

## **Multifactor Funds**

March 1, 2021

				Ticker	Symbol By	/ Class			
Fund	<u>A</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C1</u>	M	<u>P</u>	<u>R6</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Y</u>
Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund	RTDAX	RTDCX	RTDOX	RTDTX	RSSMX	RTDRX	RTDSX	RSSEX	RTDYX
Multifactor International Equity Fund	RTIAX	RTICX	RTIFX	RTITX	RSJMX	RTIRX	RTISX	RSJAX	RTIYX
Multifactor Bond Fund	RMHAX	RMHCX	RMHOX	RMHTX	RMHPX	RMHRX	RMHSX	RMHHX	RMHYX

Class C1 Shares, Class P Shares and Class T Shares are not currently being offered to investors and are not available for sale in any state.

Beginning January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Funds' annual and semi-annual shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports from the Funds or your financial intermediary, such as your investment adviser, broker-dealer, bank or insurance company. Instead, the reports will be made available on a website, and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

If you already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. If supported by your financial intermediary, you may elect to receive shareholder reports and other Fund communications from your financial intermediary electronically. Please contact your financial intermediary for more information.

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#### **RISK/RETURN SUMMARY**

## MULTIFACTOR U.S. EQUITY FUND

## **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The following tables describe the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold Shares of the Fund. In addition to the fees and expenses described below, you may also be required to pay brokerage commissions on purchases and sales of Class S Shares of the Fund. You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in Russell Investments Funds. In addition, certain Financial Intermediaries (as defined below in the Additional Information section) may impose different sales loads and waivers. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and in the Front-End Sales Charges and More About Deferred Sales Charges sections and Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers and Discounts, beginning on pages 58, 61 and 85, respectively, of the Prospectus, and in the Purchase, Exchange and Redemption of Fund Shares section, beginning on page 17, of the Fund's Statement of Additional Information. Please see the Expense Notes section of the Fund's Prospectus for further information regarding expenses of the Fund.

#### Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

		Class C, M,		
	Class A	<b>P, R6, S, Y</b>	Class C1	Class T
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of				
offering price)	5.75%	None	None	2.50%
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load)*	1.00%	None	1.00%	None
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends	None	None	None	None

The Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) is charged on the lesser of the purchase price of the Shares being redeemed or the net asset value of those Shares at the time of redemption.

## Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)#

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	T	Y
Advisory Fee	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%
Distribution (12b-1) Fees (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C1 Shares)	0.25%	0.75%	1.00%	None	None	None	None	0.25%	None
Other Expenses (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C Shares)	0.32%	0.57%	0.32%	0.32%	0.17%	0.17%	0.32%	0.32%	0.12%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.87%	1.62%	1.62%	0.62%	0.47%	0.47%	0.62%	0.87%	0.42%
Less Fee Waivers and Expense Reimbursements	(0.07)%	(0.07)%	(0.07)%	(0.22)%	(0.09)%	(0.09)%	(0.07)%	(0.07)%	(0.07)%
Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.80%	1.55%	1.55%	0.40%	0.38%	0.38%	0.55%	0.80%	0.35%

<sup>#</sup> Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investment Management, LLC has contractually agreed to waive up to the full amount of its advisory fee and then to reimburse the Fund for other direct Fund-level expenses to the extent such direct Fund-level expenses exceed 0.35% of the average daily net assets of the Fund on an annual basis. This waiver and reimbursement may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval. Direct Fund-level expenses do not include 12b-1 fees, shareholder services fees, transfer agency fees, infrequent and/or unusual expenses, or the expenses of other investment companies in which the Fund invests which are borne indirectly by the Fund.

Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investments Fund Services, LLC has contractually agreed to waive 0.15% of its transfer agency fees for Class M Shares and 0.02% of its transfer agency fees for Class P and Class R6 Shares. These waivers may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Other Expenses," "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" and "Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses" have been restated to reflect expenses expected to be incurred by the Fund.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Other Expenses" for Class C1, Class P and Class T Shares are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year as these Share Classes did not have any assets during the most recent fiscal year.

## **Example**

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes your investment has a 5% return each year and that operating expenses remain the same. The calculation of costs for the one year period takes into account the effect of any current contractual fee waivers and/or reimbursements. The calculation of costs for the remaining periods takes such fee waivers and/or reimbursements into account only for the first year of the periods.

Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, under these assumptions your costs would be:

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	T	Y
1 Year	\$ 652	\$ 158	\$ 258	\$ 41	\$ 39	\$ 39	\$ 56	\$ 330	\$ 36
3 Years	\$ 830	\$ 504	\$ 504	\$176	\$142	\$142	\$191	\$ 514	\$128
5 Years	\$1,023	\$ 875	\$ 875	\$324	\$254	\$254	\$339	\$ 713	\$228
10 Years	\$1,580	\$1,916	\$1,916	\$753	\$583	\$583	\$768	\$1,289	\$523

For Class C1 Shares, you would pay the following if you did not redeem your Shares:

1 Year \$158

3 Years \$504

5 Years \$875

10 Years \$1,916

## Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 51% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Investments, Risks and Performance

#### Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in equity securities economically tied to the U.S. The Fund invests principally in common stocks of large and medium capitalization U.S. companies but may also invest in small capitalization U.S. companies. The Fund defines large and medium capitalization stocks as stocks of those companies represented by the Russell 1000° Index or within the capitalization range of the Russell 1000° Index.

Russell Investment Management, LLC ("RIM") seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as value, momentum, quality, capitalization size, lower volatility, growth, industry, sector, defensive or dynamic). The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index over the short, intermediate or long term. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM identifies baskets of stocks and determines their weights within the Fund in order to reflect those desired exposures. These baskets are generally comprised of stocks included in the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index but may include or be entirely comprised of stocks not included in the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index. The baskets are derived from various indexes, quantitative tools and/or rules-based processes designed to achieve desired exposures. RIM may also invest in index futures, index put or call options or exchange traded funds as a substitute for the purchase of stocks to achieve desired exposures, in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective or for hedging purposes.

The Fund usually, but not always, pursues a strategy to be fully invested by exposing all or a portion of its cash to the performance of appropriate markets by purchasing equity securities and/or derivatives, which typically include index

futures contracts. The Fund may also invest a portion of its assets in securities of companies, known as real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), that own and/or manage properties. Please refer to the "Investment Objective and Investment Strategies" section in the Fund's Prospectus for further information.

#### Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

An investment in the Fund, like any investment, has risks. The value of the Fund fluctuates and you could lose money. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are those associated with:

- Equity Securities. The value of equity securities will rise and fall in response to the activities of the company that issued them, general market conditions and/or economic conditions. Investments in small and medium capitalization companies may involve greater risks because these companies generally have narrower markets, more limited managerial and financial resources and a less diversified product offering than larger, more established companies. Small and some medium capitalization stocks may also be thinly traded, and thus, difficult to buy and sell in the market.
- Derivatives. Investments in a derivative instrument could lose more than the initial amount invested. Compared to conventional securities, derivatives can be more sensitive to changes in interest rates or to sudden fluctuations in market prices and thus the Fund's losses may be greater if it invests in derivatives than if it invests only in conventional securities. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in equity or fixed income securities, currencies or other instruments. Derivatives are subject to a number of risks such as leveraging risk, liquidity risk, market risk, credit risk, default risk, counterparty risk (the risk that the other party in an agreement will fail to perform its obligations) and management risk. They also involve the risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the risk that changes in the value of the derivative instrument may not correlate exactly with the change in the value of the underlying asset, rate or index.
- Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs"). REITs may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REITs and by the quality of tenants' credit.
- Securities of Other Investment Companies. Investments in other investment companies expose shareholders to the expenses and risks associated with the investments of the Fund as well as to the expenses and risks of the underlying investment companies.
- Financial Services Sector Risk. The Fund may be susceptible to adverse economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the financial services sector, including with respect to U.S. and foreign banks, broker-dealers, insurance companies, finance companies (e.g., automobile finance) and related asset-backed securities. These developments may affect the value of the Fund's investments more than if the Fund were not invested to such a degree in this sector. Companies in the financial services sector may be particularly susceptible to factors such as interest rate, fiscal, regulatory and monetary policy changes.
- Counterparty Risk. Counterparty risk is the risk that the other party or parties to an agreement or a participant to a transaction, such as a broker, might default on a contract or fail to perform by failing to pay amounts due or failing to fulfill the obligations of the contract or transaction.
- Active Management. Despite strategies designed to achieve the Fund's investment objective, the value of investments will change with market conditions, and so will the value of any investment in the Fund and you could lose money. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund. If the quantitative inputs are not predictive or qualitative assessments are incorrect, the Fund may underperform. The baskets of securities or instruments selected for the Fund's portfolio may not perform as RIM expects and security or instrument selection risk may cause the Fund to underperform relative to other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies. Exposure tilts may be ineffective and RIM's judgments regarding perceived market risks and opportunities may be incorrect. There is no guarantee that RIM will effectively assess the Fund's portfolio characteristics and it is possible that its judgments regarding the Fund's exposures may be incorrect. In addition, actions taken to manage Fund exposures, including risk, may be ineffective and/or cause the Fund to underperform.
- *Index-Based Investing*. Index-based strategies (including index replication which seeks to purchase the securities in an index or a blend of indexes and optimized index sampling which seeks to purchase a sampling of securities using optimization and risk models) may cause the Fund's returns to be lower than if the Fund employed a

fundamental investment approach to security selection with respect to that portion of its portfolio. Additionally, index-based strategies are subject to "tracking error" risk, which is the risk that the performance of the portion of the Fund's portfolio utilizing an index-based strategy will differ from the performance of the index it seeks to track.

- Quantitative Investing. Quantitative inputs and models use historical company, economic and/or industry data to evaluate prospective investments or to generate forecasts which could result in incorrect assessments of the specific portfolio characteristics or ineffective adjustments to the Fund's exposures. Securities selected using quantitative analysis may perform differently than analysis of their historical trends would suggest. Inputs or models may be flawed or not work as anticipated and may cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies.
- Large Redemptions. The Fund is used as an investment by certain funds of funds and in asset allocation programs and may have a large percentage of its Shares owned by such funds or held in such programs. Large redemption activity could result in the Fund incurring additional costs and being forced to sell portfolio securities at a loss to meet redemptions. Large redemptions may also result in increased expense ratios, higher levels of realized capital gains or losses with respect to the Fund's portfolio securities, higher Fund cash levels, higher brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, among other negative consequences such as reduced liquidity in the Fund's portfolio. As a result, large redemption activity could adversely affect the Fund's ability to conduct its investment program which, in turn, could adversely impact the Fund's performance.
- Global Financial Markets Risk. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected and conditions (including recent volatility and instability) and events (including natural disasters, pandemics and epidemics) in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. In addition, governmental and quasi-governmental organizations have taken a number of unprecedented actions designed to support the markets. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of the Fund's securities, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing the Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving the Fund's objective.

Please refer to the "Risks" section in the Fund's Prospectus for further information.

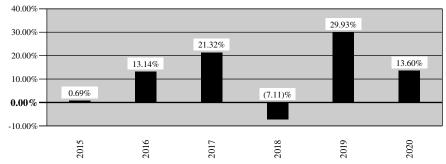
An investment in the Fund is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

## **Performance**

The following bar chart illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the performance of the Fund's Class S Shares varies from year to year over a 10-year period (or if the Fund has not been in operation for 10 years, since the beginning of the Fund's operations). The returns (both before and after tax) for other Classes of Shares offered by this Prospectus may be lower than the returns shown in the bar chart, depending upon the fees and expenses of those Classes. The highest and lowest returns for a full quarter during the periods shown in the bar chart are set forth next to the bar chart.

The table accompanying the bar chart further illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the Fund's average annual total returns for the periods shown compare with the returns of one or more indexes that measure broad market performance. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold their Shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. If the Fund has realized capital losses, the total return after taxes on distributions and sale of Fund Shares may be higher than the total return before taxes and the total return after taxes on distributions. For more information, see the Performance Notes section in the Fund's Prospectus.

Past performance, both before-tax and after-tax, is no indication of future results. More current performance information is available at https://russellinvestments.com.



Highest Quarterly Return: 20.37% (2Q/20) Lowest Quarterly Return: (23.12)% (1Q/20)

Average annual total returns for the periods ended December 31, 2020	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception
Return Before Taxes, Class A	6.86%	12.00%	11.51%
Return Before Taxes, Class C	12.49%	12.89%	11.16%
Return Before Taxes, Class C1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class M	13.81%	13.67%	11.78%
Return Before Taxes, Class P	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class R6	13.83%	13.70%	11.80%
Return Before Taxes, Class T	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class Y	13.87%	13.71%	11.82%
Return Before Taxes, Class S	13.60%	13.48%	11.61%
Return After Taxes on Distributions, Class S	12.67%	11.89%	10.24%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares, Class S	8.61%	10.46%	9.04%
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	20.96%	15.60%	13.35%

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## Management

#### Investment Adviser

The Fund's investment adviser is RIM.

## Portfolio Managers

Kevin Divney and Nick Zylkowski, each a Senior Portfolio Manager, have primary responsibility for the management of the Fund. Mr. Divney has managed the Fund since April 2017 and Mr. Zylkowski has managed the Fund since March 2019.

## **Additional Information**

For important information about:

- Purchase of Fund Shares, please see How to Purchase Shares on page 19.
- Redemption of Fund Shares, please see How to Redeem Shares on page 19.
- Taxes, please see Taxes on page 19.
- Financial Intermediary Compensation, please see Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries on page 19.

#### MULTIFACTOR INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

## **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The following tables describe the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold Shares of the Fund. In addition to the fees and expenses described below, you may also be required to pay brokerage commissions on purchases and sales of Class S Shares of the Fund. You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in Russell Investments Funds. In addition, certain Financial Intermediaries (as defined below in the Additional Information section) may impose different sales loads and waivers. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and in the Front-End Sales Charges and More About Deferred Sales Charges sections and Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers and Discounts, beginning on pages 58, 61 and 85, respectively, of the Prospectus, and in the Purchase, Exchange and Redemption of Fund Shares section, beginning on page 17, of the Fund's Statement of Additional Information. Please see the Expense Notes section of the Fund's Prospectus for further information regarding expenses of the Fund.

#### Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

		Class C, M,		
	Class A	P, R6, S, Y	Class C1	Class T
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of				
offering price)	5.75%	None	None	2.50%
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load)*	1.00%	None	1.00%	None
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends	None	None	None	None

<sup>\*</sup> The Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) is charged on the lesser of the purchase price of the Shares being redeemed or the net asset value of those Shares at the time of redemption.

# Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)#

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	T	Y
Advisory Fee	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%	0.45%
Distribution (12b-1) Fees (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C1 Shares)	0.25%	0.75%	1.00%	None	None	None	None	0.25%	None
Other Expenses (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C Shares)	0.40%	0.65%	0.40%	0.40%	0.25%	0.25%	0.40%	0.40%	0.20%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.10%	1.85%	1.85%	0.85%	0.70%	0.70%	0.85%	1.10%	0.65%
Less Fee Waivers and Expense Reimbursements	(0.21)%	(0.21)%	(0.21)%	(0.36)%	(0.23)%	(0.23)%	(0.21)%	(0.21)%	(0.21)%
Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.89%	1.64%	1.64%	0.49%	0.47%	0.47%	0.64%	0.89%	0.44%

<sup>#</sup> Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investment Management, LLC has contractually agreed to waive up to the full amount of its advisory fee and then to reimburse the Fund for other direct Fund-level expenses to the extent such direct Fund-level expenses exceed 0.44% of the average daily net assets of the Fund on an annual basis. This waiver and reimbursement may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval. Direct Fund-level expenses do not include 12b-1 fees, shareholder services fees, transfer agency fees, infrequent and/or unusual expenses, or the expenses of other investment companies in which the Fund invests which are borne indirectly by the Fund.

Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investments Fund Services, LLC has contractually agreed to waive 0.15% of its transfer agency fees for Class M Shares and 0.02% of its transfer agency fees for Class P and Class R6 Shares. These waivers may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Other Expenses," "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" and "Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses" have been restated to reflect expenses expected to be incurred by the Fund.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Other Expenses" for Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class P and Class T Shares are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year as these Share Classes did not have any assets during the most recent fiscal year.

## Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes your investment has a 5% return each year and that operating expenses remain the same. The calculation of costs for the one year period takes into account the effect of any current contractual fee waivers and/or reimbursements. The calculation of costs for the remaining periods takes such fee waivers and/or reimbursements into account only for the first year of the periods.

Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, under these assumptions your costs would be:

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	_T_	Y
1 Year	\$ 661	\$ 167	\$ 267	\$ 50	\$ 48	\$ 48	\$ 65	\$ 339	\$ 45
3 Years	\$ 885	\$ 561	\$ 561	\$ 235	\$201	\$201	\$ 250	\$ 571	\$187
5 Years	\$1,127	\$ 981	\$ 981	\$ 436	\$367	\$367	\$ 451	\$ 821	\$341
10 Years	\$1,820	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$1,016	\$849	\$849	\$1,030	\$1,538	\$791

For Class C1 Shares, you would pay the following if you did not redeem your Shares:

1 Year \$167

3 Years \$561

5 Years \$981

10 Years \$2,152

## Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 34% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Investments, Risks and Performance

#### Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in equity securities. The Fund invests principally in equity securities, including common stocks issued by companies economically tied to or located in developed market countries, other than the U.S. The Fund's securities are denominated principally in foreign currencies and are typically held outside the U.S. The Fund may invest a portion of its assets in equity securities of companies that are economically tied to emerging market countries. The Fund considers the following countries to have developed markets: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. As a general rule, the Fund considers emerging market countries to include every other country. The Fund invests principally in large and medium capitalization companies, but may also invest in small capitalization companies. The Fund defines large and medium capitalization stocks as stocks of those companies represented by the MSCI World ex USA Index or within the capitalization range of the MSCI World ex USA Index.

Russell Investment Management, LLC ("RIM") seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as value, momentum, quality, capitalization size, lower volatility, growth, industry, sector, region, defensive or dynamic). The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the MSCI World ex USA Index and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the MSCI World ex USA Index over the short, intermediate or long term. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM identifies baskets of stocks and determines their weights within the Fund in order to reflect those desired exposures. These baskets are generally comprised of stocks included in the MSCI World ex USA Index but may include or be entirely comprised of stocks not included in the MSCI World ex USA Index. The baskets are derived from various

indexes, quantitative tools and/or rules-based processes designed to achieve desired exposures. RIM may also invest in index futures, index put or call options, currency forwards or exchange traded funds as a substitute for the purchase of stocks to achieve desired exposures, in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective or for hedging purposes. The Fund usually, but not always, pursues a strategy to be fully invested by exposing all or a portion of its cash to the performance of appropriate markets by purchasing equity securities and/or derivatives, which typically include index futures contracts and forward currency contracts.

The Fund may use derivatives, including stock options, country index futures and swaps or currency forwards, to (1) manage country and currency exposure as a substitute for holding securities directly or (2) facilitate the implementation of its investment strategy. The Fund may use derivatives to take both long and short positions.

The Fund may at times seek to protect a portion of its investments against adverse currency exchange rate changes by purchasing forward currency contracts and may engage in currency transactions for speculative purposes. The Fund may also invest a portion of its assets in securities of companies, known as real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), that own and/or manage properties. Please refer to the "Investment Objective and Investment Strategies" section in the Fund's Prospectus for further information.

## Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

An investment in the Fund, like any investment, has risks. The value of the Fund fluctuates and you could lose money. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are those associated with:

- Non-U.S. and Emerging Markets Securities. Non-U.S. securities have risks relating to political, economic, social
  and regulatory conditions in foreign countries. Non-U.S. securities may also be subject to risk of loss because of
  more or less foreign government regulation, less public information and less stringent investor protections and
  disclosure standards. The risks associated with non-U.S. securities may be amplified for emerging markets
  securities.
- Equity Securities. The value of equity securities will rise and fall in response to the activities of the company that issued them, general market conditions and/or economic conditions. Investments in small and medium capitalization companies may involve greater risks because these companies generally have narrower markets, more limited managerial and financial resources and a less diversified product offering than larger, more established companies. Small and some medium capitalization stocks may also be thinly traded, and thus, difficult to buy and sell in the market.
- Currency Risk. Non-U.S. securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, non-U.S. currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedging positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline in value relative to the currency being hedged. As a result, investments in non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities and currencies may reduce the returns of the Fund.
- Currency Trading Risk. Currency trading strategies may involve instruments that have volatile prices, are illiquid or less liquid or create economic leverage. Forward currency contracts are subject to the risk that, should forward prices increase, a loss will be incurred to the extent that the price of the currency agreed to be purchased exceeds the price of the currency agreed to be sold.
- Derivatives. Investments in a derivative instrument could lose more than the initial amount invested. Compared to conventional securities, derivatives can be more sensitive to changes in interest rates or to sudden fluctuations in market prices and thus the Fund's losses may be greater if it invests in derivatives than if it invests only in conventional securities. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in equity or fixed income securities, currencies or other instruments. Derivatives are subject to a number of risks such as leveraging risk, liquidity risk, market risk, credit risk, default risk, counterparty risk (the risk that the other party in an agreement will fail to perform its obligations) and management risk. They also involve the risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the risk that changes in the value of the derivative instrument may not correlate exactly with the change in the value of the underlying asset, rate or index.
- Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs"). REITs may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REITs and by the quality of tenants' credit.

- Securities of Other Investment Companies. Investments in other investment companies expose shareholders to the expenses and risks associated with the investments of the Fund as well as to the expenses and risks of the underlying investment companies.
- Financial Services Sector Risk. The Fund may be susceptible to adverse economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the financial services sector, including with respect to U.S. and foreign banks, broker-dealers, insurance companies, finance companies (e.g., automobile finance) and related asset-backed securities. These developments may affect the value of the Fund's investments more than if the Fund were not invested to such a degree in this sector. Companies in the financial services sector may be particularly susceptible to factors such as interest rate, fiscal, regulatory and monetary policy changes.
- Liquidity Risk. The market for certain investments may become illiquid or less liquid (i.e., there may be a significant reduction in trading activity, including in the number of market participants or transactions, in such investments) under adverse or volatile market or economic conditions, making those investments difficult to sell. The market price of certain investments may fall dramatically if there is no liquid trading market. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing the Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving the Fund's objective.
- Counterparty Risk. Counterparty risk is the risk that the other party or parties to an agreement or a participant to a transaction, such as a broker, might default on a contract or fail to perform by failing to pay amounts due or failing to fulfill the obligations of the contract or transaction.
- Active Management. Despite strategies designed to achieve the Fund's investment objective, the value of investments will change with market conditions, and so will the value of any investment in the Fund and you could lose money. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund. If the quantitative inputs are not predictive or qualitative assessments are incorrect, the Fund may underperform. The baskets of securities or instruments selected for the Fund's portfolio may not perform as RIM expects and security or instrument selection risk may cause the Fund to underperform relative to other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies. Exposure tilts may be ineffective and RIM's judgments regarding perceived market risks and opportunities may be incorrect. There is no guarantee that RIM will effectively assess the Fund's portfolio characteristics and it is possible that its judgments regarding the Fund's exposures may be incorrect. In addition, actions taken to manage Fund exposures, including risk, may be ineffective and/or cause the Fund to underperform.
- *Index-Based Investing*. Index-based strategies (including index replication which seeks to purchase the securities in an index or a blend of indexes and optimized index sampling which seeks to purchase a sampling of securities using optimization and risk models) may cause the Fund's returns to be lower than if the Fund employed a fundamental investment approach to security selection with respect to that portion of its portfolio. Additionally, index-based strategies are subject to "tracking error" risk, which is the risk that the performance of the portion of the Fund's portfolio utilizing an index-based strategy will differ from the performance of the index it seeks to track.
- Quantitative Investing. Quantitative inputs and models use historical company, economic and/or industry data to evaluate prospective investments or to generate forecasts which could result in incorrect assessments of the specific portfolio characteristics or ineffective adjustments to the Fund's exposures. Securities selected using quantitative analysis may perform differently than analysis of their historical trends would suggest. Inputs or models may be flawed or not work as anticipated and may cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies.
- Large Redemptions. The Fund is used as an investment by certain funds of funds and in asset allocation programs and may have a large percentage of its Shares owned by such funds or held in such programs. Large redemption activity could result in the Fund incurring additional costs and being forced to sell portfolio securities at a loss to meet redemptions. Large redemptions may also result in increased expense ratios, higher levels of realized capital gains or losses with respect to the Fund's portfolio securities, higher Fund cash levels, higher brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, among other negative consequences such as reduced liquidity in the Fund's portfolio. As a result, large redemption activity could adversely affect the Fund's ability to conduct its investment program which, in turn, could adversely impact the Fund's performance.
- Global Financial Markets Risk. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected and conditions (including recent volatility and instability) and events (including natural disasters, pandemics and

epidemics) in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. In addition, governmental and quasi-governmental organizations have taken a number of unprecedented actions designed to support the markets. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of the Fund's securities, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing the Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving the Fund's objective.

Please refer to the "Risks" section in the Fund's Prospectus for further information.

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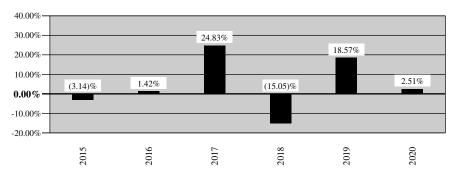
#### **Performance**

The following bar chart illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the performance of the Fund's Class S Shares varies from year to year over a 10-year period (or if the Fund has not been in operation for 10 years, since the beginning of the Fund's operations). The returns (both before and after tax) for other Classes of Shares offered by this Prospectus may be lower than the returns shown in the bar chart, depending upon the fees and expenses of those Classes. The highest and lowest returns for a full quarter during the periods shown in the bar chart are set forth next to the bar chart.

The table accompanying the bar chart further illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the Fund's average annual total returns for the periods shown compare with the returns of one or more indexes that measure broad market performance. Effective January 1, 2018, RIM changed the Fund's primary benchmark from the Russell Developed ex-US Large Cap Index (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings) to the MSCI World ex USA Index (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings). The Multifactor International Equity Linked Benchmark represents the returns of the Russell Developed ex-US Large Cap Index (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings) from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 and the returns of the MSCI World ex-USA Index (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings) thereafter. The Multifactor International Equity Linked Benchmark provides a means to compare the Fund's average annual returns to a secondary benchmark that takes into account historical changes in the Fund's primary benchmark. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold their Shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. After-tax returns reflect foreign tax credits passed by the Fund to its shareholders thereby increasing total returns after taxes on distributions and total returns after taxes on distributions and sale of Fund Shares. If the Fund has realized capital losses, the total return after taxes on distributions and sale of Fund Shares may be higher than the total return before taxes and the total return after taxes on distributions. For more information, see the Performance Notes section in the Fund's Prospectus.

Past performance, both before-tax and after-tax, is no indication of future results. More current performance information is available at https://russellinvestments.com.

Class S Calendar Year Total Returns



Highest Quarterly Return: 15.90% (4Q/20) Lowest Quarterly Return: (24.74)% (1Q/20)

Average annual total returns for the periods ended December 31, 2020	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception
Return Before Taxes, Class A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class C	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class C1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class M	2.62%	5.64%	2.47%
Return Before Taxes, Class P	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class R6	2.69%	5.68%	2.49%
Return Before Taxes, Class T	N/A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class Y	2.65%	5.69%	2.50%
Return Before Taxes, Class S	2.51%	5.50%	2.34%
Return After Taxes on Distributions, Class S	2.45%	5.15%	2.01%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares, Class S	2.20%	4.58%	2.06%
MSCI World ex USA Index (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings) (reflects no deduction for fees or expenses)	7.59%	7.64%	4.11%
Multifactor International Equity Linked Benchmark (net of tax on dividends from foreign holdings) (reflects no deduction for fees or expenses)	7.59%	7.68%	4.27%

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## Management

#### Investment Adviser

The Fund's investment adviser is RIM.

## Portfolio Managers

Jon Eggins, Senior Director, Head of Global Equity, Nick Zylkowski, a Senior Portfolio Manager, and Jordan McCall, a Portfolio Manager, have primary responsibility for the management of the Fund. Mr. Eggins has managed the Fund since February 2015, Mr. Zylkowski has managed the Fund since March 2019 and Mr. McCall has managed the Fund since March 2021.

## **Additional Information**

For important information about:

- Purchase of Fund Shares, please see How to Purchase Shares on page 19.
- Redemption of Fund Shares, please see How to Redeem Shares on page 19.
- Taxes, please see Taxes on page 19.
- Financial Intermediary Compensation, please see Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries on page 19.

## MULTIFACTOR BOND FUND

## **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide total return.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The following tables describe the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold Shares of the Fund. In addition to the fees and expenses described below, you may also be required to pay brokerage commissions on purchases and sales of Class S Shares of the Fund. You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in Russell Investments Funds. In addition, certain Financial Intermediaries (as defined below in the Additional Information section) may impose different sales loads and waivers. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and in the Front-End Sales Charges and More About Deferred Sales Charges sections and Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers and Discounts, beginning on pages 58, 61 and 85, respectively, of the Prospectus, and in the Purchase, Exchange and Redemption of Fund Shares section, beginning on page 17, of the Fund's Statement of Additional Information. Please see the Expense Notes section of the Fund's Prospectus for further information regarding expenses of the Fund.

#### Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

		Class C, M,		
	Class A	P, R6, S, Y	Class C1	Class T
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of				
offering price)	3.75%	None	None	2.50%
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load)*	1.00%	None	1.00%	None
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends	None	None	None	None

<sup>\*</sup> The Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) is charged on the lesser of the purchase price of the Shares being redeemed or the net asset value of those Shares at the time of redemption.

# Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)#

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	T	Y
Advisory Fee	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%
Distribution (12b-1) Fees (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C1 Shares)	0.25%	0.75%	1.00%	None	None	None	None	0.25%	None
Other Expenses (including shareholder services fees of 0.25% for Class C Shares)	0.89%	1.14%	0.89%	0.89%	0.74%	0.74%	0.89%	0.89%	0.69%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.29%	2.04%	2.04%	1.04%	0.89%	0.89%	1.04%	1.29%	0.84%
Less Fee Waivers and Expense Reimbursements	(0.58)%	(0.58)%	(0.58)%	(0.73)%	(0.60)%	(0.60)%	(0.58)%	(0.58)%	(0.58)%
Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.71%	1.46%	1.46%	0.31%	0.29%	0.29%	0.46%	0.71%	0.26%

<sup>#</sup> Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investment Management, LLC has contractually agreed to waive up to the full amount of its advisory fee and then to reimburse the Fund for other direct Fund-level expenses to the extent that direct Fund-level expenses exceed 0.26% of the average daily net assets of the Fund on an annual basis. This waiver and reimbursement may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval. Direct Fund-level expenses do not include 12b-1 fees, shareholder services fees, transfer agency fees, infrequent and/or unusual expenses, or the expenses of other investment companies in which the Fund invests which are borne indirectly by the Fund.

