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# THE SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST JAMES ALPHA GLOBAL ENHANCED REAL RETURN PORTFOLIO

CLASS I SHARES (Ticker: GRRIX) CLASS A SHARES (Ticker: GRRAX) CLASS C SHARES (Ticker: GRRCX)

The SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST (the "Trust") is a mutual fund company. *The James Alpha Global Enhanced Real Return Portfolio (the "Portfolio") is managed by Armored Wolf, LLC (the "Manager")*. Shares of the Portfolio are available to investors and advisory services.

The Securities And Exchange Commission Has Not Approved Or Disapproved These Securities Or Passed Upon The Adequacy Of This Prospectus. Any Representation To The Contrary Is A Criminal Offense.

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#### **PORTFOLIO SUMMARY**

**Investment Objective:** The investment objective of the James Alpha Global Enhanced Real Return Portfolio (the "Portfolio") is to seek to achieve attractive long-term risk-adjusted returns relative to traditional financial market indices.

**Fees and Expenses of the Portfolio.** This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Portfolio.

	Class A	Class I	Class C
SHAREHOLDER FEES			
Maximum Sales Charge on Purchases of Shares (as a % of offering price)	5.75%	NONE	NONE
Sales Charge on Reinvested Dividends (as a % of offering price)	NONE	NONE	NONE
Maximum Contingent Deferred Sales Charge (as a % of offering price	NONE	NONE	1.00% (1)
Redemption Fee on Shares Held 30 days or Less (as a % of amount			
redeemed)	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
ANNUAL PORTFOLIO OPERATING EXPENSES (expenses that you pay			
each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)			
Management Fees of the Fund and Subsidiary	1.10%	1.10%	1.10%
Distribution and/or Service Rule 12b-1 Fees	0.25%	NONE	1.00%
Other Expenses (2)			
Other Fund Expenses	1.33%	1.33%	1.33%
Expenses of the Subsidiary	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses (2)	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%
Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (before Expense Reduction/			
Reimbursement) (2)	2.74%	2.49%	3.49%
Expense Reduction/ Reimbursement	(1.18)%	(1.18)%	(1.18)%
Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (After Expense Reduction/			
Reimbursement) (3)	1.56%	1.31%	2.31%

<sup>(1)</sup> Only applicable to redemptions made within one year after purchase. (See "Contingent Deferred Sales Charge").

Example. This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Portfolio with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Portfolio for the time periods indicated. This example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year, and the Portfolio's operating expenses remain the same and reflect the contractual expense waiver in place for the

<sup>(2)</sup> Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies (except the Portfolio's wholly owned and controlled Cayman Islands subsidiary (the "Subsidiary"). These Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses are not considered in the calculation of the expense cap. The Operating Expenses in the above fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Portfolio's financial statement (or the financial highlights in this Prospectus) because the financial statement includes only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Portfolio, not the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies ("Acquired Funds").

Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Manager and the Portfolio, the Manager has agreed to limit its fees and/or absorb expenses of the Portfolio to ensure that Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (excluding front end and contingent deferred sales loads, interest and tax expenses, dividends and interest on short positions, brokerage commissions, expenses incurred in connection with any merger, reorganization or liquidation, extraordinary or non-routine expenses and Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses) for the Portfolio do not exceed 1.50%,1.25% and 2.25% of the Portfolio's average net assets for Class A, Class I and Class C shares, respectively, through December 31, 2013 (each an "Expense Cap"). This operating expense limitation agreement can be terminated during its term only by, or with the consent of, the Trust's Board of Trustees. The Manager is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Portfolio, subject to limitations, for fees it waived and Portfolio expenses it paid within three (3) years of the end of the fiscal year in which such fees were waived or expenses paid, as long as the reimbursement does not cause the Portfolio's operating expenses to exceed the current Expense Cap.

first year. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs, if you held or sold your shares, at the end of each period would be:

#### IF YOU SOLD YOUR SHARES

	One Year	<b>Three Years</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Ten Years</b>	
Class A	\$725	\$1,271	\$1,842	\$3,388	
Class I	\$132	\$714	\$1,339	\$3,114	
Class C	\$334	\$962	\$1,712	\$3,687	
IF YOU HELD YOUR SHARES					
	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	
Class A	\$725	\$1,271	\$1,842	\$3,388	
Class I	\$132	\$714	\$1,339	\$3,114	
Class C	\$234	\$962	\$1,712	\$3,687	

**Portfolio Turnover.** The Portfolio pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Portfolio shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses or in the example, affect the Portfolio's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Portfolio's portfolio turnover rate was 373% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategies. The Portfolio seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing all or substantially all of its assets in the following market sectors (Sectors): commodities; global inflation-linked bonds; event-linked securities; emerging market equities; emerging market bonds; emerging market currencies; and high-yield bonds. The Manager allocates the Portfolio's assets across the Sectors based on the Manager's forecasted return and risk characteristics for each Sector. The Portfolio may invest no more than 331/4% of its assets in any single Sector at the time of initial investment or as a result of a rebalancing, although actual Sector weightings may deviate from the maximum allocation percentage from time to time due to market movements.

# Sector Investment Strategies

<u>Commodities</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio intends to primarily invest in long and short positions in commodity swap agreements, as well as commodity options and futures, exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") and indexlinked and commodity-linked "structured" notes (collectively "commodity-linked investments"). The Portfolio's investments in this Sector will focus primarily on crude oil, heating oil, gasoline, natural gas, aluminum, copper, lead, nickel, uranium, zinc, gold, silver, wheat, corn, soybeans, cotton, sugar, cocoa, cattle and hogs but may also include other commodities.

The Portfolio may invest up to 25% of its total assets in a wholly-owned and controlled Cayman Islands subsidiary (the "Subsidiary") to gain exposure to certain commodity-linked investments such as commodity futures, options and swap contracts. The Subsidiary may also hold cash, money market instruments, including affiliated and unaffiliated money market funds, and other fixed income instruments to serve as margin or collateral for the Subsidiary's derivative positions. Investments in the Subsidiary are intended to provide the Portfolio with exposure to commodities markets within the limitations of the federal tax requirements that apply to the Portfolio.

<u>Global Inflation-Linked Bonds</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio intends to invest primarily in inflation-linked bonds, treasury bonds, and derivatives such as swaps, all of which may be held long and short. Inflation-linked bonds are

generally fixed income securities whose principal values or interest payments are periodically adjusted according to the rate of inflation. Such bonds and related derivatives will primarily be securities issued by or related to sovereign governments of developed countries, but may also include bonds issued by countries deemed to be emerging markets and inflation-linked bonds issued by or related to companies or other entities not affiliated with governments.

Event-Linked Securities. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in investments with exposure to remote risks focusing on the super-catastrophe segment of the insurance risk market, including, but not limited to, U.S. hurricane and earthquake, European windstorm, Japanese earthquake and typhoon. These investments will generally take the form of Rule 144A bonds, insurance derivatives, including swaps, and reinsurance contracts whose returns are linked to such natural disasters that are primarily offered by domestic and offshore insurance companies. The return of principal and payment of interest of an event-linked bond are generally contingent on the non-occurrence of a specified trigger event, such as the natural disasters noted above. If the trigger event occurs prior to a bond's maturity, the Portfolio may lose all or a portion of its principal and additional interest. If the trigger event does not occur, the Portfolio will recover its principal plus interest. The Portfolio may employ hedging techniques, such as shorting certain instruments, to manage risk or to attempt to enhance returns in this Sector.

<u>Emerging Market Equities</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in equities, ETFs, and derivatives such as options, futures and swaps, relating to emerging markets. To hedge its exposure to emerging market equities, the Portfolio may invest in developed country government bonds or currencies, and futures, options and ETFs on developed market equity indices or the Chicago Board Options Exchange Volatility Index.

Emerging Market Bonds. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in bonds, promissory notes and other fixed-income securities issued by governments, government-related entities or public companies and denominated in major global currencies (*e.g.*, U.S. Dollars, Japanese Yen, British Pounds, Euros, Canadian Dollars, Australian Dollars, Swedish Krona and Swiss Francs). The Portfolio may also invest in derivatives, such as futures, options and swaps, of emerging market sovereign, public or private issuers and Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) sovereign, public or private issuers experiencing stress such that they exhibit characteristics and risks similar to emerging market issuers.

Emerging Market Currencies. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in bonds, loans, promissory notes, other fixed-income securities denominated in emerging market currencies (*i.e.*, primarily non-OECD countries), interest rate swaps, credit default swaps, emerging market spot and forward currencies, cash-settled forwards, and other swaps, including volatility swaps, of emerging market sovereign, public or private issuers.

<u>High-Yield Bonds</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in high-yield securities (commonly known as "junk bonds"), which are fixed income securities rated below investment grade or unrated and determined to be of similar quality.

<u>All Sectors</u>. The term "emerging markets" as used herein refers to those countries which the Manager considers to be emerging market or frontier emerging market countries. Such countries may change over time.

The derivatives held by the Portfolio across the various Sectors will fluctuate from time to time but collectively could represent economic exposure as high or higher than 50% of the total assets of the Portfolio. Accordingly, the Portfolio and the Subsidiary may maintain a substantial amount of their assets in cash and cash equivalents as required margin for futures contracts, as required segregation under Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules and to collateralize swap exposure.

In executing the investment strategy for a Sector, the Manager may utilize proprietary high frequency trading models in order to exploit complex or subtle mispricings that the Manager believes exist in the market. If used, such high frequency trading will lead to higher portfolio turnover.

**Principal Investment Risks.** There is no assurance that the Portfolio will achieve its investment objective. The Portfolio share price will fluctuate with changes in the market value of its portfolio securities. When you sell your Portfolio shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them and, accordingly, you can lose money investing in this Portfolio.

Active Trading Risk. The Portfolio may engage in frequent trading of portfolio securities resulting in higher transaction costs, a lower return and increased tax liability.

Commodity-Linked Notes Risk. In addition to risks associated with the underlying commodities, commodity-linked notes may be subject to additional special risks, such as the lack of a secondary trading market and temporary price distortions due to speculators and/or the continuous rolling over of futures contracts underlying the notes. Commodity-linked notes are also subject to issuer risk, which is the risk that the issuer to the note will not fulfill its contractual obligation to pay the principal or interest required by the terms of the note.

Commodities Risk. Exposure to the commodities markets and/or a particular sector of the commodities markets, may subject the Portfolio and the Subsidiary to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities, such as stocks and bonds. The commodities markets may fluctuate widely based on a variety of factors, including changes in overall market movements, domestic and foreign political and economic events and policies, war, acts of terrorism, changes in domestic or foreign interest rates and/or investor expectations concerning interest rates, domestic and foreign inflation rates and investment and trading activities of mutual funds, hedge funds and commodities funds. Prices of various commodities may also be affected by factors such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and other regulatory developments. The prices of commodities can also fluctuate widely due to supply and demand disruptions in major producing or consuming regions. Also, ETFs and certain other commodity-linked derivative investments may subject the Portfolio indirectly through the Subsidiary to leveraged market exposure for commodities.

Counterparty Risk. Certain derivative and "over-the-counter" instruments, such as over-the-counter swaps and forwards, are subject to the risk that the other party to a contract will not fulfill its contractual obligations.

*Credit Risk.* The issuer of fixed income instruments in which the Portfolio invests may experience financial difficulty and be unable to meet interest and/or principal payments, thereby causing its instruments to decrease in value and lowering the issuer's credit rating.

*Currency/Exchange Rate Risk.* The dollar value of the Portfolio's foreign investments will be affected by changes in the exchange rates between the dollar and the currencies in which those investments are traded.

Derivatives Risk. A derivative is an investment whose value depends on (or is derived from) the value of an underlying asset (including an underlying security), reference rate or index. The derivatives primarily used by the Portfolio include options, futures and swaps. Derivatives may be volatile and some derivatives have the potential for loss that is greater than the Portfolio's initial investment. Many derivatives are entered into over-the-counter (not on an exchange or contract market) and may be more difficult to purchase, sell or value than more traditional investments, such as stocks or bonds, because there may be fewer purchasers or sellers of the derivative instrument or the derivative instrument may require participants entering into offsetting transactions rather than making or taking delivery. The Portfolio may also lose money on a derivative if the issuer fails to pay the amount due. If a counterparty were to default on its obligations, the Portfolio's contractual remedies against such counterparty

may be subject to bankruptcy and insolvency laws, which could affect the Portfolio's rights as a creditor (e.g., the Portfolio may not receive the amount of payments that it is contractually entitled to receive).

The Portfolio may also lose money on a derivative if the underlying asset on which the derivative is based, or the derivative itself, does not perform as the Manager anticipated. The Portfolio may incur higher taxes as a result of its investing in derivatives.

Developing Markets Securities Risk. Securities issued by foreign companies and governments located in developing countries may be affected more negatively by inflation, devaluation of their currencies, higher transaction costs, adverse political developments and lack of timely information than those in developed countries.

Event-Linked Securities Risk. The type, frequency and severity of natural disasters and other events that trigger an increase or decline in the value of or income from event-linked securities ("trigger events") are difficult to predict. Actual losses may vary greatly from expected losses that are based on predictions about trigger events and thus, the expected return on an investment with respect to such instruments is difficult to calculate. For example, with respect to weather-linked instruments, climate changes can affect the occurrence of a Trigger Event. Event-linked securities may at any given time be illiquid, thus, the sale of these investments may be made at substantial discounts, delayed or impossible. Event-linked securities may also expose the Portfolio to certain unanticipated risks including credit risk, counterparty risk, adverse regulatory or jurisdictional interpretations, and adverse tax consequences.

Exchange-Traded Funds Risk. Shares of ETFs have many of the same risks as direct investments in common stocks or bonds. In addition, their market value is expected to rise and fall as the value of the underlying index or bond rises and falls. The market value of their shares may differ from the net asset value of the particular fund. As a shareholder in an ETF (as with other investment companies), the Portfolio would bear its ratable share of that entity's expenses in addition to its own fees and expenses. Further, if the Portfolio invests in leveraged ETFs, the more this leverage will magnify any losses on those investments.

Foreign Securities Risk. The Portfolio's foreign investments will be affected by changes in the foreign country's exchange rates; political and social instability; changes in economic or taxation policies; difficulties when enforcing obligations; decreased liquidity; and increased volatility. Foreign companies may be subject to less regulation resulting in less publicly available information about the companies.

*High Yield Bond Risk.* High yield bonds (junk bonds) involve a greater risk of default or price changes due to changes in the credit quality of the issuer. The values of junk bonds fluctuate more than those of high-quality bonds in response to company, political, regulatory or economic developments.

*Interest Rate Risk.* Interest rate risk refers to the risk that bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise; conversely, bond prices generally rise as interest rates fall. Specific bonds differ in their sensitivity to changes in interest rates depending on their individual characteristics, including duration.

*Inflation-Linked Bonds*. Inflation-linked bonds are generally fixed income securities whose principal values or interest payments are periodically adjusted according to the rate of inflation.

Leverage Risk. Leverage created from borrowing or certain types of transactions or instruments, including derivatives, may impair the Portfolio's liquidity, cause it to liquidate positions at an unfavorable time, increase volatility or otherwise not achieve its intended objective. In addition to leverage resulting from borrowing or purchasing securities on margin, investments such as commodity-linked notes and ETFs may include "embedded" leverage and pay a return linked to a multiple of the performance of the underlying index, securities basket or other reference asset.

Limited Number of Holdings Risk. The Portfolio may invest a large percentage of the assets of a particular Sector in a limited number of securities, which could negatively affect the value of that Sector and the Portfolio.

Liquidity Risk. The Portfolio may hold illiquid securities that it is unable to sell at the preferred time or price and could lose its entire investment in such securities. Investments with an active trading market or that the Manager otherwise deems liquid could become illiquid before the Portfolio can exit its positions.

Management Risk. The Portfolio relies heavily on the Manager's evaluation of the risk, potential returns and correlation among the Sectors. Although the Portfolio's investments span multiple markets and asset classes, all markets are subject to declines and it is possible that more than one Sector will experience declines simultaneously. In addition, the Sector weightings are based on the Manager's evaluation of the correlation between the Sectors, among other factors, which is based on historical patterns that may not repeat in the future. There is no guarantee that the investment techniques and risk analysis used by the Manager's portfolio managers will produce the desired results.

Market Capitalization Risk. Equity securities' prices change to differing degrees based on the issuer's market capitalization in response to such factors as historical and prospective issuer earnings and asset values, economic conditions, interest rates, investor perceptions and market liquidity.

Mortgage- and Asset-Backed Securities Risk. The Portfolio may invest in mortgage- and asset-backed securities that are subject to prepayment or call risk, which is the risk that the borrower's payments may be received earlier or later than expected due to changes in prepayment rates on underlying loans. Securities may be prepaid at a price less than the original purchase value. The value of most mortgage- and asset-backed securities tends to vary inversely with changes in interest rates.

Short Sales Risk. Short sales may cause the Portfolio to repurchase a security at a higher price, thereby causing a loss.

Sovereign Debt Risk. The governmental authority that controls the repayment of sovereign debt may be unwilling or unable to repay the principal and/or interest when due in accordance with the terms of such securities due to the extent of its foreign reserves; the availability of sufficient foreign exchange on the date a payment is due; the relative size of the debt service burden to the economy as a whole; or the government debtor's policy towards the International Monetary Fund and the political constraints to which a government debtor may be subject.

Subsidiary Risk. By investing in the Subsidiary, the Portfolio is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary's investments, including derivatives and commodities. Because the Subsidiary is not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Portfolio, as the sole investor in the Subsidiary, will not have the protections offered to investors in registered investment companies. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands could result in the inability of the Portfolio and/or the Subsidiary to operate as described in this prospectus and could negatively affect the Subsidiary and the Portfolio and its shareholders.

Tax Risk. As a regulated investment company, the Portfolio must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from sources treated as qualifying income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Portfolio intends to treat the income it derives from commodity-linked notes and the Subsidiary as qualifying income based on a number of private letter rulings provided to third-parties not associated with the Portfolio. It should be noted that the IRS has recently suspended the issuance of these rulings. If the Internal Revenue Service were to change its position with respect to the conclusions reached in these private letter rulings or determines that the Portfolio should have sought its own private letter ruling, the income and gains from the Portfolio's investment in the commodity-linked notes and/or the Subsidiary might be nonqualifying income, and there is a possibility such change in position might be applied to the Portfolio retroactively, in which case

the Portfolio might not qualify as a regulated investment company for one or more years. In this event, the Portfolio's Board of Trustees would consider what action to take, which could include a significant change in investment strategy or liquidation. For more information, please see the "Certain Tax Considerations" section in the Portfolio's Statement of Additional Information.

Shares of the Portfolio are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Performance**. Since the Portfolio does not yet have a full calendar year of operations, it does not disclose any performance information in this prospectus. Once available, you may obtain the Portfolio's updated performance information by calling toll free 1-800-807-FUND or by visiting www.saratogacap.com.

Manager. Armored Wolf, LLC ("Armored Wolf"), serves as the Manager of the Portfolio.

**Portfolio Managers.** John Brynjolfsson, Chief Investment Officer and Managing Director at Armored Wolf, has managed the Portfolio since February 2011.

**Purchase and Sale of Portfolio Shares.** Generally, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$2,500 for Class A and Class C shares. The investment minimum for Class I shares of the Portfolio is \$1 million, subject to certain exceptions. You may purchase and redeem shares of the Portfolio on any day that the New York Stock Exchange is open. Redemption requests may be made in writing, by telephone, or through a financial intermediary and will be paid by check or wire transfer.

**Tax Information.** Distributions you receive from the Portfolio, whether you reinvest your distributions in additional Portfolio shares or receive them in cash, are taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gains, or some combination of both, unless you are investing through a tax-free plan. The Portfolio's investment techniques may cause more of the Portfolio's income dividends and capital gains distributions to be taxable at ordinary income tax rates than it would if it did not engage in such techniques.

**Financial Intermediary Compensation.** If you purchase the Portfolio through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Manager and/or the Portfolio's distributor may pay the intermediary for the sale of Portfolio shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Portfolio over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND RELATED</u> RISKS

# **Investment Objective**

The investment objective of the Portfolio is to seek to achieve attractive long-term risk-adjusted returns relative to traditional financial market indices. The Portfolio's investment objective may be changed by the Board of Trustees without shareholder approval.

# **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Portfolio intends to seek to achieve its investment objective by investing all or substantially all of its assets in various market sectors (Sectors). The Sectors in which the Portfolio will principally invest are the following: (i) commodities; (ii) global inflation-linked bonds; (iii) event-linked securities, (iv) emerging market equities; (v) emerging market bonds; (vi) emerging market currencies; and (vii) high-yield bonds. The Portfolio's investment adviser, Armored Wolf, LLC, allocates the Portfolio's assets across the Sectors based on the Manager's forecasted return and risk characteristics for each Sector and a top-down assessment of the market environment, the relative strength of the opportunities available in each Sector and the volatility and correlation of the Sectors.

The Portfolio may invest no more than 331/3% of its assets in any single Sector at the time of initial investment or as a result of a rebalancing. The actual Sector weightings may deviate from the maximum allocation percentage from time to time due to market movements, but this will not necessarily result in the Manager rebalancing the Sector allocations.

### Sector Investment Strategies

<u>Commodities</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio intends primarily to take long and short positions in commodity swap agreements, as well as commodity options and futures, ETFs and index-linked and commodity-linked "structured" notes (collectively "commodity-linked investments"). The Portfolio's investments in this Sector will focus primarily on crude oil, heating oil, gasoline, natural gas, aluminum, copper, lead, nickel, uranium, zinc, gold, silver, wheat, corn, soybeans, cotton, sugar, cocoa, cattle and hogs, but may also include other commodities. To identify investment opportunities in this Sector, the Manager considers macro economic fundamentals, monetary and fiscal policy, capital flows and other factors affecting the supply and demand for commodities.

The Portfolio may invest up to 25% of its total assets in a wholly-owned and controlled Cayman Islands subsidiary (the "Subsidiary") to gain exposure to certain commodity-linked investments such as commodity futures, options and swap contracts. The Subsidiary may also hold cash, money market instruments, including affiliated and unaffiliated money market funds and other fixed income instruments to serve as margin or collateral for the Subsidiary's derivative positions. Investments in the Subsidiary are intended to provide the Portfolio with exposure to commodities markets within the limitations of the federal tax requirements that apply to the Portfolio. The investment policies of the Subsidiary are the same as the investment policies of this Sector of the Portfolio. The Subsidiary is subject to substantially the same investment restrictions and limitations, including asset coverage requirements, as are applicable to this Sector of the Portfolio and will follow substantially the same compliance policies and procedures as the Portfolio, to the extent they are applicable. The Portfolio will always own 100% of the Subsidiary's interests.

The Portfolio's and the Subsidiary's investments in this Sector may involve leverage because futures contracts and other derivative instruments are leveraged. Other investments, such as commodity-linked notes and ETFs, may include "embedded" leverage and pay a return linked to a multiple of the performance of the underlying index, securities basket or other reference asset. Both direct and embedded forms of leverage will magnify

the positive and negative return of the Portfolio and may increase the Portfolio's volatility as compared to an unlevered fund.

Global Inflation-Linked Bonds. In this Sector, the Portfolio intends to invest primarily in inflation-linked bonds, treasury bonds and related derivatives, which may be held long and short. Inflation-linked bonds are generally fixed income securities whose principal values or interest payments are periodically adjusted according to the rate of inflation. Such bonds and related derivatives will primarily be securities issued by or related to sovereign governments of developed countries, but may also include securities issued by companies or other entities not affiliated with governments, including but not limited to, investment grade senior and subordinated debt, tranches of collateralized mortgage obligations, tranches of collateralized debt obligations, corporate securities, bank debt and sovereigns in countries deemed to be emerging markets. To identify investment opportunities in this Sector, the Manager will consider macro-economic fundamentals, monetary and fiscal policy, capital flows, issuance policy and other related factors that the Manager believes will influence market pricing.

Event-Linked Securities. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in investments with exposure to remote risks focusing on the super-catastrophe segment of the insurance risk market, including, but not limited to, U.S. hurricane and earthquake, European windstorm, Japanese earthquake and typhoon. The investments will generally take the form of Rule 144A bonds, insurance derivatives, including swaps, and reinsurance contracts whose returns are linked to such natural disasters that are primarily offered by domestic and offshore insurance companies to reinsure their obligations under catastrophic insurance policies. The return of principal and payment of interest of an event-linked bond are generally contingent on the non-occurrence of a specified trigger event, such as the aforementioned natural disasters. In many cases, the trigger event will not be deemed to have occurred unless the event happened in a particular geographic area and was of a certain magnitude (based on scientific readings) or caused a certain amount of actual or modeled loss. If the trigger event occurs prior to a bond's maturity, the Portfolio may lose all or a portion of its principal and additional interest. If the trigger event does not occur, the Portfolio will recover its principal plus interest. While principally employing a long strategy, the Portfolio may employ some hedging techniques to manage risk concentrations in this Sector and may short certain instruments to attempt to capture what the Manager believes are mispricing opportunities in the market.

Emerging Market Equities. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in equities, ETFs, and derivatives such as options, futures and swaps, relating to emerging markets. To hedge its exposure to emerging market equities, the Portfolio may invest in developed country government bonds or currencies, and futures, options and ETFs on developed market equity indices or the Chicago Board Options Exchange Volatility Index. The Portfolio may utilize leverage to enhance anticipated returns in this Sector. In selecting investments in this Sector, the Manager will rank emerging market sovereigns as strong or weak based on fundamentals, including inflation and monetary policy, exchange rate regime, balance of payments, politics and macroeconomic performance.

Emerging Market Bonds. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in bonds, promissory notes and other fixed-income securities issued by governments, government-related entities or public companies and denominated in major global currencies (*e.g.*, U.S. Dollars, Japanese Yen, British Pounds, Euros, Canadian Dollars, Australian Dollars, Swedish Krona and Swiss Francs). The Portfolio may also invest in derivatives, such as futures, options and swaps, of emerging market sovereign, public or private issuers and Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) sovereign, public or private issuers experiencing stress such that they exhibit characteristics and risks similar to emerging market issuers, as determined by the Manager. In managing this Sector, the Manager will seek to identify investment opportunities by considering a number of different factors, including macro-economic fundamentals, monetary and fiscal policy, capital flows, issuance policy, industry fundamentals and other related factors that the Manager believes will influence market pricing.

Emerging Market Currencies. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in long and short positions in bonds, loans, promissory notes, other fixed-income securities denominated in emerging market currencies (*i.e.*, primarily non-OECD countries), interest rate swaps, credit default swaps, emerging market spot and forward currencies, cash-settled forwards, and other swaps, including volatility swaps, of emerging market sovereign, public or private issuers. In managing this Sector, the Manager will seek to identify investment opportunities by considering macro-economic fundamentals, monetary and fiscal policy, capital flows, issuance policy, industry fundamentals, and other related factors that the Manager believes will influence market pricing.

<u>High-Yield Bonds</u>. In this Sector, the Portfolio will invest primarily in high-yield securities (commonly known as "junk bonds"), which are fixed income securities rated below investment grade or unrated and determined to be of similar quality.

<u>All Sectors</u>. The term "emerging markets" as used herein refers to those countries which the Manager considers to be emerging market or frontier emerging market countries. The emerging markets in which the Portfolio may invest may change over time based on economic developments in individual countries and based on the Manager's assessment of such economic, market, and other developments.

