# 13D Activist Fund

A Qualitatively Analyzed Portfolio of Activism

### **ABOUT THE FUND**

- 13D provides a pure and diversified exposure to the strategy of Shareholder Activism in a more liquid and lower cost vehicle.
- 13D is an actively managed portfolio of ~ 30 stocks culled from approximately 2,500 live 13D filings that we believe represent the best activist catalysts in the market.
- Since 2006, the 13D staff has been analyzing every 13D filing and evaluating every activist investor to gain a unique understanding of activist catalysts and the chances of activist success.
- Shareholder Activism is designed to outperform market indices by generating idiosyncratic returns.

## **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

- Shareholder Activism produces understandable and repeatable returns by identifying undervalued companies and being the actual catalyst to close the valuation gap.
- This ranges from partnering with strong management teams to optimize shareholder value to changing corporate culture by replacing entrenched and conflicted management teams.
- ESG (*Environmental*, *Social and Governance*):

 $\diamond\,$  Extreme focus on "G" - roughly 75% of portfolio positions have a shareholder representative on the Board

 $\diamond\,$  Does not necessarily invest in the best "G" companies, but converts poor "G" companies to good "G" companies

♦ Good "*G*" leads to good "*E*" and "*S*"

Fund Performance Net of Fees & Expenses as of 12/31/2021	Since Inception (12/28/2011)	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
13D Activist Fund I	14.70%	7.83%	2.40%	0.50%	19.55%	19.55%	21.82%	14.13%	14.71%
Russell 2500 TR	14.23%	3.28%	3.82%	1.04%	18.18%	18.18%	21.91%	13.75%	14.15%
Mid Cap Core % Ranking (Lipper)	12th	N/A	N/A	N/A	85th	85th	26th	21st	12th
Mid Cap Core Peer Ranking (Lipper)	24 /196	N/A	N/A	N/A	293/ 346	293/ 346	72/ 275	52/ 246	24 /196
Calendar Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Class I (DDDIX)	21.27%	36.58%	15.46%	-10.92%	19.57%	23.78%	-13.47%	27.15%	18.93%
Russell 2500 TR	17.88%	36.80%	7.07%	-2.90%	17.59%	16.81%	-10.00%	27.77%	19.99%

#### FUND STATISTICS\*

♦ Inception	12/28/2011			
<ul> <li>Positions</li> </ul>	31**			
◆ Fund AUM	\$262M			
♦ Strategy AUM	\$281M			
♦ Beta	0.94**			
<ul> <li>Active Share</li> </ul>	99.6%			
♦ Portfolio Turnover	60%**			
♦ Name Turnover	39%**			
<ul> <li>Average Market Cap</li> </ul>	\$7.1B			
<ul> <li>Median Market Cap</li> </ul>	\$3.9B			

#### **BENEFITS OF ACTIVISM**

- Understandable and Repeatable Alpha\*\*\* Source
- Value Investing with a Change Agent
- Purest, Most Logical Active Complement to Passive Investing

#### HOW THE FUND IS USED

- Long Only SMID-Cap Value with a Change Agent
- Concentrated, Catalyst-Driven, Satellite Equity
- Liquid Alternative: Event Driven/Activist
- ♦ Corporate Governance-Focused ESG

#### TOTAL EXPENSE RATIOS

- Institutional: DDDIX 1.51%
   Class I: \$1,000,000 (min)
- Investor: DDDAX 1.76%
   Class A: \$2,500 (min)
- ♦ Investor: DDDCX 2.51%
   Class C: \$2,500 (min)

#### LOAD

- ♦ Class I and C: No Load
- Class A: 5.75% (waivable)

\*Fund Statistics are all calculated as of inception except for the market capitalizations, positions and strategy AUM which are as of the performance date.

