POWERFUL INVESTING IN VALUABLE OPPORTUNITIES







I'm a better investor because I'm a businessman, and a better businessman because I'm an investor.

Warren Buffett

# KEY REASONS TO INVEST

- 1. Close adherence to framework: by following the Five Laws of Wealth Creation.
- 2. Investing in undervalued companies.
- 3. The power of investing through consistent dividend paying companies including "aristocratic" dividend paying companies.
- 4. Time in the Market: investing in a globally diversified portfolio comprising of equities and American depository receipts ("ADRs") of companies focused on growing dividends, income securities, preferred shares and exchange traded funds ("ETFs").
- 5. Timing the Market: accessing low cost borrowing to use leverage to purchase securities on margin.

### **FRAMEWORK**

First, there are the **Five Laws** of **Wealth Creation**:

- 1. Own a few high quality businesses.
- 2. Thoroughly understand these businesses.
- 3. Ensure these businesses are domiciled in strong, long-term growth industries.
- 4. Use other people's money prudently.
- 5. Hold these businesses for the long run.





# **INVESTING IN UNDERVALUED COMPANIES**

- Adopting Warren Buffett's disciplines to invest in undervalued businesses that exhibit long-term growth prospects
  - "Price is what you pay. Value is what you get".
  - "Widespread fear is your friend as an investor because it serves up bargain purchases".

# THE POWER OF INVESTING THROUGH 'ARISTOCRATIC' DIVIDEND PAYING COMPANIES

- Securities that have consistently increased the amount of dividends paid year over year for a long period of time.
- Any year with no dividend growth or with a dividend cut would immediately exclude the equity from being an aristocrat.

# TIME IN THE MARKET: INVESTING IN A GLOBALLY DIVERSIFIED PORTFOLIO

• The compounding power of dividend investing combined with the benefits of global investing and asset class diversification for the potential to reduce volatility.

# TIMING THE MARKET: PRUDENT USE OF LEVERAGE

- Accessing low cost borrowing.
- Use of leverage opportunistically to enhance the power of dividends and provide for potential capital appreciation.
- Embedded product leverage is non-recourse to individual investors.



## HOW THE FUND IS MANAGED

The Fund invests in common shares of large global companies with a strong history of rising dividends over the long term, selected primarily from the members of the S&P Europe 350° Dividend Aristocrats°, the S&P 500° Dividend Aristocrats° and the S&P/TSX Canadian Dividend Aristocrats°.



The S&P Europe 350® Dividend Aristocrats® consists of large cap, blue chip companies that have followed a policy of consistently increasing dividends every year for at least 10 consecutive years and have a market capitalization of at least US\$3 billion.



The S&P 500® Dividend Aristocrats® consists of companies that have increased dividends every year for at least 25 consecutive years and have a market capitalization of at least US\$2 billion.



The S&P/TSX Dividend Aristocrats® consists of companies that have followed a policy of consistently increasing dividends every year for at least 5 years.



Dividend investing offers significant compounding benefit, assuming re-investment of dividends



Dividend paying stocks may provide better risk-adjusted returns and potential for downside protection



Global dividend investing provides diversification

The Fund intends to utilize low cost borrowing to purchase securities on margin and facilitate opportunistic investments during market volatility and what we feel are irrational market valuations.

Selective use of options to generate additional returns.

Fund is in a tax-efficient structure currently housing losses of approximately \$159 million to be offset against future capital appreciation.

# The Portland Global Alternative Fund is designed to be in alignment with the Principles of Wealth Creation and the Future Value Formula

The Fund has the potential to enhance the creation of wealth and the generation of income by applying a sound investment strategy that:

- Makes use of Portland's access to low-cost borrowing
- Invests in what we believe to be high quality global securities with an emphasis towards:
  - Large capitalization
  - Attractive dividend yields
  - High liquidity
  - Low Volatility
  - Sector diversification
  - Businesses domiciled in strong long-term growth industries



## **Advantage of Dividends**

#### **Attractive Returns:**

Companies that pay dividends are generally viewed as being historically stable businesses that can afford to share profits with shareholders. When a company increases its dividend, it is typically well-received news as the firm is seen as confident of its future growth prospects.