The Manager's strategies incorporate a number of quantitative techniques for determining the relative value of financial instruments in the global markets, which use mathematical models to analyze and/or discover factors that the Manager believes impact market pricing. Additionally, in executing the Portfolio's investment strategy for a Sector, the Manager may utilize proprietary high frequency trading models in order to exploit complex or subtle mispricings that the Manager believes exist in the market. If used, such high frequency trading will lead to higher portfolio turnover.

The Portfolio uses derivatives, including futures, options and swaps, as a substitute for purchasing the underlying asset or as a hedge to reduce exposure to risks. The derivatives held by the Portfolio across the various Sectors will fluctuate from time to time but collectively could represent economic exposure as high or higher than 50% of the total assets of the Portfolio. Accordingly, the Portfolio and the Subsidiary may maintain a substantial amount of their assets in cash and cash equivalents as required margin for futures contracts, as required segregation under SEC rules and to collateralize swap exposure.

The Portfolio's investments in the types of securities described in this prospectus vary from time to time and, at any time, the Portfolio may not be invested in all types of securities described in this prospectus. The Portfolio may also invest in securities and other investments not described in this prospectus. Any percentage limitations with respect to assets of the Portfolio are applied at the time of purchase.

#### **General Investment Policies of the Portfolio**

Temporary or Cash Investments. Under normal market conditions, the Portfolio will stay fully invested according to its principal investment strategies as noted above. The Portfolio, however, may temporarily depart from its principal investment strategies by making short-term investments in cash, cash equivalents, and high-quality, short-term debt securities and money market instruments, including affiliated and unaffiliated instruments, for temporary defensive purposes in response to adverse market, economic or political conditions. This may result in the Portfolio not achieving its investment objectives during that period.

For longer periods of time, the Portfolio may hold a substantial cash position. If the market advances during periods when the Portfolio is holding a large cash position, the Portfolio may not participate to the extent it would have if the Portfolio had been more fully invested. To the extent that the Portfolio uses a money market fund for its cash position, there will be some duplication of expenses because the Portfolio would bear its pro rata portion of such money market fund's advisory fees and operational expenses.

Change in Investment Objective and Strategies. The Portfolio's investment objective and strategies are non-fundamental (unless otherwise indicated) and may be changed without the approval of the Portfolio's shareholders.

# Principal Risks of Investing in the Portfolio

As with any mutual fund, it is possible to lose money by investing in the Portfolio. There is no assurance that the Portfolio will achieve its investment objective. When you sell your Portfolio shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them and, accordingly, you can lose money investing in this Portfolio.

Active Trading Risk. The Portfolio may engage in frequent trading of portfolio securities that may result in increased transaction costs, thereby lowering its actual return. Frequent trading also may increase short term gains and losses, which may affect tax liability.

Commodity-Linked Notes Risk. In addition to commodity risk, commodity-linked notes may be subject to additional special risks, such as risk of loss of interest and principal, lack of secondary market and risk of greater volatility, that do not affect traditional equity and debt securities. If payment of interest or principal to be repaid at maturity on a commodity-linked note is linked to the value of a particular commodity, commodity index or other economic variable, the Portfolio might not receive all (or a portion) of the interest or principal due on its investment if there is a loss of value of the underlying investment. At any time, the risk of loss associated with a particular note in the Portfolio's portfolio may be significantly higher than the value of the note if the note leverages its underlying investments. Commodity-linked notes are also subject to issuer risk and liquidity risk.

The value of the commodity-linked notes the Portfolio buys may fluctuate significantly because the values of the underlying investments to which they are linked may themselves be extremely volatile. Additionally, the particular terms of a commodity-linked note may create economic leverage by requiring payment by the issuer of an amount that is a multiple of the price increase or decrease of the underlying commodity, commodity index or other economic variable. Certain commodity-linked notes in which the Portfolio may invest will be leveraged, which means that the amount by which the value of the notes will rise or fall in response to changes in the underlying instrument has been magnified by a certain multiple. This would have the effect of increasing the volatility of the value of these commodity-linked notes as they may increase or decrease in value more quickly than the underlying commodity, commodity index or other economic variable. Therefore, at the maturity of the note, the Portfolio may receive more or less principal than it originally invested and may receive interest payments on the note that are more or less than the stated coupon interest payments.

Commodities Risk. The Portfolio or the Subsidiary may invest in commodity-linked investments that may subject it to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. The commodities markets may fluctuate widely based on a variety of factors, including changes in overall market movements, domestic and foreign political and economic events and policies, war, acts of terrorism, changes in domestic or foreign interest rates and/or investor expectations concerning interest rates, domestic and foreign inflation rates and investment and trading activities of mutual funds, hedge funds and commodities funds. Prices of various commodities may also be affected by factors such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and other regulatory developments. The prices of commodities can also fluctuate widely due to supply and demand disruptions in major producing or consuming regions. Also, ETFs and certain other commodity-linked derivative investments may subject the Portfolio and the Subsidiary to leveraged market exposure for commodities.

Counterparty Risk. Individually negotiated or over-the-counter derivatives, such as over-the-counter swaps and forwards, are subject to counterparty risk, which is the risk that the other party to the contract will not fulfill its contractual obligations, which may cause losses or additional costs to the Portfolio.

*Credit Risk.* The issuers of fixed income instruments in which the Portfolio invests may be unable to meet interest and/or principal payments. This risk is increased to the extent the Portfolio invests in bonds related below investment-grade bonds (junk bonds). An issuer's securities may decrease in value if its financial strength weakens, which may reduce its credit rating and possibly its ability to meet its contractual obligations.

Currency/Exchange Rate Risk. The dollar value of the Portfolio's foreign investments will be affected by changes in the exchange rates between the dollar and the currencies in which those investments are traded. The Portfolio may buy or sell currencies other than the U.S. dollar in order to capitalize on anticipated changes in exchange rates. There is no guarantee that these investments will be successful.

Derivatives Risk. Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on or is derived from an underlying asset (including an underlying security), reference rate or index. Derivatives may be used as a substitute for purchasing the underlying asset or as a hedge to reduce exposure to risks. The derivatives primarily used by the Portfolio include options, futures and swaps. The use of derivatives involves risks similar to, as well as risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities or other more traditional instruments. In the case of over-the-counter derivatives, they may be more difficult to purchase, sell or value than other investments. When used for hedging or reducing exposure, the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, reference rate or index. The Portfolio could lose more than the cash amount invested in derivatives. Over-the-counter derivatives, which are those not cleared and settled through a central exchange are also subject to counterparty risk, which is the risk that the other party to the contract will not fulfill its contractual obligation to complete the transaction with the Portfolio. If a counterparty were to default on its obligations, the Portfolio's contractual remedies against such counterparty may be subject to bankruptcy and insolvency laws, which could affect the Portfolio's rights as a creditor (e.g., the Portfolio may not receive the net amount of payments that it is contractually entitled to receive). In addition, the use of certain derivatives may cause the Portfolio to realize higher amounts of income or short-term capital gains (generally taxed at ordinary income tax rates).

Special Risks of Options. If the Portfolio sells a put option, there is risk that the Portfolio may be required to buy the underlying investment at a disadvantageous price. If the Portfolio sells a call option, there is risk that the Portfolio may be required to sell the underlying investment at a disadvantageous price. If the Portfolio purchases a put option or call option, there is risk that the price of the underlying investment will move in a direction that causes the option to expire worthless. Options can involve economic leverage, which could result in these investments experiencing greater volatility than other investments, which could increase the volatility of the Portfolio.

Special Risks of Futures. The liquidity of the futures market depends on participants entering into offsetting transactions rather than making or taking delivery. To the extent that participants decide to make or take delivery of the underlying investments, liquidity in this market could be reduced. Futures contracts can be purchased with relatively small amounts of initial margin compared to the cash value of the contracts. This economic leverage can increase the volatility of the Portfolio. Even a well-conceived futures transaction may be unsuccessful due to market events.

Special Risks of Swaps. Over-the-counter swap transactions are two-party transactions and are therefore often less liquid than other types of investments, and the Portfolio may be unable to sell or terminate its swap positions at a desired time or price. Certain swaps, such as total return swaps where two parties agree to "swap" payments on defined underlying assets or interest rates, can have the potential for unlimited losses. Over-the-counter swaps are also subject to the risk that the swap counterparty will not fulfill its contractual obligations. The swaps market is subject to extensive regulation under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank") and certain SEC and CFTC rules promulgated thereunder. It is possible that developments in the swaps market, including new and additional government regulation, could result in higher Portfolio costs and expenses

and could adversely affect the Portfolio's ability, among other things, to terminate existing swap agreements or to realize amounts to be received under such agreements.

Developing Markets Securities Risk. The prices of securities issued by foreign companies and governments located in developing countries may be impacted by certain factors more than those in countries with mature economies. For example, developing countries may experience higher rates of inflation or sharply devalue their currencies against the U.S. dollar, thereby causing the value of investments issued by the government or companies located in those countries to decline. Other factors include transaction costs, delays in settlement procedures, adverse political developments and lack of timely information.

Event-Linked Securities Risk. Factors influencing performance of event-linked securities tend to encompass different variables than the usual factors influencing performance of stock and fixed income markets. The type, frequency and severity of natural disasters and other events that trigger an increase or decline in the value of or income from event-linked securities ("trigger events") are difficult to predict. Actual losses may vary greatly from expected losses that are based on predictions about trigger events and thus, the expected return on an investment with respect to such instruments is difficult to calculate. For example, with respect to weather-linked instruments, climate changes can affect the occurrence of a Trigger Event. Event-linked securities may at any given time be illiquid, thus, the sale of these investments may be made at substantial discounts, delayed or impossible. Event-linked securities are not offered or traded on exchanges, and investors in event-linked securities do not benefit from the regulatory protections of such exchanges, the SEC or other governmental or regulatory authorities in any jurisdiction. Event-linked securities may also expose the Portfolio to certain unanticipated risks including credit risk, counterparty risk, adverse regulatory or jurisdictional interpretations, and adverse tax consequences.

Exchange-Traded Funds (ETF) Risk. Shares of ETFs have many of the same risks as direct investments in common stocks or bonds. In addition, their market value is expected to rise and fall as the value of the underlying index or bond rises and falls. The market value of their shares may differ from the net asset value of the particular fund. As a shareholder in an ETF (as with other investment companies), the Portfolio would bear its ratable share of that entity's expenses. At the same time, the Portfolio would continue to pay its own investment management fees and other expenses. As a result, the Portfolio and its shareholders, in effect, will be absorbing duplicate levels of fees with respect to investments in ETFs. In addition, the Portfolio would have increased market exposure to those companies held in its portfolio that are also held by the ETF. The securities of other investment companies and ETFs in which the Portfolio may invest may be leveraged. As a result, the Portfolio may be indirectly exposed to leverage through an investment in such securities. An investment in securities of other investment companies and ETFs that use leverage may expose the Portfolio to higher volatility in the market value of such securities and the possibility that the Portfolio's long-term returns on such securities (and, indirectly, the long-term returns of the shares) will be diminished.

Foreign Securities Risk. The Portfolio's investments in foreign securities involve risks in addition to the risks associated with domestic securities. One additional risk is currency risk. Foreign securities also have risks related to economic and political developments abroad, including expropriations and any effects of foreign social, economic or political instability. In particular, adverse political or economic developments in a geographic region or a particular country in which the Portfolio invests could cause a substantial decline in the value of its portfolio securities. Foreign companies, in general, are not subject to the regulatory requirements of U.S. companies and, as such, there may be less publicly available information about these companies. Moreover, foreign accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards generally are different from those applicable to U.S. companies. Finally, in the event of a default of any foreign debt obligations, it may be more difficult for the Portfolio to obtain or enforce a judgment against the issuers of the securities. Securities of foreign issuers may be less liquid than comparable securities of U.S. issuers and, as such, their price changes may be more volatile. Furthermore, foreign

exchanges and broker-dealers are generally subject to less government and exchange scrutiny and regulation than their U.S. counterparts. In addition, differences in clearance and settlement procedures in foreign markets may cause delays in settlements of the Portfolio's trades effected in those markets.

Compared to the United States and other developed countries, developing or emerging countries may have relatively unstable governments, economies based on only a few industries and securities markets that trade a small number of securities. Prices of these securities tend to be especially volatile and, in the past, securities in these countries have been characterized by greater potential loss than securities of companies located in developed countries.

High-Yield Bond Risk. Compared to higher quality debt securities, junk bonds involve a greater risk of default or price changes due to changes in the credit quality of the issuer because they are generally unsecured and may be subordinated to other creditors' claims. The values of junk bonds often fluctuate more in response to company, political, regulatory or economic developments than higher quality bonds. Their values can decline significantly over short periods of time or during periods of economic difficulty when the bonds could be difficult to value or sell at a fair price. Credit ratings on junk bonds do not necessarily reflect their actual market value.

*Inflation-Linked Bonds*. Inflation-linked bonds are generally fixed income securities whose principal values or interest payments are periodically adjusted according to the rate of inflation. If the index measuring inflation falls, the principal value of inflation-indexed bonds may also be adjusted downward, and consequently the interest payable on these securities (calculated with respect to a smaller principal amount) may be reduced.

The value of inflation-indexed bonds is expected to change in response to changes in real interest rates. Real interest rates are tied to the relationship between nominal interest rates and the rate of inflation. If nominal interest rates increase at a faster rate than inflation, real interest rates may rise, leading to a decrease in value of inflation-indexed bonds.

Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk refers to the risk that bond prices generally fall as interest rates rise; conversely, bond prices generally rise as interest rates fall. Specific bonds differ in their sensitivity to changes in interest rates depending on their individual characteristics. One measure of this sensitivity is called duration. The longer the duration of a particular bond, the greater is its price sensitivity to interest rates. Similarly, a longer duration portfolio of securities has greater price sensitivity. Falling interest rates may also prompt some issuers to refinance existing debt, which could affect the Portfolio's performance.

Leverage Risk. Borrowing money to buy securities exposes the Portfolio to leverage because the Portfolio can achieve a return on a capital base larger than the assets that shareholders have contributed to the Portfolio. Leverage also exists when the Portfolio purchases or sells an instrument or enters into a transaction without investing cash in an amount equal to the full economic exposure of the instrument or transaction. Such instruments may include, among others, reverse repurchase agreements, written options and derivatives, and transactions may include the use of when-issued, delayed delivery or forward commitment transactions. Except in the case of borrowing, the Portfolio mitigates leverage risk by segregating or earmarking liquid assets or otherwise covers transactions that may give rise to such risk. To the extent that the Portfolio is not able to close out a leveraged position because of market illiquidity, the Portfolio's liquidity may be impaired to the extent that it has a substantial portion of liquid assets segregated or earmarked to cover obligations and may liquidate Portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so. Leveraging may cause the Portfolio to be more volatile because it may exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of the Portfolio's portfolio securities. There can be no assurance that the Portfolio's leverage strategies will be successful. Certain investments, such as commodity-linked notes and ETFs, may include "embedded" leverage and pay a return linked to a multiple of the performance of the underlying index, securities basket or other reference asset. These investments may be more volatile than investments in unlevered securities, which may increase the volatility of the Portfolio.

Limited Number of Holdings Risk. Because a large percentage of the assets of a particular Sector may be invested in a limited number of investments, a change in the value of these investments could significantly increase the volatility and affect the value of that Sector and the Portfolio.

Liquidity Risk. An investment is considered to be illiquid if the Portfolio is unable to sell such investment at a fair price within a reasonable amount of time. An investment may be deemed illiquid due to a lack of trading volume in the investment or if the investment is privately placed and not traded in any public market or is otherwise restricted from trading. The Portfolio may be unable to sell illiquid investments at the time or price it desires and could lose its entire investment in such investments. Investments with an active trading market or that the Manager otherwise deems liquid could become illiquid before the Portfolio can exit its positions.

Management Risk. The Portfolio relies heavily on the Manager's evaluation of the risk, potential returns and correlation among the Sectors. Although the Portfolio's investments span multiple markets and asset classes, all markets are subject to declines and it is possible that more than one Sector will experience declines simultaneously. In addition, the Sector weightings are based on the Manager's evaluation of the correlation between the Sectors, among other factors, which is based on historical patterns that may not repeat in the future. There is no guarantee that the investment techniques and risk analysis used by the Manager will produce the desired results.

Market Capitalization Risk. Stocks have different market capitalizations: small, medium and large. Stocks of small and mid sized companies tend to be more vulnerable to adverse developments and may have little or no operating history or track record of success, and limited product lines, markets, management and financial resources. The securities of small and mid sized companies may be more volatile due to less market interest and less publicly available information about the issuer. They also may be illiquid or restricted as to resale, or may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes, all of which may cause difficulty when establishing or closing a position at a desirable price.

Mortgage- and Asset-Backed Securities Risk. The Portfolio may invest in mortgage and asset-backed securities that are subject to prepayment or call risk, which is the risk that the borrower's payments may be received earlier or later than expected due to changes in prepayment rates on underlying loans. Faster prepayments often happen when interest rates are falling. As a result, the Portfolio may reinvest these early payments at lower interest rates, thereby reducing the Portfolio's income. Conversely, when interest rates rise, prepayments may happen more slowly, causing the security to lengthen in duration. Longer duration securities tend to be more volatile as the value of most mortgage- and asset-backed securities tends to vary inversely with changes in interest rates (*i.e.*, as interest rates increase, the value of the securities decrease). Securities may be prepaid at a price less than the original purchase value.

Short Sales Risk. If the Portfolio sells short a security that it does not own and the security increases in value, the Portfolio will pay a higher price to repurchase the security. The more the Portfolio pays above the amount it sold short the security for, the more it will lose on the transaction, which adversely affects its share price. As there is no limit on how much the price of the security can increase, the Portfolio's exposure is unlimited.

Sovereign Debt Risk. The governmental authority that controls the repayment of sovereign debt may be unwilling or unable to repay the principal and/or interest when due in accordance with the terms of such securities due to the extent of its foreign reserves; the availability of sufficient foreign exchange on the date a payment is due; the relative size of the debt service burden to the economy as a whole; or the government debtor's policy towards the International Monetary Fund and the political constraints to which a government debtor may be subject. If an issuer of sovereign debt defaults on payments of principal and/or interest, the Portfolio may have limited legal recourse against the issuer and/or guarantor. In certain cases, remedies must be pursued in the courts.

Subsidiary Risk. The Subsidiary, unlike the Portfolio, may invest without limitation in commodity-linked derivatives. By investing in the Subsidiary, the Portfolio is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary's investments. The derivatives and other investments held by the Subsidiary are generally similar to those that are permitted to be held by the Portfolio and are subject to the same risks that apply to similar investments if held directly by the Portfolio. There can be no assurance that the investment objective of the Subsidiary will be achieved. The Subsidiary is not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") and, unless otherwise noted in this prospectus, is not subject to all the investor protections of the 1940 Act. Accordingly, the Portfolio, as the sole investor in the Subsidiary, will not have all of the protections offered to investors in registered investment companies. In addition, changes in the laws of the United States and/ or the Cayman Islands could result in the inability of the Portfolio and/or the Subsidiary to operate as described in this prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information and could adversely affect the Subsidiary and the Portfolio and its shareholders. For example, Cayman Islands law does not currently impose any income, corporate or capital gains tax, estate duty, inheritance tax or withholding tax on the Subsidiary. If this were to change, the Subsidiary may have to pay such taxes and Portfolio shareholders will experience decreased returns.

Tax Risk. As a regulated investment company, the Portfolio must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from sources treated as qualifying income under the Code. The Portfolio intends to treat the income it derives from commodity-linked notes and the Subsidiary as qualifying income based on a number of private letter rulings provided to third-parties not associated with the Portfolio. It should be noted that the IRS has recently suspended the issuance of these rulings. If the Internal Revenue Service were to change its position with respect to the conclusions reached in these private letter rulings or determines that the Portfolio should have sought its own private letter ruling, the income and gains from the Portfolio's investment in the commodity-linked notes and/or the Subsidiary might be nonqualifying income, and there is a possibility such change in position might be applied to the Portfolio retroactively, in which case the Portfolio might not qualify as a regulated investment company for one or more years. In this event, the Portfolio's Board of Trustees would consider what action to take, which could include a significant change in investment strategy or liquidation. For more information, please see the "Certain Tax Considerations" section in the Portfolio's Statement of Additional Information.

Shares of the Portfolio are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

#### PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

A description of the Portfolio's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Portfolio's securities is available in the Trust's Statement of Additional Information.

The Trust discloses the Portfolio's top holdings on a calendar quarter basis with a one to three-week lag on its public website until they are included in the Trust's next shareholder report or quarterly report. The Portfolio will make available complete month-end portfolio holdings information with a 30-day lag. Such information can be obtained by calling 1-800-807-FUND.

In addition, you may obtain complete Portfolio holdings information or other disclosure of holdings as required by applicable legal or regulatory requirements on a fiscal quarterly basis within two months after the end of the fiscal period by calling 1-800-807-FUND.

#### MANAGEMENT OF THE PORTFOLIO

#### The Manager

The Portfolio has entered into an Investment Management Agreement ("Management Agreement") with Armored Wolf, LLC, located at 18111 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 525, Irvine, CA 92612, under which the Manager manages the Portfolio's investments subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees. The Manager offers

both high net worth individual and institutional clients portfolio management services in a variety of alternative investment offerings, and is a registered investment adviser. As of September 30, 2012, the Manager managed approximately \$796 million in assets. Under the Management Agreement, the Portfolio compensates the Manager for its management services at the annual rate of 1.10% of the Portfolio's average daily net assets, excluding assets invested in the Subsidiary and on which the Subsidiary pays a management fee, as described below.

As with the Portfolio, the Manager is responsible for the selection of the Subsidiary's investments pursuant to a separate investment advisory agreement between the Subsidiary and the Manager. Under this advisory agreement, the Manager provides the Subsidiary the same type of investment advisory services, under the substantially the same terms, as are provided to the Portfolio. The Subsidiary will pay the Manager a fee at an annual rate of 1.10% of the Subsidiary's average daily net assets. Although the Portfolio indirectly bears this expense as a result of the Portfolio's ownership of the Subsidiary, the Manager has agreed to waive the management fee it receives from the Portfolio, will also bear fees in connection with the custody, transfer agency, audit and legal services that the Subsidiary receives.

Portfolio Expenses. The Portfolio is responsible for its own operating expenses. Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Manager and the Portfolio, the Manager has agreed to reduce its management fees and/or pay expenses of the Portfolio to ensure that the total amount of Portfolio operating expenses (excluding front end and contingent deferred sales loads, interest and tax expenses, dividends and interest on short positions, brokerage commissions, expenses incurred in connection with any merger, reorganization or liquidation, extraordinary or non-routine expenses for the Portfolio) do not exceed 1.50%, 1.25% and 2.25% of the Portfolio's average net assets, for Class A, Class I and Class C shares, respectively, through December 31, 2013, subject thereafter to annual re-approval of the agreement by the Board of Trustees. Any reduction in advisory fees or payment of expenses made by the Manager may be reimbursed by the Portfolio in subsequent fiscal years if the Manager so requests. This reimbursement may be requested if the aggregate amount actually paid by the Manager toward operating expenses for such fiscal year (taking into account the reimbursement) does not exceed the applicable limitation on Portfolio expenses. The Manager is permitted to be reimbursed by the Portfolio for management fees waived and/or expense payments made by the Manager within three (3) years of the end of the fiscal year in which such fees were waived or expenses paid as long as the reimbursement does not cause the Portfolio's operating expenses to exceed the Expense Cap. Any such reimbursement will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees. The Portfolio must pay its current ordinary operating expenses before the Manager is entitled to any reimbursement of management fees and/or expenses. This Operating Expense Limitation Agreement can be terminated only by, or with the consent of, the Board of Trustees.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' most recent approval of the Management Agreement is available in the Portfolio's Annual Report to Shareholders for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2012.

#### Portfolio Manager

**John Brynjolfsson, CFA** - Mr. Brynjolfsson is Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer of the Manager. Prior to establishing the Manager, Mr. Brynjolfsson was a senior portfolio manager at Pacific Investment Management Company LLC ("PIMCO") (19 year tenure). He launched PIMCO's Real Return platform in 1997 and grew it to \$80 billion in assets. In addition, Mr. Brynjolfsson was the lead portfolio manager for three of PIMCO's four largest funds.

The SAI provides additional information about the Portfolio Manager's compensation, other accounts managed by the Portfolio Manager and the Portfolio Manager's ownership of securities in the Portfolio.

#### **SUPERVISION**

Saratoga Capital Management, LLC ("SCM"), 1616 N. Litchfield Rd., Suite 165, Goodyear, Arizona 85395, serves the Portfolio in a supervision capacity with responsibility to monitor the performance of the Portfolio's outside service providers, assist in the review of financial statements and other regulatory filings and board meeting materials related to the Portfolio. Pursuant to the supervision agreement with the Portfolio, the Portfolio pays SCM an annual supervision fee of 0.10% of the Portfolio's average daily net assets, payable on a monthly basis, which fee decreases at various asset levels. SCM, a Delaware limited liability company, also acts as investment manager to certain other portfolios of the Saratoga Advantage Trust (the "Saratoga Funds").

The Trust is designed to help investors to implement an asset allocation strategy to meet their individual needs as well as select individual investments within each asset category among the myriad of choices available. The Trust makes available assistance to help certain investors identify their risk tolerance and investment objectives through use of an investor questionnaire, and to select an appropriate model allocation of assets among the portfolios of the Trust. As further assistance, the Trust makes available to certain investors the option of automatic reallocation or rebalancing of their selected model. The Trust also provides, on a periodic basis, a report to the investor containing an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account. Shares of the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds are offered to participants in investment advisory programs that provide asset allocation recommendations to investors based on an evaluation of each investor's objectives and risk tolerance. An asset allocation methodology developed by SCM, the Saratoga Strategic Horizon Asset Reallocation Program<sup>®</sup> (the "SaratogaSHARP<sup>®</sup> Program"), may be utilized in this regard by investment advisers that have entered into agreements with SCM. SCM receives a fee from the investment advisers with whom it has entered into such agreements. Shares of the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds are also available to other investors and advisory services.

Pursuant to the SaratogaSHARP® Program, SCM may suggest to the investment advisers that SCM has entered into agreements with in connection with the SaratogaSHARP® Program the allocation to the Portfolio of the assets of one or more Saratoga Funds (each, a "sleeve"). Any such allocation would increase the Portfolio's assets and, therefore, the management fees of the Portfolio payable to the Manager. Conversely, such allocation would decrease the management fees of the Saratoga Funds payable to SCM, which acts as supervisor but not investment adviser to the Portfolio. The Manager has agreed to reimburse SCM an amount equivalent to any reduction in management fees that SCM experiences as a result of the allocation of one or more sleeves of the Saratoga Funds to the Portfolio, less any supervision fees that SCM receives from the sleeve that is allocated to the Portfolio. Any such reimbursement will be paid by the Manager and not out of the assets of the Portfolio.

#### ADMINISTRATION

The Bank of New York Mellon, located at One Wall Street, 25th Floor, New York, New York 10286, is the custodian of the assets of the Trust and the Subsidiary.

Gemini Fund Services, LLC, located at 17605 Wright Street, Suite 2, Omaha, Nebraska 68130-2095 serves as the Trust's transfer agent (the "Transfer Agent").

Gemini Fund Services, LLC, located at 80 Arkay Drive, Hauppauge, New York 11788, provides administrative (including custody administration) and fund accounting services to the Trust. As such, they manage the administrative affairs of the Trust, calculate the NAV of the shares of the Portfolio, and create and maintain the Trust's required financial records.

