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### **COLUMBIA EMERGING MARKETS FUND**

Beginning on January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Fund's annual and semiannual shareholder reports like this one are no longer sent by mail, unless you specifically requested paper copies of the reports. Instead, the reports are made available on the Fund's website (columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/), and each time a report is posted you will be notified by mail and provided with a website address to access the report.

If you have already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. You may elect to receive shareholder reports and other communications from the Fund electronically at any time by contacting your financial intermediary (such as a broker-dealer or bank) or, for Fund shares held directly with the Fund, by calling 800.345.6611 or by enrolling in "eDelivery" by logging into your account at columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/.

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If you elect to receive the shareholder report for Columbia Emerging Markets Fund (the Fund) in paper, mailed to you, the Fund mails one shareholder report to each shareholder address, unless such shareholder elects to receive shareholder reports from the Fund electronically via e-mail or by having a paper notice mailed to you (Postcard Notice) that your Fund's shareholder report is available at the Columbia funds' website (columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/). If you would like more than one report in paper to be mailed to you, or would like to elect to receive reports via e-mail or access them through Postcard Notice, please call shareholder services at 800.345.6611 and additional reports will be sent to you.

#### Proxy voting policies and procedures

The policy of the Board of Trustees is to vote the proxies of the companies in which the Fund holds investments consistent with the procedures as stated in the Statement of Additional Information (SAI). You may obtain a copy of the SAI without charge by calling 800.345.6611; contacting your financial intermediary; visiting columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/; or searching the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) at sec.gov. Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities is filed with the SEC by August 31st for the most recent 12-month period ending June 30th of that year, and is available without charge by visiting columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/, or searching the website of the SEC at sec.gov.

#### Quarterly schedule of investments

The Fund files a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-PORT. The Fund's Form N-PORT filings are available on the SEC's website at sec.gov. The Fund's complete schedule of portfolio holdings, as filed on Form N-PORT, can also be obtained without charge, upon request, by calling 800.345.6611.

#### Additional Fund information

For more information about the Fund, please visit columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/ or call 800.345.6611. Customer Service Representatives are available to answer your questions Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern time.

#### Fund investment manager

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### FUND AT A GLANCE

#### Investment objective

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

#### Portfolio management

Dara White, CFA Lead Portfolio Manager Managed Fund since 2008

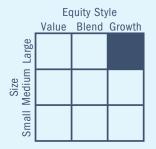
Robert Cameron Portfolio Manager Managed Fund since 2008

Perry Vickery, CFA
Portfolio Manager
Managed Fund since 2017

Derek Lin, CFA
Portfolio Manager
Managed Fund since 2020

Darren Powell, CFA
Portfolio Manager
Managed Fund since March 2021

#### Morningstar style box<sup>TM</sup>



The Morningstar Style Box is based on a fund's portfolio holdings. For equity funds, the vertical axis shows the market capitalization of the stocks owned, and the horizontal axis shows investment style (value, blend, or growth). Information shown is based on the most recent data provided by Morningstar.

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Average annual total returns (%) (for the p	eriod ended August 31	, 2021)		
	Inception	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Class A Excluding sales charges	09/28/07	23.40	14.08	7.42
Including sales charges		16.31	12.74	6.78
Advisor Class*	03/19/13	23.65	14.37	7.69
Class C Excluding sales charges	09/28/07	22.45	13.23	6.62
Including sales charges		21.45	13.23	6.62
Institutional Class	01/02/98	23.70	14.36	7.69
Institutional 2 Class*	11/08/12	23.77	14.53	7.83
Institutional 3 Class*	11/08/12	23.84	14.56	7.88
Class R	09/27/10	23.04	13.80	7.17
MSCI Emerging Markets Index (Net)		21.12	10.40	4.85
MSCI EAFE Index (Net)		26.12	9.72	7.34

Returns for Class A shares are shown with and without the maximum initial sales charge of 5.75%. Returns for Class C shares are shown with and without the 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge for the first year only. The Fund's other share classes are not subject to sales charges and have limited eligibility. Please see the Fund's prospectus for details. Performance for different share classes will vary based on differences in sales charges and fees associated with each share class. All results shown assume reinvestment of distributions during the period. Returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder may pay on Fund distributions or on the redemption of Fund shares. Performance results reflect the effect of any fee waivers or reimbursements of Fund expenses by Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC and/or any of its affiliates. Absent these fee waivers or expense reimbursement arrangements, performance results would have been lower.

The performance information shown represents past performance and is not a guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of your investment will fluctuate so that your shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance information shown. You may obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end by contacting your financial intermediary, visiting columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/ or calling 800.345.6611.

\*The returns shown for periods prior to the share class inception date (including returns for the Life of the Fund, if shown, which are since Fund inception) include the returns of the Fund's oldest share class. These returns are adjusted to reflect any higher class-related operating expenses of the newer share classes, as applicable. Please visit columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/investment-products/mutual-funds/appended-performance for more information.

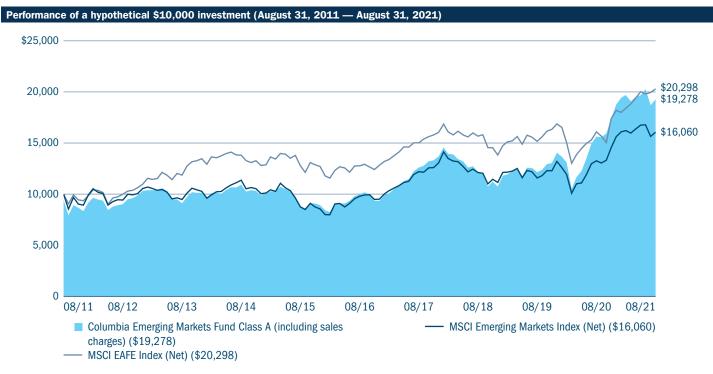
The MSCI Emerging Markets Index (Net) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance of emerging markets.

The MSCI EAFE Index (Net) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. The index is compiled from a composite of securities markets of Europe, Australasia and the Far East and is widely recognized by investors in foreign markets as the measurement index for portfolios of non-North American securities.

Indices are not available for investment, are not professionally managed and do not reflect sales charges, fees, brokerage commissions, taxes (except the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (Net) and the MSCI EAFE Index (Net) which reflect reinvested dividends net of withholding taxes) or other expenses of investing. Securities in the Fund may not match those in an index.

Fund performance may be significantly negatively impacted by the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic has adversely impacted economies and capital markets around the world in ways that will likely continue and may change in unforeseen ways for an indeterminate period. The COVID-19 pandemic may exacerbate pre-existing political, social and economic risks in certain countries and globally.

# FUND AT A GLANCE (continued)



The chart above shows the change in value of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment in Class A shares of Columbia Emerging Markets Fund during the stated time period, and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder may pay on Fund distributions or on the redemption of Fund shares.

Equity sector breakdown (%) (at August 31, 2021)	
Communication Services	12.5
Consumer Discretionary	21.5
Consumer Staples	2.5
Energy	3.6
Financials	17.5
Health Care	8.1
Industrials	4.9
Information Technology	25.3
Materials	1.2
Real Estate	2.9
Total	100.0

Percentages indicated are based upon total equity investments. The Fund's portfolio composition is subject to change.

Country breakdown (%) (at August 31, 2021)	
Argentina	2.4
Brazil	7.8
Canada	0.4
China	26.5
Hong Kong	3.1
Hungary	1.6
India	12.3
Indonesia	3.6
Kazakhstan	0.4
Luxembourg	0.2

Poland         1           Russian Federation         8           South Africa         2           South Korea         12           Taiwan         12           Thailand         0           United States <sup>(a)</sup> 3           Uruguay         0	Country breakdown (%) (at August 31, 20	21)
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Uruguay 0	Thailand	0.6
	United States <sup>(a)</sup>	3.3
Total 100	Uruguay	0.6
	Total	100.0

(a) Includes investments in Money Market Funds.

Country breakdown is based primarily on issuer's place of organization/incorporation. Percentages indicated are based upon total investments excluding investments in derivatives, if any. The Fund's portfolio composition is subject to change.

### MANAGER DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the 12-month period that ended August 31, 2021, the Fund's Class A shares returned 23.40% excluding sales charges. The Fund's benchmark, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (Net), returned 21.12% for the same period, while developed international markets returned 26.12% as gauged by the MSCI EAFE Index (Net).

#### Market overview

The period was marked by continued strong performance across emerging markets (EM) equities but was not without volatility. EM equities climbed higher in the early months of the period, benefiting from COVID-19 vaccine optimism and the continued increase in economic activity. The asset class was also supported by hopes for further stimulus measures, indications that the U.S. Federal Reserve would keep interest rates low, the election of Democratic candidate Joe Biden in the U.S. presidential election and a weaker U.S. dollar. Chinese equities started the period with strong momentum given positive company earnings, the pick-up in economic activity and the unveiling of the 14th Five-Year Plan for China's social and economic development.

EM equities rose marginally during the first quarter of 2021. The ongoing economic recovery continued to drive sentiment, along with hopes for further U.S. fiscal stimulus and expanded vaccine rollouts. But inflation concerns, U.S. dollar strength and a resurgence of COVID-19 cases in several countries subsequently weighed on markets. The market sold off toward the end of the quarter on expectations for monetary policy normalization alongside regulatory and geopolitical uncertainty. Nonetheless, economic data remained robust, in large part due to the durability of China's recovery from the pandemic.

In the summer of 2021, although regulatory headwinds from China dominated headlines and broader market sentiment, EM equities bounced back to post positive returns in August.

There was significant dispersion in performance across individual emerging markets over the 12-month period, with performance led by Taiwan, India and South Korea. Taiwan saw a slew of positive financial results in its technology sector, while Indian equities benefited from declining virus caseloads and the easing of social distancing restrictions. South Korea was among 15 Asia-Pacific signatories to an agreement forming the world's largest trading bloc, with sentiment further boosted by progress on vaccinations.

The only EM country to have a negative return for the 12-month period was China. In the summer of 2021, heightened regulatory scrutiny in certain sectors began to hold back market returns. In particular, education reforms announced in July surprised markets and led to a sell-off. Beijing attempted to counter market concerns, as regulators met with leading global investment banks to emphasize respect for capital markets while indicating an openness to grandfathering policies and structures for listed companies. At the very end of the period, Chinese policymakers again spurred market jitters by announcing stricter limits on the time minors will be permitted to play online video games.

#### The Fund's most notable contributors during the period

- The Fund's outperformance during the period was attributable to strong stock selection across a wide range of both sectors and countries, as well as positive sector and country allocation.
- The largest positive impact on performance relative to the benchmark came from stock selection within the health care sector, followed by selection in financials, communications services, information technology and industrials.
- By country, the Fund's stock selection in South Korea had the largest positive impact, followed by selection in Taiwan and India.
- Country allocation was also favorable, most notably the Fund's underweight to China. Off-benchmark allocations to Singapore and Hong Kong were notable positive contributors, as were overweights to Argentina, Brazil, Hungary and India.
- Individual stocks that contributed notably included Li Ning Company Limited, China's top domestic sports apparel brand, which has benefited from a Chinese consumer backlash against foreign brands. At period end, we believed the company was well-positioned to benefit long term from rising consumption in China.

### MANAGER DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE (continued)

- Shares of Azul, a Brazilian airline with a dominant market share domestically, suffered due to COVID-19 at various times
  during the period but moved higher over the full 12 months on positive news around vaccines and a potential revival in
  travel and tourism.
- Shares of Russian fintech company TCS Group were supported in the period by strong profits driven by ongoing customer growth, successful new product launches and rising demand across its product range.