Until February 28, 2022, Russell Investments Fund Services, LLC has contractually agreed to waive 0.15% of its transfer agency fees for Class M

Shares and 0.02% of its transfer agency fees for Class P and Class R6 Shares. These waivers may not be terminated during the relevant period except with Board approval.

"Other Expenses," "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" and "Net Annual Fund Operating Expenses" have been restated to reflect expenses

expected to be incurred by the Fund.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Other Expenses" for Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S and Class T Shares are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year as these Share Classes did not have any assets during the most recent fiscal year.

## Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes your investment has a 5% return each year and that operating expenses remain the same. The calculation of costs for the one year period takes into account the effect of any current contractual fee waivers and/or reimbursements. The calculation of costs for the remaining periods takes such fee waivers and/or reimbursements into account only for the first year of the periods.

Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, under these assumptions your costs would be:

	Share Classes								
	A	C	C1	M	P	R6	S	T	Y
1 Year	\$ 445	\$ 149	\$ 249	\$ 32	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 47	\$ 321	\$ 27
3 Years	\$ 713	\$ 584	\$ 584	\$ 258	\$ 224	\$ 224	\$ 273	\$ 593	\$210
5 Years	\$1,002	\$1,045	\$1,045	\$ 503	\$ 434	\$ 434	\$ 518	\$ 886	\$409
10 Years	\$1,824	\$2,323	\$2,323	\$1,205	\$1,041	\$1,041	\$1,218	\$1,718	\$983

For Class C1 Shares, you would pay the following if you did not redeem your Shares:

1 Year \$149

3 Years \$584

5 Years \$1,045

10 Years \$2,323

## Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 117% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Investments, Risks and Performance

#### Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in bonds.

Russell Investment Management, LLC ("RIM") seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as duration, sector, industry, region, currency, credit quality, yield curve positioning or interest rates). The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD-Hedged) and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD-hedged) over the short, intermediate or long term. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM invests the Fund's assets in a variety of instruments, including securities of issuers in a variety of sectors of the fixed income market and fixed income currency derivatives, in order to reflect those desired exposures. RIM may replicate indexes or may utilize techniques such as optimization and/or substitution of index constituents to seek to efficiently gain desired portfolio exposures.

The Fund may invest in (1) U.S. and non-U.S. corporate debt securities, (2) Yankee Bonds (dollar-denominated obligations issued in the U.S. by non-U.S. banks and corporations) and (3) fixed income securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, non-U.S. governments, or by any U.S. government or non-U.S. government agency or instrumentality. The Fund may invest in debt securities that are rated below investment grade (commonly referred to as "high-yield" or "junk bonds") and in "distressed" debt securities. The Fund may invest in currency futures and options on futures, forward currency contracts, currency swaps and currency options for speculative purposes or to seek to protect a portion of its investments against adverse currency exchange rate changes. The Fund may invest in derivative instruments and may use derivatives to take both long and short positions. The Fund's use of derivatives may cause the Fund's

investment returns to be impacted by the performance of securities the Fund does not own and result in the Fund's total investment exposure exceeding the value of its portfolio. The duration of the Fund's portfolio will typically be within one year of the duration of the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD Hedged), but may vary up to two years from the Index's duration. The Fund may invest in mortgage related securities, including mortgage-backed securities. A portion of the Fund's net assets may be illiquid. The Fund may invest in variable and floating rate securities. The Fund invests in non-U.S. debt securities, including developed and emerging market debt securities, some of which may be non-U.S. dollar denominated. The Fund considers the following countries to have developed markets: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. As a general rule, the Fund considers emerging market countries to include every other country. The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements. The Fund may invest in commercial paper, including asset-backed commercial paper. The Fund usually, but not always, exposes a portion of its cash to changes in interest rates or market/sector returns by purchasing fixed income securities and/or derivatives, which typically include exchange traded fixed income futures contracts, to be announced ("TBA") securities and swaps. Please refer to the "Investment Objective and Investment Strategies" section in the Fund's Prospectus for further information.

## Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

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- Fixed Income Securities. Prices of fixed income securities generally rise and fall in response to, among other things, interest rate changes. Volatility in interest rates and in fixed income markets may increase the risk that the Fund's investments in fixed income securities could lose money. In addition, the Fund could lose money if the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income security or other issuer of credit support is unable or unwilling to make timely principal and/or interest payments, or to otherwise honor its obligations. Fixed income securities may be downgraded in credit rating or go into default.
- Government Issued or Guaranteed Securities, U.S. Government Securities. Bonds issued or guaranteed by a government are subject to inflation risk, price depreciation risk and default risk.
- U.S. and Non-U.S. Corporate Debt Securities Risk. Investments in U.S. and non-U.S. corporate debt securities are subject to interest rate risk and market risk, and are affected by perceptions of the creditworthiness and business prospects of individual issuers. Non-U.S. corporate debt securities may expose the Fund to greater risk than investments in U.S. corporate debt securities.
- Non-Investment Grade Debt Securities ("High Yield" or "Junk Bonds"). Non-investment grade debt securities involve higher volatility and higher risk of default than investment grade bonds.
- *Distressed Securities*. Investments in distressed securities inherently have more credit risk than investments in non-distressed issuers. In the event that an issuer of distressed securities defaults or initiates insolvency proceedings, the Fund may lose all of its investment.
- Mortgage-Backed Securities. Mortgage-backed securities may be affected by, among other things, changes or perceived changes in interest rates, factors concerning the interests in and structure of the issuer or the originator of the mortgage, or the quality of the underlying assets. The underlying assets may default or decline in quality or value.
- Asset-Backed Securities. Payment of principal and interest on asset-backed securities may be largely dependent upon the cash flows generated by the assets backing the securities and asset-backed securities may not have the benefit of any security interest in the related assets.
- Non-U.S. and Emerging Markets Debt. The value of an investment in non-U.S. and emerging markets debt may be affected by political, economic or social conditions or foreign currency exchange rates. Prices of emerging markets debt can be severely affected not only by rising interest rates and adverse currency fluctuations, but also by the deterioration of credit quality or default by the issuer. Non-U.S. and emerging markets debt may also be subject to risk of loss because of more or less foreign government regulation, less public information and less stringent investor protections and disclosure standards.

- Currency Risk. Non-U.S. securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, non-U.S. currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedging positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline in value relative to the currency being hedged. As a result, investments in non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities and currencies may reduce the returns of the Fund.
- Currency Trading Risk. Currency trading strategies may involve instruments that have volatile prices, are illiquid or less liquid or create economic leverage. Forward currency contracts are subject to the risk that, should forward prices increase, a loss will be incurred to the extent that the price of the currency agreed to be purchased exceeds the price of the currency agreed to be sold.
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- Money Market Securities (Including Commercial Paper). Prices of money market securities generally rise and fall in response to interest rate changes.
- Asset-Backed Commercial Paper. Investment in asset-backed commercial paper is subject to the risk that insufficient proceeds from the projected cash flows of the contributed receivables are available to repay the commercial paper.
- Repurchase Agreements. Repurchase agreements are subject to the risk that the sellers may not be able to pay the agreed-upon repurchase price on the repurchase date.
- Yankee Bonds and Yankee CDs. Issuers of Yankee Bonds and Yankee CDs are not necessarily subject to the same regulatory requirements that apply to U.S. corporations and banks.
- Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk. Variable and floating rate securities generally are less sensitive to interest rate changes but may decline in value if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as interest rates in general.
- *Illiquid Investments*. An illiquid or less liquid investment may be difficult to sell quickly and at a fair price, which could cause the Fund to realize a loss on the investment if it was sold at a lower price than that at which it had been valued
- Liquidity Risk. The market for certain investments may become illiquid or less liquid (i.e., there may be a significant reduction in trading activity, including in the number of market participants or transactions, in such investments) under adverse or volatile market or economic conditions, making those investments difficult to sell. The market price of certain investments may fall dramatically if there is no liquid trading market. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing the Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving the Fund's objective.
- Counterparty Risk. Counterparty risk is the risk that the other party or parties to an agreement or a participant to a transaction, such as a broker, might default on a contract or fail to perform by failing to pay amounts due or failing to fulfill the obligations of the contract or transaction.
- *High Portfolio Turnover Risk*. The Fund may engage in active and frequent trading, which may result in higher portfolio turnover rates, higher transaction costs and realization of short-term capital gains that will generally be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income.
- Active Management. Despite strategies designed to achieve the Fund's investment objective, the value of investments will change with market conditions, and so will the value of any investment in the Fund and you could lose money. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund. If the quantitative inputs are not predictive or qualitative assessments are incorrect, the Fund may underperform. The securities or instruments selected for the Fund's portfolio may not perform as RIM expects. and security or instrument selection risk may cause the Fund to underperform relative to

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- *Index-Based Investing*. Index-based strategies (including index replication which seeks to purchase the securities in an index or a blend of indexes and optimized index sampling which seeks to purchase a sampling of securities using optimization and risk models) may cause the Fund's returns to be lower than if the Fund employed a fundamental investment approach to security selection with respect to that portion of its portfolio. Additionally, index-based strategies are subject to "tracking error" risk, which is the risk that the performance of the portion of the Fund's portfolio utilizing an index-based strategy will differ from the performance of the index it seeks to track.
- Quantitative Investing. Quantitative inputs and models use historical company, economic and/or industry data to evaluate prospective investments or to generate forecasts which could result in incorrect assessments of the specific portfolio characteristics or ineffective adjustments to the Fund's exposures. Securities selected using quantitative analysis may perform differently than analysis of their historical trends would suggest. Inputs or models may be flawed or not work as anticipated and may cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies.
- Large Redemptions. The Fund is expected to be used as an investment by certain funds of funds and in asset allocation programs and may have a large percentage of its Shares owned by such funds or held in such programs. Large redemption activity could result in the Fund incurring additional costs and being forced to sell portfolio securities at a loss to meet redemptions. Large redemptions may also result in increased expense ratios, higher levels of realized capital gains or losses with respect to the Fund's portfolio securities, higher Fund cash levels, higher brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, among other negative consequences such as reduced liquidity in the Fund's portfolio. As a result, large redemption activity could adversely affect the Fund's ability to conduct its investment program which, in turn, could adversely impact the Fund's performance.
- Global Financial Markets Risk. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected and conditions (including recent volatility and instability) and events (including natural disasters, pandemics and epidemics) in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. In addition, governmental and quasi-governmental organizations have taken a number of unprecedented actions designed to support the markets. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of the Fund's securities, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing the Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving the Fund's objective.
- *New Fund Risk*. The Fund is a new Fund. There can be no assurance that the Fund will grow to an economically viable size, in which case the Fund may cease operations. Investors may be required to liquidate or transfer their investments at an inopportune time.

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#### **Performance**

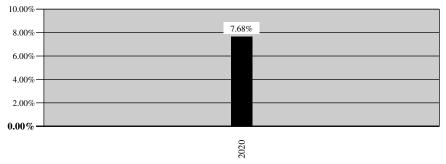
The following bar chart illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the performance of the Fund's Class Y Shares varies from year to year over a 10-year period (or if the Fund has not been in operation for 10 years, since the beginning of the Fund's operations). The returns (both before and after tax) for other Classes of Shares offered by this Prospectus may be lower than the returns shown in the bar chart, depending upon the fees and expenses of those Classes. The highest and lowest returns for a full quarter during the periods shown in the bar chart are set forth next to the bar chart.

The table accompanying the bar chart further illustrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the Fund's average annual total returns for the periods shown compare with the returns of one or more indexes that measure broad market performance. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax

situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors who hold their Shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. If the Fund has realized capital losses, the total return after taxes on distributions and sale of Fund Shares may be higher than the total return before taxes and the total return after taxes on distributions. For more information, see the Performance Notes section in the Fund's Prospectus.

Past performance, both before-tax and after-tax, is no indication of future results. More current performance information is available at https://russellinvestments.com.

#### Class Y Calendar Year Total Returns



Highest Quarterly Return: 4.72% (2Q/20) Lowest Quarterly Return: (0.29)% (1Q/20)

Average annual total returns for the periods ended December 31, 2020	1 Year	Since Inception
Return Before Taxes, Class A	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class C	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class C1	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class M	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class P	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class R6	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class T	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class S	N/A	N/A
Return Before Taxes, Class Y	7.68%	6.81%
Return After Taxes on Distributions, Class Y	6.09%	5.31%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares, Class Y	4.78%	4.68%
Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD Hedged) (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	5.58%	5.25%

## Management

#### Investment Adviser

The Fund's investment adviser is RIM.

## Portfolio Manager

Keith Brakebill, Director, Senior Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income, has primary responsibility for the management of the Fund. Mr. Brakebill has managed the Fund since the Fund's inception.

## **Additional Information**

For important information about:

- Purchase of Fund Shares, please see How to Purchase Shares on page 19.
- Redemption of Fund Shares, please see How to Redeem Shares on page 19.
- Taxes, please see Taxes on page 19.
- Financial Intermediary Compensation, please see Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries on page 19.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### How to Purchase Shares

Unless you are eligible to participate in a Russell Investments employee investment program, Shares are only available through a select network of banks (including bank trust departments), registered investment advisers, broker-dealers and other financial services organizations (collectively, "Financial Intermediaries"). Certain Classes of Shares may only be purchased by specified categories of investors and are only offered by certain Financial Intermediaries. There is currently no required minimum initial investment for Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S or Class T Shares. For Class Y Shares, there is a \$10 million minimum initial investment for each account in each Fund. However, for Class Y Shares there is no required minimum initial investment for specified categories of investors. Each Fund reserves the right to close any account whose balance falls below \$500 and to change the categories of investors eligible to purchase its Shares.

For more information about how to purchase Shares, please see Additional Information about How to Purchase Shares in the Funds' Prospectus.

#### How to Redeem Shares

Shares may be redeemed through your Financial Intermediary on any business day of the Funds (defined as a day on which the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open for regular trading). Redemption requests are processed at the next net asset value per share calculated after a Fund receives an order in proper form as determined by your Financial Intermediary. Redemption requests must normally be received by a Fund or a Fund agent prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time) on a business day of the Funds, in order to be processed at the net asset value calculated on that day. Because Financial Intermediaries and Fund agents may have earlier redemption order cut off times to allow them to deliver redemption orders to the Funds prior to the Funds' order transmission cut off time, please ask your Financial Intermediary what the cut off time is. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for instructions on how to place redemption requests.

For more information about how to redeem Shares, please see Additional Information about How to Redeem Shares in the Funds' Prospectus.

#### **Taxes**

Unless you are investing through an IRA, 401(k) or other tax-advantaged retirement account, distributions from a Fund are generally taxable to you as either ordinary income or capital gains.

For more information about these and other tax matters relating to each Fund and its shareholders, please see Additional Information about Taxes in the Funds' Prospectus.

#### Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase Shares of a Fund through a broker-dealer or other Financial Intermediary (such as a bank), a Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend a Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your Financial Intermediary's website for more information.

For more information about payments to broker-dealers and other Financial Intermediaries please see Distribution and Shareholder Services Arrangements and Payments to Financial Intermediaries in the Funds' Prospectus.

## MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS

The Funds' investment adviser is RIM, 1301 Second Avenue, 18th Floor, Seattle, Washington 98101. RIM was established in 1982 and pioneered the "multi-style, multi-manager" investment method in mutual funds and, as of December 31, 2020, managed over \$36.2 billion in 42 mutual fund portfolios. RIM is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Russell Investments Group, Ltd., a Cayman company through which the limited partners of certain private equity funds affiliated with TA Associates Management, L.P. ("TA Associates") indirectly hold a majority ownership interest and the limited partners of certain private equity funds affiliated with Reverence Capital Partners, L.P. ("Reverence Capital") indirectly hold a significant minority ownership interest in RIM and its affiliates ("Russell Investments"). Members of Russell Investments' management also hold minority positions in Russell Investments Group, Ltd. TA Associates is one of the oldest and most experienced global growth private equity firms. Reverence Capital is a private investment firm, focused on investing in leading financial services companies.

The RIC funds ("RIC Funds") are offered through certain banks (including bank trust departments), registered investment advisers, broker-dealers and other financial services organizations (collectively, "Financial Intermediaries") that have been selected by RIM or Russell Investments Financial Services, LLC (the "Distributor"). Most RIC Funds are designed to be used within multi-asset portfolios to gain exposure to a globally diverse mix of asset classes and styles and to combine traditional securities, such as equities and bonds, with non-traditional approaches, such as alternative investments. RIM's multi-asset approach combines diversification, research and selection of unaffiliated money managers and dynamic portfolio management. RIM uses its core capabilities (capital markets insights, research, asset allocation, portfolio implementation and factor exposures) to manage the Funds by combining various investment strategies into a single Fund.

RIM provides all investment advisory and portfolio management services for the Funds.

The Funds' administrator and transfer agent is Russell Investments Fund Services, LLC ("RIFUS"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of RIM. RIFUS, in its capacity as the Funds' administrator, provides or oversees the provision of all administrative services for the Funds. The Funds' custodian, State Street Bank and Trust Company, maintains custody of the Funds' assets and establishes and monitors subcustodial relationships with banks and certain other financial institutions in the foreign countries in which the Funds invest. RIFUS, in its capacity as the Funds' transfer agent, is responsible for maintaining the Funds' shareholder records and carrying out shareholder transactions. As described above, each Fund conducts its business through a number of service providers who act on its behalf. When a Fund acts in one of these areas, it does so through the service provider responsible for that area.

RIM's employees who have primary responsibility for the management of the Funds (the "RIM Managers") are:

- Keith Brakebill, Director, Senior Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income since September 2020. From November 2013 to August 2020, Mr. Brakebill was a Senior Portfolio Manager. Mr. Brakebill has primary responsibility for the management of the Multifactor Bond Fund.
- Kevin Divney, Senior Portfolio Manager since April 2017. Prior to joining Russell Investments, Mr. Divney was the Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Beaconcrest Capital Management, a registered investment adviser providing absolute return, long-short, and long-only concentrated equity portfolios. Mr. Divney shares primary responsibility for the management of the Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund with Mr. Zylkowski.
- Jon Eggins, Senior Director, Head of Global Equity since September 2020. From November 2013 to August 2020, Mr. Eggins was a Senior Portfolio Manager. Mr. Eggins shares primary responsibility for the management of the Multifactor International Equity Fund with Mr. Zylkowski and Mr. McCall.
- Jordan McCall, a Portfolio Manager since 2019. Mr. McCall was an Associate Portfolio Manager from 2015 to 2019. Mr. McCall shares responsibility for the management of the Multifactor International Equity Fund with Mr. Eggins and Mr. Zylkowski.
- Nick Zylkowski, Senior Portfolio Manager since March 2018. From February 2013 to March 2018, Mr. Zylkowski was a Portfolio Manager. Mr. Zylkowski shares primary responsibility for the management of the Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund with Mr. Divney and shares primary responsibility for the management of the Multifactor International Equity Fund with Mr. Eggins and Mr. McCall.

Please see the Funds' Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") for additional information about the RIM Managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the RIM Managers and the RIM Managers' ownership of securities in the Funds.

In the last fiscal year, the aggregate annual rate of advisory fees paid to RIM as a percentage of average daily net assets was: Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund, 0.23%; Multifactor International Equity Fund, 0.28%. The annual advisory fee as a percentage of average daily net assets for the Multifactor Bond Fund is 0.15%.

Each Fund invests its cash in an unregistered cash management fund advised by RIM. RIM has waived its 0.05% advisory fee for the unregistered fund. RIFUS charges a 0.05% administrative fee to the unregistered fund.

Each Fund that lends its portfolio securities invests all or a portion of its collateral received in securities lending transactions in an unregistered cash management fund advised by RIM. RIM charges a management fee of 0.12% to this unregistered fund. Out of the management fee, RIM pays certain expenses of the unregistered fund, including an administrative fee of 0.025% to RIFUS. RIM retains the balance of the management fee.

A discussion regarding the basis for approval by the Board of the investment advisory contract between RIM and the Funds is available in the Funds' annual report to shareholders covering the period ended October 31, 2020.

The Trustees are responsible generally for overseeing the management and operations of RIC. The Trustees and RIC's officers may amend the Prospectus, any summary prospectus, the SAI and any contracts to which RIC or a Fund is a party and interpret the investment objective(s), policies, restrictions and contractual provisions applicable to any Fund without shareholder input or approval, except in circumstances in which shareholder approval is specifically required by law (such as changes to fundamental investment policies) or where a shareholder approval requirement is specifically disclosed in the Prospectus or SAI. Neither the Prospectus, any summary prospectus, the SAI, any contracts filed as exhibits to RIC's registration statement, nor any other communications or disclosure documents from or on behalf of RIC creates a contract between a shareholder of a Fund and: (i) RIC; (ii) a Fund; (iii) a service provider to RIC or a Fund; and/or (iv) the Trustees or officers of RIC.

The Trustees, on behalf of RIC, enter into service agreements with RIM, RIFUS and other service providers in order to provide, and in some cases authorize service providers to procure through other parties, necessary or desirable services on behalf of RIC and the Funds. Shareholders are not third-party beneficiaries of such agreements.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

Each of the following Funds has a non-fundamental investment objective as noted below. A non-fundamental investment objective may be changed by the Board of that Fund without shareholder approval. If a Fund's investment objective is changed, the Prospectus will be supplemented to reflect the new investment objective. To the extent that there is a material change in a Fund's investment objective, shareholders will be provided with reasonable notice.

The Board may, if it deems appropriate to do so, authorize the liquidation or merger of a Fund without shareholder approval in circumstances where shareholder approval is not otherwise required by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). Unless Fund Shares are held in a tax-deferred account, liquidation or merger may result in a taxable event for shareholders of the liquidated Fund. In addition, RIM may make material changes to a Fund's principal investment strategies without shareholder approval.

RIM may or may not use all of the securities and investment strategies listed below. This Prospectus does not describe all of the various types of securities and investment strategies that may be used by the Funds. The Funds may invest in other types of securities and use other investment strategies that are not described in this Prospectus. Such securities and investment strategies may subject the Funds to additional risks. Please see the Statement of Additional Information for additional information about the securities and investment strategies described in this Prospectus and about additional securities and non-principal investment strategies that may be used by the Funds.

Unless otherwise stated, all percentage limitations on Fund investments listed in this Prospectus apply at the time of investment. There would be no violation of any of these limitations unless a Fund fails to comply with any such limitation immediately after and as a result of an investment. A later change in circumstances will not require the sale of an investment if it was proper at the time it was made.

### MULTIFACTOR U.S. EQUITY FUND

### **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth.

#### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in equity securities economically tied to the U.S. The Fund is required to provide 60 days' notice to its shareholders prior to a change in this policy. The 80% investment requirement applies at the time the Fund invests its assets. The Fund invests principally in common stocks of large and medium capitalization U.S. companies but may also invest in common stocks of small capitalization U.S. companies.

RIM seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as value, momentum, quality, capitalization size, lower volatility, growth, industry, sector, defensive or dynamic). The Fund's desired exposures are generally based on RIM's longer term strategic investment views on specific exposures (value, momentum, quality, and lower volatility), as well as RIM's short to intermediate term tactical views on a variety of matters such as the economy, interest rates, monetary policy, investment style cycles, sentiment and/or relative valuation opportunities. The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the Russell 1000 Index and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the Russell 1000 Index over the short, intermediate or long term.

RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. The quantitative inputs may include historical risk, return, valuation and/or fundamental accounting based characteristics or may be based on mathematical formulas utilizing statistical analyses. Additionally, quantitative tools, such as risk models and optimization may be used to construct the portfolio. Optimization typically includes the analysis of tradeoffs between various risk and return factors as well as turnover and transaction costs in order to estimate optimal portfolio positioning. RIM then qualitatively assesses these inputs based on its viewpoints that are derived from investment insights developed from internal and external data, information and opinions, historical returns and forecasting relative to market

cycles, valuation signals (i.e., the comparison of valuation ratios such as price to book (the ratio of the market value of equity to the book value of equity) and price to sales (the ratio of the market value of equity to total revenue) of different market segments) and sentiment signals (analysis to determine investors' attitudes toward different market segments) and risk/return analysis.

After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM identifies baskets of stocks and determines their weights within the Fund in order to reflect those desired exposures. These baskets are generally comprised of stocks included in the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index but may include or be entirely comprised of stocks not included in the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index. The baskets are derived from various indexes, quantitative tools and/or rules-based processes designed to achieve desired exposures. RIM may replicate indexes or may utilize techniques such as optimization and/or substitution of index constituents to seek to efficiently gain desired portfolio exposures. RIM may also invest in index futures, index put or call options or exchange traded funds as a substitute for the purchase of stocks to achieve desired exposures, in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective or for hedging purposes.

The Fund may invest a portion of its assets in securities of companies, known as real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), that own and/or manage properties. By investing in REITs indirectly through the Fund, a shareholder will bear the expenses of the REITs in addition to expenses of the Fund.

The Fund, like any mutual fund, maintains cash reserves (i.e., cash awaiting investment or cash held to meet redemption requests or to pay expenses). RIM may increase or decrease the Fund's cash reserves to seek to achieve the desired exposures for the Fund, or in anticipation of large redemptions resulting from rebalancing by funds of funds or asset allocation programs.

The Fund usually, but not always, pursues a strategy of being fully invested by exposing all or a portion of its cash to the performance of certain markets by purchasing equity securities and/or derivatives (also known as "equitization"), which typically include index futures contracts. This is intended to cause the Fund to perform as though its cash were actually invested in those markets. This exposure may or may not match the Fund's benchmark and RIM may use the cash equitization process to manage Fund exposures. RIM may not equitize all or a portion of the Fund's cash or use the cash equitization process to reduce market exposure. With respect to cash that is not equitized, RIM may sell equity index put options to seek gains from premiums (cash) received from their sale. RIM invests any remaining cash in short-term investments, including the U.S. Cash Management Fund, an unregistered fund advised by RIM whose investment objective is to seek to preserve principal and provide liquidity and current income.

The Fund may sell securities for a variety of reasons including to realize gains, limit losses, to make funds available for other investment opportunities or to meet redemption requests. The Fund may also sell a security if there is a significant change to the security's characteristics or if the security is no longer consistent with the Fund's investment strategies.

While market capitalization changes over time and there is not one universally accepted definition of the lines between large, medium and small capitalization companies, the Fund defines large and medium capitalization stocks as stocks of those companies represented by the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index or within the capitalization range of the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index. On May 8, 2020, the day on which capitalization data was used for the annual reconstitution of the Russell indexes, the market capitalization of such large capitalization companies ranged from approximately \$31.7 billion to \$1.4 trillion and the market capitalization of such medium capitalization companies ranged from approximately \$1.8 billion to \$31.7 billion. The market capitalization of these companies will change with market conditions and these capitalization ranges may vary significantly between an index reconstitution and at the time of the next index reconstitution. The Fund may invest in companies not included within the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index.

In determining if a security is economically tied to the U.S., the Fund generally looks to the country of incorporation of the issuer. However, the Fund's portfolio manager may determine a security is economically tied to the U.S. based on other factors, such as an issuer's country of domicile, where more than 50% of an issuer's revenues are generated or where an issuer's primary exchange is located. As a result, a security may be economically tied to more than one country. With respect to derivative instruments, the Fund generally considers such instruments to be economically tied to the U.S. if the underlying instruments of the derivatives are (i) U.S. currency (or baskets or indexes of such currency); (ii) instruments or securities that are issued by the U.S. government or by an issuer economically tied to the U.S.; or (iii) for certain money market instruments, if either the issuer or the guarantor of such money market instrument is an issuer economically tied to the U.S. as described above. Equity securities in which the Fund invests include common stocks,

preferred stocks, partnership interests and equity-equivalent securities or instruments whose values are based on common stocks, such as convertible securities, rights, warrants or options (stock or stock index), futures contracts (stock or stock index) and index swaps.

#### **Non-Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund may invest in non-U.S. issuers by purchasing American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") or Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs"). An ADR is a stock that trades in the U.S. but represents shares in a non-U.S. company. A GDR is a stock that trades in one or more global markets but represents shares of a company domiciled in a different country. The Fund typically invests in sponsored ADRs or GDRs but may also invest in unsponsored ADRs or GDRs.

The Fund may invest in preferred stocks, micro capitalization stocks, rights, warrants and convertible securities.

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities in an amount up to one-third of its total assets to earn income. These loans may be terminated at any time. The Fund will receive either cash (which is invested at its own risk by the Fund), securities issued or guaranteed by the United States government or its agencies or instrumentalities or sovereign debt to secure the obligations of the borrower.

On rare occasions, the Fund may take a temporary defensive position that may be inconsistent with its long-term principal investment strategies in an attempt to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. If this occurs, the Fund may not achieve its investment objective during such times. The Fund may take a defensive position by raising cash levels and/or reducing or eliminating the strategy to expose its cash to the performance of appropriate markets.

## MULTIFACTOR INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

## **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth.

#### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in equity securities. The Fund is required to provide 60 days' notice to its shareholders prior to a change in this policy. The 80% investment requirement applies at the time the Fund invests its assets. The Fund invests principally in equity securities, including common stocks issued by companies economically tied to or located in developed markets countries, other than the U.S. The Fund's securities are denominated principally in foreign currencies and may be held outside the U.S. The Fund's investments span most of the developed nations of the world to maintain a high degree of diversification among countries and currencies. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 40%, and may invest up to 100%, of its assets in equity securities economically tied to developed market countries, other than the U.S. The Fund may invest in equity securities of companies that are economically tied to emerging market countries. The Fund invests principally in large and medium capitalization companies, but may also invest in small capitalization companies.

RIM seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as value, momentum, quality, capitalization size, lower volatility, growth, industry, sector, region, defensive or dynamic). The Fund's desired exposures are generally based on RIM's longer term strategic investment views on specific exposures (value, momentum, quality and lower volatility), as well as RIM's short to intermediate term tactical views on a variety of matters such as the economy, interest rates, monetary policy, investment style cycles, sentiment and/or relative valuation opportunities. The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the MSCI World ex USA Index and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the MSCI World ex USA Index over the short, intermediate or long term.

RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. The quantitative inputs may include historical risk, return, valuation and/or fundamental accounting based characteristics or may be based on mathematical formulas utilizing statistical analyses. Additionally, quantitative tools, such as risk models and optimization may be used to construct the portfolio. Optimization typically includes the analysis of tradeoffs between various risk and return factors as well as turnover and transaction costs in order to estimate optimal portfolio positioning. RIM then qualitatively assesses these inputs based on its viewpoints that are derived from investment insights

developed from internal and external data, information and opinions, historical returns and forecasting relative to market cycles, valuation signals (i.e., the comparison of valuation ratios such as price to book (the ratio of the market value of equity to the book value of equity) and price to sales (the ratio of the market value of equity to total revenue) of different market segments) and sentiment signals (analysis to determine investors' attitudes toward different market segments) and risk/return analysis.