#### **SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION**

#### PRICING OF PORTFOLIO SHARES

The price of shares of the Portfolio called "net asset value," is based on the value of the Portfolio's investments.

The NAV per share of the Portfolio is determined once daily at the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (currently 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on each day that the NYSE is open. Shares will not be priced on days that the NYSE is closed.

Generally, a Portfolio's securities are valued each day at the last quoted sales price on each security's primary securities exchange. Securities traded or dealt in upon one or more securities exchanges (whether domestic or foreign, and including the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotation System ("NASDAQ")) for which market quotations are readily available and not subject to restrictions against resale shall be valued at the last quoted sales price on the primary securities exchange (or in the case of NASDAQ securities, at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price) or, in the absence of a sale on the primary exchange, at the last bid on the primary exchange. When a market price is not readily available, including circumstances under which the Manager determines that a security's market price is not accurate, a portfolio security is valued by a pricing committee at its fair value, as determined under procedures established by the Trust's Board of Trustees. In these cases, the Portfolio's NAV will reflect certain portfolio securities' fair value rather than their market price.

Debt securities with remaining maturities of sixty days or less at the time of purchase are valued at amortized cost. The amortized cost valuation method involves valuing a debt obligation in reference to its cost rather than market forces.

In addition, with respect to securities that primarily are listed on a foreign exchange, when an event occurs after the close of a foreign exchange that is likely to have changed the value of the foreign securities (for example, a percentage change in value of one or more U.S. securities indices in excess of specified thresholds), such securities will be valued at their fair value, as determined under procedures established by the Trust's Board of Trustees. Securities also may be fair valued in the event of a development effecting a country or region or an issuer-specific development, which is likely to have changed the value of the security. To the extent that the Portfolio invests in ETFs, the Portfolio's NAV is calculated, in relevant part, based upon the NAVs of such ETFs (which are registered open-end management investment companies). The Prospectuses for these ETFs explain the circumstances under which they will use fair value pricing and the effects of using fair value pricing.

Fair value pricing involves subjective judgments and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security is materially different than the value that could be realized upon the sale of that security.

The Portfolio may invest up to 25% of its total assets in shares of the Subsidiary. The Subsidiary offers to redeem all or a portion of its shares at the current net asset value every business day. The value of the Subsidiary's shares will fluctuate with the value of the Subsidiary's portfolio investments. The Subsidiary prices its portfolio investments pursuant to the same pricing and valuation methodologies as the Portfolio.

#### **PURCHASE OF SHARES**

Purchase of shares of the Portfolio must be made through a Financial Intermediary having a sales agreement with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC, the Portfolio's distributor (the "Distributor"), or through a broker or intermediary designated by that Financial Intermediary, or directly through the Transfer Agent. Shares of the Portfolio are available to participants in consulting programs and to other investors and to investment advisory services. Purchase requests received by the Portfolio in proper form prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV per share determined on that day. Requests received after the close of regular trading will receive the NAV per share determined on the following business day. A purchase order is deemed to be received by the Portfolio when it is received in good order by the Transfer Agent or by a Financial Intermediary, or a broker or intermediary designated by a Financial Intermediary, authorized to accept purchase orders on behalf

of the Trust. The Portfolio, however, reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any application to purchase shares. Applications will not be accepted unless they are accompanied by a check drawn on a U.S. bank, thrift institution, or credit union in U.S. funds for the full amount of the shares to be purchased. After you open your account, you may purchase additional shares by sending a check together with written instructions stating the name(s) on the account and the account number, to the appropriate address noted below. Make all checks payable to the Portfolio. The Portfolio will not accept payment in cash, including cashier's checks or money orders. Also, to prevent check fraud, the Portfolio will not accept third party checks, U.S. Treasury checks, credit card checks or starter checks for the purchase of shares. Not all share classes may be available in all states.

*Note*: Gemini Fund Services, LLC, the Portfolio's Transfer Agent, will charge a \$25 fee against a shareholder's account, in addition to any loss sustained by the Portfolio, for any check returned to the transfer agent for insufficient funds.

For more information regarding the purchase of shares, contact the Trust at 1-800-807-FUND.

Information regarding transaction processing and the establishment of new accounts should be sent to:

<u>via Regular Mail</u>	<u>via Overnight Mail</u>
The Saratoga Advantage Trust	The Saratoga Advantage Trust
c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC	c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC
P.O. Box 541150	17605 Wright Street, Suite 2
Omaha, NE 68154-1150	Omaha, NE 68130-2095

If you wish to wire money to make a subsequent investment in the Portfolio, please call 1-800-807-FUND to receive wiring instructions and to notify the Portfolio that a wire transfer is coming. Any commercial bank can transfer same-day funds by wire. The Portfolio will normally accept wired funds for investment on the day of receipt provided that such funds are received by the Portfolio's designated bank before the close of regular trading on the NYSE. Your bank may charge you a fee for wiring same-day funds.

PURCHASE OF SHARES IN GOOD ORDER. All purchase requests directly through the Transfer Agent must be received by the transfer agent in "good order." This means that your request must include:

- The Portfolio and account number.
- The amount of the transaction (in dollars or shares).
- Accurately completed orders.
- Any supporting legal documentation that may be required.

If you are purchasing shares through a Financial Intermediary, please consult your intermediary for purchase instructions. The Trust makes available assistance to help certain investors identify their risk tolerance and investment objectives through use of an investor questionnaire, and to select an appropriate model allocation of assets among the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds. As further assistance, the Trust makes available to certain investors the option of automatic reallocation or rebalancing of their selected model. The Trust also provides, on a periodic basis, a report to the investor containing an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account.

Financial Intermediaries may charge a processing or service fee in connection with the purchase or redemption of Portfolio shares, or other fees. The amount and applicability of such a fee is determined and disclosed to its customers by each individual Financial Intermediary. Processing or service fees typically are fixed, nominal

dollar amounts and are in addition to the sales and other charges described in this Prospectus. Your Financial Intermediary will provide you with specific information about any processing or service fees you will be charged.

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. What this means to you: when you open an account we will ask your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. If you are unable to verify your identity, we reserve the right to restrict additional transactions and/or liquidate your account at the next calculated NAV after your account is closed (less any applicable sales/account charges and /or tax penalties) or take any other action required by law.

INVESTMENT ADVISORY PROGRAMS. The Trust is designed to allow Consulting Programs and other investment advisory programs to relieve investors of the burden of devising an asset allocation strategy to meet their individual needs as well as selecting individual investments within each asset category among the myriad of available choices. Generally, the Consulting Programs provide advisory services in connection with investments among the Trust's portfolios by identifying the investor's risk tolerance and investment objectives through evaluation of an investor questionnaire; identifying and recommending an appropriate allocation of assets among the Trust's portfolios that is intended to conform to such risk tolerance and objectives in a recommendation; and providing, on a periodic basis, an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account and recommending any appropriate changes in the allocation of assets among the Trust's portfolios. The investment advisers for the Consulting Programs are also responsible for reviewing the asset allocation recommendations and performance reports with the investor, providing any interpretations, monitoring identified changes in the investor's financial characteristics and the implementation of investment decisions.

The investment advisers in the Consulting Programs may use SCM's SaratogaSHARP® Program in assisting their clients in translating investor needs, preferences and attitudes into suggested portfolio allocations. In addition, SCM may provide some or all of the administrative services to the investment advisers for the Consulting Programs such as the preparation, printing and processing of investment questionnaires and investment literature and other client communications. SCM receives a fee from the investment adviser for these services.

The fee payable by the client for the Consulting Programs is subject to negotiation between the client and his or her investment advisor and is paid directly by each advisory client to his or her investment advisor either by redemption of Trust portfolio shares or by separate payment.

OTHER ADVISORY PROGRAMS. Shares of the Trust's portfolio are also available for purchase by certain registered investment advisers (other than the investment advisers for the Consulting Programs) as a means of implementing asset allocation recommendations based on an investor's investment objectives and risk tolerance. In order to qualify to purchase shares on behalf of its clients, the investment adviser must be approved by SCM. Investors purchasing shares through these investment advisory programs will bear different fees for different levels of services as agreed upon with the investment advisers offering the programs. Registered investment advisers interested in utilizing the Trust's portfolios for the purposes described above should call 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863).

CONTINUOUS OFFERING. For Class A and Class C shares of the Portfolio, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$2,500. For Class I shares of the Portfolio, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$1 million. With respect to each share class, investments made in response to the SaratogaSHARP® asset allocation program's allocations and reallocations will not be subject to a minimum initial investment. For employees and relatives of the Manager, SCM, firms distributing shares of the Trust, and the Trust service providers and their affiliates, the minimum initial investment in the Trust is \$1,000 with no minimum for any individual Saratoga Fund and the Portfolio. With respect to Class A shares and Class C shares, there is no minimum initial

investment for employee benefit plans, mutual fund platform programs, supermarket programs, associations, and individual retirement accounts. The minimum subsequent investment in the Trust is \$100 and there is no minimum subsequent investment for the Portfolio or for a Saratoga Fund. The Trust reserves the right at any time to vary the initial and subsequent investment minimums.

The Trust offers an Automatic Investment Plan under which purchase orders of \$100 or more for Class A shares may be placed periodically in the Trust. The purchase price is paid automatically from cash held in the shareholder's designated account. For further information regarding the Automatic Investment Plan, shareholders should contact their representative or the Trust at 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863).

The sale of shares will be suspended during any period when the determination of NAV is suspended and may be suspended by the Board of Trustees whenever the Board judges it to be in the best interest of the Trust to do so. The Distributor in its sole discretion, may accept or reject any purchase order.

The Distributor will from time to time provide compensation to dealers in connection with sales of shares of the Trust, including financial assistance to dealers in connection with conferences, sales or training programs for their employees, seminars for the public and advertising campaigns.

Generally, the Portfolio reserves the right to reject any purchase requests, including exchanges from the other Saratoga Funds that it regards as disruptive to efficient portfolio management. A purchase request could be rejected because of, amongst other things, the timing or amount of the investment or because of a history of excessive trading by the investor.

#### CLASS C - CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE

Class C shares are sold at net asset value next determined without an initial sales charge so that the full amount of an investor's purchase payment may be invested in the Trust. A CDSC of 1%, however, will be imposed on most Class C shares redeemed within one year after purchase. The CDSC will be imposed on any redemption of Class C shares if after such redemption the aggregate current value of an account with the Trust falls below the aggregate amount of the investor's purchase payments for Class C shares made during the one year preceding the redemption. In addition, Class C shares are subject to an annual 12b-1 fee of 1.00% of the average daily net assets. Class C shares of the Trust which are held for one year or more after purchase will not be subject to any CDSC upon redemption. The CDSC is based upon the investors original purchase price.

Certain shareholders may be eligible for CDSC waivers. Please see the information set forth below for specific eligibility requirements. You must notify your authorized Financial Intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time a purchase order is placed that the purchase (or redemption) qualifies for a CDSC waiver. Similar notification must be made in writing when an order is placed by mail. The CDSC waiver will not be granted if: (i) notification is not furnished at the time of order; or (ii) a review of the records of the authorized dealer of the Portfolio's shares or the Trust's Transfer Agent does not confirm your represented holdings. In order to verify your eligibility, you may be required to provide account statements and/or confirmations regarding shares of the Portfolio or other Trust Portfolios.

CDSC WAIVERS. A CDSC will not be imposed on: (i) any amount which represents an increase in value of shares purchased within the one year preceding the redemption; (ii) the current net asset value of shares purchased more than one year prior to the redemption; and (iii) the current net asset value of shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends or distributions. Moreover, in determining whether a CDSC is applicable it will be assumed that amounts described in (i), (ii), and (iii) above (in that order) are redeemed first.

In addition, the CDSC, if otherwise applicable, will be waived in the case of:

- (1) redemptions of Class C shares held at the time a shareholder dies or becomes disabled, only if the Class C shares are: (a) registered either in the name of an individual shareholder (not a trust), or in the names of such shareholder and his or her spouse as joint tenants with right of survivorship; or (b) held in a qualified corporate or self-employed retirement plan, Individual Retirement Account ("IRA") or Custodial Account under Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code ("403(b) Custodial Account"), provided in either case that the redemption is requested within one year of the death or initial determination of disability;
- (2) redemptions in connection with the following retirement plan distributions: (a) lump-sum or other distributions from a qualified corporate or self-employed retirement plan following retirement (or, in the case of a "key employee" of a "top heavy" plan, following attainment of age 59 1/2); (b) distributions from an IRA or 403(b) Custodial Account following attainment of age 70 1/2; or (c) a tax-free return of an excess contribution to an IRA; and
- (3) certain redemptions pursuant to the Portfolio's Systematic Withdrawal Plan (see "Redemption of Shares-Systematic Withdrawal Plan").

With reference to (1) above, for the purpose of determining disability, the Distributor utilizes the definition of disability contained in Section 72(m)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, which relates to the inability to engage in gainful employment. With reference to (2) above, the term "distribution" does not encompass a direct transfer of an IRA, 403(b) Custodial Account or retirement plan assets to a successor custodian or trustee. All waivers will be granted only following receipt by the Distributor of written confirmation of the shareholder's entitlement.

#### CHOOSING A SHARE CLASS

Description of Classes. The Portfolio has adopted a multiple class plan that allows it to offer one or more classes of shares. The Portfolio has three classes of shares - Class I shares, Class A shares and Class C shares. The different classes of shares represent investments in the same portfolio of securities, but the classes are subject to different expenses and may have different share prices as outlined below:

- Class I shares are no-load shares that do not require that you pay a sales charge. If you purchase Class I shares of the Portfolio you will pay the NAV next determined after your order is received.
- Class A shares are charged a front-end sales load. The Class A shares are also charged a 0.25% annual Rule 12b-1 distribution and servicing fee. Class A shares do not have a contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") except that a charge of 1% applies to certain redemptions made within twelve months, following purchases of \$1 million or more without an initial sales charge. The sales charge for Class A shares is 5.75% of the offering price. However, this sales charge may be reduced or waived as described in "Class A Shares Reduced Sales Charge Information."
- Class C shares are sold without an initial sales charge, however a CDSC of 1% will be imposed on most shares redeemed within one year after purchase. Certain shareholders may be eligible for CDSC waivers, as described in "CDSC Waivers". The Class C shares are also charged a 1.00% annual Rule 12b-1 distribution and servicing fee.

#### MORE ABOUT CLASS A SHARES

Class A shares of the Portfolio are retail shares that require that you pay a sales charge when you invest unless you qualify for a reduction or waiver of the sales charge. Class A shares are also subject to Rule 12b-1 fees (or distribution and service fees) described earlier of 0.25% annually of average daily net assets, which are assessed against the shares of the Portfolio.

If you purchase Class A shares of the Portfolio you will pay the public offering price ("POP"), which is the NAV next determined after your order is received plus a sales charge (shown in percentages below) depending on the amount of your investment. Since sales charges are reduced for Class A share purchases above certain dollar amounts, known as "breakpoint levels," the POP is lower for these purchases. The dollar amount of the sales charge is the difference between the POP of the shares purchased (based on the applicable sales charge in the table below) and the NAV of those shares. Because of rounding in the calculation of the POP, the actual sales charge you pay may be more or less than that calculated using the percentages shown in the table below. The sales charge does not apply to shares purchased with reinvested dividends. The sales charge is calculated as follows:

#### CLASS A SHARES REDUCED SALES CHARGE INFORMATION

Certain shareholders may be eligible for reduced sales charges (i.e., breakpoint discounts), CDSC waivers and eligibility minimums. Please see the information set forth below for specific eligibility requirements. You must notify your authorized Financial Intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time a purchase order is placed that the purchase (or redemption) qualifies for a reduced sales charge (i.e., breakpoint discount), CDSC waiver or eligibility minimum. Similar notification must be made in writing when an order is placed by mail. The reduced sales charge, CDSC waiver or eligibility minimum will not be granted if: (i) notification is not furnished at the time of order; or (ii) a review of the records of the authorized dealer of the Portfolio's shares or the Trust's transfer agent does not confirm your represented holdings.

In order to obtain a reduced sales charge (i.e., breakpoint discount) or to meet an eligibility minimum, it may be necessary at the time of purchase for you to inform your authorized financial representative or the transfer agent of the existence of other accounts in which there are holdings eligible to be aggregated to meet the sales load breakpoints or eligibility minimums. In order to verify your eligibility, you may be required to provide account statements and/or confirmations regarding shares of the Portfolio or other Saratoga Funds held in all related accounts described below, as well as shares held by related parties, such as members of the same family or household, in order to determine whether you have met a sales load breakpoint or eligibility minimum.

You can qualify for a reduction of the sales charge by investing one lump sum in Class A shares of the Portfolio. You can also qualify for a sales charge reduction or waiver through a right of accumulation or a letter of intent if you are a U.S. resident. See the discussions of "Right of Accumulation" and "Letter of Intent" below. If you are a U.S. resident and are investing more than \$50,000, then you will pay a reduced sales charge. The following chart shows the sales charge you will pay based on the amount of your purchase. You can purchase Class A shares without any initial sales charge if you are a U.S. resident and invest \$1 million or more in Class A shares.

#### REDUCED SALES CHARGE FOR U.S. RESIDENTS

Amount of Purchase	Sales Charge as a Percentage of Offering Price <sup>1</sup>	Sales Charge as a Percentage of Net Investment (Net Asset Value)	Broker Reallowance as a Percentage of Offering Price <sup>2</sup>
Less than \$50,000	5.75%	6.10%	5.00%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	4.50%	4.71%	3.75%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	3.50%	3.63%	2.75%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%
\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>3</sup>	None	None	None

#### RIGHT OF ACCUMULATION

For the purposes of determining the applicable reduced sales charge, the right of accumulation allows you to include prior purchases of Class A shares of any of the Trust's portfolios as part of your current investment as well as reinvested dividends. To qualify for this option, you must be either:

- an individual;
- an individual and spouse purchasing shares for your own account or trust or custodial accounts for your minor children; or
- a fiduciary purchasing for any one trust, estate or fiduciary account, including employee benefit plans created under Sections 401, 403 or 457 of the Code, including related plans of the same employer.

If you plan to rely on this right of accumulation, you must notify the Distributor at the time of your purchase. You will need to give the Distributor your account numbers. Existing holdings of family members or other related accounts of a shareholder may be combined for purposes of determining eligibility. If applicable, you will need to provide the account numbers of your spouse and your minor children as well as the ages of your minor children.

#### LETTER OF INTENT

The letter of intent allows you to count all investments within a 13-month period in Class A shares of any of the Trust's portfolios as if you were making them all at once for the purposes of calculating the applicable reduced sales charges. The minimum initial investment under a letter of intent is 5% of the total letter of intent amount. The letter of intent does not preclude the Portfolio from discontinuing sales of its shares. You may include a purchase not originally made pursuant to a letter of intent under a letter of intent entered into within 90 days of the original purchase. To determine the applicable sales charge reduction, you may also include (1) the cost of shares of a Trust's portfolio which were previously purchased at a price including a front end sales charge during the 90-day period prior to the Distributor receiving the letter of intent, and (2) the historical cost of shares of other Trust portfolios you currently own acquired in exchange for shares of Trust portfolios purchased during that period at a price including a front-end sales charge. You may combine purchases and exchanges by family members (limited to spouse and children, under the age of 21, living in the same household). You should retain any records necessary to substantiate historical costs because the Trust, its transfer agent and any financial intermediaries may not maintain this information. Shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends are not aggregated to achieve the stated investment goal.

#### CLASS A SHARES SALES CHARGE WAIVERS

The sales charge on purchases of Class A shares is waived for certain types of investors, including:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Offering price includes the front-end sales load. The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amount set forth above because of rounding that occurs in the calculation used to determine your sales charge.

At the discretion of the Trust, however, the entire sales charge may at times be reallowed to dealers. The staff of the SEC has indicated that dealers who receive more than 90% of the sales charge may be considered underwriters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Class A shares that are purchased at NAV in amounts of \$1,000,000 or more may be assessed a 1.00% CDSC, if they are redeemed within twelve months from the date of purchase. See "More About Class A Shares" above for further information.

Employees of broker-dealers or other financial institutions (including registered investment advisors and financial planners) having agreements with the Distributor or SCM (a "Selling Representative") and their immediate families (or any trust, pension, profit sharing or other benefit plan for the benefit of such persons).

- Employees of a bank, savings and loan, credit union or other financial institution that utilize a Selling Representative to clear purchases of the Trust's shares and their immediate families.
- Participants in certain "wrap-fee" programs, mutual fund platform programs, supermarket programs, or asset allocation programs or other fee-based arrangements sponsored by broker-dealers and other financial institutions that have entered into agreements with the Distributor or SCM.
- Clients of financial intermediaries that have entered into arrangements with the Distributor or SCM (or
  otherwise have an arrangement with a broker-dealer or other financial institution with respect to sales of
  Trust shares) providing for the shares to be used in particular investment products made available to such
  clients and for which such registered investment advisors may charge a separate fee.
- Institutional investors (which may include bank trust departments and registered investment advisors).
- Any accounts established on behalf of registered investment advisors or their clients by broker-dealers that charge a transaction fee and that have entered into agreements with the Distributor or SCM.
- Insurance company separate accounts, separate accounts used to fund certain unregistered variable annuity contracts, Section 403(b), 401(a) or 401(k) accounts, and college savings plans organized under Section 529 of the Code.
- Employer-sponsored retirement or benefit plans with total plan assets of at least \$1 million where the plan's investments in the Trust are part of an omnibus account. A minimum initial investment of \$1 million in the Trust is required. SCM in its sole discretion may waive these minimum dollar requirements.
- Reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividends.

#### CLASS A CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE

Class A shares may be redeemed on each business day without charge at NAV per share next determined, except in the case of investors who paid no initial sales charge because they invested \$1 million or more, in which case the investor will pay a 1.00% Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") on shares redeemed within one year after purchase. The CDSC is based upon the investor's original purchase price.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Portfolio has adopted a Plan of Distribution pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Plan") with respect to the sale and distribution of Class A shares and Class C shares of the Portfolio. The Plan provides that the Portfolio will pay the Distributor or other entities, including the Manager and SCM, a fee, which is accrued daily and paid monthly, at the annual rate of 0.25% for Class A shares and 1.00% for Class C shares of the average net assets of each share class. A portion of the fee payable pursuant to the Plan, equal to 0.25% of the average daily net assets, is currently characterized as a service fee as such term is defined under Rule 2830 of The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") Conduct Rules and it may be paid directly to the Manager, SCM or other entities for providing support services. A service fee is a payment made for personal service and/or the maintenance of shareholder accounts. The fee is treated by the Portfolio as an expense in the year it is accrued. Because the fee is paid out of the Portfolio's assets on an ongoing basis, over time the fee may increase the costs of your investment and may cost you more than paying other types of service charges.

Additional amounts paid under the Plan are paid to the Distributor or other entities for services provided and the expenses borne by the Distributor and others in the distribution of the shares, including the payment of commissions for sales of the shares and incentive compensation to and expenses of dealers and others who engage in or support distribution of shares or who service shareholder accounts, including overhead and telephone expenses; printing and distribution of prospectuses and reports used in connection with the offering of the Portfolio's shares to other than current shareholders; and preparation, printing and distribution of sales literature and advertising materials. In addition, the Distributor or other entities may utilize fees paid pursuant to the Plan to compensate dealers or other entities for their opportunity costs in advancing such amounts, which compensation would be in the form of a carrying charge on any unreimbursed expenses.

# FREQUENT PURCHASES AND REDEMPTIONS OF TRUST SHARES

"Market-timing" often times involves the frequent purchases and redemptions of shares of the Portfolio by shareholders, and "market-timing" may present risks for other shareholders of the Portfolio, which may include, among other things, dilution in the value of Portfolio shares held by long-term shareholders, interference with the efficient management of the Portfolio, increased brokerage and administrative costs, incurring unwanted taxable gains, and forcing the Portfolio to hold excess levels of cash.

Short term trading strategies also present certain risks based on the Portfolio's investment objective, strategies and policies. To the extent that the Portfolio invests substantially in foreign securities it is particularly susceptible to the risk that market timers may take advantage of time zone differences. The foreign securities in which the Portfolio invests may be traded on foreign markets that close well before the Portfolio calculates its NAV. This gives rise to the possibility that developments may have occurred in the interim that would affect the value of these securities. A market timer may seek to capitalize on these time zone differences by purchasing shares of the Portfolio based on events occurring after foreign market closing prices are established, but before the Portfolio's NAV calculation, that are likely to result in higher prices in foreign markets the following day ("time zone arbitrage"). The market timer might redeem the Portfolio's shares the next day when the Portfolio's share price would reflect the increased prices in foreign markets, for a quick profit at the expense of long-term Portfolio shareholders.

Investments in other types of securities may also be susceptible to short-term trading strategies. These investments include securities that are, among other things, thinly traded, traded infrequently, or relatively illiquid, which have the risk that the current market price for the securities may not accurately reflect current market values. A shareholder may seek to engage in short-term trading to take advantage of these pricing differences (referred to as "price arbitrage"). To the extent that the Portfolio invests in small capitalization securities, technology and other specific industry sector securities, and in certain fixed-income securities, such as high-yield bonds or municipal bonds, the Portfolio may be adversely affected by price arbitrage trading strategies.

The Trust discourages frequent purchases and redemptions of Portfolio shares by Portfolio shareholders and the Trust's Board of Trustees has adopted policies and procedures with respect to such frequent purchases and redemptions. The Trust does not accommodate frequent purchases and sales by Portfolio shareholders. Shareholders will be charged a redemption fee of 2% of the value of shares being redeemed, if shares are redeemed within 30 days of purchase. The Trust's policies with respect to purchases, redemptions and exchanges of Portfolio shares are described in the "Summary of Trust Expenses," "Purchase of Shares" and "Redemption of Shares" sections of this Prospectus. Except as described in these sections, the Trust's policies regarding frequent trading of Portfolio shares are applied uniformly to all shareholders. The Trust requires all intermediaries to enforce all of the Trust's policies contained in this Prospectus and in the Trust's Statement of Additional Information. Omnibus accounts intermediaries generally do not identify customers' trading activity to the Trust on an individual basis. The ability of the Trust to monitor exchanges made by the underlying shareholders in omnibus accounts, therefore, is severely limited. Consequently, the Trust must rely on the Financial Intermediary

to monitor frequent short-term trading within the Portfolio by the Financial Intermediary's customers. The Trust monitors enforcement by Financial Intermediaries, and if a Financial Intermediary fails to enforce the Trust's restrictions, the Trust may take certain actions, including terminating the relationship. There can be no assurance that the Trust will be able to eliminate all market-timing activities.

Certain patterns of past exchanges and/or purchase or redemption transactions involving the Portfolio may result in the Portfolio sending a warning letter, rejecting, limiting or prohibiting, at its sole discretion and without prior notice, additional purchases and/or exchanges. Determinations in this regard may be made based on, amongst other things, the frequency or dollar amount of the previous exchanges or purchase or redemption transactions.

#### **REDEMPTION OF SHARES**

Shares of the Portfolio may be redeemed on any day that the Portfolio calculates its NAV. Redemption requests received by the Trust in proper form prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV per share determined on that day. Redemption requests received after the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV next determined by the Trust. A redemption order is deemed to be received by the Trust when it is received in good order by the Transfer Agent or by a Financial Intermediary authorized to accept redemption orders on behalf of the Trust. The Portfolio is required to transmit redemption proceeds for credit to the shareholder's account within seven days after receipt of a redemption request. However, payments for redemptions of shares purchased by check will not be transmitted until the check clears, which may take up to 15 days from the purchase date.