#### The Fund's notable detractors during the period

- While stock selection was broadly positive, it detracted from relative performance within the consumer discretionary, materials and energy sectors.
- In country terms, stock selection within Brazil detracted the most from relative results, followed by selection in China. Selection within Russia and South Africa detracted to a modest extent as well.
- The Fund's underweight to Taiwan and its overweight to Indonesia were among the few detractors with respect to country allocation.
- With respect to individual positions held by the Fund, shares of PT Bank Central Asia, which provides banking and related services in Indonesia, fell on macro concerns when the government reimposed COVID-19 restrictions.
- Shares of Alibaba, the leading Chinese e-commerce company, began to fall in late 2020 on concerns surrounding tighter regulations which may force the company to make significant adjustments to its business practices.
- Results for Afya, a Brazilian educational service provider for medical students, have been challenged by both increasing competition and a shrinking market driven by the medical mergers and acquisitions landscape in Brazil.

Market risk may affect a single issuer, sector of the economy, industry or the market as a whole. International investing involves certain risks and volatility due to potential political, economic or currency instabilities and different financial and accounting standards. Risks are enhanced for emerging market issuers. Investments in small- and mid-cap companies involve risks and volatility greater than investments in larger, more established companies. Value securities may be unprofitable if the market fails to recognize their intrinsic worth or the portfolio manager misgauged that worth. Growth securities, at times, may not perform as well as value securities or the stock market in general and may be out of favor with investors. Certain issuer events, including initial public offerings, business consolidation or restructuring, may present heightened risks to securities from the high degree of uncertainty associated with such events. See the Fund's prospectus for more information on these and other risks.

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### UNDERSTANDING YOUR FUND'S EXPENSES

(Unaudited)

As an investor, you incur two types of costs. There are shareholder transaction costs, which generally include sales charges on purchases and may include redemption fees. There are also ongoing fund costs, which generally include management fees, distribution and/or service fees, and other fund expenses. The following information is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to help you compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

#### Analyzing your Fund's expenses

To illustrate these ongoing costs, we have provided examples and calculated the expenses paid by investors in each share class of the Fund during the period. The actual and hypothetical information in the table is based on an initial investment of \$1,000 at the beginning of the period indicated and held for the entire period. Expense information is calculated two ways and each method provides you with different information. The amount listed in the "Actual" column is calculated using the Fund's actual operating expenses and total return for the period. You may use the Actual information, together with the amount invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the results by the expenses paid during the period under the "Actual" column. The amount listed in the "Hypothetical" column assumes a 5% annual rate of return before expenses (which is not the Fund's actual return) and then applies the Fund's actual expense ratio for the period to the hypothetical return. You should not use the hypothetical account values and expenses to estimate either your actual account balance at the end of the period or the expenses you paid during the period. See "Compare with other funds" below for details on how to use the hypothetical data.

#### Compare with other funds

Since all mutual funds are required to include the same hypothetical calculations about expenses in shareholder reports, you can use this information to compare the ongoing cost of investing in the Fund with other funds. To do so, compare the hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of other funds. As you compare hypothetical examples of other funds, it is important to note that hypothetical examples are meant to highlight the ongoing costs of investing in a fund only and do not reflect any transaction costs, such as sales charges, or redemption or exchange fees. Therefore, the hypothetical calculations are useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. If transaction costs were included in these calculations, your costs would be higher.

March 1, 2021 — August 31, 2021							
	beginn	value at the ing of the od (\$)	end	value at the d of the riod (\$)	•	es paid during period (\$)	Fund's annualized expense ratio (%)
	Actual	Hypothetical	Actual	Hypothetical	Actual	Hypothetical	Actual
Class A	1,000.00	1,000.00	978.90	1,018.24	7.16	7.30	1.42
Advisor Class	1,000.00	1,000.00	979.90	1,019.52	5.90	6.02	1.17
Class C	1,000.00	1,000.00	975.20	1,014.42	10.92	11.14	2.17
Institutional Class	1,000.00	1,000.00	980.20	1,019.52	5.90	6.02	1.17
Institutional 2 Class	1,000.00	1,000.00	980.80	1,020.08	5.35	5.46	1.06
Institutional 3 Class	1,000.00	1,000.00	980.90	1,020.28	5.15	5.25	1.02
Class R	1,000.00	1,000.00	977.50	1,016.97	8.41	8.58	1.67

Expenses paid during the period are equal to the annualized expense ratio for each class as indicated above, multiplied by the average account value over the period and then multiplied by the number of days in the Fund's most recent fiscal half year and divided by 365.

Expenses do not include fees and expenses incurred indirectly by the Fund from its investment in underlying funds, including affiliated and non-affiliated pooled investment vehicles, such as mutual funds and exchange-traded funds.

Had Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC and/or certain of its affiliates not waived/reimbursed certain fees and expenses, account value at the end of the period would have been reduced.

# PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### August 31, 2021

(Percentages represent value of investments compared to net assets)

#### Investments in securities

Common Stocks 94.9%		
Issuer	Shares	Value (\$)
Argentina 2.5%		. ,
Globant SA <sup>(a)</sup>	59,032	19,024,833
MercadoLibre, Inc. (a)	20,898	39,025,970
Total		58,050,803
Brazil 6.6%		
Afya Ltd., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	526,037	11,351,879
Arco Platform Ltd., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	178,076	4,305,878
Banco BTG Pactual SA	3,291,100	18,095,067
Hapvida Participacoes e Investimentos SA	1,567,107	4,449,047
Itaú Unibanco Holding SA, ADR	1,396,498	8,281,233
Localiza Rent a Car SA	1,463,323	15,726,166
Locaweb Servicos de Internet SA	3,621,760	17,195,445
Magazine Luiza SA	3,435,642	12,079,363
Notre Dame Intermedica Participacoes SA	540,975	8,315,288
Pagseguro Digital Ltd., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	397,763	23,654,966
Stone Co., Ltd., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	253,161	11,782,113
XP, Inc., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	399,908	19,455,524
Total		154,691,969
Canada 0.4%		
Parex Resources, Inc. (a)	634,146	9,771,171
China 26.7%		
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd., ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	550,432	91,916,640
BeiGene Ltd., ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	19,358	5,968,071
Bilibili, Inc., ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	128,376	10,299,606
Burning Rock Biotech Ltd., ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	199,181	3,710,742
China Animal Healthcare Ltd. (a),(b),(c)	6,354,000	1
China Tourism Group Duty Free Corp., Ltd., Class A	289,951	10,253,156
Country Garden Services Holdings Co., Ltd.	5,566,000	42,472,545
Everest Medicines Ltd. (a)	1,161,000	7,175,832
Glodon Co., Ltd., Class A	549,215	4,918,501
JD.com, Inc., ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	599,574	47,102,533
Jinke Smart Services Group Co., Ltd., Class H	1,858,700	11,953,180
Kingdee International Software Group Co., Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	3,072,000	11,186,309
Kweichow Moutai Co., Ltd., Class A	46,048	11,110,008
Li Ning Co., Ltd.	2,357,500	31,613,563
Medlive Technology Co., Ltd. <sup>(a),(d)</sup>	1,262,573	5,340,909
Meituan, Class B <sup>(a)</sup>	313,000	10,008,041

Shares   Shares   Value (\$)			
Midea Group Co., Ltd., Class A         878,653         8,979,181           Net Ease, Inc., ADR         132,593         12,917,210           New Horizon Health Ltd. (a)         1,420,500         8,697,225           Ping An Insurance Group Co. of China Ltd., Class H         1,584,500         12,268,915           Shenzhou International Group Holdings Ltd.         907,300         19,666,750           Silergy Corp.         117,000         16,733,171           Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.         567,926         12,802,754           Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class H         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,995 <th< th=""><th>Common Stocks (continued)</th><th></th><th></th></th<>	Common Stocks (continued)		
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New Horizon Health Ltd. (a)         1,420,500         8,697,225           Ping An Insurance Group Co. of China Ltd., Class H         1,584,500         12,268,915           Shenzhou International Group Holdings Ltd.         907,300         19,666,750           Silergy Corp.         117,000         16,733,171           Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.         567,926         12,802,754           Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         78,603         11,358,134           Total         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         1996,264         44,181,757           Total         325,095         7,615,638           Total         37,197,811         37,150,903           India 12.3%         32,285 <t< td=""><td>•</td><td>878,653</td><td>8,979,181</td></t<>	•	878,653	8,979,181
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Shenzhou International Group Holdings Ltd.         907,300         19,666,750           Silergy Corp.         117,000         16,733,171           Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.         567,926         12,802,754           Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup> 2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR <sup>(a)</sup> 78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%           All A Group Ltd.         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%           OTP Bank Nyrt <sup>(a)</sup> 489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           <	New Horizon Health Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,420,500	8,697,225
Silergy Corp.         117,000         16,733,171           Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.         567,926         12,802,754           Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         1           Hungary 1.6%         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           AU Small Finance Bank Ltd. (a)         275,725         12,010,799 </td <td>Ping An Insurance Group Co. of China Ltd., Class H</td> <td>1,584,500</td> <td>12,268,915</td>	Ping An Insurance Group Co. of China Ltd., Class H	1,584,500	12,268,915
Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.         567,926         12,802,754           Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%           AlA Group Ltd.         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         331,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%           OTP Bank Nyrt (a)         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%           Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd.         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           <	Shenzhou International Group Holdings Ltd.	907,300	19,666,750
Songcheng Performance Development Co., Ltd., Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%           AlA Group Ltd.         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%           OTP Bank Nyrt (a)         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%         22,148,638           Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd.         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           Au Small Finance Bank Ltd. (a)         777,505	Silergy Corp.	117,000	16,733,171
Class A         6,834,251         16,152,555           Tencent Holdings Ltd.         1,768,500         109,227,510           WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H         1,466,702         29,250,519           WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%           AlA Group Ltd.         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%         489,061         29,535,265           OTP Bank Nyrt (a)         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%         21,813,532           Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd.         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           Avenue Supermarts Ltd. (a)         777,505 <td< td=""><td>Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.</td><td>567,926</td><td>12,802,754</td></td<>	Skshu Paint Co., Ltd.	567,926	12,802,754
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WuXi Biologics Cayman, Inc. (a)         2,788,000         43,163,697           Xpeng, Inc., ADR (a)         521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR (a)         78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%           AlA Group Ltd.         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%           OTP Bank Nyrt (a)         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%           Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd.         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           AU Small Finance Bank Ltd. (a)         777,505         12,010,799           Avenue Supermarts Ltd. (a)         258,527         13,988,434           Bajaj Finance Ltd.         322,859         10,131,159           Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.         1,324,598         10,033,780	Tencent Holdings Ltd.	1,768,500	109,227,510
Xpeng, Inc., ADR <sup>(a)</sup> 521,145         22,148,663           Zai Lab Ltd., ADR <sup>(a)</sup> 78,603         11,358,134           Total         628,395,921           Hong Kong 3.1%         1,983,800         23,688,015           Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. (a)         831,000         5,328,039           Techtronic Industries Co., Ltd.         1,996,264         44,181,757           Total         73,197,811           Hungary 1.6%         489,061         29,535,265           Richter Gedeon Nyrt         254,095         7,615,638           Total         37,150,903           India 12.3%         315,428         13,817,783           Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd.         320,951         21,813,532           Asian Paints Ltd.         315,428         13,817,783           AU Small Finance Bank Ltd. (a)         777,505         12,010,799           Avenue Supermarts Ltd. (a)         258,527         13,988,434           Bajaj Finance Ltd.         322,859         10,131,159           Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.         1,324,598         10,033,780           Divi's Laboratories Ltd.         147,917         10,472,785           Dixon Technologies India Ltd. (a)         368,422         20,948,724	WuXi AppTec Co., Ltd., Class H	1,466,702	29,250,519
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Avenue Supermarts Ltd. (a)       258,527       13,988,434         Bajaj Finance Ltd.       215,581       22,146,318         Balkrishna Industries Ltd.       322,859       10,131,159         Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.       1,324,598       10,033,780         Divi's Laboratories Ltd.       147,917       10,472,785         Dixon Technologies India Ltd. (a)       368,422       20,948,724         Eicher Motors Ltd.       273,726       10,021,643         HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR       308,010       24,120,263	Asian Paints Ltd.	315,428	13,817,783
Bajaj Finance Ltd.       215,581       22,146,318         Balkrishna Industries Ltd.       322,859       10,131,159         Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.       1,324,598       10,033,780         Divi's Laboratories Ltd.       147,917       10,472,785         Dixon Technologies India Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup> 368,422       20,948,724         Eicher Motors Ltd.       273,726       10,021,643         HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR       308,010       24,120,263	AU Small Finance Bank Ltd. (a)	777,505	12,010,799
Balkrishna Industries Ltd.       322,859       10,131,159         Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.       1,324,598       10,033,780         Divi's Laboratories Ltd.       147,917       10,472,785         Dixon Technologies India Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup> 368,422       20,948,724         Eicher Motors Ltd.       273,726       10,021,643         HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR       308,010       24,120,263	Avenue Supermarts Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	258,527	13,988,434
Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.         1,324,598         10,033,780           Divi's Laboratories Ltd.         147,917         10,472,785           Dixon Technologies India Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup> 368,422         20,948,724           Eicher Motors Ltd.         273,726         10,021,643           HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR         308,010         24,120,263	Bajaj Finance Ltd.	215,581	22,146,318
Divi's Laboratories Ltd.       147,917       10,472,785         Dixon Technologies India Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup> 368,422       20,948,724         Eicher Motors Ltd.       273,726       10,021,643         HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR       308,010       24,120,263	Balkrishna Industries Ltd.	322,859	10,131,159
Dixon Technologies India Ltd. (a)       368,422       20,948,724         Eicher Motors Ltd.       273,726       10,021,643         HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR       308,010       24,120,263	Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co., Ltd.	1,324,598	10,033,780
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	Eicher Motors Ltd.	273,726	10,021,643
HDFC Life Insurance Co., Ltd. 1,113,092 10,926,046	HDFC Bank Ltd., ADR	308,010	24,120,263
	HDFC Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	1,113,092	10,926,046

