# SHORT DURATION INVESTMENT GRADE CORPORATE BOND SMA

**Growth of Capital Through Disciplined Investing** 

in Separately Managed Accounts (SMA)



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## 1. FIRM OVERVIEW



## 1.1. INTRODUCTION



Cincinnati Asset Management, Inc. has specialized in the management of fixed income strategies for individuals, financial professionals, and institutions for over 30 years.

We concentrate our efforts exclusively in the U.S. taxable corporate bond market, managing a wide range of strategies from short to intermediate duration, investment grade to high yield, as well as ESG focused. In all cases, fundamental credit research is a primary element of our security selection process.

CAM is an independent investment advisor registered with the SEC and structured as a corporation that is employee owned. The strength of our Firm lies with our niche focus, commitment to our investment process and depth of experience of our Managing Directors and employees. Our average portfolio manager experience is 30 years and we are responsible for managing \$2.35 Billion as of 12/31/22.



## 1.2. BENEFITS OF EMPLOYING A BOND MANAGER



#### **CREDIT ANALYSIS**

We buy bonds of companies whose credit quality is stable to improving. Continuous monitoring of the corporation's credit quality is imperative to determine when a bond's price no longer reflects its actual credit quality.

#### CONSISTENT APPLICATION OF AN INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Our relative value approach to buying and selling bonds meets defined objectives of intermediate maturity and best value, as well as broad diversification of holdings.

#### **BUYING/SELLING IN THE OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET**

The bond market is an over-the-counter market that requires knowledge of historical pricing and the different bid/ask quotations of the many different market makers. Investment grade and high yield corporate bonds cover over 20,000 separate issues of over 2,000 companies; inventories are exclusive, or vary, among brokers, so having the ability to trade with best execution with many different brokers is imperative to achieving better portfolio performance.

#### **EXECUTING IN SIZE**

It is not unusual to observe significant price disparities between smaller retail executions and larger block trades. We buy/ sell for all our clients in sufficient quantity in one trade to satisfy the needs of all our clients' portfolios; the smaller retail investor participates at the same price as the larger institutional client when a transaction is effected.



## 1.3. INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY



#### SPECIALIZED MANAGERS OF US CORPORATE DEBT

We believe that managing corporate bonds allows us to capitalize on the structural inefficiencies of the corporate bond market and to maximize favorable risk/reward scenarios that exist within domestic fixed income markets.

- Investors' tendency to overreact to events resulting in mispricing of securities.
- Lack of a centralized pricing source

#### **QUALITY FOCUSED**

**Bottom up fundamental research** 

- Stable management
- Appropriately structured debt
- Good free cash flow
- Attractive relative valuations
- Structural underweight to lower rated credits

#### **INTEREST RATE AGNOSTIC**

We do not utilize interest rate anticipation tactics. We look to minimize the impact of interest rate risk from the investment process by employing defensive maturity structure within the portfolio.



### 1.3. INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY



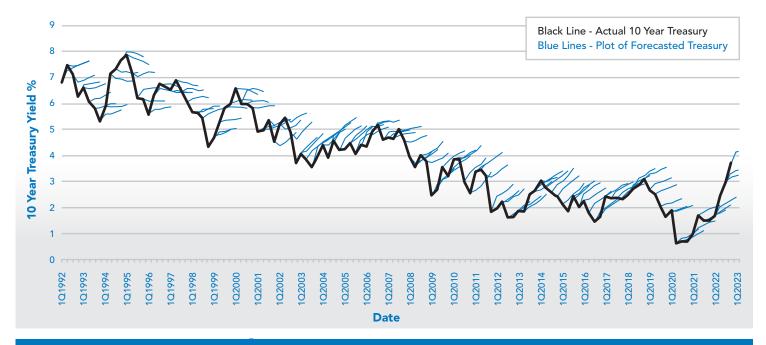
#### **INTEREST RATE AGNOSTIC**

Historically, interest rates have been hard to predict. Rarely do economists' projections match up with the actual rates a year later and often miss the direction of the rate move entirely.

