current resources, including their legal right to support from the U.S. Treasury. It is possible that these issuers will not have the funds to meet their payment obligations in the future.

Accordingly, the Fund should be considered a speculative investment that entails substantial risks, and prospective investors should invest in the Fund only if they can sustain a complete loss of their investment.

Summary of fees and expenses

The following table illustrates the aggregate fees and expenses that the Fund expects to incur and that Shareholders can expect to bear directly or indirectly. The expenses shown in the table are based on estimated amounts for the Fund's first full year of operations and assume that the Fund issues 4,250,000 Shares. The table below assumes that the Fund borrows money through a credit facility for investment purposes in an amount approximately equal to 33.3% of the Fund's Managed Assets (after the leverage is incurred). The Fund's actual expenses may vary from the estimated expenses shown in the table and, all other things being equal, will increase as a percentage of net assets attributable to Shares if the Fund issues less than 4,250,000 Shares. See "Management of the Fund."

Shareholder Transaction Expenses

| | |
|---|---------|
| Sales load paid by Shareholders (1) | None |
| Offering Expenses Borne by the Fund (2) (3) | None |
| Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan Fees (per sale fee) (4)..... | \$25.00 |

(As a Percentage of
Average Net
Assets Attributable
to Shares (i.e.,
Common Shares))

Annual Fund Expenses

| | |
|--|--------|
| Management Fee (5) | 2.03% |
| Interest Payments on Borrowed Funds (6) | 1.50% |
| Other Expenses (7) | 0.54% |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses..... | 4.07% |
| Less Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement (8) | -0.17% |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement (8) | 3.90% |

- (1) The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay, from its own assets, underwriting compensation of up to \$0.60 per Share to the Underwriters in connection with the offering, which aggregate amount will not exceed 2.9259% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay such underwriting compensation paid by the Adviser.
- (2) The Adviser has agreed to pay all organizational expenses of the Fund and all offering costs associated with this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay any such organizational expenses or offering costs paid by the Adviser.
- (3) The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay from its own assets, upfront structuring fees to UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., Wedbush Securities Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Brookline Capital Markets, a Division of Acadia Securities, LLC, Incapital LLC and Janney Montgomery Scott LLC. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay a fee to Click IPO Securities, LLC in exchange for consulting services provided by a consultant to Click IPO Securities, LLC relating to the design, structuring and marketing strategies of the Fund. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has also agreed to pay Destra for distribution assistance in connection with this offering. See "Underwriting—Additional Compensation to be Paid by the Adviser and Other Relationships."
- (4) There will be no charges with respect to Shares issued directly by the Fund under the dividend reinvestment plan. However, whenever Shares are purchased or sold on the NYSE or otherwise on the open market, each participant will pay a pro rata portion of brokerage trading fees. Currently, dividend reinvestment plan participants that direct a sale of Shares through the Plan Agent are subject to a fee of \$25.00 plus a sales commission of \$4.95.
- (5) The Adviser will receive a fee at an annual rate of 1.35% of the average daily value of the Fund's Managed Assets. The management fee percentage calculation assumes the use of leverage by the Fund. To derive the annual management fee as a percentage of the Fund's net assets (which are the Fund's total assets less all of the

Summary of fees and expenses

- Fund's liabilities), the Fund's estimated Managed Assets (approximately \$127,500,000) were multiplied by the annual management fee rate and then divided by the Fund's estimated net assets (approximately \$85,000,000).
- (6) Assumes the use of leverage through a credit facility in an amount equal to 33.3% of the Fund's Managed Assets (after the leverage is incurred), and assumes the cost of borrowings is 3.00%. The Fund intends to enter into a credit facility within twelve months after the completion of this offering.
 - (7) Other expenses include accounting, legal and auditing fees of the Fund, fees payable to the Independent Trustees and payments by the Fund to Destra under an Investor Support Services Agreement between the Fund and Destra. See "Investor Support Services." The amount presented in the table estimates the amounts the Fund expects to pay during the period ending January 31, 2021.
 - (8) The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse certain expenses (exclusive of any management fees, taxes, interest on borrowings, dividends on securities sold short, brokerage commissions, acquired fund fees and expenses, expenses incurred in connection with any merger or reorganization and extraordinary expenses) to limit the Fund's Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement to 0.25% of the Fund's Managed Assets (the "Expense Limit"). The Expense Limit will remain in effect indefinitely unless terminated by the Board, on behalf of the Fund, upon 60 days' written notice to the Adviser. The Adviser may recoup from the Fund any waived amount or reimbursed expenses pursuant to the Expense Limit if such recoupment does not cause the Fund to exceed the current Expense Limit or the Expense Limit in place at the time of the waiver or reimbursement (whichever is lower) and the recoupment is made within three years after the end of the month in which the Adviser incurred the expense.

EXAMPLE

The following example illustrates the expenses that you would pay on a \$1,000 investment in Shares, assuming (1) total annual expenses of 3.90% of net assets attributable to the Shares and (2) a 5% annual return. The example assumes that the estimated Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement set forth in the Annual Fund Expenses table are accurate and that all dividends and distributions are reinvested at NAV per Share. Actual expenses may be greater or less than those assumed. Moreover, the Fund's actual rate of return may be greater or less than the hypothetical 5% return shown in the example.

| <u>1 Year</u> | <u>3 Years</u> | <u>5 Years</u> | <u>10 Years</u> |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| \$39 | \$122 | \$207 | \$425 |

The example and the expenses in the tables above should not be considered a representation of the Fund's future expenses, and actual expenses may be greater or less than those shown.

While the example assumes a 5.0% annual return, as required by the SEC, the Fund's performance will vary and may result in a return greater or less than 5.0%. For a more complete description of the various fees and expenses borne directly and indirectly by the Fund, see "Fund Expenses" and "Management Fee."

The Fund

The Fund is a newly organized, diversified, closed-end management investment company registered under the 1940 Act. The Fund was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on October 23, 2019. The Fund will have an approximate 15-year limited term unless otherwise determined by the Fund's Board. As a newly organized entity, the Fund has no operating history. The Fund's principal office is located at 3344 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1725, Atlanta, Georgia 30326, and its telephone number is 404-953-4900.

Use of proceeds

The net proceeds of this offering of Shares will be approximately \$81,000,000 (\$93,136,900 if the Underwriters exercise the overallotment option in full). The Fund currently intends to fully invest substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering in accordance with its investment objective and policies within three months after receipt thereof. However, certain investments may be delayed up to an additional three months if suitable investments are unavailable at the time or for other reasons, such as market volatility and lack of liquidity in the markets of suitable investments.

Investment objective and strategies

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks current income with a secondary objective of total return. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions, which may include, but are not limited to, banks, thrifts, finance companies, business development companies ("BDCs") that invest primarily in loans, commercial mortgage and residential mortgage real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), brokerage and advisory firms, insurance companies and financial holding companies. In pursuing its investment objective, the Fund invests primarily in debt issued by financial institutions, including subordinated debt ("sub-debt"), unrated debt, senior debt and high yield securities. The Fund may also invest in common equity, preferred equity, convertible securities, warrants and trust-preferred securities ("TruPS") of these institutions. The Fund's investment policy to invest at least 80% of its assets in securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions is not fundamental and may be changed without Shareholder approval. The Fund will provide Shareholders with 60 days' notice of any change in this 80% investment policy.

The Fund will target investing at least 80% of the Fund's net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in debt issued by U.S. community banks and U.S. and non-U.S. non-bank financial institutions.

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in investments that are rated investment grade or, if unrated, judged to be of investment grade quality by the Fund's investment adviser. The Fund will not invest more than 15% of its Managed Assets in credit instruments rated below Caa2 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") or CCC by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P") or Fitch

Investment objective and strategies

Ratings (“Fitch”). Below investment grade credit instruments are regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to capacity to pay interest and to repay principal.

Under normal circumstances, the Fund will concentrate its investments (*i.e.*, invest 25% or more of its total assets (measured at the time of purchase)) in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials. The Fund will not concentrate in any industry other than the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials.

The Fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers and in markets outside the United States. The Fund’s investments in structured credit instruments, which are commonly issued by special purpose vehicles formed in jurisdictions outside of the United States, are not subject to or limited by this policy.

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes indirectly in securities issued by financial institutions through Structured Products and credit derivatives. In particular, the Fund may invest in equity and junior debt tranches of asset-backed securities and debt securitizations, which are collateralized by a portfolio consisting primarily of unsecured, subordinated loans made to, and unsecured, subordinated debentures, notes or other securities issued by, financial institutions (“Structured Products”).

The Fund does not have a policy to target a particular average maturity or duration and may invest in bonds of any maturity or duration. Maturity refers to the length of time until a bond’s principal is repaid with interest. Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security’s price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security’s yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics.

The Fund may also incur leverage to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. See “Leverage.”

Although the Fund normally seeks to invest substantially all of its assets in securities issued by financial institutions, the Fund reserves the ability to invest up to 20% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in other types of securities and instruments (measured at the time of purchase). Additionally, the Fund may take temporary defensive positions that are inconsistent with its investment strategy in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. If the Fund does so, it may not achieve its investment objective. The Fund may also choose not to take defensive positions.

The Fund may invest without limitation in securities (*e.g.*, non-investment grade sub-debt and junior debt tranches of Structured Products) that are illiquid and expects that a substantial portion of its assets will be illiquid. The Fund may also invest in restricted securities.

The Fund will not invest more than 5% of its Managed Assets in securities of any one single issuer. In addition, the Fund will not invest more than 10% of its Managed Assets in preferred shares of commercial mortgage and residential mortgage REITs and will not invest more than 10% of its Managed Assets in securities issued by BDCs.

MARKET OPPORTUNITY

The Adviser sees potential investment opportunities across a range of financial institutions that the Adviser believes currently exhibit strong capital positions and credit quality. Within the broad universe of financial institutions, the Adviser sees the most attractive opportunities in community banks and small-cap insurance companies, and to a lesser degree, mortgage REITs and BDCs. The Adviser believes these sub-segments of financial institutions, in particular, generally exhibit more niche market characteristics and typically have little analyst coverage or institutional following. As such, there may be an opportunity for investors to achieve relative excess yields.

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Following the 2008 economic downturn, the banking sector in particular underwent a significant transformation in which banks were subject to higher capital requirements, increased regulatory oversight and stricter loan underwriting standards. Although bank default rates were low prior to the 2008 economic crisis (less than 0.40% on average since 1935, based on data from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (“FDIC”)), the Adviser believes that banks in the wake of the 2008 economic crisis and continuing today are potentially more stable. In contrast to the broader corporate sector, where leverage has steadily increased to record levels, the banking sector as of December 31, 2019, has increased equity capital by more than 40% since 2007.

Market volatility has increased significantly with the spread of COVID-19. However, we believe the regulatory, capital and funding changes enacted following the financial crisis of 2007-2008 have better positioned financial institutions for the pandemic. For the banking sector in particular, the Dodd-Frank Act provides for higher capital levels and better-quality capital, improved levels of liquidity, and tighter credit standards. Additionally, the banks will be the facilitators that distribute the unprecedented levels of government and central bank support and stimulus being enacted in response to COVID-19. Banks have already benefitted from significant deposit inflows and growth in government-guaranteed loans through the Small Business Administration. There are also multiple programs that support small businesses, the main borrowers of community banks. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the “CARES Act”) is currently the largest such program. A core component of the CARES Act is the provision of approximately \$660 billion to guarantee loans to small businesses, known as the Paycheck Protection Program. Other benefits include use of current losses to recapture taxes paid over the past five years, the ability to immediately write off improvement of facilities rather than amortize the cost, and the ability to defer payment of Social Security taxes. However, there can be no assurance that these and similar interventions will prevent a prolonged market downturn or continued deterioration of the economy. Although the Dodd-Frank Act and other regulations have strengthened banks, a prolonged depression or financial crisis could have significant adverse effects on community banks. An overall decline in economic activity, persistent high unemployment and an increase in borrower defaults, among other things, could severely test the soundness of community banks, which may face heightened risk of failure during economic downturns relative to larger banks.

At the same time as banks have become more stable in the Adviser’s view, there has been significant consolidation in the banking industry, and the number of FDIC-insured financial institutions in the U.S. has continued to decline. Larger banks have continued to acquire smaller banks in an effort to boost profitability through economies of scale and improved efficiency ratios. Many smaller banks have found that the substantial increases in compliance costs associated with the Dodd-Frank Act and other regulatory requirements have severely diminished the value of their business model and as a result, many banks are actively seeking consolidation. The Adviser believes the need for scale in the banking industry will drive further consolidation.

The insurance sector is a similarly highly-regulated sector with a lower relative default rate. Each state has an insurance regulator whose responsibilities include approving insurance pricing changes and monitoring insurer capital adequacy. Additionally, ratings agencies (A.M Best, S&P, Moody’s, Fitch) play a key role as industry watchdogs and the importance of a high credit rating is so critical to insurance companies that these agencies act as de facto regulators. Risk based capital (“RBC”) is measured at the regulated subsidiary level and most companies target 350%-450%. The Adviser estimates the average annualized default rate was 0.21% from 2000-2017, based on A.M. Best data.

The Mortgage REIT sector has also reduced leverage and increased diversification in the wake of the 2008 economic downturn. Funding sources have diversified to include a larger number of repurchase

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agreement counterparties and longer duration repurchase agreements, as well as introducing longer dated financing, long term debt and preferred equity, into the capital structure. Mortgage REITs also employ robust hedging strategies to reduce interest rate exposure. Leverage levels have declined to around half of pre-2008 economic downturn levels, both due to lower absolute leverage in interest rate sensitive strategies (agency mortgage-backed securities (“MBS”)) and also from increased business model diversification. Many of the interest rate sensitive Mortgage REITs have expanded, either organically or by acquisition, into credit sensitive mortgage assets (non-agency MBS, whole loans) and to a lesser degree, into mortgage servicing rights (“MSRs”).

Business Development Companies are closed-end investment companies focused on helping small and mid-sized businesses meet their capital and growth needs. Investments are well diversified across a mix of first lien, second lien and sub-ordinated debt as well as equity positions. BDCs tend to be funded through a mix of bank facilities and unsecured bonds and are frequent debt issuers. While the recent Small Business Credit Availability Act (SBCAA) ruling in March 2019 allows for reduced asset coverage (total assets / total debt) of 150% vs. 200% previously, leverage levels have not generally been increasing. The Adviser expects an increasing proportion of BDCs’ investments will focus on opportunities higher in the capital stack (first lien) if leverage is increased following the rule change.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Adviser believes it can find attractive investment opportunities in smaller-sized financial institutions and smaller sub-segments that have less analyst coverage or institutional following, as compared to the broader market.

In the banking sector, the primary market for new debt issuance in recent years has averaged approximately \$100 billion annually. Primary market issuance for banks with less than \$30 billion in assets – the segment the Adviser finds most attractive – has averaged approximately \$3 billion in recent years. The Adviser expects a continued robust market for debt issuances by such banks in 2020 and that such issuances may continue to grow to \$8 to \$10 billion annually in a fully mature market (over the next 8 to 10 years) based on the Adviser’s estimates.

Non-rated debt securities, in which the Fund expects to focus its bank debt investments, are typically issued by banks at the smaller end of the asset size spectrum. The Adviser believes the lack of coverage/ ratings from the ratings agencies provides an opportunity for capital appreciation and excess risk-adjusted spread for non-rated banks which are deemed investment grade per the Adviser’s model.

Additionally, banking industry consolidation generally has had a favorable impact on the value of community bank debt. In most merger/acquisition scenarios the acquirer, typically a larger bank, assumes the liabilities and continues to service any outstanding debt of the acquired institution, typically a smaller bank. The outcome is often an upgrade in the overall perceived credit quality of the debt, leading to price appreciation.

The insurance sector is comprised of nearly 6,000 companies, with more than 2,500 focused on property & casualty (“P&C”) and nearly 1,000 focused on life insurance. Approximately two thirds of P&C companies and one third of life insurance companies are non-mutual holding companies. The Adviser believes the most compelling opportunities in the sector are in small cap, publicly-traded companies, and in the senior part of the capital structure. Tenure varies between 5 and 10 years in the senior unsecured insurance debt market. Roughly one third of P&C companies and approximately 20% of life insurance companies are in the range of \$1 to \$10 billion in assets, the segment the Adviser finds most attractive.

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The Adviser expects the highest risk/reward opportunity in the REIT sector to be in preferred equities. The current COVID-19-driven market volatility resulted in repurchase agreement margin calls for many mortgage REITs and some REITs were unable to satisfy margin calls without forced asset sales. This drove significant downward movement in equity and preferred equity pricing for the industry. While pricing has rebounded from the lows seen at the height of the market volatility, the Adviser believes there could be attractive tactical near-term opportunities in the sector. Financials make up the bulk of the roughly \$975 billion global universe of preferred equities. US-based REITs account for approximately \$22 billion of the market. The Adviser expects annual primary issuance will be lower than the typical average annual issuance of \$3 to \$5 billion for 2020, and opportunities will likely be sourced in the secondary market. Historically, REIT preferred yields have been in excess of yields achieved in investment grade and high-yield corporate preferreds. From 2000-2017 REIT preferred default rates have been below 1%, compared to approximately 1.5% of investment grade corporate credit and in excess of 3% for high-yield corporate credit.

In the BDC sector, there are nearly 60 publicly traded BDCs in the United States, with a market cap in excess of \$35 billion. There are also a number of non-traded BDCs, some of which are owned by much larger institutions. Most BDCs fund their businesses with a combination of bank lines and debt securities, and as such are perpetual issuers of debt. The Adviser focuses on opportunities with both public credit ratings and public financial information / SEC filings. The typical structure of the debt is 5-year senior unsecured debt, which the Adviser believes can be complementary to the overall portfolio.

The Adviser believes its strong reputation and the deep relationships it and individual members of its investment team have with issuers, underwriters, financial intermediaries and sponsors will support the Adviser's execution of the Fund's investment strategy. These segments of the financial sector are typically more difficult for retail investors to access.

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Idea generation

The Adviser's portfolio managers utilize various data sources to generate investment ideas. Most of the "idea generation" and sourcing of potential alpha opportunities is driven by internal research and analysis ("alpha" refers to excess returns relative to a benchmark). In addition, portfolio managers and analysts regularly monitor market conditions, trade flows and trade execution. Active market participation provides a strong understanding of current market trends, which leads to formation of immediate views on the relative value of investment opportunities within the structured fixed income markets, thus generating new investment ideas in real time.

Angel Oak's investment committee meets frequently to discuss strategies in the context of current market events and their impact on the Fund, and existing approaches to each strategy are affirmed or altered based on these discussions. The Adviser makes its investment decisions based on its view of macroeconomic (*i.e.*, large-scale, economy-wide) trends as well as by identifying opportunities in the capital markets it believes are providing the greatest relative value.

Research

The Adviser uses a combination of proprietary fundamental and quantitative research to analyze opportunities.

Fundamental analysis involves evaluating the value of an instrument based on the issuer's financial profile, management and other considerations. In selecting investments, the Adviser may consider

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maturity, yield and ratings information and opportunities for price appreciation among other criteria. As part of this fundamental analysis, the Adviser considers certain environmental, social and governance (“ESG”) factors that it believes could have a material negative or positive impact on the risk profiles of the issuers of certain securities in which the Fund may invest. These determinations may not be conclusive, and securities that may be negatively impacted by such factors may be purchased and retained by the Fund while the Fund may divest or not invest in securities that may be positively impacted by such factors. Examples of the types of factors the Adviser may consider as part of its proprietary assessment, include, without limitation: environmental issues, such as carbon emissions and energy efficiency; social issues, such as affordable housing and community investment; and corporate governance issues, such as board independence and diversity. In evaluating an issuer’s ESG practices, the Adviser will use its own proprietary assessments of material ESG factors and may also reference standards as set forth by recognized global organizations, including the United Nations’ Principles for Responsible Investing, the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals, the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, the Carbon Disclosure Project, the Sustainable Accounting Standards Board and the Global Reporting Initiative. Additionally, the Adviser may engage proactively with issuers to encourage them to improve their ESG factors. In this regard, the Adviser may engage in direct dialogue with company management, including through in-person meetings, phone calls, electronic communications, and letters. These engagement activities are designed to facilitate the Adviser’s efforts to identify opportunities for companies to improve their ESG practices and to work collaboratively with company management to establish concrete objectives and to develop a plan for meeting those objectives. The Fund may invest in securities issued by companies whose ESG practices, at the time of the investment, do not fully meet the Adviser’s proprietary standards, with the expectation that the Adviser’s engagement efforts and/or the company’s own initiatives will lead to improvements in the company’s ESG practices over time. It may also exclude those issuers that are not receptive to the Adviser’s engagement efforts, as determined in the Adviser’s sole discretion.

Quantitative analysis refers to a data-oriented analysis of financial information, market trends and other factors. This discipline is conducted from a bottom-up (i.e., opportunity-by-opportunity) perspective. The research team’s risk modeling analysis provides a granular focus on seeking to mitigate credit risk. Scenario analysis is conducted to help portfolio managers understand how an individual security would perform under a range of economic and capital market conditions. Scenario analysis is completed by applying multiple interest rate, credit and cash flow assumptions. Once the critical factors for individual security selection have been evaluated, a recommendation is made. The Adviser also makes use of various third-party analytical systems and uses proprietary models to confirm or eliminate results of non-proprietary models. Portfolio managers and analysts merge the outputs of these analytical models with their own views on future market and economic conditions to generate more qualified pre-purchase assumptions.

Portfolio construction

The Adviser will construct the portfolio investments in two ways. First, the Adviser will participate in the primary market via a syndicated transaction brought to market by a broker/dealer specializing in the financial institutions sector. These deals have the potential to trade for higher prices in the secondary market and may allow the Fund to generate secondary trading profits. Second, the Adviser will source transactions in the secondary market. Although this may be infrequent, the Adviser believes it is well suited to take advantage of opportunities in the secondary market.

The Adviser will use fundamental analysis based on publicly available information to refine the pipeline of potential issuers. The Adviser will look for healthy, well capitalized institutions with a history of sound performance. The Adviser is not interested in financial institutions that are attempting to fill a

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capital hole or address their asset quality challenges. Rather, the Adviser will look for those well capitalized institutions where capital can be utilized strategically.

The Adviser may sell investments if it determines that an investment is no longer earning a return commensurate with its risk or that a different security will better help the Fund achieve its investment objective.

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

The Fund's portfolio will consist primarily of:

Subordinated debt, senior debt and preferred securities of banks and diversified financial companies

Subordinated debt securities, sometimes also called "junior debt," are debt securities for which the issuer's obligations to make principal and interest payment are secondary to the issuer's payment obligations to more senior debt securities. Such investments will consist primarily of debt issued by community banks or savings institutions (or their holding companies), which are subordinated to senior debt issued by the banks and deposits held by the bank, but are senior to trust preferred obligations, preferred stock and common stock issued by the bank. Many subordinated debt securities may be unrated and some may be considered high-yield securities or "junk bonds." See "—High Yield Securities." Preferred securities may pay fixed or adjustable rates of return and are subject to many of the risks associated with debt securities, as well as issuer-specific and market risks applicable generally to equity securities. A company's preferred securities generally pay dividends only after the company makes required payments to holders of its bonds and other debt.

Community bank subordinated debt securities and Structured Products collateralized by such securities typically have floating or variable interest rates based on the London Inter-bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), or may have a fixed coupon for a period of years and then convert to a floating rate, and are subject to the risks associated with securities tied to LIBOR, including the risks associated with the future replacement of LIBOR with an alternative reference rate. See "Risks—LIBOR Risk."

High yield securities

The Fund may invest up to 50% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in below investment grade securities, including certain securities issued by U.S. community banks and other financial institutions. These "high-yield" securities (also known as "junk bonds") will generally be rated BB or lower by S&P or will be of equivalent quality rating from another Nationally Recognized Statistical Ratings Organization, or if unrated, considered by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. There is no minimum credit quality for securities in which the Fund may invest, provided that not more than 15% of the Fund's net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes may be invested in debt securities rated CCC+ or below by S&P or Fitch Ratings or Caa1 or below by Moody's Investors Service.

Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")

REITs are financial vehicles that pool investors' capital to invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. The Fund's REIT investments can generally be classified as "Mortgage REITs," "Equity REITs" and "Hybrid REITs." Mortgage REITs invest the majority of their assets in real estate mortgages and derive their income primarily from interest payments. Equity REITs

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invest the majority of their assets directly in real property and derive their income primarily from rents, royalties and lease payments. Hybrid REITs combine the characteristics of both Mortgage REITs and Equity REITs. The Fund may invest in REIT shares, including preferred shares, that trade in the secondary market on a U.S. securities exchange or invest in an initial public offering of REIT shares. The Fund also may invest in debt securities of REITs. Debt securities issued by a REIT are, for the most part, general and unsecured obligations and are subject generally to risks associated with the REIT. Distributions received by the Fund from REITs may consist of dividends, capital gains and/or return of capital. REITs are not taxed on income distributed to their shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The securities of REITs, which are required to distribute substantially all of their income to investors in order to not be subject to entity level taxation, often offer a yield advantage over securities of other issuers, such as corporations, that are taxed on income at the entity level and are able to retain all or a portion of their income rather than distributing it to investors. Many of these distributions, however, will not generally qualify for favorable treatment as qualified dividend income. As an investor in common equity securities of a REIT, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other operating expenses charged by the REITs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Fund. The Fund considers Mortgage REITs to be financial institutions for purposes of the Fund’s policy of investing at least 80% of its assets in financial institutions.

Business Development Companies (“BDCs”)

BDCs are a type of closed-end fund regulated under the 1940 Act. BDCs typically invest in and lend to small- and medium-sized private and certain public companies that may not have access to public equity markets for capital raising. The interest earned by a BDC flows through to investors in the form of a dividend, normally without being taxed at the BDC entity level. BDCs may invest in a diverse array of industries. BDCs are unique in that generally, at least 70% of their investments must be made in private and certain public U.S. businesses, and BDCs are required to make available significant managerial assistance to their portfolio companies. Unlike corporations, BDCs are not taxed on income distributed to their shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Code. Similar to REITs, the securities of BDCs, which are required to distribute substantially all of their income on an annual basis to investors in order to not be subject to entity level taxation, often offer a yield advantage over securities of other issuers, such as corporations, that are taxed on income at the entity level and are able to retain all or a portion of their income rather than distributing it to investors. The Fund may invest in common equity, preferred equity and debt securities of BDCs, and is not limited with respect to the specific types of BDCs in which it may invest. As an investor in common equity securities of a BDC, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other expenses, and of any performance based or incentive fees, charged by the BDCs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Fund. The Fund considers BDCs that invest primarily in loans to be financial institutions for purposes of the Fund’s policy of investing at least 80% of its assets in financial institutions.

