# Large-Cap Sustainable Value

STRATEGY FACT SHEET

Fourth Quarter 2023



#### WHY INVEST IN BROWN ADVISORY LARGE-CAP SUSTAINABLE VALUE?

The strategy seeks to achieve competitive riskadjusted returns over a full market cycle while providing a margin of safety over time by investing in a concentrated portfolio of companies that we believe have proven durable fundamental strengths, exhibit capital discipline, attractive valuation and a Sustainable Cash Flow Advantage (SCFA).

Portfolio Manager, Michael Poggi, seeks strategy differentiation through a targeted researchintensive approach that is focused on uncovering what we believe to be attractive investments that meet our sustainability-related and "value" criteria.

Benchmark: Russell 1000® Value Index

Our managers and investment team have extensive large-cap, value, and sustainable investing backgrounds that support our unique research-intensive approach. We

believe integrating fundamental and sustainable investment research adds an informational edge that helps us identify high quality investments with Sustainable Cash Flow Advantages versus their competitors.

Portfolio Manager: Michael	l Poggi, CFA	

#### PERFORMANCE (% AS OF 12/31/2023)

	1 MOS.	QTD	1 YR.	ITD (09/30/2022)
Large-Cap Sustainable Value Composite (Gross of Fees)	6.12	10.21	16.09	22.29
Large-Cap Sustainable Value Composite (Net of Fees)	6.07	10.05	15.40	21.56
Russell 1000® Value Index	5.54	9.50	11.46	19.78

### TOP 10 PORTFOLIOHOLDINGS (%)

Ferguson Plc	4.8
T-Mobile US, Inc.	4.0
CRH public limited company	3.9
Comcast Corporation Class A	3.9
Constellation Energy Corporation	3.8
Fidelity National Information Services, Inc.	3.7
Bank of America Corp	3.5
Unilever PLC Sponsored ADR	3.5
Wyndham Hotels & Resorts, Inc.	3.2
Schlumberger N.V.	3.1

SECTOR BREAKDOWN(%)	REP. ACCT	INDEX
Communication Services	11.5	4.7
Consumer Discretionary	7.0	5.2
Consumer Staples	5.5	7.9
Energy	6.1	7.8
Financials	17.3	21.8
Health Care	16.1	14.6
Industrials	14.2	13.9
Information Technology	12.6	9.5
Materials	4.0	4.9
Real Estate	1.8	5.0
Utilities	3.9	4.8

#### STRATEGY PROFILE AS OF 12/31/2023

#### **BENCHMARK**

Russell1000® Value Index

#### **VEHICLES AVAILABLE**

Separately Managed Account (SMA) Mutual Fund

#### CHARACTERISTICS AS OF 12/31/2023

	REP. ACCT.	RUSSELL 1000® VALUE INDEX
Weighted Avg. Market Cap.	\$111.8B	\$139.0B
Weighted Median Market Cap.	\$50.4B	\$74.1B
Earnings Growth (3-5 Yr. Est.)	3.0%	8.3%
P/E Ratio (FY2 Est.)	14.0x	14.8x
Portfolio Turnover (YTD)	13.1%	

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGER PROFILES**

#### MICHAEL W. POGGI, CFA

Michael Poggi, is the portfolio manager for the Brown Advisory Large-Cap Sustainable Value strategy. He joined Brown Advisory in 2003 as an equity research analyst and has covered multiple sectors with a primary focus on small and mid-capitalization value companies. For the past 13 years, Mike has also been dedicated to the Small-Cap Fundamental Value strategy as an associate portfolio manager while covering the industrial, material and energy sectors.

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We follow a philosophy that low-turnover, concentrated portfolios derived fromsound bottom-up fundamental research provide an opportunity for attractive performance results over time. We have a culture and firm equity ownership structure that help us attract and retain professionals who share those beliefs, and we follow a repeatable investment process that helps us stay true to our philosophy.

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### Brown Advisory Large-Cap Fundamental Value

2022**	10.8	10.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	Fiver or fewer	N/A	11	58,575
Year	Composite Total Gross Returns (%)	Composite Total Net Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Composite 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Portfolios in Composite at End of Year	Composite Dispersion(%)	Composite Assets (\$USD Millions)*	GIPS Firm Assets (\$USD Millions)*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Return is for period October 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

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- The Large-Cap Sustainable Value Composite (the Composite) includes all discretionary portfolios invested in the Large-Cap Sustainable Value strategy. The Large-Cap Sustainable Value strategy aims to invest in the equity securities of high-quality large-sized companies that have attractive and durable free cash flow yields, favorable capital structures, strong capital discipline, and which are listed or traded on the U.S. markets and exchanges. The minimum market value required for Composite inclusion is \$1.5 million.
- Sustainable investment considerations are one of multiple informational inputs into the investment process, alongside data on traditional financial factors, and so are not the sole driver of decision making. Sustainable investment analysis may not be performed for every holding in the strategy. Sustainable investment considerations that are material will vary by investment style, sector/industry, market trends and client objectives. The Large-Cap Sustainable Value Strategy ("Strategy") seeks to identify companies that it believes may be desirable based on our analysis of sustainable investment related risks and opportunities, but investors may differ in their views. As a result, the Strategy may invest in companies that do not reflect the beliefs and values of any particular investor. The Strategy may also invest in companies that would otherwise be excluded from other strategies that focus on sustainable investment risks. Security selection will be impacted by the combined focus on sustainable investment research assessments and fundamental research assessments including the return forecasts. The Strategy incorporates data from third parties in its research process but does not make investment decisions based on third-party data alone. The Composite creation date is November 30, 2022. The Composite inception date is October 1, 2022.
- The benchmark is the Russell 1000® Value Index. The Russell 1000® Value Index measures the performance of the large-cap value segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000 companies with lower price-tobook ratios and lower expected and historical growth rates. The Russell 1000® Value Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer for the large-cap value segment. The Index is completely reconstituted annually to ensure new and growing equities are included and that the represented companies continue to reflect value characteristics. The Russell 1000® Value Index and Russell® are trademarks/service marks of the London Stock Exchange Group companies. An investor cannot invest directly into an index. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers.
- Composite dispersion is an equal-weighted standard deviation of portfolio gross returns calculated for the accounts in the Composite for the entire calendar year period. The composite dispersion is not applicable (N/A) for periods where there were five or fewer accounts in the Composite for the entire period.

  Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management fees but after all trading commissions, and gross of foreign withholding taxes (if applicable). Net-of-fees performance returns are calculated by adjusting the
- gross-of-fees performance return by the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV, applied on a monthly basis. Certain accounts in the Composite may pay asset-based custody fees that nclude commissions. For these accounts, gross returns are also net of custody fees. Other expenses can reduce returns to investors. The standard management fee schedule is as follows: 0.60% on the first \$25 million; 0.50% on the next \$25 million; and 0.40% on the next \$50 million. Further information regarding investment advisory fees is described in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. Actual fees paid by accounts in the Composite may differ from the current fee schedule.
- Effective July 1, 2023, the firm transitioned from using actual account fees in the calculation of net performance returns to applying the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. The net  $performance \, track \, record \, was \, revised \, back \, to \, Composite \, inception.$
- The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period ended on December 31. The 3 year annualized standard deviation is not presented as of December 31, 2022 because 36 month returns for the Composite were not available (N/A).
- Valuations and performance returns are computed and stated in U.S. Dollars. All returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings.
- 11. 12. A complete list of composite descriptions and broad distribution and limited distribution pooled funds is available upon request. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.
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