

EQUITY DIVIDEND PLUS STRATEGY

STRATEGY OVERVIEW

The Equity Dividend Plus Strategy is an income oriented strategy that invests in companies paying above-average dividends that we believe have the required financial strength to sustain and increase dividend payouts over time. The Strategy aims to achieve an overall portfolio yield consistent with, or in excess of, the yield of the benchmark.

STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

- > Income Oriented: Focus on dividend paying stocks to produce a portfolio with both dividend growth and above-benchmark yield characteristics
- All-Cap Approach: Seek opportunities among dividend payers across market cap spectrum
- Research Intensive: Emphasize financial strength of companies and their ability to sustain and grow current dividend payout

Strategy

< \$5 Billion

> \$25 Billion

\$5 - \$25 Billion

3.1%

23.1%

73.8%

Index

5.4%

18.4%

76.2%

Upside

11%

9%

6%

Downside

5-Year Risk / Return

16% 19% 22%

Financials

Industrials

Energy

Utilities

Cash

Materials

Real Estate

Health Care

SECTOR DISTRIBUTION

Information Technology

Consumer Discretionary

Communication Services

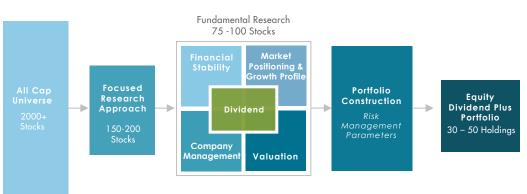
Consumer Staples

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTIC	S	
	Strategy	Index
Return on Assets	9.2%	6.9%
Return on Equity	21.7%	16.5%
Return on Total Capital	17.5%	14.8%
LT Debt/Capital	47.0%	42.5%
Dividend Yield	2.7%	2.1%
Historical 3 Yr. Sales Growth	11.6%	12.2%
Historical 3 Yr. EPS Growth	6.4%	19.1%
Historical 5 Yr. EPS Volatility	20.4%	25.8%
Estimated PE (FY1)	22.5x	19.6x
Wtd. Avg. Market Cap (\$MM)	\$377,428	\$162,781
Trailing 12-Month Turnover	14.9%	-
Number of Holdings	39	2,302

TOP		NGA

	% of Portfolio	Sector
Broadcom, Inc.	7.3%	Information Technology
Microsoft Corporation	5.6%	Information Technology
AbbVie, Inc.	3.6%	Health Care
Watsco, Inc.	3.5%	Industrials
Philip Morris International, Inc.	3.5%	Consumer Staples
Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc.	3.2%	Industrials
Paychex, Inc.	3.2%	Industrials
Entergy Corporation	3.0%	Utilities
BlackRock, Inc.	2.9%	Financials
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	2.8%	Energy
Entergy Corporation BlackRock, Inc.	3.0% 2.9%	Utilities Financials

INVESTMENT PROCESS



- Style: All Cap, Income Oriented
- > Approach: Active; Bottom Up
- Benchmark: Russell 3000 Value Index
- Inception: 11/1/2003
- Strategy Assets: \$1,454 MM

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM

Risk Return

10.5%

8.6%

9.4%

Strategy

16.6%

15.4%

14.3%

8.0%

7.2%

6.5%

4.7%

3.8%

2.0%

0.0%

3 4%

18.1% 23.4%

Index

9.2%

14.6%

13.9%

6.7%

6.4%

7.6%

4.6%

4.2%

5.0%

4.3%

0.0%

16.3%

19.0%

16.3%

Aaron	С.	Clark,	CFA
Daniel	L.	Miller,	CFA

Strategy

87.0%

78.7%

trategy

Gross

Index

5-Year Market Capture Ratios

Domestic Equity 7 Investment Professionals

Average Years 26 Experience

10-Year Market 0	Capture Ratios	
	Strategy	Index
Upside	85.4%	100.0%
Downside	73.2%	100.0%
	Upside	Upside 85.4%

10-Year Risk / Return

11%		Risk	Return
	Strategy – Gross	13.4%	10.2%
8%	Index	15.9%	8.4%
6%	Strategy – Net	13.4%	9.1%
13% 16% 19%			

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. There is a risk that invested capital may be lost. Source: Factset, Risk/return and market capture is based on historical monthly returns. Holdings are based on a representative account. There is no guarantee the holdings from the representative account will form part of any future implementation of the Strategy, and should not be considered a recommendation to purchase or sell any security. Please refer to page 2 for GW&K's Disclosure Statement, which is an integral part of our presentation, for an explanation of our composite criteria, calculations and index descriptions. All data as of 12/31/2024

FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH

Dividend

 Companies that deliver consistent dividend yield and growth

Financial Stability

- Stable or improving financial metrics
- Market Positioning & Growth Profile
- Companies in attractive markets delivering consistent growth

Valuation

ratios

- Attractive valuation metrics in relation to industry, peers and own company history
- Avoid companies with unsustainable payout

Company Management

• Experienced, tenured, high-quality management



EQUITY DIVIDEND PLUS STRATEGY

ANNUALIZED RETURNS Period Ending 12/						
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
GW&K Equity Dividend Plus Composite – Gross	0.02%	15.96%	15.96%	7.04%	10.52%	10.18%
Russell 3000 Value Index	-1.94%	13.98%	13.98%	5.41%	8.60%	8.40%
GW&K Equity Dividend Plus Composite – Net	-0.23%	14.83%	14.83%	5.98%	9.43%	9.10%

Returns less than one year are not annualized.

CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS

CALENDAR TEAR REPORTS								incepti		/1/2003
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
GW&K Equity Dividend Plus Composite – Gross	15.96%	13.89%	-7.15%	26.20%	6.52%	26.05%	-5.80%	12.71%	18.50%	0.87%
Russell 3000 Value Index	13.98%	11.66%	-7.98%	25.37%	2.87%	26.26%	-8.58%	13.19%	18.40%	-4.13%
GW&K Equity Dividend Plus Composite – Net	14.83%	12.77%	-8.08%	24.98%	5.47%	24.82%	-6.74%	11.60%	17.34%	-0.13%

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PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE

Source: FactSet

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All results reflect the reinvestment of dividends and income, and factor in commission costs. Performance is expressed in US dollars. Composite portfolio income may be net or gross of withholding tax depending on the accounting methodology of the custodian bank. The performance results presented may not equal the rate of return experienced by any particular GW&K portfolio due to various reasons, including differences in brokerage commissions, fees, client contributions or withdrawals, position size in relation to account size, diversification among securities and market conditions. Additional information regarding the policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS reports, as well as a complete list and description of the firm's composites and pooled funds is available upon request by contacting info@gwkinvest.com.

The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. Gross returns are used for the composite calculation. The standard deviation measure is presented annually, for periods where 36 monthly returns are available.

The firm uses an asset-weighted standard deviation calculation to measure dispersion, which is reported on a yearly basis. Dispersion is used to measure the volatility of gross portfoir oreturns within the composite. Only portfolios that have been included in the composite for the full year are included in the dispersion calculation. Where dispersion is listed as N/A, the information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year. To account for advisory fees, net performance results reflect the deduction of the maximum fee (1.00% annually, applied monthly) GW&K Investment Management would charge for managing portfolios in this Strategy. Client fees may vary.

The performance shown is compared to the Russell 3000 Value Index. The Russell 3000 Value Index measures the performance of the broad value segment of the US equity value universe. It includes those Russell 3000 companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. On December 1, 2023, the benchmark for the Equity Dividend Plus Strategy was changed from the S&P 500 Index to the Russell 3000 Value Index for all periods. The new benchmark is a better representation of the Strategy. Indexes are not subject to fees and expenses typically associated with managed accounts or investment funds. Investments cannot be made directly in an index. Index data has been obtained from third-party data providers that GW&K believes to be reliable, but GW&K does not guarantee its accuracy, completeness or timeliness. Third-party data providers make no warranties or representations relating to the accuracy, completeness or timeliness of the data they provide and are not liable for any damages relating to this data. The third-party data may not be further redistributed or used without the relevant third-party's consent. Sources for index data include Bloomberg, FactSet, ICE, FTSE Russell, MSCI, and Standard & Poor's. Investing in securities or investment strategies, including GW&K's Investment Strategies presented in this document, involves risk of loss that clients should be prepared to bear. No investment process is free of risk; no strategy or risk management technique can guarantee returns or eliminate risk in any market environment. There is no guarantee that GW&K's investment processes will be profitable, and you therefore may lose money. The value of investments, as well as any investment income is not guaranteed and can fluctuate based on market conditions Diversification does not assure a profit or protect against loss. GW&K's active management styles include equity and fixed income strategies that are subject to various risks, including those described in GW&K's Form ADV Part 2A, Item 8. GW&K's Form ADV Part 2A may be found at the SEC's website under Firm 121942, or is available from GW&K upon request.

3-YEAR STANDARD DEVIATION

GW&K Equity Dividend Plus Composite (%)	Russell 3000 Value Index (%)
15.00	16.93
15.74	16.69
18.76	21.53
15.30	19.34
15.62	19.95
9.41	12.01
9.40	11.05
8.44	10.33
9.35	10.97
9.89	10.74
	Composite (%) 15.00 15.74 18.76 15.30 15.62 9.41 9.40 8.44 9.35

COMPOSITE STATISTICS

Year	Number of Portfolios	Internal Dispersion (%)	Total Composite Assets (\$000s)	Total Firm Assets (\$000s)
2024	526	0.18	\$636,221	\$52,933,747
2023	555	0.23	\$679,948	\$50,695,321
2022	513	0.20	\$598,908	\$46,803,858
2021	610	0.21	\$814,277	\$54,720,660
2020	575	0.45	\$664,435	\$51,431,909
2019	491	0.22	\$543,800	\$42,154,892
2018	465	0.13	\$386,421	\$34,395,747
2017	574	0.10	\$595,081	\$36,503,378
2016	505	0.19	\$525,886	\$32,193,721
2015	421	0.16	\$433,387	\$26,646,814