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Common Stocks (continued)		
Issuer	Shares	Value (\$)
InterGlobe Aviation Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	363,355	9,472,097
Jubilant Foodworks Ltd.	145,684	7,954,503
Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.	532,148	12,752,109
Mindtree Ltd.	420,011	20,835,823
PVR Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	431,222	7,808,649
Reliance Industries Ltd.	1,303,063	40,206,316
SBI Cards & Payment Services Ltd. (a)	721,897	11,262,771
Total		290,723,534
Indonesia 3.6%		
PT Ace Hardware Indonesia Tbk	69,304,200	6,739,467
PT Bank BTPN Syariah Tbk	40,172,500	7,878,849
PT Bank Central Asia Tbk	12,671,000	29,085,216
PT Bank Jago Tbk <sup>(a)</sup>	7,560,000	8,037,945
PT Bank Rakyat Indonesia Persero Tbk	123,477,200	33,956,866
Total		85,698,343
Kazakhstan 0.4%		
Kaspi.KZ JSC, GDR <sup>(b),(c),(d)</sup>	85,683	9,802,135
Luxembourg 0.2%		
Global Fashion Group SA <sup>(a)</sup>	398,341	5,074,981
Philippines 0.5%		
Ayala Land, Inc.	16,369,900	11,105,208
Poland 1.4%		
Allegro.eu SA <sup>(a)</sup>	510,966	9,473,179
Dino Polska SA <sup>(a)</sup>	286,463	24,277,349
Total		33,750,528
Russian Federation 8.0%		
Detsky Mir PJSC	5,592,360	10,589,828
Fix Price Group Ltd., GDR <sup>(a),(d)</sup>	2,678,663	25,005,319
Lukoil PJSC, ADR	382,714	32,415,489
Ozon Holdings PLC, ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	368,021	19,372,625
Sberbank of Russia PJSC, ADR	2,361,016	42,165,151
TCS Group Holding PLC, GDR	274,083	24,240,898
Yandex NV, Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	453,173	34,849,004

Common Stocks (continued)		
Issuer	Shares	Value (\$)
South Africa 2.2%		
Capitec Bank Holdings Ltd.	113,763	14,861,925
Clicks Group Ltd.	383,055	7,978,461
Naspers Ltd., Class N	162,900	28,106,616
Total		50,947,002
South Korea 11.4%		
Coupang, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	293,329	8,788,137
Ecopro BM Co., Ltd.	43,376	11,946,504
Kakao Corp.	204,667	27,308,903
KakaoBank Corp. (a)	26,906	1,946,969
NAVER Corp.	65,572	24,827,995
Pearl Abyss Corp. (a)	159,560	12,969,045
Samsung Biologics Co., Ltd. (a)	23,059	19,167,004
Samsung Electro-Mechanics Co., Ltd.	148,261	23,527,244
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	1,385,099	91,441,783
Samsung SDI Co., Ltd.	38,356	26,142,962
SK Hynix, Inc.	214,457	19,635,774
Total		267,702,320
Taiwan 12.8%		
Delta Electronics	1,438,000	14,007,486
Hon Hai Precision Industry Co., Ltd.	4,612,000	18,417,148
MediaTek, Inc.	1,386,000	44,944,143
Sea Ltd. ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	137,808	46,623,202
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	7,710,048	169,121,745
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.,	77.004	0.400.000
ADR	77,001	9,163,889
Total		302,277,613
Thailand 0.6%		
Muangthai Capital PCL, Foreign Registered Shares	7,553,800	15,154,224
Uruguay 0.6%		
Diocal Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	234,521	15,009,344
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$1,236,858,060)		2,237,142,124
Preferred Stocks 2.3%		
Issuer	Shares	Value (\$)
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Preferred Stocks (continued)		
Issuer	Shares	Value (\$)
South Korea 1.0%		
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	388,057	23,658,464
Total Preferred Stocks (Cost \$32,654,101)		54,666,438

Money Market Funds 3.3%		
	Shares	Value (\$)
Columbia Short-Term Cash Fund, $0.061\%^{(e),(f)}$	77,647,059	77,639,295
Total Money Market Funds (Cost \$77,639,295)		77,639,295
Total Investments in Securities (Cost \$1,347,151,456)		2,369,447,857
Other Assets & Liabilities, Net		(11,668,260)
Net Assets	\$	2,357,779,597

#### Notes to Portfolio of Investments

- (a) Non-income producing investment.
- (b) Represents fair value as determined in good faith under procedures approved by the Board of Trustees. At August 31, 2021, the total value of these securities amounted to \$9,802,136, which represents 0.42% of total net assets.
- (c) Valuation based on significant unobservable inputs.
- (d) Represents privately placed and other securities and instruments exempt from Securities and Exchange Commission registration (collectively, private placements), such as Section 4(a)(2) and Rule 144A eligible securities, which are often sold only to qualified institutional buyers. At August 31, 2021, the total value of these securities amounted to \$40,148,363, which represents 1.70% of total net assets.
- (e) The rate shown is the seven-day current annualized yield at August 31, 2021.
- (f) As defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, an affiliated company is one in which the Fund owns 5% or more of the company's outstanding voting securities, or a company which is under common ownership or control with the Fund. The value of the holdings and transactions in these affiliated companies during the year ended August 31, 2021 are as follows:

Affiliated issuers	Beginning of period(\$)	Purchases(\$)	Sales(\$)	Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)(\$)	End of period(\$)	Realized gain (loss)(\$)	Dividends(\$)	End of period shares
Columbia Short-Term Cash Fund, 0.0619	6							
	1,772,051	650,183,170	(574,315,920)	(6)	77,639,295	(1,362)	32,229	77,647,059

#### Abbreviation Legend

ADR American Depositary Receipt
GDR Global Depositary Receipt

#### Fair value measurements

The Fund categorizes its fair value measurements according to a three-level hierarchy that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by prioritizing that the most observable input be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing an investment based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are those that reflect the Fund's assumptions about the information market participants would use in pricing an investment. An investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is deemed significant to the asset's or liability's fair value measurement. The input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with investments at that level. For example, certain U.S. government securities are generally high quality and liquid, however, they are reflected as Level 2 because the inputs used to determine fair value may not always be quoted prices in an active market.

Fair value inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

■ Level 1 — Valuations based on quoted prices for investments in active markets that the Fund has the ability to access at the measurement date. Valuation adjustments are not applied to Level 1 investments.

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#### Fair value measurements (continued)

- Level 2 Valuations based on other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risks, etc.).
- Level 3 Valuations based on significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions and judgment in determining the fair value of investments).

Inputs that are used in determining fair value of an investment may include price information, credit data, volatility statistics, and other factors. These inputs can be either observable or unobservable. The availability of observable inputs can vary between investments, and is affected by various factors such as the type of investment, and the volume and level of activity for that investment or similar investments in the marketplace. The inputs will be considered by the Investment Manager, along with any other relevant factors in the calculation of an investment's fair value. The Fund uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, which may include periods of market dislocations. During these periods, the availability of prices and inputs may be reduced for many investments. This condition could cause an investment to be reclassified between the various levels within the hierarchy.

Foreign equity securities actively traded in markets where there is a significant delay in the local close relative to the New York Stock Exchange are classified as Level 2. The values of these securities may include an adjustment to reflect the impact of market movements following the close of local trading, as described in Note 2 to the financial statements – Security valuation.

Investments falling into the Level 3 category are primarily supported by quoted prices from brokers and dealers participating in the market for those investments. However, these may be classified as Level 3 investments due to lack of market transparency and corroboration to support these quoted prices. Additionally, valuation models may be used as the pricing source for any remaining investments classified as Level 3. These models may rely on one or more significant unobservable inputs and/or significant assumptions by the Investment Manager. Inputs used in valuations may include, but are not limited to, financial statement analysis, capital account balances, discount rates and estimated cash flows, and comparable company data.

Under the direction of the Fund's Board of Trustees (the Board), the Investment Manager's Valuation Committee (the Committee) is responsible for overseeing the valuation procedures approved by the Board. The Committee consists of voting and non-voting members from various groups within the Investment Manager's organization, including operations and accounting, trading and investments, compliance, risk management and legal.

The Committee meets at least monthly to review and approve valuation matters, which may include a description of specific valuation determinations, data regarding pricing information received from approved pricing vendors and brokers and the results of Board-approved valuation control policies and procedures (the Policies). The Policies address, among other things, instances when market quotations are or are not readily available, including recommendations of third party pricing vendors and a determination of appropriate pricing methodologies; events that require specific valuation determinations and assessment of fair value techniques; securities with a potential for stale pricing, including those that are illiquid, restricted, or in default; and the effectiveness of third party pricing vendors, including periodic reviews of vendors. The Committee meets more frequently, as needed, to discuss additional valuation matters, which may include the need to review back-testing results, review time-sensitive information or approve related valuation actions. The Committee reports to the Board, with members of the Committee meeting with the Board at each of its regularly scheduled meetings to discuss valuation matters and actions during the period, similar to those described earlier.

The following table is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments at August 31, 2021:

	Level 1 (\$)	Level 2 (\$)	Level 3 (\$)	Total (\$)
Investments in Securities				
Common Stocks				
Argentina	58,050,803	_	_	58,050,803
Brazil	154,691,969	_	_	154,691,969
Canada	9,771,171	_	_	9,771,171
China	205,421,599	422,974,321	1	628,395,921
Hong Kong	_	73,197,811	_	73,197,811
Hungary	_	37,150,903	_	37,150,903
India	24,120,263	266,603,271	_	290,723,534
Indonesia	_	85,698,343	_	85,698,343
Kazakhstan	_	_	9,802,135	9,802,135
Luxembourg	_	5,074,981	_	5,074,981
Philippines	_	11,105,208	_	11,105,208
Poland	_	33,750,528	_	33,750,528
Russian Federation	54,221,629	134,416,685	_	188,638,314
South Africa	_	50,947,002	_	50,947,002
South Korea	8,788,137	258,914,183	_	267,702,320
Taiwan	55,787,091	246,490,522	_	302,277,613
Thailand	_	15,154,224	_	15,154,224
Uruguay	15,009,344	_	_	15,009,344
Total Common Stocks	585,862,006	1,641,477,982	9,802,136	2,237,142,124
Preferred Stocks				
Brazil	31,007,974	_	_	31,007,974
South Korea	_	23,658,464	_	23,658,464
Total Preferred Stocks	31,007,974	23,658,464	_	54,666,438
Money Market Funds	77,639,295	_	_	77,639,295
Total Investments in Securities	694,509,275	1,665,136,446	9,802,136	2,369,447,857

See the Portfolio of Investments for all investment classifications not indicated in the table.