After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM identifies baskets of stocks and determines their weights within the Fund in order to reflect those desired exposures. These baskets are generally comprised of stocks included in the MSCI World ex USA Index but may include or be entirely comprised of stocks not included in the MSCI World ex USA Index. The baskets are derived from various indexes, quantitative tools and/or rules-based processes designed to achieve desired exposures. RIM may replicate indexes or may utilize techniques such as optimization and/or substitution of index constituents to seek to efficiently gain desired portfolio exposures. RIM may also invest in index futures, index put or call options, currency forwards or exchange traded funds as a substitute for the purchase of stocks to achieve desired exposures, in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective or for hedging purposes.

The Fund, like any mutual fund, maintains cash reserves (i.e., cash awaiting investment or cash held to meet redemption requests or to pay expenses). RIM may increase or decrease the Fund's cash reserves to seek to achieve the desired exposures for the Fund, or in anticipation of large redemptions resulting from rebalancing by funds of funds or asset allocation programs.

The Fund usually, but not always, pursues a strategy of being fully invested by exposing all or a portion of its cash to the performance of certain markets by purchasing equity securities and/or derivatives (also known as "equitization"), which typically include index futures contracts and forward currency contracts. This is intended to cause the Fund to perform as though its cash were actually invested in those markets. This exposure may or may not match the Fund's benchmark and RIM may use the cash equitization process to manage Fund exposures. RIM may not equitize all or a portion of the Fund's cash or use the cash equitization process to reduce market exposure. RIM invests any remaining cash in short-term investments, including the U.S. Cash Management Fund, an unregistered fund advised by RIM whose investment objective is to seek to preserve principal and provide liquidity and current income.

The Fund may invest in derivative instruments and may use derivatives to take both long and short positions. The Fund may purchase and sell futures and forwards contracts and enter into options, swap agreements and swaptions (1) as a substitute for holding securities directly, (2) to manage country and currency exposure, (3) for hedging purposes, (4) to take a net short position with respect to certain issuers, sectors or markets or (5) to facilitate the implementation of its investment strategy.

The Fund may purchase and sell currency futures and options on currency futures, forward currency contracts, currency swaps and currency spot and options contracts for speculative purposes based on RIM's judgment regarding the direction of the market for a particular foreign currency or currencies. The Fund's currency investments may seek returns through the identification of currency market factors that are expected to result in positive returns over time. The Fund will enter into spot and forward currency contracts to facilitate settlement of securities transactions and may enter into these contracts in order to "lock in" the U.S. dollar price of a security that it plans to buy or sell. The Fund may at times seek to protect a portion of its investments against adverse currency exchange rate changes by purchasing forward currency contracts.

The Fund may invest a portion of its assets in securities of companies, known as real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), that own and/or manage properties. By investing in REITs indirectly through the Fund, a shareholder will bear the expenses of the REITs in addition to expenses of the Fund.

The Fund may invest in pooled investment vehicles, including other investment companies and exchange traded funds.

The Fund may sell securities for a variety of reasons including to realize gains, limit losses, to make funds available for other investment opportunities or to meet redemption requests. The Fund may also sell a security if there is a significant change to the security's characteristics or if the security is no longer consistent with the Fund's investment strategies.

The Fund considers the following countries to have developed markets: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. As a general rule, the Fund considers emerging market countries to include every other country.

While market capitalization changes over time and there is not one universally accepted definition of the lines between large, medium and small capitalization companies, the Fund defines large and medium capitalization stocks as stocks of those companies represented by the MSCI World ex USA Index or within the capitalization range of the MSCI World ex USA Index. As of December 31, 2020, the market capitalization of such large and medium capitalization companies ranged from approximately \$1.7 billion to \$340 billion. The market capitalization of these companies will change with market conditions and these capitalization ranges may vary significantly between an index reconstitution and at the time of the next index reconstitution. The Fund may invest in companies and countries not included within the MSCI World ex USA Index.

In determining if a security is economically tied to or located in a developed or emerging market country, the Fund generally looks to the country of incorporation of the issuer. However, the Fund's portfolio manager may determine a security is economically tied to a developed or emerging market country based on other factors, such as an issuer's country of domicile, where more than 50% of an issuer's revenues are generated or where an issuer's primary exchange is located. As a result, a security may be economically tied to more than one country. With respect to derivative instruments, the Fund generally considers such instruments to be economically tied to developed or emerging market countries if the underlying instruments of the derivatives are (i) foreign currencies (or baskets or indexes of such currencies); (ii) instruments or securities that are issued by foreign governments or by an issuer economically tied to a developed or emerging market country as described above; or (iii) for certain money market instruments, if either the issuer or the guarantor of such money market instrument is an issuer economically tied to a developed or emerging market country as described above. Equity securities in which the Fund invests include common stocks, preferred stocks, partnership interests and equity-equivalent securities or instruments whose values are based on common stocks, such as convertible securities, rights, warrants or options (stock or stock index), futures contracts (stock or stock index) and index swaps.

#### **Non-Principal Investment Strategies**

A portion of the Fund's net assets may be "illiquid" investments (i.e., investments that are not reasonably expected to be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without significantly changing the market value of the investment).

The Fund may purchase depositary receipts, including American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs"), Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs") and European Depositary Receipts ("EDRs"). The Fund may purchase depositary receipts where an ADR, GDR or EDR provides better access to markets and more liquidity (including with respect to the number of market participants and/or transactions) than the underlying security. An ADR is a stock that trades in the U.S. but represents shares in a non-U.S. company. A GDR is a stock that trades in one or more global markets but represents shares of a company domiciled in a different country. An EDR is issued in Europe typically by foreign banks and trust companies and evidences ownership of either foreign or domestic securities. The Fund typically invests in sponsored ADRs, GDRs and EDRs but may also invest in unsponsored ADRs, GDRs and EDRs.

The Fund may invest in preferred stocks, rights, warrants and convertible securities.

Some emerging market countries do not permit foreigners to participate directly in their securities markets or otherwise present difficulties for efficient foreign investment. Therefore, when RIM believes it is appropriate to do so, the Fund may invest in synthetic foreign equity securities, which may be referred to as international warrants, local access products, participation notes or low exercise price warrants, or may invest in equity linked notes. International warrants are a form of derivative security issued by foreign banks that either give holders the right to buy or sell an underlying security or securities for a particular price or give holders the right to receive cash payment relating to the value of the underlying security or securities. Local access products are similar to options in that they are exercisable by the holder for an underlying security or the value of that security, but are generally exercisable over a longer term than typical options.

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities in an amount up to one-third of its total assets to earn income. These loans may be terminated at any time. The Fund will receive either cash (which is invested at its own risk by the Fund), securities issued or guaranteed by the United States government or its agencies or instrumentalities or sovereign debt to secure the obligations of the borrower.

On rare occasions, the Fund may take a temporary defensive position that may be inconsistent with its long-term principal investment strategies in an attempt to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. If this occurs, the Fund may not achieve its investment objective during such times. The Fund may take a defensive position by raising cash levels and/or reducing or eliminating the strategy to expose its cash to the performance of appropriate markets.

## MULTIFACTOR BOND FUND

#### **Investment Objective (Non-Fundamental)**

The Fund seeks to provide total return.

#### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund has a non-fundamental policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus borrowings for investment purposes in bonds. The Fund is required to provide 60 days' notice to its shareholders prior to a change in this policy. The 80% investment requirement applies at the time the Fund invests its assets. Bonds are fixed income securities representing debt obligations that typically require the issuer to repay the bondholders the principal amount borrowed and generally to pay interest. The Fund considers bonds to include fixed income equivalent instruments, which may be represented by forwards or derivatives such as options, futures contracts or swap agreements.

RIM seeks to achieve the Fund's investment objective by managing the Fund's overall exposures (such as duration, sector, industry, region, currency, credit quality, yield curve positioning or interest rates). The Fund's desired exposures are generally based on RIM's longer term strategic investment views on specific exposures (duration, yield curve positioning, credit spreads and currency), as well as RIM's short to intermediate term tactical views on a variety of matters such as the economy, interest rates, fiscal and monetary policy, sentiment and/or relative valuation opportunities. The Fund's exposures are monitored and analyzed relative to the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD-hedged) and RIM tilts the Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's characteristics relative to the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD-hedged) over the short, intermediate or long term.

RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Fund to assess Fund characteristics and identify a portfolio which it believes will provide the desired exposures. The quantitative inputs may include historical risk, return, valuation and/or fundamental accounting based characteristics or may be based on mathematical formulas utilizing statistical analyses. Additionally, quantitative tools, such as risk models and optimization may be used to construct the portfolio. Optimization typically includes the analysis of tradeoffs between various risk and return factors as well as turnover and transaction costs in order to estimate optimal portfolio positioning. RIM then qualitatively assesses these inputs based on its viewpoints that are derived from investment insights developed from internal and external data, information and opinions, historical returns and forecasting relative to market cycles, valuation signals (e.g, credit spreads versus historical norms, relative real (net of expected inflation) yield among government bonds and currency comparisons to purchasing power parity) and sentiment signals (analysis to determine investors' attitudes toward different market segments) and risk/return analysis.

After RIM has determined the Fund's desired exposures, RIM invests the Fund's assets in a variety instruments, including securities of issuers in a variety of sectors of the fixed income market and fixed income and currency derivatives, in order to reflect those desired exposures. RIM may replicate indexes or may utilize techniques such as optimization and/or substitution of index constituents to seek to efficiently gain desired portfolio exposures.

The Fund may invest in U.S. and non-U.S. corporate debt securities, Yankee Bonds (dollar-denominated obligations issued in the U.S. by non-U.S. banks and corporations), fixed income securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government (including Treasury Inflation Protected Securities and zero coupon securities) or by non-U.S. governments, or by any U.S. government or non-U.S. government agency or instrumentality. Zero coupon securities are notes, bonds and debentures that (1) do not pay current interest and are issued at a substantial discount from par value, (2) have been stripped of their unmatured interest coupons and receipts or (3) pay no interest until a stated date one or more years into the future.

The Fund may invest in debt securities that are rated below investment grade, (commonly referred to as "high-yield" or "junk bonds") as determined by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations ("NRSROs") or in unrated securities judged to be of comparable quality. Junk bonds, and to a lesser extent other types of bonds, may be

purchased at a discount and thereby provide opportunities for capital appreciation. The Fund's investments may include debt securities that are the subject of bankruptcy proceedings, that are in default as to the payment of principal or interest, or that are rated in the lowest rating category by an NRSRO ("distressed securities").

The Fund may purchase and sell currency futures and options on currency futures, forward currency contracts, currency swaps and currency spot and options contracts for speculative purposes based on judgments regarding the direction of the market for a particular foreign currency or currencies. The Fund's currency investments may seek returns through the identification of global macroeconomic and investment themes that impact financial markets, including themes specific to the currency market (e.g., exchange rate valuation), themes from other markets (such as equity, interest rate or commodity markets), or themes that relate to domestic or global economic events or external shocks (such as political events or natural disasters), or through the identification of currency market factors that are expected to result in positive returns over time. The Fund will enter into spot and forward currency contracts to facilitate settlement of securities transactions and may enter into these contracts in order to "lock in" the U.S. dollar price of a security that it plans to buy or sell. The Fund may at times seek to protect a portion of its investments against adverse currency exchange rate changes by purchasing forward currency contracts.

The Fund may invest in derivative instruments and may use derivatives to take both long and short positions. The Fund may purchase and sell forward and futures contracts, including interest rate and Treasury futures, and enter into options, when-issued transactions (also called forward commitments), swap agreements (including interest rate and index swaps) or swaptions (1) as a substitute for holding securities directly, (2) for hedging purposes, (3) to take a net short position with respect to certain issuers, sectors or markets, (4) to facilitate the implementation of its investment strategy, or (5) to adjust the interest rate sensitivity and duration of the Fund's portfolio. The Fund may buy or sell credit default swaps or other credit derivatives as an alternative to buying or selling the debt securities themselves or otherwise to increase the Fund's total return. Credit default swaps resemble insurance contracts in that the seller of the swap provides the buyer with protection against specific risks of the issuer, such as defaults and bankruptcies, in exchange for a premium from the buyer. Credit default swaps may include index credit default swaps, which are contracts on baskets or indices of credit instruments, which may include tranches of commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBX"). The Fund may invest in STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities). STRIPS are created by separating the interest and the principal components of an outstanding U.S. Treasury or agency note or bond and selling them as individual securities.

The Fund's use of derivatives may cause the Fund's investment returns to be impacted by the performance of securities the Fund does not own and result in the Fund's total investment exposure exceeding the value of its portfolio.

The Fund may invest in mortgage related securities including mortgage-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, commercial mortgage-backed securities, mortgage pass-through securities, to be announced ("TBA") securities, interest only and inverse interest only mortgage-backed securities, principal only mortgage-backed securities and mortgage dollar rolls, that directly or indirectly represent a participation in, or are secured by and payable from, mortgage loans on real property. A dollar roll is the sale of a security by the Fund and its agreement to repurchase the instrument at a specified time and price, and may be considered a form of borrowing for some purposes. By investing in mortgage related securities, the Fund may also have exposure to non-agency mortgage-backed securities, including to Alternative A ("Alt-A") paper, subprime and/or non-conforming mortgages. The Fund may also invest in asset-backed securities, which may include, among others, credit card, automobile loan and/or home equity line of credit receivables and collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs"). CLOs are special purpose entities that are collateralized mainly by a pool of loans, which may include, among others, domestic and foreign senior secured loans, senior unsecured loans, and subordinate corporate loans, including loans that may be rated below investment grade or equivalent unrated loans.

The duration of the Fund's portfolio will typically be within one year of the duration of the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (USD Hedged), which was 7.2 years as of December 31, 2020, but may vary up to two years from the Index's duration. The Fund has no restrictions on individual security duration. Interest rates have recently been increased from historically low levels and may continue to increase in the future, though the timing or magnitude of future increases are difficult to predict. In general, as interest rates rise, the value of the bonds held in the Fund will tend to decline, and, as interest rates fall, the value of the bonds held in the Fund will tend to rise. Bonds with longer durations tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than those with shorter durations. Variable and floating rate securities are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes.

A portion of the Fund's net assets may be "illiquid" investments (i.e., investments that are not reasonably expected to be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without significantly changing the market value of the investment).

The Fund's investments may include variable and floating rate securities. A floating rate security is one whose terms provide for the automatic adjustment of an interest rate whenever the specified interest rate changes. A variable rate security is one whose terms provide for the automatic establishment of a new interest rate on set dates.

The Fund may invest in non-U.S. debt securities, including developed and emerging market debt securities, some of which may be non-U.S. dollar denominated.

Some of the securities in which the Fund invests may be supported by credit and liquidity enhancements from third parties. These enhancements may include letters of credit from foreign or domestic banks.

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements. A repurchase agreement is an agreement under which the Fund acquires a fixed income security from a commercial bank, broker or dealer and simultaneously agrees to resell such security to the seller at an agreed upon price and date (normally the next business day).

The Fund may invest in commercial paper, including asset-backed commercial paper.

The Fund, like any mutual fund, maintains cash reserves (i.e., cash awaiting investment or cash held to meet redemption requests or to pay expenses). RIM may increase or decrease the Fund's cash reserves to seek to achieve the desired exposures for the Fund, or in anticipation of large redemptions resulting from rebalancing by funds of funds or asset allocation programs. An increase in the Fund's cash balances in anticipation of large redemptions may be significant and may persist for an extended period of time. The Fund may hold additional cash in connection with its investment strategy.

The Fund usually, but not always, exposes a portion of its cash to changes in interest rates or market/sector returns by purchasing fixed income securities and/or derivatives (also known as "equitization"), which typically include exchange traded fixed income futures contracts, TBAs and swaps. This exposure may or may not match the Fund's benchmark and RIM may use the cash equitization process to manage Fund exposures. RIM may not equitize a portion of the Fund's cash or use the cash equitization process to reduce market exposure. RIM invests any remaining cash in short-term investments, including the U.S. Cash Management Fund, an unregistered fund advised by RIM whose investment objective is to seek to preserve principal and provide liquidity and current income.

The Fund may engage in active and frequent trading of portfolio securities to achieve its principal investment strategies.

The Fund may sell securities for a variety of reasons including to realize gains, limit losses, to make funds available for other investment opportunities or to meet redemption requests. The Fund may also sell a security if there is a significant change to the security's characteristics or if the security is no longer consistent with the Fund's investment strategies.

The Fund considers the following countries to have developed markets: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. As a general rule, the Fund considers emerging market countries to include every other country.

#### **Non-Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund may purchase loans and other direct indebtedness entitling the Fund to payments of interest, principal and/or other amounts due under the structure of the loan or other indebtedness. This may include investments in floating rate "bank loans" or "leveraged loans," which are generally loans issued to below investment grade companies that carry floating coupon payments. Such investments are generally rated below investment grade and are expected to exhibit credit risks similar to "high yield" or "junk" bonds. Such investments may also be unrated, in which case the Fund relies primarily on its own evaluation of a borrower's credit quality rather than on any available independent sources. The Fund may invest in senior secured floating rate loans or debt and second lien or other subordinated or unsecured floating rate loans or debt. Senior secured loans or debt are secured by specific collateral of the borrower and are senior to most other securities of the borrower in the event the borrower goes bankrupt. Second lien and subordinated loans or debt rank after senior obligations of the borrower in the event of bankruptcy and typically have a lower credit rating and therefore higher yield than senior secured loans. Unsecured loans or debt are not secured by specific collateral of the borrower in the

event of bankruptcy. Bank loans are often issued in connection with acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, bankruptcy proceedings or financial restructurings and borrowers may have defaulted in the payment of interest or principal or in the performance of certain covenants or agreements and/or have uncertain financial conditions.

The Fund may invest in pooled investment vehicles, including other investment companies and exchange traded funds. The Fund may invest in municipal debt obligations.

The Fund may invest in non-U.S. debt securities and bonds issued through the exchange of existing commercial bank loans to sovereign entities for new obligations in connection with debt restructuring, also known as Brady Bonds.

The Fund may invest in obligations issued or guaranteed by U.S. or foreign banks. Bank obligations, including time deposits, bankers' acceptances and certificates of deposit, may be general obligations of the parent bank or may be limited to the issuing branch by the terms of the specific obligations or by government regulations.

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities in an amount up to one-third of its total assets to earn income. These loans may be terminated at any time. The Fund will receive either cash (which is invested at its own risk by the Fund), securities issued or guaranteed by the United States government or its agencies or instrumentalities or sovereign debt to secure the obligations of the borrower.

On rare occasions, the Fund may take a temporary defensive position that may be inconsistent with its long-term principal investment strategies in an attempt to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. If this occurs, the Fund may not achieve its investment objective during such times. The Fund may take a defensive position by raising cash levels and/or reducing or eliminating the strategy to expose its cash to the performance of appropriate markets.

## **RISKS**

An investment in the Funds, like any investment, has risks. The value of a Fund fluctuates and you could lose money. The following table lists the Funds and the types of principal and non-principal risks the Funds are subject to. Please refer to the discussion following the chart and the Funds' Statement of Additional Information for a discussion of risks associated with types of securities held by the Funds and the investment practices employed by the Funds.

Investors should be aware that in light of the current uncertainty, volatility and distress in financial, social, political and health conditions around the world, the risks below are heightened significantly compared to normal conditions and therefore subject a Fund's investments and a shareholder's investment in a Fund to sudden and substantial losses. The fact that a particular risk below is not specifically identified as being heightened under current conditions does not mean that the risk is not greater than under normal conditions.

Fund	Principal Risks	Non-Principal Risks
Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund	<ul> <li>Active Management Risk</li> <li>Security and Security Basket Selection</li> <li>Exposure Tilts</li> <li>Management of Fund Exposures</li> <li>Index-Based Investing</li> <li>Quantitative Investing</li> <li>Equity Securities Risk</li> <li>Common Stocks</li> <li>Momentum Stocks</li> <li>Securities of Medium Capitalization Companies</li> <li>Securities of Small Capitalization Companies</li> <li>Derivatives (Futures Contracts, Options, Forwards and Swaps)</li> <li>Counterparty Risk</li> <li>Securities of Other Investment Companies</li> <li>Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")</li> <li>Large Redemptions</li> <li>Global Financial Markets Risk</li> <li>Financial Services Sector Risk</li> <li>Cash Management</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Securities of Micro Capitalization Companies</li> <li>Preferred Stocks</li> <li>Rights, Warrants and Convertible Securities</li> <li>Depositary Receipts</li> <li>Securities Lending</li> <li>Operational Risk</li> </ul>
Multifactor International Equity Fund	<ul> <li>Active Management Risk</li> <li>Security and Security Basket Selection</li> <li>Exposure Tilts</li> <li>Management of Fund Exposures</li> <li>Index-Based Investing</li> <li>Quantitative Investing</li> <li>Equity Securities Risk</li> <li>Common Stocks</li> <li>Momentum Stocks</li> <li>Securities of Medium Capitalization Companies</li> <li>Securities of Small Capitalization Companies</li> <li>Non-U.S. Securities</li> <li>Non-U.S. Equity Securities</li> <li>Emerging Markets Securities</li> <li>Currency Risk</li> <li>Derivatives (Futures Contracts, Options, Forwards and Swaps)</li> <li>Currency Trading Risk</li> <li>Counterparty Risk</li> <li>Liquidity Risk</li> <li>Securities of Other Investment Companies</li> <li>Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")</li> <li>Large Redemptions</li> <li>Global Financial Markets Risk</li> <li>Financial Services Sector Risk</li> <li>Cash Management</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Preferred Stocks</li> <li>Rights, Warrants and Convertible Securities</li> <li>Synthetic Foreign Equity/Fixed Income Securities</li> <li>Equity Linked Notes</li> <li>Depositary Receipts</li> <li>Illiquid Investments</li> <li>Securities Lending</li> <li>Operational Risk</li> </ul>

Fund	Principal Risks	Non-Principal Risks
Fund  Multifactor Bond Fund	Principal Risks  Active Management Risk Security and Security Basket Selection Exposure Tilts Management of Fund Exposures Index-Based Investing Quantitative Investing Fixed Income Securities Risk Non-Investment Grade Debt Securities ("High Yield" or "Junk Bonds") U.S. and Non-U.S. Corporate Debt Securities Risk Government Issued or Guaranteed Securities, U.S. Government Securities Money Market Securities (Including Commercial Paper) Asset-Backed Commercial Paper Variable and Floating Rate Securities Mortgage-Backed Securities Privately-Issued Mortgage-Backed Securities Privately-Issued Mortgage-Backed Securities Reverse Mortgages Asset-Backed Securities Credit and Liquidity Enhancements Repurchase Agreements Dollar Rolls Non-U.S. Fixed Income Securities Emerging Markets Securities Emerging Markets Debt Yankee Bonds and Yankee CDs Currency Risk Derivatives (Futures Contracts, Options, Forwards and Swaps) Currency Trading Risk Counterparty Risk Illiquid Investments Liquidity Risk High Portfolio Turnover Risk Large Redemptions Global Financial Markets Risk Cash Management Distressed Securities	Non-Principal Risks  Bank Obligations  Municipal Obligations  Loans and Other Direct Indebtedness  Brady Bonds  Securities of Other Investment Companies  Securities Lending  Operational Risk
	New Fund Risk	

In order to determine which risks are principal or non-principal risks for a Fund, please refer to the table above.

#### **Active Management Risk**

Actively managed investment portfolios are subject to active management risk. Despite strategies designed to achieve a Fund's investment objective, the values of investments will change with market conditions, and so will the value of any investment in a Fund and you could lose money. Investments in a Fund could be lost or a Fund could underperform other investments. RIM utilizes a variety of quantitative inputs and qualitative investment information and analysis in the management of the Funds. If the quantitative inputs are not predicative or qualitative assessments are incorrect, a Fund may underperform.

#### • Security and Security Basket Selection

The securities, baskets of securities or instruments chosen by RIM to be in a Fund's portfolio may not perform as RIM expects. Security or instrument selection risk may cause a Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and investment strategies even in a rising market.

#### • Exposure Tilts

RIM may implement shifts in a Fund's exposures by over or underweighting any of the portfolio's investment characteristics relative to its index over the short, intermediate or long term. Such tilts may be ineffective and RIM's judgments regarding perceived market risks and opportunities may be incorrect.

# • Management of Fund Exposures

There is no guarantee that RIM will effectively assess a Fund's overall exposures and it is possible that its judgments regarding a Fund's exposures may prove incorrect. In addition, actions taken to manage overall Fund exposures, including risk, may be ineffective and/or cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and investment strategies in the short- and/or long-term.

## **Index-Based Investing**

The Funds may use index-based strategies, including index replication and optimized index sampling. Index replication strategies seek to purchase the securities in an index or a blend of indexes (the "reference index") in order to track the reference index's performance. Optimized index sampling strategies do not attempt to purchase every security in the reference index, but instead purchase a sampling of securities using optimization and risk models. This process involves the analysis of tradeoffs between various factors as well as turnover and transaction costs in order to estimate optimal portfolio holdings based upon the reference index in order to achieve desired Fund exposures. Unlike index replication strategies, optimized index sampling strategies do not seek to fully replicate the reference index and a Fund may not hold all the securities and may hold securities not included in the reference index. A Fund may hold constituent securities of the reference index regardless of the current or projected performance of a specific security or a particular industry or market sector. Maintaining investments in securities regardless of the performance of individual securities or market conditions could cause a Fund's return to be lower than if the Fund employed a fundamental investment approach to security selection with respect to that portion of its portfolio. Additionally, the portion of a Fund's portfolio utilizing an index-based strategy is subject to "tracking error" risk, which is the risk that the performance of the portion of a Fund's portfolio utilizing an index-based strategy will differ from the performance of the reference index it seeks to track due to differences in security holdings, operating expenses, transaction costs, cash flows, operational inefficiencies and tax considerations.

## **Quantitative Investing**

Quantitative inputs and models use historical company, economic and/or industry data to evaluate prospective investments or to generate forecasts. This could result in incorrect assessments of the specific portfolio characteristics or ineffective adjustments to a Fund's exposures. Securities selected using quantitative analysis may perform differently than analysis of their historical trends would suggest as a result of the factors used in the analysis, the weight placed on each factor, and changes in underlying market conditions. As market dynamics shift over time, a previously successful input or model may become outdated and result in losses. Inputs or models may be flawed or not work as anticipated and cause a Fund to underperform other funds with similar objectives and strategies. Certain inputs and models may utilize third-party data and models that RIM believes to be reliable. However, RIM does not guarantee the accuracy of third-party data or models.

# **Equity Securities Risk**

The value of equity securities fluctuates in response to general market and economic conditions (market risk) and in response to the performance of individual companies (company risk). Therefore, the value of an investment in the Funds may decrease. The market as a whole can decline for many reasons, including adverse political or economic developments in the U.S. or abroad, changes in investor psychology, or heavy institutional selling. Also, certain unanticipated events, such as natural disasters, pandemics, epidemics, terrorist attacks, war, and other geopolitical events, can have a dramatic adverse effect on stock markets. Changes in the financial condition of a company or other issuer, changes in specific market, economic, political, and regulatory conditions that affect a particular type of investment or issuer, and changes in general market, economic, political, and regulatory conditions can adversely affect the price of equity securities. These developments and changes can affect a single issuer, issuers within a broad market sector, industry or geographic region, or the market in general.

#### Common Stocks

The value of common stocks will rise and fall in response to the activities of the company that issued the stock, general market conditions and/or economic conditions. If an issuer is liquidated or declares bankruptcy, the claims of owners of the issuer's debt instruments will take precedence over the claims of owners of common stocks.

#### • Momentum Stocks

Momentum stocks are stocks of companies that exhibit positive price trends. Investments in momentum stocks are subject to the risks of common stocks. Momentum stocks are likely to underperform the broad market in declining markets and over various market periods. The relative performance of momentum stocks may fluctuate over time.

## • Securities of Medium Capitalization Companies

Investments in securities of medium capitalization companies are subject to the risks of common stocks. However, investments in medium capitalization companies may involve greater risks than those associated with larger, more established companies. Securities of such issuers may be thinly traded, and thus, difficult to buy and sell in the market. These companies often have narrower markets, more limited operating or business history, more limited product lines, and more limited managerial or financial resources than larger, more established companies. As a result, their performance can be more volatile and they face greater risk of business failure and bankruptcy, which could increase the volatility of a Fund's portfolio.

## • Securities of Small Capitalization Companies

Investments in securities of small capitalization companies are subject to the risks of common stocks, including the risks of investing in securities of medium capitalization companies. However, investments in small capitalization companies may involve greater risks, as, generally, the smaller the company size, the greater these risks.

## • Securities of Micro Capitalization Companies

Investments in securities of micro capitalization companies are subject to the risks of common stocks, including the risks of investing in securities of medium and small capitalization companies. However, investments in such companies may involve greater risks, as, generally, the smaller the company size, the greater these risks. In addition, micro capitalization companies may be newly formed with more limited track records and less publicly available information.

## • Preferred Stocks

Investments in preferred stocks are subject to the risks of common stocks, as well as the risk that interest rates will rise and make the fixed dividend feature, if any, less appealing to investors resulting in a decline in price. Preferred stock does not usually have voting rights. The absence of voting rights may result in approval by the holders of the common stock of a corporate action to restructure a company for the benefit of the holders of the common stock to the detriment of the holders of the preferred stocks.

## • Rights, Warrants and Convertible Securities

Rights and warrants are instruments which entitle the holder to buy an equity security at a specific price for a specific period of time. Rights are similar to warrants but rights typically have shorter durations and are offered to current stockholders of the issuer. Changes in the value of a right or a warrant do not necessarily correspond to changes in the value of its underlying security. The price of a right or a warrant may be more volatile than the price of its underlying security, and a right or a warrant may offer greater potential for capital loss.

Convertible securities can be bonds, notes, debentures, preferred stocks or other securities which are convertible into common stock. Convertible securities are subject to both the credit and interest rate risks associated with fixed income securities and to the market risk associated with common stocks.