Redemption requests may be given to a Financial Intermediary having a selling agreement with the Distributor. The Financial Intermediary is responsible for transmitting such redemption requests to the Trust's Transfer Agent. Redemption requests also may be given directly to the Transfer Agent, if the shareholder purchased shares directly through the Transfer Agent. In order to be effective, certain redemption requests of a shareholder may require the submission of documents commonly required to assure the safety of a particular account.

The Trust may suspend redemption procedures and postpone redemption payment during any period when the NYSE is closed other than for customary weekend or holiday closing or when the SEC has determined an emergency exists or has otherwise permitted such suspension or postponement.

Written Redemption Requests. To redeem shares by mail, send a written redemption request in proper form to:

#### via Regular Mail

The Saratoga Advantage Trust c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC P.O. Box 541150 Omaha, NE 68154-1150

#### via Overnight Mail

The Saratoga Advantage Trust c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC 17605 Wright Street, Suite 2 Omaha, NE 68130-2095

**Redeeming by Telephone.** The telephone redemption privilege is automatically available to all new accounts except retirement accounts. If you do not want the telephone redemption privilege, you must indicate this in the appropriate area on your account application or you must write to the Trust and instruct it to remove this privilege from your account. The proceeds will be sent by mail to the address designated on your account or wired directly to your existing account in any commercial bank or brokerage firm in the United States as designated on your application. To redeem by telephone, call 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863). The redemption proceeds normally will be sent by mail or by wire within three business days after receipt of your telephone instructions. IRA accounts are not redeemable by telephone.

The Trust reserves the right to suspend the telephone redemption privileges with respect to your account if the name(s) or the address on the account has been changed within the previous 30 days. Neither the Trust, the Transfer Agent, nor their respective affiliates will be liable for any loss, damage, cost or expenses in acting on telephone instructions if they reasonably believe such telephone instructions to be genuine and you will be required to bear the risk of any such loss. The Trust or the Transfer Agent, or both, will employ reasonable procedures to determine that telephone instructions are genuine. If the Trust and/or the Transfer Agent do not employ these procedures, they may be liable to you for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent instructions. These procedures may include, among others, requiring forms of personal identification prior to acting upon telephone instructions, providing written confirmation of the transactions and/or tape recording telephone instructions.

**Wire Redemptions.** If you request your redemption by wire transfer, you will be required to pay a \$15.00 wire transfer fee to the Transfer Agent to cover costs associated with the transfer but the Transfer Agent does not charge a fee when transferring redemption proceeds by electronic funds transfer. In addition, your bank may impose a charge for receiving wires.

**When Redemptions are Sent.** Once the Trust receives your redemption request in "good order" as described below, it will issue a check based on the next determined NAV following your redemption request. If you purchase shares using a check and soon after request a redemption, your redemption request will not be processed until the check used for your purchase has cleared (usually within 10 days).

**Good Order.** Your redemption request will be processed if it is in "good order." To be in good order, the following conditions must be satisfied:

The request should be in writing indicating the number of shares or dollar amount to be redeemed;

The request must identify your account number;

The request should be signed by you and any other person listed on the account, exactly as the shares are registered; and

If you request the redemption proceeds to be sent to a person, bank or an address other than that of record, or if the proceeds of a requested redemption exceed \$100,000, the signature(s) on the request must be medallion signature guaranteed by an eligible signature guarantor.

**Medallion Signature Guarantee.** Certain requests require a medallion signature guarantee. To protect you and the Trust from fraud, certain transactions and redemption requests must be in writing and must include a medallion signature guarantee in the following situations (there may be other situations also requiring a medallion signature guarantee in the discretion of the Trust or Transfer Agent):

- 1. Re-registration of the account.
- 2. Changing bank wiring instructions on the account.
- 3. Name change on the account.
- 4. Setting up/changing systematic withdrawal plan to a secondary address.
- 5. Redemptions greater than \$100,000.
- Any redemption check that is being mailed to a different address than the address of record.

7. Your account registration has changed within the last 30 days.

You should be able to obtain a medallion signature guarantee from a bank or trust company, credit union, broker-dealer, securities exchange or association, clearing agency or savings association, as defined by federal law.

REDEMPTION FEE. You will be charged a redemption fee of 2% of the value of the shares being redeemed if you redeem your shares of the Portfolio within 30 days of purchase. The redemption fee is paid directly to the Portfolio from which the redemption is made and is designed to offset brokerage commissions, market impact, and other costs associated with short-term trading. For purposes of determining whether the redemption fee applies, the shares that were held the longest will be redeemed first. The redemption fee will not apply to shares that are sold which have been acquired through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions paid by the Portfolio.

The following exchanges are exempt from the 2% redemption fee: (i) responses to the SaratogaSHARP® asset allocation program's allocations and reallocations and fees charged to participants in connection thereto; (ii) exchanges executed pursuant to asset allocation and automatic rebalancing programs and fees charged to participants in connection thereto, provided that such allocations, reallocations and exchanges do not occur more frequently than monthly and the applicable dealer provides the Trust's transfer agent with documents evidencing such; (iii) exchanges in employer sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) and profit sharing plans); and (iv) redemptions pursuant to systematic withdrawal plans.

Financial Intermediaries of omnibus accounts generally do not identify customers' trading activity to the Trust on an individual basis. Therefore, the ability to monitor redemptions made by the underlying shareholders in omnibus accounts is severely limited. Consequently, the Trust must rely on the Financial Intermediary to monitor redemptions within the Portfolio by the Financial Intermediary's customers and to collect the Portfolio's redemption fee from their customers. The Trust monitors enforcement by Financial Intermediaries, and if a Financial Intermediary fails to enforce the Trust's restrictions, the Trust may take certain actions, including termination of the relationship.

SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN. A systematic withdrawal plan (the "Withdrawal Plan") is available for shareholders. Any portfolio from which redemptions will be made pursuant to the Plan will be referred to as a "SWP Portfolio." The Withdrawal Plan provides for monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments in any amount not less than \$25, or in any whole percentage of the value of the SWP Portfolio 's shares, on an annualized basis. A shareholder may suspend or terminate participation in the Withdrawal Plan at any time. The Withdrawal Plan may be terminated or revised at any time by the Portfolio.

Withdrawal Plan payments should not be considered dividends, yields or income. If periodic Withdrawal Plan payments continuously exceed net investment income and net capital gains, the shareholder's original investment will be correspondingly reduced and ultimately exhausted. Each withdrawal constitutes a redemption of shares and any gain or loss realized must be recognized for federal income tax purposes. Shareholders should contact their dealer representative or the Trust for further information about the Withdrawal Plan.

REINSTATEMENT PRIVILEGE. A shareholder who has had his or her shares redeemed or repurchased and has not previously exercised this reinstatement privilege may, within 35 days after the date of the redemption or repurchase, reinstate any portion or all of the proceeds of such redemption or repurchase in shares of the Portfolio in the same Class from which such shares were redeemed or repurchased, at NAV next determined after a reinstatement request (made in writing to and approved by SCM), together with the proceeds, is received by the Transfer Agent.

INVOLUNTARY REDEMPTIONS. If the Portfolio is the only holding of a shareholder in the Trust, then due to the relatively high cost of maintaining small accounts, the Trust may redeem an account having a current value

of \$1,000 or less as a result of redemptions, but not as a result of a fluctuation in the Portfolio's NAV after the shareholder has been given at least 30 days in which to increase the account balance to more than that amount. Involuntary redemptions may result in the liquidation of Portfolio holdings at a time when the value of those holdings is lower than the investor's cost of the investment or may result in the realization of taxable capital gains.

REDEMPTION-IN-KIND. If the Board of Trustees determines that it would be detrimental to the best interests of the Portfolio's shareholders to make a redemption payment wholly in cash, the Portfolio may pay, in accordance with rules adopted by the SEC, any portion of a redemption in excess of the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the Portfolio's net assets by a distribution-in-kind of readily marketable portfolio securities in lieu of cash. Redemptions failing to meet this threshold must be made in cash. Shareholders receiving distributions-in-kind of portfolio securities will be subject to market risks on the securities received, and may incur brokerage commissions when subsequently disposing of those securities.

EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE. Shares of the Portfolio may be exchanged without payment of any exchange fee for shares of another portfolio of the Trust of the same Class at their respective NAVs. Please refer to the Trust's Prospectus for the other portfolios with respect to the fees and expenses of investing in shares of the Trust's other portfolios. The Trust may in the future offer an exchange feature involving shares of an unaffiliated fund group subject to receipt of appropriate regulatory relief.

There are special considerations when you exchange Portfolio shares that are subject to a CDSC. When determining the length of time you held the shares and the corresponding CDSC rate, any period (starting at the end of the month) during which you held shares of the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund that does *not* charge a CDSC will not be counted. Thus, in effect the "holding period" for purposes of calculating the CDSC is frozen upon exchanging into a fund that does not charge a CDSC. In addition, shares that are exchanged into or from the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund subject to a higher CDSC rate will be subject to the higher rate, even if the shares are re-exchanged into the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund with a lower CDSC rate.

An exchange of shares is treated for federal income tax purposes as a redemption (sale) of shares given in exchange by the shareholder, and an exchanging shareholder may, therefore, realize a taxable gain or loss in connection with the exchange. The exchange privilege is available to shareholders residing in any state in which Portfolio shares being acquired may be legally sold.

SCM reserves the right to reject any exchange request and the exchange privilege may be modified or terminated upon notice to shareholders in accordance with applicable rules adopted by the SEC.

With regard to redemptions and exchanges made by telephone, the Distributor and the Trust's Transfer Agent will request personal or other identifying information to confirm that the instructions received from shareholders or their account representatives are genuine. Calls may be recorded. If our lines are busy or you are otherwise unable to reach us by phone, you may wish to ask your investment representative for assistance or send us written instructions, as described elsewhere in this Prospectus. For your protection, we may delay a transaction or not implement one if we are not reasonably satisfied that the instructions are genuine. If this occurs, we will not be liable for any loss. The Distributor and the Transfer Agent also will not be liable for any losses if they follow instructions by phone that they reasonably believe are genuine or if an investor is unable to execute a transaction by phone.

#### **DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS. The Portfolio intends to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code. As a regulated investment company, a portfolio generally pays no federal income tax on the income and gains it distributes to you. The Portfolio declares and pays dividends from

net investment income, if any, annually. Distributions of net realized long-term and short-term capital gains, if any, earned by the Portfolio will be made annually. The Portfolio may distribute such income dividends and capital gains more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on the Portfolio. The amount of any distribution will vary, and there is no guarantee the Portfolio will pay either an income dividend or a capital gains distribution. Dividends derived from net investment income and distributions of net realized long and short-term capital gains paid by the Portfolio to a shareholder will be automatically reinvested (at current NAV) in additional shares of the Portfolio (which will be deposited in the shareholder's account) unless the shareholder instructs the Trust, in writing, to pay all dividends and distributions in cash. Shares acquired by dividend and distribution reinvestment will not be subject to any CDSC and will be eligible for conversion on a pro rata basis.

ANNUAL STATEMENTS. You will be sent annually a statement (IRS Form 1099-DIV) showing the taxable distributions paid to you in the previous calendar year, if any. The statement provides information on your dividends and capital gains for tax purposes. If any dividends are declared in October, November or December to shareholders of record in such months and paid in January of the following year, then such amounts will be treated for tax purposes as received by the shareholders on December 31 of the prior year. The Portfolio may reclassify income after your tax reporting statement is mailed to you. Prior to issuing your statement, the Portfolio makes every effort to search for reclassified income to reduce the number of corrected forms mailed to shareholders. However, when necessary, the Portfolio will send you a corrected Form 1099-DIV to reflect reclassified information.

AVOID "BUYING A DIVIDEND." At the time you purchase your Portfolio shares, a Portfolio's net asset value may reflect undistributed income, undistributed capital gains, or net unrealized appreciation in value of portfolio securities held by the Portfolio. For taxable investors, a subsequent distribution to you of such amounts, although constituting a return of your investment, would be taxable. For example, if you buy shares in the Portfolio shortly before it makes a distribution, you may receive some of your investment back in the form of a taxable distribution. This is known as "buying a dividend."

#### **TAX CONSEQUENCES**

The following tax information in this Prospectus is provided as general information. You should consult your own tax professional about the tax consequences of an investment in the Trust. Unless your investment in the Trust is through a tax-deferred retirement account, such as a 401(k) plan or IRA, you need to be aware of the possible tax consequences when the Portfolio makes distributions and when you sell Portfolio shares, including an exchange to another portfolio.

TAXES ON DISTRIBUTIONS. In general, if you are a taxable investor, Portfolio distributions are taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gains or some combination of both, whether you take them in cash or reinvest them in Portfolio shares. The Portfolio's investment techniques, including use of short-sales, derivatives and high portfolio turnover rate, may result in more of the Portfolio's income dividends and capital gains distributions being taxable to you at ordinary income tax rates than it would if it did not engage in such techniques.

For federal income tax purposes, any income dividend distributions and any short-term capital gain distributions are taxable to you as ordinary income. Any long-term capital gain distributions are taxable as long-term capital gains, no matter how long you have owned shares in the Trust. With respect to taxable years of the Portfolio beginning before January 1, 2013, unless such provision is extended or made permanent, certain ordinary income dividends received by individuals may be taxed at the same rate as long-term capital gains if certain holding period and other requirements are satisfied. However, even if income received in the form of ordinary income dividends is taxed at the same rate as long-term capital gains, such income will not be considered long-term capital gains for other federal income tax purposes. For example, you generally will not be permitted to offset ordinary

income dividends with capital losses when calculating your net capital gains or losses. Short-term capital gain distributions will continue to be taxed at ordinary income rates.

TAXES ON SALES. Your sale of Portfolio shares normally is subject to federal income tax and may result in a taxable gain or loss to you. Your exchange of Portfolio shares for shares of another portfolio is treated for tax purposes like a sale of your original Portfolio shares and a purchase of your new shares. Thus, the exchange may, like a sale, result in a taxable gain or loss to you and will give you a new tax basis for your new shares.

If a shareholder realizes a loss on the redemption or exchange of the Portfolio's shares and reinvests in that portfolio's shares or substantially identical shares within 30 days before or after the redemption or exchange, the transactions may be subject to the "wash sale" rules, resulting in a postponement of the recognition of such loss for tax purposes. The ability to deduct losses is subject to further limitations under the Code.

BACK-UP WITHHOLDING. By law, each Portfolio must withhold a portion of your taxable distributions and redemption proceeds unless you provide your correct social security number or taxpayer identification number, certify that this number is correct, certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, and certify that you are a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien). A Portfolio also must withhold if the IRS instructs it to do so. When withholding is required, the amount is currently 28% (scheduled to increase to 31% in 2013) of your taxable distributions or redemption proceeds.

INVESTMENT IN COMMODITIES. The Portfolio must meet certain requirements under the Internal Revenue Code for favorable tax treatment as a regulated investment company, including asset diversification and income requirements. The Portfolio intends to treat the income it derives from commodity-linked notes and the Subsidiary as qualifying income. If, contrary to a number of private letter rulings issued by the IRS to third-parties, the IRS were to determine such income is nonqualifying, the Portfolio might fail to satisfy the income requirement. Additionally, the Portfolio intends to limit its investment in the Subsidiary to no more than 25% of the value of the Portfolio's total assets in order to satisfy the asset diversification requirement. By investing in the Subsidiary and commodity-linked notes to gain exposure to commodities, the Portfolio may realize more ordinary income than if the Portfolio were to invest directly in the reference commodities.

OTHER. Portfolio distributions and gains from the sale or exchange of your Portfolio shares also may be subject to state and local taxes. If more than 50% of the Portfolio's assets are invested in foreign securities at the end of any fiscal year, the Portfolio may elect to permit shareholders to generally take a credit or deduction on their federal income tax return for foreign taxes paid by the Portfolio. In such a case shareholders would also need to include such foreign taxes in income.

Non-U.S. investors may be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% or lower treaty rate and U.S. estate tax and are subject to special U.S. tax certification requirements to avoid backup withholding and claim any treaty benefits. Exemptions from U.S. withholding tax are provided for capital gain dividends paid by the Portfolio from long-term capital gains, if any, and, with respect to taxable years of the Portfolio that begin before January 1, 2012 (or a later date if extended by the U.S. Congress), interest-related dividends paid by the Portfolio from its qualified net interest income from U.S. sources and short-term capital gain dividends. However, notwithstanding such exemptions from U.S. withholding at the source, any such dividends and distributions of income and capital gains will be subject to backup withholding if you fail to properly certify that you are not a U.S. person.

This discussion of "Tax Consequences" is not intended or written to be used as tax advice. Because everyone's tax situation is unique, you should consult your tax professional about federal, state, local or foreign tax consequences before making an investment in the Portfolio.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The Manager, SCM and/or the Distributor may pay additional compensation (out of their own resources and not as an expense of the Portfolio) to selected affiliated or unaffiliated brokers or other service providers in connection with the sale, distribution, retention and/or servicing of the Portfolio's shares. Such compensation may be significant in amount and the prospect of receiving any such additional compensation may provide affiliated or unaffiliated entities with incentive to favor sales of the shares of the Portfolio over other investment options. Any such payments will not change the NAV of the price of the Portfolio's shares.

In addition, the Portfolio or the Distributor also may make payments to financial intermediaries for certain administrative services, including recordkeeping, sub-accounting and sub-transfer agency of shareholder accounts pursuant to an administrative services agreement with the Portfolio and/or its agents. The fees payable by the Portfolio under this category of services are subject to certain limitations approved by the Board of Trustees of the Trust and, to the extent paid, will increase expenses of the Portfolio. These expenses are not separately identified in the fee table under the section titled "Portfolio Summary - Fees and Expenses of the Portfolio" in this Prospectus, but are included within "Other Expenses" in the fee table.

# **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Portfolio's financial performance of Class A and Class I shares for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2012 and for the period February 1, 2011 (inception of the Class A and Class I shares) through the fiscal year ended August 31, 2011, and of Class C shares for the period January 5, 2012 through the fiscal year ended August 31, 2012 (inception of Class C), which has been audited by Tait, Weller & Baker LLP, whose report, along with the Portfolio's financial statements are included in the Portfolio's August 31, 2012 annual report, which is available upon request. The total returns in the table represent the rate an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the Portfolio (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS	For a share outstanding th	roughout each period)

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Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period Income (Loss) from Investment Operations:

Net investment income (loss) (2) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) Total from investment operations

#### **Dividends and Distributions:**

Dividends from net investment income Distributions from realized gains Total dividends and distributions

Net Asset Value, End of Period

Total Return\*
Ratios and Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000s)
Ratio of net operating expenses to
average net assets (4)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to

#### average net assets Portfolio Turnover Rate

- (1) Commencement of offering.
- (2) Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.
- (3) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (4) Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Armored Wolf, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to average daily net Return Portfolio: 2.68% for the year ended August 31, 2012; 3.90% for the period ended August 31, 2011.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized) to reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (For a share outstanding throughout each period)

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#### Net Asset Value, End of Period

# Total Return\* Ratios and Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000s)
Ratio of net operating expenses to
average net assets (4)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to
average net assets
Portfolio Turnover Rate

- (1) Commencement of offering.
- (2) Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.
- (3) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (4) Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Armored Wolf, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to average daily net Return Portfolio: 3.49% for the period ended August 31, 2012.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized) to reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

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average net assets
Portfolio Turnover Rate

- (1) Commencement of offering.
- (2) Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.
- (3) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (4) Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Armored Wolf, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to average daily net Return Portfolio: 2.43% for the year ended August 31, 2012 and 3.62% for the period ended August 31, 2011.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized) to reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

# **Privacy Policy Notice for The Saratoga Advantage Trust**

Rev. July 201

FACTS	WHAT DOES THE SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?
Why?	Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.
What?	The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:  • Social Security number and wire transfer instructions • account transactions and transaction history • investment experience and purchase history  When you are <i>no longer</i> our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.
How?	All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons The Saratoga Advantage Trust ("the Trust") choose to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does The Funds share?	Can you limit this sharing?
For our everyday business purposes - such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
For our marketing purposes - to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
For joint marketing with other financial companies	No	We don' t share
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes - information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes - information about your creditworthiness	No	We don' t share
For our affiliates to market to you	No	We don' t share
For nonaffiliates to market to you	No	We don't share
Questions? Call 1-800-807-FUND		

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Who we are	
Who is providing this notice?	The Saratoga Advantage Trust
What we do	
How does The Trust protect my personal information?	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. We restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information to provide products or services to you.
How does The Trust collect my personal information?	We collect your personal information, for example, when you     open an account or deposit money     direct us to buy securities or direct us to sell your securities     seek information about your investments We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.
Why can' t I limit all sharing?	Federal law gives you the right to limit only

	<ul> <li>sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes-information about your creditworthiness</li> <li>affiliates from using your information to market to you</li> <li>sharing for non-affiliates to market to you</li> <li>State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.</li> </ul>
Definitions	
Affiliates	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.  Our affiliates include financial companies such as Saratoga Capital Management.
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.
	The Trust does not share your personal information with nonaffiliates so they can market you.
Joint marketing	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.
	The Trust does not jointly market.

# JAMES ALPHA GLOBAL ENHANCED REAL RETURN PORTFOLIO

CLASS I SHARES (Ticker: GRRIX) CLASS A SHARES (Ticker: GRRAX) CLASS C SHARES (Ticker: GRRCX)

#### **PROSPECTUS**

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Additional information about the Portfolio's investments will be available in the Trust's Annual and Semi-Annual Reports to Shareholders. In the Trust's Annual Report, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Portfolio's performance during its last fiscal year. The Trust's Statement of Additional Information also provides additional information about the Portfolio. The Statement of Additional Information is incorporated herein by reference (legally is part of this Prospectus). For a free copy of the Annual Report, the Semi-Annual Report or the Statement of Additional Information, to request other information about the Trust, or to make shareholder inquiries, please call: 1-(800) 807- FUND.

You also may obtain information about the Trust, including the Annual and Semi-Annual Reports and the Statement of Additional Information, by calling your financial advisor or by visiting our Internet site at: www.saratogacap.com

Information about the Trust, including the Annual and Semi-Annual Reports and the Statement of Additional Information, can be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information about the Reference Room's operations may be obtained by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090. Reports and other information about the Trust are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at http://www.sec.gov and copies of this information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov, or by writing the Public Reference Section of the SEC, Washington, DC 20549-1520.

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# PROSPECTUS DATED DECEMBER 31, 2012 THE SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST JAMES ALPHA GLOBAL REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS PORTFOLIO

CLASS I SHARES (Ticker: JARIX) CLASS A SHARES (Ticker: JAREX) CLASS C SHARES (Ticker: JACRX)

The SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST (the "Trust") is a mutual fund company. *The James Alpha Global Real Estate Investments Portfolio (the "Portfolio") is managed by Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC (the "Manager")*. Shares of the Portfolio are available to investors and advisory services.

The Securities And Exchange Commission Has Not Approved Or Disapproved These Securities Or Passed Upon The Adequacy Of This Prospectus. Any Representation To The Contrary Is A Criminal Offense.

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# **PORTFOLIO SUMMARY**

**Investment Objective:** The investment objective of the James Alpha Global Real Estate Investments Portfolio (the "Portfolio") is total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

**Fees and Expenses of the Portfolio.** This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Portfolio.

	Class A	Class I	Class C
SHAREHOLDER FEES			
Maximum Sales Charge on Purchases of Shares (as a % of offering price)	5.75%	NONE	NONE
Sales Charge on Reinvested Dividends (as a % of offering price)	NONE	NONE	NONE
Maximum Contingent Deferred Sales Charge (as a % of offering price) Redemption Fee on Shares Held 30 days or Less (as a % of amount	NONE	NONE	1.00% (1)
redeemed)	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
ANNUAL PORTFOLIO OPERATING EXPENSES (expenses that you			
pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)			
Management Fees	1.20%	1.20%	1.20%
Distribution and/or Service Rule 12b-1 Fees	0.25%	NONE	1.00%
Other Expenses <sup>(2)</sup>	1.26%	1.30%	1.07%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses <sup>(2)</sup>	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (before Expense Reduction/	2.72%	2.51%	3.28%
Reimbursement) (2)			
Expense Reduction/ Reimbursement	-	-	(0.33)%
Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (After Expense Reduction/	2.72%	2.51%	2.95%
Reimbursement) (3)			

<sup>(1)</sup> Only applicable to redemptions made within one year after purchase (see "Contingent Deferred Sales Charge").

Example. This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Portfolio with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Portfolio for the time periods indicated. This example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year, and the Portfolio's operating expenses remain the same and reflect the contractual expense waiver in place for the first year. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs, if you held or sold your shares, at the end of each period would be:

# IF YOU SOLD YOUR SHARES

	<u>One Year</u>	Three Years	Five Years	<b>Ten Years</b>
Class A	\$834	\$1,371	\$1,947	\$3,660
Class I	\$184	\$569	\$980	\$2,127
Class C	\$398	\$913	\$1,552	\$3,271

<sup>(2)</sup> Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies. The Operating Expenses in the above fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Portfolio's financial statements (or the financial highlights in this Prospectus) because the financial statements include only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Portfolio, not the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies ("Acquired Funds").

<sup>(3)</sup> The Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses will not exceed 2.75%, 1.80% and 2.98% of the Portfolio's average net assets for Class A, Class I and Class C shares, respectively; effective December 31, 2012, the expense cap for Class I shares decreased from 2.50% to 1.80%. Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Manager and the Portfolio, the Manager has agreed to limit its fees and/or absorb expenses of the Portfolio (excluding front end and contingent deferred sales loads, interest and tax expenses, dividends and interest on short positions, brokerage commissions, expenses incurred in connection with any merger, reorganization or liquidation, extraordinary or non-routine expenses and Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses). The expense limitation agreement for Class A and Class I shares will be in effect through December 31, 2014 and through December 31, 2013 for Class C shares. This operating expense limitation agreement can be terminated during its term only by, or with the consent of, the Trust's Board of Trustees. The Manager is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Portfolio, subject to limitations, for fees it waived and Portfolio expenses it paid within three (3) years of the end of the fiscal year in which such fees were waived or expenses paid, as long as the reimbursement does not cause the Portfolio's operating expenses to exceed the current expense cap.

#### IF YOU HELD YOUR SHARES

	One Year	<b>Three Years</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Ten Years</b>
Class A	\$834	\$1,371	\$1,947	\$3,660
Class I	\$184	\$569	\$980	\$2,127
Class C	\$298	\$913	\$1,552	\$3,271

**Portfolio Turnover.** The Portfolio pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Portfolio shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses or in the example, affect the Portfolio's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Portfolio's portfolio turnover rate was 519% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategies. The Portfolio's strategy is to invest exclusively (other than cash and cash equivalents) in publicly-traded real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), including REIT preferred stock, and other publicly-traded real estate securities that are included in the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index (the "Index"). The Index may include securities of any issuer that derived in the previous full fiscal year at least 75% of its total earnings before interest, depreciation and amortization ("EBIDA") from the ownership, trading and development of income-producing real estate. REITs are typically small or medium capitalization stocks which fall within the range of \$250 million to \$10 billion in equity market capitalization. Under normal circumstances, the Portfolio invests at least 40% of its net assets in the securities of issuers located in at least three foreign countries. The Portfolio will limit its investments in issuers located in any single foreign country to no more than 25% of its net assets. The Portfolio also seeks to enhance current income by writing (selling) covered call options with a notional value of up to 30% of the Portfolio's s net assets. "Notional value" is the value of an option contract's underlying shares at the current market price. The Manager uses both a quantitative screening process and a qualitative stock selection process when selecting Index securities for investment by the Portfolio in connection with its strategy.

