

# HIGH YIELD CORPORATE BONDS



# FIRM AND INVESTMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW

Cincinnati Asset Management (CAM) was established in 1989 to build and manage high performance fixed income portfolios for individuals and institutions. Our approach stresses preservation of capital, diversification and high investment income.

CAM follows a conservative "bottom-up value" investment discipline that stresses downside protection by seeking out those companies that are trading at attractive levels relative to their peers, as well as those which they believe are poised to improve. The primary focus is preservation of capital with a secondary, but extremely important, emphasis on total return. Our portfolios are not managed to a benchmark from a portfolio construction perspective, but do look to outperform respective benchmarks over a full market cycle with less volatility. We do not utilize interest rate anticipation tactics. We look to minimize the impact of macro-economic factors, such as interest rate risk, from the investment process by employing defensive maturity structure within the portfolio.

#### STRATEGY OVERVIEW

A bottom-up approach identifies investment opportunities that represent the most attractive value, with strong prospects for consistent income and growth.

#### We look to minimize the overall volatility

of the portfolio by focusing on the upper tier of the High Yield credit curve (Ba-B), as well as the conservative portion of a firm's capital structure (Senior Subordinated Debentures).

A primary emphasis on established companies and industries. We avoid sectors that have precarious operating profiles.

**Liquidity and safety are enhanced** by investing only in bonds with an initial issue size generally in excess of \$100,000,000.

The portfolio is **diversified** across more than 35 issues and the industry group (a subset of sector) concentration is approximately 12%.

Historical **low turnover** of the portfolio, on average less than 45% per year.

## ANNUALIZED RETURNS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED 12/31/23

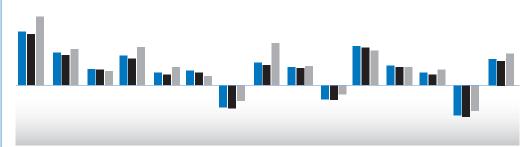
	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Inception*
CAM Gross	12.07%	12.07%	0.58%	4.94%	3.13%	6.59%
CAM Net of Fees	11.74%	11.74%	0.28%	4.62%	2.79%	6.10%
Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index <sup>1</sup>	13.44%	13.44%	1.98%	5.37%	4.60%	7.51%

<sup>\*</sup>Inception 04/01/1989

#### CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (GROSS)

■ CAM High Yield (gross) ■ CAM High Yield (net) ■ Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023



37.38% 13.47% 5.68% 12.27% 3.71% 4.85% -9.56% 9.23% 6.86% -3.39% 16.31% 7.51% 4.24% -12.90% 12.07% 36.82% 12.96% 5.25% 11.83% 3.31% 4.46% -9.88% 8.85% 6.49% -3.71% 15.94% 7.18% 3.93% -13.16% 11.74% 58.21% 15.12% 4.98% 15.81% 7.44% 2.45% 4.47% 17.13% 7.50% -2.08% 14.32% 7.11% 5.28% -11.19% 13.44%

#### PORTFOLIO RISK STATISTICS FOR PERIODS ENDED 12/31/23

	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Inception*
Standard Deviation CAM HY	9.18%	10.20%	8.18%	7.84%
Standard Deviation Bloomberg High Yield Index	8.38%	10.65%	8.50%	9.84%
Sharpe Ratio CAM HY	-0.19	0.30	0.23	0.47
Sharpe Ratio Bloomberg High Yield Index	-0.03	0.33	0.39	0.47

<sup>\*</sup>Inception 04/01/1989

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The High Yield composite includes investments with credit ratings which average Ba3 with average maturity of four to eight years.

The Adviser's investment performance data conform to the following standards since inception:

- a) The composites consist of all discretionary portfolios in each respective style under management, including all securities and cash held in the portfolios, appropriately weighted for the size of the portfolios. All portfolios are included after three months under management or upon reaching 65% invested by CAM, whichever occurs first.
- b) Returns are calculated monthly in U.S. dollars and include reinvestment of dividends and interest.
- c) Gross of fees performance results include all transaction costs and exclude management fees.
- d) For the period from April 1, 1989 through 1992, the High Yield composite includes all assets of all accounts that meet the above criteria, except that not all accounts were added to the composite by the beginning of the third full reporting period for which the account was under management. In addition, prior to 1990 certain diversification requirements were not met.

The indices shown for comparative purposes are based on or derived from information generally available to the public from sources believed to be reliable. No representation is made to their accuracy or completeness.

Past performance should not be taken as an indication of future results.

High Yield bonds may not be suitable investments for all individuals.

This presentation is for informational purposes and is not an offer to solicit the purchase or sale of securities.

See https://www.cambonds.com/disclosure-statements/ for additional disclosures on the material risks and potential benefits of investing in corporate bonds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An unmanaged index that measures the market of USD-denominated, non-Investment Grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds



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### CREDIT QUALITY DISTRIBUTION\*

Aaa	0.00%
Aa	0.00%
Α	0.00%
Baa	15.20%
Ва	44.40%
В	37.00%
Caa	3.20%
Ca	0.20%
С	0.00%
NR	0.00%
	100.00%

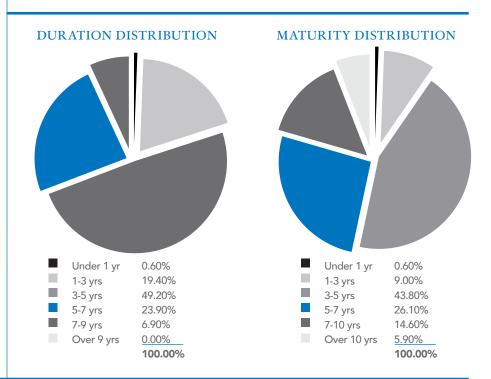
<sup>\*</sup>Moody's rating organization

#### **INDUSTRY DISTRIBUTION**

Services	0.200/
	8.20%
Energy - Midstream	8.00%
Healthcare	7.40%
Banking	6.00%
Aerospace Defense	5.70%
Home Construction	5.40%
Automotive	5.40%
Utility - Electric	5.20%
Gaming	4.90%
Airlines	4.40%
Other Industries (14)	34.40%
Cash	<u>5.00%</u>
	100.00%

#### PORTFOLIO STATISTICS AS OF 12/31/23

Average Maturity	5.30 yrs.
Duration	4.00
Coupon	5.43%
Yield to Maturity	6.38%
Current Yield	5.63%
Target Diversification	33-40 issues
Average Credit Rating	B1



### MONTHLY RETURN CORRELATIONS (SINCE 1984) AS OF 12/31/23

	High Yield	X-Over	U.S. Credit	S&P 500	EM*	Govt	U.S. Agg	Ва	В	Caa
Crossover	0.92									
Credit	0.57	0.73								
S&P 500	0.63	0.63	0.36							
EM	0.63	0.63	0.56	0.55						
Govt	0.22	0.35	0.84	0.14	0.31					
Agg	0.34	0.49	0.91	0.21	0.40	0.96				
Ba	0.94	0.98	0.68	0.62	0.64	0.35	0.47			
В	0.99	0.88	0.54	0.62	0.62	0.19	0.31	0.91		
Caa	0.90	0.77	0.38	0.56	0.54	0.04	0.14	0.78	0.88	
Lev.Loans	0.77	0.73	0.37	0.48	0.44	-0.09	0.04	0.73	0.74	0.79

<sup>\*</sup>EM since 1994. Source: Bloomberg Indices, Barclays Research

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