

# Micro Cap Value

## Investment Objective

The objective of the Ancora Micro Cap Strategy is capital appreciation. Our goal is to exceed the Russell Microcap Index over a period which encompasses a complete market cycle. Furthermore, we aspire to produce returns which are superior to the index on a risk adjusted basis. Our focus is on undervalued stocks with market capitalizations in the bottom two deciles of the overall market.

## Firm Overview

<b>AUM<sup>1</sup></b>	\$2.37B
<b>Founded</b>	2003
<b>Based</b>	Cleveland, OH
<b>Satellites</b>	Detroit, MI Naples, FL

## Strategy Overview

<b>Inception Date</b>	10/31/2008
<b>Benchmark</b>	Russell Microcap
<b>Strategy Assets</b>	\$42.61M

## Portfolio Management Team

<b>Michael Santelli, CFA</b>	Portfolio Manager
<b>Matt Scullen, CFA</b>	Portfolio Manager

## Risk Analytics - ITD<sup>2</sup>

<b>Standard Deviation</b>	23.92
<b>Annualized Alpha</b>	4.97
<b>Beta</b>	0.89
<b>R-Squared</b>	0.83
<b># Positive Quarters</b>	46
<b># Negative Quarters</b>	14
<b>Tracking Error</b>	10.34
<b>Information Ratio</b>	0.38
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>	0.57
<b>Upside Market Capture</b>	91.48
<b>Downside Market Capture</b>	66.88
<b>Batting Average</b>	0.50

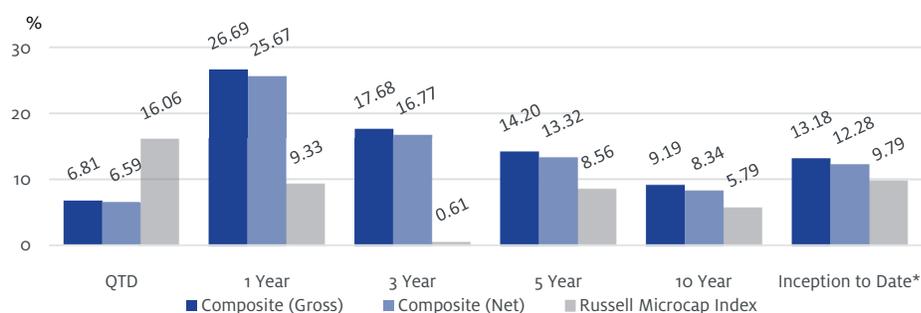
## Top 10 Equity Holdings

<b>Securities</b>	<b>Weight (%)</b>
Crawford & Company CRD-A	5.41
International Money Express, Inc.	4.04
Silvercrest Asset Management Group, Inc	3.83
Lakeland Industries, Inc.	3.31
LuxUrban Hotels, Inc.	3.18
Vaalco Energy, Inc.	3.10
Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc.	2.98
BG Staffing, Inc.	2.88
Richardson Electronics, Ltd.	2.78
Orion Group Holdings, Inc.	2.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>34.05</b>

## Investment Strategy

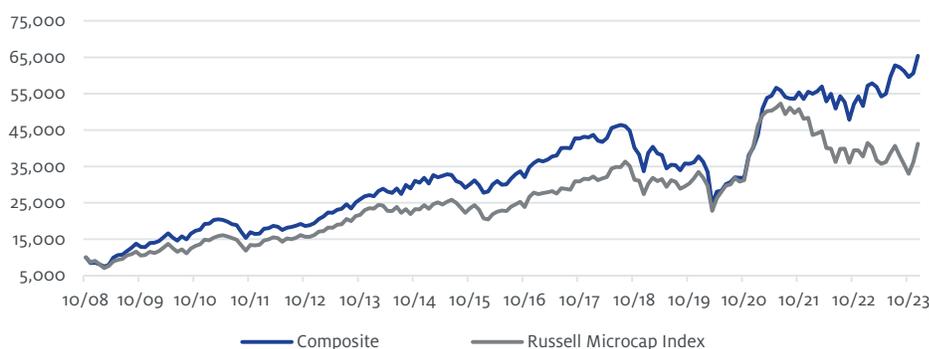
The strategy employed is to construct diversified portfolios of microcap companies which are undervalued based on our proprietary "normalized return" approach or which are undervalued based on asset valuation. In addition, portfolio companies will normally possess above average balance sheets, positive insider activity and an identified potential catalyst. Many of the stocks may be underfollowed and unloved by Wall Street which provide upward revaluation potential as earnings and P/E ratios return to normal.

## Performance



\*Represents annualized performance from inception of 10/31/2008  
Periods less than one year are not annualized  
Data as of 12/31/2023

## Growth of \$10K



Represents hypothetical growth based on gross performance from inception of 10/31/2008  
Data as of 12/31/2023

## Portfolio Characteristics<sup>3</sup>

<b>Secondary Equity Style Emphasis</b>	<b>Deep Value</b>
<b>Current Cash Position</b>	6.00%
<b>Current # of Holdings</b>	55
<b>Annual Turnover (LTM)</b>	38.13%
<b>Current Dividend Yield</b>	2.41%
<b>P/E (12 mo Trailing)</b>	18.53
<b>Current P/B</b>	1.29
<b>5 Year ROE</b>	7.04%
<b>Current Wgtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap (\$M)</b>	\$415
<b>Current Median Mkt. Cap (\$M)</b>	\$340

Portfolio Breakdown (%)



Data as of 12/31/2023  
 Portfolio weights are subject to change without notice  
 Due to rounding, values may not add up to 100%

The Adviser

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<sup>2</sup>Risk Analytics source: eVestment Alliance, using quarterly data

<sup>3</sup>Portfolio Characteristics source: Bloomberg

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**Micro Cap Value Composite**  
01/01/13 - 12/31/22

Year	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Net Return (%)	Benchmark Return (%)	3 Yr St Dev Composite (%)	3 Yr St Dev Benchmark (%)	Number of Portfolios	Dispersion (%)*	Composite Assets (\$M)	Firm Assets (\$M)
2013	39.76	38.79	45.62	14.94	17.09	4	N/A	46.22	1689.70
2014	17.51	16.62	3.65	12.77	14.31	4	N/A	54.56	2003.56
2015	-7.26	-8.02	-5.16	14.19	14.83	4	N/A	52.70	2005.18
2016	20.36	19.48	20.37	15.13	16.84	4	N/A	61.20	2049.70
2017	19.63	18.68	13.17	13.31	15.32	7	0.80	81.02	2495.31
2018	-20.94	-21.63	-13.08	15.34	17.02	8	1.64	66.69	2424.99
2019	12.17	11.28	22.43	17.00	16.42	6	0.22	46.97	2741.51
2020	6.28	5.47	20.96	27.36	26.66	4	N/A	28.79	3125.16
2021	38.39	37.34	19.34	27.35	25.89	5	N/A	24.61	3230.20
2022	-7.05	-7.75	-21.96	27.42	28.10	6	0.25	33.38	2237.58

Returns for Period:

1 Year	-7.05	-7.75	-21.96
5 Year	3.93	3.10	3.69
10 Year	10.27	9.42	8.86
Inception**	12.28	9.82	9.82

\*For those years when less than six portfolios were included in the composite for the full year, no dispersion measure is presented

\*\*Represents annualized performance since inception of 10/31/2008, time-weighted returns, periods less than one year are not annualized

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