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#### Fair value measurements (continued)

The Fund's assets assigned to the Level 2 input category are generally valued using the market approach, in which a security's value is determined through reference to prices and information from market transactions for similar or identical assets. These assets include certain foreign securities for which a third party statistical pricing service may be employed for purposes of fair market valuation. The model utilized by such third party statistical pricing service takes into account a security's correlation to available market data including, but not limited to, intraday index, ADR, and exchange-traded fund movements.

The Fund does not hold any significant investments (greater than one percent of net assets) categorized as Level 3.

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

August 31, 2021

Assets	
Investments in securities, at value	
Unaffiliated issuers (cost \$1,269,512,161)	\$2,291,808,562
Affiliated issuers (cost \$77,639,295)	77,639,295
Foreign currency (cost \$68)	68
Receivable for:	
Capital shares sold	2,637,395
Dividends	482,220
Foreign tax reclaims	86,456
Prepaid expenses	24,701
Trustees' deferred compensation plan	165,320
Total assets	2,372,844,017
Liabilities	
Due to custodian	2,736
Payable for:	
Capital shares purchased	1,132,650
Foreign capital gains taxes deferred	13,297,984
Management services fees	59,981
Distribution and/or service fees	3,104
Transfer agent fees	212,514
Compensation of board members	12,573
Compensation of chief compliance officer	96
Other expenses	177,462
Trustees' deferred compensation plan	165,320
Total liabilities	15,064,420
Net assets applicable to outstanding capital stock	\$2,357,779,597
Represented by	
Paid in capital	1,365,703,790
Total distributable earnings (loss)	992,075,807
Total - representing net assets applicable to outstanding capital stock	\$2,357,779,597

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (continued)

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Class A	
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Maximum sales charge Maximum offering price per share (calculated by dividing the net asset value per share by 1.0 minus the maximum sales charge for Class A shares)  Advisor Class	\$356,032,500 18,684,232 \$19.06 5.75% \$20.22
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Class C	\$112,718,685 5,791,465 \$19.46
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Institutional Class	\$22,679,684 1,283,766 \$17.67
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Institutional 2 Class	\$547,996,925 28,369,713 \$19.32
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Institutional 3 Class	\$391,145,078 20,102,102 \$19.46
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share Class R	\$920,210,902 47,078,415 \$19.55
Net assets Shares outstanding Net asset value per share	\$6,995,823 373,753 \$18.72

# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended August 31, 2021

Net investment income	
Income:	
Dividends – unaffiliated issuers	\$22,808,922
Dividends – affiliated issuers	32,229
Interfund lending	1,086
Foreign taxes withheld	(3,137,771)
Total income	19,704,466
Expenses:	
Management services fees	19,076,185
Distribution and/or service fees	
Class A	836,372
Class C	201,171
Class R	32,407
Transfer agent fees	
Class A	531,604
Advisor Class	119,687
Class C	31,937
Institutional Class	648,423
Institutional 2 Class	162,623
Institutional 3 Class	51,940
Class R	10,295
Compensation of board members Custodian fees	40,608 510,474
Printing and postage fees	101,554
Registration fees	188,440
Audit fees	41,787
Legal fees	35,621
Interest on interfund lending	435
Compensation of chief compliance officer	558
Other	303,800
Total expenses	22,925,921
Fees waived by transfer agent	
Institutional 2 Class	(1,026)
Institutional 3 Class	(12,609)
Expense reduction	(1,080)
Total net expenses	22,911,206
Net investment loss	(3,206,740)
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) — net	
Net realized gain (loss) on:	
Investments — unaffiliated issuers	39,085,939
Investments — affiliated issuers	(1,362)
Foreign currency translations	(251,289)
Net realized gain	38,833,288
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Investments — unaffiliated issuers	314,293,701
Investments – affiliated issuers	(6)
Foreign currency translations	55,458
Foreign capital gains tax	(9,076,806)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	305,272,347
Net realized and unrealized gain	344,105,635
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$340,898,895

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended August 31, 2021	Year Ended August 31, 2020
Operations		
Net investment income (loss)	\$(3,206,740)	\$113,865
Net realized gain	38,833,288	7,616,552
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	305,272,347	328,845,379
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	340,898,895	336,575,796
Distributions to shareholders		
Net investment income and net realized gains		
Class A	(3,194,126)	(352,640)
Advisor Class	(619,352)	(90,619)
Class C	(87,144)	_
Institutional Class	(3,945,614)	(799,684)
Institutional 2 Class	(3,656,749)	(839,179)
Institutional 3 Class	(9,328,016)	(3,424,155)
Class R	(50,972)	_
Total distributions to shareholders	(20,881,973)	(5,506,277)
Increase (decrease) in net assets from capital stock activity	530,458,563	(100,581,917)
Total increase in net assets	850,475,485	230,487,602
Net assets at beginning of year	1,507,304,112	1,276,816,510
Net assets at end of year	\$2,357,779,597	\$1,507,304,112

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS (continued)

		Year Ended August 31, 2021		Ended 31, 2020
	Shares	Dollars (\$)	Shares	Dollars (\$)
Capital stock activity				
Class A				
Subscriptions	3,671,868	69,441,078	2,366,558	31,201,519
Distributions reinvested	168,671	3,091,734	24,245	337,978
Redemptions	(3,149,296)	(57,365,904)	(4,939,550)	(63,264,057)
Net increase (decrease)	691,243	15,166,908	(2,548,747)	(31,724,560)
Advisor Class				
Subscriptions	4,203,972	82,382,206	1,706,606	23,720,610
Distributions reinvested	26,973	504,132	3,868	54,924
Redemptions	(1,202,144)	(22,737,423)	(817,199)	(10,682,774)
Net increase	3,028,801	60,148,915	893,275	13,092,760
Class C				
Subscriptions	682,139	12,162,196	157,150	1,955,115
Distributions reinvested	5,055 (489,088)	86,387 (8,579,697)	(377,026)	(4,468,756)
Redemptions Net increase (decrease)	, , ,		, ,	( , , , ,
Net increase (decrease)	198,106	3,668,886	(219,876)	(2,513,641)
Institutional Class Subscriptions	16,148,631	310,607,876	6,964,392	92,041,250
Distributions reinvested	151,822	2,816,299	33,895	477,922
Redemptions	(4,418,164)	(82,797,147)	(7,655,513)	(94,663,389)
Net increase (decrease)	11,882,289	230,627,028	(657,226)	(2,144,217)
Institutional 2 Class	11,002,200	200,021,020	(001,220)	(2,111,211)
Subscriptions	8,398,539	163,216,583	7,202,064	92,394,274
Distributions reinvested	186,067	3,473,868	59,105	838,115
Redemptions	(3,498,294)	(66,979,362)	(5,291,466)	(69,921,745)
Net increase	5,086,312	99,711,089	1,969,703	23,310,644
Institutional 3 Class				
Subscriptions	15,959,517	313,844,968	9,417,308	124,275,074
Distributions reinvested	241,286	4,524,119	119,756	1,705,319
Redemptions	(10,504,918)	(197,360,590)	(17,184,807)	(223,901,528)
Net increase (decrease)	5,695,885	121,008,497	(7,647,743)	(97,921,135)
Class R				
Subscriptions	163,380	3,011,052	121,436	1,559,466
Distributions reinvested	2,322	41,897	_	_
Redemptions	(165,570)	(2,925,709)	(343,732)	(4,241,234)
Net increase (decrease)	132	127,240	(222,296)	(2,681,768)
Total net increase (decrease)	26,582,768	530,458,563	(8,432,910)	(100,581,917)

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table is intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance. Certain information reflects financial results for a single share of a class held for the periods shown. Per share net investment income (loss) amounts are calculated based on average shares outstanding during the period. Total return assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions, if any. Total return does not reflect payment of sales charges, if any. Total return and portfolio turnover are not annualized for periods of less than one year. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated without regard to purchase and sales transactions of short-term instruments and certain derivatives, if any. If such transactions were included, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate may be higher.

	Net asset value, beginning of period	Net investment income (loss)	Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	Total from investment operations	Distributions from net investment income	Total distributions to shareholders
Class A						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.60	(0.08)	3.72	3.64	(0.18)	(0.18)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$12.15	(0.04)	3.51	3.47	(0.02)	(0.02)
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.15	0.01	(0.01)	0.00 <sup>(e)</sup>	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.62	0.02	(0.47)	(0.45)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$9.99	0.01	2.62	2.63	_	_
Advisor Class						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.92	(0.03)	3.79	3.76	(0.22)	(0.22)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$12.39	(0.01)	3.59	3.58	(0.05)	(0.05)
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.38	0.04	(0.02)	0.02	(0.01)	(0.01)
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.84	0.02	(0.43)	(0.41)	(0.05)	(0.05)
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$10.14	0.07	2.63	2.70	_	_
Class C						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$14.50	(0.20)	3.45	3.25	(80.0)	(0.08)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$11.36	(0.13)	3.27	3.14	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$11.45	(80.0)	(0.01)	(0.09)	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$11.96	(80.0)	(0.43)	(0.51)	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$9.54	(0.06)	2.48	2.42	_	_
Institutional Class						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.80	(0.03)	3.77	3.74	(0.22)	(0.22)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$12.30	(0.01)	3.56	3.55	(0.05)	(0.05)
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.29	0.05	(0.03)	0.02	(0.01)	(0.01)
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.76	0.05	(0.47)	(0.42)	(0.05)	(0.05)
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$10.07	0.04	2.65	2.69	_	_
Institutional 2 Class						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.92	(0.02)	3.79	3.77	(0.23)	(0.23)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$12.38	0.01	3.60	3.61	(0.07)	(0.07)
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.37	0.07	(0.03)	0.04	(0.03)	(0.03)
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.84	0.08	(0.49)	(0.41)	(0.06)	(0.06)
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$10.12	0.06	2.66	2.72	_	_

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

	Net asset value, end of period	Total return	Total gross expense ratio to average net assets <sup>(a)</sup>	Total net expense ratio to average net assets <sup>(a),(b)</sup>	Net investment income (loss) ratio to average net assets	Portfolio turnover	Net assets, end of period (000's)
Class A	·						, ,
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$19.06	23.40%	1.43% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.43%(c),(d)	(0.45%)	16%	\$356,033
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.60	28.56%	1.55% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.54% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.29%)	29%	\$280,741
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.15	0.00%	1.58% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.58% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.12%	38%	\$249,512
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.15	(3.58%)	1.54%	1.54% <sup>(d)</sup>	0.12%	39%	\$276,209
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.62	26.33%	1.65% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.62% <sup>(d),(f)</sup>	0.14%	51%	\$270,816
Advisor Class							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$19.46	23.65%	1.18% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.18% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.17%)	16%	\$112,719
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.92	28.92%	1.30% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.29% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.07%)	29%	\$43,986
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.39	0.20%	1.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.36%	38%	\$23,161
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.38	(3.26%)	1.29%	1.29% <sup>(d)</sup>	0.14%	39%	\$24,379
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.84	26.63%	1.41% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.37% <sup>(d),(f)</sup>	0.68%	51%	\$21,298
Class C							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$17.67	22.45%	2.18% <sup>(c)</sup>	2.18% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(1.19%)	16%	\$22,680
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$14.50	27.64%	2.30% <sup>(c)</sup>	2.29% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(1.04%)	29%	\$15,742
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$11.36	(0.79%)	2.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	2.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.69%)	38%	\$14,830
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$11.45	(4.26%)	2.29%	2.29% <sup>(d)</sup>	(0.62%)	39%	\$22,177
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$11.96	25.37%	2.40% <sup>(f)</sup>	2.37% <sup>(d),(f)</sup>	(0.57%)	51%	\$24,616
Institutional Class							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$19.32	23.70%	1.18% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.18% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.18%)	16%	\$547,997
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.80	28.89%	1.30% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.29% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.04%)	29%	\$260,558
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.30	0.20%	1.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.33% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.41%	38%	\$210,844
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.29	(3.35%)	1.29%	1.29% <sup>(d)</sup>	0.40%	39%	\$203,193
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.76	26.71%	1.40% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.37% <sup>(d),(f)</sup>	0.39%	51%	\$179,501
Institutional 2 Class							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$19.46	23.77%	1.08% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.08% <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.09%)	16%	\$391,145
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.92	29.19%	1.16% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.15% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.10%	29%	\$238,994
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.38	0.36%	1.18% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.18% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.55%	38%	\$161,554
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.37	(3.22%)	1.16%	1.16%	0.58%	39%	\$155,442
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.84	26.88%	1.22% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.22% <sup>(f)</sup>	0.57%	51%	\$123,364

