

# SMID Equity Growth



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As of December 31, 2019

## Performance

(%)*	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>SMID Composite (Gross of Fees)</b>	26.8	(1.8)	37.6	4.5	0.4	3.8	46.0	25.9	7.5	41.0
<b>SMID Composite (Net of Fees)</b>	25.8	(2.6)	36.5	3.6	(0.5)	3.0	44.8	24.9	6.7	40.0
<b>Russell 2500 Growth Index</b>	32.7	(7.5)	24.5	9.7	(0.2)	7.1	40.7	16.1	(1.6)	28.9

## Annualized Performance

(%)*	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7 Yrs	10 Yrs
<b>SMID Composite (Gross of Fees)</b>	26.8	19.7	12.5	15.4	17.9
<b>SMID Composite (Net of Fees)</b>	25.8	18.7	11.5	14.4	17.0
<b>Russell 2500 Growth Index</b>	32.7	15.2	10.8	14.1	14.0

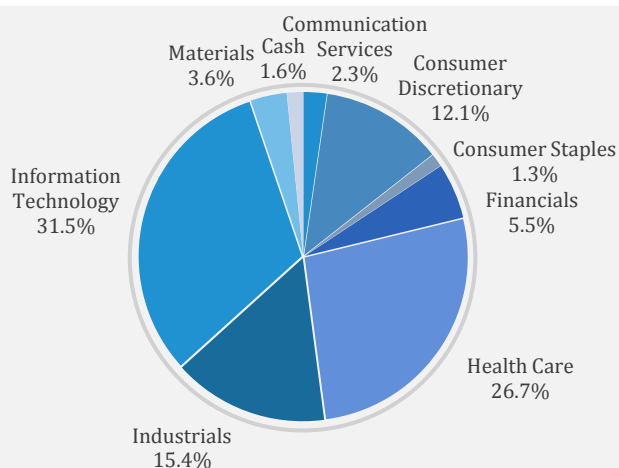
## Portfolio Characteristics\*

Weighted Avg. Mkt Cap (\$ Million)	8,402
Median Market Cap (\$ Million)	5,469
P/E Ratio (Next 12 Months)	30.1x
Est 3-5 Yr EPS Growth (%)	16.5

## Top Ten Holdings\*

DexCom Inc.	Clean Harbors Inc.
RingCentral, Inc.	Burlington Stores Inc.
Inspire Medical Systems	Keysight Technologies
SVB Financial Group	EXACT Sciences Corp.
Crown Holdings Inc.	CONMED Corp.

## Sector Diversification\*



Source: FactSet using GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) Categories.

\* Composite portfolio holdings held as of 12/31/2019. Holdings identified do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended for CCI's advisory clients. You should not assume that any investment has been or will be profitable. Information should not be construed as a recommendation for or against any security, subsector or financial product. Data provided as supplemental information only and complements the composite presentation in the Performance Footnotes section of this presentation.

## Profile

Company Established in 1975

SMID Product Inception October, 2003

Affiliated with Principal Global Investors

Portfolio Manager: Christopher T. Corbett, CFA

Portfolio Manager: Clifford G. Fox, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager: Michael Iacono, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager: Marc R. Shapiro

Firmwide Assets: \$2.4 Billion

## Portfolio Construction\*

Portfolios Typically Hold 60 to 90 Issues

Top Ten Holdings Normally Represent 25-35%

Minimum Initial Investment 0.5%

Maximum Holding Size 5%

Diversified by Sectors as well as Themes (a Group of Stocks Related by a Common Driver)

Diversified Across at Least Eight Themes

Maximum Theme Exposure of 25%

Maximum Sector Exposure the greater of 25% or +10% over Index

## Investment Objective

This strategy's objective is to seek long-term capital appreciation and outperform our peers and the Russell 2500 Growth Index over a market cycle by investing in a diversified SMID growth portfolio.

## Strategy

SMID growth portfolios are managed using CCI's **Positive Momentum & Positive Surprise** investment philosophy. This philosophy is based on the belief that *positive momentum* in a company's progress plus *positive surprise* in reported results produces rising stock prices. Simply, when a company is experiencing positive fundamental change in business momentum and is exceeding investor expectations, growth rates will accelerate. This strategy leads to participation in strong secular trends which provide an ideal backdrop for positive momentum and results. The composition of portfolios evolves as holdings are rotated toward areas of high growth and positive surprise.