#### **Reduced Volatility:**

Stock prices of companies that distribute reasonable dividends may be less volatile than companies that don't pay dividends. Dividends, being one of the components of a stock's total return, help mitigate the potential depreciation of a company's stock price, thereby reducing volatility.

#### **Capital Preservation:**

Paid dividends are a tangible benefit. Therefore, paid dividends may lessen the economic impact of a drop in stock price or add to it if the stock price increases. Companies with track records that pay strong and/or rising dividends tend to be well run large capitalized companies in mature industries with stable earnings visibility.

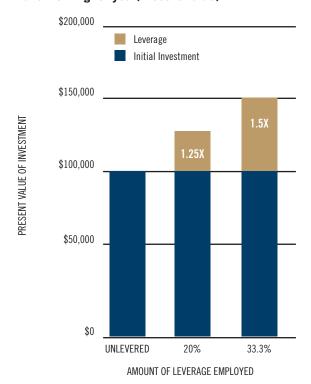


### Access to low cost borrowing

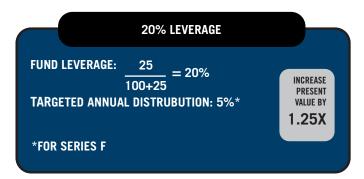
Benefiting from the Portland Holdings family office's financial strength and reputation, the Fund has access to attractive low cost of borrowing.

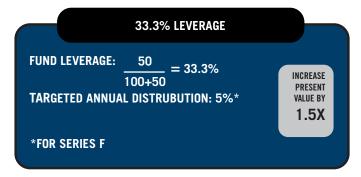
The Fund will utilize this low cost of borrowing to potentially enhance capital gains and income.

The Fund aims to increase the investment dollars you have working for you (Present Value)<sup>1</sup>



The leverage within the Fund is expected to range between 0% and 33.3%, more likely ranging between 0%-25% of the portfolio depending on market conditions.





Minimum Investment:	\$250. Minimum additional investments are \$50.
Management Fee*	0.75%
PerformanceFee*	10%

<sup>\*</sup> Series F fees are shown. Performance fee is 10% of the amount above the highest ever net asset value per unit of the Series ("High Water Mark")<sup>2</sup>.



# $FV=PV(1+R)^N$

#### The Future Value Formula is central to investing

At Portland, we are guided by the Future Value Formula which defines compounding and hence wealth creation.

As an investor, your goal is to maximize the future value of your current investments ("PV"). To do this, you need to ensure that each component in the formula is optimized. Successful investing is the ability to apply the Future Value Formula and to recognize the power that lies within it - the power of compounding.

#### The after tax rate of return "r" makes a big difference3:

- \$100,000 invested at 4% for 10 years leads to \$148,024
- \$100,000 invested at 8% for 10 years leads to \$215,892
- \$100,000 invested at 12% for 10 years leads to \$310,585

# But the number of years you allow your money to grow "N" makes a bigger difference AND is within your control<sup>3</sup>:

- \$100,000 invested at 4% for 40 years leads to \$480,102
- \$100,000 invested at 8% for 40 years leads to \$2,172,452
- \$100,000 invested at 12% for 40 years leads to \$9,305,097

#### Understanding FV=PV (1+r)<sup>N</sup>

**"FV"** is the future value of your "nest egg" or your investments.

**"PV"** is the amount you choose to invest today and over time.

"r" is the after-tax rate of return.

"N" represents time or the total number of years that you allow your money to grow and to compound.



