



PORTFOLIO UPDATE

Institutional Small-Cap Stock Fund

As of September 30, 2020



Portfolio Manager:
Frank Alonso

Managed Fund Since:
2016

Joined Firm:
2000

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The fund seeks to provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in stocks of small companies.

FUND INFORMATION

Symbol	TRSSX
CUSIP	45775L309
Inception Date of Fund	March 31, 2000
Benchmark	Russell 2000 Index
Expense Information (as of the most recent Prospectus)	0.67%
Fiscal Year End	December 31
12B-1 Fee	-

MARKET COMMENTARY

U.S. equities endured their first monthly losses since March. As measured by various Russell indexes, growth stocks outperformed value stocks among small- and mid-caps, while value did better than growth among large-caps. Within the S&P 500 Index, the energy, communication services, and information technology sectors underperformed, while materials and utilities were the only sectors to display positive returns, albeit modest ones.

Equities declined during the month as the continued gridlock in Washington over another potential round of stimulus and the controversy over replacing Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg weighed on the market. Investors appeared particularly concerned about the lack of additional aid for fiscally strained states and municipalities, while news on potential coronavirus vaccines as well as fears over a second wave of the virus in Europe were also important drivers of sentiment. The month's economic data generally pointed to a continuing, but slowing, recovery. Declines in weekly jobless claims stalled, although gauges of consumer confidence rose sharply. Manufacturing data largely came in better than expected, but the service sector continued to struggle with cautious consumers. Housing remained the bright spot in the economy, with new home sales reaching their highest level since September 2006.

Investors face an exceptionally uncertain environment in the final months of 2020. While the economic recovery is continuing, its pace appears to be slowing considerably, and most observers agree that some additional stimulus will be needed to speed the recovery. However, not all "risks" are to the downside. Firms and individuals continue to benefit from record-low interest rates, and many consumers appear to have the wherewithal to increase spending as they grow more confident. The biggest boost to confidence, of course, would come from a successful coronavirus vaccine, as well as effective and widely available treatment options. The timing of a commercial rollout of a vaccine and what proportion of the population will choose to take it remain open questions for investors.

PERFORMANCE

(NAV, total return)

	One Month	Three Months	Year-to-Date	One Year	Annualized			
					Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	Fifteen Years
Institutional Small-Cap Stock Fund	-1.38%	8.32%	0.20%	7.69%	10.38%	13.40%	13.80%	10.36%
Russell 2000 Index	-3.34	4.93	-8.69	0.39	1.77	8.00	9.85	7.03

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RISK RETURN CHARACTERISTICS

(Five Years ended September 30, 2020)

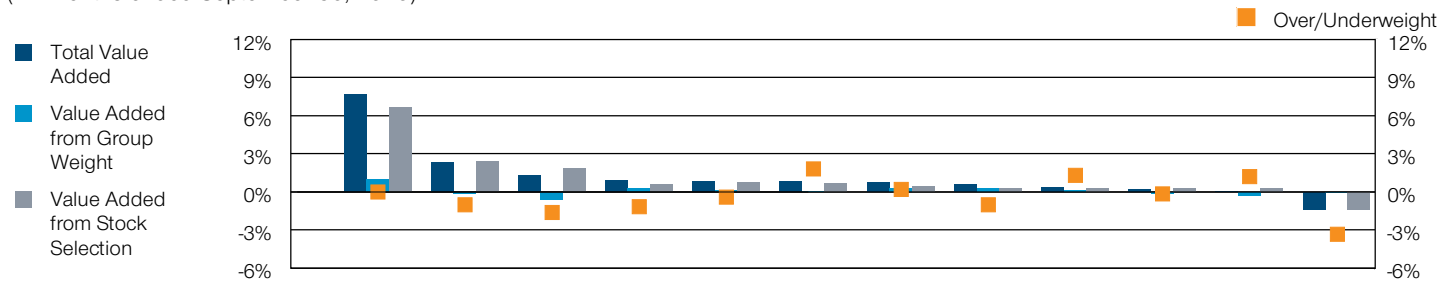
	Active Share* (as of 9/30/20)	Annualized Std. Deviation	Alpha	Beta	R-Squared	Information Ratio	Sharpe Ratio	Tracking Error
Institutional Small-Cap Stock Fund	87.3%	17.85%	5.64%	0.88	0.97	1.38	0.68	3.91%
Russell 2000 Index	-	19.91	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.34	0.00

* Active Share is a snapshot in time as of the indicated date.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures are calculated using monthly data and are net of fees.