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## Columbus Circle Investors SMID Equity Growth Composite Annual Disclosure Presentation

Year End	Total Firm Assets (Millions)	Composite Assets		Annual Performance Results (%)					
		USD (Millions)	Number of Accounts	Composite Gross	Composite Net	Russell 2500 Growth	Composite 3 Yr St Dev	Benchmark 3 Yr St Dev	Composite Dispersion
2019	2,370	1,107	23	26.81	25.76	32.65	17.8	15.9	0.2
2018	3,615	984	23	(1.77)	(2.60)	(7.47)	16.9	15.3	0.1
2017	5,473	1,054	23	37.62	36.50	24.46	13.9	13.0	0.2
2016	8,024	919	27	4.47	3.58	9.73	16.2	14.7	0.2
2015	13,659	1,255	35	0.39	(0.46)	(0.19)	14.9	13.3	0.2
2014	15,964	1,025	30	3.84	2.95	7.05	13.5	12.5	0.1
2013	16,795	902	20	45.97	44.75	40.65	16.1	16.5	0.1
2012	14,493	223	9	25.85	24.93	16.13	19.2	19.8	N.A.
2011	14,264	101	Five or fewer	7.49	6.71	(1.57)	20.7	22.9	N.A.
2010	15,754	53	Five or fewer	41.01	39.98	28.86			N.A.

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

### Performance Footnotes

**SMID Growth Composite** contains fully discretionary SMID cap growth accounts and for comparison purposes is measured against the Russell 2500 Growth Index. The minimum account size for this composite is \$1 Million. Composite assets were \$1.1 billion as of December 31, 2019. Performance results presented in prior page through period ended December 31, 2019 are final. CCI's SMID Cap Growth Composite (net of fees) for year to date is 25.76% versus the Russell 2500 Growth Index return of 32.65%. These net of fees results are calculated by subtracting the highest advisory fee charged by CCI. Results have not been examined for period ended December 31, 2019. Columbus Circle Investors claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Columbus Circle Investors has been independently verified for the periods January 1, 1998 through September 30, 2019. Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. The SMID Growth composite has been examined for the periods October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2019. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request. The SMID Growth strategy invests primarily in stocks within the market capitalization range of the Russell 2500 Growth Index. The portfolios are a combination of the highest conviction names in our small and mid cap strategies and targets small to mid size businesses providing new technologies, products or services. Such companies often possess stronger price appreciation potential than larger companies. Portfolios are constructed with 60 to 90 holdings, and are diversified across sectors and themes subject to risk control exposure limits. The goal for the portfolios is to outperform the Index over a market cycle. The benchmark is the Russell 2500 Growth Index. Columbus Circle Investors is a registered investment adviser and an independently managed affiliate of Principal Global Investors, LLC. The firm maintains a complete list and description of composites, which is available upon request. Results are based on fully discretionary accounts under management, including those accounts no longer with the firm. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The U.S. Dollar is the currency used to express performance. Returns are presented gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Net of fee performance was calculated using 85 basis points, applied monthly, which is the highest management fee paid by any account in the composite. Prior to January 1, 2013, the net of fee amount was calculated using the highest fee of 75 basis points. The annual composite dispersion presented is an asset-weighted standard deviation calculated for the accounts in the composite the entire year. Policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations are available upon request. As of January 1, 2011 accounts with significant cash flows of 25% or more of market value are removed from the composite for the month in which the cash flow occurred. Prior to this, periods from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2010 accounts with significant cash flows of 50% or more of market value were removed from the composite. Accounts will be re-included in the composite the next full month. Information regarding the treatment of significant cash flows is available upon request. Compliance with (GIPS®) has been verified firmwide by ACA Performance Services, LLC for periods of April 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019 and by Ashland Partners & Company LLP from January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2017. Prior to January 1, 2004 performance results have been examined by a predecessor firm. The management fee schedule is as follows: 0.85% on the first \$50 million and 0.75% above \$50 million in assets. Actual investment advisory fees incurred by clients may vary. The SMID Growth Composite was created October 1, 2003. Composite performance results are presented as an asset weighted average.

### Description of Comparative Index

The Russell 2500 Growth Index measures the performance of the small to mid-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 2500 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Russell 2500 Growth Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer of the small to mid-cap growth market. The Index is completely reconstituted annually to ensure larger stocks do not distort the performance and characteristics of the true small to mid-cap opportunity set and that the represented companies continue to reflect growth characteristics.