

# **CORE EQUITY**

All Data as of 6/30/2025

## Philosophy/Process

We believe that a company's dividend history is a key initial indicator of quality and seek to invest in companies with a demonstrated history of consistent and growing dividends. Our fundamental, bottom-up investment process is focused on uncovering companies with differentiated business models, strong balance sheets, consistent cash flow generation, high returns on invested capital, effective management, and shareholder-friendly capital allocation. The goal of our investment process is to construct a diversified portfolio capable of participating in up markets while significantly protecting capital in down markets.



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STRATEGY OVERVIEW					
Assets Under Management	\$945mm				
Asset Class	U.S. Large Cap Core				
Primary Benchmark	S&P 500 Index				
Inception Date	January 1, 2000				
Holdings	40 - 60				
Market Cap at Purchase	<u>&gt;</u> \$1.0B				
Max Position Size	5%				
Sector Constraint	2x the S&P 500 Index or 25%				
Max Use of Cash	5%				
Average Annual Turnover	25 - 35%				

### **Annualized Returns**

	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception*
Crawford Core Equity (Gross)	9.68	8.84	20.75	15.20	14.01	11.69	7.81
Crawford Core Equity (Net)	9.57	8.62	20.28	14.78	13.61	11.36	7.22
S&P 500 Index	10.94	6.20	15.16	19.71	16.64	13.65	7.80

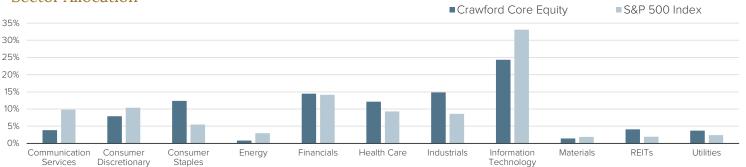
#### Portfolio Characteristics

	Crawford Core Equity	S&P 500 Index
10-Year EPS Variability	54.2%	54.2%
Dividend Yield	1.9%	1.2%
10-Year Dividend Growth Rate	8.2%	8.7%
P/E Ratio (Next 12 Months)	19.9x	21.5x
Average Market Capitalization	\$382.7B	\$1,145.2B

## Since Inception Risk Statistics

	Crawford Core Equity (Net)	S&P 500 Index		
Standard Deviation	14.29%	16.51%		
Beta	0.83	1.00		
Annualized Alpha	0.60%	0.00%		

#### **Sector Allocation**



Source: Crawford, FactSet, eVestment \*Since Inception time period: 1/1/2000 – 6/30/2025
Past performance is not indicative of future results. Data is presented Net of Fees. Net of fee performance is calculated based on the actual fees experienced. Crawford P/E (Next 12 Months) estimates are based off of a combination of third party research and estimates, weighted harmonic averages, and portfolio median values. The representative equity portfolio is shown as supplemental information to the Core Equity composite disclosures which are located at the end of this fact sheet. Not every account will have these exact characteristics, and there is no guarantee that another portfolio would have better or equal performance than the representative portfolio presented here. All holdings for the last 12 months are available upon request.

## CRAWFORD CORE EQUITY

TOP TEN HOLDINGS						
TICKER	COMPANY	WEIGHT				
JCI	Johnson Controls International plc	3.3%				
MSFT	Microsoft Corporation	3.2%				
ABBV	AbbVie, Inc.	3.2%				
SAP	SAP SE Sponsored ADR	2.9%				
TEL	TE Connectivity plc	2.8%				
ORCL	Oracle Corporation	2.6%				
PM	Philip Morris International Inc.	2.6%				
RTX	RTX Corporation	2.5%				
JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2.5%				
AZN	AstraZeneca PLC Sponsored ADR	2.4%				

Weight is Percent (%) of Market Value Excluding Cash.

#### Down Calendar Year Returns

	S&P 500 Index	Crawford Core Equity (Net)				
2000	-9.10%	-1.71%				
2001	-11.89%	-5.79%				
2002	-22.10%	-15.37%				
2008	-37.00%	-27.96%				
2018	-4.38%	-1.99%				
2022	-18.11%	-11.87%				
Down Calendar periods are based on the calendar year returns of the S&P 500 Index.						

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	GIP	S Composite Re	port			Core Equity Composite			S&P 500 Index	
Year	Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	% Of Non-fee paying accounts	# Of Accounts	Gross Return	Net Return	3-Year Standard Deviation	Internal Dispersion	Return	3-Year Standard Deviation
2024	\$8,494	\$598	1%	209	18.78%	18.33%	15.40%	1.3%	25.02%	17.40%
2023	\$7,730	\$502	1%	180	13.86%	13.44%	16.01%	1.2%	26.29%	17.54%
2022	\$7,383	\$462	1%	156	-11.57%	-11.87%	20.13%	1.0%	-18.11%	21.16%
2021	\$7,923	\$577	0%	135	22.32%	21.94%	17.76%	0.7%	28.71%	17.41%
2020	\$7,111	\$412	1%	93	11.97%	11.64%	18.18%	0.6%	18.40%	18.79%
2019	\$6,779	\$393	1%	68	33.31%	32.98%	10.93%	0.9%	31.49%	12.10%
2018	\$5,655	\$351	0%	41	-1.75%	-1.99%	10.40%	0.2%	-4.38%	10.95%
2017	\$5,901	\$348	0%	20	16.84%	16.56%	10.40%	0.3%	21.83%	10.07%
2016	\$5,044	\$332	0%	11	16.28%	16.00%	11.22%	0.3%	11.96%	10.74%
2015	\$4,149	\$299	0%	5 Or Fewer	-3.65%	-3.87%	10.92%	N/A	1.38%	10.62%

N/A - Information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year.

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For comparison purposes the composite is measured against the S&P 500 Index. The S&P 500 Index is the Standard & Poor's Composite Index and is widely regarded as a single gauge of large-cap U.S. equities. It is market-cap weighted and includes 500 leading companies, capturing approximately 80% coverage of available market capitalization.

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#### Source: Crawford, FactSet, eVestment

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