Structured Products

The Fund may invest in certain Structured Products, including community bank debt securitizations. The risks of an investment in a Structured Product depend largely on the type of the collateral securities and the class of the Structured Product in which the Fund invests. Some Structured Products have credit ratings, but are typically issued in various classes with various priorities. Normally, Structured Products are privately offered and sold (that is, they are not registered under the securities laws) and may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities; however, an active dealer market may exist for Structured Products that qualify for Rule 144A transactions. In addition to the normal interest rate, default and

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other risks of fixed income securities, Structured Products carry additional risks, including the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments, the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default, the Fund may invest in Structured Products that are subordinate to other classes, values may be volatile and disputes with the issuer may produce unexpected investment results. The senior and junior tranches of Structured Products collateralized by community bank debt securitizations typically have floating or variable interest rates based on LIBOR and are subject to the risks associated with securities tied to LIBOR, including the risks associated with the future replacement of LIBOR with an alternative reference rate. See “Risks—LIBOR Risk.”

Subordinated/equity tranches of Structured Products.

The Fund may also invest in the equity tranches of a Structured Product, which typically represent the first loss position in the Structured Product, are unrated and are subject to higher risks. Equity tranches of Structured Products typically do not have a fixed coupon and payments on equity tranches will be based on the income received from the underlying collateral and the payments made to the senior tranches, both of which may be based on floating rates based on LIBOR.

Derivatives

Derivatives, which are instruments that have a value based on another instrument, exchange rate or index, may be used as substitutes for securities in which the Fund can invest. The Fund uses derivatives to gain or adjust exposure to markets, sectors, securities and currencies and to manage exposure to risks relating to creditworthiness, interest rate spreads, volatility and changes in yield curves. In certain market environments, the Fund may use interest rate swaps and futures contracts to help protect its portfolio from interest rate risk. The Fund may also invest in swaps, including total return swaps and credit default swaps, options and warrants. The Fund will, under normal circumstances, invest no more than 25% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in derivative instruments, excluding derivative instruments used for hedging purposes.

International securities

The Fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in the securities of non-U.S. issuers, including direct investments in companies whose securities are principally traded outside the United States on foreign exchanges or foreign over-the-counter markets. The Fund intends to invest in securities of companies in developed markets. The Fund is not limited in the amount of assets it may invest in such international securities.

Convertible securities

The Fund may invest in convertible securities which are preferred stocks or bonds that pay a fixed dividend or interest payment and are convertible into common stock or other equity interests at a specified price or conversion ratio during a specified period.

Common and preferred stock

The Fund may invest in common stock. Common stock represents an equity (ownership) interest in a company, and usually possesses voting rights and earns dividends. Dividends on common stock are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of the issuer. Common stock generally represents the riskiest investment in a company. In addition, common stock generally has the greatest appreciation and depreciation potential because increases and decreases in earnings are usually reflected in a company's

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stock price. The Fund may invest in preferred stock. Preferred stock is a class of stock having a preference over common stock as to the payment of dividends and the recovery of investment should a company be liquidated, although preferred stock is usually junior to the debt securities of the issuer. Preferred stock typically does not possess voting rights and its market value may change based on changes in interest rates.

Trust preferred securities

The Fund may invest in TruPS, which are securities that are typically issued by banks and other financial institutions that combine the features of corporate debt securities and preferred securities as well as certain features of equity securities. TruPS are typically issued by banks and other financial institutions, generally in the form of interest bearing notes with preferred securities characteristics, or by an affiliated business trust, generally in the form of beneficial interests in subordinated debentures or similarly structured securities. Many TruPS are issued by trusts or other special purpose entities established by banks and other financial institutions and are not a direct obligation of those banks and other financial institutions. The TruPS market consists of both fixed and adjustable coupon rate securities that are either perpetual in nature or have stated maturity dates. TruPS are typically issued with a final maturity date, although some (usually those of foreign issuers) are perpetual in nature. TruPS are typically junior and fully subordinated liabilities of an issuer and benefit from a guarantee that is junior and fully subordinated to the other liabilities of the guarantor. In addition, TruPS typically permit an issuer to defer the payment of income for five years or more without triggering an event of default. Because of their subordinated position in the capital structure of an issuer, the ability to defer payments for extended periods of time without default consequences to the issuer, and certain other features (such as restrictions on common dividend payments by the issuer or ultimate guarantor when full cumulative payments on the TruPS have not been made), TruPS are often deemed to be a close substitute for traditional preferred securities. TruPS also possess many of the typical characteristics of equity securities due to their subordinated position in an issuer's capital structure and because their quality and value are heavily dependent on the issuer's profitability as opposed to any legal claims to specific assets or cash flows.

Leverage

The Fund may use leverage to the maximum extent allowable under the 1940 Act. Under the 1940 Act, the Fund generally may not (1) borrow money in an amount greater than 33 1/3% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 50% of its net assets) or (2) issue preferred shares in an amount greater than 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets). If the Fund uses a combination of borrowing money and issuing preferred shares, the maximum allowable leverage will be between 33 1/3% and 50% (but in no event more than 50%) of the Fund's Managed Assets based on the relative amounts borrowed or preferred shares issued. Initially, the Fund expects to use leverage through borrowings from certain financial institutions or reverse repurchase agreements. The Fund is permitted to obtain leverage using any form or combination of financial leverage instruments, including through funds borrowed from banks or other financial institutions (*i.e.*, a credit facility), margin facilities, the issuance of preferred shares or notes and leverage generated by reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls or similar transactions or derivatives that have the effect of leverage in an aggregate amount up to 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets, including any assets purchased with borrowed money, immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund intends to enter into a credit facility within twelve months after the completion of this offering. The Fund may use leverage opportunistically and may use different types, combinations or amounts of leverage over time, based on the Adviser's views concerning market conditions and investment opportunities. The Fund's strategies

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relating to its use of leverage may not be successful, and the Fund's use of leverage will cause the Fund's NAV to be more volatile than it would otherwise be. There can be no guarantee that the Fund will leverage its assets or, to the extent the Fund does utilize leverage, what percentage of its assets such leverage will represent.

See "Risks—Leverage Risk."

CREDIT FACILITY

The Fund may enter into definitive agreements with respect to a credit facility in an aggregate amount up to 33.3% of the Fund's Managed Assets immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund intends to enter into a credit facility within twelve months after the completion of this offering. See "Description of Capital Structure—Credit Facility."

ISSUANCE OF PREFERRED SHARES

Although the Fund is permitted, under the 1940 Act, to issue preferred shares (assuming no other "senior security" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act) is issued) in an amount equal to 50% of the value of the Fund's total assets less liabilities and indebtedness not represented by "senior securities" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act), the Fund does not intend to issue preferred shares during its first twelve months of operations. Any preferred shares issued by the Fund would have complete priority upon distribution of assets over the Shares. The issuance of preferred shares will leverage the Shares. The preferred shares may pay dividends at a fixed rate or at adjustable rates based on shorter-term interest rates, which would be determined periodically by an auction or remarketing process or formula. The adjustment period for preferred share dividends could be as short as one day or as long as a year or more. So long as the Fund's portfolio is invested in securities that provide a higher rate of return than the dividend rate of the preferred shares, after taking expenses into consideration, the use of leverage will result in a higher rate of income than if the Fund were not leveraged. If the dividend rate of the preferred shares exceeds the rate of return on the Fund's portfolio after taking expenses into consideration, the use of leverage will result in a lower rate of income than if the Fund were not leveraged.

Under the 1940 Act, the Fund is not permitted to issue preferred shares unless immediately after such issuance the value of the Fund's total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness of the Fund not represented by "senior securities" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act), is at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding preferred shares (assuming no other "senior security" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act) is issued). In addition, the Fund is not permitted to declare any cash dividend or other distribution on its Shares unless, at the time of such declaration, the value of the Fund's total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness of the Fund not represented by "senior securities" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act), is at least 300% of the aggregate amount of such securities representing indebtedness and at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding preferred shares (assuming no other "senior security" (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act) is issued). If preferred shares are issued, the Fund intends, to the extent possible, to purchase or redeem preferred shares from time to time to the extent necessary in order to maintain coverage of any preferred shares of at least 200%. In addition, to the extent the Fund obtains ratings on the preferred shares, the terms of any preferred shares issued would be expected to include asset coverage maintenance provisions which will require a reduction of indebtedness or the redemption of the preferred shares in the event of non-compliance by the Fund and may also prohibit dividends and other distributions on the Shares in such circumstances. In order to meet redemption requirements, the Fund may have to liquidate portfolio securities. Such liquidations and redemptions, or reductions in indebtedness, would cause the Fund to incur related transaction costs and could result in capital losses to the Fund.

REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Reverse repurchase agreements are considered borrowings by the Fund under the 1940 Act. Reverse repurchase agreements are agreements that involve the sale of securities held by the Fund to financial institutions such as banks and broker-dealers, with an agreement that the Fund will repurchase the securities at an agreed upon price and date. During the reverse repurchase agreement period, the Fund continues to receive interest and principal payments on the securities sold. Reverse repurchase agreements involve the risk that the market value of securities to be purchased by the Fund may decline below the price at which the Fund is obligated to repurchase the securities, or that the other party may default on its obligation, so that the Fund is delayed or prevented from completing the transaction. At the time the Fund enters into a reverse repurchase agreement, it will segregate, and maintain, liquid assets having a dollar value equal to the repurchase price. In the event the buyer of securities under a reverse repurchase agreement files for bankruptcy or becomes insolvent, the Fund's use of the proceeds from the sale of the securities may be restricted pending a determination by the other party, or its trustee or receiver, whether to enforce the Fund's obligations to repurchase the securities.

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In addition, the Fund may engage in certain derivatives transactions that have economic characteristics similar to leverage. To the extent the terms of such transactions obligate the Fund to make payments, the Fund intends to earmark or segregate cash or liquid securities in an amount at least equal to the current value of the amount then payable by the Fund under the terms of such transactions or otherwise cover such transactions in accordance with applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC. As a result of such segregation or cover, the Fund's obligations under such transactions will not be considered indebtedness for purposes of the 1940 Act, including the asset coverage requirements applicable to indebtedness under the 1940 Act, but the leverage effect of such transactions will be treated as "portfolio leverage" subject to the Fund's policy not to use leverage in excess of 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets). To the extent that the Fund's obligations under such transactions are not so segregated or covered, such obligations may be considered "senior securities representing indebtedness" under the 1940 Act and therefore subject to the 300% asset coverage requirement. The Fund's calculation of its "portfolio leverage" includes leverage incurred by the Fund through portfolio transactions (reverse repurchase agreements or derivatives, such as swaps, futures or forward contracts), that have the effect of leverage. For the avoidance of doubt, the Fund's calculation of its "portfolio leverage" does not include the leveraged nature of credit instruments, such as structured credit instruments, in which the Fund invests.

EFFECTS OF LEVERAGE

Assuming the utilization of leverage through borrowings of approximately 33.3% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 50% of the Fund's net assets), at an interest rate of 3.00% payable on such borrowings, the income generated by the Fund's portfolio (net of non-leverage expenses) must exceed 1.00% in order to cover such interest payments and other expenses specifically related to borrowings. Of course, these numbers are merely estimates, used for illustration. Actual interest rates may vary frequently and may be significantly higher or lower than the rate estimated above.

The following table is furnished in response to requirements of the SEC. It is designed to illustrate the effect of leverage on Share total return, assuming investment portfolio total returns (comprised of income and changes in the value of securities held in the Fund's portfolio) of -10%, -5%, 0%, 5% and 10%. These assumed investment portfolio returns are hypothetical figures and are not necessarily indicative of the investment portfolio returns experienced or expected to be experienced by the Fund. See "Risks."

Leverage

The table further reflects the use of borrowings representing 33.3% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 50% of the Fund's net assets), net of expenses and the Fund's currently projected annual interest rate on its leverage of 3.00%.

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|--|----------|---------|---------|-------|--------|
| Assumed Portfolio Total Return (Net of Expenses) | (10.00)% | (5.00)% | 0% | 5.00% | 10.00% |
| Share Total Return..... | (16.50)% | (9.00)% | (1.50)% | 6.00% | 13.50% |

Share Total Return is composed of two elements: the Share dividends paid by the Fund (the amount of which is largely determined by the net investment income of the Fund after paying interest on its leverage) and gains or losses on the value of the securities the Fund owns. As required by SEC rules, the table above assumes that the Fund is more likely to suffer capital losses than to enjoy capital appreciation. For example, to assume a total return of 0% the Fund must assume that the interest it receives on its portfolio investments is entirely offset by losses in the value of those investments.

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Investors should carefully consider the risk factors described below before deciding on whether to make an investment in the Fund.

PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUND

General market risk

The capital markets may experience periods of disruption, instability and volatility due to, among other things, social, political, economic and other conditions and events such as natural disasters, terrorism, epidemics and pandemics. Such conditions may materially and adversely affect the markets globally and the issuers, industries, governments and jurisdictions in which the Fund invests, which may have a significant negative impact on the Fund's performance. These impacts can be exacerbated by failures of governments and societies to adequately respond to an emerging event or threat.

For example, the novel coronavirus and related respiratory disease (COVID-19) outbreak has led to disruptions in local, regional, national and global markets and economies affected thereby. Periods of market disruption and instability, like the one due to the COVID-19 outbreak, could severely adversely impact the companies in which the Fund invests and significantly reduce the Fund's returns. Although it is impossible to predict the precise nature and consequences of these events, or of any political or policy decisions and regulatory changes occasioned by emerging events or uncertainty on applicable laws or regulations that impact the Fund or its portfolio securities, it is clear that these types of events will adversely impact the Fund and its portfolio securities. For example, insurance companies, tenants of properties owned by REITs, and obligors of banks and BDCs in which the Fund invests are being significantly negatively impacted by these emerging events and the uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 outbreak. The COVID-19 outbreak is having, and any future outbreaks could have, an adverse impact on the markets and the economy in general, which could have a material adverse impact on financial institutions, including, among other things, the ability of lenders to originate loans, the volume and type of loans originated, and the volume and type of amendments and waivers granted to borrowers and remedial actions taken in the event of a borrower default, each of which could negatively impact, among other things, the amount and quality of loans available for investment by the Fund's portfolio securities and, consequently, the performance of the Fund.

The COVID-19 outbreak has resulted in the government imposition of various forms of "stay at home" orders and the closing of "non-essential" businesses resulting in significant disruption to the financial institutions in which the Fund invests, including increased loan defaults and/or difficulty in obtaining

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refinancing, difficulty in valuing loans during periods of increased volatility and liquidity issues. Rapidly evolving proposals and/or actions by state and federal governments to address the crisis are impacting markets, businesses and the economy in general. The Fund will be impacted if, among other things, the value of loans, real estate and other assets held on the balance sheets of the companies in which the Fund invests decreases. The Fund will also be negatively affected if the operations and effectiveness of the Adviser or a portfolio company (or any of the key personnel or service providers of the foregoing) are compromised or if necessary or beneficial systems and processes are disrupted. Remote work arrangements for an extended period of time can strain the Adviser's business continuity plan, introducing operational risks and risks related to the Adviser's reliance on third-party service providers for critical business activities including certain communication and information systems. As a result, if the Adviser's business continuity plan fails or one of its third-party service providers experiences operational failures, it may have a material adverse effect on the operation of the Fund, its financial condition, liquidity and cash flows.

The NAV of the Fund and investment return will fluctuate based upon changes in the value of its portfolio securities. The market value of securities in which the Fund invests is based upon the market's perception of value and is not necessarily an objective measure of the securities' value. Other general market risks include: (i) the market may not recognize what the Adviser believes to be the true value or growth potential of the securities held by the Fund; (ii) the earnings of the companies in which the Fund invests will not continue to grow at expected rates, thus causing the price of the underlying securities to decline; (iii) the smaller a company's market capitalization, the greater the potential for price fluctuations and volatility of its securities due to lower trading volume for the stock, less publicly available information about the company and less liquidity in the market for the stock; (iv) the potential for price fluctuations in the securities of a medium capitalization company may be greater than that of a large capitalization company; (v) the Adviser's judgment as to the growth potential or value of a security may prove to be wrong; and (vi) a decline in investor demand for the securities held by the Fund also may adversely affect the value of the securities.

Management risk

The Fund is actively managed and its performance may reflect the Adviser's ability to make decisions which are suited to achieving the Fund's investment objective. Additionally, the Adviser's consideration of certain ESG factors when making investment decisions may affect the Fund's performance relative to that of funds that do not consider ESG factors. Due to its active management, the Fund could underperform other funds with a similar investment objective.

Market discount risk

Shares of closed-end management investment companies frequently trade at a discount from their NAV, which is a risk separate and distinct from the risk that the Fund's NAV could decrease as a result of its investment activities. Although the value of the Fund's net assets is generally considered by market participants in determining whether to purchase or sell Shares, whether investors will realize gains or losses upon the sale of Shares will depend entirely upon whether the market price of Shares at the time of sale is above or below the investor's purchase price for Shares. Because the market price of Shares will be determined by factors such as NAV, dividend and distribution levels (which are dependent, in part, on expenses), supply of and demand for Shares, stability of dividends or distributions, trading volume of Shares, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the Fund, the Fund cannot predict whether Shares will trade at, below or above NAV or at, below or above the initial public offering price. Shares of the Fund are designed primarily for long-term investors; investors in Shares should not view the Fund as a vehicle for trading purposes.

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Limited term risk

Unless the Fund completes an Eligible Tender Offer and converts to perpetual existence, the Fund will terminate on or about the Termination Date. The Fund is not a so called “target date” or “life cycle” fund whose asset allocation becomes more conservative over time as its target date, often associated with retirement, approaches. In addition, the Fund is not a “target term” fund whose investment objective is to return its original NAV on the termination date. **The Fund’s investment objective and policies are not designed to seek to return to investors that purchase Shares in this offering their initial investment of \$20.00 per Share on the Termination Date or in an Eligible Tender Offer, and such investors and investors that purchase Shares after the completion of this offering may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination or in an Eligible Tender Offer. See “Risks—Market Discount Risk.”**

Because the assets of the Fund will be liquidated in connection with the termination, the Fund will incur transaction costs in connection with dispositions of portfolio securities. The Fund does not limit its investments to securities having a maturity date prior to the Termination Date and may be required to sell portfolio securities when it otherwise would not, including at times when market conditions are not favorable, which may cause the Fund to lose money. In particular, the Fund’s portfolio may still have large exposures to illiquid securities as the Termination Date approaches, and losses due to portfolio liquidation may be significant. During the wind-down period, beginning one year before the Termination Date, the Fund may begin liquidating all or a portion of the Fund’s portfolio, and may deviate from its investment policies and may not achieve its investment objective. During the wind-down period, the Fund’s portfolio composition may change as more of its portfolio holdings are called or sold and portfolio holdings are disposed of in anticipation of liquidation. The disposition of portfolio investments by the Fund could cause market prices of such instruments, and hence the NAV and market price of the Shares, to decline. In addition, disposition of portfolio investments will cause the Fund to incur increased brokerage and related transaction expenses. The Fund may receive proceeds from the disposition of portfolio investments that are less than the valuations of such investments by the Fund. Rather than reinvesting the proceeds of matured, called or sold securities, the Fund may invest such proceeds in short-term or other lower yielding securities or hold the proceeds in cash, which may adversely affect its performance and the market price of the Shares. The Fund may distribute the proceeds in one or more liquidating distributions prior to the final liquidation, which may cause fixed expenses to increase when expressed as a percentage of assets under management. Upon a termination, it is anticipated that the Fund will have distributed substantially all of its net assets to Shareholders, although securities for which no market exists or securities trading at depressed prices, if any, may be placed in a liquidating trust. Shareholders will bear the costs associated with establishing and maintaining a liquidating trust, if necessary. Securities placed in a liquidating trust may be held for an indefinite period of time until they can be sold or pay out all of their cash flows. The Fund cannot predict the amount, if any, of securities that will be required to be placed in a liquidating trust.

If the Fund conducts an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund anticipates that funds to pay the aggregate purchase price of Shares accepted for purchase pursuant to the tender offer will be first derived from any cash on hand and then from the proceeds from the sale of portfolio investments held by the Fund. In addition, the Fund may be required to dispose of portfolio investments in connection with any reduction in the Fund’s outstanding leverage necessary in order to maintain the Fund’s desired leverage ratios following a tender offer. The risks related to the disposition of securities in connection with the Fund’s termination also would be present in connection with the disposition of securities in connection with an Eligible Tender Offer. It is likely that during the pendency of a tender offer, and possibly for a time thereafter, the Fund will hold a greater than normal percentage of its total assets in cash and cash equivalents, which may impede the Fund’s ability to achieve its investment objective and decrease returns to Shareholders. If the Fund’s tax basis for the investments sold is less than the sale proceeds, the Fund

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will recognize capital gains, which the Fund will be required to distribute to Shareholders. In addition, the Fund's purchase of tendered Shares pursuant to a tender offer will have tax consequences for tendering Shareholders and may have tax consequences for non-tendering Shareholders. The purchase of Shares by the Fund pursuant to a tender offer will have the effect of increasing the proportionate interest in the Fund of non-tendering Shareholders. All Shareholders remaining after a tender offer will be subject to proportionately higher expenses due to the reduction in the Fund's total assets resulting from payment for the tendered Shares. Such reduction in the Fund's total assets may also result in less investment flexibility, reduced diversification and greater volatility for the Fund, and may have an adverse effect on the Fund's investment performance.

The Fund is not required to conduct an Eligible Tender Offer. If the Fund conducts an Eligible Tender Offer, there can be no assurance that the number of tendered Shares would not result in the Fund's net assets totaling less than the Termination Threshold, in which case the Eligible Tender Offer will be terminated, no Shares will be repurchased pursuant to the Eligible Tender Offer and the Fund will terminate on or before the Termination Date (subject to possible extensions). Following the completion of an Eligible Tender Offer in which the number of tendered Shares would result in the Fund's net assets totaling greater than the Termination Threshold, the Board may eliminate the Termination Date upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. Thereafter, the Fund will have a perpetual existence. The Adviser may have a conflict of interest in recommending to the Board that the Termination Date be eliminated and the Fund have a perpetual existence. The Fund is not required to conduct additional tender offers following an Eligible Tender Offer and conversion to perpetual existence. Therefore, remaining Shareholders may not have another opportunity to participate in a tender offer. Shares of closed-end management investment companies frequently trade at a discount from their NAV, and as a result remaining Shareholders may only be able to sell their Shares at a discount to NAV.

Banks and diversified financials concentration risk

Companies in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials are often subject to extensive governmental regulation and intervention, which may adversely affect the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge and the amount of capital they must maintain. Governmental regulation may change frequently and may have significant adverse consequences for companies in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials, including effects not intended by such regulation. The impact of recent or future regulation in various countries on any individual financial company or on the industries as a whole cannot be predicted. The Fund's emphasis on community banks may make the Fund more economically vulnerable in the event of a downturn in the banking industry. Community banks may face heightened risks of failure during times of economic downturns than larger banks. Community banks may also be subject to greater lending risks than larger banks.

Certain risks may impact the value of investments in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials more severely than those of investments outside these industries, including the risks associated with companies that operate with substantial financial leverage. Companies in the group of industries related to banks and diversified financials may also be adversely affected by increases in interest rates and loan losses, decreases in the availability of money or asset valuations, credit rating downgrades and adverse conditions in other related markets.

Insurance companies, in particular, may be subject to severe price competition and/or rate regulation, which may have an adverse impact on their profitability. Insurance companies are subject to extensive government regulation in some countries and can be significantly affected by changes in interest rates, general economic conditions, price and marketing competition, the imposition of premium rate caps or

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other changes in government regulation or tax law. Different segments of the insurance industry can be significantly affected by mortality and morbidity rates, environmental clean-up costs and catastrophic events such as earthquakes, hurricanes and terrorist acts.

During the financial crisis that began in 2007, the deterioration of the credit markets impacted a broad range of mortgage, asset-backed, auction rate, sovereign debt and other markets, including U.S. and non-U.S. credit and interbank money markets, thereby affecting a wide range of financial institutions and markets. A number of large financial institutions failed during that time, merged with stronger institutions or had significant government infusions of capital. Instability in the financial markets caused certain financial companies to incur large losses. Some financial companies experienced declines in the valuations of their assets, took actions to raise capital (such as the issuance of debt or equity securities), or even ceased operations. Some financial companies borrowed significant amounts of capital from government sources and may face future government-imposed restrictions on their businesses or increased government intervention. Those actions caused the securities of many financial companies to decline in value.

Recently, the spread of COVID-19 has led to extreme market volatility and dislocations in the financial markets, causing significant yield spread widening on fixed income assets, equities sell-offs, evaporating liquidity, and significantly less transparency in the pricing of many asset classes. In March of 2020, the Federal Reserve System and other central banks around the world applied various stimulus tools available to them, including the reduction of short-term interest rates to seek to mitigate the economic impact of the pandemic on global economies. A prolonged reduction in interest rates could adversely impact the earnings of banks and other financial institutions, which could detract from the Fund's performance. In addition, banks are making short-term loan modifications for borrowers impacted by COVID-19, including principal and interest deferrals. Banks have also reduced their investment portfolios to increase cash positions in light of potential liquidity needs and have significantly increased the amount of capital set aside in anticipation of loan defaults. Financial institutions will continue to be subject to unpredictable risks as they adapt to the economic crisis.

The group of industries related to banks and diversified financials is also a target for cyber attacks and may experience technology malfunctions and disruptions. In recent years, cyber attacks and technology failures have become increasingly frequent and have caused significant losses.

Risks specific to the bank and diversified financial group of industries also may include:

Asset quality and credit risk. When financial institutions loan money, commit to loan money or enter into a letter of credit or other contract with a counterparty, they incur credit risk, or the risk of losses if their borrowers do not repay their loans or their counterparties fail to perform according to the terms of their contract. The companies in which the Fund will invest offer a number of products which expose them to credit risk, including loans, leases and lending commitments, derivatives, trading account assets and assets held-for-sale. Financial institutions allow for and create loss reserves against credit risks based on an assessment of credit losses inherent in their credit exposure (including unfunded credit commitments). This process, which is critical to their financial results and condition, requires difficult, subjective and complex judgments, including forecasts of economic conditions and how these economic predictions might impair the ability of their borrowers to repay their loans. As is the case with any such assessments, there is always the chance that the financial institutions in which the Fund invests will fail to identify the proper factors or that they will fail to accurately estimate the impacts of factors that they identify. Failure to identify credit risk factors or the impact of credit factors may result in increased non-performing assets, which will result in increased loss reserve provisioning and reduction in earnings. Poor asset quality can also affect earnings through reduced interest income which can impair a bank's

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ability to service debt obligations or to generate sufficient income for equity holders. Bank failure may result due to inadequate loss reserves, inadequate capital to sustain credit losses or reduced earnings due to non-performing assets. The Fund will not have control over the asset quality of the financial institutions in which the Fund will invest, and these institutions may experience substantial increases in the level of their non-performing assets which may have a material adverse impact on the Fund's investments.