Quantitative Screening Process: The Manager and Green Street Advisors of Newport Beach, California, an independent research and consulting firm concentrating on publicly-traded real estate securities, have designed a proprietary quantitative screening model, the Global Real Estate Investment Model (the "Model"), which the Manager uses to identify the securities in which the Portfolio may invest. The Model identifies approximately 80 qualifying securities exclusively from among those contained in the Index for evaluation by the Manager ("Qualifying Securities"). Qualifying Securities may include those issued by companies in a variety of sectors within the real estate industry, including, among others, the retail, office, industrial, hotel, healthcare multi-family and self-storage sectors.

Qualitative Stock Selection Process: All Qualifying Securities are evaluated by the Manager in determining appropriate investments for the Portfolio. The Manager selects the top 40 to 50 securities from among the approximately 80 Qualifying Securities based on its assessment of certain factors including, but not limited to, management quality, balance sheet strength, debt structure and maturities, lease term and renewal schedule, tenant credit quality, regional macroeconomic conditions and trends and projected demand drivers and supply constraints for space. The Manager may sell a security held in the portfolio when it no longer qualifies under the parameters established by the Model.

**Principal Investment Risks.** There is no assurance that the Portfolio will achieve its investment objective. The Portfolio share price will fluctuate with changes in the market value of its portfolio securities. When you sell

your Portfolio shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them and, accordingly, you can lose money investing in this Portfolio.

Common Stock Risk. In general, stock values fluctuate in response to activities specific to the company as well as general market, economic and political conditions. Stock prices can fluctuate widely in response to these factors. Common stockholders are subordinate to debt or preferred stockholders in a company's capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income and liquidation payments and, therefore, will be subject to greater credit risk than preferred stock or debt instruments.

Foreign Securities Risk. The Portfolio's investments in foreign securities (including depositary receipts) involve risks in addition to the risks associated with domestic securities. One additional risk is currency risk. While the price of Portfolio shares is quoted in U.S. dollars, the Portfolio generally converts U.S. dollars to a foreign market's local currency to purchase a security in that market. If the value of that local currency falls relative to the U.S. dollar, the U.S. dollar value of the foreign security will decrease. This is true even if the foreign security's local price remains unchanged. Foreign securities also have risks related to economic and political developments abroad. including expropriations, confiscatory taxation, exchange control regulation, limitations on the use or transfer of Portfolio assets and any effects of foreign social, economic or political instability. In particular, adverse political or economic developments in a geographic region or a particular country in which the Portfolio invests could cause a substantial decline in the value of its portfolio securities. Foreign companies, in general, are not subject to the regulatory requirements of U.S. companies and, as such, there may be less publicly available information about these companies. Moreover, foreign accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards generally are different from those applicable to U.S. companies. Finally, in the event of a default of any foreign debt obligations, it may be more difficult for the Portfolio to obtain or enforce a judgment against the issuers of the securities. Securities of foreign issuers may be less liquid than comparable securities of U.S. issuers and, as such, their price changes may be more volatile. Furthermore, foreign exchanges and broker-dealers are generally subject to less government and exchange scrutiny and regulation than their U.S. counterparts. In addition, differences in clearance and settlement procedures in foreign markets may cause delays in settlements of the Portfolio's trades effected in those markets.

Depositary receipts involve substantially identical risks associated with direct investments in foreign securities. Issuers of the foreign security represented by a depositary receipt, particularly unsponsored or unregistered depositary receipts, may not be obligated to disclose material information in the United States or to pass through to holders of such receipts any voting rights with respect to the deposited securities.

Compared to the United States and other developed countries, developing or emerging countries may have relatively unstable governments, economies based on only a few industries and securities markets that trade a small number of securities. Prices of these securities tend to be especially volatile and, in the past, securities in these countries have been characterized by greater potential loss (as well as gain) than securities of companies located in developed countries.

Investment and Market Risk. An investment in the Portfolio's common shares is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. An investment in the Portfolio's common shares represents an indirect investment in the securities owned by the Portfolio, which are generally traded on a securities exchange or in the over-the-counter markets. The value of these securities, like other market investments, may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The Portfolio's common shares at any point in time may be worth less than the original investment, even after taking into account any reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

*Issuer Risk.* The price of an individual security or particular type of security can be more volatile than the market as a whole and can fluctuate differently than the market as a whole. An individual issuer's securities can rise or fall dramatically with little or no warning based upon such things as a better (or worse) than expected earnings report,

news about the development of a promising product, or the loss of key management personnel. There is also a risk that the price of a security may never reach the level that the Manager believes is representative of its full value or that it may even go down in price.

Limited Operating History of the Manager. The Manager has a limited operating history and limited experience managing an open-end mutual fund. The Manager's experience managing an investment company includes managing the Portfolio in its prior form as a stand-alone, open-end investment company for a brief period and, prior to that a closed-end investment company. The portfolio managers' experience managing open-end mutual funds is described in the section of the prospectus titled "Management of the Portfolio - Portfolio Managers."

Management Risk. The Manager's securities selections and other investment decisions might produce losses or cause the Portfolio to underperform when compared to other funds with similar investment goals. The Portfolio's successful pursuit of its investment objective depends upon the Model and the Manager's ability to manage the Portfolio in accordance with the Model. The Model's parameters and weightings might produce losses or cause the Portfolio to underperform when compared to other funds with similar investment goals. If one or more key individuals leave the employ of the Manager, the Manager may not be able to hire qualified replacements, or may require an extended time to do so. This could prevent the Portfolio from achieving its investment objective.

Options Related Risk. There are numerous risks associated with transactions in options on securities. A decision as to whether, when and how to use covered call options involves the exercise of skill and judgment, and even a well-conceived transaction may be unsuccessful to some degree because of market behavior or unexpected events. As the writer of a covered call option, the Portfolio forgoes, during the life of the covered call option, the opportunity to profit from increases in the market value of the security covering the call option above the sum of the option premium received and the exercise price of the covered call option, but has retained the risk of loss, minus the option premium received, should the price of the underlying security decline. The use of options may require the Portfolio to sell portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market values, will limit the amount of appreciation the Portfolio can realize above the exercise price of an option, or may cause the Portfolio to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. Certain options may be traded in the "over-the-counter" ("OTC") market, which are options negotiated with dealers; there is no secondary market for OTC options.

*Portfolio Turnover Risk*. Higher portfolio turnover rates could result in corresponding increases in brokerage commissions and may generate short-term capital gains taxable as ordinary income.

Real Estate Securities Risks. The Portfolio does not invest in real estate directly, but because the Portfolio concentrates its investments in REITs and publicly traded real estate securities in the Index, its portfolio will be significantly impacted by the performance of the real estate market and may experience more volatility and be exposed to greater risk than a more diversified portfolio. The value of the Portfolio's common shares will be affected by factors affecting the value of real estate and the earnings of companies engaged in the real estate industry, including: (i) changes in general economic and market conditions; (ii) changes in the value of real estate properties; (iii) risks related to local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition; (iv) increases in property taxes and operating expenses; (v) changes in zoning laws; (vi) casualty and condemnation losses; (vii) variations in rental income, neighborhood values or the appeal of property to tenants; (viii) the availability of financing and (ix) changes in interest rates and quality of credit extended. REITs and foreign real estate companies require specialized management and pay management expenses; may have less trading volume; may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than the overall securities markets; may not qualify for preferential tax treatments or exemptions; and may invest in a limited number of properties, in a narrow geographic area, or in a single property type, which increases the risk that the Portfolio could be unfavorably affected by the poor performance of a single investment or investment type. Furthermore, investments in REITs and foreign real estate companies may involve duplication of management fees and certain other expenses, as the Portfolio indirectly bears its proportionate share of any expenses paid by REITs and foreign real estate companies in which it invests.

Such expenses are not reflected in Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses under the Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses section of the above fee table.

There are special risks associated with investing in REIT preferred stock. Preferred stock may include provisions that permit the issuer, in its discretion, to defer or omit distributions for a certain period of time. If the Portfolio owns a security that is deferring or omitting its distributions, the Portfolio may be required to report the distribution on its tax returns, even though it may not have received this income. Further, preferred stock may lose substantial value due to the omission or deferment of dividend payments. Preferred stock may be less liquid than many other securities, such as common stocks, and generally offer no voting rights with respect to the issuer. Preferred stock may also be subordinated to other securities in an issuer's capital structure, subjecting them to a greater risk of non-payment than more senior securities. In addition, in certain circumstances, an issuer of preferred stock may redeem the stock prior to a specified date, and this may negatively impact the return of the security.

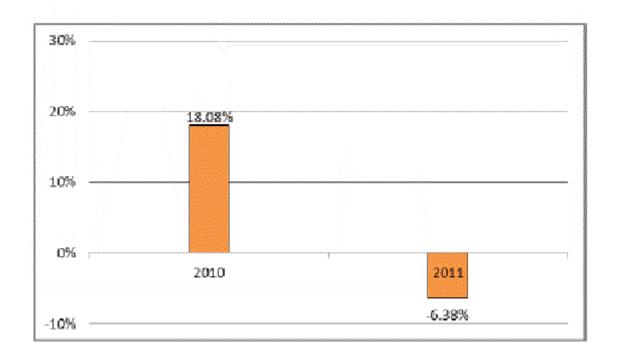
Certain sectors of the real estate industry, such as the retail, office, industrial, hotel, healthcare multi-family and self-storage, carry special risks. These sectors may be affected by adverse economic and regulatory events or increased competition to a greater degree than other sectors of the real estate industry.

Medium and Small Capitalization Company Risk. Many of the real estate securities in which the Portfolio invests are medium and small capitalization companies. Investing in medium and small capitalization companies may involve more risk than is usually associated with investing in larger, more established companies. There is typically less publicly available information concerning small and medium capitalization companies than for larger, more established companies. Some small and medium capitalization companies have limited product lines, distribution channels and financial and managerial resources and tend to concentrate on fewer geographical markets than do larger companies. Also, because small and medium capitalization companies normally have fewer shares outstanding than larger companies and trade less frequently, it may be more difficult for the Portfolio to buy and sell significant amounts of shares without an unfavorable impact on prevailing market prices.

Shares of the Portfolio are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

**Performance.** The bar chart and table that follow provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Portfolio by showing changes in the performance of the Class A shares of the Predecessor Fund from year-to-year and by showing how the average annual returns for 1 year and since inception of the Predecessor Fund compare with those of the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index. The Predecessor Fund did not offer Class I shares and, therefore, Class I share performance is not shown. The returns in the bar chart do not reflect the deduction of sales charges. If these amounts were reflected, returns would be less than shown. The past performance of the Predecessor Fund (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Portfolio will perform in the future. The returns in the table assume you sold your shares at the end of each period and include the effect of Class A shares maximum applicable front-end sales charge. You may obtain the Portfolio's updated performance information by calling toll free 1-800-807-FUND or by visiting <a href="https://www.saratogacap.com">www.saratogacap.com</a>.

ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS - CALENDAR YEARS



Class A Shares Year-to-Date (as of September 30, 2012): 26.49%

Best Quarter: Q3 2010 16.54%

Worst Quarter: Q3 2011 -20.18%

# AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (FOR THE PERIODS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011)

	1 Year	Life of Portfolio (since inception of Predecessor Fund on October 26, 2009)
1		
Return Before Taxes <sup>1</sup>	-11.75%	5.46%
Return After Taxes on	-13.16%	3.11%
Distributions <sup>1</sup>		
Return After Taxes on	-7.47%	4.07%
Distributions and Sale of		
Portfolio Shares <sup>1</sup>		
FTSE EPRA/NAREIT	-6.46%	6.36%
Developed Real Estate Index		
(reflects no deduction for fees,		
expenses or taxes)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The returns shown reflect the deduction of the maximum sales charge of the Predecessor Fund of 7.25%.

The table above shows after-tax returns. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates during the period shown and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold their Portfolio shares through tax deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. After-tax returns may be higher than before-tax returns due to an

assumed benefit from capital losses that would have been realized had Portfolio shares been sold at the end of the relevant periods.

Manager. Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, serves as the Manager of the Portfolio.

**Portfolio Managers.** The following individuals serve as the Portfolio's portfolio managers:

Portfolio Manager	Primary Title
Andrew J. Duffy, CFA	President of the Manager; Portfolio Manager since August 2011
Amanda E. Black, CFA	Associate Portfolio Manager since August 2011

**Purchase and Sale of Portfolio Shares.** Generally, for Class A shares of the Portfolio, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$2,500 for Class A and Class C shares. The investment minimum for Class I shares of the Portfolio is \$2 million, subject to certain exceptions. You may purchase and redeem shares of the Portfolio on any day that the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open. Redemption requests may be made in writing, by telephone, or through a financial intermediary and will be paid by check or wire transfer.

**Tax Information.** Distributions you receive from the Portfolio, whether you reinvest your distributions in additional Portfolio shares or receive them in cash, are taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gains, or some combination of both, unless you are investing through a tax-free plan. The Portfolio's investment techniques may cause more of the Portfolio's income dividends and capital gains distributions to be taxable at ordinary income tax rates than it would if it did not engage in such techniques.

**Financial Intermediary Compensation.** If you purchase the Portfolio through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Manager and/or the Portfolio's distributor may pay the intermediary for the sale of Portfolio shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Portfolio over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND RELATED RISKS

# **Investment Objective and Policies**

The investment objective of the Portfolio is total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

The Portfolio pursues its investment objective by investing indirectly in a diversified portfolio of high quality, income-producing real estate properties through its investments in REITs and other real estate securities included in the Index. Approximately 75% of the constituents of the Index are REITs; therefore, the Portfolio intends to invest its assets in generally the same proportion (although it may vary over time). In addition, the Portfolio seeks to enhance current income by writing (selling) covered call options.

The Portfolio invests 100% of its net assets (other than cash and cash-equivalents) in REITs, including REIT preferred stock, and other publicly-traded real estate securities included in the Index. This policy is fundamental and may not be changed without shareholder approval. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. "Real estate securities" include the securities of any issuer that derived in the previous full fiscal year at least 75% of its total EBIDA from the ownership, management and development of income producing real estate.

Under normal circumstances, the Portfolio invests at least 40% of its net assets in the securities of issuers located in at least three foreign countries. This policy is fundamental and may not be changed without shareholder approval. The Portfolio may invest without limitation in foreign real estate companies and other real estate securities, including direct investments in securities of foreign issuers and investments in depositary receipts (such as American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts) that represent indirect interests in securities of foreign issuers of real estate securities that are corporations engaged in the business of owning, managing and developing commercial and residential real estate properties; provided, however, that the Portfolio limit its investments in issuers located in any single foreign country to no more than 25% of its net assets. All of the securities of the foreign issuers of real estate securities in which the Portfolio invests are listed on major foreign stock exchanges.

# **Investment Strategies**

Under normal market conditions, the Portfolio's strategy is to invest its net assets in publicly-traded REITs and other publicly-traded real estate securities that are included in the Index. The Manager uses both a quantitative screening process and a qualitative stock selection process when selecting Index securities for investment. The Index is designed to track the performance of publicly-traded real estate companies worldwide and REITs.

The Index is categorized into three regions: North America, Europe and Asia. The North America series includes the United States and Canada. The Europe series includes the United Kingdom, Sweden, Switzerland, Portugal, Spain, Poland, Norway, the Netherlands, Italy, Ireland, Hungary, Greece, Germany, France, Finland, Denmark, the Czech Republic, Belgium and Austria. The Asian series includes South Korea, Singapore, New Zealand, Japan, Hong Kong and Australia.

The companies included in the Index, "constituents," are free-float adjusted, and screened for liquidity, size and EBITDA, which the Manager believes makes the Index suitable for use as the basis for determining potential investments for the Portfolio. Managers of the Index review constituent companies on a quarterly basis in March, June, September and December.

"Free-float adjusted" refers to an index construction methodology that takes into consideration only the free-float market capitalization of a company for the purpose of Index calculation and assigning weight to stocks in the Index. Free-float market capitalization takes into consideration only those shares issued by the company that are readily available for trading in the market. It generally excludes insiders' holdings, government holdings, strategic holdings, employee stock ownership plans and other locked-in shares that will not come to the market for trading in the normal course. The Index's free-float restrictions are in place to ensure an adequate number of freely tradable shares.

The Portfolio limits its investments in issuers located in any single foreign country to no more than 25% of its net assets.

Quantitative Screening Process. The Manager and Green Street Advisors of Newport Beach, California, an independent research and consulting firm concentrating on publicly-traded real estate securities, have designed a proprietary quantitative screening model, the Global Real Estate Investment Model (the "Model"), which the Manager uses to identify the securities in which the Portfolio may invest. The Model identifies qualifying securities exclusively from among those contained in the Index for further evaluation by the Manager ("Qualifying Securities"). The Model considers several criteria when selecting such securities including, but not limited to, free-float market capitalization, insider ownership, total return, leverage, price to earnings ratio, dividend yield, dividend growth, historical earnings growth and projected earnings growth. The Model's process results in a selection of approximately 80 Qualifying Securities from the Index, weighted to match the geographic and

property type weightings of the Index. The Manager may alter the weightings of the parameters used by the Model based on the Manager's perceptions of the global market and economy.

Qualitative Stock Selection Process. All Qualifying Securities are evaluated by the Manager in determining appropriate investments for the Portfolio. The Manager selects the top 40 to 50 securities from among the 80 Qualifying Securities based on its assessment of factors including, but not limited to, management quality, balance sheet strength, debt structure and maturities, lease term and renewal schedule, tenant credit quality, regional macroeconomic conditions and trends and projected demand drivers and supply constraints for space. The Manger may sell a security held in the portfolio when it no longer qualifies under the parameters established by the Model. In addition, from time to time, as securities qualify under the Model's parameters, such securities may be added to the portfolio. The Portfolio's portfolio holdings are continuously monitored and evaluated by the Manager, based upon its assessment of current market conditions, changes in company-specific prospects, stock price valuations, and other circumstances that the Manager deems relevant. The active management of the portfolio also includes at least semi-annual updates of the data used to identify the Qualifying Securities by Green Street Advisors. Green Street is compensated for providing this data by the Manager and not the Portfolio.

Covered Call Option Writing. Under normal market conditions, to enhance income, the Portfolio may write (sell) covered call options, which are limited to a notional value of up to 30% of the Portfolio's net assets. "Notional value" is the value of an option contract's underlying shares at the current market price. This is the number of shares underlying the contract, multiplied by the current market price of the shares. The Portfolio will write primarily over-the-counter options. The Portfolio only writes call options on individual securities ("underlying securities") held in the portfolio (i.e., covered calls). The Portfolio may not sell "naked" call options (i.e., options representing more securities than are held in the portfolio). By writing covered call options, the Manager seeks to generate gains and offset a portion of a potential market decline in the underlying security. The Portfolio's covered call option writing program seeks to achieve a high level of net option premiums (covered call option premiums received minus transaction costs), while maintaining the potential for some capital appreciation on each underlying security on which call options are written.

As the seller of a covered call option, the Portfolio receives cash (the premium) from the purchaser. The purchaser of the covered call option has the right to any appreciation in the value of the underlying security over a fixed price (the exercise price) on a certain date, or range of dates, in the future (the expiration date). The Portfolio may sell covered call options "near-to-the-money" (i.e., the exercise price generally will be within a close range above or below the current level of the cash value of the underlying security) or "at-the-money" (i.e., the exercise price generally will be equal to the current level of the cash value of the underlying security). In this event, the Portfolio, in effect, sells the potential appreciation in the value of the underlying security in exchange for the premium. If, at expiration, the purchaser exercises a covered call option sold by the Portfolio, the Portfolio pays the purchaser the difference between the cash value of the security and the exercise price of the option. The premium, the exercise price and the market value of the underlying security determine the gain or loss realized by the Portfolio as the seller of the call option. Under current market conditions, the notional value of the call options written by the Portfolio is expected to range from 10% to 30% of the value of the Portfolio's net assets. The percentage of each underlying security to be used in writing covered call options will be determined based on the Manager's opinion of the outlook for the underlying security, market opportunities and option price volatilities.

The principal factors affecting the market value of an option include supply and demand, interest rates, the current market price of the underlying security in relation to the exercise price of the option, the actual or perceived volatility of the underlying security and the time remaining until the expiration date. The premium received for an option written by the Portfolio is recorded as an asset and equivalent liability. The Portfolio then adjusts over time the asset or liability to the market value of the option. Options that are traded over-the-counter are valued using one of three methods: dealer quotes, industry models with objective inputs, or by using a benchmark arrived at

by comparing prior day dealer quotes with the corresponding change in the underlying security. Exchange-traded options will be valued using the last reported sale. If no last sale is reported, exchange traded options will be valued using an industry accepted model such as "Black Scholes." The transaction costs of buying and selling options consist primarily of commissions (which are imposed in opening, closing, exercise and assignment transactions), but may also include margin and interest costs in particular transactions. The impact of transaction costs on the profitability of a transaction may often be greater for options transactions than for transactions in the underlying securities because these costs are often greater in relation to options premiums than in relation to the prices of underlying securities. Transaction costs may be different for transactions effected in foreign markets than for transactions effected in U.S. markets. Transaction costs associated with the Portfolio's options strategy will vary depending on market circumstances and other factors.

If the value of the underlying security increases significantly, the Portfolio may look to buy back the covered call options written or close out the covered call option for cash settlement and then re-establish a new covered call option position in the security by writing new covered call options at higher exercise prices. If an underlying security's price declines, the Portfolio may let the covered call options expire or buy back the covered call options written and sell new covered call options at lower exercise prices on that security. The Portfolio may seek to execute option rolls (as described above) such that the premium received from writing new covered call options exceeds the amounts paid to close the positions being replaced. In this event, if the price of a security against which a covered call option has been written has risen, the covered call option roll would be written on a larger portion of the Portfolio's holding in that security. The Portfolio may also write covered call options with different characteristics and managed differently than described in this paragraph.

# **Other Information Regarding Investment Strategy**

The Portfolio may, from time to time, take defensive positions that are inconsistent with the Portfolio's principal investment strategy in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. During such times, the Manager may determine that the Portfolio should invest up to 100% of its assets in cash or cash equivalents, including money market instruments, prime commercial paper, repurchase agreements, Treasury bills and other short-term obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies or instrumentalities. In these and in other cases, the Portfolio may not achieve its investment objective.

The Manager may invest the Portfolio's cash balances in any investments it deems appropriate and as permitted under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), including but not limited to, money market funds, repurchase agreements, U.S. Treasury and U.S. agency securities, municipal bonds and bank accounts. Any income earned from such investments is ordinarily reinvested by the Portfolio in accordance with its investment program. Many of the considerations entering into recommendations and decisions of the Manager and the Portfolio's portfolio manager are subjective.

The Portfolio has no current intent to sell securities short. The Portfolio does not intend to use leverage through borrowing for investment purposes. However, the Board may borrow money for emergency or extraordinary purposes, as permitted under the 1940 Act.

The frequency and amount of portfolio purchases and sales (known as the "portfolio turnover rate") will vary from year to year. Although the portfolio turnover rate is generally not expected to exceed 300%, it may vary greatly from year to year and will not be a limiting factor when the Manager deems portfolio changes appropriate.

The Portfolio may engage in short-term trading strategies, and securities may be sold without regard to the length of time held when, in the opinion of the Manager, investment considerations warrant such action. These policies may have the effect of increasing the annual rate of portfolio turnover of the Portfolio. The Portfolio's high rate of turnover will result in higher brokerage commissions and will cause a portion, and potentially a high

proportion, of the Portfolio's distributions to be characterized as short-term capital gains taxable as ordinary income. If securities are not held for the applicable holding periods, dividends paid on them will not qualify for the advantageous federal tax rates. Additionally, in the case of the Portfolio, most of its dividends will be from REITs and the dividends from REITs do not generally "qualify" for the reduced tax rate on regular corporate dividends that are paid in tax years beginning before January 1, 2013 (if not extended further by Congress). See "Tax Consequences."

There is no assurance what portion, if any, of the Portfolio's investments will qualify for the reduced federal income tax rates applicable to qualified dividends under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). As a result, there can be no assurance as to what portion of the Portfolio's distributions will be designated as qualified dividend income. See "Tax Consequences."

#### **Portfolio Investments**

The Portfolio may invest in the following types of securities, subject to certain limitations as set forth below.

Real Estate Investment Trusts. The Portfolio invests in REITs and their foreign equivalents. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. Distributions received by the Portfolio from REITs may consist of dividends, capital gains and/or return of capital. As REITs generally pay a higher rate of dividends than most other operating companies, the percentage of the Portfolio's dividend income received from REIT shares will likely exceed the percentage of the Portfolio's portfolio that is comprised of REIT shares. Dividends paid by REITs generally do not qualify for the reduced federal income tax rates applicable to qualified dividends under the Code. See "Tax Consequences."

Common Stocks. Common stocks represent an ownership interest in an issuer. While offering greater potential for long-term growth, common stocks are more volatile and more risky than some other forms of investment. Common stock prices fluctuate for many reasons, including adverse events, such as an unfavorable earnings report, changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer or the general condition of the relevant stock market, or when political or economic events affecting an issuer occur. In addition, common stock prices may be sensitive to rising interest rates as the cost of capital rises and borrowing costs increase.

Foreign Securities. Foreign securities in which the Portfolio may invest include direct investments in equity securities of foreign issuers that are traded on a foreign securities exchange or over the counter and investments in depository receipts (such as American Depositary Receipts, "ADRs") that represent indirect interests in securities of foreign issuers that are traded on a U.S. securities exchange or over the counter. The Portfolio is not limited in the amount of assets it may invest in such foreign securities; however, the Portfolio limits its investments in any single foreign country to no more than 25%. As an alternative to holding foreign traded securities, the Portfolio may invest in dollar-denominated securities of foreign companies that trade on U.S. exchanges or in the U.S. over-the-counter market (including depositary receipts, which evidence ownership in underlying foreign securities, and exchange traded funds).

#### **General Investment Policies of the Portfolio**

Temporary or Cash Investments. Under normal market conditions, the Portfolio will stay fully invested according to its principal investment strategies as noted above. The Portfolio, however, may temporarily depart from its principal investment strategies by making short-term investments in cash, cash equivalents, and high-quality, short-term debt securities and money market instruments, including affiliated and unaffiliated instruments, for temporary defensive purposes in response to adverse market, economic or political conditions. This may result in the Portfolio not achieving its investment objectives during that period.

For longer periods of time, the Portfolio may hold a substantial cash position. If the market advances during periods when the Portfolio is holding a large cash position, the Portfolio may not participate to the extent it would have if the Portfolio had been more fully invested. To the extent that the Portfolio uses a money market fund for its cash position, there will be some duplication of expenses because the Portfolio would bear its pro rata portion of such money market fund's advisory fees and operational expenses.

# Principal Risks of Investing in the Portfolio

As with any mutual fund, it is possible to lose money by investing in the Portfolio. There is no assurance that the Portfolio will achieve its investment objective. When you sell your Portfolio shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them and, accordingly, you can lose money investing in this Portfolio.

