# **IRON High Yield Bond Strategy**



### **Investment Objective**

The IRON High Yield Bond Strategy seeks to maximize income by investing in a portfolio of B to BB rated securities. The portfolio generally maintains a duration of two years.

#### **Investment Philosophy**

We believe focusing on a company's health can reduce the risk of exposure to adverse credit events. With a company's balance sheet in mind, we strive to build a portfolio, comprised of B and BB rated bonds, that seeks to provide investors the highest amount of income obtainable over the shortest duration.

# **Key Performance Drivers**

IRON believes superior investment yield can be achieved by investing in high yield bonds backed by a rigorous fundamental analysis that focuses on four main components: free cash flow, leverage, revenue growth, and share reduction.



# Strategy at a Glance (As of 3/31/2020)

Management Fee: 0.50% Investment Minimum: \$300,000 Weighted Avg. Effective Maturity: 3.29 years Weighted Avg. Duration: 1.92 years Weighted Avg. Yield to Maturity: 9.59% Number of Holdings: 20-35

#### **Portfolio Fit**

- Provides low correlation to broader fixed income markets
- Seeks to maximize yield while minimizing duration
- ✓ Quantamental credit analysis
- ✓ No "C" rated securities

# **Risk-Reward Comparison**

IRON Convertible Bond Strategy
IRON High Yield Bond Strategy
IRON Strategic Income Mutual Fund
IRON Intermediate-Term Investment Grade Portfolio
IRON Short-Term Investment Grade Portfolio
IRON Short-Term Pre-Refunded Tax-Free Portfolio
IRON Short-Term U.S. Government Portfolio
IRON Floating Rate Strategy
IRON Treasury Portfolio

#### The value proposition that IRON provides includes:

- Individual Bonds: IRON structures laddered portfolios of individual bonds, which are generally held to maturity to mitigate interest rate risk. This structure is unlike an ETF or mutual fund which has a perpetual duration.
- **Diversification:** The portfolios are broadly diversified across all major market sectors.
- **Credit Monitoring**: Bonds are purchased with the intent to be held until maturity. However, all positions are actively monitored for any changes in credit. When necessary, a position will be sold if the credit deteriorates and becomes a risk to the portfolio.
- Trade Execution: IRON can execute with numerous broker-dealers across multiple trading platforms.
   Further, IRON does not hold any bond inventory.
- **Reporting and Transparency:** IRON provides detailed reporting for end clients to gain insight into their portfolios.

#### Strategy Characteristics (As of 3/31/2020)

Distribution by Maturity		Distribution by Credit Quality		Distribution by Sector	
2020	1%	BBB	0%	Basic Materials	24%
2021	7%	BB	41%	Communications	18%
2022	37%	В	57%	Consumer Cyclical	14%
2023	48%	<ccc< td=""><td>2%</td><td>Consumer Non-Cyclical</td><td>9%</td></ccc<>	2%	Consumer Non-Cyclical	9%
2024	6%			Energy	14%
2025	1%			Financial	8%
Total	100%			Industrials	7%
				Technology	5%
				Utilities	0%

Other

0%

#### Top 10 Holdings

- 1. OLIN CORPORATION
- 2. CONSOL ENERGY
- 3. CORECIVIC INC
- 4. THE CHEMOURS COMPANY
- 5. ALLEGHENY TECHNOLOGIES
- 6. MOLINA HEALTHCARE
- 7. SYMANTEC
- 8. SPRINT
- 9. COMMERCIAL METALS
- 10. RESOLUTE FOREST PRODUCTS

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