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

	Net asset value, beginning of period	Net investment income (loss)	Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	Total from investment operations	Distributions from net investment income	Total distributions to shareholders
Institutional 3 Class						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.99	(0.01)	3.81	3.80	(0.24)	(0.24)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$12.44	0.02	3.60	3.62	(0.07)	(0.07)
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.43	0.07	(0.02)	0.05	(0.04)	(0.04)
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.90	0.07	(0.47)	(0.40)	(0.07)	(0.07)
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$10.17	0.10	2.63	2.73	_	_
Class R						
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$15.34	(0.13)	3.66	3.53	(0.15)	(0.15)
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$11.96	(0.07)	3.45	3.38	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$11.99	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.03)	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.47	(0.02)	(0.46)	(0.48)	_	_
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$9.89	(0.01)	2.59	2.58	_	_

#### **Notes to Financial Highlights**

- (a) In addition to the fees and expenses that the Fund bears directly, the Fund indirectly bears a pro rata share of the fees and expenses of any other funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the Fund's reported expense ratios.
- (b) Total net expenses include the impact of certain fee waivers/expense reimbursements made by the Investment Manager and certain of its affiliates, if applicable.
- (c) Ratios include interfund lending expense which is less than 0.01%.
- (d) The benefits derived from expense reductions had an impact of less than 0.01%.
- (e) Rounds to zero.
- (f) Ratios include line of credit interest expense which is less than 0.01%.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

	Net asset value, end of period	Total return	Total gross expense ratio to average net assets <sup>(a)</sup>	Total net expense ratio to average net assets <sup>(a),(b)</sup>	Net investment income (loss) ratio to average net assets	Portfolio turnover	Net assets, end of period (000's)
Institutional 3 Class							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$19.55	23.84%	1.03% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.03% <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.03%)	16%	\$920,211
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.99	29.18%	1.11% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.10% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.16%	29%	\$661,552
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$12.44	0.43%	1.13% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.13% <sup>(c)</sup>	0.58%	38%	\$609,791
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$12.43	(3.18%)	1.10%	1.10%	0.54%	39%	\$673,688
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.90	26.84%	1.19% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.19% <sup>(f)</sup>	0.86%	51%	\$726,291
Class R							
Year Ended 8/31/2021	\$18.72	23.04%	1.68% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.68% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.69%)	16%	\$6,996
Year Ended 8/31/2020	\$15.34	28.26%	1.80% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.79% <sup>(c),(d)</sup>	(0.54%)	29%	\$5,731
Year Ended 8/31/2019	\$11.96	(0.25%)	1.83% <sup>(c)</sup>	1.83% <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.16%)	38%	\$7,125
Year Ended 8/31/2018	\$11.99	(3.85%)	1.79%	1.79% <sup>(d)</sup>	(0.17%)	39%	\$9,847
Year Ended 8/31/2017	\$12.47	26.09%	1.90% <sup>(f)</sup>	1.87% <sup>(d),(f)</sup>	(0.08%)	51%	\$12,175

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### Note 1. Organization

Columbia Emerging Markets Fund (the Fund), a series of Columbia Funds Series Trust I (the Trust), is a diversified fund. The Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act), as an open-end management investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust.

#### Fund shares

The Trust may issue an unlimited number of shares (without par value). The Fund offers each of the share classes listed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Although all share classes generally have identical voting, dividend and liquidation rights, each share class votes separately when required by the Trust's organizational documents or by law. Each share class has its own expense and sales charge structure. Different share classes may have different minimum initial investment amounts and pay different net investment income distribution amounts to the extent the expenses of distributing such share classes vary. Distributions to shareholders in a liquidation will be proportional to the net asset value of each share class.

As described in the Fund's prospectus, Class A and Class C shares are offered to the general public for investment. Effective April 1, 2021, Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares after 8 years. Prior to April 1, 2021, Class C shares automatically converted to Class A shares after 10 years. Advisor Class, Institutional Class, Institutional 2 Class, Institutional 3 Class and Class R shares are available for purchase through authorized investment professionals to omnibus retirement plans or to institutional investors and to certain other investors as also described in the Fund's prospectus.

#### Note 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The Fund is an investment company that applies the accounting and reporting guidance in the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946, *Financial Services - Investment Companies* (ASC 946). The financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements.

#### Security valuation

Equity securities listed on an exchange are valued at the closing price or last trade price on their primary exchange at the close of business of the New York Stock Exchange. Securities with a closing price not readily available or not listed on any exchange are valued at the mean between the closing bid and asked prices. Listed preferred stocks convertible into common stocks are valued using an evaluated price from a pricing service.

Foreign equity securities are valued based on the closing price or last trade price on their primary exchange at the close of business of the New York Stock Exchange. If any foreign equity security closing prices are not readily available, the securities are valued at the mean of the latest quoted bid and ask prices on such exchanges or markets. Foreign currency exchange rates are determined at the scheduled closing time of the New York Stock Exchange. Many securities markets and exchanges outside the U.S. close prior to the close of the New York Stock Exchange; therefore, the closing prices for securities in such markets or on such exchanges may not fully reflect events that occur after such close but before the close of the New York Stock Exchange. In those situations, foreign securities will be fair valued pursuant to a policy adopted by the Board of Trustees. Under the policy, the Fund may utilize a third-party pricing service to determine these fair values. The third-party pricing service takes into account multiple factors, including, but not limited to, movements in the U.S. securities markets, certain depositary receipts, futures contracts and foreign exchange rates that have occurred subsequent to the close of the foreign exchange or market, to determine a good faith estimate that reasonably reflects the current market conditions as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange. The fair value of a security is likely to be different from the quoted or published price, if available.

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Investments in open-end investment companies (other than exchange-traded funds (ETFs)), are valued at the latest net asset value reported by those companies as of the valuation time.

Investments for which market quotations are not readily available, or that have quotations which management believes are not reflective of market value or reliable, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under procedures approved by and under the general supervision of the Board of Trustees. If a security or class of securities (such as foreign securities) is valued at fair value, such value is likely to be different from the quoted or published price for the security, if available.

The determination of fair value often requires significant judgment. To determine fair value, management may use assumptions including but not limited to future cash flows and estimated risk premiums. Multiple inputs from various sources may be used to determine fair value.

GAAP requires disclosure regarding the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value and any changes in valuation inputs or techniques. In addition, investments shall be disclosed by major category. This information is disclosed following the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

#### Foreign currency transactions and translations

The values of all assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are generally translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates determined at the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on foreign currency transactions and translations include gains (losses) arising from the fluctuation in exchange rates between trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, gains (losses) arising from the disposition of foreign currency and currency gains (losses) between the accrual and payment dates on dividends, interest income and foreign withholding taxes.

For financial statement purposes, the Fund does not distinguish that portion of gains (losses) on investments which is due to changes in foreign exchange rates from that which is due to changes in market prices of the investments. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments in the Statement of Operations.

#### Security transactions

Security transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Cost is determined and gains (losses) are based upon the specific identification method for both financial statement and federal income tax purposes.

#### Income recognition

Corporate actions and dividend income are generally recorded net of any non-reclaimable tax withholdings, on the ex-dividend date or upon receipt of an ex-dividend notification in the case of certain foreign securities.

The Fund may receive distributions from holdings in equity securities, business development companies (BDCs), exchange-traded funds (ETFs), limited partnerships (LPs), other regulated investment companies (RICs), and real estate investment trusts (REITs), which report information as to the tax character of their distributions annually. These distributions are allocated to dividend income, capital gain and return of capital based on actual information reported. Return of capital is recorded as a reduction of the cost basis of securities held. If the Fund no longer owns the applicable securities, return of capital is recorded as a realized gain. With respect to REITs, to the extent actual information has not yet been reported, estimates for return of capital are made by Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (the Investment Manager), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. (Ameriprise Financial). The Investment Manager's estimates are subsequently adjusted when the actual character of the distributions is disclosed by the REITs, which could result in a proportionate change in return of capital to shareholders.

Awards from class action litigation are recorded as a reduction of cost basis if the Fund still owns the applicable securities on the payment date. If the Fund no longer owns the applicable securities on the payment date, the proceeds are recorded as realized gains.

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#### **Expenses**

General expenses of the Trust are allocated to the Fund and other funds of the Trust based upon relative net assets or other expense allocation methodologies determined by the nature of the expense. Expenses directly attributable to the Fund are charged to the Fund. Expenses directly attributable to a specific class of shares are charged to that share class.

#### Determination of class net asset value

All income, expenses (other than class-specific expenses, which are charged to that share class, as shown in the Statement of Operations) and realized and unrealized gains (losses) are allocated to each class of the Fund on a daily basis, based on the relative net assets of each class, for purposes of determining the net asset value of each class.

#### Federal income tax status

The Fund intends to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and will distribute substantially all of its investment company taxable income and net capital gain, if any, for its tax year, and as such will not be subject to federal income taxes. In addition, the Fund intends to distribute in each calendar year substantially all of its ordinary income, capital gain net income and certain other amounts, if any, such that the Fund should not be subject to federal excise tax. Therefore, no federal income or excise tax provision is recorded.

#### Foreign taxes

The Fund may be subject to foreign taxes on income, gains on investments or currency repatriation, a portion of which may be recoverable. The Fund will accrue such taxes and recoveries, as applicable, based upon its current interpretation of tax rules and regulations that exist in the markets in which it invests.

Realized gains in certain countries may be subject to foreign taxes at the Fund level, based on statutory rates. The Fund accrues for such foreign taxes on realized and unrealized gains at the appropriate rate for each jurisdiction, as applicable. The amount, if any, is disclosed as a liability on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

#### Distributions to shareholders

Distributions from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid annually. Net realized capital gains, if any, are distributed at least annually. Income distributions and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

#### Guarantees and indemnifications

Under the Trust's organizational documents and, in some cases, by contract, its officers and trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Trust or its funds. In addition, certain of the Fund's contracts with its service providers contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown since the amount of any future claims that may be made against the Fund cannot be determined, and the Fund has no historical basis for predicting the likelihood of any such claims.