#### 10 YEAR TREASURY ACTUAL QUARTERLY AVERAGE WITH 1, 2, 3, 4 QUARTER FORECASTS

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Chart 1<sup>2</sup>



|                | Rise       | Fall       | Rise                  | Rise                    | Fall                  | Fall                    |
|----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
|                | Prediction | Prediction | Prediction<br>Correct | Prediction<br>Incorrect | Prediction<br>Correct | Prediction<br>Incorrect |
| 1 Quarter Out  | 77%        | 23%        | 56%                   | 44%                     | 75%                   | 25%                     |
| 2 Quarters Out | 87%        | 13%        | 48%                   | 52%                     | 56%                   | 44%                     |
| 3 Quarters Out | 90%        | 10%        | 42%                   | 58%                     | 62%                   | 38%                     |
| 4 Quarters Out | 90%        | 10%        | 46%                   | 54%                     | 83%                   | 17%                     |
| Total          | 86%        | 14%        | 48%                   | 52%                     | 70%                   | 30%                     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Philadelphia Fed Survey of Professional Forecasters

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prediction Source: Philadelphia Fed Survey of Professional Forecasters. 10 Year US Treasury Yield Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury. The 10 Year US Treasury yields defined as yield as of the first day of each calendar quarter.



## 1.4. INVESTMENT PROCESS





#### Step 1:

Select issuers that possess favorable asset strength relative to their peers, an appropriate capital structure, and are trading cheap relative to the market.



#### Step 2:

Identify portfolio candidates which we believe have potential to increase revenues and cash flow.



#### Step 3:

Build our "focus list" from those candidates that we consider to have a better competitive advantage.



#### Step 4:

Construct portfolio through our proprietary analytical discipline that measures the yield of a security to our assessment of that security's quality.

After the initial invest-up, our constant objective is to improve the quality, increase yield, and shorten the maturity.

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## 1.5. RISK MANAGEMENT



Risk management is an integral part of our investment process given our primary objective of preservation of capital. In addition to security selection, risk management is employed through portfolio diversification, liquidity and constant monitoring of individual credits.

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

We mitigate risk by targeting a maximum industry group exposure of approximately 15%. Targeted sector exposure is capped at approximately 20%, with an exception of up to 40% in Financial Institutions due to sector size within the Investment Grade Corporate Universe<sup>3</sup>.

Individual credits are monitored continuously; a deterioration of 10%, relative to the index, from initial purchase triggers a mandatory credit review in which appropriate action is promptly determined.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sector is defined as Bloomberg Level 3 classification and Industry Group is defined as Bloomberg Level 4 classification.



## 1.6. STRATEGIES OVERVIEW



#### **INTERMEDIATE**

For investors interested in adding corporate bond exposure to the intermediate part of the yield curve, which has historically offered a favorable risk/reward opportunity.

| Corporate Bond SMA Strategies                                   | Target Average<br>Credit Rating | Average<br>Maturity | Target<br>Diversification | Inception<br>Date | Account<br>Minimum <sup>iii</sup> |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Investment Grade  | A3 minimum <sup>ii</sup>        | 5-10 years          | 20-25 issues              | 1/1/1993          | \$100K                            |
| High Yield  | Ba3 <sup>i</sup>                | 4-8 years           | 33-40 issues              | 4/1/1989          | \$100K                            |
| <b>Broad Market</b> 67% Investment Grade / 33% High Yield Blend | Baa2 <sup>i</sup>               | 7-9 years           | 55-60 issues              | 1/1/2002          | \$300K                            |

#### SHORT TERM

| For investors interested in a shorter maturity profile that historically is less affected by changes in interest rates. |                                 |                     |                           |                   |                                   |  |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Corporate Bond SMA Strategies   | Target Average<br>Credit Rating | Average<br>Maturity | Target<br>Diversification | Inception<br>Date | Account<br>Minimum <sup>iii</sup> |  |
| <b>Short Duration</b><br>50% Investment Grade / 50% High Yield Blend  | Baa3 <sup>i</sup>               | 3-5 years           | 25-30 issues              | 6/1/2004          | \$250K                            |  |
| Short Duration -<br>Investment Grade Only   | A2 <sup>ii</sup>                | 3-5 years           | 20 issues                 | 12/1/2008         | \$100K                            |  |