Capital risk. A bank's capital position is extremely important to its overall financial condition and serves as a cushion against losses. U.S. banking regulators have established specific capital requirements for regulated banks. Federal banking regulators proposed amended regulatory capital regulations in response to the Dodd-Frank Act and the international capital and liquidity requirements set forth by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision ("Basel III") protocols which would impose even more stringent capital requirements. In the event that a regulated bank falls below certain capital adequacy standards, it may become subject to regulatory intervention including, but not limited to, being placed into a FDIC-administered receivership or conservatorship. The regulatory provisions under which the regulatory authorities act are intended to protect depositors. The deposit insurance fund and the banking system are not intended to protect stockholders or other investors in other securities issued by a bank or its holding company. The effect of inadequate capital can have a potentially adverse consequence on the institution's financial condition, its ability to operate as a going concern and its ability to operate as a regulated financial institution and may have a material adverse impact on the Fund's investments.

Earnings risk. Earnings are the primary means for financial institutions to generate capital to support asset growth, to provide for loan losses and to support their ability to pay dividends to stockholders. The quantity as well as the quality of earnings can be affected by excessive or inadequately managed credit risk that may result in losses and require additions to loss reserves, or by high levels of market risk that may unduly expose an institution's earnings to volatility in interest rates. The quality of earnings may also be diminished by undue reliance on extraordinary gains, nonrecurring events, or favorable tax effects. Future earnings may be adversely affected by an inability to forecast or control funding and operating expenses, net interest margin compression improperly executed or ill-advised business strategies, or poorly managed or uncontrolled exposure to other risks. Deficient earnings can result in inadequate capital resources to support asset growth or insufficient cash flow to meet the financial institution's near term obligations. Under certain circumstances, this may result in the financial institution being required to suspend operations or the imposition of a cease-and-desist order by regulators which could potentially impair the Fund's investments.

Management risk. The ability of management to identify, measure, monitor and control the risks of an institution's activities and to ensure a financial institution's safe, sound and efficient operation in compliance with applicable laws and regulations are critical. Depending on the nature and scope of an institution's activities, management practices may need to address some or all of the following risks: credit, market, operating, reputation, strategic, compliance, legal, liquidity and other risks. The Fund will not have direct or indirect control over the management of the financial institutions in which the Fund will invest and, given the Fund's long-term investment strategy, it is likely that the management teams and their policies may change. The inability of management to operate their financial institution in a safe, sound and efficient manner in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, or changes in management of financial institutions in which the Fund invests, may have an adverse impact on the Fund's investment.

Litigation risk. Financial institutions face significant legal risks in their businesses, and the volume of claims and amount of damages and penalties claimed in litigation and regulatory proceedings against financial institutions remain high. Substantial legal liability or significant regulatory action against the

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companies in which the Fund invests could have material adverse financial effects or cause significant reputational harm to these companies, which in turn could seriously harm their business prospects. Legal liability or regulatory action against the companies in which the Fund invests could have material adverse financial effects on the Fund and adversely affect the Fund's earnings and book value.

Market risk. The financial institutions in which the Fund will invest are directly and indirectly affected by changes in market conditions. Market risk generally represents the risk that values of assets and liabilities or revenues will be adversely affected by changes in market conditions. Market risk is inherent in the financial instruments associated with the operations and activities including loans, deposits, securities, short-term borrowings, long-term debt, trading account assets and liabilities and derivatives of the financial institutions in which the Fund will invest. Market risk includes, but is not limited to, fluctuations in interest rates, equity and futures prices, changes in the implied volatility of interest rates, equity and futures prices and price deterioration or changes in value due to changes in market perception or actual credit quality of the issuer. Accordingly, depending on the instruments or activities impacted, market risks can have wide ranging, complex adverse effects on the operations and overall financial condition of the financial institutions in which the Fund will invest as well as adverse effects on the Fund's results from operations and overall financial condition.

Monetary policy risk. Monetary policies have had, and will continue to have, significant effects on the operations and results of financial institutions. There can be no assurance that a particular financial institution will not experience a material adverse effect on its net interest income in a changing interest rate environment. Factors such as the liquidity of the global financial markets, and the availability and cost of credit may significantly affect the activity levels of customers with respect to the size, number and timing of transactions. Fluctuation in interest rates, which affect the value of assets and the cost of funding liabilities, are not predictable or controllable, may vary and may impact economic activity in various regions.

Competition. The group of industries related to banks and diversified financials, including the banking sector, is extremely competitive, and it is expected that the competitive pressures will increase. Merger activity in the financial services industry has resulted in and is expected to continue to result in, larger institutions with greater financial and other resources that are capable of offering a wider array of financial products and services. The group of industries related to banks and diversified financials has become considerably more concentrated as numerous financial institutions have been acquired by or merged into other institutions. The majority of financial institutions in which the Fund will invest will be relatively small with significantly fewer resources and capabilities than larger institutions; this size differential puts them at a competitive disadvantage in terms of product offering and access to capital. Technological advances and the growth of e-commerce have made it possible for non-financial institutions and non-bank financial institutions to offer products and services that have traditionally been offered by banking and other financial institutions. It is expected that the cross-industry competition and inter-industry competition will continue to intensify and may be adverse to the financial institutions in which the Fund invests.

Regulatory risk. Financial institutions, including community banks, are subject to various state and federal banking regulations that impact how they conduct business, including but not limited to how they obtain funding, their ability to operate, and the value of the Fund's investments. Changes to these regulations could have an adverse effect on their operations and operating results and the Fund's investments. The Fund expects to make long-term investments in financial institutions that are subject to various state and federal regulations and oversight. Congress, state legislatures and the various bank regulatory agencies frequently introduce proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking industry in response to the Dodd-Frank Act, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the

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“CFPB”) rulemaking or otherwise. The likelihood and timing of any proposals or legislation and the impact they might have on the Fund’s investments in financial institutions affected by such changes cannot be determined and any such changes may be adverse to the Fund’s investments. Ownership of the stock of certain types of regulated banking institutions may subject the Fund to additional regulations. Investments in banking institutions and transactions related to the Fund’s investments may require approval from one or more regulatory authorities. If the Fund were deemed to be a bank holding company or thrift holding company, bank holding companies or thrift holding companies that invest in the Fund would be subject to certain restrictions and regulations. To the extent the Fund invests in brokers, dealers or registered investment advisers, it will do so in compliance with Rule 12d3-1 under the 1940 Act and applicable SEC interpretive positions and guidance thereunder.

BDC risk

Investments in closed-end funds that elect to be treated as BDCs may be subject to a high degree of risk and speculative investing. BDCs typically invest in and lend to small and medium-sized private and certain public companies that may not have access to public equity markets or capital raising. As a result, a BDC’s portfolio typically will include a substantial amount of securities purchased in private placements, and its portfolio may carry risks similar to those of a private equity or private debt fund. Securities that are not publicly registered may be difficult to value and may be difficult to sell at a price representative of their intrinsic value. Small and medium-sized companies also may have fewer lines of business so that changes in any one line of business may have a greater impact on the value of their stock than is the case with a larger company. Some BDCs invest substantially, or even exclusively, in one sector or industry group and therefore carry risk of that particular sector or industry group. To the extent a BDC focuses its investments in a specific sector, the BDC will be susceptible to adverse conditions and economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the specific sector or industry group, which tends to increase volatility and result in higher risk.

Investments in BDCs are also subject to the risk that the management team will be unable to meet the BDC’s investment objective or manage the BDC’s portfolio when the underlying securities are redeemed or sold, particularly during periods of market turmoil and as investors’ perceptions regarding a BDC or its underlying investments change. Common shares of BDCs are not redeemable at the option of the BDC shareholder and, as with shares of other closed-end funds, they may trade in the secondary market at a discount to their NAV. Shares of non-listed BDCs generally do not trade in a secondary market and, accordingly, have little or no liquidity.

BDCs may utilize leverage in their portfolios through borrowings or the issuance of preferred stock. While leverage often serves to increase the yield of a BDC, this leverage also subjects the BDC to increased risks, including the likelihood of increased volatility and the possibility that the BDC’s common share income may fall if the interest rate on any borrowings rises.

Instability in the financial markets or deterioration in credit and financing conditions could have material and adverse consequences on the availability of debt and equity capital relied on by certain BDCs, and the companies in which they invest, to grow or could otherwise increase the costs of such capital and/or result in less favorable terms and conditions, thereby decreasing the investment income or otherwise damaging the business of such BDCs. For example, changes in the economic and business environment attributable to COVID-19, the state and national emergencies that have been declared and the resultant risk the pandemic poses for business disruptions for small and medium-sized companies in which BDCs invest may lead to credit quality decline. Portfolio companies of BDCs are subject to the risks related to the ongoing economic effects of the pandemic, including temporary and permanent business closures, increased unemployment, and the disruption of supply chains. The inability of companies to make timely

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payments on obligations could result in reduced cash flow for BDCs and could adversely impact their ability to make distributions to investors such as the Fund and impact the value of the BDCs' investments. Defaults by portfolio companies could also negatively impact the NAV of BDCs held by the Fund. In addition, disruptions in the global financial markets could impair a BDC's access to credit, reducing its ability to take advantage of investment opportunities.

The Fund may invest in various parts of a BDC's capital structure, including equity, debt and preferred securities. These investments carry the risks generally associated with such asset classes, including the fact that equity and preferred securities are generally subordinated to bonds and other debt securities in terms of priority for payment of income and in the event of a liquidation. In addition, certain types of securities issued by a BDC may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume than other types of securities issued by the BDC and, as a result, may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements or have more limited liquidity. In the event that the Fund acquires equity interests in BDCs, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management fees and other operating expenses incurred by the BDCs and of any performance-based or incentive fees payable by the BDCs, in addition to the expenses paid by the Fund.

BDCs are generally taxed as RICs under Subchapter M of the Code. To qualify and remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders, such BDCs must meet certain source-of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. If a BDC in which the Fund invests fails to qualify as a RIC, such BDC would be liable for federal, and possibly state, corporate taxes on its taxable income and gains. Such failure by a BDC could substantially reduce the BDC's net assets and the amount of income available for distribution to the Fund, which would in turn decrease the total return of the Fund in respect of such investment.

Closed-end fund risk

The Fund is a diversified, closed-end management investment company and designed primarily for long-term investors. Closed-end funds differ from open-end management investment companies (commonly known as mutual funds) because investors in a closed-end fund do not have the right to redeem their shares on a daily basis. Shares of the Fund may trade at a discount to the Fund's NAV. See "Risks—Market Discount Risk."

REIT risk

Investing in REITs involves certain unique risks in addition to those risks associated with investing in the real estate industry in general. An Equity REIT may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REIT. A Mortgage REIT may be affected by the ability of the issuers of its portfolio mortgages to repay their obligations. REITs are dependent upon the skills of their managers and are not necessarily diversified. REITs are generally dependent upon maintaining cash flows to repay borrowings and to make distributions to shareholders and are subject to the risk of default by lessees or borrowers. For example, the recent crisis due to COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted retail purpose commercial real estate operators, as well as hotel and restaurant operators. In addition, it is anticipated that unemployment will continue to rise and the commercial real estate market will slow considerably in the coming months. As a result, REITs may experience adverse impacts when commercial tenants are unwilling or unable to satisfy their obligations or continue to pay rent on time or at all, or choose not to renew their leases or re-lease properties on the same or better terms in the event of nonrenewal or early termination of existing leases. A rise in unemployment will directly impact residential mortgage REITs in a similar fashion when obligors are unable to make mortgage payments on time.

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REITs also are subject to the possibilities of failing to qualify for tax free pass-through of income under the Code, and failing to maintain their exemption from registration under the 1940 Act. REITs whose underlying assets are concentrated in properties used by a particular industry, such as health care, are also subject to risks associated with such industry. By investing in REITs, the Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of the expenses of the REITs. The expenses at the REIT level are not included in the Fund's expense table as acquired fund fees and expenses. REITs (especially Mortgage REITs) are also subject to interest rate risks. When interest rates decline, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations may be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to decline. If the REIT invests in adjustable rate mortgage loans, the interest rates on which are reset periodically and yields on a REIT's investments in such loans will gradually align themselves to reflect changes in market interest rates. This causes the value of such investments to potentially fluctuate less dramatically in response to interest rate fluctuations than would investments in fixed rate obligations. In addition, shares of publicly-traded REITs may trade less frequently than shares of other issuers, which means that purchase and sale transactions in those shares could have a magnified impact on share price, resulting in abrupt or erratic price fluctuations.

The Fund may invest in various parts of a REIT's capital structure, including equity, debt and preferred securities. These investments carry the risks generally associated with such asset classes, including the fact that equity and preferred securities are generally subordinated to bonds and other debt securities in terms of priority for payment of income and in the event of a liquidation. In addition, certain types of securities issued by a REIT may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume than other types of securities issued by the REIT and, as a result, may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements or have more limited liquidity.

Risks relating to various types of REITs and to REITs generally may also include:

Mortgage REIT risk. Mortgage REITs lend money to developers and owners of properties and invest primarily in mortgages and similar real estate interests. Mortgage REITs receive interest payments from the owners of the mortgaged properties. Accordingly, mortgage REITs are subject to the credit risk of the borrowers to whom they extend funds, which is the risk that the borrower will not be able to make timely interest and principal payments on the loan to the mortgage REIT. Mortgage REITs also are subject to the risk that the value of mortgaged properties may be less than the amounts owed on the properties. If a mortgage REIT is required to foreclose on a borrower, the amount recovered in connection with the foreclosure may be less than the amount owed to the mortgage REIT. Mortgage REITs are subject to significant interest rate risk. During periods when interest rates are declining, mortgages are often refinanced or prepaid. Refinancing or prepayment of mortgages may reduce the yield of mortgage REITs. When interest rates decline, the value of a mortgage REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a mortgage REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to decline. In addition, rising interest rates generally increase the costs of obtaining financing, which could cause the value of a mortgage REIT's investments to decline. A mortgage REIT's investment in adjustable rate obligations may react differently to interest rate changes than an investment in fixed rate obligations. As interest rates on adjustable rate mortgage loans are reset periodically, yields on a mortgage REIT's investment in such loans will gradually align themselves to reflect changes in market interest rates, causing the value of such investments to fluctuate less dramatically in response to interest rate fluctuations than would investments in fixed rate obligations. Mortgage REITs typically use leverage (and in many cases, may be highly leveraged), which increases investment risk and could adversely affect a mortgage REIT's operations and market value in periods of rising interest rates, increased interest rate volatility, downturns in the economy, reductions in

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the availability of financing or deterioration in the conditions of the mortgage REIT's mortgage-related assets.

Equity REIT risk. Equity REITs make direct investments in real estate. Equity REITs invest primarily in real properties and may earn rental income from leasing those properties. Equity REITs may also realize gains or losses from the sale of properties. Equity REITs will be affected by conditions in the real estate rental market and by changes in the value of the properties they own. A decline in rental income may occur because of extended vacancies, limitations on rents, the failure to collect rents, increased competition from other properties or poor management. Equity REITs also can be affected by rising interest rates. Rising interest rates may cause investors to demand a high annual yield from future distributions that, in turn, could decrease the market prices for such REITs and for the properties held by such REITs. In addition, rising interest rates also increase the costs of obtaining financing for real estate projects. Because many real estate projects are dependent upon receiving financing, this could cause the value of the Equity REITs in which the Fund invests to decline.

Hybrid REIT risk. Because they combine the characteristics of Mortgage REITs and Equity REITs, Hybrid REITs are subject to the risks associated with both Mortgage REITs and Equity REITs, as described above, and to the risks associated with REITs generally.

REIT tax risk. Qualification as a REIT under the Code in any particular year is a complex analysis that depends on a number of factors. There can be no assurance that an entity in which the Fund invests with the expectation that it will be taxed as a REIT will, in fact, qualify as a REIT. An entity that fails to qualify as a REIT would be subject to a corporate level tax, would not be entitled to a deduction for dividends paid to its shareholders and would not pass through to its shareholders the character of income earned by the entity. Dividends paid by REITs may not receive preferential tax treatment afforded other dividends. The failure of a company to qualify as a REIT could have adverse consequences for the Fund, including significantly reducing the return to the Fund on its investment in such company.

Real estate industry risk. Ownership of real estate is subject to a number of risks, including (i) changes in the general economic climate (such as changes in interest rates or the credit markets) and social and economic trends; (ii) local real estate conditions (such as an oversupply of space or a reduction in demand for space); (iii) the quality and philosophy of management; (iv) competition (such as competition based on rental rates); (v) specific features of properties (such as location); (vi) financial condition of tenants, buyers and sellers of properties; (vii) quality of maintenance, insurance and management services; (viii) changes in operating costs; (ix) government regulations (including those governing usage, improvements, zoning, limitations on rents and taxes); (x) the availability of financing; (xi) difficulties in valuing and disposing of real estate; (xii) risk of casualty or condemnation losses; (xiii) delays in completion of construction; (xiv) losses due to "special hazards" (e.g., floods, earthquakes and hurricanes); (xv) potential liability under environmental and other laws (such as successor liability if investing in existing entities); and (xvi) the possibility of borrowers paying off mortgages sooner than expected, which may lead to reinvestment of assets at lower prevailing interest rates.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that securities owned by the Fund will decline in value or the issuer of a security owned by the Fund will not be able to make interest or principal payments on the security when due because the issuer of the security experiences a decline in its financial circumstances. Certain investments may be exposed to the credit risk of the counterparties with whom the Fund deals.

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Equity risk

The Fund's investments in equity securities may subject the Fund to volatility and the following risks: (i) prices of stock may fall over short or extended periods of time; (ii) cyclical movements of the equity market may cause the value of the Fund's securities to fluctuate drastically from day to day; and (iii) individual companies may report poor results or be negatively affected by industry and or economic trends and developments.

In general, stock values are affected by activities specific to the company as well as general market, economic and political conditions. The NAV of the Fund and investment return will fluctuate based upon changes in the value of its portfolio securities. The market value of securities in which the Fund invests is based upon the market's perception of value and is not necessarily an objective measure of the securities' value. Other general market risks include: (i) the market may not recognize what the Adviser believes to be the true value or growth potential of the stocks held by the Fund; (ii) the earnings of the companies in which the Fund invests will not continue to grow at expected rates, thus causing the price of the underlying stocks to decline; (iii) the smaller a company's market capitalization, the greater the potential for price fluctuations and volatility of its stock due to lower trading volume for the stock, less publicly available information about the company and less liquidity in the market for the stock; (iv) the potential for price fluctuations in the stock of a medium capitalization company may be greater than that of a large capitalization company; (v) the Adviser's judgment as to the growth potential or value of a stock may prove to be wrong; and (vi) a decline in investor demand for the stocks held by the Fund also may adversely affect the value of the securities.

Extension risk

Rising interest rates tend to extend the duration of securities, making them more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The value of longer-term securities generally changes more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. As a result, in a period of rising interest rates, securities may exhibit additional volatility and may lose value.

Fixed-income instruments risk

Changes in interest rates generally will cause the value of fixed-income instruments held by the Fund to vary inversely to such changes. Prices of longer-term fixed-income instruments generally fluctuate more than the prices of shorter-term fixed income instruments as interest rates change. In addition, a fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration. Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security's price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security's yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics. For example, if a portfolio has a duration of three years, and interest rates increase (fall) by 1%, the portfolio would decline (increase) in value by approximately 3%. However, duration may not accurately reflect the true interest rate sensitivity of instruments held by a fund and, therefore, the Fund's exposure to changes in interest rates. A fund with a negative average portfolio duration may increase in value when interest rates rise, and generally incurs a loss when interest rates decline. If an issuer calls or redeems an instrument held by a fund during a time of declining interest rates, the Fund might need to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore may not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates.

Fixed-income instruments that are fixed-rate are generally more susceptible than floating rate instruments to price volatility related to changes in prevailing interest rates. The prices of floating rate

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fixed-income instruments tend to have less fluctuation in response to changes in interest rates, but will have some fluctuation, particularly when the next interest rate adjustment on such security is further away in time or adjustments are limited in amount over time. The Fund may invest in short-term securities that, when interest rates decline, affect the Fund's yield as these securities mature or are sold and the Fund purchases new short-term securities with lower yields. Subordinated debt securities that receive payments of interest and principal after other more senior security holders are paid carry the risk that the issuer will not be able to meet its obligations and that the subordinated investments may lose value. An obligor's willingness and ability to pay interest or to repay principal due in a timely manner may be affected by its cash flow.

Floating or variable rate securities risk

Floating or variable rate securities pay interest at rates that adjust in response to changes in a specified interest rate or reset at predetermined dates (such as the end of a calendar quarter). Securities with floating or variable interest rates are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than securities with fixed interest rates, but may decline in value if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as comparable market interest rates. Conversely, floating or variable rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline. The impact of interest rate changes on floating or variable rate securities is typically mitigated by the periodic interest rate reset of the investments. Floating or variable rate securities can be rated below investment grade or unrated; therefore, the Fund relies heavily on the analytical ability of the Adviser. Lower-rated floating or variable rate securities are subject to many of the same risks as high yield securities, although these risks are reduced when the instruments are senior and secured as opposed to many high yield securities that are junior and unsecured. Floating or variable rate securities are often subject to restrictions on resale, which can result in reduced liquidity.

High-yield securities risk

Below investment grade instruments are commonly referred to as "junk" or high-yield instruments and are regarded as predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal. Lower grade instruments may be particularly susceptible to economic downturns. It is likely that a prolonged or deepening economic recession could adversely affect the ability of the issuers of such instruments to repay principal and pay interest thereon, increase the incidence of default for such instruments and severely disrupt the market value of such instruments. There is no minimum credit quality for securities in which the Fund may invest, provided that not more than 15% of the Fund's net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes may be invested in debt securities rated CCC+ or below by S&P or Fitch Ratings or Caa1 or below by Moody's Investors Service.

Lower grade instruments, though higher yielding, are characterized by higher risk. The retail secondary market for lower grade instruments, which are often thinly traded or subject to irregular trading, may be less liquid than that for higher rated instruments. Such instruments can be more difficult to sell and to value than higher rated instruments because there is generally less public information available about such securities. As a result, subjective judgment may play a greater role in valuing such instruments. Adverse conditions could make it difficult at times for the Fund to sell certain instruments or could result in lower prices than those used in calculating the Fund's NAV. Because of the substantial risks associated with investments in lower grade instruments, investors could lose money on their investment in the Fund, both in the short-term and the long-term.

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Illiquid securities risk

It is expected that a substantial portion of the securities and instruments in which the Fund invests will not trade on any exchange and will be illiquid. The Fund may also invest in restricted securities. Investments in restricted securities could have the effect of increasing the amount of the Fund's assets invested in illiquid securities if qualified institutional buyers are unwilling to purchase these securities.

Illiquid and restricted securities may be difficult to dispose of at a fair price at the times when the Fund believes it is desirable to do so. The market price of illiquid and restricted securities generally is more volatile than that of more liquid securities, which may adversely affect the price that the Fund pays for or recovers upon the sale of such securities. Illiquid and restricted securities are also more difficult to value, especially in challenging markets. The Adviser's judgment may play a greater role in the valuation process. Investment of the Fund's assets in illiquid and restricted securities may restrict the Fund's ability to take advantage of market opportunities. To dispose of an unregistered security, the Fund, where it has contractual rights to do so, may have to cause such security to be registered. A considerable period may elapse between the time the decision is made to sell the security and the time the security is registered, thereby enabling the Fund to sell it. Contractual restrictions on the resale of securities vary in length and scope and are generally the result of a negotiation between the issuer and acquiror of the securities. In either case, the Fund would bear market risks during that period. Liquidity risk may impact the Fund's ability to meet Shareholder repurchase requests and as a result, the Fund may be forced to sell securities at inopportune prices.

Certain fixed-income instruments are not readily marketable and may be subject to restrictions on resale. Fixed-income instruments may not be listed on any national securities exchange and no active trading market may exist for certain of the fixed-income instruments in which the Fund will invest. Where a secondary market exists, the market for some fixed-income instruments may be subject to irregular trading activity, wide bid/ask spreads and extended trade settlement periods. In addition, dealer inventories of certain securities are at historic lows in relation to market size, which indicates a potential for reduced liquidity as dealers may be less able to "make markets" for certain fixed-income securities.

Certain Structured Products may be thinly traded or have a limited trading market. Structured products are typically privately offered and sold, and thus, are not registered under the securities laws, which means less information about the security may be available as compared to publicly offered securities and only certain institutions may buy and sell them. As a result, investments in Structured Products may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities.

Convertible securities risk

The Fund may invest in convertible securities which are preferred stocks or bonds that pay a fixed dividend or interest payment and are convertible into common stock or other equity interests at a specified price or conversion ratio during a specified period. Although convertible bonds, convertible preferred stocks and other securities convertible into equity securities may have some attributes of income securities or debt securities, the Fund generally treats such securities as equity securities. By investing in convertible securities, the Fund may seek income, and may also seek the opportunity, through the conversion feature, to participate in the capital appreciation of the common stock or other interests into which the securities are convertible, while potentially earning a higher fixed rate of return than is ordinarily available in common stocks. While the value of convertible securities depends in part on interest rate changes and the credit quality of the issuers, the value of these securities will also change based on changes in the value of the underlying stock. Income paid by a convertible security may provide

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a limited cushion against a decline in the price of the security; however, convertible securities generally have less potential for gain than common stocks. Also, convertible bonds generally pay less income than non-convertible bonds.

Senior debt, subordinated debt and preferred securities of banks and diversified financial companies risk

Banks may issue subordinated debt securities, which have a lower priority to full payment behind other more senior debt securities. This means, for example, that if the issuing bank were to become insolvent, subordinated debt holders may not receive a full return of their principal because the bank would have to satisfy the claims of senior debt holders first. To the extent a bank in which the Fund invests were to be placed into a FDIC-administered receivership or conservatorship, the Fund would not be entitled to the same rights that it would have as a creditor in a typical bankruptcy proceeding, and creditors of failed banking organizations typically receive little or no recovery. See “Risks—Banks and Diversified Financials Concentration Risk—Capital risk.” In addition to the risks generally associated with fixed income instruments (*e.g.*, interest rate risk, credit risk, etc.), bank subordinated debt is also subject to risks inherent to banks. Because banks are highly regulated and operate in a highly competitive environment, it may be difficult for a bank to meet its debt obligations. Banks also may be affected by changes in legislation and regulations applicable to the financial markets. This is especially true in light of the large amount of regulatory developments in recent years. Bank subordinated debt is often issued by smaller community banks that may be overly concentrated in a specific geographic region, lack the capacity to comply with new regulatory requirements or lack adequate capital. Smaller banks may also have a lower capacity to withstand negative developments in the market in general. If any of these or other factors were to negatively affect a bank’s operations, the bank could fail to make payments on its debt obligations, which would hurt the Fund’s bank subordinated debt investments.