#### Note 3. Fees and other transactions with affiliates

#### Management services fees

The Fund has entered into a Management Agreement with Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (the Investment Manager), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. (Ameriprise Financial). Under the Management Agreement, the Investment Manager provides the Fund with investment research and advice, as well as administrative and accounting services. The management services fee is an annual fee that is equal to a percentage of the Fund's daily net assets that declines from 1.10% to 0.70% as the Fund's net assets increase. The effective management services fee rate for the year ended August 31, 2021 was 0.96% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

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#### Compensation of board members

Members of the Board of Trustees who are not officers or employees of the Investment Manager or Ameriprise Financial are compensated for their services to the Fund as disclosed in the Statement of Operations. Under a Deferred Compensation Plan (the Deferred Plan), these members of the Board of Trustees may elect to defer payment of up to 100% of their compensation. Deferred amounts are treated as though equivalent dollar amounts had been invested in shares of certain funds managed by the Investment Manager. The Fund's liability for these amounts is adjusted for market value changes and remains in the Fund until distributed in accordance with the Deferred Plan. All amounts payable under the Deferred Plan constitute a general unsecured obligation of the Fund. The expense for the Deferred Plan, which includes Trustees' fees deferred during the current period as well as any gains or losses on the Trustees' deferred compensation balances as a result of market fluctuations, is included in "Compensation of board members" on the Statement of Operations.

#### Compensation of Chief Compliance Officer

The Board of Trustees has appointed a Chief Compliance Officer for the Fund in accordance with federal securities regulations. As disclosed in the Statement of Operations, a portion of the Chief Compliance Officer's total compensation is allocated to the Fund, along with other allocations to affiliated registered investment companies managed by the Investment Manager and its affiliates, based on relative net assets.

#### Transfer agency fees

Under a Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent Agreement, Columbia Management Investment Services Corp. (the Transfer Agent), an affiliate of the Investment Manager and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, is responsible for providing transfer agency services to the Fund. The Transfer Agent has contracted with DST Asset Manager Solutions, Inc. (DST) to serve as sub-transfer agent. The Transfer Agent pays the fees of DST for services as sub-transfer agent and DST is not entitled to reimbursement for such fees from the Fund (with the exception of out-of-pocket fees).

The Fund pays the Transfer Agent a monthly transfer agency fee based on the number or the average value of accounts, depending on the type of account. In addition, the Fund pays the Transfer Agent a fee for shareholder services based on the number of accounts or on a percentage of the average aggregate value of the Fund's shares maintained in omnibus accounts up to the lesser of the amount charged by the financial intermediary or a cap established by the Board of Trustees from time to time.

The Transfer Agent also receives compensation from the Fund for various shareholder services and reimbursements for certain out-of-pocket fees. Total transfer agency fees for Institutional 2 Class and Institutional 3 Class shares are subject to an annual limitation of not more than 0.07% and 0.02%, respectively, of the average daily net assets attributable to each share class. In addition, effective January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021, Institutional 2 Class shares were subject to a contractual transfer agency fee annual limitation of not more than 0.05% and Institutional 3 Class shares were subject to a contractual transfer agency fee annual limitation of not more than 0.00% of the average daily net assets attributable to each share class.

For the year ended August 31, 2021, the Fund's effective transfer agency fee rates as a percentage of average daily net assets of each class were as follows:

	Effective rate (%)
Class A	0.16
Advisor Class	0.16
Class C	0.16
Institutional Class	0.16
Institutional 2 Class	0.05
Institutional 3 Class	0.00
Class R	0.16

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An annual minimum account balance fee of \$20 may apply to certain accounts with a value below the applicable share class's initial minimum investment requirements to reduce the impact of small accounts on transfer agency fees. These minimum account balance fees are remitted to the Fund and recorded as part of expense reductions in the Statement of Operations. For the year ended August 31, 2021, these minimum account balance fees reduced total expenses of the Fund by \$1,080.

#### Distribution and service fees

The Fund has entered into an agreement with Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. (the Distributor), an affiliate of the Investment Manager and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, for distribution and shareholder services. The Board of Trustees has approved, and the Fund has adopted, distribution and shareholder service plans (the Plans) applicable to certain share classes, which set the distribution and service fees for the Fund. These fees are calculated daily and are intended to compensate the Distributor and/or eligible selling and/or servicing agents for selling shares of the Fund and providing services to investors.

Under the Plans, the Fund pays a monthly service fee to the Distributor at the maximum annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets attributable to Class A and Class C shares of the Fund. Also under the Plans, the Fund pays a monthly distribution fee to the Distributor at the maximum annual rates of 0.75% and 0.50% of the average daily net assets attributable to Class C and Class R shares of the Fund, respectively.

#### Sales charges (unaudited)

Sales charges, including front-end charges and contingent deferred sales charges (CDSCs), received by the Distributor for distributing Fund shares for the year ended August 31, 2021, if any, are listed below:

	Front End (%)	CDSC (%)	Amount (\$)
Class A	5.75	0.50 - 1.00 <sup>(a)</sup>	366,045
Class C	_	1.00 <sup>(b)</sup>	1,667

<sup>(</sup>a) This charge is imposed on certain investments of between \$1 million and \$50 million redeemed within 18 months after purchase, as follows: 1.00% if redeemed within 12 months after purchase, and 0.50% if redeemed more than 12, but less than 18, months after purchase, with certain limited exceptions.

The Fund's other share classes are not subject to sales charges.

#### Expenses waived/reimbursed by the Investment Manager and its affiliates

The Investment Manager and certain of its affiliates have contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses (excluding certain fees and expenses described below) for the period(s) disclosed below, unless sooner terminated at the sole discretion of the Board of Trustees, so that the Fund's net operating expenses, after giving effect to fees waived/expenses reimbursed and any balance credits and/or overdraft charges from the Fund's custodian, do not exceed the following annual rate(s) as a percentage of the class' average daily net assets:

	March 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022	January 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021	Prior to January 1, 2021
Class A	1.47%	1.53%	1.54%
Advisor Class	1.22	1.28	1.29
Class C	2.22	2.28	2.29
Institutional Class	1.22	1.28	1.29
Institutional 2 Class	1.11	1.16	1.15
Institutional 3 Class	1.07	1.11	1.10
Class R	1.72	1.78	1.79

Under the agreement governing these fee waivers and/or expense reimbursement arrangements, the following fees and expenses are excluded from the waiver/reimbursement commitment, and therefore will be paid by the Fund, if applicable: taxes (including foreign transaction taxes), expenses associated with investments in affiliated and non-affiliated pooled investment vehicles (including mutual funds and exchange-traded funds), transaction costs and brokerage

<sup>(</sup>b) This charge applies to redemptions within 12 months after purchase, with certain limited exceptions.

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commissions, costs related to any securities lending program, dividend expenses associated with securities sold short, inverse floater program fees and expenses, transaction charges and interest on borrowed money, interest, costs associated with certain shareholder meetings, infrequent and/or unusual expenses and any other expenses the exclusion of which is specifically approved by the Board of Trustees. This agreement may be modified or amended only with approval from the Investment Manager, certain of its affiliates and the Fund. Reflected in the contractual cap commitment, effective January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021, is the Transfer Agent's contractual agreement to limit total transfer agency fees to an annual rate of not more than 0.05% for Institutional 2 Class and 0.00% for Institutional 3 Class of the average daily net assets attributable to each share class. Any fees waived and/or expenses reimbursed under the expense reimbursement arrangements described above are not recoverable by the Investment Manager or its affiliates in future periods.

#### Note 4. Federal tax information

The timing and character of income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP because of temporary or permanent book to tax differences.

At August 31, 2021, these differences were primarily due to differing treatment for deferral/reversal of wash sale losses, trustees' deferred compensation, post-October capital losses, late-year ordinary losses, distribution reclassifications, foreign capital gains tax, foreign currency transactions and passive foreign investment company (PFIC) holdings. To the extent these differences were permanent, reclassifications were made among the components of the Fund's net assets. Temporary differences do not require reclassifications.

The following reclassifications were made:

Excess of distributions	Accumulated	
over net investment	net realized	Paid in
income (\$)	(loss) (\$)	capital (\$)
2,708,036	(558,931)	(2,149,105)

Net investment income (loss) and net realized gains (losses), as disclosed in the Statement of Operations, and net assets were not affected by this reclassification.

The tax character of distributions paid during the years indicated was as follows:

	Year Ended August 31, 2021			Year Ended August 31, 2020	
Ordinary income (\$)	Long-term capital gains (\$)	Total (\$)	Ordinary income (\$)	Long-term capital gains (\$)	Total (\$)
20,026,532	855,441	20,881,973	5,506,277	_	5,506,277

Short-term capital gain distributions, if any, are considered ordinary income distributions for tax purposes.

At August 31, 2021, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income (\$)	Undistributed long-term capital gains (\$)	Capital loss carryforwards (\$)	Net unrealized appreciation (\$)
-	-	-	1,008,467,209

At August 31, 2021, the cost of all investments for federal income tax purposes along with the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation based on that cost was:

Federal tax cost (\$)	Gross unrealized appreciation (\$)	Gross unrealized (depreciation) (\$)	Net unrealized appreciation (\$)
1,360,980,648	1,051,454,613	(42,987,404)	1,008,467,209

Tax cost of investments and unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) may also include timing differences that do not constitute adjustments to tax basis.

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The following capital loss carryforwards, determined at August 31, 2021, may be available to reduce future net realized gains on investments, if any, to the extent permitted by the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, for the year ended August 31, 2021, capital loss carryforwards utilized, if any, were as follows:

No expiration short-term (\$)	No expiration long-term (\$)	Total (\$)	Utilized (\$)
_	_	_	38,898,952

Under current tax rules, regulated investment companies can elect to treat certain late-year ordinary losses incurred and post-October capital losses (capital losses realized after October 31) as arising on the first day of the following taxable year. As of August 31, 2021, the Fund will elect to treat the following late-year ordinary losses and post-October capital losses as arising on September 1, 2021.

Post-October capital losses (\$)	Late year ordinary losses (\$)
77,962	2,842,338

Management of the Fund has concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions in the Fund that would require recognition in the financial statements. However, management's conclusion may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based on factors including, but not limited to, new tax laws, regulations, and administrative interpretations (including relevant court decisions). Generally, the Fund's federal tax returns for the prior three fiscal years remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

#### Note 5. Portfolio information

The cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of securities, excluding short-term investments and derivatives, if any, aggregated to \$747,784,881 and \$316,669,757, respectively, for the year ended August 31, 2021. The amount of purchase and sale activity impacts the portfolio turnover rate reported in the Financial Highlights.

#### Note 6. Affiliated money market fund

The Fund invests in Columbia Short-Term Cash Fund, an affiliated money market fund established for the exclusive use by the Fund and other affiliated funds (the Affiliated MMF). The income earned by the Fund from such investments is included as Dividends - affiliated issuers in the Statement of Operations. As an investing fund, the Fund indirectly bears its proportionate share of the expenses of the Affiliated MMF. The Affiliated MMF prices its shares with a floating net asset value. In addition, the Board of Trustees of the Affiliated MMF may impose a fee on redemptions (sometimes referred to as a liquidity fee) or temporarily suspend redemptions (sometimes referred to as imposing a redemption gate) in the event its liquidity falls below regulatory limits.

#### Note 7. Interfund lending

Pursuant to an exemptive order granted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Fund participates in a program (the Interfund Program) allowing each participating Columbia Fund (each, a Participating Fund) to lend money directly to and, except for closed-end funds and money market funds, borrow money directly from other Participating Funds for temporary purposes. The amounts eligible for borrowing and lending under the Interfund Program are subject to certain restrictions.

Interfund loans are subject to the risk that the borrowing fund could be unable to repay the loan when due, and a delay in repayment to the lending fund could result in lost opportunities and/or additional lending costs. The exemptive order is subject to conditions intended to mitigate conflicts of interest arising from the Investment Manager's relationship with each Participating Fund.

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The Fund's activity in the Interfund Program during the year ended August 31, 2021 was as follows:

Borrower or lender	Average loan balance (\$)	Weighted average interest rate (%)	Number of days with outstanding loans
Borrower	7,100,000	0.74	3
Lender	6,987,500	0.70	8

Interest income earned and interest expense incurred by the Fund is recorded as Interfund lending in the Statement of Operations. The Fund had no outstanding interfund loans at August 31, 2021.