## **Fixed Income Securities Risk**

Fixed income securities generally are subject to the following risks: (i) Interest rate risk which is the risk that prices of fixed income securities generally rise and fall in response to interest rate changes. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of fixed income securities fall. Interest rates in the United States are at, or near, historic lows, which may increase

a Fund's exposure to risks associated with rising rates. Expectations of higher inflation generally cause interest rates to rise. The longer the duration of the security, the more sensitive the security is to this risk. A 1% increase in interest rates would reduce the value of a \$100 note by approximately one dollar if it had a one-year duration. The effect of changing interest rates on financial markets, including negative interest rates, cannot be known with certainty but may expose fixed-income and related markets to heightened volatility and illiquidity. To the extent a Fund holds an investment with a negative interest rate to maturity, the Fund would generate a negative return on that investment. If negative interest rates become more prevalent in the market and/or if negative interest rates persist for a sustained period of time, investors may seek to reallocate assets to higher-yielding assets which, among other potential consequences, could result in increases in the yield and decreases in the prices of fixed-income investments over time; (ii) Market risk which is the risk that the value of fixed income securities fluctuates in response to general market and economic conditions. Fixed income markets have experienced volatility, which may result in increased shareholder redemptions; (iii) Company risk which is the risk that the value of fixed income securities fluctuates in response to the performance of individual companies; (iv) Credit and default risk which is the risk that a Fund could lose money if the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income security or other issuer of credit support is unable or unwilling to make timely principal and/or interest payments, or to otherwise honor its obligations. Securities are subject to varying degrees of credit risk which are often reflected in credit ratings. Fixed income securities may be downgraded in credit rating or go into default. While all fixed income securities are subject to credit risk, lower-rated bonds and bonds with longer final maturities generally have higher credit risks and higher risk of default; (v) Inflation risk which is the risk that the present value of a security will be less in the future if inflation decreases the value of money; and (vi) LIBOR risk which is the risk that artificially low submissions to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") rate setting process during the global financial crisis could adversely affect the interest rates on securities whose payments were determined by reference to LIBOR. In 2017, the head of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) warned that LIBOR may cease to be available or appropriate for use after 2021. Certain instruments held by the Funds rely in some fashion upon LIBOR. Although the transition process away from LIBOR has become increasingly well-defined in advance of the anticipated discontinuation date, there remains uncertainty regarding the nature of any replacement rate, and any potential effects of the transition away from LIBOR on a Fund or on certain instruments in which a Fund invests can be difficult to ascertain. The transition process may involve, among other things, increased volatility or illiquidity in markets for instruments that currently rely on LIBOR and may result in a reduction in value of certain instruments held by a Fund. The unavailability of LIBOR may affect the value, liquidity or return on certain Fund investments and may result in additional costs in connection with closing out positions and entering into new trades. Pricing adjustments to a Fund's investments resulting from a substitute reference rate may adversely affect the Fund's performance and/or NAV. The impact of any substitute reference rate, if any, will vary on an investment-by-investment basis. RIM may have discretion to determine a substitute reference rate, including any price or other adjustments to account for differences between the substitute reference rate and the previous rate. The substitute reference rate and any adjustments selected could negatively impact a Fund's investment performance or financial condition, including in ways unforeseen by RIM. In addition, certain fixed income transactions may give rise to a form of leverage including, among others, when-issued, delayed delivery or forward commitment transactions, reverse repurchase agreements, dollar rolls and other transactions that may be considered a form of borrowing. A Fund will segregate or "earmark" liquid assets or otherwise cover the transactions that may give rise to such risk. This may cause a Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so to satisfy its obligations or to meet segregation requirements.

Specific types of fixed income securities are also subject to additional risks which are described below.

## • Non-Investment Grade Debt Securities ("High-Yield" or "Junk Bonds")

Although lower rated debt securities generally offer a higher yield than higher rated debt securities, they involve higher risks, higher volatility and higher risk of default than investment grade bonds. They are especially subject to:

- Adverse changes in general economic conditions and in the industries in which their issuers are engaged;
- Changes in the financial condition of their issuers;
- Price fluctuations in response to changes in interest rates; and
- Reduced liquidity compared to higher rated securities.

As a result, issuers of lower rated debt securities are more likely than other issuers to miss principal and interest payments or to default, which could result in a loss to a Fund. In the event of an issuer's bankruptcy,

the claims of other creditors may have priority over the claims of lower rated debt holders, leaving insufficient assets to repay the holders of lower rated debt securities.

# • U.S. and Non-U.S. Corporate Debt Securities Risk

U.S. and non-U.S. corporate debt securities are subject to the same risks as other fixed income securities, including interest rate risk and market risk. U.S. and non-U.S. corporate debt securities are also affected by perceptions of the creditworthiness and business prospects of individual issuers. The underlying company may be unable to pay interest or repay principal upon maturity, which could adversely affect the security's market value. In addition, due to less publicly available financial and other information, less stringent securities regulation, war, and other adverse governmental actions, investments in non-U.S. corporate debt securities may expose a Fund to greater risk than investments in U.S. corporate debt securities.

## • Government Issued or Guaranteed Securities, U.S. Government Securities

Bonds guaranteed by a government are subject to the same risks as other fixed income securities, including inflation risk, price depreciation risk and default risk. No assurance can be given that the U.S. government will provide financial support to certain U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities since it is not obligated to do so by law. Accordingly, bonds issued by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities may involve risk of loss of principal and interest.

## • Distressed Securities

Distressed securities are securities of issuers that are experiencing significant financial or business difficulties. Investments in distressed securities may be considered speculative and may involve substantial risks not normally associated with investments in healthier companies, including the increased possibility that adverse business, financial or economic conditions will cause the issuer to default or initiate insolvency proceedings. Investments in distressed securities inherently have more credit risk than investments in non-distressed issuers, and the degree of risk associated with particular distressed securities may be difficult or impossible to determine. Distressed securities may also be illiquid, difficult to value and experience extreme price volatility. In the event that an issuer of distressed securities defaults or initiates insolvency proceedings, a Fund may lose all of its investment, or it may be required to accept cash or securities with a value less than a Fund's original investment.

#### • Bank Obligations

An adverse development in the banking industry may affect the value of a Fund's investments. Banks may be particularly susceptible to certain economic factors such as interest rate changes, adverse developments in the real estate market, fiscal and monetary policy and general economic cycles. Banks are subject to extensive but different government regulations which may limit both the amount and types of loans which may be made and interest rates which may be charged. The profitability of the banking industry is largely dependent upon the availability and cost of funds for the purpose of financing lending operations under prevailing money market conditions. General economic conditions as well as exposure to credit losses arising from possible financial difficulties of borrowers play an important part in the operation of this industry. The banking industry may also be impacted by legal and regulatory developments. The specific effects of such developments are not yet fully known.

## • Municipal Obligations

Municipal obligations are subject to interest rate, credit and illiquidity risk and are affected by economic, business and political developments. Lower rated municipal obligations are subject to greater credit and market risk than higher quality municipal obligations. The value of these securities, or an issuer's ability to make payments, may be subject to provisions of litigation, bankruptcy and other laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors, or may become subject to future laws extending the time for payment of principal and/or interest, or limiting the rights of municipalities to levy taxes. Timely payments by issuers of industrial development bonds are dependent on the money earned by the particular facility or amount of revenues from other sources, and may be negatively affected by the general credit of the user of the facility.

Municipal securities can be significantly affected by political changes as well as uncertainties in the municipal market related to taxation, legislative changes, or the rights of municipal security holders. In addition, the perceived increased likelihood of default among issuers of municipal bonds has resulted in increased illiquidity, increased price volatility and credit downgrades of such issuers. In addition, the current economic

climate and the perceived increased likelihood of default among issuers of municipal bonds has resulted in increased illiquidity, increased price volatility and credit downgrades of such issuers. A lack of information regarding certain issuers may make their municipal securities more difficult to assess. Additionally, uncertainties in the municipal securities market could negatively affect a Fund's net asset value and/or the distributions paid by a Fund. Certain municipal obligations in which a Fund invests may pay interest that is subject to the alternative minimum tax.

To be tax exempt, municipal bonds must meet certain regulatory requirements. The failure of a municipal bond to meet these requirements may cause the interest received by a Fund from such bonds to be taxable. Interest on a municipal bond may be declared taxable after the issuance of the bond, and such a determination could be applied retroactively to the date of the issuance of the bond, causing a portion of prior distributions made by a Fund to be taxable to shareholders in the year of receipt. Additionally, income from municipal bonds may be declared taxable due to unfavorable changes in tax law, adverse interpretations by the Internal Revenue Service or noncompliant conduct of a bond issuer.

From time to time, a Fund may invest a substantial amount of its assets in municipal bonds the interest from which is paid from revenues of similar projects. If its investments are concentrated in this manner, a Fund will assume the legal and economic risks relating to such projects which may significantly impact a Fund's performance. Additionally, a Fund may invest more heavily in bonds from certain cities, states or regions than others, which may increase a Fund's exposure to losses resulting from economic, political, or regulatory occurrences impacting these particular cities, states or regions.

A Fund may invest in various types of municipal securities that are subject to different risks. These risks may include the following:

- General Obligation Bonds Risk. Timely payments on general obligation bonds depend on the issuer's credit quality, ability to raise tax revenues and ability to maintain an adequate tax base.
- Revenue Bonds (including Industrial Development Bonds) Risk. Timely payments on revenue bonds, including industrial development bonds, depend on the money earned by the particular facility, or the amount of revenues derived from another source, and may be negatively affected by the general credit of the user of the facility.
- Private Activities Bonds Risk. Private activities bonds are issued by municipalities and other public authorities to finance development of industrial facilities for use by a private enterprise, which is solely responsible for paying the principal and interest on the bond, and payment under these bonds depends on the private enterprise's ability to do so.
- Moral Obligation Bonds Risk. Moral obligation bonds are generally issued by special purpose public authorities of a state or municipality. If the issuer is unable to meet its obligations, repayment of these bonds becomes a moral commitment, but not a legal obligation, of the state or municipality.
- Municipal Notes Risk. Municipal notes are shorter-term municipal debt obligations that pay interest that is, in the opinion of bond counsel, generally excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes (although the interest may be includable in taxable income for purposes of the alternative minimum tax) and that have a maturity that is generally one year or less. Municipal notes include tax anticipation notes, bond anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes, construction loan notes, tax free commercial paper, project notes, variable rate demand notes, and tax free participation certificates. If there is a shortfall in the anticipated proceeds, the notes may not be fully repaid and a Fund may lose money.
- Municipal Lease Obligations Risk. In a municipal lease obligation, the issuer agrees to make payments when due on the lease obligation. Although the issuer does not pledge its unlimited taxing power for payment of the lease obligation, the lease obligation is secured by the leased property.
- Pre-Refunded Municipal Bonds Risk. In the event a Fund sells a pre-refunded municipal bond prior to its maturity, the price received may be less than the bond's original cost, depending on market conditions at the time of sale.

#### • Money Market Securities (Including Commercial Paper)

Prices of money market securities rise and fall in response to interest rate changes. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of money market securities fall. Money market securities are also subject to reinvestment risk. As interest rates decline, a money market fund's dividends (income) may decline because the fund must then invest in lower-yielding instruments. A Fund's ability to redeem shares of a money market fund may be impacted by recent regulatory changes relating to money market funds which permit the potential imposition of liquidity fees and redemption gates under certain circumstances. There is also a risk that money market securities will be downgraded in credit rating or go into default. Lower-rated securities, and securities with longer final maturities, generally have higher credit risks.

#### • Asset-Backed Commercial Paper

Asset-backed commercial paper is a fixed income obligation generally issued by a corporate-sponsored special purpose entity to which the corporation has contributed cash-flowing receivables such as credit card receivables or auto and equipment leases. Investment in asset-backed commercial paper is subject to the risk that insufficient proceeds from the projected cash flows of the contributed receivables are available to repay the commercial paper. Asset-backed commercial paper is usually unregistered and, therefore, transfer of these securities is restricted by the Securities Act of 1933.

## • Variable and Floating Rate Securities

A variable rate security is one whose terms provide for the automatic establishment of a new interest rate on set dates. A floating rate security is one whose terms provide for the automatic adjustment of an interest rate whenever the specified interest rate changes. The interest rate on floating rate securities is ordinarily tied to, and is a specified margin above or below, the prime rate of a specified bank or some similar objective standard, such as the yield on the 90–day U.S. Treasury Bill rate, and may change as often as daily. Variable and floating rate securities generally are less sensitive to interest rate changes but may decline in value if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as interest rates in general. Conversely, floating rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline. Inverse floating rate securities may decrease in value if the interest rates increase. Inverse floating rate securities, which are securities whose interest rate bears an inverse relationship to the interest rate on another security, may also exhibit greater price volatility than a fixed rate obligation with similar credit quality.

# • Mortgage-Backed Securities

The value of mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") may be affected by, among other things, changes or perceived changes in interest rates, factors concerning the interests in and structure of the issuer or the originator of the mortgage, or the quality of the mortgages underlying the securities. The mortgages underlying the securities may default or decline in quality or value. Through its investments in MBS, a Fund has exposure to prime loans, subprime loans, Alt-A loans and/or non-conforming loans as well as to the mortgage and credit markets generally. Underlying collateral related to prime, subprime, Alt-A and non-conforming mortgage loans has become increasingly susceptible to defaults and declines in quality or value, especially in a declining residential real estate market. In addition, regulatory or tax changes may adversely affect the mortgage securities markets as a whole.

MBS often have stated maturities of up to thirty years when they are issued, depending upon the length of the mortgages underlying the securities. In practice, however, unscheduled or early payments of principal and interest on the underlying mortgages may make the securities' effective maturity shorter than this, and the prevailing interest rates may be higher or lower than the current yield of a Fund's portfolio at the time resulting in reinvestment risk.

Rising or high interest rates may result in slower than expected principal payments which may tend to extend the duration of MBS, making them more volatile and more sensitive to changes in interest rates. This is known as extension risk.

MBS may have less potential for capital appreciation than comparable fixed income securities due to the likelihood of prepayments of mortgages resulting from foreclosures or declining interest rates. These foreclosed or refinanced mortgages are paid off at face value (par) or less, causing a loss, particularly for any investor who may have purchased the security at a premium or a price above par. In such an environment, this risk limits the potential price appreciation of these securities.

Residential mortgages are subject to the risks of delinquencies, defaults and losses, which may increase substantially over certain periods and affect the performance of the MBS in which certain Funds may invest. Mortgage loans backing non-agency MBS are more sensitive to economic factors that could affect the ability of borrowers to pay their obligations under the mortgage loans backing these securities.

As with other delayed-delivery transactions, a seller agrees to issue a to-be-announced MBS (a "TBA") at a future date. At the time of purchase, the seller does not specify the particular MBS to be delivered. Instead, a Fund agrees to accept any MBS that meets specified terms agreed upon between the Fund and the seller. TBAs are subject to the risk that the underlying mortgages may be less favorable than anticipated by a Fund.

Collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs") are MBS that are collateralized by mortgage loans or mortgage pass-through securities. CMOs are issued in multiple classes, often referred to as "tranches," with each tranche having specific risk characteristics, payment structures and maturity dates. This creates different prepayment and market risks for each CMO class. The primary risk of CMOs is the uncertainty of the timing of cash flows that results from the rate of prepayments on the underlying mortgages and from the structure of the particular CMO transaction (that is, the priority of the individual tranches). The principal and interest payments on the underlying mortgages may be allocated among the several tranches of a CMO in varying ways including "principal only," "interest only" and "inverse interest only" tranches. These tranche structures affect the amount and timing of principal and interest received by each tranche from the underlying collateral. For example, an inverse interest-only class CMO entitles holders to receive no payments of principal and to receive interest at a rate that will vary inversely with a specified index or a multiple thereof. Under certain structures, particular classes of CMOs have priority over others with respect to the receipt of prepayments on the mortgages. Therefore, depending on the type of CMOs in which a Fund invests, the investment may be subject to a greater or lesser risk of prepayment than other types of MBS.

Commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS") include securities that reflect an interest in, and are secured by, mortgage loans on commercial real property. Many of the risks of investing in CMBS reflect the risks of investing in the real estate securing the underlying mortgage loans, including the effects of local and other economic conditions on real estate markets, the ability of property owners to make loan payments, the ability of tenants to make lease payments, and the ability of a property to attract and retain tenants. Investments in CMBS are also subject to the risks of asset-backed securities generally and may be particularly sensitive to prepayment and extension risks. CMBS securities may be less liquid and exhibit greater price volatility than other types of asset-backed securities.

Adverse changes in market conditions and regulatory climate may reduce the cash flow which a Fund, to the extent it invests in MBS or other asset-backed securities, receives from such securities and increase the incidence and severity of credit events and losses in respect of such securities. In the event that interest rate spreads for MBS and other asset-backed securities widen following the purchase of such assets by a Fund, the market value of such securities is likely to decline and, in the case of a substantial spread widening, could decline by a substantial amount. Furthermore, adverse changes in market conditions may result in reduced liquidity in the market for MBS and other asset-backed securities and an unwillingness by banks, financial institutions and investors to extend credit to servicers, originators and other participants in the market for MBS and other asset-backed securities. As a result, the liquidity and/or the market value of any MBS or asset-backed securities that are owned by a Fund may experience declines after they are purchased by a Fund.

## • Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities

Certain MBS may be issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or a government-sponsored entity, such as Fannie Mae (the Federal National Mortgage Association) or Freddie Mac (the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation). Although these instruments may be guaranteed by the U.S. government or a government-sponsored entity, many such MBS are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States and are still exposed to the risk of non-payment. Under the direction of the Federal Housing Finance Administration ("FHFA"), Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have entered into a joint initiative to develop a common securitization platform for the issuance of a uniform mortgage-backed security (the "Single Security Initiative") that aligns the characteristics of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac certificates. The Single Security Initiative was implemented in June 2019, and the effects it may have on the market for mortgage-backed securities are uncertain. Since 2008, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have been operating under FHFA conservatorship and are dependent upon the continued support of the U.S. Department of the Treasury and FHFA in order to continue their business operations. The FHFA and

Trump Administration have made public statements regarding plans to consider ending the conservatorships. In the event that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are taken out of conservatorship, it is unclear how their respective capital structures would be constructed and what impact, if any, there would be on Fannie Mae's or Freddie Mac's creditworthiness and guarantees of certain mortgage-backed securities. Should the conservatorships end, there could be an adverse impact on the value of Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac securities, which could cause losses to a Fund.

#### • Privately-Issued Mortgage-Backed Securities

MBS held by a Fund may be issued by private issuers including commercial banks, savings associations, mortgage companies, investment banking firms, finance companies and special purpose finance entities (called special purpose vehicles or SPVs) and other entities that acquire and package mortgage loans for resale as MBS. These privately issued non-governmental MBS may offer higher yields than those issued by government entities, but also may be subject to greater price changes and other risks than governmental issues. Subprime loans refer to loans made to borrowers with weakened credit histories or with a lower capacity to make timely payments on their loans. Alt-A loans refer to loans extended to borrowers who have incomplete documentation of income, assets, or other variables that are important to the credit underwriting processes. Non-conforming mortgages are loans that do not meet the standards that allow purchase by government-sponsored enterprises. MBS with exposure to subprime loans, Alt-A loans or non-conforming loans have had in many cases higher default rates than those loans that meet government underwriting requirements. The risk of non-payment is greater for MBS that are backed by mortgage pools that contain subprime, Alt-A and non-conforming loans, but a level of risk exists for all loans.

Unlike MBS issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or a government-sponsored entity, MBS issued by private issuers do not have a government or government-sponsored entity guarantee, but may have credit enhancements provided by external entities such as banks or financial institutions or achieved through the structuring of the transaction itself. Examples of such credit support arising out of the structure of the transaction include the issue of senior and subordinated securities (e.g., the issuance of securities by an SPV in multiple classes or "tranches," with one or more classes being senior to other subordinated classes as to the payment of principal and interest, with the result that defaults on the underlying mortgage loans are borne first by the holders of the subordinated class); creation of "reserve funds" (in which case cash or investments, sometimes funded from a portion of the payments on the underlying mortgage loans, are held in reserve against future losses); and "overcollateralization" (in which case the scheduled payments on, or the principal amount of, the underlying mortgage loans exceeds that required to make payment on the securities and pay any servicing or other fees). However, there can be no guarantee that credit enhancements, if any, will be sufficient to prevent losses in the event of defaults on the underlying mortgage loans. In addition, MBS that are issued by private issuers are not subject to the underwriting requirements for the underlying mortgages that are applicable to those MBS that have a government or government-sponsored entity guarantee. As a result, the mortgage loans underlying private MBS may, and frequently do, have less favorable collateral, credit risk or other underwriting characteristics than government or government-sponsored MBS and have wider variances in a number of terms including interest rate, term, size, purpose and borrower characteristics. Privately issued pools more frequently include second mortgages, high loan-to-value mortgages and manufactured housing loans. The coupon rates and maturities of the underlying mortgage loans in a private-label MBS pool may vary to a greater extent than those included in a government guaranteed pool, and the pool may include subprime mortgage loans.

Privately-issued MBS are not traded on an exchange and there may be a limited market for the securities, especially when there is a perceived weakness in the mortgage and real estate market sectors. Without an active trading market, MBS held in a Fund's portfolio may be particularly difficult to value because of the complexities involved in assessing the value of the underlying mortgage loans.

## • Reverse Mortgages

Certain Funds may invest in mortgage-related securities that reflect an interest in reverse mortgages. Due to the unique nature of the underlying loans, reverse mortgage-related securities may be subject to risks different than other types of mortgage-related securities. The date of repayment for such loans is

uncertain and may occur sooner or later than anticipated. The timing of payments for the corresponding mortgage-related security may be uncertain.

#### • Asset-Backed Securities

Asset-backed securities may include MBS, loans (such as auto loans or home equity lines of credit), receivables or other assets. The value of a Fund's asset-backed securities may be affected by, among other things, actual or perceived changes in interest rates, factors concerning the interests in and structure of the issuer or the originator of the receivables, the market's assessment of the quality of underlying assets or actual or perceived changes in the creditworthiness of the individual borrowers, the originator, the servicing agent or the financial institution providing the credit support.

Payment of principal and interest may be largely dependent upon the cash flows generated by the assets backing the securities. Rising or high interest rates tend to extend the duration of asset-backed securities, making them more volatile and more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The underlying assets are sometimes subject to prepayments which can shorten the security's weighted average life and may lower its return. Defaults on loans underlying asset-backed securities have become an increasing risk for asset-backed securities that are secured by home-equity loans related to subprime, Alt-A or non-conforming mortgage loans, especially in a declining residential real estate market.

Asset-backed securities (other than MBS) present certain risks that are not presented by MBS. Primarily, these securities may not have the benefit of any security interest in the related assets. Credit card receivables are generally unsecured and the debtors are entitled to the protection of a number of state and federal consumer credit laws, many of which give such debtors the right to set off certain amounts owed on the credit cards, thereby reducing the balance due. There is the possibility that recoveries on repossessed collateral may not, in some cases, be available to support payments on these securities. Asset-backed securities are often backed by a pool of assets representing the obligations of a number of different parties. To lessen the effect of failures by obligors on underlying assets to make payments, the securities may contain elements of credit support which fall into two categories: (i) liquidity protection, and (ii) protection against losses resulting from ultimate default by an obligor on the underlying assets. Liquidity protection refers to the provision of advances, generally by the entity administering the pool of assets, to ensure that the receipt of payments on the underlying pool occurs in a timely fashion. Protection against losses results from payment of the insurance obligations on at least a portion of the assets in the pool. This protection may be provided through guarantees, policies or letters of credit obtained by the issuer or sponsor from third parties, through various means of structuring the transaction or through a combination of such approaches. A Fund will not pay any additional or separate fees for credit support. The degree of credit support provided for each issue is generally based on historical information respecting the level of credit risk associated with the underlying assets. Delinquency or loss in excess of that anticipated or failure of the credit support could adversely affect the return on an investment in such a security. The availability of asset-backed securities may be affected by legislative or regulatory developments. It is possible that such developments may require a Fund to dispose of any then existing holdings of such securities.

## • Credit and Liquidity Enhancements

Third parties may issue credit and/or liquidity enhancements, including letters of credit, for certain fixed income or money market securities held by a Fund. Liquidity enhancements may be used to shorten the maturity of the debt obligation through a demand feature. Adverse changes in the credit quality of the entity issuing the enhancement, if contemporaneous with adverse changes in the enhanced security, could cause losses to a Fund and may affect its net asset value. The use of credit and liquidity enhancements exposes a Fund to counterparty risk, which is the risk that the entity issuing the credit and/or liquidity enhancement may not be able to honor its financial commitments.

#### • Repurchase Agreements

Repurchase agreements may be considered a form of borrowing for some purposes and their use involves certain risks. One risk is the seller's ability to pay the agreed-upon repurchase price on the repurchase date. If the seller defaults, a Fund may incur costs in disposing of the collateral, which would reduce the amount realized thereon. If the seller seeks relief under bankruptcy laws, the disposition of the collateral may be delayed or limited. For example, if the other party to the agreement becomes insolvent and subject to liquidation or reorganization under bankruptcy or other laws, a court may determine that the underlying

securities that are collateral for a loan by a Fund are not within its control and therefore the realization by a Fund on such collateral may be automatically stayed. Finally, it is possible that a Fund may not be able to substantiate its interest in the underlying securities and may be deemed an unsecured creditor of the other party to the agreement.

#### • Dollar Rolls

A Fund may enter into dollar rolls subject to its limitations on borrowings. A dollar roll involves the sale of a security by a Fund and its agreement to repurchase the instrument at a specified time and price, and may be considered a form of borrowing for some purposes. A Fund will segregate or "earmark" liquid assets to cover its obligations under dollar rolls. Dollar rolls may create leveraging risk for a Fund.

## • Loans and Other Direct Indebtedness

Loans and other direct indebtedness involve the risk that a Fund will not receive payment of principal, interest and other amounts due in connection with these investments, which depend primarily on the financial condition of the borrower. Default or an increased risk of default in the payment of interest or principal on a loan results in a reduction in income to a Fund, a reduction in the value of the loan and a potential decrease in a Fund's net asset value. The risk of default increases in the event of an economic downturn or a substantial increase in interest rates. If a borrower defaults on its obligations, a Fund may end up owning any underlying collateral securing the loan and there is no assurance that sale of the collateral would raise enough cash to satisfy the borrower's payment obligation or that the collateral can be liquidated. If the terms of a loan do not require the borrower to pledge additional collateral in the event of a decline in the value of the original collateral, a Fund will be exposed to the risk that the value of the collateral will not at all times equal or exceed the amount of the borrower's obligations under the loan. To the extent that a loan is collateralized by stock in the borrower or its subsidiaries, such stock may lose all of its value in the event of bankruptcy of the borrower. Senior loans are subject to the risk that a court may not give lenders the full benefit of their senior positions. In addition, there is less readily available, reliable information about most senior loans than is the case for many other types of securities. With limited exceptions, a Fund will generally take steps intended to ensure that it does not receive material non-public information about the issuers of senior or floating rate loans who also issue publicly-traded securities and, therefore, a Fund may have less information than other investors about certain of the senior or floating rate loans in which the Fund seeks to invest. A Fund's intentional or unintentional receipt of material non-public information about such issuers could limit the Fund's ability to sell certain investments held by the Fund or pursue certain investment opportunities, potentially for a substantial period of time. Loans and other forms of direct indebtedness are not registered under the federal securities laws and, therefore, do not offer securities law protections against fraud and misrepresentation. Each Fund relies on RIM's and/or the money manager(s)' research in an attempt to avoid situations where fraud or misrepresentation could adversely affect a Fund. Certain of the loans and the other direct indebtedness acquired by a Fund may involve revolving credit facilities or other standby financing commitments which obligate a Fund to pay additional cash on a certain date or on demand. The market for loan obligations may be subject to extended trade settlement periods (which may exceed seven (7) days). Because transactions in many loans are subject to extended trade settlement periods, a Fund may not receive the proceeds from the sale of a loan for a period after the sale. As a result, sale proceeds related to the sale of loans may not be available to make additional investments or to meet a Fund's redemption obligations for a period after the sale of the loans, and, as a result, a Fund may have to sell other investments or take other actions if necessary to raise cash to meet its obligations.

The highly leveraged nature of many such loans, including floating rate "bank loans" or "leveraged loans," and other direct indebtedness may make such loans and other direct indebtedness especially vulnerable to adverse changes in economic or market conditions and/or changes in the financial condition of the debtor. Bank loans have recently experienced significant investment inflows and if inflows reverse, bank loans could be subject to liquidity risk and lose value. Bank loans generally are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale and to illiquidity risk, including potential illiquidity resulting from extended trade settlement periods. In addition, investments in bank loans are typically subject to the risks of floating rate securities and "high yield" or "junk bonds." Investments in such loans and other direct indebtedness may involve additional risk to a Fund. Senior loans made in connection with highly leveraged transactions are subject to greater risks than other senior loans. For example, the risks of default or bankruptcy of the borrower or the risks that other

creditors of the borrower may seek to nullify or subordinate a Fund's claims on any collateral securing the loan are greater in highly leveraged transactions.

In addition, covenants contained in loan documentation are intended to protect lenders and investors by imposing certain restrictions and other limitations on a borrower's operations or assets and by providing certain information and consent rights to lenders. In addition to operational covenants, loans and other debt obligations often contain financial covenants which require a borrower to satisfy certain financial tests at periodic intervals or to maintain compliance with certain financial metrics. The Funds are exposed to loans and other similar debt obligations that are sometimes referred to as "covenant-lite" loans or obligations, which are generally subject to more risk than investments that contain traditional financial maintenance covenants and financial reporting requirements.

A Fund's investment in "leveraged loans" may include an investment in "covenant lite" loans. Covenant lite loans, the terms and conditions of which may vary by instrument, may contain fewer or less restrictive financial maintenance covenants or restrictions compared to other loans that might otherwise enable an investor to proactively enforce financial covenants or prevent undesired actions by the borrower. As a result, the Fund may experience relatively greater difficulty or delays in enforcing its rights on its holdings of covenant lite loans than its holdings of loans or debt securities with more restrictive covenants, which may result in losses to the Fund.

As a Fund may be required to rely upon an interposed bank or other financial intermediary to collect and pass on to the Fund amounts payable with respect to the loan and to enforce the Fund's rights under the loan and other direct indebtedness, an insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of the lending institution may delay or prevent the Fund from receiving such amounts. In purchasing loans or loan participations, a Fund assumes the credit risk associated with the corporate borrower and may assume the credit risk associated with the interposed bank or other financial intermediary.

#### Non-U.S. Securities

A Fund's return and net asset value may be significantly affected by political or economic conditions and regulatory requirements in a particular country. Non-U.S. markets, economies and political systems may be less stable than U.S. markets, and changes in exchange rates of foreign currencies can affect the value of a Fund's foreign assets. Non-U.S. laws and accounting standards in some cases may not be as comprehensive as they are in the U.S. and there may be less public information available about foreign companies. Non-U.S. securities markets may be less liquid and have fewer transactions than U.S. securities markets and taxes and transaction costs may be higher. Additionally, international markets may experience delays and disruptions in securities settlement procedures for a Fund's portfolio securities. Investments in foreign countries could be affected by potential difficulties in enforcing contractual obligations and could be subject to extended settlement periods or restrictions affecting the prompt return of capital to the U.S.

## • Non-U.S. Equity Securities

Non-U.S. equity securities are subject to all of the risks of equity securities generally, but can involve additional risks relating to political, economic or regulatory conditions in foreign countries. Less information may be available about foreign companies than about domestic companies, and foreign companies generally may not be subject to the same uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards or to other regulatory practices and requirements comparable to those applicable to domestic companies.

#### • Non-U.S. Fixed Income Securities

A Fund's non-U.S. fixed income securities are typically obligations of sovereign governments and corporations. They may also be issued by non-U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities. No assurance can be given that a non-U.S. government will provide financial support to government agencies or instrumentalities and therefore bonds issued by non-U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities may involve risk of loss of principal and interest. As with any fixed income securities, non-U.S. fixed income securities are subject to the risk of being downgraded in credit rating and to the risk of default. To the extent that a Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in a concentrated geographic area like Eastern Europe or Asia, the Fund will generally have more exposure to regional economic risks associated with these foreign investments.