Preferred securities are subject to risks associated with both equity and debt instruments. Because some preferred securities allow the issuer to convert its preferred stock into common stock, preferred securities are often sensitive to declining common stock values. In addition, certain preferred securities contain provisions that allow an issuer to skip or defer distributions, which may be more likely when the issuer is less able to make dividend payments as a result of financial difficulties. Preferred securities can also be affected by changes in interest rates, especially if dividends are paid at a fixed rate, and may also include call features in favor of the issuer. In the event of redemptions by the issuer, the Fund may not be able to reinvest the proceeds at comparable or favorable rates of return. Preferred securities are generally subordinated to bonds and other debt securities in an issuer’s capital structure in terms of priority for corporate income and liquidation payments, and may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than many other securities.

Although the Fund will invest in securities and other obligations of FDIC-insured depository institutions and their affiliates, neither those securities and obligations nor your investment in the Fund will be protected by FDIC insurance.

Structured Products risk

The Structured Products in which the Fund may invest include community bank debt securitizations and other asset-backed securities and debt securitizations (which may be referred to as collateralized debt securities or CDOs), which are collateralized by a portfolio consisting primarily of unsecured, subordinated loans made to, and unsecured, subordinated debentures, notes or other securities issued by, community banks or other financial institutions. Holders of Structured Products bear risks of the

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underlying assets and are subject to counterparty risk. The Fund (and other investors in the Structured Product) ultimately bear the credit risk associated with the underlying assets. Most Structured Products are issued in multiple tranches that offer investors various maturity and credit risk characteristics, which are often categorized as senior, mezzanine, and subordinated/equity. The Fund may invest in any tranche of a Structured Product, including the subordinated/equity tranches.

The ability of the Structured Product to make distributions will be subject to various limitations, including the terms and covenants of the debt it issues. For example, performance tests (based on interest coverage or other financial ratios or other criteria) may restrict the Fund's ability, as holder of the equity interests in a Structured Product, to receive cash flow from these investments. There is no assurance any such performance tests will be satisfied. Also, a Structured Product may take actions that delay distributions in order to preserve ratings and to keep the cost of present and future financings lower or the Structured Product may be obligated to retain cash or other assets to satisfy over-collateralization requirements commonly provided for holders of the Structured Product's debt. As a result, there may be a lag, which could be significant, between the repayment or other realization on a loan or other assets in, and the distribution of cash out of, a Structured Product, or cash flow may be completely restricted for the life of the Structured Product. If the Fund does not receive cash flow from any such Structured Product that is necessary to satisfy the annual distribution requirement for maintaining the Fund's RIC status, and the Fund is unable to obtain cash from other sources necessary to satisfy this requirement, the Fund could fail to maintain its status as a RIC, which would have a material adverse effect on the Fund's financial performance.

If applicable accounting pronouncements or SEC staff guidance require the Fund to consolidate the Structured Product's financial statements with the Fund's financial statements, any debt issued by the Structured Product would be generally treated as if it were issued by the Fund for purposes of the asset coverage ratio applicable to the Fund. Further, there can be no assurance that a bankruptcy court, in the exercise of its broad equitable powers, would not order that the Fund's assets and liabilities be substantively consolidated with those of a Structured Product, rather than kept separate, and that creditors of the Structured Product would have claims against the consolidated bankruptcy estate (including the Fund's assets). If a Structured Product is not consolidated with the Fund, the Fund's only interest in the Structured Product will be the value of its retained subordinated interest and the income allocated to it, which may be more or less than the cash the Fund received from the Structured Product, and none of the Structured Product's liabilities would be reflected as the Fund's liabilities. If the assets of a Structured Product are not consolidated with the Fund's assets and liabilities, then the leverage incurred by such Structured Product may or may not be treated as borrowings by the Fund for purposes applicable limitations on the Fund's ability to issue debt.

The Fund generally may have the right to receive payments only from the Structured Product, and generally does not have direct rights against the issuer or the entity that sold the underlying collateral assets. While certain Structured Products enable the investor to acquire interests in a pool of securities without the brokerage and other expenses associated with directly holding the same securities, investors in Structured Products generally pay their share of the Structured Product's administrative and other expenses. Although it is difficult to predict whether the prices of assets underlying Structured Products will rise or fall, these prices (and, therefore, the prices of Structured Products) will be influenced by the same types of political and economic events that affect issuers of securities and capital markets generally. If the issuer of a Structured Product uses shorter-term financing to purchase longer-term securities, the issuer may be forced to sell its securities at below-market prices if it experiences difficulty in obtaining short-term financing, which may adversely affect the value of the Structured Products owned by the Fund.

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The activities of the issuers of certain Structured Products, including bank debt securitizations, will generally be directed by a collateral manager. In the Fund's capacity as holder of interests in such a Structured Product, the Fund is generally not able to make decisions with respect to the management, disposition or other realization of any investment, or other decisions regarding the business and affairs, of the Structured Product. Consequently, the success of the securitizations in will depend, in part, on the financial and managerial expertise of the collateral manager. Subject to certain exceptions, any change in the investment professionals of the collateral manager will not present grounds for termination of the collateral management agreement. In addition, such investment professionals may not devote all of their professional time to the affairs of the Structured Product. There can be no assurance that for any Structured Product, in the event that underlying instruments are prepaid, the collateral manager will be able to reinvest such proceeds in new instruments with equivalent investment returns. If the collateral manager cannot reinvest in new instruments with equivalent investment returns, the interest proceeds available to pay interest on the Structured Product may be adversely affected. The Structured Products in which the Fund invests are generally not registered as investment companies under the 1940 Act. As investors in these Structured Products, the Fund is not afforded the protections that shareholders in an investment company registered under the 1940 Act would have.

Certain Structured Products may be thinly traded or have a limited trading market. Structured products are typically privately offered and sold, and thus, are not registered under the securities laws, which means less information about the security may be available as compared to publicly offered securities and only certain institutions may buy and sell them. As a result, investments in Structured Products may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities. An active dealer market may exist for certain of these investments that can be resold in Rule 144A transactions, but there can be no assurance that such a market will exist or will be active enough for the Fund to sell such securities. In addition, certain Structured Products may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and, historically, the trading volume has been small relative to other markets. Structured Products may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank and/or borrower. To the extent a trading market exists for a Structured Product, the market value may be affected by a variety of factors, including changes in the market value or dividends paid by the underlying collateral of the Structured Product; prepayments, defaults and recoveries on the underlying collateral; and other risks associated with the underlying collateral. The leveraged nature of equity interests in Structured Products are likely to magnify the adverse impact of such factors on equity interests in Structured Products. Because of the limited market, there may be less information available to investors regarding the underlying assets of a Structured Product than if the investors invested directly in the debt of the underlying obligors.

In addition to the general risks associated with fixed-income securities discussed herein, Structured Products carry additional risks, including, but not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default; (iii) the possibility that the investments in Structured Products are subordinate to other classes or tranches thereof; and (iv) the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results.

To the extent that an affiliate of the Adviser serves as the sponsor and/or collateral manager of a Structured Product in which the Fund invests, or the Adviser or its affiliates hold other interests in Structured Products in which the Fund invests, the Fund may be limited in its ability to participate in certain transactions with the Structured Product and may not be able to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product if no secondary market exists for the interests. Even if a secondary market exists, the

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Adviser or its affiliates at times may possess material non-public information that may restrict the Fund's ability to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product. The Fund does not currently contemplate making investments in any specific investments sponsored by the Adviser or an affiliate; however, to the extent the Fund does, it will do so only as permitted under the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder.

Additional risks relating to investing in the subordinated/equity tranche of Structured Products.

Up to all of the Fund's investments in Structured Products may be in the subordinated/equity tranches. Investments in the equity tranches of Structured Products typically represent the first loss position, are unrated and are subject to greater risk. To the extent that any losses are incurred by the Structured Product in respect of any collateral, such losses will be borne first by the owners of the equity interests, which may include the Fund. Any equity interests that the Fund holds in a Structured Product will not be secured by the assets of the Structured Product or guaranteed by any party, and the Fund will rank behind all creditors of the Structured Product, including the holders of the secured notes issued by the Structured Product. Equity interests are typically subject to certain payment restrictions in the indenture governing the senior tranches. Accordingly, equity interests may not be paid in full, may be adversely impacted by defaults by a relatively small number of underlying assets held by the Structured Product and may be subject to up to 100% loss. Structured Products may be highly levered, and therefore equity interests may be subject to a higher risk of loss, including the potential for total loss. The market value of equity interests may be significantly affected by a variety of factors, including changes in interest rates, changes in the market value of the collateral held by the securitization, defaults and recoveries on that collateral and other risks associated with that collateral. The leveraged nature of equity interest is likely to magnify these impacts. Equity interests typically do not have a fixed coupon and payments on equity interests will be based on the income received from the underlying collateral and the payments made to the senior tranches, both of which may be based on floating rates. While the payments on equity interest will be variable, equity interests may not offer the same level of protection against changes in interest rates as other floating rate instruments. Equity interests are typically illiquid investments and subject to extensive transfer restrictions, and no party is under any obligation to make a market for equity interests. At times, there may be no market for equity interests, and the Fund may not be able to sell or otherwise transfer equity interests at their fair value, or at all, in the event that it determines to sell them.

Derivatives risk

The Fund's derivative investments have risks, including the imperfect correlation between the value of such instruments and the underlying asset, rate or index, which creates the possibility that the loss on such instruments may be greater than the gain in the value of the underlying asset, rate or index; the loss of principal; the possible default of the other party to the transaction; and illiquidity of the derivative investments. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding, or may not recover at all. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of a counterparty to a derivative transaction, the derivative contract would typically be terminated at its fair market value. If the Fund is owed this fair market value in the termination of the derivative contract and its claim is unsecured, the Fund will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty, and will not have any claim with respect to the underlying security. Certain of the derivative investments in which the Fund may invest may, in certain circumstances, give rise to a form of financial leverage, which may magnify the risk of owning such instruments. The ability to successfully use derivative investments depends on the ability of the Adviser to predict pertinent market movements, which cannot be assured. In addition, amounts paid by the Fund as premiums and cash or other assets held in margin accounts with respect to the Fund's derivative

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investments would not be available to the Fund for other investment purposes, which may result in lost opportunities for gain.

The derivative instruments and techniques that the Fund may principally use include:

Futures. A futures contract is a standardized agreement to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specific price at a specific future time. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of the underlying instrument. Depending on the terms of the particular contract, futures contracts are settled through either physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date. A decision as to whether, when and how to use futures involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well-conceived futures transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. In addition to the derivatives risks discussed above, the prices of futures can be highly volatile, using futures can lower total return, and the potential loss from futures can exceed the Fund's initial investment in such contracts.

Options. If the Fund buys an option, it buys a legal contract giving it the right to buy or sell a specific amount of the underlying instrument or futures contract on the underlying instrument at an agreed-upon price typically in exchange for a premium paid by the Fund. If the Fund sells an option, it sells to another person the right to buy from or sell to the Fund a specific amount of the underlying instrument or futures contract on the underlying instrument at an agreed-upon price typically in exchange for a premium received by the Fund. A decision as to whether, when and how to use options involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well-conceived option transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. The prices of options can be highly volatile and the use of options can lower total returns.

Swaps. A swap contract is an agreement between two parties pursuant to which the parties exchange payments at specified dates on the basis of a specified notional amount, with the payments calculated by reference to specified securities, indexes, reference rates, currencies or other instruments. Most swap agreements provide that when the period payment dates for both parties are the same, the payments are made on a net basis (*i.e.*, the two payment streams are netted out, with only the net amount paid by one party to the other). The Fund's obligations or rights under a swap contract entered into on a net basis will generally be equal only to the net amount to be paid or received under the agreement, based on the relative values of the positions held by each counterparty. Swap agreements are particularly subject to counterparty credit, liquidity, valuation, correlation and leverage risk. Certain standardized swaps are now subject to mandatory central clearing requirements and others are now required to be exchange-traded. While central clearing and exchange-trading are intended to reduce counterparty and liquidity risk, they do not make swap transactions risk-free. Swaps could result in losses if interest rate or foreign currency exchange rates or credit quality changes are not correctly anticipated by the Fund or if the reference index, security or investments do not perform as expected. The Fund's use of swaps may include those based on the credit of an underlying security, commonly referred to as "credit default swaps." Where the Fund is the buyer of a credit default swap contract, it would be entitled to receive the par (or other agreed-upon) value of a referenced debt obligation from the counterparty to the contract only in the event of a default or similar event by a third party on the debt obligation. If no default occurs, the Fund would have paid to the counterparty a periodic stream of payments over the term of the contract and received no benefit from the contract. When the Fund is the seller of a credit default swap contract, it receives the stream of payments but is obligated to pay an amount equal to the par (or other agreed-upon) value of a referenced debt obligation upon the default or similar event of that obligation. The use of credit default swaps can result in losses if the Fund's assumptions regarding the

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creditworthiness of the underlying obligation prove to be incorrect. The Fund will “cover” its swap positions by segregating an amount of cash and/or liquid securities as required by the 1940 Act and applicable SEC interpretations and guidance from time to time. In cases where the Fund is the writer, or seller, of a swap agreement, the segregated amount will be equal to the full, un-netted amount of the Fund’s contractual obligation (the “notional amount”).

Interest rate risk

Rising interest rates tend to extend the duration of securities, making them more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The value of longer-term securities generally changes more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. As a result, in a period of rising interest rates, securities may exhibit additional volatility and may lose value.

LIBOR risk

Instruments in which the Fund invests may pay interest at floating rates based on LIBOR or may be subject to interest caps or floors based on LIBOR. The Fund and issuers of instruments in which the Fund invests may also obtain financing at floating rates based on LIBOR. Derivative instruments utilized by the Fund and/or issuers of instruments in which the Fund may invest may also reference LIBOR. The Fund also may utilize leverage or borrowings primarily based on LIBOR. Regulators and law-enforcement agencies from a number of governments, including entities in the United States, Japan, Canada and the United Kingdom, have conducted or are conducting civil and criminal investigations into whether the banks that contributed to the British Bankers’ Association, or the “BBA,” in connection with the calculation of daily LIBOR may have been manipulating or attempting to manipulate LIBOR. Several financial institutions have reached settlements with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”), the U.S. Department of Justice Fraud Section and the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority in connection with investigations by such authorities into submissions made by such financial institutions to the bodies that set LIBOR and other interbank offered rates. Additional investigations remain ongoing with respect to other major banks. There can be no assurance that there will not be additional admissions or findings of rate-setting manipulation or that manipulations of LIBOR or other similar interbank offered rates will not be shown to have occurred. ICE Benchmark Administration Limited assumed the role of LIBOR administrator from the BBA on February 1, 2014. Any new administrator of LIBOR may make methodological changes to the way in which LIBOR is calculated or may alter, discontinue or suspend calculation or dissemination of LIBOR.

In July 2017, the head of the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority announced the desire to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. There is currently no definitive information regarding the future utilization of LIBOR or of any particular replacement rate. Abandonment of or modifications to LIBOR could have adverse impacts on newly issued financial instruments and existing financial instruments which reference LIBOR. The effect of a phase out of LIBOR on U.S. community bank subordinated debt and other instruments in which the Fund may invest is currently unclear. While some instruments may contemplate a scenario where LIBOR is no longer available by providing for an alternative rate setting methodology, not all instruments may have such provisions, and there is significant uncertainty regarding the effectiveness of any such alternative methodologies. To the extent that any replacement rate utilized for community bank subordinated debt securities or other securities differs from that utilized for a Structured Product that holds those loans, the Structured Product would experience an interest rate mismatch between its assets and liabilities. Structured Products generally contemplate a scenario where LIBOR is no longer available by requiring the Structured Product’s administrator to calculate a replacement rate primarily through dealer polling on the applicable

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measurement date. However, there is uncertainty regarding the effectiveness of the dealer polling processes, including the willingness of banks to provide such quotations. Recently, some Structured Products have included, or have been amended to include, language permitting the Structured Product's investment manager to implement a market replacement rate upon the occurrence of certain material disruption events. However, not all Structured Products may adopt such provisions, nor can there be any assurance that Structured Products' investment managers will undertake the suggested amendments when able. Abandonment of or modifications to LIBOR could lead to significant short-term and long-term uncertainty and market instability. It remains uncertain how such changes would be implemented and the effects such changes would have on the Fund, issuers of instruments in which the Fund invests and financial markets generally.

In the past, the level of three-month LIBOR has experienced significant fluctuations. Historical levels, fluctuations and trends of three-month LIBOR are not necessarily indicative of future levels. Any historical upward or downward trend in three-month LIBOR is not an indication that three-month LIBOR is more or less likely to increase or decrease at any time during a particular floating rate period, and historical levels of three-month LIBOR should not be taken into account as an indication of its future performance.

Leverage risk

Although the Fund presently intends to utilize leverage, there can be no assurance that the Fund will do so, or that, if utilized, it will be successful during any period in which it is employed. Leverage is a speculative technique that exposes the Fund to greater risk and higher costs than if it were not implemented. The Fund anticipates using leverage through borrowings from certain financial institutions or the use of reverse repurchase agreements. The Fund is permitted to obtain leverage using any form or combination of financial leverage instruments, including through funds borrowed from banks or other financial institutions (*i.e.*, a credit facility), margin facilities, the issuance of preferred shares or notes and the leverage attributable to reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls or similar transactions or derivatives that have the effect of leverage in an aggregate amount up to 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets) immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund may use leverage opportunistically and may choose to increase or decrease its leverage, or use different types or combinations of leveraging instruments, at any time based on the Adviser's assessment of market conditions and the investment environment. Managed Assets includes assets attributable to financial leverage instruments of any form. The Fund's total leverage, either through borrowings, preferred stock issuance or effective leverage, may not exceed 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets.

The use of leverage through borrowing of money or the issuance of preferred shares to purchase additional securities creates an opportunity for increased net investment income, but also creates risks for the holders of Shares, including increased variability of the Fund's net income, distributions and/or NAV in relation to market changes. Increases and decreases in the value of the Fund's portfolio will be magnified when the Fund uses leverage. As a result, leverage may cause greater changes in the Fund's NAV, which could have a material adverse impact on the Fund's business, financial condition and results of operations. The Fund will also have to pay interest and dividends on its borrowings, which may reduce the Fund's current income. This interest expense may be greater than the Fund's current income on the underlying investment. The Fund's leveraging strategy may not be successful. The use of leverage to purchase additional investments creates an opportunity for increased Share dividends, but also creates special risks and considerations for the Shareholders, including:

- The likelihood of greater volatility of NAV, market price and dividend rate of the Shares than a comparable portfolio without leverage;

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- The risk that fluctuations in interest rates on borrowings and short-term debt or in the interest or dividend rates on any leverage that the Fund must pay will reduce the return to the Shareholders;
- The effect of leverage in a declining market, which is likely to cause a greater decline in the NAV of the Shares than if the Fund were not leveraged, may result in a greater decline in the market price of the Shares;
- When the Fund uses financial leverage, the investment advisory fees payable to the Adviser will be higher than if the Fund did not use leverage, including periods when the Fund is losing money, and because the fees paid will be calculated based on the Fund's Managed Assets there may be a financial incentive to the Adviser to increase the Fund's use of leverage and create an inherent conflict of interests;
- Leverage increases operating costs, which will be borne entirely by the Shareholders and may reduce total return; and
- Certain types of borrowings and issuances of preferred stock by the Fund may result in the Fund being subject to covenants relating to asset coverage and Fund composition requirements.

The Adviser intends to leverage the Fund only when it believes that the potential return on the additional investments acquired through the use of leverage is likely to exceed the costs incurred in connection with the use of leverage and is in the best interests of the Fund. To seek to manage any potential conflicts of interest that may arise in connection with its use of leverage, the Adviser will periodically review its performance and use of leverage with the Board.

If the Fund enters into a credit facility, the Fund may be required to prepay outstanding amounts or incur a penalty rate of interest upon the occurrence of certain events of default. The Fund would also likely have to indemnify the lenders under the credit facility against liabilities they may incur in connection therewith. In addition, the Fund expects that any credit facility would contain covenants that, among other things, likely would limit the Fund's ability to pay distributions in certain circumstances, incur additional debt, change certain of its investment policies and engage in certain transactions, including mergers and consolidations, and require asset coverage ratios in addition to those required by the 1940 Act. The Fund may be required to pledge its assets and to maintain a portion of its assets in cash or high-grade securities as a reserve against interest or principal payments and expenses.

Reverse repurchase agreements involve the risks that the interest income earned on the investment of the proceeds will be less than the interest expense and fund expenses, that the market value of the securities sold by the Fund may decline below the price of the securities the Fund is obligated to repurchase and that the securities may not be returned to the Fund. There is no assurance that reverse repurchase agreements can be successfully employed.

The Fund may in the future issue preferred shares as a form of financial leverage. Any such preferred shares of the Fund would be senior to the Fund's Shares, such that holders of preferred shares would have priority over the distribution of the Fund's assets, including dividends and liquidating distributions. If preferred shares are issued and outstanding, holders of the preferred shares would elect two trustees of the Fund, voting separately as a class.

A decline in the Fund's NAV could affect the ability of the Fund to make dividend payments. If the asset coverage for preferred shares or debt securities declines to less than two hundred or three hundred percent, respectively (as a result of market fluctuations or otherwise), the Fund may have to sell a portion of its investments at an inopportune time.

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Conflicts of interest risk

There are significant and potential conflicts of interest that could impact the Fund's investment returns, including the potential for portfolio managers to devote unequal time and attention to the management of the Fund and any other accounts managed; identify a limited investment opportunity that may be suitable for more than one client; and acquire material non-public information or otherwise be restricted from trading in certain potential investments. While the Fund generally may not purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates directly from the issuer thereof, the Fund may, under certain circumstances, purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates from third parties in secondary market transactions. The Fund does not currently contemplate making investments in any specific investments sponsored by the Adviser or an affiliate; however, to the extent the Fund does, it will do so only as permitted under the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. To the extent that the Fund holds Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates, or holds Structured Products in which the Adviser or its affiliates also hold interests, certain conflicts of interest may arise. The Fund may be limited in its ability to participate in certain transactions with the Structured Product and may not be able to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product if no secondary market exists for the interests. Additionally, because the amount of fees paid to the Adviser for its services is based on Managed Assets, the fees paid to the Adviser will be higher if the Fund uses leverage, which may create an incentive for the Adviser to leverage the Fund or increase the Fund's use of leverage.

Distributions risk

The Fund's distributions may include a return of capital, thus reducing a Shareholder's cost basis in his or her Fund Shares and reducing the amount of capital available to the Fund for investment and likely increasing the Fund's expense ratio. A Shareholder who receives a capital distribution may be subject to tax even though the Shareholder has experienced a net loss on his or her investment in the Fund. Shareholders who periodically receive payment of a distribution consisting of a return of capital may be under the impression that they are receiving net income or profits when they are not. A return of capital to Shareholders is a return of a portion of their original investment in the Fund. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Fund is net income or profit.

Trust preferred securities risk

The risks associated with TruPS include those risks typically associated with debt securities and preferred securities, including the risk of default. TruPS are typically subordinated to other classes of debt of the bank or other financial institution. As a result, the risk of recovery in case of default is higher for these securities than senior debt securities. Because the issuer is typically able to defer or skip payments for up to five years without being in default, distributions may not be made for extended periods of time. These securities are also subject to prepayment risk. Holders of TruPS generally have limited voting rights to control the activities of the trust and no voting rights with respect to the parent corporation. The market for TruPS may be limited due to restrictions on resale, and the market value may be more volatile than those of conventional debt securities. Many TruPS are issued by trusts or other special purpose entities established by banks and financial institutions and are not a direct obligation of banks and other financial institutions.

Prepayment risk

When interest rates decline, fixed income securities with stated interest rates may have their principal paid earlier than expected. This may result in the Fund having to reinvest that money at lower prevailing interest rates, which can reduce the returns of the Fund.

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International securities risk

Certain foreign countries may impose exchange control regulations, restrictions on repatriation of profit on investments or of capital invested, local taxes on investments and restrictions on the ability of issuers of non-U.S. securities to make payments of principal and interest to investors located outside the country, whether from currency blockage or otherwise. In addition, the Fund will be subject to risks associated with adverse political and economic developments in foreign countries, including seizure or nationalization of foreign deposits, the imposition of economic sanctions, different legal systems and laws relating to bankruptcy and creditors' rights and the potential inability to enforce legal judgments, all of which could cause the Fund to lose money on its investments in non-U.S. securities. The cost of servicing external debt will also generally be adversely affected by rising international interest rates, as many external debt obligations bear interest at rates which are adjusted based upon international interest rates. Because non-U.S. securities may trade on days when the Fund's Shares are not priced, NAV may change at times when the Fund's Shares cannot be sold.

Foreign banks and securities depositories at which the Fund holds its international securities and cash may be recently organized or new to the foreign custody business and may be subject to only limited or no regulatory oversight. Additionally, many foreign governments do not supervise and regulate stock exchanges, brokers and the sale of securities to the same extent as does the United States and may not have laws to protect investors that are comparable to U.S. securities laws. Settlement and clearance procedures in certain foreign markets may result in delays in payment for or delivery of securities not typically associated with settlement and clearance of U.S. investments.

Less information may be publicly available with respect to foreign issuers than is available with respect to U.S. companies. Accounting standards in non-U.S. countries may differ from U.S. accounting standards. If the accounting standards in another country do not require as much detail as U.S. accounting standards, it may be more difficult to completely and accurately assess a company's financial condition.

The volume of transactions on foreign stock exchanges is generally lower than the volume of transactions on U.S. exchanges. Therefore, the market for securities that trade on foreign stock exchanges may be less liquid and their prices may be more volatile than securities that trade on U.S. securities. In recent years, the European financial markets have experienced volatility and adverse trends due to concerns about economic downturns in, or rising government debt levels of, several European countries. These events may spread to other countries in Europe, including countries that do not use the Euro. These events may affect the value and liquidity of certain of the Fund's investments.

Unrated securities risk

The Fund may purchase unrated securities which are not rated by a rating agency if the Adviser determines that the security is of comparable quality to a rated security that the Fund may purchase. Unrated securities may be less liquid than comparable rated securities and involve the risk that the Adviser may not accurately evaluate the security's comparative credit rating. Analysis of creditworthiness of issuers of high yield securities may be more complex than for issuers of higher-quality debt securities. To the extent that the Fund purchases unrated securities, the Fund's success in achieving its investment objective may depend more heavily on the Adviser's creditworthiness analysis than if the Fund invested exclusively in rated securities.

