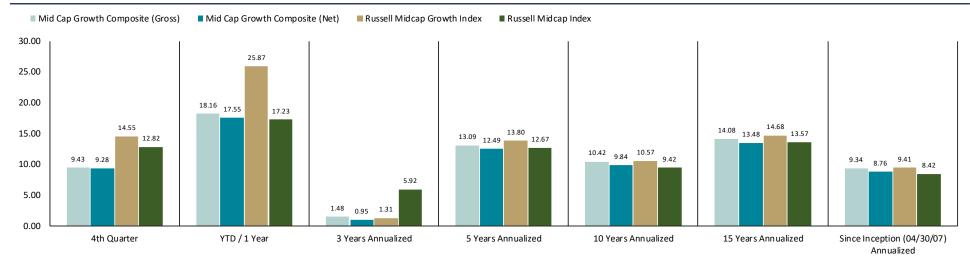
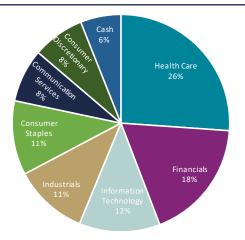
# $M_{C}$ Mid Cap Growth Strategy

## **Composite Performance**



### **Sector Allocation**



# Top 10 Holdings

% of Total Equity Assets

	Splunk Inc.	5.1
2	ICON Plc	4.6
3	Humana Inc.	4.4
4	Take-Tw o Interactive Softw are, Inc.	4.2
	Workday, Inc. Cl A	4.2
6	Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.	4.2
	Copart, Inc.	4.1
	Primo Water Corporation	4.1
9	Alcon AG	4.1
10	Pinterest, Inc. Cl A	4.1

### **Investment Strategy & Process**

The Mid Cap Growth strategy utilizes Montag & Caldwell's time-tested equity investment process and discipline to identify mid-cap stocks that offer compelling combinations of earnings growth and attractive valuation. We define mid-caps as those companies with a market capitalization at the time of acquisition within a range of the market capitalization of companies constituting the Russell Midcap Growth Index. We favor companies with leading franchises, proven management teams, strong finances, and attractive long-term secular growth characteristics. Specific investment decisions regarding purchases, sales, and security weightings are based on the consensus of the Investment Policy Group, which includes all portfolios managers and research analysts. The resulting portfolio is concentrated among the high-quality, mid-cap growth stocks representing our best ideas. Portfolio risk is managed through balanced diversification and a strict sell discipline.

As of 12/31/2023

#### Source: FactSet

Sector allocation and top ten holdings from an actual separately managed account representative of Montag & Caldwell's Mid Cap Growth strategy.

Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. The Mid Cap Growth Composite reflects all discretionary separately managed accounts eligible for inclusion in the Composite for the periods shown. Composite total returns, including unrealized and realized gains plus income, are used (including reinvestment of all dividends and other earnings). The M&C Mid Cap Growth Composite included a non-fee-paying account from inception through October 31, 2007, which monthly periods have now been reduced by a model her effecting the highest historical annual management fee among the Composite's membership. Net of fee reflexts of the M&C Mid Cap Growth Composite included a non-fee-paying account from inception through October 31, 2007, which monthly periods have now been reduced by a model for which mosile of neutrino account from inception through October 31, 2007, which monthly periods have now been reduced by a model for which composite of actual fees. The benchmark indices are unmanaged. The reinvestment of all dividends, interest of other M&C Mid Cap Growth Composite otherwise reflect the deduction of actual fees. The benchmark indices are unmanaged. The reinvestor cannot invest directly in the benchmark indices. Performance sourced from M&C's portfolio accounting system. References to specific portfolio securities are not intended as recommendations of those securities and carry no implications about past or future performance. Additional disclosures and information follow at the end of this report.

# **Mid Cap Growth Strategy**

Portfolio Characteristi	About the Team					
	M&C Mid Cap Growth Representative Account	Russell Midcap Growth Index	Russell Midcap Index	Decision-Making: Team Consensus		
Number of Holdings	29	333	814	<b>Composition:</b> Both Portfolio Managers & Research Analysts		
P/E - Next 12 Months	20.90	19.42	15.81			
5 Year Average ROE	14.96	18.34	14.28			
Long-term Debt to Capital	36.93	53.49	47.35	Number of Investment Professionals: 9 Average Years Tenure with Firm: (As of 2023) 29		
Est 3-5 Year EPS Growth	11.50	21.60	13.00			
Weighted Average Market Cap	\$34,750 MM	\$28,052 MM	\$24,492 MM			
Median Market Cap	\$27,362 MM	\$11,986 MM	\$10,321 MM			
Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)	7.30	13.00	9.81			
Active Share	91.50			20		
Turnover (12 Months)	24%			Average Years Industry Experience:		
Source: Portfolio Accounting System & FactSet. M&C Mid Cap Growth portfolio characteristics from an actual	(As of 2023) 39					

#### **Risk Metrics**

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	M&C Mid Cap Growth Composite (Gross)	M&C Mid Cap Growth Composite (Net)	Russell Midcap Growth Index	Montag & Caldwell, LLC
Alpha	1.14	0.61	0.00	3455 Peachtree Road NE
Beta	0.88	0.88	0.98	Suite 1500 Atlanta, GA 30326-4202
Sharpe Ratio	0.56	0.53	0.54	Allanta, GA 30326-4202 Phone: (800) 458-5868
Standard Deviation	19.94	19.93	22.30	www. Montag.com

Source: National Consulting Firm.

Return-based risk metrics for five years use monthly returns.

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The Mid Cap Growth Composite results were obtained using a mid cap growth equity strategy. The Composite represents the performance of all fee-paying and non-fee paying, discretionary, taxable and tax-exempt, mid cap growth equity portfolios. Effective May 2010, the minimum market value threshold of \$1 million on this Composite was removed as it was not considered meaningful given the number of accounts invested in the mid cap growth strategy. The change does not affect the interpretation of historical results. Prior to May 2010, all mid cap growth equity accounts invested in the mid cap growth strategy. The change does not affect the interpretation of historical results. Prior to May 2010, all mid cap growth equity accounts invested in the mid cap growth strategy. The change does not affect the interpretation of historical results. Prior to May 2010, all mid cap growth equity accounts invested in the expansion policy had values in excess of \$1 million. From inception through October 31, 2007, 100% of this Composite's assets were from a non-fee paying portfolios. Valuations are computed and performance is denominated in U.S. dollars, based on trade-date valuations and include all transaction costs.

The Russell Midcap and the Russell Midcap Growth Indices are unmanaged indices commonly used as benchmarks to measure mid-cap manager performance and characteristics. The reinvestment of dividends and other distributions is assumed. An investor cannot invest directly in an index.

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