#### • Emerging Markets Securities

Investing in emerging markets securities can pose some risks different from, and greater than, risks of investing in U.S. or developed markets securities. These risks include: a risk of loss due to political instability; exposure to economic structures that are generally less diverse and mature, and to political systems which may have less stability, than those of more developed countries; smaller market capitalization of securities markets, which may suffer periods of relative illiquidity; significant price volatility; restrictions on foreign investment; and possible difficulties in the repatriation of investment income and capital. In addition, foreign investors may be required to register the proceeds of sales and future economic or political crises could lead to price controls, forced mergers, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, seizure, nationalization, or creation of government monopolies. The currencies of emerging market countries may experience significant declines against the U.S. dollar, and devaluation may occur subsequent to investments in these currencies by the Funds. Emerging market securities may be subject to currency transfer restrictions and may experience delays and disruptions in securities settlement procedures for a Fund's portfolio securities. Inflation and rapid fluctuations in inflation rates have had, and may continue to have, negative effects on the economies and securities markets of certain emerging market countries. Emerging market countries typically have less established legal, accounting and financial reporting systems than those in more developed markets, which may reduce the scope or quality of financial information available to investors. Moreover, it can be more difficult for investors to bring litigation or enforce judgments against issuers in emerging markets or for U.S. regulators to bring enforcement actions against such issuers. Emerging market countries may also be more likely to experience the imposition of economic sanctions by foreign governments. For more information about sanctions, see the Global Financial Markets Risk in this Prospectus.

## • Emerging Markets Debt

A Fund's emerging markets debt securities may include obligations of governments and corporations. As with any fixed income securities, emerging markets debt securities are subject to the risk of being downgraded in credit rating and to the risk of default. In the event of a default on any investments in foreign debt obligations, it may be more difficult for a Fund to obtain or to enforce a judgment against the issuers of such securities. With respect to debt issued by emerging market governments, such issuers may be unwilling to pay interest and repay principal when due, either due to an inability to pay or submission to political pressure not to pay, and as a result may default, declare temporary suspensions of interest payments or require that the conditions for payment be renegotiated.

#### • Brady Bonds

Brady Bonds involve various risk factors including residual risk (i.e., the risk of losing the uncollateralized interest and principal amounts on the bonds) and the history of defaults with respect to commercial bank loans by public and private entities of countries issuing Brady Bonds. There can be no assurance that Brady Bonds will not be subject to restructuring arrangements or to requests for new credit, which may cause a loss of interest or principal on any of the holdings.

## • Yankee Bonds and Yankee CDs

Non-U.S. corporations and banks issuing dollar denominated instruments in the U.S. (Yankee Bonds or Yankee CDs) are not necessarily subject to the same regulatory requirements that apply to U.S. corporations and banks, such as accounting, auditing and recordkeeping standards, the public availability of information and, for banks, reserve requirements, loan limitations and examinations. This complicates efforts to analyze these securities, and may increase the possibility that a non-U.S. corporation or bank may become insolvent or otherwise unable to fulfill its obligations on these instruments.

#### • Currency Risk

Foreign (non-U.S.) securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, foreign (non-U.S.) currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar or, in the case of hedging positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline in value relative to the currency being hedged. Currency rates in foreign countries may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time due to market events, actions of governments or their central banks or political developments in the U.S. or abroad. As a result, investments in non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities and currencies may reduce the returns of a Fund. Securities held by a Fund which are denominated in U.S. dollars are still subject to currency risk.

• Synthetic Foreign Equity/Fixed Income Securities (also referred to as International Warrants, Local Access Products, Participation Notes or Low Exercise Price Warrants)

Investments in these instruments involve the risk that the issuer of the instrument may default on its obligation to deliver the underlying security or its value. These instruments may also be subject to liquidity risk, currency risk and the risks associated with investments in non-U.S. securities. In the case of any exercise of these instruments, there may be a time delay between the time a holder gives instructions to exercise and the time the price of the security or the settlement date is determined, during which time the price of the underlying security could change significantly. In addition, the exercise and/or settlement date may be affected by certain market disruption events which could cause the local access products to become worthless if the events continue for a period of time.

## **Derivatives (Futures Contracts, Options, Forwards and Swaps)**

Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of an underlying instrument. Various derivative instruments are described in more detail under "Other Financial Instruments Including Derivatives" in the Statement of Additional Information. Derivatives may be used as a substitute for taking a position in the underlying instrument and/or as part of a strategy designed to reduce exposure to other risks, such as currency risk. Derivatives may also be used for leverage, to facilitate the implementation of an investment strategy or to take a net short position with respect to certain issuers, sectors or markets. A Fund may also use derivatives to pursue a strategy to be fully invested or to seek to manage portfolio risk.

Investments in a derivative instrument could lose more than the initial amount invested, and certain derivatives have the potential for unlimited loss. Compared to conventional securities, derivatives can be more sensitive to changes in interest rates or to sudden fluctuations in market prices, and thus a Fund's losses may be greater if it invests in derivatives than if it invests only in conventional securities. Certain Funds' use of derivatives may cause the Fund's investment returns to be impacted by the performance of securities the Fund does not own and result in the Fund's total investment exposure exceeding the value of its portfolio. Investments in derivatives can cause a Fund's performance to be more volatile. Leverage tends to exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of a security, which exposes a Fund to a heightened risk of loss.

The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in conventional securities, physical commodities or other investments. Derivatives are subject to a number of risks such as leverage risk, liquidity risk, market risk, credit risk, default risk, counterparty risk, management risk, operational risk and legal risk. They also involve the risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate exactly with the change in the value of the underlying asset, rate or index.

Participation in the options or futures markets, as well as the use of various swap instruments and forward contracts, involves investment risks and transaction costs to which a Fund would not be subject absent the use of these strategies. If a Fund's predictions of the direction of movements of the prices of the underlying instruments are inaccurate, the adverse consequences to a Fund may leave the Fund in a worse position than if such strategies were not used. Risks inherent in the use of options, futures contracts, options on futures contracts, forwards and swaps include: (i) dependence on the ability to predict correctly the direction of movements of the prices of the underlying instruments; (ii) imperfect correlation between the price of the derivative instrument and the underlying instrument and the risk of mispricing or improper valuation; (iii) the fact that skills needed to use these strategies are different from those needed for traditional portfolio management; (iv) the absence of a liquid secondary market for any particular instrument at any time, which risk is heightened for highly customized derivatives, including swaps; (v) the possible need to defer closing out certain hedged positions to avoid adverse tax consequences; (vi) for over-the-counter ("OTC") derivative products and structured notes, additional credit risk, the risk of counterparty default and the risk of failing to correctly evaluate the creditworthiness of the company on which the derivative is based; (vii) the possible inability of a Fund to purchase or sell a portfolio holding at a time that otherwise would be favorable for it to do so, or the possible need to sell the holding at a disadvantageous time, due to the requirement that the Fund maintain such holdings as "cover" or collateral securities in connection with use of certain derivatives; and (viii) for options, the change in volatility of the underlying instrument due to general market and economic conditions or other factors, which may negatively affect the value of such option.

There is no assurance that a liquid secondary market will exist for certain derivatives in which a Fund may invest. Participation in the option or futures markets, as well as the use of various forward contracts, involves investment risks

and transaction costs to which a Fund would not be subject absent the use of these strategies. In many cases, a relatively small price movement in a futures or option contract may result in immediate and substantial loss or gain to the holder relative to the size of a required margin deposit or premium received. There is also the risk of loss by a Fund of margin deposits in the event of bankruptcy of a broker with whom the Fund has an open position in an option, forward, swap or futures contract.

Although a Fund will not borrow money in order to increase its trading activities, leveraged swap transactions may experience substantial gains or losses in value as a result of relatively small changes in the value or level of an underlying or related market factor. A swap transaction may be modified or terminated only by mutual consent of the original parties, subject to agreement on individually negotiated terms. Therefore, it may not be possible for a Fund to modify, terminate or offset the Fund's obligations or the Fund's exposure to the risks associated with a transaction prior to its scheduled termination date.

Credit default swap contracts may involve greater risks than if a Fund invested in the reference obligation (the underlying debt upon which a credit derivative is based) directly since, in addition to the risks relating to the reference obligation, credit default swaps are subject to the risks inherent in the use of swaps, including illiquidity risk and counterparty risk. The Funds may act as either the buyer or the seller of a credit default swap. A Fund will generally incur a greater degree of risk when selling a credit default swap than when purchasing a credit default swap. As a buyer of a credit default swap, a Fund may lose its investment and recover nothing should a credit event fail to occur and the swap is held to its termination date. As seller of a credit default swap, if a credit event were to occur, the value of any deliverable obligation received by a Fund, coupled with the upfront or periodic payments previously received, may be less than what the Fund pays to the buyer, resulting in a loss of value to the Fund. Certain standardized swaps, including certain credit default swaps, are subject to mandatory clearing, and more are expected to be subject to mandatory clearing in the future. In addition, there may be disputes between the buyer and seller of a credit default swap agreement, or within the swaps market as a whole, as to whether a credit event has occurred or what the payment should be. Such disputes could result in litigation or other delays, and the outcome could be adverse for the buyer or seller. The counterparty risk for cleared derivatives is generally lower than for uncleared derivatives, but cleared contracts are not risk-free. Clearing may subject a Fund to increased costs and/or margin requirements. Credit default swaps may include index credit default swaps, which are contracts on baskets or indices of credit instruments, which may include tranches of commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBX").

Certain derivatives, including swaps, may be subject to fees and expenses, and by investing in such derivatives indirectly through a Fund, a shareholder will bear the expenses of such derivatives in addition to expenses of the Fund.

If a put or call option purchased by a Fund is not sold when it has remaining value, and if, on the option expiration date, the market price of the underlying security or index, in the case of a purchased put, remains equal to or greater than the exercise price or, in the case of a purchased call, remains less than or equal to the exercise price, the Fund will lose its entire investment (i.e., the premium paid) on the option. When a Fund sells (i.e., writes) an option on a security or index, movements in the price of the underlying security or value of the index may result in a loss to the Fund, which may be unlimited for uncovered call positions.

Furthermore, regulatory requirements to set aside liquid assets to meet obligations with respect to derivatives may result in a Fund being unable to purchase or sell securities or instruments when it would otherwise be favorable to do so, or in a Fund needing to sell holdings at a disadvantageous time. A Fund may also be unable to close out its positions when desired.

Because the markets for certain derivative instruments (including markets located in foreign countries) are relatively new and still developing, appropriate derivatives transactions may not be available in all circumstances for risk management or other purposes. Upon the expiration of a particular contract, RIM may wish to retain a Fund's position in the derivative instrument by entering into a similar contract, but may be unable to do so if the counterparty to the original contract is unable or unwilling to enter into the new contract and no other appropriate counterparty can be found. There is no assurance that a Fund will engage in derivatives transactions at any time or from time to time. The ability to use derivatives may also be limited by certain regulatory and tax considerations.

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") and the various exchanges have established limits referred to as "speculative position limits" on the maximum net long or net short positions that any person may hold or control in a particular futures contract. Trading limits are imposed on the number of contracts that any person may trade on a particular trading day. An exchange or the CFTC may order the liquidation of positions found to be in violation of

these limits and may impose sanctions or restrictions. In addition, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") required the CFTC to establish speculative position limits on listed futures and options on physical commodities (including certain energy, metals and agricultural products) and economically equivalent OTC derivatives. The Dodd-Frank Act also required the CFTC to establish position limits for swap transactions that are economically equivalent to futures or options contracts on physical commodities. The CFTC in October 2020 adopted amendments establishing such limits for 25 physical commodity derivatives contracts, which will be effective in 2022 and 2023. Such action taken by the CFTC to establish these additional position limits may adversely affect the market liquidity of the futures, options and economically equivalent derivatives in which the Funds may invest. It is possible that positions held by a Fund may have to be liquidated in order to avoid exceeding such limits. Such modification or liquidation, if required, could adversely affect the operations and performance of a Fund.

In October 2020, the SEC adopted a final rule related to the use of derivatives, reverse repurchase agreements and certain other transactions by registered investment companies that will rescind and withdraw the guidance of the SEC and its staff regarding asset segregation and cover transactions. The final rule requires funds to trade derivatives and other transactions that create future payment or delivery obligations (except reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions) subject to a value-at-risk leverage limit and certain derivatives risk management program and reporting requirements. Compliance with these new requirements will be required after an eighteen-month transition period. Following the compliance date, these requirements may limit the ability of a Fund to use derivatives and reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions as part of its investment strategies.

## **Currency Trading Risk**

Certain Funds may engage in foreign currency transactions to hedge against uncertainty in the level of future exchange rates and/or to effect investment transactions to generate returns consistent with a Fund's investment objectives and strategies (i.e., speculative currency trading strategies). Foreign currency exchange transactions will be conducted on either a spot (i.e., cash) basis at the rate prevailing in the currency exchange market, or through entering into forward currency exchange contracts to purchase or sell currency at a future date. Certain Funds may also enter into options on foreign currencies. Currency spot, forward and option prices are highly volatile, and may be illiquid. Such prices are influenced by, among other things: (i) changing supply and demand relationships; (ii) government trade, fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs and policies; (iii) national and international political and economic events; and (iv) changes in interest rates. From time to time, governments intervene directly in these markets with the specific intention of influencing such prices. Currency trading may also involve economic leverage (i.e., the Fund may have the right to a return on its investment that exceeds the return that the Fund would expect to receive based on the amount contributed to the investment), which can increase the gain or the loss associated with changes in the value of the underlying instrument. Forward currency contracts are subject to the risk that should forward prices increase, a loss will be incurred to the extent that the price of the currency agreed to be purchased exceeds the price of the currency agreed to be sold. Due to the tax treatment of gains and losses on certain currency forward and options contracts, the use of such instruments may cause fluctuations in a Fund's income distributions, including the inability of a Fund to distribute investment income for any given period. Many foreign currency forward contracts will eventually be exchange-traded and cleared. Although these changes are expected to decrease the credit risk associated with bi-laterally negotiated contracts, exchange-trading and clearing would not make the contracts risk-free.

## **Counterparty Risk**

Counterparty risk is the risk that the other party(s) in an agreement or a participant to a transaction, such as a broker or swap counterparty, might default on a contract or fail to perform by failing to pay amounts due or failing to fulfill the delivery conditions of the contract or transaction. Counterparty risk is inherent in many transactions, including, but not limited to, transactions involving over-the-counter derivatives, repurchase agreements, securities lending, short sales, credit and liquidity enhancements and equity or commodity-linked notes.

## **Securities of Other Investment Companies**

If a Fund invests in other investment companies, including exchange traded funds ("ETFs"), shareholders will bear not only their proportionate share of the Fund's expenses (including operating expenses and the fees of the adviser), but also, indirectly, the similar expenses of the underlying investment companies. Shareholders would also be exposed to the risks associated not only to the investments of a Fund but also to the portfolio investments of the underlying investment companies. Unlike shares of typical mutual funds or unit investment trusts, shares of ETFs are bought and sold based on

market values throughout each trading day, and not at net asset value. For this reason, shares can trade at either a premium or discount to net asset value. If an ETF held by a Fund trades at a discount to net asset value, the Fund could lose money even if the securities in which the ETF invests go up in value.

## **Real Estate Securities**

Just as real estate values go up and down, the value of the securities of real estate companies in which a Fund invests also fluctuates. A Fund that invests in real estate securities is also indirectly subject to the risks associated with direct ownership of real estate. Additional risks include declines in the value of real estate, changes in general and local economic and real estate market conditions, changes in debt financing availability and terms, increases in property taxes or other operating expenses, environmental damage and changes in tax laws and interest rates. The value of securities of companies that service the real estate industry may also be affected by such risks.

#### • Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")

REITs may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REITs and by the quality of tenants' credit. Moreover, the underlying portfolios of REITs may not be diversified, and therefore subject to the risk of investing in a limited number of properties. REITs are also dependent upon management skills and are subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by tenants, self-liquidation and the possibility of failing to maintain their exemption from certain federal securities laws. The value of a REIT may also be affected by changes in interest rates. In general, during periods of high interest rates, REITs may lose some of their appeal for investors who may be able to obtain higher yields from other income-producing investments, such as long-term bonds. Rising interest rates generally increase the cost of financing for real estate projects, which could cause the value of an equity REIT to decline. During periods of declining interest rates, mortgagors may elect to prepay mortgages held by mortgage REITs, which could lower or diminish the yield on the REIT. By investing in REITs indirectly through the Fund, a shareholder will bear expenses of the REITs in addition to expenses of the Fund.

# **Depositary Receipts**

Depositary receipts are securities traded on a local stock exchange that represent interests in securities issued by a foreign publicly-listed company. Depositary receipts have the same currency and economic risks as the underlying shares they represent. They are affected by the risks associated with the underlying non-U.S. securities, such as changes in political or economic conditions of other countries and changes in the exchange rates of foreign currencies. The value of depositary receipts will rise and fall in response to the activities of the company that issued the securities represented by the depositary receipts, general market conditions and/or economic conditions. Also, if there is a rise in demand for the underlying security and it becomes less available to the market, the price of the depositary receipt may rise, causing a Fund to pay a premium in order to obtain the desired depositary receipt. Conversely, changes in foreign market conditions or access to the underlying securities could result in a decline in the value of the depositary receipt. The Funds may invest in both sponsored and unsponsored depositary receipts, which are purchased through "sponsored" and "unsponsored" facilities, respectively. A sponsored facility is established jointly by the issuer of the underlying security and a depositary, whereas a depositary may establish an unsponsored facility without the participation of the issuer of the underlying security. Unsponsored depositary receipts may not provide as much information about the underlying issuer and may not carry the same voting privileges as sponsored depositary receipts.

## **Illiquid Investments**

An illiquid investment is one that is not reasonably expected to be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without significantly changing the market value of the investment. A Fund may not be able to sell an illiquid or less liquid investment quickly and at a fair price, which could cause the Fund to realize losses on the investment if the investment is sold at a price lower than that at which it had been valued. An illiquid investment may also have large price volatility.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk exists when particular investments are difficult to purchase or sell. The market for certain investments may become illiquid or less liquid (i.e., there may be a significant reduction in trading activity, including in the number of market participants or transactions, in such investments) under adverse market or economic conditions independent of any specific adverse changes in the conditions of a particular issuer or a security's underlying collateral. In such cases,

due to limitations on investments in illiquid investments and the difficulty in purchasing and selling such investments or instruments, a Fund may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain sector. In addition, to the extent a Fund trades in illiquid or less liquid markets, it may be unable to dispose of or purchase investments at favorable prices in order to satisfy redemptions or subscriptions. Also, the market price of certain investments may fall dramatically if there is no liquid trading market. Such events and conditions may adversely affect the value of a Fund's investments, result in greater market or liquidity risk or cause difficulty valuing a Fund's portfolio instruments or achieving a Fund's objective. To the extent that a Fund's principal investment strategies involve foreign (non-U.S.) securities, derivatives or securities with substantial market and/or credit risk, a Fund will tend to have the greatest exposure to liquidity risk. Additionally, fixed income securities can become difficult to sell, or less liquid, for a variety of reasons, such as a lack of a liquid trading market.

## High Portfolio Turnover Risk

Certain Funds may engage in active and frequent trading, which may result in higher portfolio turnover rates and higher transaction costs than that of a typical mutual fund and realization of short-term capital gains that will generally be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. These effects of higher than normal portfolio turnover may adversely affect Fund performance. Higher portfolio turnover rates may also increase a Fund's operational risk.

## **Large Redemptions**

Large redemption activity could result in a Fund being forced to sell portfolio securities at a loss or before RIM would otherwise decide to do so. Periods of market illiquidity may exacerbate this risk for fixed income and money market funds. To the extent a Fund is invested in a money market fund, regulations applicable to money market funds may subject the Fund's redemption from such money market fund to liquidity fees and/or redemption gates under certain circumstances, including in periods of market illiquidity. Large redemptions in a Fund may also result in increased expense ratios (including as a result of the Fund's expenses being allocated over a smaller asset base), higher and/or accelerated levels of realized capital gains or losses with respect to a Fund's portfolio securities, higher Fund cash levels in anticipation of the redemption (which may persist for an extended period of time), higher brokerage commissions and other transaction costs. Large redemptions can also affect the liquidity of the Fund's portfolio because the Fund may be unable to sell illiquid securities at its desired time or price or the price at which the securities have been valued for purposes of the Fund's net asset value. As a result, the large redemption activity could adversely affect the Fund's ability to conduct its investment program which, in turn, could adversely impact the Fund's performance. The Funds are used as investments for funds of funds that have the same investment adviser as the Funds. The Funds are also used as investments in asset allocation programs sponsored by certain Financial Intermediaries, including pursuant to model strategies provided by RIM. Under these circumstances, these Funds may have (and certain of the Funds currently do have) a large percentage of their Shares owned by such funds of funds or through such asset allocation programs. Should RIM or such Financial Intermediary change investment strategies or investment allocations such that fewer assets are invested in a Fund or a Fund is no longer used as an investment, the Fund could experience large redemptions of its Shares up to, and including, the entire investment held by the funds of funds or asset allocation program(s). Large redemptions may result in a Fund no longer remaining at an economically viable size, in which case, the Fund may cease operations. In such an event, investors may be required to liquidate or transfer their investments in the Fund at an inopportune time.

## **Global Financial Markets Risk**

Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected and political and economic conditions (including recent instability and volatility due to international trade disputes) and events (including natural disasters, pandemics, epidemics, social unrest and government shutdowns) in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. As a result, issuers of securities held by a Fund may experience significant declines in the value of their assets and even cease operations. This could occur whether or not the Funds invest in securities of issuers located in or with significant exposure to the countries directly affected. Such conditions and/or events may not have the same impact on all types of securities and may expose a Fund to greater market and liquidity risk and potential difficulty in valuing portfolio instruments held by a Fund. This could cause a Fund to underperform other types of investments.

The severity or duration of such conditions and/or events may be affected by policy changes made by governments or quasi-governmental organizations. During the recent global financial crisis, instability in the financial markets has led

governments across the globe to take a number of unprecedented actions designed to support the financial markets. More recently, instability in financial markets has caused governments across the globe to again take certain actions designed to support financial markets as well as financial and other institutions in light of extreme financial market volatility. There is no guarantee that these actions will have their intended effect on financial markets. Future government regulation and/or intervention could also change the way in which a Fund is regulated, affect the expenses incurred directly by the Fund and the value of its investments, and limit and/or preclude a Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. For example, uncertainty regarding the status of the euro could also create volatility in currency and the general financial markets, which may affect the liquidity and value of a Fund's investments. In addition, governments or their agencies may acquire distressed assets from financial institutions and acquire ownership interests in those institutions, which may affect a Fund's investments in ways that are unforeseeable.

Furthermore, a country's economic conditions, political events, military action and/or other conditions may lead to foreign government intervention and the imposition of economic sanctions. Such sanctions may include (i) the prohibition, limitation or restriction of investment, the movement of currency, securities or other assets; (ii) the imposition of exchange controls or confiscations; and (iii) barriers to registration, settlement or custody. Sanctions may impact the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, transfer, receive, deliver or otherwise obtain exposure to, foreign securities or currency, which may negatively impact the value and/or liquidity of such investments.

In certain countries, including the U.S., total public debt as a percentage of gross domestic product has grown rapidly since the beginning of the global financial crisis. High levels of national debt may raise concerns that a government will be unable to pay investors at maturity, may cause declines in currency valuations or prevent such government from implementing effective fiscal policy. In 2011, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P") lowered its long-term sovereign credit rating on the U.S., citing, among other reasons, controversy over raising the statutory debt ceiling and growth in public spending. Because certain Funds invest in securities supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, the market prices and yields of such securities may be adversely affected by any actual or potential downgrade in the rating of U.S. long-term sovereign debt.

From time to time, as occurred in early 2020, outbreaks of infectious illness, public health emergencies and other similar issues ("public health events") may occur in one or more countries around the globe. Such public health events have had significant impacts on both the country in which the event is first identified as well as other countries in the global economy. Public health events have reduced consumer demand and economic output in one or more countries subject to the public health event, resulted in restrictions on trading and market closures (including for extended periods of time), increased substantially the volatility of financial markets, and, more generally, have had a significant negative impact on the economy of the country or countries subject to the public health event. Public health events have also adversely affected the global economy, global supply chains and the securities in which the Funds invest across a number of industries, sectors and asset classes. The extent of the impact depends on, among other factors, the scale and duration of any such public health event. Public health events have resulted in the governments of affected countries taking potentially significant measures to seek to mitigate the transmission of the infectious illness or other public health issue including, among other measures, imposing travel restrictions and/or quarantines and limiting the operations of non-essential businesses. Any of these events could adversely affect a Fund's investments and performance, including by exacerbating other pre-existing political, social and economic risks. Governmental authorities and other entities may respond to such events with fiscal and/or monetary policy changes. It is not guaranteed that these policy changes will have their intended effect and it is possible that the implementation of or subsequent reversal of such policy changes could increase volatility in financial markets, which could adversely affect a Fund's investments and performance.

RIM will monitor developments in financial markets and seek to manage each Fund in a manner consistent with achieving each Fund's investment objective, but there can be no assurance that it will be successful in doing so. In addition, RIC has established procedures to value instruments for which market prices may not be readily available.

#### **Financial Services Sector Risk**

Certain Funds may be susceptible to adverse economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the financial services sector, including with respect to U.S. and foreign banks, broker-dealers, insurance companies, finance companies (e.g., automobile finance) and related asset-backed securities. These developments may affect the value of a Fund's investments more than if the Fund were not invested to such a degree in this sector. Companies in the financial services sector may be particularly susceptible to factors such as interest rate, fiscal, regulatory and monetary policy changes. For example,

challenging economic and business conditions can significantly impact financial services companies due to increased defaults on payments by borrowers. Political and regulatory changes may affect the operations and financial results of financial services companies, potentially imposing additional costs and expenses or restricting their business activities.

## **Cash Management**

Each Fund may expose its cash to the performance of certain markets by purchasing equity securities (in the case of equity funds), or fixed income securities (in the case of fixed income funds) and/or derivatives. This approach increases a Fund's performance if the particular market rises in value and reduces a Fund's performance if the particular market declines in value. However, the performance of these instruments may not correlate precisely to the performance of the corresponding market and RIM may not effectively select instruments to gain market or strategy exposure. As a result, while the goal is to achieve market returns, this strategy may underperform the applicable market. In addition, the sale of equity index put options with respect to a Fund's cash may reduce a Fund's performance if equity markets decline.

#### **Securities Lending**

If a borrower of a Fund's securities fails financially, the Fund's recovery of the loaned securities may be delayed or the Fund may lose its rights to the collateral, which could result in a loss to the Fund. While securities are on loan, a Fund is subject to: the risk that the borrower may default on the loan and that the collateral could be inadequate in the event the borrower defaults, the risk that the earnings on the collateral invested may not be sufficient to pay fees incurred in connection with the loan, the risk that the principal value of the collateral invested may decline and may not be sufficient to pay back the borrower for the amount of the collateral posted, the risk that the borrower may use the loaned securities to cover a short sale which may place downward pressure on the market prices of the loaned securities, the risk that the return of loaned securities could be delayed and could interfere with portfolio management decisions and the risk that any efforts to recall the securities for purposes of voting may not be effective.

## **Operational Risk**

An investment in a Fund, like any fund, can involve operational risks arising from factors such as processing errors, human errors, inadequate or failed internal or external processes, failure in systems and technology, changes in personnel and errors caused by third-party service providers. Other disruptive events may include, but are not limited to, natural disasters and public health events that adversely affect a Fund's ability to conduct business by, among other things, inhibiting the ability of employees of affiliates of the Funds or third-party service providers from performing their responsibilities. While the Funds seek to minimize such events through controls and oversight, there may still be events or failures that could cause losses to a Fund. In addition, as the use of technology increases, the Funds may be more susceptible to operational risks through breaches in cyber security. A breach in cyber security refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause the Funds to lose proprietary information or operational capacity or suffer data corruption. As a result, the Funds may incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures, and/or financial loss. Cyber security breaches of the Funds' third-party service providers or issuers in which the Funds invest may also subject the Funds to many of the same risks associated with direct cyber security breaches. The Funds and the Funds' third-party service providers may also maintain sensitive information (including relating to personally identifiable information of investors) and a cyber security breach may cause such information to be lost, improperly accessed, used or disclosed.

The Funds have established business continuity plans and risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cyber security breaches and disruptive events. However, there are inherent limitations in these plans and systems, including that certain risks may not have been identified, primarily because unknown threats and events may emerge in the future. There is no guarantee that such business continuity plans will be effective in reducing the risks associated with disruptive events or prevent cyber security breaches, especially because the Funds do not directly control the systems or operations of issuers in which a Fund may invest, trading counterparties or third-party service providers. There is also a risk that cyber security breaches may not be detected. The Funds and their shareholders could be negatively impacted by such disruptive events or cyber security incidents.

# **New Fund Risk**

The Multifactor Bond Fund is a new fund which may result in additional risk. There can be no assurance that the Fund will grow to an economically viable size, in which case the Fund may cease operations. In such an event, investors may be required to liquidate or transfer their investments at an inopportune time. You should consider your own investment goals, time horizon and risk tolerance before investing in the Fund.

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

Portfolio turnover measures how frequently securities held by a Fund are bought and sold. Certain investment practices may increase the Fund's portfolio turnover rate which may result in higher levels of realized gains or losses with respect to a Fund's portfolio securities, higher brokerage commissions and other transaction costs. Brokerage commissions and transaction costs will reduce Fund performance. The annual portfolio turnover rates for the Funds are shown in the Financial Highlights tables in this Prospectus.

# PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

A description of the Funds' policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of each Fund's portfolio securities is available in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information.

#### **DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

Each Fund distributes substantially all of its net investment income and net capital gains to shareholders each year.

#### **Income Dividends**

The amount and frequency of distributions are not guaranteed; all distributions are at the Board's discretion. Currently, the Board intends to declare dividends from net investment income, if any, according to the following schedule:

Declared	<b>Payable</b>	Funds	
Quarterly	April, July, October and December	Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund	
Annually	Mid-December	Multifactor International Equity Fund	
Monthly	Early in the following month (December distribution paid mid-December)	Multifactor Bond Fund	

An additional distribution of net investment income may be declared and paid by a Fund if required to avoid the imposition of a federal tax on the Fund.

#### **Capital Gains Distributions**

The Board will declare capital gains distributions (both short-term and long-term) once a year in mid-December to reflect any net short-term and net long-term capital gains, if any, realized by a Fund in the prior fiscal year. An additional distribution may be declared and paid by a Fund if required to avoid the imposition of a federal tax on the Fund. Distributions that are declared in October, November or December to shareholders of record in such months, and paid in January of the following year, will be treated for tax purposes as if received on December 31 of the year in which they were declared.