\*\* Actual number of positions and portfolio turnover may vary due to 31 day tax loss sales. Portfolio turnover measures trading in dollars: cumulative buys or sells in dollars (whichever was lower), divided by average dollars in the portfolio for the fiscal year. Name turnover measures holding replacement: the lower number of stocks added or stocks liquidated during the fiscal year, divided by the average number of stocks held during the fiscal year. Beta is a measure of the volatility-or systematic risk-of a security or portfolio compared to the market as a whole. \*\*\* Alpha refers to excess returns earned on an investment above the benchmark return. Please remember that past performance does not guarantee future results. The fund performance data quoted here represents past performance. Current perfor-

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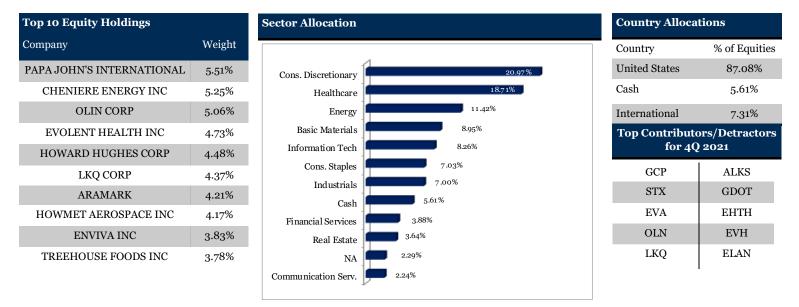
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# Portfolio Information

As of December 31, 2021



## Portfolio Manager — Kenneth Squire

- Portfolio Manager and Chief Investment Strategist Ken Squire founded 13D Management in 2011 after he founded 13D Monitor, an institutional research firm specializing in 13D filings, corporate governance and shareholder activism in 2006.
- CNBC On-Air Contributor and author of the Activist Spotlight.
- From 2007-2020, Mr. Squire authored the Activist Spotlight column for Barron's.
- From 1997-2006, Mr. Squire was a private equity investor as a principal of LSC Investors and Crown Capital Group, where he worked on various investments in public and private companies.
- From 1992-1997, Mr. Squire was an associate in the Corporate Department at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP in their New York law office.
- Mr. Squire holds a B.S. in finance from NYU's Stern School and a J.D. from NYU School of Law where he was an editor of Law Review. IMPORTANT DISCLOSURES

#### Investment Objective is Capital Appreciation.

Portfolio holdings and allocations are subject to change and should not be considered investment advice. Each of these asset classes has its own set of investment characteristics and risks and investors should consider these risks carefully prior to making any investments. Investments in foreign securities could subject the Fund to greater risks including, currency fluctuation, economic conditions, and different governmental and accounting standards.

There is neither a front end load nor a deferred sales charge for the 13D Activist Fund I Class Shares. The A Class shares are subject to a maximum front end load of 5.75%. Shares held for less than 30 days of both classes are subject to a 2.00% redemption fee. The total operating expense ratio (including indirect expenses such as the costs of investing in underlying funds), as stated in the fee table in the Fund's prospectus, which can be obtained on the web at www.13DActivistFund.com or by calling 1-877-413-3228, is 1.51% for I Class, 1.76% for A Class and 2.51% for C Class. For current performance information, please visit www.13DActivistFund.com or call toll-free 1-877- 413-3228.

Mutual Fund investing involves risk including loss of principal. Overall stock market risks will affect the value of individual instruments in which the Fund invests. Factors such as economic growth, market conditions, interest rate levels, and political events affect the U.S. securities markets. When the value of the Fund's investments goes down, your investment in the Fund decreases in value and you could lose money. The Fund is a non-diversified investment company, which makes the value of the Fund's shares more susceptible to certain risks than shares of a diversified investment company. The Fund has a greater potential to realize losses upon the occurrence of adverse events affecting a particular issuer. The value of small or medium capitalization company stocks may be subject to more abrupt or erratic market movements than those of larger, more established companies or the market averages in general. An investor should also consider the Fund's investment objective, charges, expenses, and risk carefully before investing. The adviser's consideration of ESG factors could cause it to perform differently compared to funds that do not have such a policy and may not produce the desired results.

The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged composite of 500-large capitalization companies. This index is widely used by professional investors as a performance benchmark for large-cap stocks. You cannot invest directly into an index. The Russell 2500 Index is a broad index, featuring 2,500 stocks that cover the smalland mid-cap market capitalizations. The Russell 2500 is a market cap-weighted index that includes the smallest 2,500 companies covered in the Russell 3000 universe of United States-based listed equities. **Before investing, please read the Fund's prospectus and shareholder reports to learn about its investment strategy and potential risks.** This and other information about the Fund is contained in the Fund's prospectus or summary prospectus, which can be obtained on the web at www.13DActivistFund.com or by calling 1-877-413-3228. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing. The 13D Activist Fund is distributed by Foreside Financial Services, LLC.

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