Limited Operating History of the Manager. The Manager has a limited operating history and limited experience managing an open-end mutual fund. The Manager's experience managing an investment company includes managing the Portfolio in its prior form as a stand-alone, open-end investment company for a brief period and, prior to that a closed-end investment company. The portfolio managers' experience managing open-end mutual funds is described in the section of the prospectus titled "Management of the Portfolio - Portfolio Managers."

Investment and Market Risk. An investment in common shares is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. An investment in common shares represents an indirect investment in the securities owned by the Portfolio, which are generally traded on a securities exchange or in the over-the-counter markets. The value of these securities, like other market investments, may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The value of your common shares at any point in time may be worth less than the value of your original investment, even after taking into account any reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

*Issuer Risk*. The value of an issuer's securities that are held in the Portfolio's portfolio may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's goods and services.

Real Estate Securities Risks. The Portfolio does not invest in real estate directly. The Portfolio only invests in REITs and other publicly traded real estate securities in the Index which are defined as securities of any issuer that derived in the previous full fiscal year at least 75% of its total EBIDA from either (i) the ownership, development, construction, financing, management or sale of commercial real estate or (ii) products or services related to the real estate industry, like building supplies or mortgage servicing; therefore, its portfolio will be significantly impacted by the performance of the real estate market and may experience more volatility and be exposed to greater risk than a more diversified portfolio. Although the Portfolio does not invest in real estate directly, the Portfolio may be subject to risks similar to those associated with direct ownership in real property. The value of the Portfolio's common shares are affected by factors affecting the value of real estate and the earnings of companies engaged in the real estate industry. These factors include, among others: (i) changes in general economic and market conditions; (ii) changes in the value of real estate properties; (iii) risks related to local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition; (iv) increases in property taxes and operating expenses; (v) changes in zoning laws; (vi) casualty and condemnation losses; (vii) variations in rental income, neighborhood values or the appeal of property to tenants; (viii) the availability of financing; and (ix) changes in interest rates. Many real estate companies utilize leverage, which increases investment risk and could adversely affect a company's operations and market value in periods of rising interest rates. The value of securities of companies in the real estate industry may go through cycles of relative under-performance and over-performance in comparison to equity securities markets in general.

There are also special risks associated with particular sectors of real estate investments:

- Retail Properties. Retail properties are affected by the overall health of the economy and may be adversely affected by, among other things, the growth of alternative forms of retailing, bankruptcy, departure or cessation of operations of a tenant, a shift in consumer demand due to demographic changes, changes in spending patterns and lease terminations.
- Office and Industrial Properties. Office and industrial properties are affected by the overall health of the economy, and other factors such as a downturn in the businesses operated by their tenants, obsolescence and non competitiveness.

- Hotel Properties. The risks of hotel properties include, among other things, the necessity of a high level of continuing capital expenditures, competition, increases in operating costs which may not be offset by increases in revenues, dependence on business and commercial travelers and tourism, increases in fuel costs and other expenses of travel, and adverse effects of general and local economic conditions. Hotel properties tend to be more sensitive to adverse economic conditions and competition than many other commercial properties.
- Healthcare Properties. Healthcare properties and healthcare providers are affected by several significant factors, including federal, state and local laws governing licenses, certification, adequacy of care, pharmaceutical distribution, rates, equipment, personnel and other factors regarding operations, continued availability of revenue from government reimbursement programs and competition on a local and regional basis. The failure of any healthcare operator to comply with governmental laws and regulations may affect its ability to operate its facility or receive government reimbursements.
- Multifamily Properties. The value and successful operation of a multifamily property may be affected by a number of factors such as the location of the property, the ability of the management team, the level of mortgage rates, the presence of competing properties, adverse economic conditions in the locale, oversupply and rent control laws or other laws affecting such properties.
- Community Centers. Community center properties are dependent upon the successful operations and financial condition of their tenants, particularly certain of their major tenants, and could be adversely affected by bankruptcy of those tenants. In some cases a tenant may lease a significant portion of the space in one center, and the filing of bankruptcy could cause significant revenue loss. Like others in the commercial real estate industry, community centers are subject to environmental risks and interest rate risk. They also face the need to enter into new leases or renew leases on favorable terms to generate rental revenues. Community center properties could be adversely affected by changes in the local markets where their properties are located, as well as by adverse changes in national economic and market conditions.
- Self-Storage Properties. The value and successful operation of a self-storage property may be affected by a number of factors, such as the ability of the management team, the location of the property, the presence of competing properties, changes in traffic patterns and effects of general and local economic conditions with respect to rental rates and occupancy levels.

Other factors may contribute to the risk of real estate investments:

- Development Issues. Certain real estate companies may engage in the development or construction of real estate properties. These companies in which the Portfolio invests ("portfolio companies") are exposed to a variety of risks inherent in real estate development and construction, such as the risk that there will be insufficient tenant demand to occupy newly developed properties, and the risk that prices of construction materials or construction labor may rise materially during the development.
- Lack of Insurance. Certain of the portfolio companies may fail to carry comprehensive liability, fire, flood, earthquake extended coverage and rental loss insurance, or insurance in place may be subject to various policy specifications, limits and deductibles. Should any type of uninsured loss occur, the portfolio company could lose its investment in, and anticipated profits and cash flows from, a number of properties and, as a result, adversely affect the Portfolio's investment performance.
- Financial Leverage. Global real estate companies may be highly leveraged and financial covenants may affect the ability of global real estate companies to operate effectively.
- Environmental Issues. In connection with the ownership (direct or indirect), operation, management and development of real properties that may contain hazardous or toxic substances, a portfolio company may be considered an owner, operator or responsible party of such properties and, therefore, may be potentially liable for removal or remediation costs, as well as certain other costs, including governmental fines and liabilities for injuries to persons and property. The existence of any such material environmental liability could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations and cash flow of any such portfolio company and, as a result, the amount available to make distributions on shares of the Portfolio could be reduced.

REIT Issues. REITs are subject to a highly technical and complex set of provisions in the Code. It is possible that the Portfolio may invest in a real estate company which purports to be a REIT but which fails to qualify as a REIT. In the event of any such unexpected failure to qualify as a REIT, the purported REIT would be subject to corporate level taxation, significantly reducing the return to the Portfolio on its investment in such company. See "REIT Risk" below.

• Financing Issues. Financial institutions in which the Portfolio may invest are subject to extensive government regulation. This regulation may limit both the amount and types of loans and other financial commitments a financial institution can make, and the interest rates and fees it can charge. In addition, interest and investment rates are highly sensitive and are determined by many factors beyond a financial institution's control, including general and local economic conditions (such as inflation, recession, money supply and unemployment) and the monetary and fiscal policies of various governmental agencies such as the Federal Reserve Board. These limitations may have a significant impact on the profitability of a financial institution since profitability is attributable, at least in part, to the institution's ability to make financial commitments such as loans. Profitability of a financial institution is largely dependent upon the availability and cost of the institution's funds, and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change.

REIT Risk. Investments in REITs will subject the Portfolio to various risks. REIT share prices may decline because of adverse developments affecting the real estate industry and real property values. In general, real estate values can be affected by a variety of factors, including supply and demand for properties, the economic health of the country or of different regions, and the strength of specific industries that rent properties. REITs often invest in highly leveraged properties. Returns from REITs, which typically are small or medium capitalization stocks, may trail returns from the overall stock market. In addition, changes in interest rates may hurt real estate values or make REIT shares less attractive than other income-producing investments. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers and self-liquidation.

Qualification as a REIT under the Code in any particular year is a complex analysis that depends on a number of factors. There can be no assurance that the entities in which the Portfolio invests with the expectation that they will be taxed as a REIT will qualify as a REIT. An entity that fails to qualify as a REIT would be subject to a corporate level tax, would not be entitled to a deduction for dividends paid to its shareholders and would not pass through to its shareholders the character of income earned by the entity. If the Portfolio were to invest in an entity that failed to qualify as a REIT, such failure could significantly reduce the Portfolio's yield on that investment.

REITs can be classified as equity REITs, mortgage REITs and hybrid REITs. Equity REITs invest primarily in real property and earn rental income from leasing those properties. They may also realize gains or losses from the sale of properties. Equity REITs will be affected by conditions in the real estate rental market and by changes in the value of the properties they own. Mortgage REITs invest primarily in mortgages and similar real estate interests and receive interest payments from the owners of the mortgaged properties. Mortgage REITs will be affected by changes in creditworthiness of borrowers and changes in interest rates. Hybrid REITs invest both in real property and in mortgages. Equity and mortgage REITs are dependent upon management skills, may not be diversified and are subject to the risks of financing projects.

Dividends paid by REITs do not generally qualify for the reduced U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to qualified dividends under the Code. See "Tax Consequences."

The Portfolio's investments in REITs may include an additional risk to shareholders. Some or all of a REIT's annual distributions to its investors may constitute a non-taxable return of capital. Any such return of capital will generally reduce the Portfolio's basis in the REIT investment, but not below zero. To the extent the distributions from a particular REIT exceed the Portfolio's basis in such REIT, the Portfolio will generally recognize gain. In part because REIT distributions often include a nontaxable return of capital, Portfolio distributions to shareholders may also include a nontaxable return of capital. Shareholders that receive such a distribution will also reduce their tax basis in their common shares of the Portfolio, but not below zero. To the extent the distribution exceeds a shareholder's basis in the Portfolio's common shares, such shareholder will generally recognize a capital gain.

A shareholder, by investing in REITs and foreign real estate companies indirectly through a Portfolio, will bear not only his proportionate share of the expenses of the Portfolio, but also, indirectly, the management expenses of the underlying REITs.

The Portfolio does not have any investment restrictions with respect to investments in REITs.

Current Conditions. The residual effects of instability in the United States, European and other credit markets has continued to make it more difficult for some borrowers to obtain financing or refinancing on attractive terms or at all. In particular, because of the current conditions in the credit markets, some borrowers may be subject to increased interest expenses for borrowed money and tight underwriting standards. There is also a risk that a general lack of liquidity or other adverse events in the credit markets may adversely affect the ability of issuers in whose securities the Portfolio invests to finance real estate developments and projects or refinance completed projects. For example, adverse developments relating to sub-prime mortgages have been adversely affecting the willingness of some lenders to extend credit, in general, which may make it more difficult for companies to obtain financing on attractive terms or at all so that they may commence or complete real estate development projects, refinance completed projects or purchase real estate. It also may adversely affect the price at which companies can sell real estate, because purchasers may not be able to obtain financing on attractive terms or at all. These developments also may adversely affect the broader economy, which in turn may adversely affect the real estate markets. Such developments could reduce the number of real estate companies that are publicly traded during the investment period and reduce the Portfolio's investment opportunities.

Common Stock Risk. The Portfolio invests its net assets in common stocks and writes covered call options on shares owned by the Portfolio. Common stocks represent an ownership interest in a company. Common stocks are more volatile and more risky than some other forms of investment. Therefore, the value of your investment in the Portfolio may sometimes decrease instead of increase. Common stock prices fluctuate for many reasons, including changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer, the general condition of the relevant stock market or when political or economic events affecting the issuer occur. In addition, common stock prices may be sensitive to rising interest rates, as the costs of capital rise for issuers. The common stocks in which the Portfolio invests are structurally subordinated to preferred securities, bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income and assets and, therefore, will be subject to greater risk than the preferred securities or debt instruments of such issuers.

Foreign Securities Risk. The Portfolio may invest an unlimited amount of its net assets in foreign securities; provided, that the Portfolio will limit its investments in the issuers of any single foreign country to 25% of its net assets. The value of foreign securities is affected by changes in currency rates, foreign tax laws (including withholding tax), government policies (in the U.S. or abroad), relations between nations and trading, settlement, custodial and other operational risks. In addition, the costs of investing abroad are generally higher than in the United States, and foreign securities markets may be less liquid, more volatile and less subject to governmental supervision than markets in the United States.

Because foreign companies are not subject to uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, practices and requirements comparable to those applicable to U.S. companies, there may be less publicly available information about a foreign company than about a domestic company. Volume and liquidity in most foreign debt markets is less than in the United States and securities of some foreign companies are less liquid and more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. companies. There is generally less government supervision and regulation of securities exchanges, broker dealers and listed companies than in the United States. Mail service between the United States and foreign countries may be slower or less reliable than within the United States, thus increasing the risk of delayed settlements of portfolio transactions or loss of certificates for portfolio securities. Payment for securities before delivery may be required. In addition, with respect to certain foreign countries, there is the possibility of expropriation or confiscatory taxation, political or social instability, or diplomatic developments which could affect investments in those countries. Moreover, individual foreign economies may differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross national product, rate of inflation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position. Foreign securities markets, while growing in volume and sophistication, are generally not as developed as those in the United States, and securities of some foreign issuers (particularly those located in developing countries) may be less liquid and more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. companies. Dividends paid on foreign securities may not qualify for the reduced U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to qualified dividends under the Code. As a result, there can be no assurance as to what portion of the Portfolio's distributions attributable to foreign securities will be designated as qualified dividend income. See "Tax Consequences."

The Portfolio may purchase ADRs, international depository receipts ("IDRs") and global depository receipts ("GDRs"), which are certificates evidencing ownership of shares of foreign issuers and are alternatives to purchasing directly the underlying foreign securities in their national markets and currencies. However, such depository receipts continue to be subject to many of the risks associated with investing directly in foreign securities. These risks include foreign exchange risk as well as the political and economic risks associated with the underlying issuer's country. ADRs, EDRs and GDRs may be sponsored or unsponsored. Unsponsored receipts are established without the participation of the issuer. Unsponsored receipts may involve higher expenses, they may not pass-through voting or other shareholder rights, and they may be less liquid. Less information is normally available on unsponsored receipts.

Options Related Risk. There are numerous risks associated with transactions in options on securities. A decision as to whether, when and how to use covered call options involves the exercise of skill and judgment, and even a well-conceived transaction may be unsuccessful to some degree because of market behavior or unexpected events. As the writer of a covered call option, the Portfolio forgoes, during the life of the covered call option, the opportunity to profit from increases in the market value of the security covering the call option above the sum of the option premium received and the exercise price of the covered call option, but has retained the risk of loss, minus the option premium received, should the price of the underlying security decline. The writer of an "American-style" option has no control over when, during the exercise period of the option, it may be required to fulfill its obligation as a writer of the option. This does not apply for "European-style" options, which may only be exercised at termination. Once an option writer has received an exercise notice for an American-style option, it cannot effect a closing purchase transaction in order to terminate its obligation under the option and must either close out the position with a cash settlement or deliver the underlying security at the exercise price. Thus, the use of options may require the Portfolio to sell portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market values, will limit the amount of appreciation the Portfolio can realize above the exercise price of an option, or may cause the Portfolio to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. The Portfolio's ability to terminate over-the-counter options may be more limited than with exchange-traded options and may involve the risk that banks, broker-dealers or other financial institutions participating in such transactions will not fulfill their obligations. If the Portfolio were unable to close out a covered call option that it had written, it would not be able to sell the underlying portfolio security unless the option expired without exercise. The value of options may also be adversely affected if the market for such options becomes less liquid or smaller. There can be no assurance that a liquid market will exist when the Portfolio seeks to close out a covered call option by buying such covered call option.

The Portfolio intends to primarily write covered call options that are exchange-traded options but may write overthe-counter options. Exchange-traded options may also be illiquid. Reasons for the absence of a liquid secondary market on an exchange include the following: (i) there may be insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions may be imposed by an exchange on opening transactions or closing transactions or both; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions may be imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options; (iv) unusual or unforeseen circumstances may interrupt normal operations on an exchange; (v) the facilities of an exchange or the Options Clearing Corporation (the "OCC") may not at all times be adequate to handle current trading volume; or (vi) one or more exchanges could, for economic or other reasons, decide or be compelled at some future date to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options). If trading on an exchange were discontinued, the secondary market on that exchange (or in that class or series of options) would cease to exist. However, outstanding options on that exchange that had been issued by the OCC as a result of trades on that exchange would continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms. The hours of trading for listed or over-the-counter options may not conform to the hours during which the underlying securities are traded. To the extent that the options markets close before the markets for the underlying securities, significant price and rate movements can take place in the underlying markets that would not be reflected concurrently in the options markets. Call options are marked to market daily at 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, and their value will be affected by changes in the value of and dividend rates of the underlying common stocks, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived volatility of the stock market and the underlying common stocks and the remaining time to the options' expiration. Additionally, the exercise price of an option may be adjusted downward before the option's expiration as a result of the occurrence of certain corporate events affecting the underlying equity security, such as extraordinary dividends, stock splits, mergers or other extraordinary distributions or events. A reduction in the exercise price of an option may reduce the Portfolio's capital appreciation potential on the underlying security.

Risk of Limitation on Call Option Writing. The number of call options the Portfolio can write is limited by the securities held by the Portfolio, and further limited by the fact that call options represent 100 share lots of the underlying securities. The Portfolio does not write "naked" or uncovered call options. Furthermore, the Portfolio's options transactions are subject to limitations established by each of the exchanges, boards of trade or other trading facilities on which such options are traded. These limitations govern the maximum number of options in each class which may be written by a single investor or group of investors acting in concert, regardless of whether the options are written on the same or different exchanges, boards of trade or other trading facilities or written in one or more accounts or through one or more brokers. Thus, the number of options which the Portfolio may write may be affected by options written by other investment advisory clients of the Manager. An exchange, board of trade or other trading facility may order the liquidation of positions found to be in excess of these limits, and it may impose certain other sanctions.

Foreign Currency Risk. Although the Portfolio reports its net asset value and pays expenses and distributions in U.S. dollars, the Portfolio intends to invest in foreign securities denominated or quoted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Therefore, changes in foreign currency exchange rates will affect the U.S. dollar value of the Portfolio's investment securities and the net asset value of its shares. For example, even if securities prices are unchanged on their primary foreign stock exchange, the Portfolio's net asset value may change because of a change in the rate of exchange between the U.S. dollar and the trading currency of that primary foreign stock exchange. The currencies of certain countries in which the Portfolio invests are more volatile than those of other countries and, therefore, the Portfolio's investments related to those countries may be more adversely impacted by currency rate fluctuations. Generally, if a foreign currency depreciates against the U.S. dollar (i.e., if the U.S. dollar strengthens), the value of the existing investment in the securities denominated in that currency will decline. When a given currency appreciates against the U.S. dollar (i.e., if the U.S. dollar weakens), the value of the existing investment in the securities denominated in that currency will rise. Certain foreign countries may impose restrictions on the ability of foreign securities issuers to make payments of principal and interest to investors located outside of the country, due to a blockage of foreign currency exchanges or otherwise.

Medium and Small Capitalization Company Risk. The Portfolio concentrates its investments in real estate related securities. Many issuers of real estate securities are small to medium capitalization companies, some of which may be newly formed. Investing in such companies may involve more risk than is usually associated with investing in larger, more established companies. Medium and small sized companies and the industries in which they are involved frequently are still maturing and are more sensitive to changing market conditions than larger companies in more established industries. Small companies often have limited product lines, markets, financial resources and less experienced management. Medium and small capitalization companies are often traded in the OTC market, and the low market liquidity of these securities may have an adverse effect on the ability of the Portfolio to sell certain securities at favorable prices. Such securities usually trade in lower volumes and are subject to greater and more unpredictable price fluctuations than larger cap securities or the stock market in general. This also may impede the Portfolio's ability to obtain market quotations based on actual trades in order to value the Portfolio's securities. Medium and small capitalization securities may have returns that can vary, occasionally significantly, from the market in general. In addition, medium and small capitalization companies may not pay a dividend. Although income may not be a primary goal of the Portfolio, dividends can cushion returns in a falling market.

Management Risk. The Portfolio is subject to management risk because it is an actively managed portfolio. The Portfolio's successful pursuit of its investment objective depends upon the Model and the Manager's ability to manage the Portfolio in accordance with the Model. The Model's parameters and weightings might produce losses or cause the Portfolio to underperform when compared to other funds with similar investment goals. If one or more key individuals leave the employ of the Manager, the Manager may not be able to hire qualified replacements, or may require an extended time to do so. This could prevent the Portfolio from achieving its investment objective.

*Defensive Positions*. During periods of adverse market or economic conditions, the Portfolio may temporarily invest all or a substantial portion of its net assets in cash or cash equivalents. The Portfolio will not be pursuing its investment objective in these circumstances and could miss favorable market developments.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. The techniques and strategies of the Portfolio might result in a high degree of portfolio turnover.

Shares of the Portfolio are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

#### PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

A description of the Portfolio's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Portfolio's securities is available in the Trust's Statement of Additional Information.

The Trust discloses the Portfolio's top holdings on a calendar quarter basis with a one to three-week lag on its public website until they are included in the Trust's next shareholder report or quarterly report. The Portfolio will make available complete month-end portfolio holdings information with a 30-day lag. Such information can be obtained by calling 1-800-807-FUND.

In addition, you may obtain complete Portfolio holdings information or other disclosure of holdings as required by applicable legal or regulatory requirements on a fiscal quarterly basis within two months after the end of the fiscal period by calling 1-800-807-FUND.

#### MANAGEMENT OF THE PORTFOLIO

# The Manager

The Portfolio has entered into an Investment Management Agreement ("Management Agreement") with Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, located at 5251 DTC Parkway, Suite 935, Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111, under which the Manager manages the Portfolio's investments subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees. The Manager is wholly-owned by Ascent Investment Partners, LLC. The Manager is a registered investment adviser. As of September 30, 2012, the Manager managed approximately \$50 million in assets. Under the Management Agreement, the Portfolio compensates the Manager for its management services at the annual rate of 1.20% of the average daily net assets of the Portfolio for the first \$500,000,000 of Portfolio net assets. The management fee will decrease as the Portfolio's assets increase above \$500,000,000 according to a breakpoint schedule agreed to between the Portfolio and the Manager. The Portfolio's Statement of Additional Information describes the management fee breakpoint schedule.

Portfolio Expenses. The Portfolio is responsible for its own operating expenses. Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Manager and the Portfolio, the Manager has agreed to reduce its management fees and/or pay expenses of the Portfolio to ensure that the total amount of Portfolio operating expenses (excluding front end and contingent deferred sales loads, interest and tax expenses, dividends and interest on short positions, brokerage commissions, expenses incurred in connection with any merger, reorganization or liquidation, extraordinary or non-routine expenses for the Portfolio) do not exceed 2.75%, 1.80% and 2.98% of the Portfolio's average net assets, for Class A, and Class I and Class C shares, respectively, through December 31, 2014 for Class A and Class I shares and through December 31, 2013 for Class C shares., subject thereafter to annual re-approval of the agreement by the Board of Trustees. Any reduction in advisory fees or payment of expenses made by the Manager may be reimbursed by the Portfolio in subsequent fiscal years if the Manager so requests. This reimbursement may be requested if the aggregate amount actually paid by the Manager toward operating expenses for such fiscal year (taking into account the reimbursement) does not exceed the applicable limitation on Portfolio expenses. The Manager is permitted to be reimbursed by the Portfolio for management fees waived and/or expense payments made by the Manager within three (3) years of the end of the fiscal year in which such fees were waived or expenses paid as long as the reimbursement does not cause the Portfolio's operating expenses to exceed the expense cap. Any such reimbursement will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees. The Portfolio must pay its current ordinary operating expenses before the Manager is entitled to any reimbursement of management fees and/or expenses. This Operating Expense Limitation Agreement can be terminated only by, or with the consent of, the Board of Trustees.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' most recent approval of the Investment Advisory Agreement was included in the Portfolio's report to shareholders dated August 31, 2012.

# Portfolio Managers

Mr. Andrew J. Duffy, CFA, is the President of the Manager and senior portfolio manager of the Portfolio since its inception.

Mr. Duffy has 19 years of global real estate securities experience in the private and public markets. From January 2008 through February 2009, Mr. Duffy was a Managing Director with Citigroup Principal Strategies, where he managed a long/short portfolio of global real estate securities. From February 2006 until December 2007, he was with Hunter Global Investors, L.P. where he was the Co-Portfolio Manager of the Hunter Global Real Estate Fund. From 1999 to 2006, he was a Portfolio Manager at TIAA-CREF, during which time he was directly responsible for managing over \$3 billion in global real estate equity and debt securities held in pension portfolios, college savings plans, open-end mutual funds and the firm's proprietary general account. Between 1993 and 1999, Mr. Duffy was a Senior Research Analyst at Eagle Asset Management, where he launched and managed a dedicated real estate securities investment program in which he was responsible for fundamental analysis, security selection, portfolio construction and the covered call option writing strategy. His other professional experience includes being a Partner at Raymond James & Associates where, as an investment banker, he managed public offerings and advised on mergers and acquisitions.

Prior to his career in investments, Mr. Duffy served for five years as an officer in the United States Army, where his assignments included serving as a detachment commander in the 7th Special Forces Group and as company executive officer and platoon leader in the 82nd Airborne Division. Mr. Duffy received a B.S. in electrical engineering from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1979 as a Distinguished Graduate (top 5% of class) and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School in 1986. He earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 1996.

Ms. Amanda E. Black, CFA, has served as the associate portfolio manager of the Portfolio since its inception. Ms. Black has over 12 years of global real estate securities experience. Prior to joining Ascent Investment Advisors, from August 2010 through March 20011, Ms. Black was a Portfolio Manager and Global Security Analyst at Turner Investment Partners where she was responsible for all global real estate exposure in all of the Turner portfolios. From March 2007 to July 2010, Ms. Black was Vice President and Co-Portfolio Manager for a \$100 million long/short global real estate hedge fund at Colony Investment Management, LLC. Before that she was a Director at UBS Investment Bank where she was responsible for portfolio management of the UBS Proprietary U.S Real Estate Long-Short Equity Portfolio, managing approximately \$140 million in assets. Between 2000 and 2004, Ms. Black, held Associate and Senior Analyst positions at both A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. and European Investors, Inc., dedicated to public real estate securities.

Ms. Black is a graduate of Southern Illinois University (BS in Business Administration) and Saint Louis University (MBA in International Business). Ms. Black earned her CPA license in 2001 and her CFA designation in 2005.

The SAI provides additional information about the Portfolio Managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the Portfolio Managers and the Portfolio Managers' ownership of securities in the Portfolio.

#### **SUPERVISION**

Saratoga Capital Management, LLC ("SCM"), 1616 N. Litchfield Rd., Suite 165, Goodyear, Arizona 85395, serves the Portfolio in a supervision capacity with responsibility to monitor the performance of the Portfolio's outside service providers, assist in the review of financial statements and other regulatory filings and board

meeting materials related to the Portfolio. Pursuant to the supervision agreement with the Portfolio, the Portfolio pays SCM an annual supervision fee of 0.10% of the Portfolio's average daily net assets, payable on a monthly basis, which fee decreases at various asset levels. SCM, a Delaware limited liability company, also acts as investment manager to certain other portfolios of the Saratoga Advantage Trust (the "Saratoga Funds").

The Trust is designed to help investors to implement an asset allocation strategy to meet their individual needs as well as select individual investments within each asset category among the myriad of choices available. The Trust makes available assistance to help certain investors identify their risk tolerance and investment objectives through use of an investor questionnaire, and to select an appropriate model allocation of assets among the portfolios of the Trust. As further assistance, the Trust makes available to certain investors the option of automatic reallocation or rebalancing of their selected model. The Trust also provides, on a periodic basis, a report to the investor containing an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account. Shares of the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds are offered to participants in investment advisory programs that provide asset allocation recommendations to investors based on an evaluation of each investor's objectives and risk tolerance. An asset allocation methodology developed by SCM, the Saratoga Strategic Horizon Asset Reallocation Program<sup>®</sup> (the "SaratogaSHARP<sup>®</sup> Program"), may be utilized in this regard by investment advisers that have entered into agreements with SCM. SCM receives a fee from the investment advisers with whom it has entered into such agreements. Shares of the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds are also available to other investors and advisory services.