#### **Buying a Dividend**

If you purchase Shares just before a distribution, you will pay the full price for the Shares and receive a portion of the purchase price back as a taxable distribution. This is called "buying a dividend." Unless your account is a tax-deferred account, dividends paid to you would be included in your gross income for tax purposes even though you may not have participated in the increase of the net asset value of a Fund, regardless of whether you reinvested the dividends. To avoid "buying a dividend," check a Fund's distribution dates before you invest.

#### **Automatic Reinvestment**

Your dividends and other distributions will be automatically reinvested at the closing net asset value on the record date, in additional Fund Shares, unless you elect to have the dividends or distributions paid in cash or invested in another RIC Fund. If you elect to have dividends or distributions invested in Class T Shares of another RIC Fund, such investments may be subject to the front-end sales charge applicable to such Class. You may change your election by delivering written notice no later than ten days prior to the record date to your Financial Intermediary.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT TAXES

Unless you are investing through an IRA, 401(k) or other tax-advantaged retirement account, distributions from a Fund are generally taxable to you as either ordinary income or capital gains. This is true whether you reinvest your distributions in additional Shares or receive them in cash. Any long-term capital gains distributed by a Fund are taxable to you as long-term capital gains no matter how long you have owned your Shares. Early each year, you will receive a statement that shows the tax status of distributions you received for the previous year.

Foreign exchange gain or loss arising from a Fund's foreign currency-denominated investments may increase or reduce the amount of ordinary income distributions made to investors.

If you are an individual investor, a portion of the dividends you receive from a Fund may be treated as "qualified dividend income" which is taxable to individuals at the same rates that are applicable to long-term capital gains. A Fund distribution is treated as qualified dividend income to the extent that the Fund receives dividend income from taxable domestic corporations and certain qualified foreign corporations, provided that certain holding period and other requirements are met. Fund distributions generally will not qualify as qualified dividend income to the extent attributable to interest, capital gains, REIT distributions and, in some cases, distributions from non-U.S. corporations. There can be no assurance that any portion of the dividends you receive from a Fund will qualify as qualified dividend income.

When you sell or exchange Shares, you may have capital gains or losses. Any losses you incur if you sell or exchange Shares that you have held for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital losses, but only to the extent that the Fund has paid you long-term capital gains dividends with respect to those Shares during that period. The tax rate on any gains from the sale or exchange of your Shares depends on how long you have held your Shares.

No Fund makes any representation as to the amount or variability of its capital gains distributions which may vary as a function of several factors including, but not limited to, gains and losses related to the sale of securities, prevailing dividend yield levels, general market conditions, shareholders' redemption patterns and Fund cash equitization activity.

Fund distributions and gains from the sale or exchange of your Shares will generally be subject to state and local income tax. Non-U.S. investors may be subject to U.S. withholding and estate taxes. A portion of Fund distributions received by a non-U.S. investor may be exempt from U.S. withholding tax to the extent attributable to U.S. source interest income and short-term capital gains earned by the Fund if properly reported by the Fund. The Funds will be required to withhold U.S. tax (at a 30% rate) on payments of taxable dividends made to certain non-U.S. entities that fail to comply (or be deemed compliant) with extensive reporting and withholding requirements designed to inform the U.S. Department of the Treasury of U.S.-owned foreign investment accounts. Shareholders may be requested to provide additional information to the Funds to enable the Funds to determine whether withholding is required. You should consult your tax professional about federal, state, local or foreign tax consequences of holding Shares.

When a Fund invests in securities of certain foreign issuers, the Fund may have taxes withheld on the income received from these securities. If more than 50% of the total fair market value of a Fund's assets at the close of its taxable year is made up of foreign securities, the Fund may elect to pass through such taxes to shareholders who may then (subject to limitations) claim a foreign tax credit or deduction.

For taxable years beginning after 2017 and before 2026, non-corporate taxpayers generally may deduct 20% of "qualified business income" derived either directly or through partnerships or S corporations. For this purpose, "qualified business income" generally includes ordinary REIT dividends. A Fund may pass through to shareholders the character of ordinary REIT dividends so as to allow non-corporate shareholders to claim this deduction.

If you are a corporate investor, a portion of the dividends from net investment income paid by the Funds will generally qualify, in part, for the corporate dividends-received deduction. However, the portion of the dividends so qualified depends on the aggregate qualifying dividend income received by the Fund from domestic (U.S.) sources. Certain holding period and debt financing restrictions may apply to corporate investors seeking to claim the deduction. There can be no assurance that any portion of the dividends paid by the Funds will qualify for the corporate dividends-received deduction. You should consult your tax professional with respect to the applicability of these rules.

By law, a Fund must withhold the legally required amount of your distributions and proceeds if you do not provide your correct taxpayer identification number, or certify that such number is correct, or if the IRS instructs the Fund to do so.

The tax discussion set forth above is included for general information only. You should consult your own tax adviser concerning the federal, state, local or foreign tax consequences of an investment in a Fund.

Additional information on these and other tax matters relating to each Fund and its shareholders is included in the section entitled "Taxes" in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information.

## **Cost Basis Reporting**

Effective January 1, 2012, Department of the Treasury regulations mandate cost basis reporting to shareholders and the IRS for redemptions of Fund shares acquired on or after January 1, 2012. If you acquire and hold shares directly with the Funds and not through a Financial Intermediary, RIFUS will use a default average cost basis methodology for tracking and reporting your cost basis, unless you request, in writing, another cost basis reporting methodology.

If you acquire and hold shares through a Financial Intermediary, please contact your Financial Intermediary for information related to cost basis defaults, cost basis selection, and cost basis reporting.

You should consult your own tax advisor(s) when selecting your cost basis tracking and relief methodology.

## HOW NET ASSET VALUE IS DETERMINED

#### **Net Asset Value Per Share**

The net asset value per share is calculated for Shares of each Class of each Fund on each business day on which Shares are offered or redemption orders are tendered. For each Fund, a business day is one on which the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open for regular trading. Each Fund will normally determine net asset value as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time). If the NYSE has an unscheduled early closing on a day it has opened for business, the Funds reserve the right to treat such day as a business day of the Funds and calculate a Fund's net asset value as of the normally-scheduled close of regular trading on the NYSE for that day, so long as the Funds' management believes there remains an adequate market to meet purchase and redemption orders for that day. Market volatility regulations provide for circuit breakers which represent the thresholds at which trading is halted market-wide for single-day declines in the S&P 500 Index. Circuit breakers halt trading on the nation's stock markets during dramatic drops and are set at 7%, 13% and 20% of the closing price for the previous day. For a Level 3 halt (20% decline), trading will halt for the remainder of the trading day and each Fund will determine net asset value as of the early close of trading on the NYSE.

A Fund reserves the right to close, and therefore not calculate a Fund's net asset value for that day, if the primary trading markets of the Fund's portfolio instruments are closed (such as holidays on which such markets are closed) and the Fund's management believes that there is not an adequate market to meet purchase or redemption requests on such day.

The price of Fund Shares is based on a Fund's net asset value and is computed by dividing the current value of a Fund's assets (less liabilities) by the number of Shares of the Fund outstanding and rounding to the nearest cent. Share value for purchase, redemption or exchange will be based on the net asset value next calculated after your order is received in good form (i.e., when all required documents and your check or wired funds are received) by a Fund or a Fund agent. Investments in other open-end management investment companies registered under the 1940 Act (if any), are valued based upon the net asset value of those open-end management investment companies. The prospectuses for these companies explain the circumstances under which fair value pricing will be used and the effects of using fair value pricing. Investments in ETFs will generally be valued at the last sale price or official closing price on the exchange on which they are principally traded. See "Additional Information About How to Purchase Shares," "Additional Information About How to Redeem Shares" and "Exchange Privilege" for more information. Information regarding each Fund's current net asset value per Share is available at https://russellinvestments.com.

#### **Valuation of Portfolio Securities**

The Funds value portfolio instruments according to Board-approved securities valuation procedures and pricing services, which include market value procedures, fair value procedures, other key valuation procedures and a description of the pricing services used by the Funds. Under the Board-approved securities valuation procedures, the Board has delegated the day-to-day valuation functions to RIFUS, RIFUS's Oversight Committee and the Funds' custodian. However, the Board retains oversight over the valuation process.

Ordinarily, the Funds value each portfolio instrument based on market quotations provided by pricing services or brokers (when permitted by the market value procedures). Equity securities (including exchange traded funds) are generally valued at the last quoted sale price or the official closing price as of the close of the exchange's or other market's regular trading hours on the day the valuation is made. Listed options are valued on the basis of the closing mean price and exchange listed futures contracts are valued on the basis of settlement price. Swaps may be valued at the closing price, clean market price or clean exchange funded price provided by a pricing service or broker depending on the type of swap being valued. Listed fixed income securities that have greater than 60 days remaining until maturity at the time of purchase are generally valued at the last quoted sale price as of the close of the exchange's or other market's regular trading hours on the day the valuation is made. Non-listed fixed income securities that have greater than 60 days remaining until maturity at the time of purchase are generally valued using the price supplied by a pricing service or broker, which may be an evaluated bid. Evaluated bids are derived from a matrix, formula or other objective method that takes into consideration actual trading activity and volume, market indexes, credit quality, maturity, yield curves or other specific adjustments. Fixed income securities that have 60 days or less remaining until maturity at the time of purchase are valued using the amortized cost method of valuation, unless it is determined that the amortized cost method would result in a price that would be deemed to be not reliable. Issuer-specific conditions (e.g., creditworthiness of the issuer and the likelihood of full repayment at maturity) and conditions in the relevant market (e.g., credit, liquidity and interest rate conditions) are among the factors considered in this determination. While amortized cost provides certainty in valuation, it may result in periods when the value of an instrument is higher or lower than the price a Fund would receive if it sold the instrument.

If market quotations are not readily available for an instrument or are considered not reliable because of market and/or issuer-specific information, the instrument will be valued at fair value, as determined in accordance with the fair value procedures. This generally means that equity securities and fixed income securities listed and traded principally on any national securities exchange are valued on the basis of the last sale price or, lacking any sales, at the closing bid price, on the primary exchange on which the security is traded. The fair value procedures may involve subjective judgments as to the fair value of securities. The effect of fair value pricing is that securities may not be priced on the basis of quotations from the primary market in which they are traded, but rather may be priced by another method that the Board believes reflects fair value. The use of fair value pricing by a Fund may cause the net asset value of its Shares to differ significantly from the net asset value that would be calculated using current market values. Fair value pricing could also cause discrepancies between the daily movement of the value of Fund Shares and the daily movement of the benchmark index if the index is valued using another pricing method.

This policy is intended to assure that the Funds' net asset values fairly reflect portfolio instrument values as of the time of pricing. Events or circumstances affecting the values of portfolio instruments that occur between the closing of the principal markets on which they trade and the time the net asset value of Fund Shares is determined may be reflected in the calculation of the net asset values for each applicable Fund when the Fund deems that the particular event or circumstance would materially affect such Fund's net asset value. Funds that invest primarily in frequently traded exchange listed securities will use fair value pricing in limited circumstances since reliable market quotations will often be readily available. Funds that invest in foreign securities will use fair value pricing more often (typically daily) since significant events may occur between the close of foreign markets and the time of pricing which would trigger fair value pricing of the foreign securities. Examples of significant events that generally trigger fair value pricing of one or more securities are: any market movement of the U.S. securities market (defined in the fair value procedures as the movement of a single major U.S. Index); a company development such as a material business development; a natural disaster, a public health emergency affecting one or more countries in the global economy (including an emergency which results in the closure of financial markets) or other emergency situation; or an armed conflict. Funds that invest in low rated debt securities are also likely to use fair value pricing more often since the markets in which such securities are traded are generally thinner, more limited and less active than those for higher rated securities.

Because foreign securities can trade on non-business days, the net asset value of a Fund's portfolio that includes foreign securities may change on days when shareholders will not be able to purchase or redeem Fund Shares.

# CHOOSING A CLASS OF SHARES TO BUY

The Funds offer more than one Class of Shares. Each Class of Shares has different sales charges and expenses, allowing you to choose the Class that best meets your needs. Each Class of Shares is offered by one or more Financial Intermediaries. A Financial Intermediary may choose to offer a particular Class of Shares based on, among other factors, its assessment of the appropriateness of a Class' attributes in light of its customer base. Your Financial Intermediary may

not offer all of the Classes of Shares offered in this Prospectus and, therefore, you may not benefit from certain Fund policies, including those regarding sales charge waivers and reduction of sales charges through reinstatement, rights of accumulation, letters of intent and share class conversions. You may need to invest through another Financial Intermediary in order to take advantage of these Fund policies. Please see Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts for additional information regarding Financial Intermediary-specific sales charge waivers or reductions. Please contact your Financial Intermediary to determine which Classes of Shares your Financial Intermediary offers. For more information about the Financial Intermediaries that currently offer Shares of the Funds, please call 800-787-7354 for assistance in contacting an investment professional near you.

## Comparing the Funds' Classes

Your Financial Intermediary can help you decide which Class of Shares meets your goals. Your Financial Intermediary may receive different compensation depending upon which Class of Shares you choose.

Each Class of Shares has its own sales charge and expense structure, which enables you to choose the Class of Shares (and pricing) that best meets your specific needs and circumstances. In making your decision regarding which Class of Shares may be best for you to invest in, please keep in mind that your Financial Intermediary may receive different compensation depending on the Class of Shares that you invest in and you may receive different services in connection with investments in different Classes of Shares. You should consult with your Financial Intermediary about the comparative pricing and features of each Class, the services available for shareholders in each Class, the compensation that will be received by the Financial Intermediary in connection with each Class (including whether you qualify for any reduction or waiver of a sales charge, as discussed below in Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts), and other factors that may be relevant to your decision as to which Class of Shares to buy.

Share Class	Front-End Sales Charge	Deferred Sales Charge	Annual 12b-1 Fees (including Annual Shareholder Service Fee of 0.25% of average daily assets for Class C1 Shares)	Annual Shareholder Service Fees
Class A	Up to 3.75% for the fixed income Funds and up to 5.75% for the other Funds (as set forth below); reduced, waived or deferred for large purchases and certain investors*	1.00% on redemptions of Class A Shares made within one year of a purchase on which no front-end sales charge was paid and your Financial Intermediary was paid a commission by the Funds' Distributor	0.25% of average daily assets	None
Class C	None	None	0.75% of average daily assets	0.25% of average daily assets
Class C1	None	1.00% on redemptions of Class C1 Shares made within one year of purchase	1.00% of average daily assets	None
Class M	None	None	None	None
Class P	None	None	None	None
Class R6	None	None	None	None
Class S	None	None	None	None
Class T	Up to 2.50% for all Funds	None	0.25% of average daily assets	None
Class Y	None	None	None	None

<sup>\*</sup> You may also be eligible for a waiver of the front-end sales charge as set forth below in Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts.

# FRONT-END SALES CHARGES

#### Class C, C1, M, P, R6, S and Y Shares

Class C, C1, M, P, R6, S and Y Shares of all Funds offered in this Prospectus are sold without a front-end sales charge.

#### Class A and Class T Shares

Class A and Class T Shares are sold at the offering price, which is the net asset value plus a front-end sales charge. With respect to Class A Shares, you pay a lower front-end sales charge as the size of your investment increases to certain levels. With respect to Class A Shares, you do not pay a front-end sales charge on the Funds' distributions of dividends or capital gains you reinvest in additional Class A Shares of the same Fund or another RIC Fund. With respect to Class T Shares, you do not pay a front-end sales charge on the Funds' distributions of dividends or capital gains you reinvest in additional Class T Shares of the same Fund but may pay a front-end sales charge if you reinvest such proceeds in another RIC Fund.

The tables below show the rate of front-end sales charge that you pay, depending on the amount of your investment or transaction. The tables below also show the amount of compensation that is paid to your Financial Intermediary out of the front-end sales charge. This compensation includes commissions to Financial Intermediaries that sell Class A and Class T Shares. Financial Intermediaries may also receive the distribution fee payable on Class A and Class T Shares at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets represented by the Class A and Class T Shares serviced by them.

#### Class A Shares

The fixed income Funds and the other Funds have different front-end sales charges. A sales charge may be reduced or eliminated for larger purchases of Class A Shares, as described below, or as described in Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts.

The Multifactor Bond Fund is considered a fixed income Fund.

Fixed Income Funds Front-End Sales Charges for Class A Shares	Front-end sales charge as % of		Financial Intermediary
Amount of Investment	Offering Price	Net amount Invested	commission as % of offering price
Less than \$50,000	3.75%	3.90%	3.00%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	3.50%	3.63%	2.75%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.00%	2.04%	1.60%
\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	1.50%	1.52%	1.20%
\$1,000,000 or more	-0-	-0-	up to 1.00%

The Multifactor U.S. Equity and Multifactor International Equity Funds are considered other Funds.

Other Funds Front-End Sales Charges for Class A Shares	Front-end sales charge as % of		Financial Intermediary
Amount of Investment	Offering Price	Net amount Invested	commission as % of offering price
Less than \$50,000	5.75%	6.10%	5.00%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	4.50%	4.71%	3.75%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	3.50%	3.63%	2.75%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%
\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	2.00%	2.04%	1.60%
\$1,000,000 or more	-0-	-0-	up to 1.00%

Front-End Sales Charges for Class T Shares	as % of		Financial Intermediary
Amount of Transaction	Offering Price	Net amount Invested	commission as % of offering price
Less than \$250,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.50%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.00%	2.04%	2.00%
\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	1.50%	1.52%	1.50%
\$1,000,000 or more	1.00%	1.01%	1.00%

Front and sales change

**Investments of \$1,000,000 or more (Class A Shares).** With respect to Class A Shares, you do not pay a front-end sales charge when you buy \$1,000,000 or more of Shares of RIC Funds. However, if your Financial Intermediary was paid a commission by the Funds' Distributor on those Class A Shares and you redeem those Class A Shares within one year of purchase, you will pay a deferred sales charge of 1.00%. Additional information on commissions paid to your Financial Intermediary on purchases of \$1,000,000 or more is available in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information.

Reducing Your Front-End Sales Charge (Class A Shares). To receive a reduced front-end sales charge on purchases of Class A Shares as described below, you must notify your Financial Intermediary of your ability to qualify for a reduced front-end sales charge at the time your order for Class A Shares is placed. Your Financial Intermediary may require certain records, such as account statements, to verify that the purchase qualifies for a reduced front-end sales charge. Additionally, you should retain any records necessary to substantiate historical costs of your Class A Share purchases because the Funds, RIFUS and your Financial Intermediary may not maintain this information.

Front-end Sales Charge Waivers (Class A Shares). Purchases of Class A Shares may be made at net asset value without a front-end or deferred sales charge in the following circumstances. There is no commission paid to Financial Intermediaries for Class A Shares purchased under the following circumstances:

- 1. Sales to RIC trustees and employees of Russell Investments (including retired trustees and employees), to the immediate families (as defined below) of such persons, or to a pension, profit-sharing or other benefit plan for such persons
- 2. Sales to current/retired registered representatives of broker-dealers having sales agreements with the Funds' Distributor to sell Class A Shares of the Funds and sales to a current spouse or the equivalent thereof, child, step-child (with respect to current union only), parent, step-parent or parent-in-law of such registered representative or to a family trust in the name of such registered representative
- 3. Accounts managed by a member of Russell Investments
- 4. Conversion of Class C or Class C1 Shares held for eight years to Class A Shares. Depending on the policies of your Financial Intermediary, in certain circumstances you may convert Class C or Class C1 Shares held for less than eight years to Class A Shares, without the incurrence of a front-end sales charge

You may also be eligible for a waiver of the front-end sales charge as set forth below in Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts.

Prior to March 1, 2016, sales of Class A Shares to multi-participant employer sponsored Defined Contribution plans held in plan level accounts, excluding SEP IRAs and SIMPLE IRAs, qualified for a front-end sales charge waiver. Sales of Class A Shares to plans that previously purchased, and continue to hold, Class A Shares without a front-end sales charge pursuant to this waiver may continue to qualify for the waiver if the policies and procedures of your Financial Intermediary provide for the continued application of the waiver. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for more information.

Moving Between Accounts (Class A Shares). Under certain circumstances, if supported by your Financial Intermediary, you may transfer Class A Shares of a Fund from an account with one registration to an account with another registration within 90 days without incurring a front-end sales charge. For example, you may transfer Shares without paying a front-end sales load in the following cases:

• From a non-retirement account to an IRA or other individual retirement account

• From an IRA or other individual retirement account, such as a required minimum distribution, to a non-retirement account

In some cases, due to operational limitations or reporting requirements, your Financial Intermediary must redeem Shares from one account and purchase Shares in another account to achieve this type of transfer.

If you want to learn more about front-end sales charge waivers, contact your Financial Intermediary and see Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts below.

Aggregated Investments (Class A Shares). The following types of accounts may be combined to qualify for reduced front-end sales charge including purchases made pursuant to rights of accumulation or letter of intent as described below:

The following accounts owned by you and/or a member of your immediate family (as defined below):

- a. Accounts held individually or jointly
- b. Those established under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act or Uniform Transfer to Minors Act
- c. IRA accounts, certain single participant retirement plan accounts, and SEP IRA, SIMPLE IRA or similar accounts held in individual registration.
- d. Solely controlled business accounts
- e. Trust accounts benefiting you or a member of your immediate family

For purposes of aggregated investments, your immediate family includes your spouse, or the equivalent thereof, and your children and step-children under the age of 21.

Purchases made in nominee or street name accounts may NOT be aggregated with those made for other accounts and may NOT be aggregated with other nominee or street name accounts unless otherwise qualified as described above.

You may only combine accounts held with one Financial Intermediary for purposes of aggregated investments.

Rights of Accumulation ("ROA") (Class A Shares). Subject to the limitations described in the aggregation policy, you may combine current purchases of any RIC Fund with your existing holdings of all RIC Funds to determine your current front-end sales charge for Class A Shares. Subject to your Financial Intermediary's capabilities, your accumulated holdings will be calculated as the higher of (a) the current value of your existing holdings or (b) the amount you invested (including reinvested dividends and capital gains, but excluding capital appreciation) less any withdrawals (the "cost value"). You must notify your Financial Intermediary at the time an order is placed for a purchase or purchases which would qualify for the reduced front-end sales charge due to existing investments or other purchases. The reduced front-end sales charge may not be applied if such notification is not furnished at the time of the order.

The value of all of your holdings in accounts established in calendar year 2007 or earlier will be assigned an initial cost value equal to the market value of those holdings as of the last business day of 2007. Thereafter, the cost value of such accounts will increase or decrease according to actual investments or withdrawals.

For purchases to be aggregated for the purpose of qualifying for the ROA, they must be made on the same day through one Financial Intermediary. The right of accumulation is subject to modification or discontinuance at any time with respect to all Shares purchased thereafter. Additional information is available from your Financial Intermediary.

Letter of Intent ("LOI") (Class A Shares). A non-binding LOI allows you to combine purchases of Shares of any RIC Funds you intend to make over a 13-month period with the market value of your current RIC Fund holdings to determine the applicable front-end sales charge. Any appreciation of your current RIC Fund holdings and any Shares issued from reinvestment of dividends or capital gains will not be considered purchases made during the 13-month period. A portion of your account (up to 5%) will be held in escrow to cover additional Class A front-end sales charges that may be due. If you purchase less than the amount specified in the LOI and the LOI period expires or a full-balance redemption is requested during the LOI period, Shares in your account will be automatically redeemed to pay additional front-end sales charges that may be due. Class A Shares of the Funds held in plan or omnibus accounts are not eligible for an LOI unless the plan or omnibus account can maintain the LOI on their record keeping system. If the shareholder dies within the 13-month period, no additional front-end sales charges are required to be paid.

**Exchange Privilege (Class A Shares).** Generally, exchanges between Class A Shares of the RIC Funds are not subject to a front-end sales charge. Exchanges may have the same tax consequences as ordinary sales and purchases. Please contact your Financial Intermediary and/or tax adviser for more detailed information.

Reinstatement Privilege (Class A Shares). You may reinvest proceeds from a redemption or distribution of Class A Shares into Class A Shares of any RIC Fund without paying a front-end sales charge if such reinvestment is made within 90 days after the redemption or distribution date and the proceeds are invested in any related account eligible to be aggregated for Rights of Accumulation purposes. Proceeds will be reinvested at the net asset value next determined after receipt of your purchase order in proper form. For purposes of this Reinstatement Privilege, automatic transactions (including, for example, automatic purchases, withdrawals and payroll deductions) and ongoing individual retirement plan contributions are not eligible for reinstatement without a sales charge. The privilege may not be exercised if proceeds are subject to a purchase restriction as described in the section entitled "Frequent Trading Policies and Limitations on Trading Activity" and certain other restrictions may apply. Contingent deferred sales charges will be credited to your account at current net asset value following notification to the Fund by your Financial Intermediary.

Information about sales charges and sale charge waivers is available free of charge, on the Funds' website at https://russellinvestments.com. Please also see Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts below for additional information regarding Financial Intermediary-specific sales charge waivers and reductions.

# MORE ABOUT DEFERRED SALES CHARGES

You do not pay a front-end sales charge when you buy \$1,000,000 or more of Class A Shares of RIC Funds. However, if your Financial Intermediary was paid a commission by the Funds' Distributor on Class A Shares and you redeem those Class A Shares within one year of purchase, you will pay a deferred sales charge of 1.00%. With respect to Class C1 Shares, if you redeem Class C1 Shares within one year of purchase, you will pay a deferred sales charge of 1.00%. The 1.00% is charged on the lesser of the purchase price of the Shares being redeemed or the net asset value of those Shares at the time of redemption. Shares not subject to a deferred sales charge (those issued upon reinvestment of dividends or capital gains) are redeemed first followed by the Shares you have held the longest. Exchanges between Class A and Class C1 Shares you own in one Fund for the same Class of any other Fund are not subject to a deferred sales charge; however, you will pay a deferred sales charge of 1.00% upon redemption if you redeem Class A or Class C1 Shares within one year of your original purchase.

The deferred sales charge may be waived on:

- shares sold within 12 months following the death or disability of a shareholder
- redemptions of Class A Shares only, made in connection with the minimum required distribution from retirement plans or IRAs pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code
- a systematic withdrawal plan for Class A Shares only, equaling no more than 1% of the account value per any monthly redemption
- involuntary redemptions
- redemptions of Class A or Class C1 Shares to effect a combination of a Fund with any investment company by merger, acquisition of assets or otherwise

All waivers of deferred sales charges are subject to confirmation of your status or holdings.

The availability of deferred sales charge waivers may depend on the particular Financial Intermediary or type of account through which you purchase Class A or Class C1 Shares. Please see Appendix A: Additional Information About Financial Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Variations, Waivers And Discounts for more information.

If you want to learn more about deferred sales charges, contact your Financial Intermediary.

# DISTRIBUTION AND SHAREHOLDER SERVICES ARRANGEMENTS AND PAYMENTS TO FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

The Funds offer multiple Classes of Shares in this Prospectus: Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S, Class T and Class Y Shares. Class A, Class C1 and Class T Shares are discussed in the sections entitled "Choosing a Class of Shares to Buy," "Front-End Sales Charges," and "More About Deferred Sales Charges."

Class A Shares participate in the Funds' Rule 12b-1 distribution plan. Under the distribution plan, the Funds' Class A Shares pay distribution fees of 0.25% annually for the sale and distribution of Class A Shares. The distribution fees are paid out of the Funds' Class A Shares assets on an ongoing basis, and over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment in the Funds, and the distribution fee may cost an investor more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class C Shares participate in the Funds' Rule 12b-1 distribution plan and in the Funds' shareholder services plan. Under the distribution plan, the Funds' Class C Shares pay distribution fees of 0.75% annually for the sale and distribution of Class C Shares. Under the shareholder services plan, the Funds' Class C Shares pay shareholder services fees of 0.25% on an annualized basis for services provided to Class C shareholders. Because both of these fees are paid out of the Funds' Class C Share assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment in Class C Shares of the Funds, and the distribution fee may cost an investor more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class C1 Shares participate in the Funds' Rule 12b-1 distribution and shareholder services plan. Class C1 Shares pay distribution fees of 0.75% annually for the sale and distribution of Class C1 Shares and shareholder services fees of 0.25% on an annualized basis for services provided to Class C1 shareholders. Because both of these fees are paid out of the Funds' Class C1 Share assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment in Class C1 Shares of the Funds, and the distribution fee may cost an investor more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class T Shares participate in the Funds' Rule 12b-1 distribution and shareholder services plan. The Class T Shares pay 0.25% annually for the sale and distribution of Class T Shares but do not pay shareholder services fees on an annual basis for services provided to Class T shareholders. Because these fees are paid out of the Class T Share assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of an investment in Class T Shares of the Funds, and the distribution fee may cost an investor more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S and Class Y Shares do not participate in either the Funds' distribution plan or the Funds' shareholder services plan.

Pursuant to the Funds' Rule 12b-1 distribution and shareholder services plans, Financial Intermediaries may receive: distribution compensation from the Funds' Distributor with respect to Class A and Class T Shares of the Funds; and/or distribution compensation and shareholder services compensation from the Funds' Distributor with respect to Class C and Class C1 Shares of the Funds. These payments are reflected in the fees and expenses listed in the annual fund operating expenses table earlier in the Prospectus.

In addition to the foregoing payments, the Funds' Distributor may make cash payments, from its own resources, to key Financial Intermediaries (including those who may offer Fund Shares through specialized programs such as tax deferred retirement programs) in connection with distribution, which may include providing services intended to result in the sale of Fund Shares, or to pay for services such as marketing support, education and/or administrative services support. These compensation arrangements may vary by Financial Intermediary and may increase as the dollar value of Fund Shares held through a particular Financial Intermediary increases. Because these payments are not made by the Funds, these payments are not reflected in the fees and expenses listed in the annual fund operating expenses table. Some of these payments are commonly referred to as "revenue sharing." At times, such payments may create an incentive for a Financial Intermediary to recommend or make Shares of the Funds available to its customers and may allow the Funds greater access to the customers of the Financial Intermediary.

RIFUS may also make cash payments, from its own resources, to key Financial Intermediaries and their service providers (including those who may offer Fund Shares through specialized programs such as tax deferred retirement programs) to pay for services such as account consolidation, transaction processing and/or administrative services support. These compensation arrangements may vary by Financial Intermediary and may fluctuate based on the dollar value of Fund Shares held through a particular Financial Intermediary. Because these payments are not made by the Funds, these

payments are not reflected in the fees and expenses listed in the annual fund operating expenses table. At times, such payments may create an incentive for a Financial Intermediary to recommend or make Shares of the Funds available to its customers and may allow the Funds greater access to the customers of the Financial Intermediary.

The Funds' Distributor may pay or allow other promotional incentive payments to Financial Intermediaries to the extent permitted by the rules adopted by the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority relating to the sale of mutual fund shares.

To enable Financial Intermediaries to provide a higher level of service and information to prospective and current Fund shareholders, the Funds' Distributor also offers them a range of complimentary software tools and educational services. The Funds' Distributor provides such tools and services from its own resources.