#### **ESG**

| For conservative investors who are interested in corporations that focus on Environmental, Social and Governance factors.              |                   |            |              |          |        |  |  |
|--|-------------------|------------|--------------|----------|--------|--|--|
| Corporate Bond SMA Strategies  Target Average Credit Rating  Average Maturity  Target Verage Diversification  Account Minimum  Minimum |                   |            |              |          |        |  |  |
| ESG Aware  | A3 <sup>ii</sup>  | 5-10 years | 20-25 issues | 1/1/2020 | \$100K |  |  |
| ESG Leaders  | BAA <sup>ii</sup> | 5-10 years | 20-25 issues | 1/1/2020 | \$100K |  |  |

- i Moody's Rating Organization ii Bloomberg Index Rating
- iii Account minimums may vary by financial institution.





## 2. SHORT DURATION INVESTMENT GRADE CORPORATE BOND SMA



## 2.1. INVESTMENT GRADE PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



#### Randall S. Hale

Randy started his career with Cincinnati Financial Corporation in 1984. Prior to joining CAM, Randy managed the taxable fixed income portfolio at Cincinnati Financial, an S&P 500 insurance holding company. The \$1 billion portfolio included a significant exposure to high yield securities. Responsibilities included investment strategy, research and trading. B.S. Finance, Olivet Nazarene University.

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## 2.2. SHORT DURATION INVESTMENT GRADE OVERVIEW



#### The portfolio management team employs a "Value" strategy.

We purchase only corporate bonds and seek those that are undervalued. Investment decisions made by the management team are based on independent fundamental credit analysis, relative value comparisons and yield curve considerations.

#### An investment grade (A3 minimum) average credit rating is the constant target.

BAA/BA bonds are purchased to enhance cash flow, reduce interest rate sensitivity and provide greater potential capital appreciation. In the event of a downgrade, the security may be held if we anticipate credit improvement in the future.

#### Portfolios are fully invested with an average maturity in the intermediate range, typically 3-5 years.

As such, we are "Market Neutral" avoiding interest rate anticipation or market timing. Our focus is on the potential future value of individual corporate issuers based on potential earnings growth and stability over the long term.

#### Illiquid and volatile issues are avoided.

We purchase only larger issue, U.S. dollar denominated registered public corporate bonds.

#### A strict sell discipline is employed.

Issues and issuers are analyzed regularly to ensure that gains are captured, relative value is optimized, and capital is preserved.

#### Portfolios are diversified.

Portfolios contain at least 20 equally weighted positions.

#### A historical low turnover of the portfolio.

On average, less than 35% per year.

#### A Trading Network provides all our clients with best pricing.

We access over 30 institutional broker/dealers seeking competitive bids and offerings.



## 2.3. SHORT DURATION INVESTMENT GRADE PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS



#### PORTFOLIO STATISTICS AS OF 03/31/23

| Average Maturity       | 2.80 yrs. |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Duration               | 2.60      |
| Coupon                 | 2.17%     |
| Yield to Maturity      | 4.79%     |
| Current Yield          | 2.32%     |
| Target Diversification | 20 issues |
| Average Credit Rating  | A3        |
|                        |           |

#### CREDIT QUALITY DISTRIBUTION\*

| AAA                           | 0.00%   |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| AA                            | 12.50%  |
| A                             | 56.10%  |
| BAA                           | 30.40%  |
| BA                            | 1.00%   |
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| CAA                           | 0.00%   |
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<sup>\*</sup>Bloomberg Index Rating

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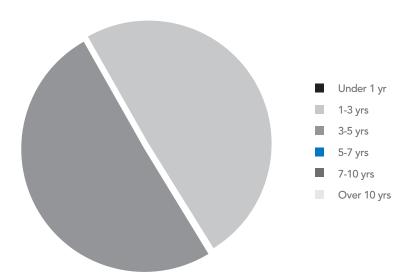
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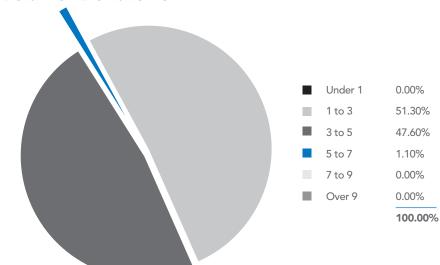
#### INDUSTRY DISTRIBUTION

|                          | _       |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Banking                  | 24.60%  |
| Technology               | 11.70%  |
| Telecom                  | 8.80%   |
| Utility - Electric       | 5.30%   |
| Chemicals                | 4.60%   |
| Energy - Integrated      | 4.30%   |
| Metals and Mining        | 3.80%   |
| REIT - Retail            | 3.50%   |
| Pharmaceuticals          | 3.40%   |
| Construction - Machinery | 3.00%   |
| Other Industries (12)    | 16.30%  |
| Cash                     | 10.70%  |
|                          | 100.00% |
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#### MATURITY DISTRIBUTION



