

# **Boston Partners Small/Mid Cap Value**



# **Separately Managed Account (SMA)**

## **OBJECTIVE**

Long-term growth of capital and to outperform its benchmark net of fees.

### **INVESTMENT APPROACH**

Bottom-up security selection that establishes a diversified portfolio of primarily U.S. small-and midsized-company stocks possessing attractive valuations, strong fundamentals, and positive business momentum.

## **KEY STATS**

Category	U.S. Small/Mid Cap Value
Benchmark	Russell 2500 Value Index
SMA assets	\$303 M
Total strategy assets	\$1.7 B
Holdings	150
Inception	4/1/2007

## **RISK MEASURES**

Beta	0.93
Alpha	2.50
Standard deviation	20.63
Sharpe ratio	0.02
Upside capture	96.73%
Downside capture	92.36%

## CHARACTERISTICS Portfolio Benchmark

Wtd. avg. market cap	\$7.9 B	\$7.9 B
Forward P/E	10.6x	12.2x
OROA (5 YR)	31.0%	13.6%
Free cash flow yield	5.1%	2.2%

Data shown is for the representative account. Risk measures reflect the most recent three-year period.

SECTOR WEIGHTINGS (%)	⋖UNDER	over ►	PORTFOLIO	BENCHMARK
Financials		7.1	29.6	22.5
Consumer staples		3.6	7.5	3.9
Consumer discretionary		1.6	12.4	10.8
Information technology		1.1	8.7	7.6
Health care		0.8	7.9	7.1
Industrials		0.5	18.0	17.5
Communication services	-0.8		2.9	3.7
Energy	-1.4		4.7	6.1
Utilities	-3.0		1.1	4.1
Materials	-4.6		2.0	6.6
Real estate	-8.0		2.0	10.0

Cash and net other investments are excluded. Allocations will vary over time. Due to rounding, percentages may not equal 100%.

## **TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)**

SLM Corporation	1.6
Viper Energy, Inc.	1.5
FirstCash Holdings, Inc.	1.5
Assured Guaranty Ltd.	1.3
Grand Canyon Education, Inc.	1.3

EMCOR Group, Inc.	1.3
East West Bancorp, Inc.	1.2
Check Point Software Technology	1.2
Magnite Inc.	1.2
Gen Digital Inc.	1.1

Holdings represent 13.1% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

# A time-tested approach to investing

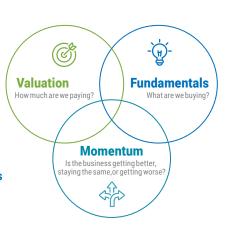
# We buy stocks that exhibit:

- Attractive value characteristics
- Strong business fundamentals
- Positive business momentum

# We sell stocks based on:

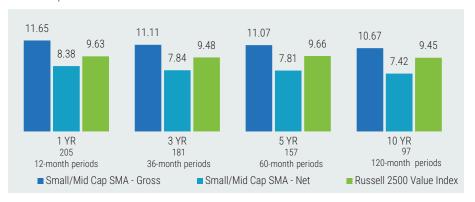
- Valuation: appreciation to price target
- Weakening business fundamentals
- Reversal of momentum

In our experience, portfolios with all three characteristics tend to outperform over time.



## **AVERAGE OF MONTHLY ROLLING RETURNS (%)**

Since inception 4/1/2007



## **ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (%)**

	Q1	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Since inception
Small/Mid Cap Value SMA Gross of Fees	-5.21	-5.21	1.07	6.10	21.32	8.61	8.57
Small Cap Value SMA Net of Fees	-5.94	-5.94	-1.93	2.97	17.78	5.41	5.37
Russell 2500 Value Index	-5.83	-5.83	-1.47	2.27	16.65	6.84	6.68

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# **CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE AND DISPERSION**