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Large investors risk

Ownership of Shares of the Fund may be concentrated among certain institutional investors who purchase Shares. The ownership of large numbers of Shares of the Fund by one or more institutional investors could, depending on the size of such ownership, result in such investors being in a position to exercise significant influence on matters put to a vote of Shareholders. Dispositions of Shares by large investors could adversely impact the market price and premium or discount to NAV at which the Shares trade. As a result of the concentration of a significant portion of the Fund's outstanding Shares among a limited number of investors and the applicable restrictions on resale, the trading volume of Shares may be lesser than that of funds of a similar size whose shares are more widely held. As a result, there may be less secondary market liquidity for the Shares, the Shares may be subject to wider bid-ask spreads and the market price of the Shares may fluctuate more sharply.

Limited investment opportunities risk

Certain markets in which the Fund may invest are extremely competitive for attractive investment opportunities and, as a result, there may be reduced expected investment returns. The market for debt issued by financial institutions is more limited than the market for other debt issuances. There can be no assurance that sufficient investment opportunities will be available. The Fund's primary competitors in providing financing and capital to financial institutions include public and private funds, commercial banks, investment banks, correspondent banks, commercial financing companies, high net worth individuals, private equity funds and hedge funds. Some of the Fund's competitors may be substantially larger than the Fund and may have access to greater financial, technical, and marketing resources than the Fund. There can be no assurance that the Adviser will be able to identify or successfully pursue attractive investment opportunities in such environments. Among other factors, competition for suitable investments from other pooled investment vehicles and other classes of investors may reduce the availability of investment opportunities. Certain of the Fund's competitors may not be subject to the regulatory restrictions that the 1940 Act imposes on the Fund as an investment company or to the source-of-income, asset diversification and distribution requirements the Fund intends to satisfy to qualify as a RIC. Certain competitors may also have higher risk tolerances or different risk assumptions, which could allow them to consider a wider array of investment opportunities than the Fund intends to consider. There has been significant growth in the number of firms organized to make investments similar to those which the Fund intends to make, which may result in increased competition to the Fund in obtaining suitable investments. Additionally, the Adviser may have to allocate the available investment opportunities between various other Funds and accounts managed by the Adviser with similar investment strategies. Such allocation decisions will be made subject to the Adviser's Trade Aggregation and Allocation Policies and Procedures. There may also be competition to sell investments. If many investment funds that pursue similar strategies were forced to liquidate positions at the same time, market liquidity would be reduced, which may cause prices to drop, and volatility to increase and may exacerbate the losses of the Fund.

Limited operating history risk

The Fund is a newly organized, diversified, closed-end investment company with limited operating history. As a result, prospective investors in the Fund have limited track record or history for the Fund on which to base their investment decision. The Fund is subject to all of the business risks and uncertainties associated with any new business, including the risk that the Fund will not achieve its investment objective.

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Maturity and duration risk

Prices of longer-term fixed-income instruments generally fluctuate more than the prices of shorter-term fixed income instruments as interest rates change. In addition, a fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration. Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security's price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security's yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics. For example, if a portfolio has a duration of three years, and interest rates increase (fall) by 1%, the portfolio would decline (increase) in value by approximately 3%.

Liquidity and valuation risk

It may be difficult for the Fund to purchase and sell particular investments within a reasonable time at a favorable price. The capacity of traditional fixed-income market makers has not kept pace with the consistent growth in the fixed-income markets in recent years, which has led to reductions in the capacity of such market makers to engage in fixed-income trading and, as a result, dealer inventories of corporate fixed-income and floating rate instruments are at or near historic lows relative to market size. These concerns may be more pronounced in the case of high yield fixed-income and floating rate instruments than higher quality fixed-income instruments. Market makers tend to provide stability and liquidity to debt-securities markets through their intermediary services, and their reduced capacity and number could lead to diminished liquidity and increased volatility in the fixed-income markets. In addition, the Fund's ability to sell an instrument under favorable conditions may be negatively impacted by, among other things, the sale of the same or similar instruments by other market participants at the same time.

To the extent that there is not an established liquid market for instruments in which the Fund invests, or there is a reduced number or capacity of traditional market makers with respect to certain instruments, trading in such instruments may be relatively inactive or irregular. In addition, during periods of reduced market liquidity or market turmoil, or in the absence of readily accessible market quotations for an investment in the Fund's portfolio, the ability of the Fund to assign an accurate daily value to that investment may be limited and the Adviser may be required to perform a fair valuation of the instrument. Fair value determinations are inherently subjective and reflect good faith judgments based on available information. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the determination of an instrument's fair value, conducted in accordance with the Fund's valuation procedures, will in fact approximate the price at which the Fund could sell that instrument at the time of the fair valuation. The Fund relies on various sources of information to value investments and calculate NAV. The Fund may obtain pricing information from third parties that are believed to be reliable. In certain cases, this information may be unavailable or this information may be inaccurate because of errors by the third parties, technological issues, absence of current or reliable market data or otherwise, which could impact the Fund's ability to accurately value its investments or calculate its NAV.

Liquidity and valuation risks may be more pronounced in a rising interest rate environment, and the Fund that hold a significant percentage of fair valued or otherwise difficult to value securities may be particularly susceptible to the risks associated with valuation. For additional information about valuation determinations, see "Determination of Net Asset Value." Portions of the Fund's portfolio that are fair valued or difficult to value vary from time to time. The Fund's Shareholder reports contain detailed information about the Fund's holdings that are fair valued or difficult to value, including values of such holdings as of the dates of the reports.

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Portfolio turnover risk

The Fund's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year, as well as within a given year. The portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Fund. High portfolio turnover may result in the realization of net short-term capital gains by the Fund which, when distributed to Shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income. In addition, a higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Fund.

Rating agencies risk

Rating agencies may fail to make timely changes in credit ratings and an issuer's current financial condition may be better or worse than a rating indicates. In addition, rating agencies are subject to an inherent conflict of interest because they are often compensated by the same issuers whose securities they grade.

Regulatory and legal risk

U.S. and non-U.S. government agencies and other regulators regularly adopt new regulations and legislatures enact new statutes that affect the investments held by the Fund, the strategies used by the Fund or the level of regulation or taxation that applies to the Fund. For example, the recently enacted Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, among other things, significantly changes the taxation of business entities (including by significantly lowering corporate tax rates), the deductibility of interest expense, and the timing in which certain income items are recognized (potentially including, in certain cases, income from debt and other financial instruments). These statutes and regulations may impact the investment strategies, performance, costs and operations of the Fund or the taxation of its Shareholders.

Changes in government legislation, regulation and/or intervention may change the way the Adviser or the Fund is regulated, affect the expenses incurred directly by the Fund and the value of its investments and limit and/or preclude the Fund's ability to implement, or increase the Fund's costs associated with implementing, its investments strategies. Changes to tax laws and regulations may also result in certain tax consequences for the Fund and/or investors. Government regulation may change frequently and may have significant adverse consequences. Moreover, government regulation may have unpredictable and unintended effects. In addition to exposing the Fund to potential new costs and expenses, additional regulation or changes to existing regulation may also require changes to the Fund's investment practices. The Adviser cannot predict the effects of any new governmental regulation that may be implemented, and there can be no assurance that any new governmental regulation will not adversely affect the Fund's ability to achieve its respective investment objective.

Repurchase agreement risk

Repurchase agreements typically involve the acquisition by the Fund of fixed-income securities from a selling financial institution such as a bank or broker-dealer. The agreement provides that the Fund will sell the securities back to the institution at a fixed time in the future. Repurchase agreements involve the risk that a seller will become subject to bankruptcy or other insolvency proceedings or fail to repurchase a security from the Fund. In such situations, the Fund may incur losses including as a result of (i) a possible decline in the value of the underlying security during the period while the Fund seeks to enforce its rights thereto, (ii) a possible lack of access to income on the underlying security during this period, and (iii) expenses of enforcing its rights.

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Reverse repurchase agreement risk

A reverse repurchase agreement is the sale by the Fund of a debt obligation to a party for a specified price, with the simultaneous agreement by the Fund to repurchase that debt obligation from that party on a future date at a higher price. Similar to borrowing, reverse repurchase agreements provide the Fund with cash for investment purposes, which creates leverage and subjects the Fund to the risks of leverage, including increased volatility. Reverse repurchase agreements also involve the risk that the other party may fail to return the securities in a timely manner or at all. The Fund could lose money if it is unable to recover the securities and the value of collateral held by the Fund, including the value of the investments made with cash collateral, is less than the value of securities. Reverse repurchase agreements also create Fund expenses and require that the Fund have sufficient cash available to purchase the debt obligations when required. Reverse repurchase agreements also involve the risk that the market value of the debt obligation that is the subject of the reverse repurchase agreement could decline significantly below the price at which the Fund is obligated to repurchase the security.

Risks relating to the Fund's RIC status

To qualify and remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to a RIC and its Shareholders under the Code, the Fund must meet certain source-of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. Very generally, to qualify as a RIC, the Fund must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from dividends, interest, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, net income from certain publicly traded partnerships or other income derived with respect to its business of investing in stock or other securities. The Fund must also meet certain asset diversification requirements at the end of each quarter of each of its taxable years. Failure to meet these diversification requirements on the last day of a quarter may result in the Fund having to dispose of certain investments quickly to prevent the loss of RIC status. Any such dispositions could be made at disadvantageous prices or times, and may result in substantial losses to the Fund. In addition, to be eligible for the special tax treatment accorded RICs, the Fund must meet the annual distribution requirement, requiring it to distribute with respect to each taxable year an amount at least equal to 90% of the sum of its "investment company taxable income" (generally its taxable ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, and determined without regard to any deduction for dividends paid) and its net tax-exempt income (if any), to its Shareholders. If the Fund fails to qualify as a RIC for any reason and becomes subject to corporate tax, the resulting corporate taxes could substantially reduce its net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of its distributions. Such a failure would have a material adverse effect on the Fund and its Shareholders. In addition, the Fund could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions to re-qualify as a RIC.

Certain of the Fund's investments will require the Fund to recognize taxable income in a taxable year in excess of the cash generated on those investments during that year. In particular, the Fund expects to invest in debt obligations that will be treated as having "market discount" and/or OID for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Additionally, some of the Structured Products or issuers in which the Fund invests may be considered passive foreign investment companies, or under certain circumstances, controlled foreign corporations. Because the Fund may be required to recognize income in respect of these investments before, or without receiving, cash representing such income, the Fund may have difficulty satisfying the annual distribution requirements applicable to RICs and avoiding Fund-level U.S. federal income and/or excise taxes. Accordingly, the Fund may be required to sell assets, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, raise additional debt or equity capital, make taxable distributions of its

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Shares or debt securities, or reduce new investments, to obtain the cash needed to make these income distributions. If the Fund liquidates assets to raise cash, the Fund may realize gain or loss on such liquidations; in the event the Fund realizes net capital gains from such liquidation transactions, the Fund Shareholders may receive larger capital gain distributions than they would in the absence of such transactions. Furthermore, under proposed treasury regulations, certain income derived by the Fund from a passive foreign investment company or controlled foreign corporation would generally constitute qualifying income for purposes of the income test applicable to RICs only to the extent the applicable issuer makes current distributions of the corresponding income to the Fund. The proposed regulations, if adopted, would apply to taxable years beginning on or after 90 days after the regulations are published as final.

Uncertain tax treatment risk

The Fund may invest a portion of its net assets in below investment grade instruments. Investments in these types of instruments and certain other investments may present special tax issues for the Fund. U.S. federal income tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as when the Fund may cease accruing interest, OID or market discount, when and to what extent deductions may be taken for bad debts or worthless instruments, how payments received on obligations in default should be allocated between principal and income and whether exchanges of debt obligations in a bankruptcy or workout context are taxable. Although the Fund will seek to address these and other issues to the extent necessary to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income that it does not become subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax, no assurances can be given that the Fund will not be adversely affected as a result of such issues.

U.S. government securities risk

Some obligations issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies, instrumentalities or GSEs, including, for example, pass-through certificates issued by Ginnie Mae, are supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. Other obligations issued by or guaranteed by federal agencies or GSEs, such as securities issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase certain obligations of the federal agency or GSE, while other obligations issued by or guaranteed by federal agencies or GSEs, such as those of the Federal Home Loan Banks, are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury. The maximum potential liability of the issuers of some U.S. Government securities held by the Fund may greatly exceed their current resources, including their legal right to support from the U.S. Treasury. It is possible that these issuers will not have the funds to meet their payment obligations in the future.

OTHER RISKS RELATING TO THE FUND

Cybersecurity risk

Cybersecurity refers to the combination of technologies, processes and procedures established to protect information technology systems and data from unauthorized access, attack or damage. The Fund and its respective affiliates and third-party service providers are subject to cybersecurity risks. Cybersecurity risks have significantly increased in recent years, and the Fund could suffer material losses relating to cyber attacks or other information security breaches in the future. The Fund's and its respective affiliates' and third-party service providers' computer systems, software and networks may be vulnerable to unauthorized access, computer viruses or other malicious code and other events that could have a security impact. If one or more of such events occur, this potentially could jeopardize confidential and

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other information, including nonpublic personal information and sensitive business data, processed and stored in, and transmitted through, computer systems and networks, or otherwise cause interruptions or malfunctions in the Fund's operations or the operations of its respective affiliates and third-party service providers. This could result in financial losses to the Fund and its Shareholders. These failures or breaches may also result in disruptions to business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses; interference with the Fund's ability to calculate its NAV, process Shareholder transactions or otherwise transact business with Shareholders; impediments to trading; violations of applicable privacy and other laws; regulatory fines; penalties; reputational damage; reimbursement or other compensation costs; or additional compliance costs. In addition, substantial costs may be incurred in an attempt to prevent any cyber incidents in the future. The Fund has established risk management systems and business continuity plans designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity. However, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially since the Fund does not directly control the cybersecurity systems of issuers or third-party service providers. The Fund and its Shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result.

Other investment companies risk

To the extent the Fund invests in other investment companies that invest in fixed-income securities, risks associated with investments in other investment companies will include fixed-income securities risks. In addition to the brokerage costs associated with the Fund's purchase and sale of the underlying securities, ETFs, mutual funds and closed-end funds incur fees that are separate from those of the Fund. As a result, the Fund's Shareholders will indirectly bear a proportionate share of the operating expenses of the ETFs, mutual funds and closed-end funds, in addition to Fund expenses. Because the Fund is not required to hold shares of underlying funds for any minimum period, it may be subject to, and may have to pay, short-term redemption fees imposed by the underlying funds. ETFs are subject to additional risks such as the fact that the market price of its shares may trade above or below its NAV or an active market may not develop. The Fund has no control over the investments and related risks taken by the underlying funds in which it invests. The 1940 Act and the rules and regulations adopted under that statute impose conditions on investment companies which invest in other investment companies, and as a result, the Fund is generally restricted on the amount of shares of another investment company to shares amounting to no more than 3% of the outstanding voting shares of such other investment company.

In addition to risks generally associated with investments in mutual fund securities, ETFs and closed-end funds are subject to the following risks that do not apply to traditional mutual funds: (i) the market price of an ETF's or closed-end fund's shares may be above or below its NAV; (ii) an active trading market for an ETF's and closed-end fund's shares may not develop or be maintained; (iii) the ETF or closed-end fund may employ an investment strategy that utilizes high leverage ratios; (iv) trading of an ETF's or closed-end fund's shares may be halted if the listing exchange's officials deem such action appropriate; and (v) underlying ETF or closed-end fund shares may be de-listed from the exchange or the activation of market-wide "circuit breakers" (which are tied to large decreases in stock prices) may temporarily stop stock trading.

Management of similar funds risk

The name, investment objective and policies of the Fund are similar to other funds advised by the Adviser. However, the investment results of the Fund may be higher or lower than, and there is no guarantee that the investment results of the Fund will be comparable to, any other of the funds. In addition, the Adviser's management of similar funds gives rise to various conflicts of interest, including conflicts relating to the allocation of investment opportunities, the potential for portfolio managers to

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devote unequal time and attention to the management of the Fund and the other funds and the potential acquisition of material nonpublic information. See “Conflicts of interest.”

Management of the Fund

TRUSTEES

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust (“Declaration of Trust”) and By-Laws (“By-Laws”), the Fund’s business and affairs are managed under the direction of the Board, which has overall responsibility for monitoring and overseeing the Fund’s management and operations. The Board consists of six members, four of whom are considered Independent Trustees. The Trustees are subject to removal or replacement in accordance with Delaware law and the Declaration of Trust. The Trustees serving on the Board were elected by the organizational Shareholder of the Fund. The Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the Trustees.

Angel Oak serves as the Fund’s investment adviser pursuant to the terms of the investment advisory agreement between the Fund and Angel Oak (the “Investment Advisory Agreement”) and subject to the authority of, and any policies established by, the Board. Pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Adviser manages the Fund’s investment portfolio, directs purchases and sales of portfolio securities and reports thereon to the Fund’s officers and Trustees regularly.

The Board, including a majority of the Independent Trustees, oversees and monitors the Fund’s investment performance. After an initial two-year term, the Board will review, on an annual basis, the Investment Advisory Agreement to determine, among other things, whether the fees payable thereunder are reasonable in light of the services provided.

INVESTMENT PERSONNEL

The Adviser’s investment team includes:

Johannes Palsson is a Managing Director of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager of the Fund. Mr. Palsson’s primary focus is on investment research and management of community and regional bank debt across the firm’s strategies. Prior to joining the Adviser in 2011, Mr. Palsson served as chief financial officer for The Brand Banking Company where he managed the overall finance function. He began his career at SunTrust Robinson Humphrey in 1996 where the scope of his responsibilities included interest rate risk modeling and investment strategies. Mr. Palsson holds a finance degree from Georgia State University and an M.B.A. from Emory University’s Goizueta Business School.

Navid Abghari is a Senior Portfolio Manager of the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager of the Fund. Prior to joining the Adviser in 2015, Mr. Abghari was an Executive Director at J.P. Morgan Securities in New York where he was responsible for managing the U.S. bespoke tranche trading desk and U.S. hedging activities of the global bespoke tranche exposure. Mr. Abghari holds a B.B.A. in Economics and Finance from the University of Georgia, graduating Summa Cum Laude with Highest Honors.

Cheryl Pate, CFA® is a Portfolio Manager at the Adviser and a Portfolio Manager of the Fund. Ms. Pate has more than 15 years’ experience in financial services and primarily focuses on investment research in the community and regional bank debt space. Ms. Pate joined the Adviser in 2017 from Morgan Stanley, where she spent 10 years in equity research focusing on the financial sector. Ms. Pate led the Consumer & Specialty Finance research team as an Executive Director and Senior Lead Analyst. Ms. Pate’s research coverage included the consumer finance, specialty finance, mortgage servicing/

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originations, mortgage REIT, payments, fintech and banking industries. Ms. Pate holds a B.S. in Commerce (Finance) from the University of British Columbia and an M.B.A. from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business.

Kevin Parks is a Portfolio Manager at the Adviser. Prior to joining the Adviser in 2020, Mr. Parks was the founder and Chief Investment Officer of Parks Capital Management, LLC, where he managed a long/short equity fund focused on small-cap community banks and served as sub-adviser to the Angel Oak Financials Income Fund, an open-end fund managed by the Adviser with a similar investment strategy to the Fund. From 2009 through 2019, Mr. Parks was an analyst at Hildene Capital Management, focused on distressed structured credit. In addition to analyzing structured products such as TruPS, CDOs, and CLOs, Mr. Parks also helped monitor the underlying collateral of the firm's structured products investments. He also analyzed some of Hildene's niche investments in TARP, single-name distressed TruPS, and micro-cap bank equities. Mr. Parks graduated Summa Cum Laude from Syracuse University with a B.S. in Finance and a minor in Public Communications. He earned his M.B.A. from New York University's Stern School of Business with a concentration in Law & Business and Entrepreneurship.

The Fund's Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the portfolio managers, including their compensation structure, other accounts managed and ownership of Shares of the Fund.

ADMINISTRATOR AND TRANSFER AGENT

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services acts as administrator, fund accountant and transfer agent/dividend dispersing agent to the Fund pursuant to respective agreements. Fund Services provides certain administrative services to the Fund, including, among other responsibilities, coordinating the negotiation of contracts and fees with, and the monitoring of performance and billing of, the Fund's independent contractors and agents; preparation for signature by an officer of the Fund of all documents required to be filed for compliance by the Fund with applicable laws and regulations excluding those of the securities laws of various states; arranging for the computation of performance data, including NAV and yield; responding to Shareholder inquiries; and arranging for the maintenance of books and records of the Fund, and providing, at its own expense, office facilities, equipment and personnel necessary to carry out its duties. In this capacity, Fund Services does not have any responsibility or authority for the management of the Fund, the determination of investment policy, or for any matter pertaining to the distribution of Fund Shares.

Pursuant to the Fund's agreements with Fund Services, Fund Services will receive fees from the Fund for services performed as administrator, fund accountant and custodian. Fund Services expects to receive a fee based on the average daily net assets of the Fund, subject to an annual minimum amount.

CUSTODIAN

U.S. Bank, which has its principal office at 1555 North Rivercenter Drive, Suite 302, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212, serves as custodian for the Fund.

Fund expenses

The Adviser bears all of its own costs incurred in providing investment advisory services to the Fund. As described below, however, the Fund bears all other expenses incurred in the business and operation of the Fund.

Fund expenses

Expenses borne directly by the Fund include:

- brokerage and commission expenses;
- all expenses of transfer, receipt, safekeeping, servicing and accounting for the cash, securities and other property of the Fund including all fees and expenses of its custodian and accounting services agent;
- interest charges on any borrowings;
- costs and expenses of pricing and calculating its daily NAV and of maintaining its books of account required under the 1940 Act;
- taxes, if any;
- a pro rata portion of expenditures in connection with meetings of the Fund's Shareholders and the Board that are properly payable by the Fund;
- salaries and expenses of officers of the Fund, including without limitation the reimbursement of the Adviser for a portion of the Fund's
- Chief Compliance Officer, and fees and expenses of members of the Board or members of any advisory board or committee who are not members of, affiliated with or interested persons of the Adviser;
- insurance premiums on property or personnel of the Fund which inure to its benefit, including liability and fidelity bond insurance;
- the cost of preparing and printing reports, proxy statements, prospectuses and statements of additional information of the Fund or other communications for distribution to existing Shareholders;
- legal, auditing and accounting fees;
- all or any portion of trade association dues or educational program expenses determined appropriate by the Board;
- fees and expenses (including legal fees) of registering and maintaining registration of its Shares for sale under federal and applicable state and foreign securities laws;
- fees and expenses (including legal fees) of registering and maintaining registration of its Shares for listing on the NYSE or such other exchange on which the Fund's Shares may be listed;
- all expenses of maintaining and servicing Shareholder accounts, including all charges for transfer, Shareholder recordkeeping, dividend disbursing and reinvesting, Share repurchases, and other agents for the benefit of the Fund, if any; and
- all other charges and costs of its operation plus any extraordinary and non-recurring expenses, except as herein otherwise prescribed.

EXPENSE LIMITATION AGREEMENT

The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse certain expenses (exclusive of any management fees, taxes, interest on borrowings, dividends on securities sold short, brokerage commissions, acquired fund fees and expenses, expenses incurred in connection with any merger or reorganization and extraordinary expenses) to limit the Fund's Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses to 0.25% of the Fund's Managed Assets (the "Expense Limit"). The Expense Limit will remain in effect

Fund expenses

indefinitely unless terminated by the Board, on behalf of the Fund, upon 60 days' written notice to the Adviser. The Expense Limit may not be terminated by the Adviser without the consent of the Board of Trustees. The Adviser may recoup from the Fund any waived amount or reimbursed expenses pursuant to the Expense Limit if such recoupment does not cause the Fund to exceed the current Expense Limit or the Expense Limit in place at the time of the waiver or reimbursement (whichever is lower) and the recoupment is made within three years after the end of the month in which the Adviser incurred the expense.

ORGANIZATIONAL AND OFFERING COSTS

Organizational costs include, among other things, the cost of organizing as a Delaware statutory trust, including the cost of legal services and other fees pertaining to the Fund's organization. The Fund's initial offering costs include, among other things, legal, accounting, printing and other expenses pertaining to this offering. The Adviser has agreed to pay all organizational expenses of the Fund and all offering costs associated with this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay any such organizational expenses or offering costs paid by the Adviser.

Management fee

Pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, and in consideration of the advisory services provided by the Adviser to the Fund, the Adviser is entitled to a Management Fee. The Management Fee is calculated and payable monthly in arrears at the annual rate of 1.35% of the average daily value of the Fund's Managed Assets.

The Adviser and its affiliates, at their own expense and out of their own assets, may make payments to, or enter into arrangements with, financial intermediaries or other persons in consideration of services, arrangements, significant investments in Fund Shares or other activities that the Adviser and its affiliates believe may, among other things, benefit the Fund's business, facilitate investment in Fund Shares or otherwise benefit the Fund's Shareholders. Payments of the type described above are sometimes referred to as revenue-sharing payments.

APPROVAL OF THE INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board's approval of the Investment Advisory Agreement will be available in the Fund's semi-annual report on Form N-CSR for the period ending July 31, 2020, which will be publicly filed with the SEC.

Determination of net asset value

The Fund's NAV is calculated at the close of trading (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on each day the NYSE is open for business (the NYSE is closed on weekends, most federal holidays and Good Friday). The Fund's NAV is calculated by dividing the value of the Fund's total assets (including interest and dividends accrued but not yet received) minus liabilities (including accrued expenses) by the total number of Shares outstanding.

The Fund's assets generally are valued at their market value. If market prices are not readily available (including when they are not reliable), or if an event occurs after the close of the trading market but before the calculation of the NAV that materially affects the values, assets may be valued at a fair value,

Determination of net asset value

pursuant to guidelines established by the Board. For example, the Fund may be obligated to fair value a foreign security because many foreign markets operate at times that do not coincide with those of the major U.S. markets. Events that could affect the values of foreign portfolio holdings may occur between the close of the foreign market and the time of determining the NAV, and would not otherwise be reflected in the NAV. When pricing securities using the fair value guidelines established by the Board, the Fund (with the assistance of its service providers) seeks to assign the value that represents the amount that the Fund might reasonably expect to receive upon a current sale of the securities. In this regard, the Adviser, pursuant to the terms of the investment advisory agreement with the Fund, has agreed to provide the Fund's pricing information that the Adviser reasonably believes may assist in the determination of fair value consistent with requirements under the 1940 Act and the Fund's valuation procedures. The Fund's fair value guidelines include the consideration of pricing information from one or more third-party pricing sources, which information is monitored by the Adviser daily. The Board oversees the Adviser's implementation of the fair value guidelines established by the Board.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, given the subjectivity inherent in fair valuation and the fact that events could occur after NAV calculation, the actual market prices for a security may differ from the fair value of that security as determined by the Fund at the time of NAV calculation. Thus, discrepancies between fair values and actual market prices may occur on a regular and recurring basis. These discrepancies do not necessarily indicate that the Fund's fair value methodology is inappropriate. Once a security is fair valued, the Fund will re-examine the appropriateness of the fair values on a regular basis. In addition, the Fund and its service providers conduct systematic comparisons of transacted prices for sold positions and the most recent valuations, including fair values, on a monthly basis. To the extent the Fund invests in other mutual funds, the Fund's NAV is calculated based, in part, upon the NAVs of such mutual funds; the prospectuses for those mutual funds in which the Fund may invest describe the circumstances under which those mutual funds will use fair value pricing, which, in turn, affects their NAVs.