#### **DURATION DISTRIBUTION**





## 2.4. SHORT DURATION INVESTMENT GRADE HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE



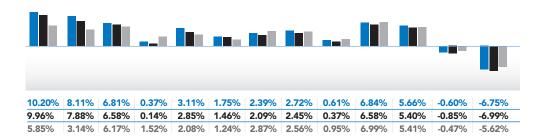
#### ANNUALIZED RETURNS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED 03/31/23

|                                    | YTD   | 1 Yr   | 3 Yrs | 5 Yrs | 10 Yrs | Inception* |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|------------|
| CAM Gross                          | 2.00% | -0.59% | 0.69% | 1.66% | 1.69%  | 4.07%      |
| CAM Net of Fees                    | 1.94% | -0.84% | 0.44% | 1.41% | 1.43%  | 3.82%      |
| Bloomberg US Corporate<br>1-5 Year | 1.68% | -0.32% | 0.97% | 1.85% | 1.80%  | 3.50%      |

<sup>\*</sup>Inception 12/01/2008

#### CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (GROSS)

■ CAM SD-IG (gross) ■ CAM SD-IG (net) ■ Bloomberg US Corporate 1-5 Year 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022



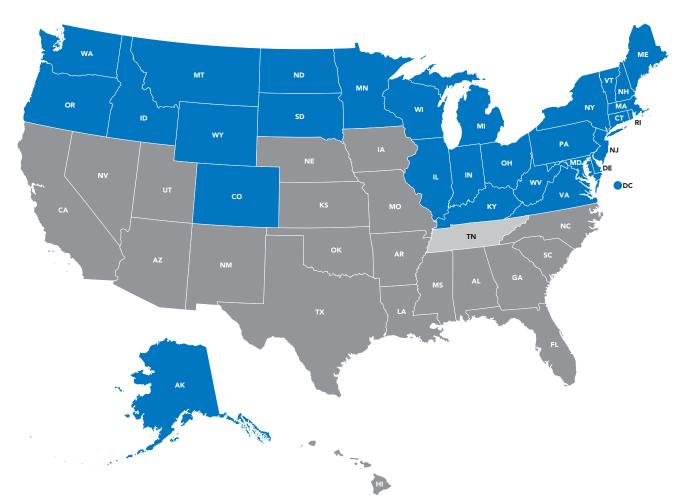
#### PORTFOLIO RISK STATISTICS FOR PERIODS ENDED 03/31/23

|  | 3 Yrs | 5 Yrs | 10 Yrs | Inception* |
|--|-------|-------|--------|------------|
| Standard Deviation CAM SD-IG                           | 4.88% | 4.17% | 3.34%  | 4.13%      |
| Standard Deviation Bloomberg<br>US Corporate 1-5 Index | 4.54% | 3.94% | 2.99%  | 3.44%      |
| Sharpe Ratio CAM SD-IG                                 | -0.05 | 0.06  | 0.24   | 0.82       |
| Sharpe Ratio Bloomberg<br>US Corporate 1-5 Index       | 0.01  | 0.11  | 0.31   | 0.81       |

<sup>\*</sup>Inception 12/01/2008







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## 3. APPENDIX



## A. RELATIVE PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION



For the 3-months ended 3/31/2023, the Short Duration-Investment Grade Strategy's gross total return was 2.00% (1.94% net of fees) outperforming the 1.68% return of the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate 1-5 Year Index. The principal factors affecting performance were:

- 1. Maturity and Duration. Longer dated paper outperformed during the period, and CAM's positioning within the 3-5 year duration bucket produced a +5 basis point contribution to excess return versus the index.
- 2. Security Selection. CAM's weighting and positioning within the Banking industry generated +5 basis point contributions to excess return versus the index.