#### Note 8. Line of credit

The Fund has access to a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks led by Citibank, N.A., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. whereby the Fund may borrow for the temporary funding of shareholder redemptions or for other temporary or emergency purposes. Pursuant to a December 1, 2020 amendment, the credit facility, which is a collective agreement between the Fund and certain other funds managed by the Investment Manager or an affiliated investment manager, severally and not jointly, permits collective borrowings up to \$950 million. Interest is currently charged to each participating fund based on its borrowings at a rate equal to the higher of (i) the federal funds effective rate, (ii) the one-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) rate and (iii) the overnight bank funding rate, plus in each case, 1.25%. Each borrowing under the credit facility matures no later than 60 days after the date of borrowing. Most LIBOR settings will no longer be published after December 31, 2021, and a majority of U.S. dollar LIBOR settings will cease publication after June 30, 2023. The Fund also pays a commitment fee equal to its pro rata share of the unused amount of the credit facility at a rate of 0.15% per annum. The commitment fee is included in other expenses in the Statement of Operations. This agreement expires annually in December unless extended or renewed. Prior to the December 1, 2020 amendment, the Fund had access to a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks led by Citibank, N.A., HSBC Bank USA, N.A. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. which permitted collective borrowings up to \$1 billion. Interest was charged to each participating fund based on its borrowings at a rate equal to the higher of (i) the federal funds effective rate, (ii) the one-month LIBOR rate and (iii) the overnight bank funding rate, plus in each case, 1.00%.

The Fund had no borrowings during the year ended August 31, 2021.

#### Note 9. Significant risks

#### Consumer discretionary sector risk

The Fund is more susceptible to the particular risks that may affect companies in the consumer discretionary sector than if it were invested in a wider variety of companies in unrelated sectors. Companies in the consumer discretionary sector are subject to certain risks, including fluctuations in the performance of the overall domestic and international economy, interest rate changes, increased competition and consumer confidence. Performance of such companies may be affected by factors including reduced disposable household income, reduced consumer spending, changing demographics and consumer tastes.

#### Foreign securities and emerging market countries risk

Investing in foreign securities may involve certain risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. securities, such as increased currency volatility and risks associated with political, regulatory, economic, social, diplomatic and other conditions or events occurring in the country or region, which may result in significant market volatility. In addition, certain foreign securities may not be as liquid as U.S. securities. Investing in emerging markets may increase these risks and expose the Fund to elevated risks associated with increased inflation, deflation or currency devaluation. To the extent that the Fund concentrates its investment exposure to any one or a few specific countries, the Fund will be particularly susceptible to the risks associated with the conditions, events or other factors impacting those countries or regions and may, therefore, have a greater risk than that of a fund that is more geographically diversified.

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#### Geographic focus risk

The Fund may be particularly susceptible to economic, political, regulatory or other events or conditions affecting issuers and countries within the specific geographic regions in which the Fund invests. The Fund's NAV may be more volatile than the NAV of a more geographically diversified fund.

Asia Pacific Region. The Fund is particularly susceptible to economic, political, regulatory or other events or conditions affecting issuers and countries in the Asia Pacific region. Many of the countries in the region are considered underdeveloped or developing, including from a political, economic and/or social perspective, and may have relatively unstable governments and economies based on limited business, industries and/or natural resources or commodities. Events in any one country within the region may impact other countries in the region or the region as a whole. As a result, events in the region will generally have a greater effect on the Fund than if the Fund were more geographically diversified. This could result in increased volatility in the value of the Fund's investments and losses for the Fund. Also, securities of some companies in the region can be less liquid than U.S. or other foreign securities, potentially making it difficult for the Fund to sell such securities at a desirable time and price.

Greater China. The Fund is particularly susceptible to economic, political, regulatory or other events or conditions affecting issuers in the Greater China region. The region consists of Hong Kong, The People's Republic of China and Taiwan, among other countries, and the Fund's investments in the region are particularly susceptible to risks in that region. The Hong Kong, Taiwanese, and Chinese economies are dependent on the economies of other countries and can be significantly affected by currency fluctuations and increasing competition from other emerging economies in Asia with lower costs. Adverse events in any one country within the region may impact the other countries in the region or Asia as a whole. As a result, adverse events in the region will generally have a greater effect on the Fund than if the Fund were more geographically diversified, which could result in greater volatility in the Fund's NAV and losses. Markets in the Greater China region can experience significant volatility due to social, economic, regulatory and political uncertainties. The public health crises caused by the COVID-19 outbreak have exacerbated political and diplomatic tensions between the United States and China, which could adversely affect international trade and the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Changes in Chinese government policy and economic growth rates could significantly affect local markets and the entire Greater China region. China has yet to develop comprehensive securities, corporate, or commercial laws, its market is relatively new and less developed, and its economy is experiencing a relative slowdown. Export growth continues to be a major driver of China's economic growth. As a result, a reduction in spending on Chinese products and services, the institution of additional tariffs or other trade barriers, including as a result of heightened trade tensions between China and the United States, or a downturn in any of the economies of China's key trading partners may have an adverse impact on the Chinese economy.

#### Information technology sector risk

The Fund is more susceptible to the particular risks that may affect companies in the information technology sector than if it were invested in a wider variety of companies in unrelated sectors. Companies in the information technology sector are subject to certain risks, including the risk that new services, equipment or technologies will not be accepted by consumers and businesses or will become rapidly obsolete. Performance of such companies may be affected by factors including obtaining and protecting patents (or the failure to do so) and significant competitive pressures, including aggressive pricing of their products or services, new market entrants, competition for market share and short product cycles due to an accelerated rate of technological developments. Such competitive pressures may lead to limited earnings and/or falling profit margins. As a result, the value of their securities may fall or fail to rise. In addition, many information technology sector companies have limited operating histories and prices of these companies' securities historically have been more volatile than other securities, especially over the short term. Some companies in the information technology sector are facing increased government and regulatory scrutiny and may be subject to adverse government or regulatory action, which could negatively impact the value of their securities.

#### Market and environment risk

The Fund may incur losses due to declines in the value of one or more securities in which it invests. These declines may be due to factors affecting a particular issuer, or the result of, among other things, political, regulatory, market, economic or social developments affecting the relevant market(s) more generally. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the

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Fund, including causing difficulty in assigning prices to hard-to-value assets in thinly traded and closed markets, significant redemptions and operational challenges. Global economies and financial markets are increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies worldwide. As a result, local, regional or global events such as terrorism, war, natural disasters, disease/virus outbreaks and epidemics or other public health issues, recessions, depressions or other events – or the potential for such events – could have a significant negative impact on global economic and market conditions.

The Fund's performance may also be significantly negatively impacted by the economic impact of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in, and may continue to result in, significant global economic and societal disruption and market volatility due to disruptions in market access, resource availability, facilities operations, imposition of tariffs, export controls and supply chain disruption, among others. Such disruptions may be caused, or exacerbated by, quarantines and travel restrictions, workforce displacement and loss in human and other resources. The uncertainty surrounding the magnitude, duration, reach, costs and effects of the global pandemic, as well as actions that have been or could be taken by governmental authorities or other third parties, present unknowns that are yet to unfold. The impacts, as well as the uncertainty over impacts to come, of COVID-19 – and any other infectious illness outbreaks, epidemics and pandemics that may arise in the future – could negatively affect global economies and markets in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen. In addition, the impact of infectious illness outbreaks and epidemics in emerging market countries may be greater due to generally less established healthcare systems, governments and financial markets. Public health crises caused by the COVID-19 outbreak may exacerbate other pre-existing political, social and economic risks in certain countries or globally. The disruptions caused by COVID-19 could prevent the Fund from executing advantageous investment decisions in a timely manner and negatively impact the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objectives. Any such event(s) could have a significant adverse impact on the value and risk profile of the Fund.

#### Shareholder concentration risk

At August 31, 2021, two unaffiliated shareholders of record owned 38.7% of the outstanding shares of the Fund in one or more accounts. The Fund has no knowledge about whether any portion of those shares was owned beneficially. Affiliated shareholders of record owned 27.3% of the outstanding shares of the Fund in one or more accounts. Subscription and redemption activity by concentrated accounts may have a significant effect on the operations of the Fund. In the case of a large redemption, the Fund may be forced to sell investments at inopportune times, including its liquid positions, which may result in Fund losses and the Fund holding a higher percentage of less liquid positions. Large redemptions could result in decreased economies of scale and increased operating expenses for non-redeeming Fund shareholders.

#### Note 10. Subsequent events

Management has evaluated the events and transactions that have occurred through the date the financial statements were issued and noted no items requiring adjustment of the financial statements or additional disclosure.

#### Note 11. Information regarding pending and settled legal proceedings

Ameriprise Financial and certain of its affiliates have historically been involved in a number of legal, arbitration and regulatory proceedings, including routine litigation, class actions, and governmental actions, concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of their business activities. Ameriprise Financial believes that the Fund is not currently the subject of, and that neither Ameriprise Financial nor any of its affiliates are the subject of, any pending legal, arbitration or regulatory proceedings that are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Fund or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Fund. Ameriprise Financial is required to make quarterly (10-Q), annual (10-K) and, as necessary, 8-K filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on legal and regulatory matters that relate to Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates. Copies of these filings may be obtained by accessing the SEC website at www.sec.gov.

There can be no assurance that these matters, or the adverse publicity associated with them, will not result in increased Fund redemptions, reduced sale of Fund shares or other adverse consequences to the Fund. Further, although we believe proceedings are not likely to have a material adverse effect on the Fund or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Fund, these proceedings are subject to uncertainties and, as such, we are unable to

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estimate the possible loss or range of loss that may result. An adverse outcome in one or more of these proceedings could result in adverse judgments, settlements, fines, penalties or other relief that could have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of Ameriprise Financial or one or more of its affiliates that provides services to the Fund.

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Trustees of Columbia Funds Series Trust I and Shareholders of Columbia Emerging Markets Fund

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the portfolio of investments, of Columbia Emerging Markets Fund (one of the funds constituting Columbia Funds Series Trust I, referred to hereafter as the "Fund") as of August 31, 2021, the related statement of operations for the year ended August 31, 2021, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended August 31, 2021, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended August 31, 2021 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of August 31, 2021, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended August 31, 2021 and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended August 31, 2021 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of August 31, 2021 by correspondence with the custodian and transfer agent. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Minneapolis, Minnesota October 22, 2021

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies within the Columbia Funds Complex since 1977.

### FEDERAL INCOME TAX INFORMATION

(Unaudited)

The Fund hereby designates the following tax attributes for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2021. Shareholders will be notified in early 2022 of the amounts for use in preparing 2021 income tax returns.

			Foreign		
		Foreign	taxes paid		Foreign
Qualified	Capital	taxes paid	per share	Foreign	source
dividend	gain	to foreign	to foreign	source	income per
income	dividend	countries	countries	income	share
54.02%	\$898,213	\$3,666,391	\$0.03	\$23,337,632	\$0.19

Qualified dividend income. For taxable, non-corporate shareholders, the percentage of ordinary income distributed during the fiscal year that represents qualified dividend income subject to reduced tax rates.

Capital gain dividend. The Fund designates as a capital gain dividend the amount reflected above, or if subsequently determined to be different, the net capital gain of such fiscal period.

Foreign taxes. The Fund makes the election to pass through to shareholders the foreign taxes paid. Eligible shareholders may claim a foreign tax credit. These taxes, and the corresponding foreign source income, are provided.

### TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

The Board oversees the Fund's operations and appoints officers who are responsible for day-to-day business decisions based on policies set by the Board. The following table provides basic biographical information about the Fund's Trustees as of the printing of this report, including their principal occupations during the past five years, although specific titles for individuals may have varied over the period. The year set forth beneath Length of Service in the table below is the year in which the Trustee was first appointed or elected as Trustee to any Fund currently in the Columbia Funds Complex or a predecessor thereof. Under current Board policy, each Trustee generally serves until December 31 of the year such Trustee turns seventy-five (75).