Pursuant to the SaratogaSHARP® Program, SCM may suggest to the investment advisers that SCM has entered into agreements with in connection with the SaratogaSHARP® Program the allocation to the Portfolio of the assets of one or more Saratoga Funds (each, a "sleeve"). Any such allocation would increase the Portfolio's assets and, therefore, the management fees of the Portfolio payable to the Manager. Conversely, such allocation would decrease the management fees of the Saratoga Funds payable to SCM, which acts as supervisor but not investment adviser to the Portfolio. The Manager has agreed to reimburse SCM an amount equivalent to any reduction in management fees that SCM experiences as a result of the allocation of one or more sleeves of the Saratoga Funds to the Portfolio, less any supervision fees that SCM receives from the sleeve that is allocated to the Portfolio. Any such reimbursement will be paid by the Manager and not out of the assets of the Portfolio.

#### ADMINISTRATION

The Bank of New York Mellon, located at One Wall Street, 25th Floor, New York, New York 10286, is the custodian of the assets of the Trust.

Gemini Fund Services, LLC, located at 17605 Wright Street, Suite 2, Omaha, Nebraska 68130-2095 serves as the Trust's transfer agent.

Gemini Fund Services, LLC, located at 80 Arkay Drive, Hauppauge, New York 11788, provides administrative (including custody administration) and fund accounting services to the Trust. As such, they manage the administrative affairs of the Trust, calculate the NAV of the shares of the Portfolio, and create and maintain the Trust's required financial records.

#### SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

#### PRICING OF PORTFOLIO SHARES

The price of shares of the Portfolio called "net asset value," is based on the value of the Portfolio's investments.

The NAV per share of the Portfolio is determined once daily at the close of trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on each day that the NYSE is open. Shares will not be priced on days that the NYSE is closed.

Generally, a Portfolio's securities are valued each day at the last quoted sales price on each security's primary securities exchange. Securities traded or dealt in upon one or more securities exchanges (whether domestic or foreign, and including the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotation System ("NASDAQ")) for which market quotations are readily available and not subject to restrictions against resale shall be valued at the last quoted sales price on the primary securities exchange (or in the case of NASDAQ securities, at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price) or, in the absence of a sale on the primary exchange, at the last bid on the primary exchange. When a market price is not readily available, including circumstances under which the Manager determines that a security's market price is not accurate, a portfolio security is valued by a pricing committee at its fair value, as determined under procedures established by the Trust's Board of Trustees. In these cases, the Portfolio's NAV will reflect certain portfolio securities' fair value rather than their market price.

Debt securities with remaining maturities of sixty days or less at the time of purchase are valued at amortized cost. The amortized cost valuation method involves valuing a debt obligation in reference to its cost rather than market forces.

In addition, with respect to securities that primarily are listed on a foreign exchange, when an event occurs after the close of a foreign exchange that is likely to have changed the value of the foreign securities (for example, a percentage change in value of one or more U.S. securities indices in excess of specified thresholds), such securities will be valued at their fair value, as determined under procedures established by the Trust's Board of Trustees. Securities also may be fair valued in the event of a development effecting a country or region or an issuer-specific development, which is likely to have changed the value of the security. To the extent that the Portfolio invests in ETFs, the Portfolio's NAV is calculated, in relevant part, based upon the NAVs of such ETFs (which are registered open-end management investment companies). The Prospectuses for these ETFs explain the circumstances under which they will use fair value pricing and the effects of using fair value pricing.

Fair value pricing involves subjective judgments and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security is materially different than the value that could be realized upon the sale of that security.

# **PURCHASE OF SHARES**

Purchase of shares of the Portfolio must be made through a Financial Intermediary having a sales agreement with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC, the Portfolio's distributor (the "Distributor"), or through a broker or intermediary designated by that Financial Intermediary, or directly through the Transfer Agent. Shares of the Portfolio are available to participants in consulting programs and to other investors and to investment advisory services. Purchase requests received by the Portfolio in proper form prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV per share determined on that day. Requests received after the close of regular trading will receive the NAV per share determined on the following business day. A purchase order is deemed to be received by the Portfolio when it is received in good order by the Transfer Agent or by a Financial Intermediary, or a broker or intermediary designated by a Financial Intermediary, authorized to accept purchase orders on behalf of the Trust. The Portfolio, however, reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any application to purchase shares. Applications will not be accepted unless they are accompanied by a check drawn on a U.S. bank, thrift institution, or credit union in U.S. funds for the full amount of the shares to be purchased. After you open your account, you may purchase additional shares by sending a check together with written instructions stating the name(s) on the account and the account number, to the appropriate address noted below. Make all checks payable to the Portfolio. The Portfolio will not accept payment in cash, including cashier's checks or money orders. Also, to prevent check fraud, the Portfolio will not accept third party checks, U.S. Treasury checks, credit card checks or starter checks for the purchase of shares. Not all share classes may be available in all states.

*Note*: Gemini Fund Services, LLC, the Portfolio's transfer agent, will charge a \$25 fee against a shareholder's account, in addition to any loss sustained by the Portfolio, for any check returned to the transfer agent for insufficient funds.

For more information regarding the purchase of shares, contact the Trust at 1-800-807-FUND.

Information regarding transaction processing and the establishment of new accounts should be sent to:

<u>via Regular Mail</u>	<u>via Overnight Mail</u>		
The Saratoga Advantage Trust	The Saratoga Advantage Trust		
c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC	c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC		
P.O. Box 541150	17605 Wright Street, Suite 2		
Omaha, NE 68154-1150	Omaha, NE 68130-2095		

If you wish to wire money to make a subsequent investment in the Portfolio, please call 1-800-807-FUND to receive wiring instructions and to notify the Portfolio that a wire transfer is coming. Any commercial bank can transfer same-day funds by wire. The Portfolio will normally accept wired funds for investment on the day of receipt provided that such funds are received by the Portfolio's designated bank before the close of regular trading on the NYSE. Your bank may charge you a fee for wiring same-day funds.

PURCHASE OF SHARES IN GOOD ORDER. All purchase requests directly through the Transfer Agent must be received by the transfer agent in "good order." This means that your request must include:

- The Portfolio and account number.
- The amount of the transaction (in dollars or shares).
- Accurately completed orders.
- Any supporting legal documentation that may be required.

If you are purchasing shares through a Financial Intermediary, please consult your intermediary for purchase instructions. The Trust makes available assistance to help certain investors identify their risk tolerance and investment objectives through use of an investor questionnaire, and to select an appropriate model allocation of assets among the Portfolio and the Saratoga Funds. As further assistance, the Trust makes available to certain investors the option of automatic reallocation or rebalancing of their selected model. The Trust also provides, on a periodic basis, a report to the investor containing an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account.

Financial Intermediaries may charge a processing or service fee in connection with the purchase or redemption of Portfolio shares, or other fees. The amount and applicability of such a fee is determined and disclosed to its customers by each individual Financial Intermediary. Processing or service fees typically are fixed, nominal dollar amounts and are in addition to the sales and other charges described in this Prospectus. Your Financial Intermediary will provide you with specific information about any processing or service fees you will be charged.

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. What this means to you: when you open an account we will ask your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. If you are unable to verify your identity, we reserve the right to restrict additional transactions and/or liquidate your account at the next calculated NAV after your account is closed (less any applicable sales/account charges and /or tax penalties) or take any other action required by law.

INVESTMENT ADVISORY PROGRAMS. The Trust is designed to allow Consulting Programs and other investment advisory programs to relieve investors of the burden of devising an asset allocation strategy to meet their individual needs as well as selecting individual investments within each asset category among the myriad of available choices. Generally, the Consulting Programs provide advisory services in connection with investments among the Trust's portfolios by identifying the investor's risk tolerance and investment objectives through evaluation of an investor questionnaire; identifying and recommending an appropriate allocation of assets among the Trust's portfolios that is intended to conform to such risk tolerance and objectives in a recommendation; and providing, on a periodic basis, an analysis and evaluation of the investor's account and recommending any appropriate changes in the allocation of assets among the Trust's portfolios. The investment advisers for the Consulting Programs are also responsible for reviewing the asset allocation recommendations and performance reports with the investor, providing any interpretations, monitoring identified changes in the investor's financial characteristics and the implementation of investment decisions.

The investment advisers in the Consulting Programs may use SCM's SaratogaSHARP® Program in assisting their clients in translating investor needs, preferences and attitudes into suggested portfolio allocations. In addition, SCM may provide some or all of the administrative services to the investment advisers for the Consulting Programs such as the preparation, printing and processing of investment questionnaires and investment literature and other client communications. SCM receives a fee from the investment adviser for these services.

The fee payable by the client for the Consulting Programs is subject to negotiation between the client and his or her investment advisor and is paid directly by each advisory client to his or her investment advisor either by redemption of Trust portfolio shares or by separate payment.

OTHER ADVISORY PROGRAMS. Shares of the Trust's portfolio are also available for purchase by certain registered investment advisers (other than the investment advisers for the Consulting Programs) as a means of implementing asset allocation recommendations based on an investor's investment objectives and risk tolerance. In order to qualify to purchase shares on behalf of its clients, the investment adviser must be approved by SCM. Investors purchasing shares through these investment advisory programs will bear different fees for different levels of services as agreed upon with the investment advisers offering the programs. Registered investment advisers interested in utilizing the Trust's portfolios for the purposes described above should call 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863).

CONTINUOUS OFFERING. For Class A and Class C shares of the Portfolio, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$2,500. For Class I shares of the Portfolio, the minimum initial investment in the Portfolio is \$2 million, which minimum would be waived for an investment adviser/broker making an allocation to the Portfolio's Class I shares aggregating \$2 million or more within 90 days. If the adviser/broker does not purchase \$2 million or more in the aggregate within 90 days, then the adviser/broker's next purchase would have to be for a minimum of the difference between \$2 million and the aggregate total invested during the 90 days until aggregate purchases total \$2 million or more (e.g., if the adviser/broker's aggregate purchases within 90 days total \$1 million, then the adviser/broker would have to make a single aggregate purchase of at least \$1 million to make future purchase of less than \$2 million). In addition, the minimum initial investment for Class I shares of the Portfolio may be waived for certain investments, including sales through banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions in: (i) discretionary and non-discretionary sponsored advisory programs; (ii) fund supermarkets; (iii) asset allocation programs: (iv) certain retirement plans investing directly with the Portfolio; (v) retirement plans investing through certain retirement plan platforms; and (vi) certain endowments, foundations and other not-forprofit entities investing directly with the Portfolio. With respect to each share class, investments made in response to the SaratogaSHARP® asset allocation program's allocations and reallocations will not be subject to a minimum initial investment. For employees and relatives of the Manager, SCM, firms distributing shares of the Trust, and the Trust service providers and their affiliates, the minimum initial investment in the Trust is \$1,000 with no

minimum for any individual Saratoga Fund and the Portfolio. With respect to Class A shares and Class C shares, there is no minimum initial investment for employee benefit plans, mutual fund platform programs, supermarket programs, associations, and individual retirement accounts. The minimum subsequent investment in the Trust is \$100 and there is no minimum subsequent investment for the Portfolio or for a Saratoga Fund. The Trust reserves the right at any time to vary the initial and subsequent investment minimums.

The Trust offers an Automatic Investment Plan under which purchase orders of \$100 or more for Class A shares may be placed periodically in the Trust. The purchase price is paid automatically from cash held in the shareholder's designated account. For further information regarding the Automatic Investment Plan, shareholders should contact their representative or the Trust at 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863).

The sale of shares will be suspended during any period when the determination of NAV is suspended and may be suspended by the Board of Trustees whenever the Board judges it to be in the best interest of the Trust to do so. The Distributor in its sole discretion, may accept or reject any purchase order.

Generally, the Portfolio reserves the right to reject any purchase requests, including exchanges from the other Saratoga Funds that it regards as disruptive to efficient portfolio management. A purchase request could be rejected because of, amongst other things, the timing or amount of the investment or because of a history of excessive trading by the investor.

# CLASS C - CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE

Class C shares are sold at net asset value next determined without an initial sales charge so that the full amount of an investor's purchase payment may be invested in the Trust. A CDSC of 1%, however, will be imposed on most Class C shares redeemed within one year after purchase. The CDSC will be imposed on any redemption of Class C shares if after such redemption the aggregate current value of an account with the Trust falls below the aggregate amount of the investor's purchase payments for Class C shares made during the one year preceding the redemption. In addition, Class C shares are subject to an annual 12b-1 fee of 1.00% of the average daily net assets. Class C shares of the Trust which are held for one year or more after purchase will not be subject to any CDSC upon redemption. The CDSC is based upon the investors original purchase price.

Certain shareholders may be eligible for CDSC waivers. Please see the information set forth below for specific eligibility requirements. You must notify your authorized Financial Intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time a purchase order is placed that the purchase (or redemption) qualifies for a CDSC waiver. Similar notification must be made in writing when an order is placed by mail. The CDSC waiver will not be granted if: (i) notification is not furnished at the time of order; or (ii) a review of the records of the authorized dealer of the Portfolio's s shares or the Trust's Transfer Agent does not confirm your represented holdings. In order to verify your eligibility, you may be required to provide account statements and/or confirmations regarding shares of the Portfolio or other Trust Portfolios.

CDSC WAIVERS. A CDSC will not be imposed on: (i) any amount which represents an increase in value of shares purchased within the one year preceding the redemption; (ii) the current net asset value of shares purchased more than one year prior to the redemption; and (iii) the current net asset value of shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends or distributions. Moreover, in determining whether a CDSC is applicable it will be assumed that amounts described in (i), (ii), and (iii) above (in that order) are redeemed first.

In addition, the CDSC, if otherwise applicable, will be waived in the case of:

(1) redemptions of Class C shares held at the time a shareholder dies or becomes disabled, only if the Class C shares are: (a) registered either in the name of an individual shareholder (not a trust), or in the names of such

shareholder and his or her spouse as joint tenants with right of survivorship; or (b) held in a qualified corporate or self-employed retirement plan, Individual Retirement Account ("IRA") or Custodial Account under Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code ("403(b) Custodial Account"), provided in either case that the redemption is requested within one year of the death or initial determination of disability;

- (2) redemptions in connection with the following retirement plan distributions: (a) lump-sum or other distributions from a qualified corporate or self-employed retirement plan following retirement (or, in the case of a "key employee" of a "top heavy" plan, following attainment of age 59 1/2); (b) distributions from an IRA or 403(b) Custodial Account following attainment of age 70 1/2; or (c) a tax-free return of an excess contribution to an IRA; and
- (3) certain redemptions pursuant to the Portfolio's Systematic Withdrawal Plan (see "Redemption of Shares-Systematic Withdrawal Plan").

With reference to (1) above, for the purpose of determining disability, the Distributor utilizes the definition of disability contained in Section 72(m)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, which relates to the inability to engage in gainful employment. With reference to (2) above, the term "distribution" does not encompass a direct transfer of an IRA, 403(b) Custodial Account or retirement plan assets to a successor custodian or trustee. All waivers will be granted only following receipt by the Distributor of written confirmation of the shareholder's entitlement.

# **CHOOSING A SHARE CLASS**

Description of Classes. The Portfolio has adopted a multiple class plan that allows it to offer one or more classes of shares. The Portfolio has three classes of shares - Class I shares, Class A shares and Class C shares. The different classes of shares represent investments in the same portfolio of securities, but the classes are subject to different expenses and may have different share prices as outlined below:

- Class I shares are no-load shares that do not require that you pay a sales charge. Class I shares do not charge an annual Rule 12b-1 distribution or servicing fee. If you purchase Class I shares of the Portfolio you will pay the NAV next determined after your order is received. Class I shares have a much higher required minimum investment than Class A shares.
- Class A shares are charged a front-end sales load. The Class A shares are also charged a 0.25% annual Rule 12b-1 distribution and servicing fee. Class A shares do not have a contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") except that a charge of 1% applies to certain redemptions made within twelve months, following purchases of \$1 million or more without an initial sales charge. The sales charge for Class A shares is 5.75% of the offering price. However, this sales charge may be reduced or waived as described in "Class A Shares Reduced Sales Charge Information."
- Class C shares shares are sold without an initial sales charge, however a CDSC of 1% will be imposed on
  most shares redeemed within one year after purchase. Certain shareholders may be eligible for CDSC
  waivers, as described in "CDSC Waivers". The Class C shares are also charged a 1.00% annual Rule 12b-1
  distribution and servicing fee.

# MORE ABOUT CLASS A SHARES

Class A shares of the Portfolio are retail shares that require that you pay a sales charge when you invest unless you qualify for a reduction or waiver of the sales charge. Class A shares are also subject to Rule 12b-1 fees (or distribution and service fees) described earlier of 0.25% annually of average daily net assets, which are assessed against the shares of the Portfolio.

If you purchase Class A shares of the Portfolio you will pay the public offering price ("POP"), which is the NAV next determined after your order is received plus a sales charge (shown in percentages below) depending on the amount of your investment. Since sales charges are reduced for Class A share purchases above certain dollar amounts, known as "breakpoint levels," the POP is lower for these purchases. The dollar amount of the sales charge is the difference between the POP of the shares purchased (based on the applicable sales charge in the table below) and the NAV of those shares. Because of rounding in the calculation of the POP, the actual sales charge you pay may be more or less than that calculated using the percentages shown in the table below. The sales charge does not apply to shares purchased with reinvested dividends. The sales charge is calculated as follows:

#### CLASS A SHARES REDUCED SALES CHARGE INFORMATION

Certain shareholders may be eligible for reduced sales charges (i.e., breakpoint discounts), CDSC waivers and eligibility minimums. Please see the information set forth below for specific eligibility requirements. You must notify your authorized Financial Intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time a purchase order is placed that the purchase (or redemption) qualifies for a reduced sales charge (i.e., breakpoint discount), CDSC waiver or eligibility minimum. Similar notification must be made in writing when an order is placed by mail. The reduced sales charge, CDSC waiver or eligibility minimum will not be granted if: (i) notification is not furnished at the time of order; or (ii) a review of the records of the authorized dealer of the Portfolio's shares or the Trust's transfer agent does not confirm your represented holdings.

In order to obtain a reduced sales charge (i.e., breakpoint discount) or to meet an eligibility minimum, it may be necessary at the time of purchase for you to inform your authorized financial representative or the transfer agent of the existence of other accounts in which there are holdings eligible to be aggregated to meet the sales load breakpoints or eligibility minimums. In order to verify your eligibility, you may be required to provide account statements and/or confirmations regarding shares of the Portfolio or other Saratoga Funds held in all related accounts described below, as well as shares held by related parties, such as members of the same family or household, in order to determine whether you have met a sales load breakpoint or eligibility minimum.

You can qualify for a reduction of the sales charge by investing one lump sum in Class A shares of the Portfolio. You can also qualify for a sales charge reduction or waiver through a right of accumulation or a letter of intent if you are a U.S. resident. See the discussions of "Right of Accumulation" and "Letter of Intent" below. If you are a U.S. resident and are investing more than \$50,000, then you will pay a reduced sales charge. The following chart shows the sales charge you will pay based on the amount of your purchase. You can purchase Class A shares without any initial sales charge if you are a U.S. resident and invest \$1 million or more in Class A shares.

#### REDUCED SALES CHARGE FOR U.S. RESIDENTS

Amount of Purchase	Sales Charge as a Percentage of Offering Price 1	Sales Charge as a Percentage of Net Investment (Net Asset Value)	Broker Reallowance as a Percentage of Offering Price 2 -
Less than \$50,000	5.75%	6.10%	5.00%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	4.50%	4.71%	3.75%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	3.50%	3.63%	2.75%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%
\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>3</sup>	None <sup>4</sup>	None <sup>4</sup>	None <sup>4</sup>

# RIGHT OF ACCUMULATION

For the purposes of determining the applicable reduced sales charge, the right of accumulation allows you to include prior purchases of Class A shares of any of the Trust's portfolios as part of your current investment as well as reinvested dividends. To qualify for this option, you must be either:

- an individual;
- an individual and spouse purchasing shares for your own account or trust or custodial accounts for your minor children; or
- a fiduciary purchasing for any one trust, estate or fiduciary account, including employee benefit plans created under Sections 401, 403 or 457 of the Code, including related plans of the same employer.

If you plan to rely on this right of accumulation, you must notify the Distributor at the time of your purchase. You will need to give the Distributor your account numbers. Existing holdings of family members or other related accounts of a shareholder may be combined for purposes of determining eligibility. If applicable, you will need to provide the account numbers of your spouse and your minor children as well as the ages of your minor children.

# LETTER OF INTENT

The letter of intent allows you to count all investments within a 13-month period in Class A shares of any of the Trust's portfolios as if you were making them all at once for the purposes of calculating the applicable reduced sales charges. The minimum initial investment under a letter of intent is 5% of the total letter of intent amount. The letter of intent does not preclude the Portfolio from discontinuing sales of its shares. You may include a purchase not originally made pursuant to a letter of intent under a letter of intent entered into within 90 days of the original purchase. To determine the applicable sales charge reduction, you may also include (1) the cost of shares of a Trust's portfolio which were previously purchased at a price including a front end sales charge during the 90-day period prior to the Distributor receiving the letter of intent, and (2) the historical cost of shares of other Trust portfolios you currently own acquired in exchange for shares of Trust portfolios purchased during that period at a price including a front-end sales charge. You may combine purchases and exchanges by family members (limited to spouse and children, under the age of 21, living in the same household). You should retain any records necessary to substantiate historical costs because the Trust, its transfer agent and any financial intermediaries may not maintain this information. Shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends are not aggregated to achieve the stated investment goal.

#### CLASS A SHARES SALES CHARGE WAIVERS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Offering price includes the front-end sales load. The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amount set forth above because of rounding that occurs in the calculation used to determine your sales charge.

At the discretion of the Trust, however, the entire sales charge may at times be reallowed to dealers. The staff of the SEC has indicated that dealers who receive more than 90% of the sales charge may be considered underwriters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Class A shares that are purchased at NAV in amounts of \$1,000,000 or more may be assessed a 1.00% CDSC, if they are redeemed within twelve months from the date of purchase. See "More About Class A Shares" above for further information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Manager may pay, monthly in 12 equal installments, certain commissions to brokers who initiate and are responsible for purchases by any single purchaser who is a resident of the United States as follows: for purchases of \$1 million to \$3 million, the Manager will pay 0.75%, plus 0.50% on any amounts over \$3 million up to \$50 million, and 0.25% on any amounts over \$50 million.

The sales charge on purchases of Class A shares is waived for certain types of investors, including:

- Employees of broker-dealers or other financial institutions (including registered investment advisors and financial planners) having agreements with the Distributor or SCM (a "Selling Representative") and their immediate families (or any trust, pension, profit sharing or other benefit plan for the benefit of such persons).
- Employees of a bank, savings and loan, credit union or other financial institution that utilize a Selling Representative to clear purchases of the Trust's shares and their immediate families.
- Participants in certain "wrap-fee" programs, mutual fund platform programs, supermarket programs, or asset allocation programs or other fee-based arrangements sponsored by broker-dealers and other financial institutions that have entered into agreements with the Distributor or SCM.
- Clients of financial intermediaries that have entered into arrangements with the Distributor or SCM (or
  otherwise have an arrangement with a broker-dealer or other financial institution with respect to sales of
  Trust shares) providing for the shares to be used in particular investment products made available to such
  clients and for which such registered investment advisors may charge a separate fee.
- Institutional investors (which may include bank trust departments and registered investment advisors).
- Any accounts established on behalf of registered investment advisors or their clients by broker-dealers that charge a transaction fee and that have entered into agreements with the Distributor or SCM.
- Insurance company separate accounts, separate accounts used to fund certain unregistered variable annuity contracts, Section 403(b), 401(a) or 401(k) accounts, and college savings plans organized under Section 529 of the Code.
- Employer-sponsored retirement or benefit plans with total plan assets of at least \$1 million where the plan's investments in the Trust are part of an omnibus account. A minimum initial investment of \$1 million in the Trust is required. SCM in its sole discretion may waive these minimum dollar requirements.
- Reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividends.

#### CLASS A CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE

Class A shares may be redeemed on each business day without charge at NAV per share next determined, except in the case of investors who paid no initial sales charge because they invested \$1 million or more, in which case the investor will pay a 1.00% Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") on shares redeemed within one year after purchase. The CDSC is based upon the investor's original purchase price.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Portfolio has adopted a Plan of Distribution pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Plan") with respect to the sale and distribution of Class A shares and Class C shares of the Portfolio. The Plan provides that the Portfolio will pay the Distributor or other entities, including the Manager and SCM, a fee, which is accrued daily and paid monthly, at the annual rate of 0.25% for Class A shares and 1.00% for Class C shares of the average net assets of each share class. A portion of the fee payable pursuant to the Plan may be characterized as a service fee as such term is defined under Rule 2830 of The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") Conduct Rules and it may be paid directly to the Manager, SCM or other entities for providing support services. A service fee is a payment made for personal service and/or the maintenance of shareholder accounts. The fee is treated by the Portfolio as an expense in the year it is accrued. Because the fee is

paid out of the Portfolio's assets on an ongoing basis, over time the fee may increase the costs of your investment and may cost you more than paying other types of service charges.

Additional amounts paid under the Plan are paid to the Distributor or other entities for services provided and the expenses borne by the Distributor and others in the distribution of the shares, including the payment of commissions for sales of the shares and incentive compensation to and expenses of dealers and others who engage in or support distribution of shares or who service shareholder accounts, including overhead and telephone expenses; printing and distribution of prospectuses and reports used in connection with the offering of the Portfolio's shares to other than current shareholders; and preparation, printing and distribution of sales literature and advertising materials. In addition, the Distributor or other entities may utilize fees paid pursuant to the Plan to compensate dealers or other entities for their opportunity costs in advancing such amounts, which compensation would be in the form of a carrying charge on any unreimbursed expenses.

## FREQUENT PURCHASES AND REDEMPTIONS OF TRUST SHARES

"Market-timing" often times involves the frequent purchases and redemptions of shares of the Portfolio by shareholders, and "market-timing" may present risks for other shareholders of the Portfolio, which may include, among other things, dilution in the value of Portfolio shares held by long-term shareholders, interference with the efficient management of the Portfolio, increased brokerage and administrative costs, incurring unwanted taxable gains, and forcing the Portfolio to hold excess levels of cash.

Short term trading strategies also present certain risks based on the Portfolio's investment objective, strategies and policies. To the extent that the Portfolio invests substantially in foreign securities it is particularly susceptible to the risk that market timers may take advantage of time zone differences. The foreign securities in which the Portfolio invests may be traded on foreign markets that close well before the Portfolio calculates its NAV. This gives rise to the possibility that developments may have occurred in the interim that would effect the value of these securities. A market timer may seek to capitalize on these time zone differences by purchasing shares of the Portfolio based on events occurring after foreign market closing prices are established, but before the Portfolio's NAV calculation, that are likely to result in higher prices in foreign markets the following day ("time zone arbitrage"). The market timer might redeem the Portfolio's shares the next day when the Portfolio's share price would reflect the increased prices in foreign markets, for a quick profit at the expense of long-term Portfolio shareholders.