## A. RELATIVE PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION



For the rolling 12-month period ended 3/31/2023, the Short Duration-Investment Grade Strategy's gross total return was -0.59% (-0.84% net of fees) underperforming the -0.32% return of the Index. The principal factors affecting performance were:

- 1. Maturity. Given the move in interest rates, longer duration credit underperformed during the period, and CAM's positioning within the 3-5 year duration bucket produced a combined -9 basis point contribution to excess return versus the index.
- 2. Security Selection. CAM's weighting and positioning within the Airline and Media Entertainment industries were the largest positive impacts to performance, each generating a +5 basis point contributions to excess return. Our exposure to the Banking industry was the largest negative contributor producing a -16 basis point contribution.
- **3.** Credit Quality. CAM limits its exposure to BAA-rated credit, which averaged 30.4% during the period vs. the index average of 44.7%. BAA credit performed generally in-line with the broader index, and CAM's net positioning within BAA- rated and lower tier securities resulted in a +4 basis point contribution to excess return.



## B. MANAGING DIRECTORS' PROFILES



#### William S. Sloneker

Bill started his career with Ohio Casualty Insurance in 1976. Prior to CAM, he was a Director and Executive Vice President of Ohio Casualty Corp., responsible for actuarial analysis and the investment of over \$2 billion in common stocks and government, corporate and municipal bonds. B.A. English & Art History, Yale University; MBA Finance & Marketing, University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School.

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#### Richard M. Balestra, CFA

Rich started his career with Cincinnati Financial Corporation in 2000. He has significant experience in corporate credit research and has focused on the high yield sector. Rich has held various analyst and portfolio management roles over his tenure and was most recently responsible for \$3.5 billion in firm assets. B.A. Finance, University of Cincinnati; MBA, Xavier University, Williams College of Business Administration.



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#### Nicholas M. Collura, CPA

Nick's career began in 2002 with 9 years of meaningful public accounting experience, primarily with KPMG LLP. At CAM he leads the team responsible for financial management and reporting, the risk and control framework, and the middle and back office operations across the firm. He is a Certified Public Accountant, holds a Certificate in Investment Performance Measurement, is a Certified Internal Auditor, and a non-practicing Certified Information Systems Auditor. B.B.A. Finance and Information Systems, Miami University.



## C. HISTORICAL RETURNS OF SELECTED ASSETS



| January 1998 - December 2022                 | Annualized<br>Total Return* | Annualized<br>Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup> | Sharpe<br>Ratio <sup>2</sup> |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Bills:<br>1-3 Months | 1.83%                       | 0.98%   | 0.00                         |
| Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate<br>Government    | 3.37%                       | 3.57%   | 0.43                         |
| Bloomberg U.S.<br>Long Government            | 4.98%                       | 12.28%  | 0.25                         |
| Bloomberg U.S. Corporate                     | 4.71%                       | 5.98%   | 0.46                         |
| S&P 500                                      | 7.20%                       | 17.15%  | 0.30                         |
| Russell 2000                                 | 6.80%                       | 22.33%  | 0.22                         |
| Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index              | 5.86%                       | 10.09%  | 0.38                         |

| January 2013 - December 2022                 | Annualized<br>Total Return* | Annualized<br>Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup> | Sharpe<br>Ratio <sup>2</sup> |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Bills:<br>1-3 Months | 0.73%                       | 0.47%   | 0.00                         |
| Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate<br>Government    | 0.69%                       | 3.10%   | -0.03                        |
| Bloomberg U.S.<br>Long Government            | 0.61%                       | 13.21%  | -0.01                        |
| Bloomberg U.S. Corporate                     | 1.96%                       | 6.64%   | 0.18                         |
| S&P 500                                      | 11.44%                      | 15.10%  | 0.70                         |
| Russell 2000                                 | 8.22%                       | 21.40%  | 0.35                         |
| Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index              | 4.03%                       | 8.35%   | 0.39                         |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Bloomberg

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Standard Deviation - measure of dispersion from the mean.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sharpe Ratio - measure of excess return per unit of risk assumed. The unit of risk is measured by standard deviation. Higher Sharpe Ratio indicates has provided a better risk/reward.