	Total returns (%)		3 YR standard dev. (%)		SMA				
	SMA gross of fees	SMA net of fees	Benchmark	Composite	Benchmark	# of accounts	Dispersion (%)		Firm assets (\$M)
2024	15.90	12.50	10.98	20.20	21.63	9	0.59	\$10	\$104,655
2023	18.35	14.89	15.98	19.38	20.70	4	n/a	6	94,056
2022	-8.77	-11.49	-13.08	28.04	26.46	4	n/a	1	88,117
2021	28.84	25.11	27.78	26.74	24.15	7	0.36	8	96,320
2020	5.57	2.44	4.88	27.76	25.05	2	n/a	3	77,120
2019	31.95	28.13	23.56	15.64	14.23	4	n/a	1	89,368
2018	-17.63	-20.11	-12.36	14.47	13.58	4	n/a	1	81,550
2017	14.22	10.88	10.36	12.60	11.81	5	0.15	2	99,241
2016	24.42	20.80	25.20	13.87	13.18	8	0.27	3	87,222
2015	-3.33	-6.20	-5.49	12.23	12.02	93	0.09	39	78,363

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### Composite construction

The inception date and creation date of the Small/Mid Cap Value SMA Wrap composite is April 1, 2007. The Small/Mid Cap Value SMA strategy is composed of securities primarily in the same market capitalization range, at time of purchase, as the Russell 2500 Value Index. The composite includes designated retail separately managed, fully discretionary, fee-paying accounts under management with a similar investment mandate.

## **Benchmark**

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# **Calculation Methodology**

Monthly composite returns are calculated using weights equal to beginning values adjusted for time weighted cash flows. Quarterly and yearly returns are derived from linking monthly returns. Returns are expressed in U.S. Dollars. Additional information regarding policies for calculating and reporting returns and preparing compliant reports is available upon request.

## Fees

Gross-of-fee returns reflect information provided by and are inclusive of all individual Sponsors. Gross returns are presented before the deduction of transaction costs, fees or expenses, though in some cases may reflect expenses for commissions on trades. Gross-of-fee returns should be viewed as supplemental information only. Net of-fees returns are calculated by subtracting a hypothetical maximum total wrap fee (3.00% on an annual basis, or 0.25% monthly) from the monthly gross-of-fees returns. The total wrap fee includes all charges, transaction costs, portfolio management, investment advisory, custodial and other administrative costs. Wrap fees vary amongst brokerage firms and may be negotiated based on account size and other factors. The hypothetical maximum total



wrap fee used is deemed to be the maximum fee charged to any composite account. Performance periods over one year are annualized. Please see the Sponsor's program Brochure for more important fee information, including their standard fee schedule.

#### Composite dispersion

The measurement of composite dispersion is calculated by the weighted average standard deviation of the annual account gross-of-fee returns within the composite. Dispersion in composites with less than five accounts included for the entire year is not considered meaningful and is denoted with N/A. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. This calculation has been adopted effective with the period ended December 31, 2011.

## Annual fee schedule

Please see the Sponsor's fee schedule reflecting the total wrap fee charged.

#### Other disclosures

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#### **Definitions**

Alpha measures the excess risk-adjusted return of a portfolio relative to a benchmark index. **Beta** is a measure of a portfolio's market risk relative to its benchmark. In general, a beta higher than 1.00 indicates a more volatile portfolio and beta lower than 1.00 indicates a less volatile portfolio in relation to its benchmark. **Downside capture** measures a portfolio's performance in down markets relative to the index. A value below 100 indicates that a fund has outperformed in down markets. Free cash flow (FCF) yield is calculated by dividing a company's free cash flow by its market capitalization. In general, higher FCF yields indicate greater financial health. FCF Yield is reported as median excluding financials of the underlying securities. **OROA** (operating return on operating assets) measures how much operating income a company generates per dollar invested in assets that are used specifically to facilitate its day-to-day operations. The figures shown are for the trailing five years. **Price/earnings (P/E) ratio** measures a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings. Forward P/E uses a company's forecasted earnings for the next year. Sharpe ratio measures a portfolio's total return per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the better the portfolio's historical riskadjusted performance. Standard deviation is commonly used to gauge a portfolio's level of risk, and measures the average amount by which a set of data varies from its mean value. Upside capture measure a portfolio's performance in up markets relative to an index. A value over 100 indicates that a fund has outperformed the benchmark during periods of positive returns for the benchmark.