Ask your Financial Intermediary for additional information as to what compensation, if any, it receives from the Funds, the Funds' Distributor or RIM.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO PURCHASE SHARES

Unless you are eligible to participate in a Russell Investments employee investment program, Shares are only available through a select network of Financial Intermediaries. If you are not currently working with one of these Financial Intermediaries, please call 800-787-7354 for assistance in contacting an investment professional near you.

Class S Shares may only be purchased by:

- (1) clients of Financial Intermediaries who charge an advisory fee, management fee, consulting fee, or other similar fee for their services for the shareholder account in which the Class S Shares are held or clients of Financial Intermediaries where the Financial Intermediary would typically charge such a brokerage commission or other similar fee but has determined to waive its fee in a particular instance as the result of a potential conflict of interest.
- (2) employee benefit and other plans, such as 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer sponsored 403(b) plans, HSAs (Health Savings Accounts), profit sharing plans, money purchase plans, defined benefit plans and non-qualified deferred compensation plans, that consolidate and hold all Fund Shares in plan level or omnibus accounts on behalf of participants. SEP IRA, SIMPLE IRA and individual 403(b) Plans are not considered plans for purposes of this paragraph;
- (3) clients of Financial Intermediaries who are members of Russell Investments;
- (4) individuals pursuant to employee investment programs of Russell Investments or its affiliates; or
- (5) current/retired registered representatives of broker-dealers having sales agreements with the Funds' Distributor to sell Class S Shares of the Funds and current spouses or the equivalent thereof, children, step-children (with respect to current union only), parents, step-parents or parents-in-law of such registered representative or to a family trust in the name of such registered representative.

Class S Shares may also be available on brokerage platforms of firms that have agreements with the Funds' Distributor to offer such Shares when acting as an agent for the investor for the purchase or sale of such Shares. If you transact in Class S Shares through one of these brokerage programs, you may be required to pay a commission and/or other forms of compensation to the broker, which are not reflected in the tables under the *Choosing A Class of Shares To Buy* or *Front-End Sales Charges* sections above. The Funds' Distributor does not receive any portion of the commission or compensation.

Class R6 Shares are available only to employee benefit and other plans with multiple participants, such as 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer sponsored 403(b) plans, HSAs (Health Savings Accounts), profit sharing plans, money purchase plans, defined benefit plans and non-qualified deferred compensation plans, that consolidate and hold all Fund Shares in plan level accounts on behalf of participants. Class R6 Shares are not available for any other category of investor, including, for example, retail non-retirement accounts, traditional or Roth IRA accounts, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, SEP-IRAs, SAR-SEPs, SIMPLE IRAs, individual 401(k) or individual 403(b) plan accounts.

Class M Shares may only be purchased by:

(1) clients of Financial Intermediaries who charge an advisory fee, management fee, consulting fee, or other similar fee for their services for the shareholder account in which the Class M Shares are held or clients of Financial

Intermediaries where the Financial Intermediary would typically charge such a brokerage commission or other similar fee but has determined to waive its fee in a particular instance as the result of a potential conflict of interest; or

(2) current/retired registered representatives of broker-dealers having sales agreements with the Funds' Distributor to sell Class M Shares of the Funds and current spouses or the equivalent thereof, children, step-children (with respect to current union only), parents, step-parents or parents-in-law of such registered representative or to a family trust in the name of such registered representative.

In addition, Class M Shares are available only to shareholders who transact on or through advisory platforms that provide limited services to shareholders and charge a transaction fee to shareholders for transactions in Shares of the Funds.

Class P Shares are available for purchase through certain Financial Intermediaries that have agreements with the Funds' Distributor to offer Class P Shares. Such Financial Intermediaries may include broker-dealers as well as Financial Intermediaries who charge an advisory fee or other similar fee for their services. A shareholder purchasing Class P Shares through a broker-dealer may be required to pay a commission and/or other forms of compensation to the broker-dealer. Please contact your Financial Intermediary to determine whether your Financial Intermediary offers Class P Shares and to obtain additional information regarding any commissions or other forms of compensation associated with the purchase of Class P Shares.

The Funds generally do not have the ability to enforce these limitations on access to Share Classes with eligibility requirements. It is the sole responsibility of each Financial Intermediary to ensure that it only makes Share Classes with eligibility requirements available to those categories of investors listed above that qualify for access to such Share Classes. However, the Funds will not knowingly sell Share Classes with eligibility requirements to any investor not meeting one of the foregoing criteria.

There is currently no required minimum initial investment for Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S or Class T Shares of the Funds. However, each Fund reserves the right to close any account whose balance falls below \$500 and to change the categories of investors eligible to purchase its Shares.

For Class Y Shares, there is a \$10 million required minimum initial investment for each account in the Funds. However, there is no required minimum initial investment for (i) any Russell Investment Company or Russell Investment Funds fund of funds, (ii) for investment companies that have entered into a contractual arrangement with a Fund or its service providers to acquire Class Y Shares or (iii) shares acquired by any collective vehicle or other discretionary account actively managed by Russell Investments.

If a Fund detects a pattern of trading that appears to be designed to evade the minimum initial investment requirement for Class Y Shares, the Fund reserves the right to close the account(s). Each Fund reserves the right to close any account whose balance falls below \$500 and to change the categories of investors eligible to purchase its Shares or the required minimum investment amounts. Prior to closing an account, the Funds will provide reasonable notice and in certain cases, the Funds may offer an opportunity to increase the account balance. You may be eligible to purchase Shares if you do not meet the required initial minimum investment. You should consult your Financial Intermediary for details, which are summarized in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information.

If you purchase, redeem, exchange, convert or hold Shares through a Financial Intermediary, your Financial Intermediary may charge you transaction-based fees, activity based fees and other fees for its services based upon its own policies and procedures. Those fees are retained entirely by your Financial Intermediary and no part of those fees are paid to RIM, the Funds' Distributor or the Funds. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for more information about these fees as they may apply to your investments and your accounts.

You may purchase Shares through a Financial Intermediary on any business day of the Funds (defined as a day on which the NYSE is open for regular trading). Purchase orders are processed at the next net asset value per share calculated after a Fund receives your order in proper form (as determined by your Financial Intermediary). Certain authorized Fund agents have entered into agreements with the Funds' Distributor or its affiliates to receive and accept orders for the purchase and redemption of Shares of the Funds on behalf of Financial Intermediaries. Some, but not all, Financial Intermediaries are Fund agents, and some, but not all, Fund agents are Financial Intermediaries. Purchase orders

must normally be received by a Fund or a Fund agent prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) in order to be processed at the net asset value calculated on that day. Any purchase order received after the purchase order cut-off time will be processed on the following business day at the next calculated net asset value per share.

If the NYSE has an unscheduled early closing on a day it has opened for business, the Funds reserve the right to treat such day as a business day of the Funds and accept purchase orders until the normally-scheduled close of regular trading on the NYSE for that day, so long as the Funds' management believes there remains an adequate market to meet purchase and redemption orders for that day. Market volatility regulations provide for circuit breakers which represent the thresholds at which trading is halted market-wide for single-day declines in the S&P 500° Index. Circuit breakers halt trading on the nation's stock markets during dramatic drops and are set at 7%, 13% and 20% of the closing price for the previous day. For a Level 3 halt (20% decline), trading will halt for the remainder of the trading day. If this were to occur, the Funds' management believes there will not be an adequate market to meet purchase orders for that day and the Funds will close when trading is halted. Any purchase orders received before the Funds close due to a Level 3 halt will be processed at that day's calculated net asset value per share. Any purchase orders received after the Funds close due to a Level 3 halt will be processed on the following business day at the next calculated net asset value per share.

A Fund reserves the right to close, and therefore not accept purchase orders for that day, if the primary trading markets of the Fund's portfolio instruments are closed (such as holidays on which such markets are closed) and the Fund's management believes that there is not an adequate market to meet purchase or redemption requests on such day.

Because Financial Intermediaries and Fund agents may have earlier purchase order cut off times to allow them to deliver purchase orders to the Funds prior to the Funds' order transmission cut off time, please ask your Financial Intermediary what the cut off time is.

You must place purchase orders for Fund Shares through a Financial Intermediary in U.S. dollars. Specific payment arrangements should be made with your Financial Intermediary. However, exceptions may be made by prior special arrangement. For certain investment programs where your account is held directly with the Funds' Transfer Agent, you must consult with the investment program to determine the requirements for investing. If your account is held directly with the Funds through certain investment programs, you may purchase Shares by mail, internet or telephone. For such investment programs, cash, checks drawn on credit card accounts, cashiers checks, money orders, travelers checks and other cash equivalents will not be accepted by the Funds' Transfer Agent. Certain investors whose accounts are held directly with the Funds may be prohibited from purchasing additional Shares of the Funds.

Customer Identification Program: To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account and to determine whether such person's name appears on government lists of known or suspected terrorists and terrorist organizations. When you open a new account to buy Shares of the Funds, the Funds or your Financial Intermediary will ask your name, address, date of birth, taxpayer identification or other government identification number and other information that will allow the Funds to identify you. If the Funds or your Financial Intermediary are unable to adequately identify you within the time frames set forth in the law, your Shares may be automatically redeemed. If the net asset value per share has decreased since your purchase, you will lose money as a result of this redemption.

**Foreign Investors:** A Financial Intermediary may offer and sell the Funds to non-resident aliens and non-U.S. entities, if (1) the Financial Intermediary can fulfill the due diligence and other requirements of the USA PATRIOT ACT and applicable Treasury or SEC rules, regulation and guidance applicable to foreign investors, and (2) the offer and sale occur in a jurisdiction where a Fund is authorized to be offered and sold, currently the 50 states of the United States and certain U.S. territories.

Without the prior approval of a Fund's Chief Compliance Officer, non-resident aliens and entities not formed under U.S. law may not purchase Shares of a Fund where the Fund is responsible for the due diligence and other requirements of the USA PATRIOT ACT and applicable Treasury or SEC rules, regulation and guidance applicable to foreign investors. If you invest directly through the Funds and a foreign address is added onto your account, the Funds will not be able to accept additional purchases and will discontinue any automated purchases into the account.

#### Offering Dates and Times

Purchase orders must normally be received by a Fund or a Fund agent prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) in order to be processed at the net asset value calculated on that day. Purchases can be made on any day when Shares are offered. Because Financial Intermediaries and Fund agents may have earlier purchase order cut off times to allow them to deliver purchase orders to the Funds prior to the Funds' order transmission cut off time, please ask your Financial Intermediary what the cut off time is.

# **Order and Payment Procedures**

Generally, you must place purchase orders for Shares through your Financial Intermediary. You may pay for your purchase by mail or funds transfer. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for instructions on how to place orders and make payment to the Funds.

If your account is held directly with the Funds through certain investment programs, you may purchase, redeem or exchange Fund Shares by mail, internet or telephone. In order for your instructions by mail to be considered in proper form, the instructions must be received at one of the following addresses:

Regular Mail: Russell Investments, PO Box 219430, Kansas City, MO 64121-9430

Overnight Mail: Russell Investments, 430 W 7th Street, STE 219430, Kansas City, MO 64105-1407

## **Automated Investment Program**

Your Financial Intermediary may offer an automated investment program whereby you may choose to make regular investments in an established account. With the exception of initial purchases (in certain Share Classes), the Funds do not require minimum investment amounts or specific dates for automated purchases; however, your Financial Intermediary may set certain restrictions for this option. If you would like to establish an automated investment program or for further information, please contact your Financial Intermediary.

You may discontinue the automated investment program, or change the amount and timing of your investments by contacting your Financial Intermediary.

## EXCHANGE AND CONVERSION PRIVILEGE

#### **How to Exchange or Convert Shares**

Exchanges Between Funds. Depending on the Share Class you are invested in and your Financial Intermediary's policies, you may exchange Shares you own in one Fund for Shares of any other Fund offered by RIC if you meet any applicable initial minimum investment and investor eligibility requirements stated in the Prospectus for that Fund. With respect to Class T Shares, you may only exchange Class T Shares you own in one Fund for Class T Shares of another Fund if you pay a front-end sales charge with respect to the Class T Shares of such other Fund. For additional information, including Prospectuses for other RIC Funds, contact your Financial Intermediary.

An exchange between Funds involves the redemption of Shares, which is treated as a sale for income tax purposes. Thus, capital gains or losses may be realized. Please consult your tax adviser for more information.

Share Class Conversions. Depending on the Share Class you are invested in and your Financial Intermediary's policies, you may convert certain Classes of Shares you own of a Fund for Shares of a different Class of Shares of that Fund. You must meet any applicable initial minimum investment requirement and investor eligibility requirements stated in the Prospectus or required by your Financial Intermediary.

Depending upon the policies of your Financial Intermediary, in certain circumstances you may convert Class A Shares to Class T Shares or Class C Shares or Class C1 Shares to Class A or Class T Shares without the incurrence of a front-end sales charge.

Conversion of Class C or Class C1 Shares. The Funds will convert Class C or Class C1 Shares held for eight years to Class A Shares without the incurrence of a front-end sales charge. If your account is held through a Financial Intermediary, your Financial Intermediary may be responsible for this conversion. As of January 1, 2019 (the "Effective

Date"), the Funds and certain Financial Intermediaries may not have been tracking such holding periods and therefore may not be able to process such conversions for Shares acquired prior to the Effective Date. In such instances, the automatic conversion of Class C or Class C1 Shares to Class A Shares will occur no later than eight years after the Effective Date.

Please contact your Financial Intermediary for information related to their conversion policies.

RIFUS believes that a conversion between Classes of the same Fund is not a taxable event; however, you must check with your Financial Intermediary to determine if they will process the conversion as non-taxable. Please consult with your Financial Intermediary and your tax adviser for more information.

Contact your Financial Intermediary for assistance in exchanging or converting Shares and, because Financial Intermediaries' processing times may vary, to find out when your account will be credited or debited. To request an exchange or conversion in writing, please contact your Financial Intermediary.

For all Classes of Shares, exchanges and conversions must be made through your Financial Intermediary.

If your account is held directly with the Funds through certain investment programs, you may request an exchange of Fund Shares by mail, internet or telephone. In order for your instructions by mail to be considered in proper form, the instructions must be received at one of the following addresses:

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# Systematic Exchange Program

Your Financial Intermediary may offer a systematic exchange program which allows you to redeem Shares from one or more Funds and purchase Shares of certain other RIC Funds in an established account. With the exception of initial purchases (for certain Share Classes), the Funds do not require minimum exchange amounts or specific dates for systematic exchanges; however, your Financial Intermediary may set certain restrictions for this option. If you would like to establish a systematic exchange program or for further information, please contact your Financial Intermediary.

A systematic exchange involves the redemption of Shares, which is treated as a sale for income tax purposes. Thus, capital gains or losses may be realized. Please consult your tax adviser for more information.

You may discontinue a systematic exchange program, or change the amount and timing of exchanges, by contacting your Financial Intermediary.

## RIGHT TO REJECT OR RESTRICT PURCHASE AND EXCHANGE ORDERS

The Board has adopted frequent trading policies and procedures which are described below. The Funds will apply these policies uniformly. The Funds discourage frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund Shares by Fund shareholders. The Funds do not accommodate frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund Shares by Fund shareholders.

Each Fund reserves the right to restrict or reject, without prior notice, any purchase or exchange order for any reason. A Fund may, in its discretion, restrict or reject a purchase or exchange order even if the transaction is not subject to the specific limitations on frequent trading described below if the Fund or its agents (i.e., RIM or RIFUS) determine that accepting the order could interfere with the efficient management of a Fund's portfolio or otherwise not be in a Fund's best interests.

In the event that a Fund rejects an exchange request, the Fund will seek additional instructions from the Financial Intermediary regarding whether or not to proceed with the redemption side of the exchange.

## Frequent Trading Policies and Limitations on Trading Activity

Frequent trading of Fund Shares, often in response to short-term fluctuations in the market, also known as "market timing," is not knowingly permitted by the Funds. Frequent traders and market-timers should not invest in the Funds. The Funds are intended for long-term investors. The Funds, subject to the limitations described below, take steps reasonably designed to curtail frequent trading practices by investors or Financial Intermediaries.

Each Fund monitors for "substantive" round trip trades over a certain dollar threshold that each Fund determines, in its discretion, could adversely affect the management of the Fund. A single substantive round trip is a purchase and redemption or redemption and purchase of Shares of a Fund within a rolling 60 day period. Each Fund permits two substantive round trip trades within a 60 day period.

While the Funds monitor for substantive trades over a certain dollar threshold, a Fund may deem any round trip trade to be substantive depending on the potential impact to the applicable Fund or Funds.

If after two "substantive" round trips, an additional purchase or redemption transaction is executed within that rolling 60 day period, future purchase transactions will be rejected or restricted for 60 days. If after expiration of such 60 day period, there are two "substantive" round trips followed by an additional purchase or redemption transaction within that rolling 60 day period, that shareholder's right to purchase Shares of any Fund advised by RIM will be permanently revoked.

If the Funds do not have direct access to the shareholder's account to implement the purchase revocation, the Funds will require the shareholder's Financial Intermediary to impose similar revocation of purchase privileges on the shareholder. In the event that the shareholder's Financial Intermediary cannot, due to regulatory or legal obligations, impose a revocation of purchase privileges, the Funds may accept an alternate trading restriction reasonably designed to protect the Funds from improper trading practices.

Any exception to the permanent revocation of a shareholder's purchase privileges, or an alternative trading restriction designed to protect the Funds from improper trading practices, must be approved by the Funds' Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO").

The Funds, through their agents, will use their best efforts to exercise the Funds' right to restrict or reject purchase and exchange orders as described above.

In certain circumstances, with prior agreement between a Financial Intermediary and the Funds, the Funds may rely on a Financial Intermediary's frequent trading policies if it is determined that the Financial Intermediary's policies are sufficient to detect and deter improper frequent trading. Any reliance by the Funds on a Financial Intermediary's frequent trading policies must be approved by the Funds' CCO after a determination that such policies are sufficient to detect and deter improper frequent trading. Therefore, with respect to frequent trading, shareholders who invest through a Financial Intermediary should be aware that they may be subject to the policies and procedures of their Financial Intermediary which may be more or less restrictive than the Funds' policies and procedures.

This policy will **not** apply to:

- Money Market Funds. The Board of Trustees believes that it is unnecessary for any money market fund to have frequent trading policies because these funds may be used as short term investments.
- Transactions in a Fund by certain other funds (i.e., funds of funds), including any Russell Investment Company and Russell Investment Funds funds of funds, and any other approved unaffiliated fund of funds. RIM and the Board of Trustees believe these transactions do not offer the opportunity for price arbitrage.
- Institutional accounts, including but not limited to, foundations, endowments or defined benefit plans, where the transactions are a result of the characteristics of the account (e.g., donor directed activity or funding or disbursements of defined benefit plan payments) rather than a result of implementation of an investment strategy, so long as such transactions do not interfere with the efficient management of a Fund's portfolio or are otherwise not in a Fund's best interests.
- Trading associated with asset allocated programs where the asset allocation has been developed by RIM or an
  affiliate of RIM and RIM has transparency into the amount of trading and the ability to monitor and assess the
  impact to the Funds or scheduled rebalancing of asset allocated programs based on set trading schedules within
  specified limits.
- Systematic purchase or redemption programs, and transactions not directed by the shareholder or participant, such as payroll contributions and distribution reinvestments.

In applying the policy on limitations on trading activity, the Funds consider the information available at the time and reserve the right to consider trading history in any Fund including trading history in other accounts under common ownership or control in determining whether to suspend or terminate trading privileges.

This policy will not affect any shareholder's redemption rights.

#### **Risks of Frequent Trading**

Short-term or excessive trading into and out of a Fund may harm a Fund's performance by disrupting portfolio management strategies and by increasing expenses. These expenses are borne by all Fund shareholders, including long-term investors who do not generate such costs. Frequent trading may interfere with the efficient management of a Fund's portfolio, and may result in the Fund engaging in certain activities to a greater extent than it otherwise would, such as maintaining higher cash balances, using interfund lending and engaging in portfolio transactions. Increased portfolio transactions and use of interfund lending would correspondingly increase the Fund's operating expenses and decrease the Fund's performance. For Funds that use hedging strategies to ensure that each Fund is fully invested, maintenance of a higher level of cash balances would not decrease a Fund's exposure to market moves but would decrease the proportion of the Fund that is actively managed.

Additionally, to the extent that a Fund invests significantly in foreign securities traded on markets which may close prior to when the Fund determines its net asset value (referred to as the valuation time), frequent trading by certain shareholders may cause dilution in the value of Fund Shares held by other shareholders. Because events may occur after the close of these foreign markets and before the valuation time of the Funds that influence the value of these foreign securities, investors may seek to trade Fund Shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these foreign securities as of the Fund's valuation time (referred to as price arbitrage). These Funds have procedures designed to adjust closing market prices of foreign securities under certain circumstances to better reflect what are believed to be the fair values of the foreign securities as of the valuation time. To the extent that a Fund does not accurately value foreign securities as of its valuation time, investors engaging in price arbitrage may cause dilution in the value of Fund Shares held by other shareholders.

Because certain small capitalization equity securities may be traded infrequently, to the extent that a Fund invests significantly in small capitalization equity securities, investors may seek to trade Fund Shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these securities (referred to as price arbitrage). Any such frequent trading strategies may interfere with efficient management of a Fund's portfolio to a greater degree than Funds which invest in highly liquid securities, in part because the Fund may have difficulty selling these small capitalization portfolio securities at advantageous times or prices to satisfy large and/or frequent redemption requests. Any successful price arbitrage may also cause dilution in the value of Fund Shares held by other shareholders.

# Limitations on the Ability to Detect and Curtail Frequent Trading

The Funds will use reasonable efforts to detect frequent trading activity but may not be able to detect such activity in certain circumstances. While the Funds have the authority to request and analyze data on shareholders in omnibus accounts and will use their best efforts to enforce the policy described above, there may be limitations on the ability of the Funds to detect and curtail frequent trading practices and the Funds may still not be able to completely eliminate the possibility of improper trading under all circumstances. Shareholders seeking to engage in frequent trading activities may use a variety of strategies to avoid detection and, despite the efforts of the Funds to prevent frequent trading, there is no guarantee that the Funds or their agents will be able to identify each such shareholder in an omnibus account or curtail their trading practices.

Any exceptions to this policy may only be made by the CCO after a determination that the transaction does not constitute improper trading or other trading activity that may be harmful to the Funds.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO REDEEM SHARES

Shares may be redeemed through your Financial Intermediary on any business day of the Funds (defined as a day on which the NYSE is open for regular trading). Redemption requests are processed at the next net asset value per share calculated after a Fund receives an order in proper form as determined by your Financial Intermediary. Redemption orders must normally be received by a Fund or a Fund agent prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) in order to be processed at the net asset value calculated on that day. Any redemption requests received after the redemption order cut-off time will be processed on the following business day at the next calculated net asset value per share.

If the NYSE has an unscheduled early closing on a day it has opened for business, the Funds reserve the right to treat such day as a business day of the Funds and accept redemption orders until the normally-scheduled close of regular trading on the NYSE for that day, so long as the Funds' management believes there remains an adequate market to meet

purchase and redemption orders for that day. Market volatility regulations provide for circuit breakers which represent the thresholds at which trading is halted market-wide for single-day declines in the S&P 500 Index. Circuit breakers halt trading on the nation's stock markets during dramatic drops and are set at 7%, 13% and 20% of the closing price for the previous day. For a Level 3 halt (20% decline), trading will halt for the remainder of the trading day. If this were to occur, the Funds' management believes there will not be an adequate market to meet redemption orders for that day and the Funds will close when trading is halted. Any redemption orders received before the Funds close due to a Level 3 halt will be processed at that day's calculated net asset value per share. Any redemption orders received after the Funds close due to a Level 3 halt will be processed on the following business day at the next calculated net asset value per share.

A Fund reserves the right to close, and therefore not accept redemption orders for that day, if the primary trading markets of the Fund's portfolio instruments are closed (such as holidays on which such markets are closed) and the Fund's management believes that there is not an adequate market to meet purchase or redemption requests on such day.

Shares recently purchased by check or Automated Clearing House ("ACH") directly to the Fund may not be available for redemption for 7 days following the purchase or until the check or ACH clears, whichever occurs first, to assure that a Fund has received payment for your purchase.

# **Redemption Dates and Times**

Redemption requests must normally be received by a Fund or a Fund agent prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) in order to be processed at the net asset value calculated on that day. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for instructions on how to place redemption requests. Because Financial Intermediaries and Fund agents may have earlier redemption order cut off times to allow them to deliver redemption orders to the Funds prior to the Funds' order transmission cut off time, please ask your Financial Intermediary what the cut off time is.

If your account is held directly with the Funds through certain investment programs, you may redeem Fund Shares by mail, internet or telephone subject to certain limitations. In order for your instructions by mail to be considered in proper form, the instructions must be received at one of the following addresses:

Regular Mail: Russell Investments, PO Box 219430, Kansas City, MO 64121-9430

Overnight Mail: Russell Investments, 430 W 7th Street, STE 219430, Kansas City, MO 64105-1407

# Systematic Withdrawal Program

Your Financial Intermediary may offer a systematic withdrawal program whereby you may choose to redeem your Shares and receive regular payments from your account. The Funds do not require specific redemption amounts or specific dates for systematic withdrawals; however, your Financial Intermediary may set certain restrictions for this option. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for further information.

When you redeem your Shares under a systematic withdrawal program, it may be a taxable transaction.

For Class A Shares, if your Financial Intermediary was paid a commission by the Funds' Distributor on your Class A Shares and you redeem those Class A Shares within one year of purchase, you may pay a deferred sales charge of 1%.

For Class C1 Shares, if you redeem your Class C1 Shares within one year of purchase, you may pay a deferred sales charge of 1%.

You may discontinue the systematic withdrawal program, or change the amount and timing of withdrawal payments by contacting your Financial Intermediary.

# PAYMENT OF REDEMPTION PROCEEDS

Payment will ordinarily be made within seven days of receipt of your request in proper form. Each Fund reserves the right to suspend redemptions or postpone the date of payment for more than seven days if an emergency condition (as determined by the SEC) exists.

When you redeem your Shares, a Fund will ordinarily pay your redemption proceeds to your Financial Intermediary for your benefit on the next business day after the Fund receives the redemption request in proper form or as otherwise requested by your Financial Intermediary. Your Financial Intermediary is then responsible for settling the redemption with

you as agreed between you and your Financial Intermediary. For certain investment programs where your account is held directly with the Funds' Transfer Agent, the length of time that the Funds typically pay redemption proceeds from redemption requests varies based on the method by which you elect to receive the proceeds. Your redemption proceeds will be paid in one of the following manners: (1) a check for the redemption proceeds may be sent to the shareholder(s) of record at the address of record on the next business day after the Funds receive a redemption request in proper form; or (2) if you have established the electronic redemption option, your redemption proceeds can be (a) wired to your predesignated bank account on the next business day after a Fund receives your redemption request in proper form or (b) sent by Electronic Funds Transfer ("EFT") to your predesignated bank account on the second business day after a Fund receives your redemption request in proper form. On Federal Reserve holidays, funds will settle on the next day the Federal Reserve is open. Each Fund may charge a fee to cover the cost of sending a wire transfer for redemptions, and your bank may charge an additional fee to receive the wire. The Funds will always charge a fee when sending an international wire transfer. The Funds reserve the right to charge a fee when sending a domestic wire transfer for redemptions. The Funds do not charge for EFT though your bank may charge a fee to receive the EFT. Wire transfers and EFTs can be sent to U.S. financial institutions that are members of the Federal Reserve System. Payment of redemption proceeds may take longer than the time the Funds typically expect and may take up to seven days, as permitted by law. The Funds reserve the right to temporarily hold redemption proceeds from a natural person age 65 or older or age 18 and older who the Transfer Agent reasonably believes has a mental or physical impairment that renders the individual unable to protect his or her own financial interests from actual or attempted exploitation. The Transfer Agent is not required to hold redemption proceeds in these circumstances and does not assume any obligation to do so.

Under normal market conditions, the Funds expect to meet redemption orders by using holdings of cash/cash equivalents and/or proceeds from the sale of portfolio holdings. The Funds maintain cash reserves and RIM may increase or decrease a Fund's cash reserves in anticipation of redemption activity. Under stressed market conditions, a Fund may be forced to sell securities in order to meet redemption requests, which may result in a Fund selling such securities at an inopportune time and/or for a price below the price a Fund would expect to receive under normal market conditions. While the Funds do not routinely use redemptions in-kind, each Fund reserves the right to use redemptions in-kind to manage the impact of larger redemptions on a Fund. See "OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT SHARE TRANSACTIONS – Redemption In-Kind," below for additional information on a Fund's use of redemptions in-kind.

# OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT SHARE TRANSACTIONS

#### **Written Instructions**

Written instructions must be in proper form as determined by your Financial Intermediary. For certain investment programs where your account is held directly with the Funds' Transfer Agent, the Funds require that written instructions be in proper form and reserve the right to reject any written instructions that are not in proper form. Your Financial Intermediary will assist you in preparing and submitting transaction instructions to the Funds to insure proper form. Generally, your instructions must include:

- The Fund name and account number
- Details related to the transaction including type and amount
- Signatures of all owners exactly as registered on the account
- Any supporting legal documentation that may be required

If your account is held directly with the Funds, in order for your instructions by mail to be considered in proper form, the instructions must be received at one of the following addresses:

Regular Mail: Russell Investments, PO Box 219430, Kansas City, MO 64121-9430

Overnight Mail: Russell Investments, 430 W 7th Street, STE 219430, Kansas City, MO 64105-1407

# **Telephone or Internet Instructions**

Contact your Financial Intermediary to determine their policy and requirements regarding telephone or internet transactions.

If your account is held directly with the Fund, through certain investment programs, you may purchase, exchange or redeem shares by telephone or internet. Generally, through certain investment programs, you are automatically eligible to redeem or exchange shares by telephone or the internet, unless you notify us in writing that you do not want any or all of these services. You may reinstate these services at any time.

RIC and RIFUS are not liable for any loss, cost, expense or other liability resulting from complying with telephone or internet instructions that are deemed to be genuine. RIC and RIFUS will employ reasonable procedures to confirm that telephone or internet instructions received from any person with appropriate account information are genuine. If reasonable procedures are not employed, RIC and/or RIFUS may be liable for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent instructions.

Telephone conversations you have with the Funds may be monitored or recorded for quality assurance, verification, and recordkeeping purposes. By speaking to the Funds on the telephone, you consent to such monitoring and recording.

#### Responsibility for Fraud

Please take precautions to protect yourself from fraud. Keep your account information private and immediately review any account confirmations or statements that the Funds or your Financial Intermediary send you. Contact your Financial Intermediary immediately about any transactions that you believe to be unauthorized.