## D. CORRELATIONS BETWEEN VARIOUS ASSET CLASSES



| January 1998 - December 2022              | Bloomberg<br>U.S.<br>Treasury Bills:<br>1-3 Months | Bloomberg<br>U.S.<br>Intermediate<br>Government | Bloomberg<br>U.S. Long<br>Government | Bloomberg<br>U.S. Corporate | S&P 500 | Russell 2000 |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate<br>Government | 0.34   |   |                                      |                             |         |              |
| Bloomberg U.S.<br>Long Government         | 0.09   | 0.83  |                                      |                             |         |              |
| Bloomberg U.S. Corporate                  | 0.03   | 0.50  | 0.49                                 |                             |         |              |
| S&P 500                                   | -0.11  | -0.47   | -0.39                                | 0.26                        |         |              |
| Russell 2000                              | -0.12  | -0.48   | -0.45                                | 0.20                        | 0.91    |              |
| Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index           | -0.17  | -0.31   | -0.30                                | 0.53                        | 0.72    | 0.71         |

| January 2013 - December 2022              | Bloomberg<br>U.S.<br>Treasury Bills:<br>1-3 Months | Bloomberg<br>U.S.<br>Intermediate<br>Government | Bloomberg<br>U.S. Long<br>Government | Bloomberg<br>U.S. Corporate | S&P 500 | Russell 2000 |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate<br>Government | 0.30   |   |                                      |                             |         |              |
| Bloomberg U.S.<br>Long Government         | 0.17   | 0.88  |                                      |                             |         |              |
| Bloomberg U.S. Corporate                  | 0.10   | 0.57  | 0.56                                 |                             |         |              |
| S&P 500                                   | -0.18  | -0.13   | -0.11                                | 0.62                        |         |              |
| Russell 2000                              | -0.20  | -0.24   | -0.28                                | 0.48                        | 0.89    |              |
| Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index           | -0.06  | 0.00  | -0.03                                | 0.74                        | 0.87    | 0.85         |