# Chris Wain-Lowe, BA, MBA Chief Investment Officer, Executive Vice President and Portfolio Manager

Chris Wain-Lowe has 40 years of business management and global financial services experience – living and working in four continents: Europe, Asia, Africa, North America as well as the Caribbean, which also embraced corporate experience in the energy, natural resources, shipping and utility industries. As Chief Executive Officer of 4 financial services companies, Chris' first-hand knowledge and understanding of those businesses embraces being both businessman and investor.

As Executive Vice President he promoted the launch and listing on the Toronto Stock Exchange of ten closed-end funds during 2004 to 2007. He is currently the Chief Investment Officer and lead portfolio manager of two mutual funds and six private / alternative funds, including the Portland Private Income Fund, which was ranked 1st place in the 2018 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards for Best 5 year return and Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio<sup>4</sup>.

Chris has a BA degree from University of North Wales and an MBA from University of Exeter. He is an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers and holds their Financial Services Diploma, placed first in his year (1989) of completion.



#### **Kyle Ostrander, CFA** Portfolio Manager

Kyle Ostrander is a Portfolio Manager at Portland Investment Counsel Inc. In June 2014, Kyle joined as an Investment Associate Trainee after completing his Honours Bachelor of Commerce with a Minor in Mathematics from the DeGroote School of Business at McMaster University. During the rotational program, Kyle gained valuable experience in trading, financial reporting and regulatory compliance, portfolio management, investment management operations, and sales and marketing. After the rotational program, Kyle worked in portfolio management as an Investment Analyst until taking on his current position. Kyle received his Master of Finance degree from the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto and was awarded Dean's List, First Class for being in the top 10 percent of students in the program. Kyle earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 2018.

#### **Potential Risks**

While the Manager exercises prudence and due diligence throughout the investment process, no guarantees can be given. to offset a risk of loss and investors should consult with their financial advisor prior to investing in the Portland Global Alternative Fund. The Manager believes the following risks may impact the Portland Global Alternative Fund performance: concentration risk, currency risk, equity risk, leverage risk and debt securities risk. Please read the "What are the risks of investing in the Fund?" section in the Simplified Prospectus for a more detailed description of all the relevant risks.



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- 1. Assuming an investment of \$100,000 and leverage is at the expected level. The investment does not include the impact of fees, expenses, dividend or borrowing costs.
- 2. The highest net asset value (NAV) on the last business day of the month for each Series of Units establishes a High Water Mark for each Series of Units which must be exceeded subsequently for the performance fee applicable to each Series of Units to be payable. At the inception of each Series of a Fund to which a performance fee may be applicable, the High Water Mark will be the initial NAV of the Series of Units.
- 3. Future value (FV) is the amount of present value (PV) invested over a certain period of time (n), which is assumed to compound annually at an after-tax interest rate (r).  $FV=100,000*(1+0.04)^{40}=480,102$ , where PV is the present value equal to 100,000, r equal to 4% (or 0.04) represents the after-tax interest rate that is invested within a 40-year time frame;  $FV=100,000*(1+0.08)^{40}=2,172,452$ ;  $FV=100,000*(1+0.12)^{40}=9,305,097$ .  $V=100,000*(1+0.04)^{10}=480,102$ , where PV is the present value equal to 100,000, r equal to 4% (or 0.04) represents the after-tax interest rate that is invested within a 10-year time frame;  $FV = 100,000*(1+0.04)^{10} = 148,024$ ;  $FV = 100,000*(1+0.08)^{10} = 215,892$ ;  $FV = 100,000*(1+0.12)^{10} = 310,585$
- 4. The awards are based solely on quantitative performance data of 207 Canadian hedge funds to June 30th, 2018 with Fundata Canada managing the collection and tabulation of the data to determine the winners. There is no nomination process or subjective assessment in identifying the winning hedge funds. The Sharpe Ratio is a measure for calculating risk-adjusted returns; it is the portfolio return in excess of the risk-free rate divided by the volatility of the portfolio.

On April 17, 2020, Portland Global Banks Fund was converted from a conventional mutual fund to an alternative mutual fund and renamed Portland Global Alternative Fund.

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