# Signature Guarantee

Each Fund reserves the right to require a signature guarantee for any request related to your account including, but not limited to, requests for transactions or account changes. A signature guarantee verifies the authenticity of your signature and helps protect your account against fraud or unauthorized transactions. You should be able to obtain a signature guarantee from a bank, broker, credit union, savings association, clearing agency, or securities exchange or association with which you have a banking or investment relationship. A notary public cannot provide a signature guarantee. Contact your Financial Intermediary for assistance in obtaining a signature guarantee.

# **In-Kind Exchange of Securities**

A Fund may, at its discretion, permit you to acquire Shares in exchange for securities you currently own. Any securities exchanged must meet the investment objective, policies, and limitations of the appropriate Fund; have a readily ascertainable market value; be liquid; and not be subject to restrictions on resale.

Shares purchased in exchange for securities generally may not be redeemed or exchanged for 15 days following the purchase by exchange or until the transfer has settled, whichever comes first. If you are a taxable investor, you will generally realize gains or losses on the exchange for federal income tax purposes. If you are contemplating an in-kind exchange you should consult your tax adviser.

The price at which the exchange will take place will depend upon the relative net asset value of the Shares purchased and securities exchanged. Securities accepted by a Fund will be valued in the same way the Fund values its assets. Any interest earned on the securities following their delivery to a Fund and prior to the exchange will be considered in valuing the securities. All interest, dividends, subscription or other rights attached to the securities becomes the property of the Funds, along with the securities. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for further information.

# **Redemption In-Kind**

The Funds have elected to be governed by Rule 18f-1 under the 1940 Act. Under that rule, redemptions by a shareholder of up to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of a Fund's net assets during any 90-day period must be redeemed solely in cash unless otherwise agreed to by the redeeming shareholder. If operationally possible (typically only when a Fund is notified in advance of a large redemption), a Fund may, at its discretion, pay for any portion of a redemption exceeding such amount by a distribution of in-kind securities from the Fund's portfolio, instead of in cash. There are also operational limitations on the ability of the Funds to make an in-kind distribution of most non-U.S. securities. An in-kind distribution of portfolio securities could include illiquid or less liquid securities. Illiquid or less liquid securities may not be able to be sold quickly or at a price that reflects full value, or there may not be a market for such securities, which could cause you to realize losses on the security if the security is sold at a price lower than that at which it had been valued. If you receive an in-kind distribution of portfolio securities, and choose to sell them, you will incur brokerage charges and continue to be subject to tax consequences and market risk pending any sale.

#### **Escheatment and Inactivity**

For any accounts held directly at the Funds, the Funds will comply with all federal search and notification requirements, as defined in section 17AD-17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Should the assets be determined to be abandoned, then the Funds are legally obligated to escheat said abandoned property to the appropriate state's unclaimed property administrator, as determined by the owner's last known address of record.

Furthermore, the Funds will comply with any and all state regulations regarding "inactivity." Broadly described, state inactivity rules define time periods during which, and specific means by which, shareholders must "contact" their assets, i.e. the Funds, the Funds' agent and/or their Financial Intermediary. The Funds are legally obligated to escheat inactive assets to the state of jurisdiction as identified by the owner's address of record.

It is the intention of the Funds to comply with the appropriate regulative body for each given instance. For additional information, questions, or concerns regarding these regulations, please contact the Abandoned/Unclaimed Property division of your state of residence, or please contact your Financial Intermediary.

Texas state residents may designate a representative for purposes of escheatment notification. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for additional information.

#### **Uncashed Checks**

Please make sure you promptly cash checks issued to you by the Funds. If you do not cash a dividend, distribution, or redemption check, the Funds will act to protect themselves and you. This may include restricting certain activities in your account until the Funds are sure that they have a valid address for you. After 180 days, the Funds will no longer honor the issued check and, after attempts to locate you, the Funds will follow governing escheatment regulations in disposition of check proceeds. No interest will accrue on amounts represented by uncashed checks.

If you have elected to receive dividends and/or distributions in cash, and the postal or other delivery service is unable to deliver checks to your address of record, or you do not respond to mailings from the Funds with regards to uncashed checks, the Funds may convert your distribution option to have all dividends and/or other distributions reinvested in additional Shares.

# **Registration of Fund Accounts**

Many brokers, employee benefit plans and bank trusts combine their clients' holdings in a single omnibus account with the Funds held in the brokers', plans', or bank trusts' own name or "street name." Therefore, if you hold Shares through a brokerage account, employee benefit plan or bank trust fund, a Fund may have records only of that Financial Intermediary's omnibus account. In this case, your broker, employee benefit plan or bank is responsible for keeping track of your account information. This means that you may not be able to request transactions in your Shares directly through the Funds, but can do so only through your broker, plan administrator or bank. Ask your Financial Intermediary for information on whether your Shares are held in an omnibus account.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following financial highlights tables are intended to help you understand the Funds' financial performance for at least the past 60 months (or, if a Fund or Class has not been in operation for 60 months, since the beginning of operations for that Fund or Class). Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund Share throughout each of the periods shown below. The total returns in the tables represent how much your investment in a Fund would have increased (or decreased) during each period, assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions. This information has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, whose report, along with the Funds' financial statements, are included in the Funds' annual report, which is available upon request.

The information in the following tables represents the Financial Highlights for all Funds' Share Classes that had Shares outstanding as of October 31, 2020.

	\$ Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$ Net Investment Income (Loss) <sup>(a)(d)</sup>	\$ Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ Total from Investment Operations	\$ Distributions from Net Investment Income	\$ Distributions from Net Realized Gain	\$ Return of Capital
Multifactor U.S. Equ	ity Fund						
Class A							
October 31, 2020	13.16	.14	.37	.51	(.16)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.07	.15	1.20	1.35	(.18)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018 (2) Class C	13.19	.06	(.11)	(.05)	(.07)	-	-
October 31, 2020	13.26	.04	.39	.43	(.02)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.10	.06	1.20	1.26	(.02)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018 (2) Class M	13.19	-(f)	(.09)	(.09)	-	-	-
October 31, 2020	13.22	.19	.37	.56	(.19)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.11	.20	1.20	1.40	(.21)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018	13.35	.17	.55	.72	(.17)	(.79)	-
October 31, 2017	10.93	.18	2.45	2.63	(.21)	` <u>-</u>	-
October 31, 2016	10.74	.19	.31	.50	(.20)	(.11)	-
Class R6							
October 31, 2020	13.22	.19	.37	.56	(.20)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.11	.20	1.20	1.40	(.21)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018	13.35	.17	.55	.72	(.17)	(.79)	-
October 31, 2017	10.93	.19	2.44	2.63	(.21)	-	-
October 31, 2016 (1)	9.91	.12	1.05	1.17	(.15)	-	-
Class S							
October 31, 2020	13.20	.18	.36	.54	(.17)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.09	.18	1.20	1.38	(.19)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018	13.33	.15	.55	.70	(.15)	(.79)	-
October 31, 2017	10.92	.15	2.46	2.61	(.20)	-	-
October 31, 2016	10.73	.17	.31	.48	(.18)	(.11)	-
Class Y							
October 31, 2020	13.21	.20	.37	.57	(.20)	(.68)	-
October 31, 2019	13.10	.21	1.20	1.41	(.22)	(1.08)	-
October 31, 2018	13.35	.18	.53	.71	(.17)	(.79)	-
October 31, 2017	10.92	,20	2.45	2.65	(.22)	-	-
October 31, 2016	10.74	.20	.29	.49	(.20)	(.11)	-

See Notes to Financial Highlights at the end of this section.

\$ Total Distributions	\$ Net Asset Value, End of Period	% Total Return <sup>(b)(c)</sup>	\$ Net Assets, End of Period (000)	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Gross <sup>(e)</sup>	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Net <sup>(d)(e)</sup>	% Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets <sup>(d)(e)</sup>	% Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>(b)</sup>
(.84)	12.83	3.94	8,102	.87	.80	1.09	51
(1.26)	13.16	12.26	8,038	.85	.81	1.21	35
(.07)	13.07	(.37)	9,475	.86	.85	.78	58
(.07)	13.07	(.57)	9,473	.80	.65	.76	36
(.70)	12.99	3.18	1,886	1.62	1.55	.33	51
(1.10)	13.26	11.37	1,915	1.60	1.56	.46	35
-	13.10	(.68)	1,315	1.61	1.60	.02	58
(.87)	12.91	4.40	8,492	.62	.40	1.46	51
(1.29)	13.22	12.70	6,153	.61	.42	1.61	35
(.96)	13.11	5.37	6,110	.61	.45	1.22	58
(.21)	13.35	24.23	4,875	.60	.44	1.45	71
(.31)	10.93	4.75	1,024	.60	.40	1.78	9
(.51)	10.75	4.75	1,024	.00	.40	1.70	
(.88)	12.90	4.35	285	.47	.38	1.50	51
(1.29)	13.22	12.72	239	.46	.40	1.61	35
(.96)	13.11	5.37	185	.46	.43	1.24	58
(.21)	13.35	24.25	139	.45	.42	1.54	71
(.15)	10.93	9.27	112	.45	.38	1.67	9
(.85)	12.89	4.20	104,019	.61	.55	1.41	51
(1.27)	13.20	12.53	228,556	.60	.56	1.48	35
(.94)	13.09	5.22	331.582	.61	.60	1.08	58
(.20)	13.33	24.02	239,353	.59	.59	1.22	71
(.29)	10.92	4.61	7,844	.60	.55	1.62	9
(.27)	10.72	4.01	7,044	.00	.55	1.02	
(.88)	12.90	4.46	365,346	.42	.35	1.58	51
(1.30)	13.21	12.75	337,713	.41	.37	1.65	35
(.96)	13.10	5.34	364,174	.41	.40	1.29	58
(.22)	13.35	24.39	431,662	.40	.39	1.61	71
(.31)	10.92	4.70	689,603	.41	.35	1.84	9

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, continued

	\$ Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$ Net Investment Income (Loss) <sup>(a)(d)</sup>	\$ Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ Total from Investment Operations	\$ Distributions from Net Investment Income	\$ Distributions from Net Realized Gain	\$ Return of Capital
Multifactor Internation	onal Equity Fund						
Class M							
October 31, 2020	9.73	.21	(1.26)	(1.05)	(.41)	-	-
October 31, 2019	9.33	.31	.38	.69	(.29)	-	-
October 31, 2018	10.40	.27	(1.07)	(.80)	(.27)	-	-
October 31, 2017	8.59	.20	1.81	2.01	(.20)	-	-
October 31, 2016	9.14	.22	(.52)	(.30)	(.25)	-	-
Class R6							
October 31, 2020	9.72	.22	(1.27)	(1.05)	(.27)	-	-
October 31, 2019	9.33	.32	.37	.69	(.30)	-	-
October 31, 2018	10.40	.26	(1.06)	(.80)	(.27)	-	-
October 31, 2017	8.59	.17	1.84	2.01	(.20)	-	-
October 31, 2016 (1)	7.79	.19	.61	.80	-	-	-
Class S							
October 31, 2020	9.71	.19	(1.24)	(1.05)	(.40)	-	-
October 31, 2019	9.31	.29	.39	.68	(.28)	-	-
October 31, 2018	10.38	.25	(1.06)	(.81)	(.26)	-	-
October 31, 2017	8.58	.26	1.73	1.99	(.19)	-	-
October 31, 2016	9.12	.21	(.52)	(.31)	(.23)	-	-
Class Y							
October 31, 2020	9.72	.20	(1.23)	(1.03)	(.42)	-	-
October 31, 2019	9.33	.30	.39	.69	(.30)	-	-
October 31, 2018	10.39	.26	(1.05)	(.79)	(.27)	-	-
October 31, 2017	8.59	.22	1.78	2.00	(.20)	-	-
October 31, 2016	9.13	.23	(.52)	(.29)	(.25)	-	-

See Notes to Financial Highlights at the end of this section.

\$ Total Distributions	\$ Net Asset Value, End of Period	% Total Return <sup>(b)</sup>	\$ Net Assets, End of Period (000)	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Gross <sup>(e)</sup>	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Net <sup>(d)(e)</sup>	% Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets <sup>(d)(e)</sup>	% Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>(b)</sup>
(.41)	8.27	(11.37)	7,910	.81	.49	2.38	34
(.29)	9.73	7.88	13,539	.78	.51	3.33	35
(.27)	9.33	(7.91)	11,064	.77	.54	2.66	53
(.20)	10.40	23.87	4,619	.74	.53	2.09	47
(.25)	8.59	(3.25)	867	.79	.49	2.62	57
(.27)	8.40	(11.23)	35	.67	.47	2.49	34
(.30)	9.72	7.78	33	.63	.49	3.45	35
(.27)	9.33	(7.90)	2,803	.62	.52	2.56	53
(.20)	10.40	23.95	2,832	.58	.51	1.77	47
-	8.59	10.27	110	.62	.47	3.32	57
(.40)	8.26	(11.41)	79,658	.81	.64	2.14	34
(.28)	9.71	7.73	147,694	.77	.65	3.12	35
(.26)	9.31	(8.03)	128,212	.77	.69	2.44	53
(.19)	10.38	23.71	97,728	.73	.68	2.71	47
(.23)	8.58	(3.35)	2,518	.78	.64	2.49	57
(.42)	8.27	(11.24)	356,344	.61	.44	2.34	34
(.30)	9.72	7.81	577,784	.58	.46	3.28	35
(.27)	9.33	(7.80)	637,234	.57	.49	2.53	53
(.20)	10.39	23.85	830,985	.56	.48	2.39	47
(.25)	8.59	(3.11)	746,100	.59	.44	2.67	57

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, continued

Malessa and David Franchis	\$ Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$ Net Investment Income (Loss) <sup>(a)(d)</sup>	\$ Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ Total from Investment Operations	Distributions from Net Investment Income	\$ Distributions from Net Realized Gain	\$ Return of Capital
Multifactor Bond Fun	ıa						
Class Y October 31, 2020 (3)	10.00	.12	.45	.57	(.11)	-	-

See Notes to Financial Highlights at the end of this section.

\$ Total Distributions	\$ Net Asset Value, End of Period	% Total Return <sup>(b)</sup>	\$ Net Assets, End of Period (000)	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Gross <sup>(e)</sup>	Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets, Net <sup>(d)(e)</sup>	Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets (d)(e)	% Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>(b)</sup>
(.11)	10.46	5.77	70,753	.73	.26	1.20	117

# Notes to Financial Highlights — October 31, 2020

- (1) For the period March 1, 2016 (inception date) to October 31, 2016.
- (2) For the period April 26, 2018 (inception date) to October 31, 2018.
- (3) For the period November 13, 2019 (inception date) to October 31, 2020.
- (a) Average daily shares outstanding were used for this calculation.
- (b) The ratios for less than one year are not annualized.
- (c) Total return for Class A Shares does not reflect a front-end sales charge. If sales charges were included, the total return would be lower. This includes adjustments in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and as such, the net asset value for financial reporting purposes and the returns based upon those net asset values may differ from the net asset value and returns for shareholder transactions. Periods less than one year are not annualized, if applicable.
- (d) May reflect amounts waived and/or reimbursed by RIM and/or RIFUS.
- (e) The ratios for periods less than one year are annualized.
- (f) Less than \$.01 per share.

When considering an investment in the Funds, do not rely on any information unless it is contained in this Prospectus or in the Funds' Statement of Additional Information. The Funds have not authorized anyone to add any information or to make any additional statements about the Funds. The Funds may not be available in some jurisdictions or to some persons. The fact that you have received this Prospectus should not, in itself, be treated as an offer to sell Shares to you. Changes in the affairs of the Funds may occur after the date on the cover page of this Prospectus. This Prospectus will be amended or supplemented to reflect any material changes to the information it contains.

# **EXPENSE NOTES**

The following notes supplement the Annual Fund Operating Expenses tables in the Risk/Return Summary and provide additional information necessary to understand the expenses provided in those tables:

- If you purchase Shares through a Financial Intermediary, such as a bank or an investment adviser, you may also pay additional fees to the intermediary for services provided by the intermediary. You should contact your Financial Intermediary for information concerning what additional fees, if any, will be charged.
- Pursuant to the rules of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"), the aggregate initial sales charges, deferred sales charges and asset-based sales charges on Class A, Class C, Class C1 and Class T Shares of the Funds may not exceed 7.25%, 6.25%, 6.25% and 7.25%, respectively, of total gross sales, subject to certain exclusions. These limitations are imposed at the class level on each Class of Shares of each Fund rather than on a per shareholder basis. Therefore, long-term shareholders of the Class A, Class C, Class C1 and Class T Shares may pay more than the economic equivalent of the maximum sales charges permitted by FINRA.
- "Other Expenses" includes a shareholder services fee of 0.25% of average daily net assets for Class C Shares and an administrative fee of up to 0.05% of average daily net assets for all Classes of Shares. The fees payable by a Fund with respect to the investment of cash reserves are included in "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" if they are at least 0.01% of the Fund's average net assets. If such fees are less than 0.01% of the Fund's average net assets, they are included in "Other Expenses."
- In addition to the advisory and administrative fees payable by the Funds to RIM and RIFUS, each Fund that invests its cash reserves in the U.S. Cash Management Fund, an unregistered fund advised by RIM, will bear indirectly a proportionate share of that Fund's operating expenses, which include the administrative fees that the U.S. Cash Management Fund pays to RIFUS. The cash reserves for all Funds are invested in the U.S. Cash Management Fund. The annual rate of administrative fees payable to RIFUS on the cash reserves invested in the U.S. Cash Management Fund is 0.05%.

# PERFORMANCE NOTES

The following notes supplement the Performance tables in the Risk/Return Summary and provide additional information necessary to understand the returns provided in those tables:

The calculation of total return after taxes on distributions and sale of Fund Shares assumes that a shareholder has sufficient capital gains of the same character to offset any capital losses on a sale of Fund Shares and that the shareholder may therefore deduct the entire capital loss.

# Multifactor U.S. Equity Fund

Prior to September 22, 2017, Class T Shares were designated as Class A1 Shares. No Class C1, Class P or Class T Shares were issued as of the date of this Prospectus.

The Fund first issued Class A Shares on April 26, 2018. The returns shown prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. The performance shown has been adjusted to reflect the deduction of the maximum Class A shares charge on 5.75%. Class A Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class A Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

The Fund first issued Class C Shares on April 26, 2018. The returns shown prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares and do not reflect deduction of the Rule 12b-1 distribution fees that apply to Class C Shares. Class C Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class C Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

Prior to September 15, 2017, Class M Shares were designated as Class T Shares. The Fund first issued Class M Shares on January 2, 2015. The returns shown for Class M Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class M Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class M Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

The Fund first issued Class R6 Shares on February 29, 2016. The returns shown for Class R6 Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class R6 Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class R6 Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

The Fund first issued Class S Shares on January 2, 2015. The returns shown for Class S Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class S Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class S Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

# **Multifactor International Equity Fund**

Prior to September 22, 2017, Class T Shares were designated as Class A1 Shares. No Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class P or Class T Shares were issued as of the date of this Prospectus.

The Fund first issued Class R6 Shares on February 29, 2016. The returns shown for Class R6 Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class R6 Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class R6 Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

The Fund first issued Class S Shares on January 2, 2015. The returns shown for Class S Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class S Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class S Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

Prior to September 15, 2017, Class M Shares were designated as Class T Shares. The Fund first issued Class M Shares on January 2, 2015. The returns shown for Class M Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class Y Shares. Class M Shares will have substantially similar annual returns as the Class Y Shares because the Shares of each Class are invested in the same portfolio of securities. Annual returns for each Class will differ only to the extent that the Class M Shares do not have the same expenses as the Class Y Shares.

# **Multifactor Bond Fund**

No Class A, Class C, Class C1, Class M, Class P, Class R6, Class S or Class T Shares were issued as of the date of this Prospectus.

# **APPENDIX A**

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY-SPECIFIC SALES CHARGE VARIATIONS, WAIVERS AND DISCOUNTS

This Appendix A discloses Financial Intermediary-specific sales charge variations, waivers and discounts, if any. Please see the Front-End Sales Charges and Deferred Sales Charges sections of the Prospectus for information about sales charge waivers and discounts available if you invest directly with a Fund or through Financial Intermediaries not discussed in this Appendix A. The terms or availability of waivers or discounts may be changed at any time.

The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts will depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from a Fund or through a Financial Intermediary. Financial Intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of front-end sales load waivers or contingent deferred (back-end) sales load ("CDSC") waivers. In all instances, it is the purchaser's responsibility to notify the Fund or the purchaser's Financial Intermediary at the time of purchase of any relationship or other facts qualifying the purchaser for sales charge waivers or discounts. For waivers and discounts not available through a particular intermediary, shareholders will have to purchase Fund shares directly from the Fund or through another intermediary.

Purchases through any Financial Intermediary discussed below are subject to sales charge waivers and/or discounts that are different from the sales charge waivers and/or discounts available for Shares purchased directly from the Funds (or the Distributor). Financial Intermediary-specific sales charge waivers and/or discounts are implemented and administered by each Financial Intermediary. This Appendix A may be updated from time to time to add additional Financial Intermediaries.

In all instances, it is the shareholder's responsibility to notify the Fund or Financial Intermediary of any relationship or other facts that may qualify the shareholder for sales charge waivers or discounts at the time of purchase. You may wish to contact your Financial Intermediary to ensure that you have the most current information regarding the sales charge waivers and discounts available to you and the steps you must take to qualify for available waivers and discounts.

# AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL

Effective June 1, 2018, shareholders purchasing Fund Shares through an Ameriprise Financial platform or account will be eligible for the following front-end sales charge waivers, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI:

Class A Shares Front-End Sales Charge Waivers Available at Ameriprise Financial:

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs.
- Shares purchased through an Ameriprise Financial investment advisory program (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Ameriprise Financial's platform (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the same fund family).
- Shares exchanged from Class C and Class C1 Shares of the same Fund in the month of or following the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date. To the extent that this Prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to such shares following a shorter holding period, that waiver will apply to exchanges following such shorter period. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to exchanges of Class C and Class C1 Shares for load waived shares, that waiver will also apply to such exchanges.
- Employees and registered representatives of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates and their immediate family members.
- Shares purchased by or through qualified accounts (including IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, 401(k)s, 403(b) TSCAs subject to ERISA and defined benefit plans) that are held by a covered family member, defined as an Ameriprise Financial advisor and/or the advisor's spouse, advisor's lineal ascendant (mother, father,

grandmother, grandfather, great grandmother, great grandfather), advisor's lineal descendant (son, step-son, daughter, step-daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson, great granddaughter) or any spouse of a covered family member who is a lineal descendant.

• Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e. Rights of Reinstatement).

#### **BAIRD**

Effective June 15, 2020, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Baird platform or account will only be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and CDSC waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or the SAI.

# Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Baird

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Baird or its affiliate and their family members as designated by Baird
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions from another Russell Investment Company Fund, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same accounts, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge (known as rights of reinstatement)
- A shareholder in the Funds' Class C Shares or C1 Shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A Shares of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of Baird
- Employer-sponsored retirement plans or charitable accounts in a transactional brokerage account at Baird, including 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans. For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs

# CDSC Waivers on Class A and C1 Shares Available at Baird

- Shares sold due to death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's Prospectus
- Shares bought due to returns of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code
- Shares sold to pay Baird fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Baird
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

Front-End Sales Charge Discounts Available at Baird: Breakpoints and/or Rights of Accumulations

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus
- Rights of accumulations which entitles shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based
  on the aggregated holding of Russell Investment Company Funds' assets held by accounts within the purchaser's
  household at Baird. Eligible Russell Investment Company Funds' assets not held at Baird may be included in the
  rights of accumulations calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets
- Letters of Intent (LOI) allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases of Russell Investment Company Funds through Baird, over a 13-month period of time

#### D.A. DAVIDSON & CO.

Effective March 1, 2021, shareholders purchasing Fund shares, including existing Fund shareholders, through a D.A. Davidson & Co. ("D.A. Davidson") platform or account, or through an introducing broker-dealer or independent

registered investment advisor for which D.A. Davidson provides trade execution, clearance, and/or custody services, will be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or the Funds' SAI.

Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares available at D.A. Davidson

- Shares purchased within the same fund family through a systematic reinvestment of capital gains and dividend distributions.
- Employees and registered representatives of D.A. Davidson or its affiliates and their family members as designated by D.A. Davidson.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge (known as Rights of Reinstatement).
- A shareholder in the Funds' Class C Shares or Class C1 Shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A Shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is consistent with D.A. Davidson's policies and procedures.

CDSC Waivers on Class A and Class C1 Shares available at D.A. Davidson

- Death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA or other qualifying retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

Front-end sales charge discounts available at D.A. Davidson: breakpoints, rights of accumulation and/or letters of intent

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at D.A. Davidson. Eligible fund family assets not held at D.A. Davidson may be included in the calculation of rights of accumulation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, over a 13-month time period. Eligible fund family assets not held at D.A. Davidson may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

# JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT LLC

Effective May 1, 2020, if you purchase Fund shares through a Janney Montgomery Scott LLC ("Janney") brokerage account, you will be eligible for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC"), or back-end sales charge, waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or the SAI.

Front-End Sales Charge\* Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Janney

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other Fund within the fund family).
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Janney or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Janney.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within ninety (90) days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e., right of reinstatement).

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.
- Class C or Class C1 Shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are converted to Class A Shares of the same Fund pursuant to Janney's policies and procedures.

CDSC Waivers on Class A, Class C or Class C1 Shares Available at Janney

- Shares sold upon the death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's Prospectus.
- Shares purchased in connection with a return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and other retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70 1/2 as described in the Fund's Prospectus.
- Shares sold to pay Janney fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Janney.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.
- Shares exchanged into the same share class of a different Fund.

Front-End Sales Charge\* Discounts Available at Janney: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation and/or Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in the Fund's Prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation ("ROA"), which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts, will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Janney. Eligible fund family assets not held at Janney may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, over a 13-month time period. Eligible fund family assets not held at Janney Montgomery Scott may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- \* Also referred to as an "initial sales charge."

# MERRILL LYNCH

Shareholders purchasing Fund Shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

Front-end Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares available at Merrill Lynch

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan
- Shares purchased by a 529 Plan (does not include 529 Plan units or 529-specific share classes or equivalents)
- Shares purchased through a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program
- Shares exchanged due to the holdings moving from a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program to a
  Merrill Lynch brokerage (non-advisory) account pursuant to Merrill Lynch's policies relating to sales load
  discounts and waivers.
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Merrill Lynch's platform
- Shares of funds purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family)
- Shares exchanged for Class C or Class C1 (i.e. level-load) Shares of the same fund pursuant to Merrill Lynch's policies relating to sales load discounts and waivers

- Employees and registered representatives of Merrill Lynch or its affiliates and their family members
- Directors or Trustees of the Fund, and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this prospectus
- Eligible Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement). Automated transactions (i.e. systematic purchases and withdrawals) and purchases made after shares are automatically sold to pay Merrill Lynch's account maintenance fees are not eligible for reinstatement

CDSC Waivers on Class A and Class C1 Shares Available at Merrill Lynch

- Death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's prospectus
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code
- Shares sold to pay Merrill Lynch fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Merrill Lynch
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement
- Shares held in retirement brokerage accounts, that are exchanged for a lower cost share class due to transfer to certain fee based accounts or platforms (applicable to Class A and Class C1 Shares only)
- Shares received through an exchange due to the holdings moving from a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program to a Merrill Lynch brokerage (non-advisory) account pursuant to Merrill Lynch's policies relating to sales load discounts and waivers

Front-end load Discounts Available at Merrill Lynch: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts as described in the Fund's
  prospectus will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts
  (including 529 program holdings, where applicable) within the purchaser's household at Merrill Lynch. Eligible
  fund family assets not held at Merrill Lynch may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder
  notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets
- Letters of Intent (LOI) which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through Merrill Lynch, over a 13-month period of time

#### MORGAN STANLEY WEALTH MANAGEMENT

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing Fund Shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional brokerage account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A Shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

Front-end Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans
- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund
- Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account
- Class C or Class C1 (*i.e.*, level-load) Shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are converted to Class A Shares of the same fund pursuant to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's share class conversion program

• Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge.

# OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC.

Effective May 1, 2020, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. ("OPCO") platform or account are eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or the SAI.

#### Front-end Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares available at OPCO

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan
- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan
- Shares purchased through a OPCO affiliated investment advisory program
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family)
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Restatement).
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C or Class C1 Shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class
  A Shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the
  conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of OPCO
- Employees and registered representatives of OPCO or its affiliates and their family members
- Directors or Trustees of the Fund, and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this Prospectus

# CDSC Waivers on Class A and C1 Shares available at OPCO

- Death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's Prospectus
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations as described in the Prospectus
- Shares sold to pay OPCO fees but only if the transaction is initiated by OPCO
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

Front-end load Discounts Available at OPCO: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated
  based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at
  OPCO. Eligible fund family assets not held at OPCO may be included in the ROA calculation only if the
  shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

# RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC., RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. AND EACH ENTITY'S AFFILIATES ("RAYMOND JAMES")

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing Fund Shares through a Raymond James platform or account, or through an introducing broker-dealer or independent registered investment adviser for which Raymond James provides

trade execution, clearance, and/or custody services, will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this fund's Prospectus or SAI.

Front-end sales load waivers on Class A Shares available at Raymond James

- Shares purchased in an investment advisory program.
- Shares purchased within the same fund family through a systematic reinvestment of capital gains and dividend distributions.
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C or Class C1 Shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class
  A Shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the Shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the
  conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of Raymond James.

CDSC Waivers on Class A and Class C1 Shares available at Raymond James

- Death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

Front-end load discounts available at Raymond James: breakpoints, rights of accumulation, and/or letters of intent

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the calculation of rights of accumulation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, over a 13-month time period. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.







For more information about the Funds, the following documents are available without charge:

ANNUAL/SEMIANNUAL REPORTS: Additional information about each Fund's investments is available in the Funds' annual and semiannual reports to shareholders. In each Fund's annual report, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected each Fund's performance during its last fiscal year.

STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (SAI): The SAI provides more detailed information about the Funds.

The <u>annual</u> and <u>semiannual</u> reports for each Fund and the SAI are incorporated into this Prospectus by reference. You may obtain free copies of the annual report, semiannual report or the Funds' SAI, and may request other information or make other inquiries, by contacting your Financial Intermediary or the Funds at:

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The Funds' SAI and annual and semiannual reports to shareholders are available, free of charge, on the Funds' Web site at https://russellinvestments.com.

Each year you are automatically sent an updated Prospectus. In addition, unless you specifically request paper copies of the annual and semiannual reports from the Funds or your financial intermediary, you will be notified by mail each time the annual and semiannual reports are posted and provided with a website link to access the reports. You may also occasionally receive notifications of Prospectus changes and proxy statements for the Funds. In order to reduce the volume of mail you receive, when possible, only one copy or one mailing of these documents will be sent to shareholders who are part of the same family, sharing the same name and the same household address. If you would like to opt out of the household-based mailings, please call your Financial Intermediary.

Some Financial Intermediaries may offer electronic delivery of the Funds' Prospectus and annual and semiannual reports. Please contact your Financial Intermediary for further details.

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