## E. ANNUAL RELATIVE TOTAL RETURN RANKING—USD MARKETS



| 2004                   | 2005                  | 2006                   | 2007                  | 2008                    | 2009                   | 2010                   | 2011                  | 2012                   | 2013                   | 2014                  | 2015                   | 2016                   | 2017                  | 2018                   | 2019                   | 2020                  | 2021                   | 2022                    |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| EM<br>Sov<br>11.8%     | EM<br>Sov<br>12.0%    | S&P<br>500<br>15.8%    | US<br>Gov't<br>9.1%   | US<br>Gov't<br>14.0%    | High<br>Yield<br>57.5% | High<br>Yield<br>15.2% | Munis<br>11.2%        | EM<br>Sov<br>18.3%     | S&P<br>500<br>32.4%    | S&P<br>500<br>13.7%   | Munis<br>3.6%          | High<br>Yield<br>17.5% | 5&P<br>500<br>22.3%   | Munis<br>1.0%          | S&P<br>500<br>31.5%    | S&P<br>500<br>18.4%   | \$&P<br>500<br>28.7%   | Loans<br>-0.6%          |
| S&P<br>500<br>10.9%    | Loans<br>5.3%         | High<br>Yield<br>11.8% | Mtges<br>7.0%         | Mtges<br>8.3%           | Loans<br>52.5%         | S&P<br>500<br>15.1%    | US<br>Gov't<br>9.8%   | S&P<br>500<br>16.0%    | High<br>Yield<br>7.4%  | Munis<br>9.8%         | Mtges<br>1.5%          | S&P<br>500<br>12.0%    | EM<br>Sov<br>10.0%    | Mtges<br>1.0%          | High<br>Yield<br>14.4% | High<br>Grade<br>9.8% | Loans<br>5.4%          | Munis<br>-9.0%          |
| High<br>Yield<br>10.9% | S&P<br>500<br>4.9%    | EM<br>Sov<br>10.6%     | EM<br>Sov<br>6.4%     | Munis<br>-4.0%          | EM<br>Sov<br>27.2%     | EM<br>Sov<br>12.5%     | EM<br>Sov<br>8.2%     | High<br>Yield<br>15.6% | Loans<br>5.4%          | High<br>Grade<br>7.5% | 5&P<br>500<br>1.4%     | Loans<br>10.4%         | High<br>Yield<br>7.5% | US<br>Gov't<br>0.8%    | EM<br>Sov<br>14.3%     | US<br>Gov't<br>8.2%   | High<br>Yield<br>5.4%  | High<br>Yield<br>-11.2% |
| Munis<br>5.5%          | Munis<br>3.9%         | Loans<br>6.9%          | S&P<br>500<br>5.6%    | High<br>Grade<br>-6.8%  | \$&P<br>500<br>26.4%   | Loans<br>10.4%         | High<br>Grade<br>7.5% | High<br>Grade<br>10.4% | Mtges<br>-1.4%         | EM<br>Sov<br>7.3%     | US<br>Gov't<br>0.8%    | EM<br>Sov<br>9.5%      | High<br>Grade<br>6.5% | Loans<br>0.6%          | High<br>Grade<br>14.2% | High<br>Yield<br>6.2% | Munis<br>1.8%          | Mtges<br>-11.9%         |
| High<br>Grade<br>5.4%  | US<br>Gov't<br>2.8%   | Mtges<br>5.3%          | High<br>Grade<br>4.6% | EM<br>Sov<br>-10.2%     | High<br>Grade<br>19.8% | High<br>Grade<br>9.5%  | Mtges<br>6.1%         | Loans<br>9.8%          | High<br>Grade<br>-1.5% | Mtges<br>6.1%         | EM<br>Sov<br>0.6%      | High<br>Grade<br>6.0%  | Munis<br>5.4%         | High<br>Grade<br>-2.2% | Loans<br>8.7%          | Munis<br>5.3%         | High<br>Grade<br>-1.0% | US<br>Gov't<br>-12.9%   |
| Loans<br>5.3%          | High<br>Yield<br>2.7% | Munis<br>5.0%          | Munis<br>3.3%         | High<br>Yield<br>-26.4% | Munis<br>14.5%         | US<br>Gov't<br>5.9%    | High<br>Yield<br>4.4% | Munis<br>7.3%          | Munis<br>-2.9%         | US<br>Gov't<br>6.0%   | Loans<br>0.1%          | Mtges<br>1.7%          | Loans<br>4.6%         | High<br>Yield<br>-2.3% | Munis<br>7.7%          | EM<br>Sov<br>4.8%     | Mtges<br>-1.2%         | High<br>Grade<br>-15.4% |
| Mtges<br>4.7%          | Mtges<br>2.6%         | High<br>Grade<br>4.4%  | High<br>Yield<br>2.2% | Loans<br>-29.3%         | Mtges<br>5.8%          | Mtges<br>5.7%          | S&P<br>500<br>2.1%    | Mtges<br>2.6%          | US<br>Gov't<br>-3.3%   | High<br>Yield<br>2.5% | High<br>Grade<br>-0.6% | US<br>Gov't<br>1.1%    | Mtges<br>2.4%         | S&P<br>500<br>-4.4%    | US<br>Gov't<br>7.0%    | Mtges<br>4.1%         | US<br>Gov't<br>-2.4%   | 5&P<br>500<br>-18.1%    |
| US<br>Gov't<br>3.5%    | High<br>Grade<br>2.0% | US<br>Gov't<br>3.1%    | Loans<br>2.0%         | \$&P<br>500<br>-37.0%   | US<br>Gov't<br>-3.7%   | Munis<br>2.3%          | Loans<br>1.5%         | US<br>Gov't<br>2.2%    | EM<br>Sov<br>-5.8%     | Loans<br>1.8%         | High<br>Yield<br>-4.6% | Munis<br>0.4%          | US<br>Gov't<br>2.4%   | EM<br>Sov<br>-4.6%     | Mtges<br>6.5%          | Loans<br>3.5%         | EM<br>Sov<br>-2.6%     | EM<br>Sov<br>-18.3%     |

\*Source: CreditSights, BofAlML,S&PILSTA, Bloomberg EM Sov is USD EM Sovereign BBB & lower index YTD calculated as of Dec 31, 2022

The chart provides the annual ranking of various fixed income classes in terms of total return performance.

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