SECTOR ATTRIBUTION DATA VS. RUSSELL 2000 INDEX

(12 months ended September 30, 2020)



	Total	Info Tech	Health Care	Real Estate	Comm Svcs	Indust & Bus Svcs	Energy	Financials	Consumer Staples	Materials	Utilities	Consumer Disc
Over/Underweight	0.00%	-0.96%	-1.61%	-1.14%	-0.37%	1.86%	0.24%	-0.96%	1.33%	-0.11%	1.26%	-3.32%
Fund Performance	8.10	35.00	50.77	-10.20	25.77	6.36	-44.99	-22.30	17.00	-1.62	-16.97	3.02
Index Performance	0.39	11.99	36.79	-20.23	-16.27	1.73	-52.81	-24.03	9.73	-7.48	-21.57	13.80
Value Add - Group Weight	1.03	-0.08	-0.60	0.30	0.12	0.09	0.35	0.29	0.11	-0.06	-0.23	0.00
Value Add - Stock Selection	6.68	2.42	1.89	0.62	0.77	0.73	0.45	0.34	0.25	0.26	0.32	-1.37
Total Contribution	7.71	2.34	1.29	0.92	0.89	0.83	0.80	0.63	0.36	0.20	0.09	-1.37

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TOP 10 ISSUERS

Comprising 12.4% of total net assets.

	Industry	% of Fund
Boston Beer	Beverages	1.8%
Quidel	Health Care Equip & Supplies	1.4
Entegris	Semicons & Semicon Equip	1.3
FirstService	Real Estate Mgmt & Dev	1.3
Molina Healthcare	Health Care Providers & Svcs	1.2
Cable One	Media	1.1
Burlington Stores	Specialty Retail	1.1
Catalent	Pharmaceuticals	1.1
Clarivate	Professional Services	1.1
Lattice Semiconductor	Semicons & Semicon Equip	1.1

Issuers are as of the date indicated and are subject to change.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Institutional Small-Cap Stock Fund	Russell 2000 Index
Number of Issuers	285	2,011
Investment Weighted Median Market Cap (mm)	\$4,207	\$2,112
Price to Earnings (12 Months Forward)* ° †	30.3X	27.5X
Price to Book°	4.1X	2.8X
Projected Earnings Growth Rate (3 - 5 Years)* ° †	11.8%	10.0%
Return on Equity (Last 12 Months excl. charges)°	9.0%	7.2%
Top 20 Issuers as Percent of Total	21.9%	6.8%
Total Assets (all share classes)	5,044,471,052	-
Percent of Portfolio in Cash	1.3%	-

°Investment Weighted Median.

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†Based on the fund's underlying holdings and is not a projection of future portfolio performance.

SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION

	Indust &										
	Health Care	Bus Svcs	Financials	Info Tech	Cons Disc	Real Estate	Cons Stpls	Utilities	Materials	Energy	Comm Svcs
Institutional Small-Cap Stock Fund	20.3%	17.0%	13.9%	13.8%	11.0%	5.5%	5.0%	4.3%	3.9%	2.2%	1.9%
Russell 2000 Index	21.5	15.1	14.8	13.6	13.5	6.6	3.4	3.2	4.0	1.9	2.3
Over/Underweight	-1.2	1.9	-0.9	0.2	-2.4	-1.1	1.5	1.0	-0.1	0.2	-0.4

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