Because the Fund relies on various sources to calculate its NAV, the Fund is subject to certain operational risks associated with reliance on third-party service providers and data sources. The Fund's NAV calculation may be impacted by operational risks arising from factors such as failures in systems and technology. Such failures may result in delays in the calculation of the Fund's NAV and/or the inability to calculate its NAV over extended time periods. The Fund may be unable to recover any losses associated with such failures.

Conflicts of interest

Actual or apparent conflicts of interest may arise when a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one fund or other account. More specifically, portfolio managers who manage multiple funds and/or other accounts may experience the following potential conflicts: The management of multiple accounts may result in a portfolio manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of each account. Investment decisions for client accounts are also made consistent with a client's individual investment objective and needs. Accordingly, there may be circumstances when purchases or sales of securities for one or more client accounts will have an adverse effect on other clients. The Adviser may seek to manage such competing interests by, among other things, having a portfolio manager focus on a particular investment discipline and/or reviewing performance differences between similarly managed accounts on a periodic basis to ensure that any such differences are attributable by differences in investment guidelines and timing of cash flows. The Adviser also maintains a Code of Ethics to establish standards and procedures for the detection and prevention of activities by which persons having knowledge of the investments and investment intentions of the Fund may abuse their fiduciary duties to the Fund.

Conflicts of interest

If a portfolio manager identifies a limited investment opportunity that may be suitable for more than one client, the Fund may not be able to take full advantage of that opportunity due to an allocation of filled purchase or sale orders across all eligible accounts. There has been significant growth in the number of firms organized to make investments similar to those which the Fund intends to make, which may result in increased competition to the Fund in obtaining suitable investments. Because the Adviser manages other funds and accounts with similar investments strategies as the Fund that seek to invest in these limited investment opportunities, the Adviser may have to allocate available investment opportunities among the Fund and other funds and accounts it manages. To deal with these situations, the Adviser has adopted Trade Aggregation and Allocation Policies and Procedures for allocating portfolio transactions across multiple accounts. In accordance with these procedures, at times, the Fund may receive a smaller portion of an investment opportunity than desired or certain investment opportunities may be allocated to other funds or accounts managed by the Adviser as part of the allocation procedures.

From time to time, the Fund and other funds or accounts managed by the Adviser may make investments at different levels of an issuer's capital structure or otherwise in different classes of an issuer's securities. These investments could inherently give rise to conflicts of interest between or among the Fund and the other holders of various classes of securities. The Adviser and its clients may pursue or enforce rights with respect to an issuer in which the Fund has invested, and those activities may have an adverse effect on the Fund. Prices, availability, liquidity and terms of the Fund's investments may be negatively impacted by the activities of the Adviser and its clients, and Fund transactions may be impaired or effected at prices or terms that may be less favorable than would otherwise have been the case.

The Adviser has a broad range of clients and financial interests, and the Adviser may, from time to time, face conflicts of interest with respect to investments and transactions made on behalf of the Fund on one hand and the interests of other clients or its own financial interests on the other hand. For example, the Adviser has advisory and financial relationships with numerous financial institutions and the Fund may invest in, or enter into other transactions with, those same financial institutions. Although this type of conflict may provide the Adviser with an incentive to make those investments or transactions (or refrain from selling or terminating transactions) on behalf of the Fund, the Adviser has policies and procedures in place that are reasonably designed to help ensure that it makes decisions for the Fund in accordance with its obligations as investment adviser to the Fund.

Through the various activities of the Adviser and its affiliates, the Adviser and/or its affiliates may acquire material non-public information or otherwise be restricted from trading in certain potential investments that the Fund otherwise might have purchased or sold.

With respect to securities transactions for clients, the Adviser determines which dealer to use to execute each order. However, the Adviser may direct securities transactions to a particular dealer for various reasons including receipt of research or participation interests in initial public offerings that may or may not benefit the Fund. To deal with these situations, the Adviser has adopted procedures to help ensure best execution of all client transactions.

Additionally, because the amount of fees paid to the Adviser for its services is based on Managed Assets, the fees paid to the Adviser will be higher if the Fund uses leverage, which may create an incentive for the Adviser to leverage the Fund or increase the Fund's use of leverage.

Investment decisions for the Fund are made independently from those for any other account or investment company that is or may in the future become advised by the Adviser or its affiliates. Investment decisions are the product of many factors, including basic suitability for the particular client

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involved. Likewise, a particular security may be bought or sold for certain clients even though it could have been bought or sold for other clients at the same time. Likewise, a particular security may be bought for one or more clients when one or more clients are selling the security. In some instances, one client may sell a particular security to another client. In addition, two or more clients may simultaneously purchase or sell the same security, in which event, each day's transactions in such security are, insofar as is possible, averaged as to price and allocated between such clients in a manner which, in the Adviser's opinion, is in the best interest of the affected accounts and is equitable to each and in accordance with the amount being purchased or sold by each. There may be circumstances when purchases or sales of a portfolio security for one client could have an adverse effect on another client that has a position in that security. In addition, when purchases or sales of the same security for the Fund and other client accounts managed by the Adviser occurs contemporaneously, the purchase or sale orders may be aggregated to obtain any price advantages available to large denomination purchases or sales.

While the Fund generally may not purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates directly from the issuer thereof, the Fund may, under certain circumstances, purchase Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates from third parties in secondary market transactions. The Fund does not currently contemplate making investments in any specific investments sponsored by the Adviser or an affiliate; however, to the extent the Fund does, it will do so only as permitted under the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. To the extent that the Fund holds Structured Products sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates, or holds Structured Products in which the Adviser or its affiliates also hold interests, certain conflicts of interest may arise. The Fund may be limited in its ability to participate in certain transactions with the Structured Product and may not be able to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product if no secondary market exists for the interests. Even if a secondary market exists, the Adviser or its affiliates at times may possess material non-public information that may restrict the Fund's ability to dispose of its interests in the Structured Product.

Closed-end structure

Closed-end funds differ from traditional, open-end management investment companies ("mutual funds") in that closed-end funds generally list their shares for trading on a securities exchange and do not redeem their shares at the option of the Shareholder. By comparison, mutual funds issue securities that are redeemable and typically engage in a continuous offering of their shares. The Shares are designed primarily for long-term investors; you should not purchase Shares if you intend to sell them shortly after purchase. Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at prices lower than their NAV. The Fund cannot predict whether the Shares will trade at, above or below NAV. In addition to NAV, the trading price of the Shares may be affected by such factors as the Fund's dividend stability, dividend levels, which are in turn affected by expenses, and market supply and demand.

Distribution policy

The Fund intends to distribute to Shareholders all or a portion of its investment company taxable income monthly and net capital gains, if any, at least annually. The Fund expects its initial distribution will be declared approximately 30 to 45 days, and paid approximately 45 to 60 days, after the completion of this offering. At times, in order to maintain a stable level of distributions, the Fund may pay out less than all of its investment income or pay out accumulated undistributed income in addition to current net investment income. Dividend and capital gains distributions generally are used to purchase additional Shares of the Fund. However, an investor can choose to receive distributions in cash. Pursuant to the Fund's dividend reinvestment plan (the "Plan"), dividend and capital gains distributions generally are taxable to Shareholders whether they are reinvested in Shares of the Fund or received in cash. Because

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not all investors can participate in the Plan, you should contact your broker or nominee to confirm that you are eligible to participate in the Plan.

The 1940 Act currently limits the number of times the Fund may distribute long-term capital gains in any tax year, which may increase the variability of the Fund's distributions and result in certain distributions being comprised more heavily of long-term capital gains eligible for favorable income tax rates. In the future, the Adviser may seek Board approval to implement a managed distribution plan for the Fund. The managed distribution plan would be implemented pursuant to an exemptive order from the SEC granting the Fund an exemption from Section 19(b) of the 1940 Act and Rule 19b-1 thereunder to permit it to include long-term capital gains as a part of its regular distributions to Shareholders more frequently than would otherwise be permitted by the 1940 Act (generally once or twice per year). If the Fund implements a managed distribution plan, it would do so without a vote of the Shareholders.

Expenses of the Fund will be accrued each day. To the extent that the Fund's net investment income for any year exceeds the total monthly distributions paid during the year, the Fund will make a special distribution at or near year-end of such excess amount as may be required. Over time, all of the Fund's investment company taxable income will be distributed.

At least annually, the Fund intends to distribute any net capital gains (which is the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital loss) or, alternatively, to retain all or a portion of the year's net capital gains and pay federal income tax on the retained gain. As provided under federal tax law, if elected by the Fund Shareholders of record as of the end of the Fund's taxable year will include their attributable share of the retained gain in their income for the year as a long-term capital gains, and will be entitled to a tax credit or refund for the tax deemed paid on their behalf by the Fund. The Fund may treat the cash value of tax credit and refund amounts in connection with retained capital gains as a substitute for equivalent cash distributions.

The tax treatment and characterization of the Fund's distributions may vary substantially from time to time because of the nature of the Fund's investments. If the Fund's total monthly distributions in any year exceed the amount of its "earnings and profits" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, any such excess would be characterized as a return of capital for federal income tax purposes. Under the 1940 Act, for any distribution that includes amounts from sources other than net income (calculated on a book basis), the Fund is required to provide Shareholders a written statement regarding the components of such distribution. Such a statement will be provided at the time of any distribution believed to include any such amounts. A return of capital is a distribution to Shareholders that is not attributable to the Fund's earnings but represents a return of part of the Shareholder's investment. If the Fund's distributions exceed the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits, such excess will be treated first as a tax-free return of capital to the extent of the Shareholder's tax basis in the Shares (thus reducing a Shareholder's adjusted tax basis in his or her Shares), and thereafter as capital gains assuming the Shares are held as a capital asset. Upon the sale of Shares, a Shareholder generally will recognize capital gains or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale and the Shareholder's adjusted tax basis in the Shares sold. For example, in year one, a Shareholder purchased 100 Shares at \$10 per Share. In year two, the Shareholder received a \$1-per-Share return of capital distribution, which reduced the basis in each Share by \$1, to give the Shareholder an adjusted basis of \$9 per Share. In year three, the Shareholder sells the 100 Shares for \$15 per Share. Assuming no other transactions during this period, the Shareholder would have a capital gain in year three of \$6 per Share (\$15 minus \$9) for a total capital gain of \$600. This is intended as an example and is not indicative of the amount or character of any future distributions by the Fund or the NAV or sale price of the Shares.

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Shareholders may automatically reinvest some or all of their distributions in additional Shares under the Plan. See “Dividend Reinvestment Plan.”

Dividend reinvestment plan

Pursuant to the Fund’s Plan, distributions of dividends and capital gains are automatically reinvested in Shares of the Fund by Fund Services, as Plan Agent. Unless a Shareholder indicates another option on the account application or otherwise opts-out, Shareholders holding at least one full Share of the Fund will be automatically enrolled in the Plan. Shareholders who do not participate in the Plan will receive all distributions in cash.

If the Fund declares a dividend or distribution payable either in cash or in Shares of the Fund and the market price of Shares on the payment date for the distribution or dividend equals or exceeds the Fund’s NAV per Share, the Fund will issue Shares to participants at a value equal to the higher of NAV or 95% of the market price. The number of additional Shares to be credited to each participant’s account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the distribution or dividend by the higher of NAV or 95% of the market price. If the market price is lower than NAV, or if dividends or distributions are payable only in cash, then participants will receive Shares purchased by the Plan Agent on participants’ behalf on the NYSE or otherwise on the open market. If the market price exceeds NAV before the Plan Agent has completed its purchases, the average per Share purchase price may exceed NAV, resulting in fewer Shares being acquired than if the Fund had issued new Shares.

There are no brokerage charges with respect to Shares issued directly by the Fund. However, whenever Shares are purchased or sold on the NYSE or otherwise on the open market, each participant will pay a pro rata portion of brokerage trading fees. Currently, dividend reinvestment plan participants that direct the sale of Shares through the Plan Agent are subject to a \$25.00 fee plus a sales commission of \$4.95.

The reinvestment of dividends and net capital gains distributions does not relieve participants of any income tax that may be payable on such dividends or distributions.

Purchases of additional Shares of the Fund will be made on the open market. There is no transaction fee, and each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred in connection with purchases made on the open market. Shareholders can also sell Fund Shares held in the Plan account at any time by contacting the Plan Agent by telephone or in writing. The Plan Agent will mail a check to you (less applicable brokerage trading fees) on the settlement date, which is three business days after your Shares have been sold. If you choose to sell your Shares through your broker, you will need to request that the Plan Agent electronically transfer your Shares to your broker through the Direct Registration System.

Shareholders participating in the Plan may withdraw from the Plan at any time by contacting the Plan Agent by telephone or in writing. Such termination will be effective immediately if the notice is received by the Plan Agent prior to any dividend or distribution record date; otherwise, such termination will be effective on the first trading day after the payment date for such dividend or distribution, with respect to any subsequent dividend or distribution. If you withdraw, your Shares will be credited to your account; or, if you wish, the Plan Agent will sell your full and fractional Shares and send you the proceeds, less a fee currently set at \$25.00 and less a sales commission currently set at \$4.95. If a Shareholder does not maintain at least one whole Share in the Plan account, the Plan Agent may terminate such Shareholder’s participation in the Plan after written notice. Upon termination, Shareholders will be sent a check for the cash value of any fractional Share in the Plan account, less any applicable broker commissions and taxes.

Dividend reinvestment plan

Experience under the Plan may indicate that changes are desirable. Accordingly, the Fund and the Plan Agent reserve the right to amend or terminate the Plan. Participants generally will receive written notice at least 60 days before the effective date of any amendment. In the case of termination, participants will receive written notice at least 60 days before the record date for the payment of any dividend or distribution by the Fund.

All correspondence or additional information about the Plan should be directed to Fund Services in writing at 615 East Michigan Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.

Certain provisions in the Declaration of Trust and By-Laws

The Declaration of Trust includes provisions that could have the effect of limiting the ability of entities or persons to acquire control of the Fund or to change the composition of its Board. This could have the effect of depriving Shareholders of an opportunity to sell their Shares at a premium over prevailing market prices by discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control over the Fund. Such attempts could have the effect of increasing the expenses of the Fund and disrupting the normal operation of the Fund. The trustees are divided into three classes, designated class I, class II, and class III. The term of class I will expire on the date of the first annual meeting of Shareholders, or special meeting in lieu thereof; the term of class II will expire on the date of the second annual meeting of Shareholders, or special meeting in lieu thereof; and the term of class III will expire on the date of the third annual meeting of Shareholders, or special meeting in lieu thereof. At each annual meeting, one class of trustees will be elected to a three-year term. This provision could delay for up to two years the replacement of a majority of the Board. A Trustee may be removed from office for cause only, and only by action of at least 75% of the outstanding Shares of the classes or series of Shares entitled to vote for the election of such Trustee, in addition to a written instrument, signed by at least 75% of the remaining trustees.

The Declaration of Trust grants special approval rights with respect to certain matters to members of the Board who qualify as “Continuing Trustees,” which term means trustees who either (i) have been members of the Board for a period of at least 36 months (or since the commencement of the Fund’s operations, if less than 36 months) or (ii) were nominated to serve as members of the Board by a majority of the Continuing Trustees then members of the Board.

The Declaration of Trust requires the affirmative vote or consent of a majority of the entire Board and holders of at least 75% of the Fund’s Shares outstanding and entitled to vote, if any, to authorize certain Fund transactions not in the ordinary course of business, including a merger, consolidation or Share exchange; certain issuances or transfers by the Fund of the Fund’s Shares (except as may be pursuant to a public offering, the Fund’s dividend reinvestment plan or upon exercise of any stock subscription rights); certain sales, leases, exchanges, mortgages, pledges, transfers or other dispositions of Fund assets; the dissolution, liquidation or termination of the Fund or a series or class of Shares; the issuance of any securities of the Fund to any principal Shareholder for cash, except as part of an offering in which the principal Shareholder has no special right to participate as compared to other holders of the same class of Shares; or any Shareholder proposal regarding specific investment decisions (unless the transaction is authorized by both a majority of the trustees and 75% of the Continuing Trustees (in which case no Shareholder authorization would be required by the Declaration of Trust, but may be required in certain cases under the 1940 Act)). The Declaration of Trust also requires the affirmative vote or consent of holders of a majority of the trustees and of holders of at least 75% of the Fund’s Shares outstanding and entitled to vote to authorize a conversion of the Fund from a closed-end to an open-end investment company.

Certain provisions in the Declaration of Trust and By-Laws

The Board may from time to time grant other voting rights to Shareholders with respect to these and other matters, certain of which are required by the 1940 Act.

The overall effect of these provisions is to render more difficult the accomplishment of a merger or the assumption of control by a third party. These provisions also provide, however, the advantage of potentially requiring persons seeking control of the Fund to negotiate with its management regarding the price to be paid and facilitating the continuity of the Fund's investment objective and policies. The provisions of the Declaration of Trust and By-Laws described above could have the effect of discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control of the Fund in a tender offer or similar transaction. The Board has considered the foregoing anti-takeover provisions and concluded that they are in the best interests of the Fund and its Shareholders.

The foregoing is intended only as a summary and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Declaration of Trust and the By-Laws, both of which are on file with the SEC.

The Declaration of Trust contains an express disclaimer of Shareholder personal liability for debts or obligations or any other form of personal liability in connection with the property or actions of the Fund.

For the purposes of calculating "a majority of the outstanding voting securities" under the Declaration of Trust, each class and series of the Fund will vote together as a single class, except to the extent required by the 1940 Act or the Declaration of Trust, with respect to any class or series of Shares. If a separate class vote is required, the applicable proportion of Shares of the class or series, voting as a separate class or series, also will be required.

The Board has determined that provisions with respect to the Board and the Shareholder voting requirements described above, which voting requirements are greater than the minimum requirements under Delaware law or the 1940 Act, are in the best interest of Shareholders generally. For a more complete explanation, see the full text of these provisions in the Declaration of Trust, which is on file with the SEC.

LIMITATION ON LIABILITY OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS; INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCE OF EXPENSES

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, Trustees and officers of the Fund will not be subject in such capacity to any personal liability to the Fund or Shareholders, unless the liability arises from bad faith, willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard for the Trustee's or officer's duty.

Except as otherwise provided in the Declaration of Trust, the Fund will indemnify and hold harmless any current or former Trustee or officer of the Fund against any liabilities and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) relating to the defense of any claim, action, suit or proceeding with which such person is involved or threatened while and with respect to acting in the capacity of a Trustee or officer of the Fund, except with respect to matters in which such person did not act in good faith in the reasonable belief that his or her action was in the best interest of the Fund. In accordance with the 1940 Act, the Fund will not indemnify any Trustee or officer for any liability to which such person would be subject by reason of his or her willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties of his or her position. The Fund will provide indemnification to Trustees and officers prior to a final determination regarding entitlement to indemnification as described in the Declaration of Trust.

The Fund has entered into the Investment Advisory Agreement with Angel Oak. The Investment Advisory Agreement provides that, in the absence of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or

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reckless disregard for its obligations and duties thereunder, the Adviser is not liable for any error of judgment or mistake of law or for any loss the Fund suffers.

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, the Fund will advance the expenses of defending any action for which indemnification is sought if the Fund receives an undertaking by the indemnitee which provides that the indemnitee will reimburse the Fund unless it is subsequently determined that the indemnitee is entitled to such indemnification.

NUMBER OF TRUSTEES; APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES; VACANCIES; REMOVAL

The Declaration of Trust provides that the number of Trustees shall be no less than two (2) and no more than ten (10), as determined in writing by a majority of the Trustees then in office. As set forth in the Declaration of Trust, a Trustee's term of office shall continue until his or her death, resignation or removal. Subject to the provisions of the 1940 Act, individuals may be appointed by the Trustees at any time to fill vacancies on the Board by the appointment of such persons by a majority of the Trustees then in office. Each Trustee shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been appointed pursuant to the Declaration of Trust. To the extent that the 1940 Act requires that Trustees be elected by Shareholders, any such Trustees will be elected by a plurality of all Shares voted at a meeting of Shareholders at which a quorum is present.

The Declaration of Trust provides that any Trustee may be removed from office for cause only, and only by action of at least 75% of the outstanding Shares of the classes or series of Shares entitled to vote for the election of such Trustee, in addition to a written instrument, signed by at least 75% of the remaining trustees.

ACTION BY SHAREHOLDERS

The Declaration of Trust provides that Shareholder action can be taken only at a meeting of Shareholders or by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting. Subject to the 1940 Act, the Declaration of Trust or a resolution of the Board specifying a greater or lesser vote requirement, the affirmative vote of a majority of Shares present in person or represented by proxy at a meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the Shareholders with respect to any matter submitted to a vote of the Shareholders.

AMENDMENT OF DECLARATION OF TRUST AND BY-LAWS

Subject to the provisions of the 1940 Act, pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, the Board may amend the Declaration of Trust without any vote of Shareholders. Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust and By-Laws, the Board has the exclusive power to amend or repeal the bylaws or adopt new bylaws at any time.

NO APPRAISAL RIGHTS

In certain extraordinary transactions, some jurisdictions provide the right to dissenting Shareholders to demand and receive the fair value of their Shares, subject to certain procedures and requirements set forth in such statute. Those rights are commonly referred to as appraisal rights. The Declaration of Trust provides that Shares shall not entitle Shareholders to appraisal rights.

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CONFLICT WITH APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Declaration of Trust provides that if and to the extent that any provision of the Declaration of Trust conflicts with any provision of the 1940 Act, the provisions under the Code applicable to the Fund as a RIC or other applicable laws and regulations, the conflicting provision shall be deemed never to have constituted a part of the Declaration of Trust; provided, however, that such determination shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of the Declaration of Trust or affect the validity of any action taken or omitted to be taken prior to such determination.

POTENTIAL CONVERSION TO OPEN-END FUND

The Fund may be converted to an open-end investment company at any time if approved by the holders of the majority of the Fund's Shares outstanding and entitled to vote, provided that, unless otherwise required by law, any preferred shares that may be issued by the Fund in the future may carry the right to vote separately on such a conversion. It also is possible that a supermajority of preferred shares could be required to approve a conversion, or that preferred shares may have other rights with respect to a conversion. Any affirmative vote or consent of Shareholders or preferred Shareholders shall be in addition to the vote or consent of the holders of the Shares otherwise required by law or any agreement between the Fund and any national securities exchange. In the event of conversion, the Shares would cease to be listed on the NYSE or other national securities exchange. Any preferred shares would need to be redeemed and all or portion of any borrowings may need to be repaid upon conversion to an open-end investment company. Shareholders of an open-end investment company may require the company to redeem their shares at any time (except in certain circumstances as authorized by or under the 1940 Act) at their NAV, less such redemption charge or contingent deferred sales charge, if any, as might be in effect at the time of a redemption. The Fund would expect to pay all such redemption requests in cash, but would intend to reserve the right to pay redemption requests in a combination of cash or securities. If such partial payment in securities were made, investors may incur brokerage costs in converting such securities to cash. If the Fund were converted to an open-end fund, it is likely that new Shares may be sold at NAV plus a sales load. In addition, to the extent the Fund is merged, consolidated or converted into an open-end registered investment company, it may no longer be able to use the same investment strategies. In particular, if the Fund were to operate as an open-end investment company, it would be required to hold a greater amount of liquid assets and would be more limited in the amount of leverage it could employ, which could impact the Fund's performance.

Limited term and Eligible Tender Offer

The Fund will terminate on or before the Termination Date; provided, that if the Board believes that under then-current market conditions it is in the best interests of the Fund to do so, the Fund may extend the Termination Date (i) once for up to one year (*i.e.*, up to June 30, 2036), and (ii) once for up to an additional six months (*i.e.*, up to December 31, 2036), in each case upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. In addition, as of a date within twelve months preceding the Termination Date, the Board may cause the Fund to conduct an Eligible Tender Offer, which is a tender offer by the Fund to all Shareholders to purchase Shares of the Fund at a price equal to the NAV per Share on the expiration date of the tender offer. Following the completion of an Eligible Tender Offer, the Board may eliminate the Termination Date and convert the Fund to a perpetual trust upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval.

The Fund is not a so called "target date" or "life cycle" fund whose asset allocation becomes more conservative over time as its target date, often associated with retirement, approaches. In addition, the

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Fund is not a “target term” fund whose investment objective is to return its original NAV on the termination date. The Fund’s investment objective and policies are not designed to seek to return to investors that purchase Shares in this offering their initial investment of \$20.00 per Share on the Termination Date or in an Eligible Tender Offer, and such investors and investors that purchase Shares after the completion of this offering may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination or in an Eligible Tender Offer.

Upon its termination, the Fund will distribute substantially all of its net assets to Shareholders, after paying or otherwise providing for all charges, taxes, expenses and liabilities, whether due or accrued or anticipated, of the Fund, as may be determined by the Board Trustees. During the wind-down period, beginning one year before the Termination Date, the Fund may begin liquidating all or a portion of the Fund’s portfolio, and may deviate from its investment policies, including its policy of investing at least 80% of the value of its net assets in the securities of U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions and may not achieve its investment objective. During the wind-down period, the Fund’s portfolio composition may change as more of its portfolio holdings are called or sold and portfolio holdings are disposed of in anticipation of liquidation. Rather than reinvesting the proceeds of matured, called or sold securities, the Fund may invest such proceeds in short-term or other lower yielding securities or hold the proceeds in cash, which may adversely affect its performance. The Fund’s distributions during the wind-down period may decrease, and such distributions may include a return of capital. The Fund may distribute the proceeds in one or more liquidating distributions prior to the final liquidation, which may cause fixed expenses to increase when expressed as a percentage of assets under management. It is expected that Shareholders will receive cash in any liquidating distribution from the Fund, regardless of their participation in the Fund’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan. However, if on the Termination Date the Fund owns securities for which no market exists or securities trading at depressed prices, such securities may be placed in a liquidating trust. Shareholders generally will realize capital gain or loss upon the termination of the Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of cash or other property received by the Shareholder (including any property deemed received by reason of its being placed in a liquidating trust) and the Shareholder’s adjusted tax basis in Shares of the Fund for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If the Board believes that under then-current market conditions it is in the best interests of the Fund to do so, the Fund may extend the Termination Date (i) once for up to one year (*i.e.*, up to June 30, 2036), and (ii) once for up to an additional six months (*i.e.*, up to December 31, 2026), in each case upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. In determining whether to extend the Termination Date, the Board may consider the inability to sell the Fund’s assets in a time frame consistent with termination due to lack of market liquidity or other extenuating circumstances. Additionally, the Board may determine that market conditions are such that it is reasonable to believe that, with an extension, the Fund’s remaining assets will appreciate and generate income in an amount that, in the aggregate, is meaningful relative to the cost and expense of continuing the operation of the Fund.