Investments in other types of securities may also be susceptible to short-term trading strategies. These investments include securities that are, among other things, thinly traded, traded infrequently, or relatively illiquid, which have the risk that the current market price for the securities may not accurately reflect current market values. A shareholder may seek to engage in short-term trading to take advantage of these pricing differences (referred to as "price arbitrage"). To the extent that the Portfolio invests in small-cap securities, technology and other specific industry sector securities, and in certain fixed-income securities, such as high-yield bonds or municipal bonds, the Portfolio may be adversely affected by price arbitrage trading strategies.

The Trust discourages frequent purchases and redemptions of Portfolio shares by Portfolio shareholders and the Trust's Board of Trustees has adopted policies and procedures with respect to such frequent purchases and redemptions. The Trust does not accommodate frequent purchases and sales by Portfolio shareholders. Shareholders will be charged a redemption fee of 2% of the value of shares being redeemed, if shares are redeemed within 30 days of purchase. The Trust's policies with respect to purchases, redemptions and exchanges of Portfolio shares are described in the "Summary of Trust Expenses," "Purchase of Shares" and "Redemption of Shares" sections of this Prospectus. Except as described in these sections, the Trust's policies regarding frequent trading of Portfolio shares are applied uniformly to all shareholders. The Trust requires all intermediaries to enforce all of the Trust's policies contained in this Prospectus and in the Trust's Statement of Additional

Information. Omnibus accounts intermediaries generally do not identify customers' trading activity to the Trust on an individual basis. The ability of the Trust to monitor exchanges made by the underlying shareholders in omnibus accounts, therefore, is severely limited. Consequently, the Trust must rely on the Financial Intermediary to monitor frequent short-term trading within the Portfolio by the Financial Intermediary's customers. The Trust monitors enforcement by Financial Intermediaries, and if a Financial Intermediary fails to enforce the Trust's restrictions, the Trust may take certain actions, including terminating the relationship. There can be no assurance that the Trust will be able to eliminate all market-timing activities.

Certain patterns of past exchanges and/or purchase or redemption transactions involving the Portfolio may result in the Portfolio sending a warning letter, rejecting, limiting or prohibiting, at its sole discretion and without prior notice, additional purchases and/or exchanges. Determinations in this regard may be made based on, amongst other things, the frequency or dollar amount of the previous exchanges or purchase or redemption transactions.

# **REDEMPTION OF SHARES**

Shares of the Portfolio may be redeemed on any day that the Portfolio calculates its NAV. Redemption requests received by the Trust in proper form prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV per share determined on that day. Redemption requests received after the close of regular trading on the NYSE will be effected at the NAV next determined by the Trust. A redemption order is deemed to be received by the Trust when it is received in good order by the Transfer Agent or by a Financial Intermediary authorized to accept redemption orders on behalf of the Trust. The Portfolio is required to transmit redemption proceeds for credit to the shareholder's account within seven days after receipt of a redemption request. However, payments for redemptions of shares purchased by check will not be transmitted until the check clears, which may take up to 15 days from the purchase date.

Redemption requests may be given to a Financial Intermediary having a selling agreement with the Distributor. The Financial Intermediary is responsible for transmitting such redemption requests to the Trust's Transfer Agent. Redemption requests also may be given directly to the Transfer Agent, if the shareholder purchased shares directly through the Transfer Agent. In order to be effective, certain redemption requests of a shareholder may require the submission of documents commonly required to assure the safety of a particular account.

The Trust may suspend redemption procedures and postpone redemption payment during any period when the NYSE is closed other than for customary weekend or holiday closing or when the SEC has determined an emergency exists or has otherwise permitted such suspension or postponement.

Written Redemption Requests. To redeem shares by mail, send a written redemption request in proper form to:

#### via Regular Mail

The Saratoga Advantage Trust c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC P.O. Box 541150 Omaha, NE 68154-1150

#### via Overnight Mail

The Saratoga Advantage Trust c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC 17605 Wright Street, Suite 2 Omaha, NE 68130-2095

**Redeeming by Telephone.** The telephone redemption privilege is automatically available to all new accounts except retirement accounts. If you do not want the telephone redemption privilege, you must indicate this in the appropriate area on your account application or you must write to the Trust and instruct it to remove this privilege from your account. The proceeds will be sent by mail to the address designated on your account or wired directly to your existing account in any commercial bank or brokerage firm in the United States as designated on

your application. To redeem by telephone, call 1-800-807-FUND (1-800-807-3863). The redemption proceeds normally will be sent by mail or by wire within three business days after receipt of your telephone instructions. IRA accounts are not redeemable by telephone.

The Trust reserves the right to suspend the telephone redemption privileges with respect to your account if the name(s) or the address on the account has been changed within the previous 30 days. Neither the Trust, the Transfer Agent, nor their respective affiliates will be liable for any loss, damage, cost or expenses in acting on telephone instructions if they reasonably believe such telephone instructions to be genuine and you will be required to bear the risk of any such loss. The Trust or the Transfer Agent, or both, will employ reasonable procedures to determine that telephone instructions are genuine. If the Trust and/or the Transfer Agent do not employ these procedures, they may be liable to you for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent instructions. These procedures may include, among others, requiring forms of personal identification prior to acting upon telephone instructions, providing written confirmation of the transactions and/or tape recording telephone instructions.

**Wire Redemptions.** If you request your redemption by wire transfer, you will be required to pay a \$15.00 wire transfer fee to the Transfer Agent to cover costs associated with the transfer but the Transfer Agent does not charge a fee when transferring redemption proceeds by electronic funds transfer. In addition, your bank may impose a charge for receiving wires.

When Redemptions are Sent. Once the Trust receives your redemption request in "good order" as described below, it will issue a check based on the next determined NAV following your redemption request. If you purchase shares using a check and soon after request a redemption, your redemption request will not be processed until the check used for your purchase has cleared (usually within 10 days).

**Good Order.** Your redemption request will be processed if it is in "good order." To be in good order, the following conditions must be satisfied:

The request should be in writing indicating the number of shares or dollar amount to be redeemed;

The request must identify your account number;

The request should be signed by you and any other person listed on the account, exactly as the shares are registered; and

If you request the redemption proceeds to be sent to a person, bank or an address other than that of record, or if the proceeds of a requested redemption exceed \$100,000, the signature(s) on the request must be medallion signature guaranteed by an eligible signature guarantor.

**Medallion Signature Guarantee.** Certain requests require a medallion signature guarantee. To protect you and the Trust from fraud, certain transactions and redemption requests must be in writing and must include a medallion signature guarantee in the following situations (there may be other situations also requiring a medallion signature guarantee in the discretion of the Trust or Transfer Agent):

- 1. Re-registration of the account.
- 2. Changing bank wiring instructions on the account.
- 3. Name change on the account.
- 4. Setting up/changing systematic withdrawal plan to a secondary address.
- 5. Redemptions greater than \$100,000.

- Any redemption check that is being mailed to a different address than the address of record.
- 7. Your account registration has changed within the last 30 days.

You should be able to obtain a medallion signature guarantee from a bank or trust company, credit union, broker-dealer, securities exchange or association, clearing agency or savings association, as defined by federal law.

REDEMPTION FEE. You will be charged a redemption fee of 2% of the value of the shares being redeemed if you redeem your shares of the Portfolio within 30 days of purchase. The redemption fee is paid directly to the Portfolio from which the redemption is made and is designed to offset brokerage commissions, market impact, and other costs associated with short-term trading. For purposes of determining whether the redemption fee applies, the shares that were held the longest will be redeemed first. The redemption fee will not apply to shares that are sold which have been acquired through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions paid by the Portfolio.

The following exchanges are exempt from the 2% redemption fee: (i) responses to the SaratogaSHARP® asset allocation program's allocations and reallocations and fees charged to participants in connection thereto; (ii) exchanges executed pursuant to asset allocation and automatic rebalancing programs and fees charged to participants in connection thereto, provided that such allocations, reallocations and exchanges do not occur more frequently than monthly and the applicable dealer provides the Trust's transfer agent with documents evidencing such; (iii) exchanges in employer sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) and profit sharing plans); and (iv) redemptions pursuant to systematic withdrawal plans.

Financial Intermediaries of omnibus accounts generally do not identify customers' trading activity to the Trust on an individual basis. Therefore, the ability to monitor redemptions made by the underlying shareholders in omnibus accounts is severely limited. Consequently, the Trust must rely on the Financial Intermediary to monitor redemptions within the Portfolio by the Financial Intermediary's customers and to collect the Portfolio's redemption fee from their customers. The Trust monitors enforcement by Financial Intermediaries, and if a Financial Intermediary fails to enforce the Trust's restrictions, the Trust may take certain actions, including termination of the relationship.

SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN. A systematic withdrawal plan (the "Withdrawal Plan") is available for shareholders. Any portfolio from which redemptions will be made pursuant to the Plan will be referred to as a "SWP Portfolio." The Withdrawal Plan provides for monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments in any amount not less than \$25, or in any whole percentage of the value of the SWP Portfolio 's shares, on an annualized basis. A shareholder may suspend or terminate participation in the Withdrawal Plan at any time. The Withdrawal Plan may be terminated or revised at any time by the Portfolio.

Withdrawal Plan payments should not be considered dividends, yields or income. If periodic Withdrawal Plan payments continuously exceed net investment income and net capital gains, the shareholder's original investment will be correspondingly reduced and ultimately exhausted. Each withdrawal constitutes a redemption of shares and any gain or loss realized must be recognized for federal income tax purposes. Shareholders should contact their dealer representative or the Trust for further information about the Withdrawal Plan.

REINSTATEMENT PRIVILEGE. A shareholder who has had his or her shares redeemed or repurchased and has not previously exercised this reinstatement privilege may, within 35 days after the date of the redemption or repurchase, reinstate any portion or all of the proceeds of such redemption or repurchase in shares of the Portfolio in the same Class from which such shares were redeemed or repurchased, at NAV next determined after a reinstatement request (made in writing to and approved by SCM), together with the proceeds, is received by the Transfer Agent.

INVOLUNTARY REDEMPTIONS. If the Portfolio is the only holding of a shareholder in the Trust, then due to the relatively high cost of maintaining small accounts, the Trust may redeem an account having a current value of \$1,000 or less as a result of redemptions, but not as a result of a fluctuation in the Portfolio's NAV after the shareholder has been given at least 30 days in which to increase the account balance to more than that amount. Involuntary redemptions may result in the liquidation of Portfolio holdings at a time when the value of those holdings is lower than the investor's cost of the investment or may result in the realization of taxable capital gains.

REDEMPTION-IN-KIND. If the Board of Trustees determines that it would be detrimental to the best interests of the Portfolio's shareholders to make a redemption payment wholly in cash, the Portfolio may pay, in accordance with rules adopted by the SEC, any portion of a redemption in excess of the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the Portfolio's net assets by a distribution-in-kind of readily marketable portfolio securities in lieu of cash. Redemptions failing to meet this threshold must be made in cash. Shareholders receiving distributions-in-kind of portfolio securities will be subject to market risks on the securities received, and may incur brokerage commissions when subsequently disposing of those securities.

EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE. Shares of the Portfolio may be exchanged without payment of any exchange fee for shares of another portfolio of the Trust of the same Class at their respective NAVs. Please refer to the Trust's Prospectus for the other portfolios with respect to the fees and expenses of investing in shares of the Trust's other portfolios. The Trust may in the future offer an exchange feature involving shares of an unaffiliated fund group subject to receipt of appropriate regulatory relief.

There are special considerations when you exchange Portfolio shares that are subject to a CDSC. When determining the length of time you held the shares and the corresponding CDSC rate, any period (starting at the end of the month) during which you held shares of the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund that does *not* charge a CDSC will not be counted. Thus, in effect the "holding period" for purposes of calculating the CDSC is frozen upon exchanging into a fund that does not charge a CDSC. In addition, shares that are exchanged into or from the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund subject to a higher CDSC rate will be subject to the higher rate, even if the shares are re-exchanged into the Portfolio or a Saratoga Fund with a lower CDSC rate.

An exchange of shares is treated for federal income tax purposes as a redemption (sale) of shares given in exchange by the shareholder, and an exchanging shareholder may, therefore, realize a taxable gain or loss in connection with the exchange. The exchange privilege is available to shareholders residing in any state in which Portfolio shares being acquired may be legally sold.

SCM reserves the right to reject any exchange request and the exchange privilege may be modified or terminated upon notice to shareholders in accordance with applicable rules adopted by the SEC.

With regard to redemptions and exchanges made by telephone, the Distributor and the Trust's Transfer Agent will request personal or other identifying information to confirm that the instructions received from shareholders or their account representatives are genuine. Calls may be recorded. If our lines are busy or you are otherwise unable to reach us by phone, you may wish to ask your investment representative for assistance or send us written instructions, as described elsewhere in this Prospectus. For your protection, we may delay a transaction or not implement one if we are not reasonably satisfied that the instructions are genuine. If this occurs, we will not be liable for any loss. The Distributor and the Transfer Agent also will not be liable for any losses if they follow instructions by phone that they reasonably believe are genuine or if an investor is unable to execute a transaction by phone.

# **DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS. The Portfolio intends to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code. As a regulated investment company, a portfolio generally pays no federal income tax on the income and gains it distributes to you. The Portfolio declares and pays dividends from net investment income, if any, quarterly. Distributions of net realized long-term and short-term capital gains, if any, earned by the Portfolio will be made annually. The Portfolio may distribute such income dividends and capital gains more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on the Portfolio, or should the Board of Trustees deem it to be in the best interest of shareholders. The amount of any distribution will vary, and there is no guarantee the Portfolio will pay either an income dividend or a capital gains distribution. Dividends derived from net investment income and distributions of net realized long and short-term capital gains paid by the Portfolio to a shareholder will be automatically reinvested (at current NAV) in additional shares of the Portfolio (which will be deposited in the shareholder's account) unless the shareholder instructs the Trust, in writing, to pay all dividends and distributions in cash. Shares acquired by dividend and distribution reinvestment will not be subject to any CDSC and will be eligible for conversion on a pro rata basis.

ANNUAL STATEMENTS. You will be sent annually a statement (IRS Form 1099-DIV) showing the taxable distributions paid to you in the previous calendar year, if any. The statement provides information on your dividends and capital gains for tax purposes. If any dividends are declared in October, November or December to shareholders of record in such months and paid in January of the following year, then such amounts will be treated for tax purposes as received by the shareholders on December 31 of the prior year. The Portfolio may reclassify income after your tax reporting statement is mailed to you. Prior to issuing your statement, the Portfolio makes every effort to search for reclassified income to reduce the number of corrected forms mailed to shareholders. However, when necessary, the Portfolio will send you a corrected Form 1099-DIV to reflect reclassified information.

AVOID "BUYING A DIVIDEND." At the time you purchase your Portfolio shares, a Portfolio's net asset value may reflect undistributed income, undistributed capital gains, or net unrealized appreciation in value of portfolio securities held by the Portfolio. For taxable investors, a subsequent distribution to you of such amounts, although constituting a return of your investment, would be taxable. For example, if you buy shares in the Portfolio shortly before it makes a distribution, you may receive some of your investment back in the form of a taxable distribution. This is known as "buying a dividend."

## TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following tax information in this Prospectus is provided as general information. You should consult your own tax professional about the tax consequences of an investment in the Trust. Unless your investment in the Trust is through a tax-deferred retirement account, such as a 401(k) plan or IRA, you need to be aware of the possible tax consequences when the Portfolio makes distributions and when you sell Portfolio shares, including an exchange to another portfolio.

TAXES ON DISTRIBUTIONS. In general, if you are a taxable investor, Portfolio distributions are taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gains or some combination of both, whether you take them in cash or reinvest them in Portfolio shares. The Portfolio's investment techniques, including use of covered call options, short-term trading strategies, and high portfolio turnover rate, may result in more of the Portfolio's income dividends and capital gains distributions being taxable to you at ordinary income tax rates than it would if it did not engage in such techniques.

For federal income tax purposes, any income dividend distributions and any short-term capital gain distributions are taxable to you as ordinary income. Any long-term capital gain distributions are taxable as long-term capital gains, no matter how long you have owned shares in the Trust. With respect to taxable years of the Portfolio beginning before January 1, 2013, unless such provision is extended or made permanent, certain ordinary income

dividends received by individuals may be taxed at the same rate as long-term capital gains if certain holding period and other requirements are satisfied. However, dividends paid to shareholders from the Portfolio's investments in U.S. REITs generally will not qualify for taxation at long-term capital gain rates applicable to qualified dividend income. Further, even if income received in the form of ordinary income dividends is taxed at the same rate as long-term capital gains, such income will not be considered long-term capital gains for other federal income tax purposes. For example, you generally will not be permitted to offset ordinary income dividends with capital losses when calculating your net capital gains or losses. Short-term capital gain distributions will continue to be taxed at ordinary income rates.

Because of "noncash" expenses such as property depreciation, the cash flow of a REIT that owns properties will exceed its taxable income. The REIT, and in turn the Portfolio, may distribute this excess cash to shareholders. Such a distribution is classified as a return of capital. Return-of capital distributions generally are not taxable to you. Your cost basis in your Portfolio shares will be decreased by the amount of any return of capital. Any return of capital distributions in excess of your cost basis will be treated as capital gains.

TAXES ON SALES. Your sale of Portfolio shares normally is subject to federal income tax and may result in a taxable gain or loss to you. Your exchange of Portfolio shares for shares of another portfolio is treated for tax purposes like a sale of your original Portfolio shares and a purchase of your new shares. Thus, the exchange may, like a sale, result in a taxable gain or loss to you and will give you a new tax basis for your new shares.

If a shareholder realizes a loss on the redemption or exchange of the Portfolio's shares and reinvests in that portfolio's shares or substantially identical shares within 30 days before or after the redemption or exchange, the transactions may be subject to the "wash sale" rules, resulting in a postponement of the recognition of such loss for tax purposes. The ability to deduct losses is subject to further limitations under the Code.

BACK-UP WITHHOLDING. By law, each Portfolio must withhold a portion of your taxable distributions and redemption proceeds unless you provide your correct social security number or taxpayer identification number, certify that this number is correct, certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, and certify that you are a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien). A Portfolio also must withhold if the IRS instructs it to do so. When withholding is required, the amount is currently 28% (scheduled to increase to 31% in 2013) of your taxable distributions or redemption proceeds.

OTHER. Portfolio distributions and gains from the sale or exchange of your Portfolio shares also may be subject to state and local taxes. If more than 50% of the Portfolio's assets are invested in foreign securities at the end of any fiscal year, the Portfolio may elect to permit shareholders to generally take a credit or deduction on their federal income tax return for foreign taxes paid by the Portfolio. In such a case shareholders would also need to include such foreign taxes in income. The Portfolio may derive "excess inclusion income" from certain equity interests in mortgage pooling vehicles either directly or through an investment in a U.S. REIT. Please see the SAI for a discussion of the risks and special tax consequences to shareholders in the event the Portfolio realizes excess inclusion income in excess of certain threshold amounts.

Non-U.S. investors may be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% or lower treaty rate and U.S. estate tax and are subject to special U.S. tax certification requirements to avoid backup withholding and claim any treaty benefits. Exemptions from U.S. withholding tax are provided for capital gain dividends paid by the Portfolio from long-term capital gains, if any, and, with respect to taxable years of the Portfolio that begin before January 1, 2012 (or a later date if extended by the U.S. Congress), interest-related dividends paid by the Portfolio from its qualified net interest income from U.S. sources and short-term capital gain dividends. However, notwithstanding such exemptions from U.S. withholding at the source, any such dividends and distributions of income and capital gains will be subject to backup withholding if you fail to properly certify that you are not a U.S. person.

This discussion of "Tax Consequences" is not intended or written to be used as tax advice. Because everyone's tax situation is unique, you should consult your tax professional about federal, state, local or foreign tax consequences before making an investment in the Portfolio.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The Manager, SCM and/or the Distributor may pay additional compensation (out of their own resources and not as an expense of the Portfolio) to selected affiliated or unaffiliated brokers or other service providers in connection with the sale, distribution, retention and/or servicing of the Portfolio's shares. Such compensation may be significant in amount and the prospect of receiving any such additional compensation may provide affiliated or unaffiliated entities with incentive to favor sales of the shares of the Portfolio over other investment options. Any such payments will not change the NAV of the price of the Portfolio's shares.

In addition, the Portfolio or its distributor may also make payments to financial intermediaries for certain administrative services, including record keeping, sub-accounting and sub-transfer agency of shareholder accounts pursuant to an administrative services agreement with the Fund and/or its agents. The fees payable by the Fund under this category of services are subject to certain limitations approved by the Board and, to the extent paid, will increase expenses of the Fund. These expenses are not separately identified in the fee table under the section titled "Fees and Expenses of the Portfolio" but rather are included within "Other Expenses" in the fee table.

## **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

**Investment Operations:** 

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Portfolio's financial performance of Class A and Class I shares for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2012 and for the period August 1, 2011 (inception of the Class A and Class I shares) through the fiscal year ended August 31, 2011, and of Class C shares for the period January 5, 2012 (inception of Class C) through the fiscal year ended August 31, 2012, which has been audited by Tait, Weller & Baker LLP, whose report, along with the Portfolio's financial statements are included in the Portfolio's August 31, 2012 annual report, which is available upon request. The financial highlights of the Predecessor Fund for the periods shown had been audited by a nationally recognized independent accounting firm, whose report along with the financial statements for the Predecessor Fund are included in the Predecessor Fund's December 31, 2011 Annual Report, which is available upon request (The Predecessor Fund did not offer Class I or Class C shares and, therefore, no financial highlights are included for Class I or Class C shares.) The total returns in the table represent the rate an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the Portfolio (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions).

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (For a share outstanding throughout each period)

	James Alpha Global Real Estate Investments Portfolio - Class A Shares			
		January 1,		October 26
	Year Ended	2011 to	Year Ended	2009 (1) to
	August 31,	August 31,	December 31,	December 31,
	August 31, 2012	2011	2010	2009
Net Asset Value,				
Beginning of Period	\$ 19.13	\$ 20.54	\$ 19.89	\$ 18.55
Income (Loss) from				

Net investment income (loss) (2) Net realized and	0.64	0.18	0.50	0.12
unrealized gain (loss)	3.10	(0.89)	2.98	1.32
Total from investment				
operations	3.74	(0.71)	3.48	1.44
Redemption	-	-	0.00	- **
fees			0.00	**
Dividends and Distributions: Dividends from net				
investment income Distributions	(0.23)	(0.70)	(1.20)	(0.10)
from realized gains Total	(0.78)		(1.63)	
dividends and distributions	(1.01)	(0.70)	(2.83)	(0.10)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$ 21.86	\$ 19.13	\$ 20.54	\$ 19.89
Total Return* Ratios and	23.38%	(3.72)%	18.08%	7.76%
Supplemental Data: Net assets, end of period				
(000s) Ratio of net operating	\$ 20,950	\$ 12,155	\$ 3,319	\$ 821
expenses to average net assets (4) Ratio of net	2.71%	(5) 2.75%	(3) 2.75%	2.75%
investment income (loss) to				
average net assets Portfolio	3.28%	1.56%	(3) 2.44%	5.20%
Turnover Rate	519%	284%	848%	206%

<sup>(1)</sup> Commencement of offering.

<sup>(2)</sup> Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>(4)</sup> Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to average daily net assets would have been as follows for the James Alpha Global Real Estate Investments Portfolio: 7.18% for the period ended August 31, 2011; 24.90% for the year ended December 31, 2010; and 321.65% for the period ended December 31, 2009.

- (5) During the year ended August 31, 2012 Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, recaptured previously waived/reimbursed expenses. The ratio of expenses to average net assets excluding the effect of any recapture was 2.55%.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized total return is shown for any period shorter than one year. Total return does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay or distributions or on the redemption of shares.
- \*\* Per share amount represents less than \$0.01 per share.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (For a share outstanding throughout each period)

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# Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period Income (Loss) from Investment Operations:

Net investment income (loss) (2) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) Total from investment operations

Redemption fees

#### **Dividends and Distributions:**

Dividends from net investment income Distributions from realized gains Total dividends and distributions

#### Net Asset Value, End of Period

# Total Return\* Ratios and Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000s)
Ratio of net operating expenses to
average net assets (4)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to
average net assets
Portfolio Turnover Rate

- (1) Commencement of offering.
- (2) Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.
- (3) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (4) Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to avera Real Estate Investments Portfolio: 3.27% for the period ended August 31, 2012.
- (5) During the year ended August 31, 2012 Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, recaptured previously waived/reimbursed expenses. The ratio 2.33%.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized) to not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (For a share outstanding throughout each period)

James Alpha Global Real Estate

# Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period Income (Loss) from Investment Operations:

Net investment income (loss) (2) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) Total from investment operations

#### **Dividends and Distributions:**

Dividends from net investment income Distributions from realized gains Total dividends and distributions

#### Net Asset Value, End of Period

# Total Return\* Ratios and Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period Ratio of net operating expenses to average net assets (4) Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets Portfolio Turnover Rate

- (1) Commencement of offering.
- (2) Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.
- (3) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (4) Before the application of any fees waived or reimbursed by Ascent Investment Advisors, LLC, the ratios of net operating expenses to ave James Alpha Global Real Estate Investments Portfolio: 4.33% for the period ended August 31, 2011.
- \* Assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not assume the effects of any sales charges. Aggregate (not annualized) to Total return does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

## Privacy Policy Notice for The Saratoga Advantage Trust

Rev. July 2011

FACTS	WHAT DOES THE SARATOGA ADVANTAGE TRUST DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?
Why?	Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.
What?	The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:  • Social Security number and wire transfer instructions • account transactions and transaction history • investment experience and purchase history  When you are <i>no longer</i> our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.

# How?

All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons The Saratoga Advantage Trust ("the Trust") choose to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does The Funds share?	Can you limit this sharing?
For our everyday business purposes - such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
<b>For our marketing purposes</b> - to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
For joint marketing with other financial companies	No	We don't share
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes - information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes - information about your creditworthiness	No	We don' t share
For our affiliates to market to you	No	We don't share
For nonaffiliates to market to you	No	We don' t share
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Who we are		
Who is providing this notice?	The Saratoga Advantage Trust	
What we do		
How does The Trust protect my personal information?	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. We restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information to provide products or services to you.	
How does The Trust collect my personal information?	We collect your personal information, for example, when you              open an account or deposit money             direct us to buy securities or direct us to sell your securities             seek information about your investments     We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.	
Why can' t I limit all sharing?	<ul> <li>Federal law gives you the right to limit only</li> <li>sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes-information about your creditworthiness</li> <li>affiliates from using your information to market to you</li> <li>sharing for non-affiliates to market to you</li> <li>State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.</li> </ul>	
Definitions		
Affiliates	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.  Our affiliates include financial companies such as Saratoga Capital Management.	
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.  The Trust does not share your personal information with nonaffiliates so they can market you.	
Joint marketing	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.	
	The Trust does not jointly market.	

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CLASS I SHARES (Ticker: JARIX) CLASS A SHARES (Ticker: JAREX) CLASS C SHARES (Ticker: JACRX)

#### **PROSPECTUS**

THE SARATOSA ADVANTAGE TRUST



Additional information about the Portfolio's investments will be available in the Trust's Annual and Semi-Annual Reports to Shareholders. In the Trust's Annual Report, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Portfolio's performance during its last fiscal year. The Trust's Statement of Additional Information also provides additional information about the Portfolio. The Statement of Additional Information is incorporated herein by reference (legally is part of this Prospectus). For a free copy of the Annual Report, the Semi-Annual Report or the Statement of Additional Information, to request other information about the Trust, or to make shareholder inquiries, please call: 1-(800) 807- FUND.

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