The Board may cause the Fund to conduct an Eligible Tender Offer. An Eligible Tender Offer would consist of a tender offer to all Shareholders to purchase Shares of the Fund at a price equal to the NAV per Share on the expiration date of the tender offer, which shall be as of a date within twelve months preceding the Termination Date. The Board has established that, following an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund must have at least \$100 million of net assets to ensure the continued viability of the Fund (the “Termination Threshold”). In an Eligible Tender Offer, the Fund will offer to purchase all Shares held by each Shareholder; provided, that if the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund’s net assets totaling less than the Termination Threshold, the Eligible Tender Offer will be terminated and no

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Shares will be repurchased pursuant to the Eligible Tender Offer. Instead, the Fund will begin (or continue) liquidating its portfolio and proceed to terminate on or before the Termination Date.

If the number of properly tendered Shares would result in the Fund's net assets totaling greater than the Termination Threshold, all Shares properly tendered and not withdrawn will be purchased by the Fund pursuant to the terms of the Eligible Tender Offer. See "Risks—Limited Term Risk." Following such completion of the Eligible Tender Offer, the Board may eliminate the Termination Date and convert the Fund to a perpetual trust upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and without Shareholder approval. In making a decision to eliminate the Termination Date to provide for the Fund's perpetual existence, the Board will take such actions with respect to the continued operations of the Fund as it deems to be in the best interests of the Fund, based on market conditions at such time, the extent of Shareholder participation in the Eligible Tender Offer and all other factors deemed relevant by the Board in consultation with the Adviser taking into account that the Adviser may have a potential conflict of interest in recommending to the Board that the Termination Date be eliminated and the Fund have a perpetual existence.

An Eligible Tender Offer would be made, and Shareholders would be notified thereof, in accordance with the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Exchange Act and the applicable tender offer rules thereunder (including Rule 13e-4 and Regulation 14E under the Exchange Act). The repurchase of tendered Shares by the Fund in a tender offer would be a taxable event to Shareholders. The Adviser will pay all costs and expenses associated with the making of an Eligible Tender Offer, other than brokerage and related transaction costs associated with disposition of portfolio investments in connection with the Eligible Tender Offer, which will be borne by the Fund and its Shareholders.

An Eligible Tender Offer may be commenced upon approval of a majority of the Trustees, without Shareholder approval. The Fund is not required to conduct an Eligible Tender Offer. If no Eligible Tender Offer is conducted, the Fund will liquidate on or before the Termination Date (subject to extension as described above), unless the limited term provisions of the Declaration of Trust are amended with the vote of Shareholders, as described below.

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SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

The Declaration of Trust authorizes the Fund's issuance of an unlimited number of shares of beneficial interest of each class. Shareholders are entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations organized for profit incorporated in the State of Delaware and therefore generally will not be personally liable for the Fund's debts or obligations. The Fund intends to hold annual meetings of Shareholders in compliance with the requirements of the NYSE.

SHARES

Under the terms of the Declaration of Trust, all Shares, when consideration for Shares is received by the Fund, will be fully paid and nonassessable. Distributions may be paid to Shareholders if, as and when authorized and declared by the Board. Except as otherwise provided by the Trustees, Shares will have no preemptive or other right to subscribe to any additional Shares or other securities issued by the Fund, and will be freely transferable, except where their transfer is restricted by law or contract. The Declaration of Trust provides that the Board shall have the power to repurchase or redeem Shares. In the event of the Fund's dissolution, after the Fund pays or adequately provides for the payment of all claims

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and obligations of the Fund, and upon the receipt of such releases, indemnities and refunding agreements deemed necessary by the Board, each Share will be entitled to receive, according to its respective rights, a *pro rata* portion of the Fund's assets available for distribution for the applicable class, subject to any preferential rights of holders of the Fund's outstanding preferred shares, if any. Each whole Share will be entitled to one vote as to any matter on which it is entitled to vote and each fractional Share will be entitled to a proportionate fractional vote. However, to the extent required by the 1940 Act or otherwise determined by the Board, classes of the Fund will vote separately from each other. Shareholders shall be entitled to vote on all matters on which a vote of Shareholders is required by the 1940 Act, the Declaration of Trust or a resolution of the Board. There will be no cumulative voting in the election of Trustees. Under the Declaration of Trust, the Fund is not required to hold annual meetings of Shareholders. The Fund only expects to hold Shareholder meetings to the extent required by the 1940 Act or pursuant to special meetings called by the Board or a majority of Shareholders.

CREDIT FACILITY

The Fund may enter into definitive agreements with respect to a credit facility in an aggregate amount up to 33 1/3% of the Fund's Managed Assets immediately after giving effect to the leverage. The Fund expects that such a credit facility would contain covenants that, among other things, likely will limit the Fund's ability to pay dividends in certain circumstances, incur additional debt and engage in certain transactions, including mergers and consolidations, and may require asset coverage ratios in addition to those required by the 1940 Act. The Fund may be required to pledge its assets and to maintain a portion of its total assets in cash or high-grade securities as a reserve against interest or principal payments and expenses. The Fund expects that any credit facility would have customary covenant, negative covenant and default provisions. There can be no assurance that the Fund will enter into an agreement for a credit facility on terms and conditions representative of the foregoing, or that additional material terms will not apply. In addition, if entered into, any such credit facility may in the future be replaced or refinanced by one or more credit facilities having substantially different terms.

PREFERRED SHARES AND OTHER SECURITIES

Although the Fund does not currently intend to issue preferred shares, the Declaration of Trust provides that the Board may, subject to the Fund's investment policies and restrictions and the requirements of the 1940 Act, authorize and cause the Fund to issue securities of the Fund other than Shares (including preferred shares, debt securities or other senior securities), by action of the Board without the approval of Shareholders. The Board may determine the terms, rights, preferences, privileges, limitations and restrictions of such securities as the Board sees fit.

Under the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Fund must, immediately after the issuance of any preferred shares, have an "asset coverage" of at least 200%. Asset coverage means the ratio by which the value of the total assets of the Fund, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities (as defined in the 1940 Act), bears to the aggregate amount of senior securities representing indebtedness of the Fund, if any, plus the aggregate liquidation preference of the preferred shares. If the Fund issues preferred shares in the future, the Fund will limit such issuance so that the total amount of leverage outstanding will not exceed 50% of the Fund's Managed Assets (which equates to 100% of its net assets). If the Fund seeks a rating of the preferred shares, asset coverage requirements, in addition to those set forth in the 1940 Act, may be imposed. The liquidation value of the preferred shares is expected to equal their aggregate original purchase price plus redemption premium, if any, together with any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon (on a cumulative basis), whether or not earned or declared. The terms of the preferred shares, including their dividend rate, voting rights, liquidation preference and

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redemption provisions, will be determined by the Board (subject to applicable law and the Declaration of Trust) if and when it authorizes the preferred shares. The Fund may issue preferred shares that provide for the periodic redetermination of the dividend rate at relatively short intervals through an auction or remarketing procedure, although the terms of the preferred shares may also enable the Fund to lengthen such intervals. At times, the dividend rate as redetermined on the Fund's preferred shares may approach or exceed the Fund's current income after expenses on the investment of proceeds from the preferred shares and the Fund's leveraged capital structure would result in a lower rate of current income to Shareholders than if the Fund were not so structured.

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Fund, the terms of any preferred shares may entitle the holders of preferred shares to receive a preferential liquidating distribution (expected to equal the original purchase price per share plus redemption premium, if any, together with accrued and unpaid dividends, whether or not earned or declared and on a cumulative basis) before any distribution of assets is made to Shareholders. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which they are entitled, the preferred Shareholders would not be entitled to any further participation in any distribution of assets by the Fund.

Preferred shares could be issued with rights and preferences that would adversely affect Shareholders. Preferred shares could also be used as an antitakeover device. Every issuance of preferred shares will be required to comply with the requirements of the 1940 Act. The 1940 Act requires, among other things, that (i) immediately after issuance of preferred shares and before any distribution is made with respect to the shares and before any purchase of shares is made, the aggregate involuntary liquidation preference of such preferred Shares together with the aggregate involuntary liquidation preference or aggregate value of all other senior securities must not exceed an amount equal to 50% of the Fund's total assets after deducting the amount of such distribution or purchase price, as the case may be; and (ii) the holders of preferred shares, if any are issued, must be entitled as a class to elect two Trustees at all times and to elect a majority of the Trustees if distributions on such preferred shares are in arrears by two years or more. Certain matters under the 1940 Act require the separate vote of the holders of any issued and outstanding preferred shares.

If the Fund issues preferred shares, the Fund expects that it will be subject to certain restrictions imposed by guidelines of one or more rating agencies that may issue ratings for preferred shares issued by the Fund. These guidelines are expected to impose asset coverage or portfolio composition requirements that are more stringent than those imposed on the Fund by the 1940 Act. It is not anticipated that these covenants or guidelines would impede the Adviser from managing the Fund's portfolio in accordance with the Fund's investment objective and policies.

Tax aspects

The following is a general summary of certain material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to the Fund and an investment in the Fund. The discussion below provides general tax information related to an investment in the Fund, but does not purport to be a complete description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Fund and does not address any state, local, non-U.S. or other tax consequences. It is based on the Code and U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder and administrative pronouncements, all as of the date hereof, any of which is subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. In addition, it does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant in light of a Shareholder's particular circumstances, including (but not limited to) alternative minimum tax consequences and tax consequences applicable to Shareholders subject to special tax rules, such as

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certain financial institutions; dealers or traders in securities who use a mark-to-market method of tax accounting; persons holding Shares as part of a hedging transaction, wash sale, conversion transaction or integrated transaction or persons entering into a constructive sale with respect to Shares; entities classified as partnerships or other pass-through entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes; insurance companies; U.S. Shareholders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar; or tax-exempt entities, including “individual retirement accounts” or “Roth IRAs.” As with any taxable investment, Shareholders may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax on their income (including taxable income from the Fund), depending on their individual circumstances. Unless otherwise noted, the following discussion applies only to a Shareholder that holds Shares as a capital asset and is a U.S. Shareholder. A “U.S. Shareholder” generally is a beneficial owner of Shares who is for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
- an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- a trust if it (a) is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (b) has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

If a partnership (including an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds Shares, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. A prospective Shareholder that is a partner in a partnership holding Shares should consult his, her or its tax advisors with respect to the purchase, ownership and disposition of Shares.

The discussion set forth herein does not constitute tax advice. Tax laws are complex and often change, and Shareholders should consult their tax advisors about the U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences of an investment in the Fund.

TAXATION OF THE FUND

The Fund intends to elect to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and intends to qualify annually, as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, the Fund generally will not be subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that it distributes as dividends to Shareholders. To qualify as a RIC in any tax year, the Fund must, among other things, satisfy both a source of income test and asset diversification tests. The Fund will satisfy these tests if (i) at least 90% of the Fund’s gross income for such tax year consists of dividends; interest; payments with respect to certain securities loans; gains from the sale or other disposition of shares, securities or foreign currencies; other income (including, but not limited to, gains from options, futures or forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such shares, securities or currencies; and net income derived from interests in “qualified publicly-traded partnerships” (such income, “Qualifying RIC Income”); and (ii) the Fund’s holdings are diversified so that, at the end of each quarter of such tax year, (a) at least 50% of the value of the Fund’s total assets is represented by cash and cash equivalents, securities of other RICs, U.S. government securities and other securities, with such other securities limited, in respect of any one issuer, to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Fund’s total

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assets and not greater than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer and (b) not more than 25% of the value of the Fund's total assets is invested (x) in securities (other than U.S. government securities or securities of other RICs) of any one issuer or of two or more issuers that the Fund controls and that are engaged in the same, similar or related trades or businesses or (y) in the securities of one or more "qualified publicly-traded partnerships." The Fund's share of income derived from a partnership other than a "qualified publicly-traded partnership" will be treated as Qualifying RIC Income only to the extent that such income would have constituted Qualifying RIC Income if derived directly by the Fund. A "qualified publicly-traded partnership" is generally defined as an entity that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes if (1) interests in such entity are traded on an established securities market or are readily tradable on a secondary market or the substantial equivalent thereof and (2) less than 90% of its gross income for the relevant tax year consists of Qualifying RIC Income. The Code provides that the Treasury Department may by regulation exclude from Qualifying RIC Income foreign currency gains that are not directly related to the RIC's principal business of investing in shares or securities (or options and futures with respect to shares or securities). The Fund anticipates that, in general, its foreign currency gains will be directly related to its principal business of investing in shares and securities.

In addition, to maintain RIC tax treatment, the Fund must distribute on a timely basis with respect to each tax year dividends of an amount at least equal to 90% of the sum of its "investment company taxable income" and its net tax-exempt interest income, determined without regard to any deduction for dividends paid, to Shareholders (the "90% distribution requirement"). If the Fund qualifies as a RIC and satisfies the 90% distribution requirement, the Fund generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its "investment company taxable income" and net capital gains (that is, the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital losses) that it distributes as dividends to Shareholders (including amounts that are reinvested pursuant to a dividend reinvestment program). In general, a RIC's "investment company taxable income" for any tax year is its taxable income, determined without regard to net capital gains and with certain other adjustments. The Fund intends to distribute all or substantially all of its "investment company taxable income," net tax-exempt interest income (if any) and net capital gains on an annual basis. Any taxable income, including any net capital gains, that the Fund does not distribute in a timely manner, will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates.

If the Fund retains any net capital gains for reinvestment, it may elect to treat such capital gains as having been distributed to Shareholders. If the Fund makes such an election, each Shareholder will be required to report its share of such undistributed net capital gains as long-term capital gain and will be entitled to claim its share of the U.S. federal income taxes paid by the Fund on such undistributed net capital gains as a credit against its own U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, and to claim a refund on a properly-filed U.S. federal income tax return to the extent that the credit exceeds such liability. In addition, each Shareholder will be entitled to increase the adjusted tax basis of its Shares by the difference between its share of such undistributed net capital gain and the related credit. There can be no assurance that the Fund will make this election if it retains all or a portion of its net capital gain for a tax year.

As a RIC, the Fund will be, subject to a nondeductible 4% federal excise tax on certain undistributed amounts for each calendar year (the "4% excise tax"). To avoid the 4% excise tax, the Fund must distribute in respect of each calendar year dividends of an amount at least equal to the sum of (1) 98% of its ordinary taxable income (taking into account certain deferrals and elections) for the calendar year, (2) 98.2% of its capital gain net income (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) generally for the one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year and (3) any ordinary income and capital gains for previous calendar years that were not distributed during those calendar years. For purposes of

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determining whether the Fund has met this distribution requirement, the Fund will be deemed to have distributed any income or gains previously subject to U.S. federal income tax. Furthermore, any distribution declared by the Fund in October, November or December of any calendar year, payable to Shareholders, of record on a specified date in such a month and actually paid during January of the following calendar year, will be treated for tax purposes as if it had been paid on December 31 of the calendar year in which the distribution was declared. The Fund generally intends to avoid the imposition of the 4% excise tax, but there can be no assurance in this regard.

If the Fund fails to qualify as a RIC or fails to satisfy the 90% distribution requirement in respect of any tax year, the Fund would be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates on its taxable income, including its net capital gains, even if such income were distributed, and all distributions out of earnings and profits would be taxed as ordinary dividend income. Such distributions generally would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction in the case of certain corporate Shareholders and may be eligible to be qualified dividend income in the case of certain non-corporate Shareholders. In addition, the Fund could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay taxes and make distributions (any of which could be subject to interest charges) before re-qualifying for taxation as a RIC. If the Fund fails to satisfy either the income test or asset diversification test described above, in certain cases, however, the Fund may be able to avoid losing its status as a RIC by timely providing notice of such failure to the IRS, curing such failure and possibly paying an additional tax or penalty.

Some of the investments that the Fund is expected to make, such as investments in debt instruments having market discount and/or treated as issued with OID, may cause the Fund to recognize income or gain for U.S. federal income tax purposes prior to the receipt of any corresponding cash or other property. As a result, the Fund may have difficulty meeting the 90% distribution requirement necessary to maintain RIC tax treatment. Because this income will be included in the Fund's investment company taxable income for the tax year it is accrued, the Fund may be required to make a distribution to Shareholders to meet the distribution requirements described above, even though the Fund will not have received any corresponding cash or property. The Fund may be required to borrow money, dispose of other securities or forgo new investment opportunities for this purpose.

There may be uncertainty as to the appropriate treatment of certain of the Fund's investments for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In particular, the Fund expects to invest a portion of its net assets in below investment grade instruments, TruPS and convertible securities. U.S. federal income tax rules with respect to such instruments are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Fund should recognize interest, OID or market discount, when and to what extent deductions may be taken for bad debts or worthless instruments, how payments received on obligations in default should be allocated between principal and income and whether exchanges of debt obligations in a bankruptcy or workout context are taxable. The 2017 tax legislation amended certain income recognition rules, but the details of the application of the amended legislation remain subject to regulatory guidance. Although the Fund will seek to address these and other issues, to the extent necessary, in connection with the Fund's general intention to distribute sufficient income to qualify, and maintain its qualification to be subject to tax as a RIC and to minimize the risk that it becomes subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax, no assurances can be given that the Fund will not be adversely affected as a result of such issues.

Income received by the Fund from sources outside the United States may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries, thereby reducing income available to the Fund. Tax conventions between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes. The Fund generally intends to conduct its investment activities to minimize the impact of foreign taxation, but there is no guarantee that the Fund will be successful in this regard. If more than 50% of the value of the Fund's

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total assets at the close of its tax year consists of securities of foreign corporations, the Fund will be eligible to elect to “pass-through” to the Fund the foreign source amount of income deemed earned and the respective amount of foreign taxes paid by the Fund. If the Fund so elects, each Shareholder would be required to include in gross income, even though not actually received, each Shareholder’s *pro rata* share of the foreign taxes paid or deemed paid by the Fund, but would be treated as having paid its *pro rata* share of such foreign taxes and would therefore be allowed to either deduct such amount in computing taxable income or use such amount as a foreign tax credit against federal income tax (but not both), in each case subject to various limitations.

The Fund may invest in shares of foreign companies that are classified under the Code as passive foreign investment companies (“PFICs”). In general, a foreign company is considered a PFIC if at least 50% of its assets constitute investment-type assets or 75% or more of its gross income is investment-type income. In general under the PFIC rules, an “excess distribution” received with respect to PFIC shares is treated as having been realized ratably over the period during which the Fund held the PFIC shares. The Fund generally will be subject to tax on the portion, if any, of the excess distribution that is allocated to the Fund’s holding period in prior tax years (and an interest factor will be added to the tax, as if the tax had actually been payable in such prior tax years) even though the Fund distributes the corresponding income to Shareholders. Excess distributions include any gain from the sale of PFIC shares as well as certain distributions and other income with respect to a PFIC. All excess distributions are taxable as ordinary income.

The Fund may be eligible to elect alternative tax treatment with respect to PFIC shares. Under one such election (*i.e.*, a “QEF” election), the Fund generally would be required to include in its gross income its share of the earnings of a PFIC on a current basis, regardless of whether any distributions are received from the PFIC. If this election is made, the special rules, discussed above, relating to the taxation of excess distributions, would not apply. Alternatively, the Fund may be able to elect to mark its PFIC shares to market, resulting in any unrealized gains at the Fund’s tax year end being treated as though they were recognized and reported as ordinary income. Any mark-to-market losses and any loss from an actual disposition of the PFIC shares would be deductible as ordinary losses to the extent of any net mark-to-market gains included in income in prior tax years with respect to shares in the same PFIC.

Because the application of the PFIC rules may affect, among other things, the character of gains, the amount of gain or loss and the timing of the recognition of income, gain or loss with respect to PFIC shares, as well as subject the Fund itself to tax on certain income from PFIC shares, the amount that must be distributed to Fund Shareholders, and which will be recognized by Fund Shareholders as ordinary income or long-term capital gain, may be increased or decreased substantially as compared to a fund that did not invest in PFIC shares. Note that distributions from a PFIC are not eligible for the reduced rate of tax on distributions of “qualified dividend income” as discussed below.

Some of the Structured Products in which the Fund invests may be PFICs, which are generally subject to the tax consequences described above. Investment in certain equity interests of Structured Products that are subject to treatment as PFICs for U.S. federal income tax purposes may cause the Fund to recognize income in a tax year in excess of the Fund’s distributions from such Structured Products, PFICs and the Fund’s proceeds from sales or other dispositions of equity interests in other Structured Products and other PFICs during that tax year. As a result, the Fund generally would be required to distribute such income to satisfy the distribution requirements applicable to RICs. The IRS recently issued final regulations that generally treat the Fund’s income inclusion with respect to a PFIC with respect to which the Fund has made a QEF election as Qualifying RIC Income either if (A) there is a current distribution out of the earnings and profits of the PFIC that are attributable to such income inclusion or (ii) such inclusion is derived with respect to the Fund’s business of investing in stock, securities, or currencies.

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If the Fund holds more than 10% of the interests treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes in a foreign corporation that is treated as a controlled foreign corporation (“CFC”), including equity tranche investments and certain debt tranche investments in a Structured Product treated as CFC, the Fund may be treated as receiving a deemed distribution (taxable as ordinary income) each tax year from such foreign corporation of an amount equal to the Fund’s *pro rata* share of the foreign corporation’s earnings for such tax year (including both ordinary earnings and capital gains), whether or not the corporation makes an actual distribution to the Fund during such tax year. This deemed distribution is required to be included in the income of certain U.S. shareholders of a CFC, such as the Fund, regardless of whether a U.S. shareholder has made a QEF election with respect to such CFC. The Fund is generally required to distribute such income in order to satisfy the distribution requirements applicable to RICs, even to the extent the Fund’s income from a CFC exceeds the distributions from the CFC and the Fund’s proceeds from the sales or other dispositions of CFC stock during that tax year. In general, a foreign corporation will be treated as a CFC for U.S. federal income tax purposes if more than 50% of the shares of the foreign corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is owned (directly, indirectly or by attribution) by U.S. Shareholders. A “U.S. Shareholder,” for this purpose, is any U.S. person that possesses (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the combined voting power or value of all classes of shares of a corporation. The IRS recently issued final regulations that generally treat the Fund’s income inclusion with respect to a CFC as Qualifying RIC Income either if (A) there is a distribution out of the earnings and profits of the CFC that are attributable to such income inclusion or (ii) such inclusion is derived with respect to the Fund’s business of investing in stock, securities, or currencies.

The functional currency of the Fund, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is the U.S. dollar. Gains or losses attributable to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates that occur between the time the Fund accrues interest income or other receivables or accrues expenses or other liabilities denominated in a foreign currency and the time the Fund actually collects such receivables or pays such liabilities generally are respectively characterized as ordinary income or ordinary loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Similarly, on the sale or other disposition of certain investments, including debt securities, certain forward contracts, as well as other derivative financial instruments, denominated in a foreign currency, gains or losses attributable to fluctuations in the value of foreign currency between the date of acquisition of the security or contract and the date of disposition also are generally treated as ordinary gain or loss. These gains and losses, referred to under the Code as “section 988” gains and losses, may increase or decrease the amount of the Fund’s investment company taxable income subject to distribution to Fund Shareholders as ordinary income. For example, fluctuations in exchange rates may increase the amount of income that the Fund must distribute to qualify for tax treatment as a RIC and to prevent application of an excise tax on undistributed income. Alternatively, fluctuations in exchange rates may decrease or eliminate income available for distribution. If section 988 losses exceed other investment company taxable income during a tax year, the Fund would not be able to distribute amounts considered dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and any distributions during a tax year made by the Fund before such losses were recognized would be re-characterized as a return of capital to Fund Shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes, rather than as ordinary dividend income, and would reduce each Fund Shareholder’s tax basis in Fund Shares.

If the Fund utilizes leverage through the issuance of preferred shares or borrowings, it will be prohibited from declaring a distribution or dividend if it would fail the applicable asset coverage test(s) under the 1940 Act after the payment of such distribution or dividend. In addition, certain covenants in credit facilities or indentures may impose greater restrictions on the Fund’s ability to declare and pay dividends on Fund Shares. Limits on the Fund’s ability to pay dividends on Fund Shares may prevent the Fund from meeting the distribution requirements described above and, as a result, may affect the Fund’s ability

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to be subject to tax as a RIC or subject the Fund to income tax or undistributed income or the 4% excise tax. The Fund endeavors to avoid restrictions on its ability to make distribution payments. If the Fund is precluded from making distributions on Fund Shares because of any applicable asset coverage requirements, the terms of preferred shares (if any) may provide that any amounts so precluded from being distributed, but required to be distributed by the Fund to enable the Fund to satisfy the distribution requirements that would enable the Fund to be subject to tax as a RIC, will be paid to the holders of preferred shares as a special distribution. This distribution can be expected to decrease the amount that holders of preferred shares would be entitled to receive upon repurchase or liquidation of such preferred shares.

Certain of the Fund's investments are expected to be subject to special U.S. federal income tax provisions that may, among other things, (1) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions, (2) convert lower-taxed long-term capital gains into higher-taxed short-term capital gains or ordinary income, (3) convert an ordinary loss or a deduction into a capital loss, the deductibility of which is more limited, (4) adversely affect when a purchase or sale of shares or securities is deemed to occur, (5) adversely alter the intended characterization of certain complex financial transactions, (6) cause the Fund to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash, (7) treat dividends that would otherwise constitute qualified dividend income as non-qualified dividend income, (8) treat dividends that would otherwise be eligible for the corporate dividends received deduction as ineligible for such treatment and (9) produce income that will not constitute Qualifying RIC Income. The application of these rules could cause the Fund to be subject to U.S. federal income tax or the 4% excise tax and, under certain circumstances, could affect the Fund's status as a RIC. The Fund monitors its investments and may make certain tax elections to mitigate the effect of these provisions.

The remainder of this discussion assumes that the Fund has qualified and maintain its qualification as a RIC and has satisfied the distribution requirements described above.

TAXATION OF U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

Distributions

Distributions of the Fund's ordinary income and net short-term capital gains will, except as described below with respect to distributions of "qualified dividend income," generally be taxable to Shareholders as ordinary income to the extent such distributions are paid out of the Fund's current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Properly reported distributions (or deemed distributions, as described above), if any, of net capital gains will be taxable as long-term capital gains, regardless of the length of time a Shareholder has owned Shares. The ultimate tax characterization of the Fund's distributions made in a tax year cannot be determined until after the end of the tax year. As a result, the Fund may make total distributions during a tax year in an amount that exceeds the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Fund. A distribution of an amount in excess of the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated by a Shareholder as a return of capital that will be applied against and reduce the Shareholder's tax basis in its Shares. To the extent that the amount of any such distribution exceeds the Shareholder's tax basis in its Shares, the excess will be treated as gain from a sale or exchange of Shares. Distributions will be treated in the manner described above regardless of whether such distributions are paid in cash or invested in additional Shares. Generally, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a Shareholder receiving Shares under a dividend reinvestment program will be treated as having received a distribution equal to the amount of cash that could have been received instead.

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A return of capital to Shareholders is a return of a portion of their original investment in the Fund, thereby reducing the tax basis of their investment. As a result from such reduction in tax basis, Shareholders may be subject to tax in connection with the sale of Fund Shares, even if such Shares are sold at a loss relative to the Shareholder's original investment.

It is expected that a substantial portion of the Fund's income will consist of ordinary income. For example, interest and OID derived by the Fund characterized as ordinary income for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In addition, gain derived by the Fund from the disposition of debt instruments with "market discount" (generally, securities with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance acquired by the Fund at a price below the lesser of their stated redemption price at maturity or accreted value, in the case of securities with OID) will be characterized as ordinary income for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of the market discount that has accrued, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes, at the time of such disposition, unless the Fund makes an election to accrue market discount on a current basis. In addition, certain of the Fund's investments will be subject to other special U.S. federal income tax provisions that may affect the character, increase the amount and/or accelerate the timing of distributions to Shareholders.

Properly reported distributions made by the Fund to a corporate Shareholder will qualify for the dividends-received deduction only to the extent that the distributions are attributable to qualifying dividends received by the Fund. In addition, any portion of the Fund's dividends otherwise qualifying for the dividends-received deduction will be disallowed or reduced if the corporate Shareholder fails to satisfy certain requirements, including a holding period requirement, with respect to its Shares. Properly reported distributions of an individual or other non-corporate Shareholder will be treated as "qualified dividend income" to such Shareholder to the extent of the Fund's "qualified dividend income" and generally will be taxed at long-term capital gain rates, provided the Shareholder satisfies the applicable holding period and other requirements. "Qualified dividend income" generally includes dividends from domestic corporations and dividends from foreign corporations that meet certain specified criteria. Given the Fund's investment strategy, it is not expected that a significant portion of the distributions made by the Fund will be eligible for the dividends-received deduction or the reduced rates applicable to "qualified dividend income."

If a person acquires Shares shortly before the record date of a distribution, the price of the Shares may include the value of the distribution, and the person will be subject to tax on the distribution even though economically it may represent a return of his, her or its investment in such Shares.

Distributions paid by the Fund generally will be treated as received by a Shareholder at the time the distribution is made. However, the Fund may, under certain circumstances, elect to treat a distribution that is paid during the following tax year as if it had been paid during the tax year in which the income or gains supporting the distribution was earned. If the Fund makes such an election, the Shareholder will still be treated as receiving the distribution in the tax year in which the distribution is received. In this instance, however, any distribution declared by the Fund in October, November or December of any calendar year, payable to Shareholders of record on a specified date in such a month and actually paid during January of the following calendar year, will be treated for tax purposes as if it had been received by Shareholders on December 31 of the calendar year in which the distribution was declared.

Shareholders will be notified annually, as promptly as practicable after the end of each calendar year, as to the U.S. federal tax status of distributions, and Shareholders receiving distributions in the form of additional Shares will receive a report as to the NAV of those Shares.

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Sale or exchange of shares

The repurchase or transfer of Shares (including in connection with termination of the Fund) may result in a taxable gain or loss to the tendering Shareholder. Different tax consequences may apply for tendering and non-tendering Shareholders in connection with a repurchase offer. For example, if a Shareholder does not tender all of his or her Shares, such repurchase may be treated as a dividend (as opposed to a sale or exchange) for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and may result in deemed distributions to non-tendering Shareholders. On the other hand, Shareholders holding Shares as capital assets who tender all of their Shares (including Shares deemed owned by Shareholders under constructive ownership rules) will be treated as having sold their Shares and generally will recognize capital gain or loss. The amount of the gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the amount received for the Shares and the Shareholder's adjusted tax basis in the relevant Shares. Such gain or loss generally will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the Shareholder has held such Shares as capital assets for more than one year. Otherwise, the gain or loss will be treated as short-term capital gain or loss.

Losses realized by a Shareholder on the sale or exchange of Shares held as capital assets for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital losses to the extent of any distribution of long-term capital gains received (or deemed received, as discussed above) with respect to such Shares. In addition, no loss will be allowed on a sale or other disposition of Shares if the Shareholder acquires (including through reinvestment of distributions or otherwise) Shares, or enters into a contract or option to acquire Shares, within 30 days before or after any disposition of such Shares at a loss. In such a case, the basis of the Shares acquired will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss. Under current law, net capital gains recognized by non-corporate Shareholders are generally subject to U.S. federal income tax at lower rates than the rates applicable to ordinary income.

Corporate U.S. Shareholders currently are subject to U.S. federal income tax on net capital gain at the same rate as ordinary income. Non-corporate Shareholders with net capital losses for a tax year (*i.e.*, capital losses in excess of capital gains) generally may deduct up to \$3,000 of such losses against their ordinary income each tax year. Any net capital losses of a non-corporate Shareholder in excess of \$3,000 generally may be carried forward and used in subsequent tax years as provided in the Code. Corporate Shareholders generally may not deduct any net capital losses for a tax year, but may carry back such losses for three tax years or carry forward such losses for five tax years.

Medicare tax

An additional 3.8% Medicare tax is imposed on certain net investment income (including ordinary dividends and capital gain distributions received from the Fund and net gains from repurchases or other taxable dispositions of Shares) of U.S. individuals, estates and trusts to the extent that such person's "modified adjusted gross income" (in the case of an individual) or "adjusted gross income" (in the case of an estate or trust) exceeds certain threshold amounts. U.S. persons that are individuals, estates or trusts are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the applicability of this tax to their income and gains in respect of their investment in the Fund.

Certain reporting requirements

Under U.S. Treasury regulations, if a Shareholder recognizes losses with respect to Shares of \$2 million or more for an individual Shareholder or \$10 million or more for a corporate Shareholder, the Shareholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on IRS Form 8886. Direct Shareholders of portfolio securities are in many cases excepted from this reporting requirement, but under current

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guidance, shareholders of a RIC are not excepted. Future guidance may extend the current exception from this reporting requirement to shareholders of most or all RICs. The fact that a loss is reportable under these regulations does not affect the legal determination of whether the taxpayer's treatment of the loss is proper. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors to determine the applicability of these regulations in light of their individual circumstances.

Reporting of adjusted cost basis information is required for covered securities, which generally include shares of a RIC acquired after January 1, 2012, to the IRS and to taxpayers. Shareholders should contact their Financial Intermediaries with respect to reporting of cost basis and available elections for their accounts.

Backup withholding and information reporting

Information returns will be filed with the IRS in connection with payments on Shares and the proceeds from a sale or other disposition of Shares. A Shareholder will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments if it fails to provide the payor with its correct taxpayer identification number (generally, in the case of a U.S. resident Shareholder, on an IRS Form W-9) and to make required certifications or otherwise establish an exemption from backup withholding. Corporate Shareholders and certain other Shareholders generally are exempt from backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld as backup withholding may be credited against the applicable Shareholder's U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

TAXATION OF NON-U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

Whether an investment in the Fund is appropriate for a non-U.S. Shareholder (as defined below) will depend upon that investor's particular circumstances. An investment in the Fund by a non-U.S. Shareholder may have adverse tax consequences. Non-U.S. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors before investing in Shares.

The U.S. federal income taxation of a Shareholder that is a nonresident alien individual, a foreign trust or estate or a foreign corporation, as defined for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a "non-U.S. Shareholder"), depends on whether the income that the Shareholder derives from the Fund is "effectively connected" with a U.S. trade or business carried on by the Shareholder.

If the income that a non-U.S. Shareholder derives from the Fund is not "effectively connected" with a U.S. trade or business carried on by such non-U.S. Shareholder, distributions of "investment company taxable income" (including any deemed distributions with respect to a repurchase offer) will generally be subject to a U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30% (or a lower rate provided under an applicable treaty). Alternatively, if the income that a non-U.S. Shareholder derives from the Fund is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the non-U.S. Shareholder, the Fund will not be required to withhold U.S. federal tax if the non-U.S. Shareholder complies with applicable certification and disclosure requirements, although such income will be subject to U.S. federal income tax in the manner described below and at the rates applicable to U.S. residents. Backup withholding will not, however, be applied to payments that have been subject to this 30% withholding tax applicable to non-U.S. Shareholders.

A non-U.S. Shareholder whose income from the Fund is not "effectively connected" with a U.S. trade or business will generally be exempt from U.S. federal income tax on capital gains distributions, any amounts retained by the Fund that are designated as undistributed capital gains and any gains realized

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upon the sale or exchange of Shares. If, however, such a non-U.S. Shareholder is a nonresident alien individual and is physically present in the United States for 183 days or more during the tax year and meets certain other requirements such as capital gains distributions, undistributed capital gains and gains from the sale or exchange of Shares will be subject to a 30% U.S. tax.

Furthermore, properly reported distributions by the Fund and received by non-U.S. Shareholders are generally exempt from U.S. federal withholding tax when they (a) are paid by the Fund in respect of the Fund's "qualified net interest income" (*i.e.*, the Fund's U.S. source interest income, subject to certain exceptions, reduced by expenses that are allocable to such income), or (b) are paid by the Fund in connection with the Fund's "qualified short-term capital gains" (generally, the excess of the Fund's net short-term capital gains over the Fund's long-term capital losses for such tax year). However, depending on the circumstances, the Fund may designate all, some or none of the Fund's potentially eligible distributions as derived from such qualified net interest income or from such qualified short-term capital gains, and a portion of such distributions (*e.g.*, derived from interest from non-U.S. sources or any foreign currency gains) would be ineligible for this potential exemption from withholding. Moreover, in the case of Shares held through an intermediary, the intermediary may have withheld amounts even if the Fund reported all or a portion of a distribution as exempt from U.S. federal withholding tax. To qualify for this exemption from withholding, a non-U.S. Shareholder must comply with applicable certification requirements relating to its non-U.S. tax residency status (including, in general, furnishing an IRS Form W-8BEN, IRS Form W-8BEN-E, IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8IMY or IRS Form W-8EXP, or an acceptable substitute or successor form). There can be no assurance as to what portion, if any, of the Fund's distributions would qualify for favorable treatment as qualified net interest income or qualified short-term capital gains. An investment in the Shares by a non-U.S. Shareholder may have adverse tax consequences as compared to a direct investment in the assets in which the Fund will invest.

If the income from the Fund is "effectively connected" with a U.S. trade or business carried on by a non-U.S. Shareholder, any distributions of "investment company taxable income," capital gains distributions, amounts retained by the Fund that are designated as undistributed capital gains and any gains realized upon the sale or exchange of Shares will be subject to U.S. income tax, on a net income basis, in the same manner, and at the rates applicable to, U.S. persons. If such a non-U.S. Shareholder is a corporation, it may also be subject to the U.S. branch profits tax.

A non-U.S. Shareholder other than a corporation may be subject to backup withholding on net capital gains distributions that are otherwise exempt from withholding tax or on distributions that would otherwise be taxable at a reduced treaty rate if such Shareholder does not certify its non-U.S. status under penalties of perjury or otherwise establish an exemption.

If the Fund distributes net capital gains in the form of deemed rather than actual distributions, a non-U.S. Shareholder will be entitled to a U.S. federal income tax credit or tax refund equal to the Shareholder's allocable share of the tax the Fund pays on the capital gains deemed to have been distributed. To obtain the refund, the non-U.S. Shareholder must obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and file a federal income tax return even if the non-U.S. Shareholder would not otherwise be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number or file a federal income tax return.

Under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act provisions of the Code, withholding of U.S. tax (at a 30% rate) is required on payments of taxable dividends made to certain non-U.S. entities that fail to comply (or be deemed compliant) with extensive reporting and withholding requirements in the Code designed to inform the U.S. Department of the Treasury of U.S.-owned foreign investment accounts.

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Shareholders may be requested to provide additional information to the Fund to enable the Fund to determine whether withholding is required.

The tax consequences to a non-U.S. Shareholder entitled to claim the benefits of an applicable tax treaty may differ from those described herein. Non-U.S. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors with respect to the particular tax consequences to them of an investment in the Fund, including the potential application of the U.S. estate tax.

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Shareholders may be subject to state, local and non-U.S. taxes applicable to their investment in the Fund. In those states or localities, entity-level tax treatment and the treatment of distributions made to Shareholders under those jurisdictions' tax laws may differ from the treatment under the Code. Accordingly, an investment in Shares may have tax consequences for Shareholders that are different from those of a direct investment in the Fund's portfolio investments. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors with respect to the particular tax consequences to them of an investment in the Fund.

Investor support services

The Fund has retained Destra Capital Investments LLC ("Destra") to provide investor support services in connection with the ongoing operation of the Fund. Such services include providing ongoing contact with respect to the Fund and its performance with financial advisors that are representatives of financial intermediaries, communicating with the NYSE specialist for the Shares, and with the closed-end fund analyst community regarding the Fund on a regular basis, and hosting and maintaining a website for the Fund. The Fund will pay Destra a services fee in an annual amount equal to 0.12% of the average aggregate daily value of the Fund's Managed Assets during the Fund's first year of operations and 0.10% of the average daily value of the Fund's Managed Assets from the end of the Fund's first year of operations through the Termination Date (as may be extended in accordance with the terms described herein). The compensation received by Destra pursuant to the investor support services agreement is for ongoing investor support services following the completion of this offering and is separate from the compensation Destra will receive for providing distribution assistance in connection with this offering.

Underwriting

The underwriters named below (the “Underwriters”), acting through UBS Securities LLC, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019; Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, 550 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202; Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., 85 Broad Street, New York, New York 10004; Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., 787 7th Avenue, New York, New York 10019; Wedbush Securities Inc., 1000 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 900, Los Angeles, California 90017 and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, 200 Vesey Street, New York, New York 10281, as their representatives (the “Representatives”), have severally agreed, subject to the terms and conditions of an underwriting agreement with the Fund and the Adviser (the “Underwriting Agreement”), to purchase from the Fund the number of Shares set forth opposite their respective names. The Underwriters are committed to purchase and pay for all such Shares (other than those covered by the over-allotment option described below) if any are purchased.

| Underwriter | Number of Shares |
|--|-------------------------|
| UBS Securities LLC | 1,458,000 |
| Wells Fargo Securities, LLC | 863,500 |
| Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. | 531,000 |
| Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. | 180,000 |
| Wedbush Securities Inc. | 180,000 |
| RBC Capital Markets, LLC | 156,500 |
| B. Riley FBR, Inc. | 49,000 |
| Bancroft Capital, LLC | 17,500 |
| Brookline Capital Markets, a Division of Arcadia Securities, LLC | 89,500 |
| D.A. Davidson & Co. | 2,000 |
| Incapital LLC | 109,500 |
| Janney Montgomery Scott LLC | 150,500 |
| JonesTrading Institutional Services LLC | 67,500 |
| Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc. | 32,500 |
| Maxim Group LLC..... | 4,000 |
| National Securities Corporation | 77,000 |
| Newbridge Securities Corporation | 51,500 |
| Pershing LLC..... | 14,500 |
| Piper Sandler & Co..... | 2,000 |
| Click IPO Securities, LLC | 14,000 |
| Total | <u>4,050,000</u> |

If an Underwriter fails to purchase the Shares it has agreed to purchase, the Underwriting Agreement provides that one or more substitute underwriters may be found, the purchase commitments of the remaining Underwriters may be increased or the Underwriting Agreement may be terminated.

The Fund has granted to the Underwriters an option, exercisable for 45 days from the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to an additional 606,845 Shares to cover over-allotments, if any, at the initial offering price. The Underwriters may exercise such option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments incurred in the sale of the Shares offered hereby. To the extent that the Underwriters exercise this option, each of the Underwriters will have a firm commitment, subject to certain conditions, to purchase an additional number of Shares proportionate to such Underwriter’s initial commitment.

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The Underwriting Agreement provides that the obligations of the Underwriters to purchase the Shares included in this offering are subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions.

Investors purchasing Shares in this offering will not be charged a sales load. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay, from its own assets, compensation of up to \$0.60 per Share to the Underwriters in connection with the offering, which aggregate amount will not exceed 2.9259% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering. See “Additional Compensation to be Paid by the Adviser,” below. The Representatives have advised the Fund that the Underwriters may pay up to \$0.40 per Share from such compensation to selected dealers who sell the Shares and that such dealers may reallow a concession of up to \$0.10 per Share to certain other dealers who sell Shares.

Investors must pay for any Shares purchased on or before June 30, 2020.

The Adviser (and not the Fund) will pay all organizational expenses of the Fund and all offering costs associated with this offering. The Fund is not obligated to repay any such organizational expenses or offering costs paid by the Adviser.

The Adviser has agreed to pay expenses related to the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Underwriters in connection with the review by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) of the terms of the sale of the Common Shares, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000, and the filing fees incident to the filing of this offering with FINRA.

In addition, the Adviser has agreed to pay costs and expenses of counsel to the Underwriters and out of pocket expenses related to the offering payable by the Underwriters in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 in the event that this offering is not completed, and to pay 50% of fees and expenses of counsel to the Underwriters and out of pocket expenses related to the offering payable by the Underwriters in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 in the event that aggregate gross proceeds of this offering (excluding any exercise of the over-allotment option) is less than \$100 million.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public or private market for the Shares or any other securities of the Fund. Consequently, the offering price for the Shares was determined by negotiation among the Fund and the Representatives. There can be no assurance, however, that the price at which the Shares sell after this offering will not be lower than the price at which they are sold by the Underwriters or that an active trading market in the Shares will develop and continue after this offering. The Fund’s Shares have been approved for listing on the NYSE under the trading or “ticker” symbol “DYFN”, subject to notice of issuance.

In connection with the requirements for listing the Shares on the NYSE, the Underwriters have undertaken to sell lots of 100 or more Shares to a minimum of 400 beneficial owners in the United States. The minimum investment requirement is 50 Shares.

The Fund and the Adviser have each agreed to indemnify the several Underwriters for or to contribute to the losses arising out of certain liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act, or to contribute to payments the Underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities, except in the cases of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of applicable obligations and duties.

The Fund has agreed not to offer, sell or register with the SEC any additional equity securities of the Fund, other than issuances (1) of Shares hereby, (2) of preferred shares or (3) pursuant to the Fund’s dividend reinvestment plan, for a period of 180 days after the date of the Underwriting Agreement without the prior written consent of the Representatives.

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Certain types of investors, including employees of the Adviser and its affiliates or strategic partners, who have indicated an interest in purchasing Shares in this offering have agreed that for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, such party will not, without the prior written consent of the Representatives, on behalf of the Underwriters, offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of or agree to sell or otherwise dispose of, directly or indirectly, or hedge any Shares or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for Shares, provided, however, that in such party may sell or otherwise dispose of Shares pursuant to certain limited exceptions. The Representatives in their sole discretion may release any of the securities subject to these lock-up agreements at any time.

In connection with this offering, the Underwriters may purchase and sell Shares in the open market. These transactions may include over-allotment and stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover syndicate short positions created in connection with this offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of certain bids or purchases for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Shares and syndicate short positions involve the sale by the Underwriters of a greater number of Shares than they are required to purchase from the Fund in this offering. The Underwriters also may impose a penalty bid, whereby selling concessions allowed to syndicate members or other broker-dealers in respect of the Shares sold in this offering for their account may be reclaimed by the syndicate if such Shares are repurchased by the syndicate in stabilizing or covering transactions. These activities may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the Shares, which may be higher than the price that might otherwise prevail in the open market; and these activities, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time without notice. These transactions may be effected on the NYSE or otherwise.

In connection with the offering, certain of the Underwriters or selected dealers may distribute prospectuses electronically.

The Fund anticipates that from time to time certain of the Underwriters may act as brokers or dealers in connection with the execution of the Fund's portfolio transactions after they have ceased to be Underwriters and, subject to certain restrictions, may act as brokers while they are Underwriters. Certain Underwriters have performed investment banking and advisory services for the Adviser and its affiliates from time to time, for which they have received customary fees and expenses. Certain Underwriters may, from time to time, engage in transactions with or perform services for the Adviser and its affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION TO BE PAID BY THE ADVISER AND OTHER RELATIONSHIPS

The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay from its own assets, underwriting compensation of up to \$0.60 per Share to the Underwriters in connection with the offering, which aggregate amount will not exceed 2.9259% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering. Such per share underwriting compensation payable by the Adviser may be reduced with respect to the purchase of Shares by certain types of investors, including employees of the Adviser and its affiliates or strategic partners; individuals purchasing Shares through certain types of fee-based advisory accounts; and individuals purchasing Shares through accounts with certain registered investment advisors.

The Adviser (and not the Fund) has also agreed to pay, from its own assets, to each of UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., Wedbush Securities Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Brookline Capital Markets, a Division of Acadia Securities, LLC, Incapital LLC and Janney Montgomery Scott LLC a fee for advice relating to the structure, design and organization of the Fund as well as for services related to the sale and distribution of the Fund's Shares in the amount of \$787,493.65, \$240,841.25, \$148,233.75, \$50,000, \$38,750, \$43,750, \$12,750, \$17,825 and \$21,825, respectively. If the over-allotment option is not exercised, the structuring fee paid

to each of UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., Wedbush Securities Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Brookline Capital Markets, a Division of Acadia Securities, LLC, Incapital LLC and Janney Montgomery Scott LLC will not exceed 0.9722%, 0.2973%, 0.1830%, 0.0617%, 0.0478%, 0.0540%, 0.0157%, 0.0220% and 0.0269%, respectively, of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering.

The Adviser has entered into a distribution agreement with Destra Capital Investments LLC under which Destra Capital Investments LLC provides assistance to the Adviser with respect to distribution of the Shares. The fees and reimbursement of expenses due pursuant to this distribution agreement will be paid exclusively by the Adviser (and not the Fund). The Adviser has agreed to compensate Destra Capital Investments LLC, including reimbursement of expenses, in an amount up to \$186,274. If the over-allotment option is not exercised, the compensation paid to Destra Capital Investments LLC will not exceed 0.2300% of the total public offering price. Destra Capital Investments LLC is a registered broker-dealer and a member of FINRA and may be deemed an “underwriter” for purposes of this offering under the 1933 Act, although Destra Capital Investments LLC will not purchase or resell any of the Shares in connection with the offering.

The Adviser has entered into a consulting arrangement with a consultant to Click IPO Securities, LLC pursuant to which the consultant will provide the Adviser with advice regarding the design, structuring and marketing strategies of the Fund. The Adviser (and not the Fund) has agreed to pay a consulting fee to Click IPO Securities, LLC in the amount of \$40,000. If the over-allotment option is not exercised, the compensation paid to Click IPO Securities, LLC will not exceed 0.0494% of the total public offering price. Click IPO Securities, LLC is a registered broker-dealer and a member of FINRA and is participating as an underwriter in the offering.

The sum of all compensation to the Underwriters in connection with this public offering of Shares, including the underwriting compensation payable by the Adviser, the structuring fees, and all forms of additional payments to the Underwriters the payments to Click IPO Securities, LLC, the payments to Destra Capital Investments LLC pursuant to the distribution agreement and certain other expenses will not exceed 4.8861% of the total public offering price of the Shares sold in this offering.

Fiscal year; reports

For accounting purposes, the Fund’s fiscal year and tax year is expected to end on January 31. As soon as practicable after the end of each calendar year, a statement on Form 1099-DIV identifying the sources of the distributions paid by the Fund to Shareholders for tax purposes will be furnished to Shareholders subject to IRS reporting. In addition, the Fund will prepare and transmit to Shareholders an unaudited semi-annual and an audited annual report within 60 days after the close of the period for which the report is being made, or as otherwise required by the 1940 Act.

Custodian, administrator and transfer agent

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, which has its principal office at 615 East Michigan Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, acts as administrator, fund accountant and transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent to the Fund. U.S. Bank, which has its principal office at 1555 North Rivercenter Drive, Suite 302, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212, acts as the custodian to the Fund.

Legal counsel

Dechert LLP, 1900 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, serves as legal counsel to the Fund. Certain legal matters will be passed on for the Underwriters by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 155 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

Additional information

This prospectus concisely provides the information that a prospective investor should know about the Fund before investing. Investors are advised to read this prospectus carefully and to retain it for future reference. Additional information about the Fund, including the Statement of Additional Information, dated June 25, 2020, has been filed with the SEC and is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this prospectus. The Statement of Additional Information and, when available, the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports and other information filed with the SEC, can be obtained upon request and without charge by writing to the Fund at c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services at P.O. Box 701, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701, by calling (855) 751-4324 or by visiting the Fund's website at www.angeloakcapital.com. The table of contents of the Statement of Additional Information appears on page 101 of this prospectus. Investors may request the Fund's Statement of Additional Information, annual and semi-annual reports, when available, and other information about the Fund or make Shareholder inquiries by calling (855) 751-4324 or by visiting www.angeloakcapital.com. In addition, the contact information provided above may be used to request additional information about the Fund and to make Shareholder inquiries. The Statement of Additional Information, other material incorporated by reference into this prospectus and other information about the Fund is also available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. The address of the SEC's website is provided solely for the information of prospective investors and is not intended to be an active link.

Privacy principles

The Fund does not disclose any nonpublic personal information about Shareholders or former Shareholders to nonaffiliated third parties except to service or manage the Shareholder's account or as permitted by law. Furthermore, the Fund restricts access to the personal information of Shareholders to employees of the Adviser or service providers (for example, to a transfer agent or administrator) who need that information to provide services to the Shareholder. If a Shareholder closes his or her account, the Fund will continue to adhere to its privacy policy with respect to the nonpublic personal information of that Shareholder. The disposal of nonpublic personal information shall be done in a secure manner as described in the Adviser's compliance manual. The Fund maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards designed to protect the non-public personal information of its Shareholders.

Inquiries

Inquiries concerning the Fund and the Shares should be directed to:

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c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services
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Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701

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