#### Independent trustees

Name, address, year of birth	Position held with the Columbia Funds and length of service	Principal occupation(s) during past five years and other relevant professional experience	Number of Funds in the Columbia Funds Complex* overseen	Other directorships held by Trustee during the past five years
George S. Batejan c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1953	Trustee since 2017	Executive Vice President, Global Head of Technology and Operations, Janus Capital Group, Inc., 2010-2016	171	Former Chairman of the Board, NICSA (National Investment Company Services Association) (Executive Committee, Nominating Committee and Governance Committee), 2014-2016; former Director, Intech Investment Management, 2011-2016; former Board Member, Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce, 2015-2016; former Advisory Board Member, University of Colorado Business School, 2015-2018

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Kathleen Blatz c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1954	Trustee since 2006	Attorney; specializing in arbitration and mediation; Chief Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court, 1998-2006; Associate Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court, 1996-1998; Fourth Judicial District Court Judge, Hennepin County, 1994-1996; Attorney in private practice and public service, 1984-1993; State Representative, Minnesota House of Representatives, 1979-1993, which included service on the Tax and Financial Institutions and Insurance Committees; Member and Interim Chair, Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority, January 2017-July 2017; Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota (health care insurance), February-July 2018	171	Trustee, BlueCross BlueShield of Minnesota since 2009 (Chair of the Business Development Committee - 2014-2017; Chair of the Governance Committee, 2017-2019); former Member and Chair of the Board, Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority, January 2017-July 2017; Director, Robina Foundation, 2009-2020 (Chair, 2014-2020)
Pamela G. Carlton c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1954	Trustee since 2007	President, Springboard — Partners in Cross Cultural Leadership (consulting company) since 2003; Managing Director of US Equity Research, JP Morgan Chase, 1999-2003; Director of US Equity Research, Chase Asset Management, 1996-1999; Co-Director Latin America Research, 1993-1996, COO Global Research, 1992-1996, Co-Director of US Research, 1991-1992, Investment Banker, Morgan Stanley, 1982-1991; Attorney, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, 1980-1982	171	Trustee, New York Presbyterian Hospital Board (Executive Committee and Chair of People Committee) since 1996; Director, DR Bank (Audit Committee) since 2017; Director, Evercore Inc. (Audit Committee, Nominating and Governance Committee) since 2019
Janet Langford Carrig c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1957	Trustee since 1996	Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, ConocoPhillips (independent energy company), September 2007-October 2018	169	Director, EQT Corporation (natural gas producer) since 2019; Director, Whiting Petroleum Corporation (independent oil and gas company) since 2020
J. Kevin Connaughton c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1964	Trustee since 2020(a)	Member, FINRA National Adjudicatory Council since January 2020; Adjunct Professor of Finance, Bentley University since January 2018; Managing Director and General Manager of Mutual Fund Products, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, May 2010-February 2015; President, Columbia Funds, 2008-2015; and senior officer of Columbia Funds and affiliated funds, 2003-2015	169	Director, The Autism Project since March 2015; former Member of the Investment Committee, St. Michael's College, November 2015-February 2020; former Trustee, St. Michael's College, June 2017-September 2019; former Trustee, New Century Portfolios, January 2015-December 2017
Olive M. Darragh c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1962	Trustee since 2020(a)	Managing Director of Darragh Inc. (strategy and talent management consulting firm) since 2010; Founder and CEO, Zolio, Inc. (investment management talent identification platform) since 2004; Partner, Tudor Investments, 2004-2010; Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company (consulting), 2001-2004	169	Former Director, University of Edinburgh Business School (Member of US Board); former Director, Boston Public Library Foundation

### Independent trustees (continued)

Name, address, year of birth	Position held with the Columbia Funds and length of service	Principal occupation(s) during past five years and other relevant professional experience	Number of Funds in the Columbia Funds Complex* overseen	Other directorships held by Trustee during the past five years
Patricia M. Flynn c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1950	Trustee since 2004	Trustee Professor of Economics and Management, Bentley University since 1976 (also teaches and conducts research on corporate governance); Dean, McCallum Graduate School of Business, Bentley University, 1992-2002	171	Trustee, MA Taxpayers Foundation since 1997; Board of Governors, Innovation Institute, MA Technology Collaborative, 2010-2019; Board of Directors, The MA Business Roundtable, 2003-2019
Brian J. Gallagher c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1954	Trustee since 2017	Retired; Partner with Deloitte & Touche LLP and its predecessors, 1977-2016	171	Trustee, Catholic Schools Foundation since 2004
Douglas A. Hacker c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1955	Co-Chair since 2021; Chair of CFST I and CFVIT since 2014; Trustee of CFST I and CFVIT since 1996 and CFST, CFST II, CFVST II, CET I and CET II since 2021	Independent business executive since May 2006; Executive Vice President - Strategy of United Airlines, December 2002 - May 2006; President of UAL Loyalty Services (airline marketing company), September 2001-December 2002; Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of United Airlines, July 1999-September 2001	169	Director, Spartan Nash Company (food distributor); Director, Aircastle Limited (Chair of Audit Committee) (aircraft leasing); former Director, Nash Finch Company (food distributor), 2005-2013; former Director, SeaCube Container Leasing Ltd. (container leasing), 2010-2013; and former Director, Travelport Worldwide Limited (travel information technology), 2014-2019
Nancy T. Lukitsh c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1956	Trustee since 2011	Senior Vice President, Partner and Director of Marketing, Wellington Management Company, LLP (investment adviser), 1997-2010; Chair, Wellington Management Portfolios (commingled non-U.S. investment pools), 2007-2010; Director, Wellington Trust Company, NA and other Wellington affiliates, 1997-2010	169	None
David M. Moffett c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1952	Trustee since 2011	Retired; Consultant to Bridgewater and Associates	169	Director, CSX Corporation (transportation suppliers); Director, Genworth Financial, Inc. (financial and insurance products and services); Director, PayPal Holdings Inc. (payment and data processing services); Trustee, University of Oklahoma Foundation; former Director, eBay Inc. (online trading community), 2007-2015; and former Director, CIT Bank, CIT Group Inc. (commercial and consumer finance), 2010-2016

### Independent trustees (continued)

Name, address, year of birth	Position held with the Columbia Funds and length of service	Principal occupation(s) during past five years and other relevant professional experience	Number of Funds in the Columbia Funds Complex* overseen	Other directorships held by Trustee during the past five years
Catherine James Paglia c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1952	Co-Chair since 2021; Chair of CFST, CFST II, CFVST II, CET I and CET II since 2020; Trustee of CFST, CFST II and CFVST II since 2004 and CFST I and CFVIT since 2021	Director, Enterprise Asset Management, Inc. (private real estate and asset management company) since September 1998; Managing Director and Partner, Interlaken Capital, Inc., 1989-1997; Vice President, 1982-1985, Principal, 1985-1987, Managing Director, 1987-1989, Morgan Stanley; Vice President, Investment Banking, 1980-1982, Associate, Investment Banking, Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., 1976-1980	171	Director, Valmont Industries, Inc. (irrigation systems manufacturer) since 2012; Trustee, Carleton College (on the Investment Committee); Trustee, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (on the Investment Committee)
Anthony M. Santomero c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1946	Trustee since 2008	Richard K. Mellon Professor Emeritus of Finance, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, since 2002; Senior Advisor, McKinsey & Company (consulting), 2006-2008; President, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, 2000-2006; Professor of Finance, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, 1972-2002	171	Trustee, Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company since March 2008; Director, RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. since May 2008; former Director, Citigroup Inc. and Citibank, N.A., 2009-2019; former Trustee, BofA Funds Series Trust (11 funds), 2008-2011
Minor M. Shaw c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1947	Trustee since 2003	President, Micco LLC (private investments) since 2011; President, Micco Corp. (family investment business), 1998-2011	171	Director, BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina (Chair of Compensation Committee) since April 2008; Trustee, Hollingsworth Funds (on the Investment Committee) since 2016 (previously Board Chair from 2016-2019); Former Advisory Board member, Duke Energy Corp., 2016-2020; Chair of the Duke Endowment; Chair of Greenville – Spartanburg Airport Commission; former Trustee, BofA Funds Series Trust (11 funds), 2003-2011; former Director, Piedmont Natural Gas, 2004-2016; former Director, National Association of Corporate Directors, Carolinas Chapter, 2013-2018; Chair, Daniel-Mickel Foundation

#### Independent trustees (continued)

Name, address, year of birth	Position held with the Columbia Funds and length of service	Principal occupation(s) during past five years and other relevant professional experience	Number of Funds in the Columbia Funds Complex* overseen	Other directorships held by Trustee during the past five years
Natalie A. Trunow c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1967	Trustee since 2020(a)	Chief Executive Officer, Millennial Portfolio Solutions LLC (asset management and consulting services) since January 2016; Non-executive Member of the Investment Committee, Sarona Asset Management Inc. (private equity firm) since September 2019; Advisor, Horizon Investments (asset management and consulting services) since August 2018; Advisor, Paradigm Asset Management since November 2016; Director of Investments, Casey Family Programs, April 2016-September 2016; Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer, Calvert Investments, August 2008 - January 2016; Section Head and Portfolio Manager, General Motors Asset Management, June 1997-August 2008	169	Director, Health Services for Children with Special Needs, Inc.; Director, Consumer Credit Counseling Services (formerly Guidewell Financial Solutions); Independent Director, Investment Committee, Sarona Asset Management
Sandra Yeager c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1964	Trustee since 2017	Retired; President and founder, Hanoverian Capital, LLC (SEC registered investment advisor firm), 2008-2016; Managing Director, DuPont Capital, 2006-2008; Managing Director, Morgan Stanley Investment Management, 2004-2006; Senior Vice President, Alliance Bernstein, 1990-2004	171	Director, NAPE Education Foundation, October 2016-October 2020

<sup>\*</sup> The term "Columbia Funds Complex" as used herein includes Columbia Seligman Premium Technology Growth Fund, Tri-Continental Corporation and each series of Columbia Funds Series Trust (CFST), Columbia Funds Series Trust (CFST), Columbia Funds Series Trust (I (CFST), Columbia Funds Variable Insurance Trust (CFVIT) and Columbia Funds Variable Series Trust (I (CFVST)). Messrs. Batejan, Gallagher, Petersen and Santomero and Mses. Blatz, Carlton, Flynn, Paglia, Shaw and Yeager serve as a director of Columbia Seligman Premium Technology Growth Fund and Tri-Continental Corporation.

#### Interested trustee affiliated with Investment Manager\*

Name, address, year of birth	Position held with the Columbia Funds and length of service	Principal occupation(s) during the past five years and other relevant professional experience	Number of Funds in the Columbia Funds Complex overseen	Other directorships held by Trustee during the past five years
Christopher O. Petersen c/o Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC 5228 Ameriprise Financial Center Minneapolis, MN 55474 1970	Trustee since 2020(a)	Senior Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, Ameriprise Financial, Inc. since September 2021 (previously Vice President and Lead Chief Counsel, January 2015-September 2021); President and Principal Executive Officer of Columbia Funds, 2015-2021; officer of Columbia Funds and affiliated funds since 2007	171	None

<sup>\*</sup> Interested person (as defined under the 1940 Act) by reason of being an officer, director, security holder and/or employee of the Investment Manager or Ameriprise Financial.

The Statement of Additional Information has additional information about the Fund's Board members and is available, without charge, upon request by calling 800.345.6611, visiting columbiathreadneedleus.com/investor/ or contacting your financial intermediary.

<sup>(</sup>a) J. Kevin Connaughton was appointed a consultant to the Independent Trustees of CFST I and CFVIT effective March 1, 2016. Natalie A. Trunow was appointed a consultant to the Independent Trustees of CFST I and CFVIT effective September 1, 2016. Olive M. Darragh was appointed a consultant to the Independent Trustees of CFST I and CFVIT effective June 10, 2019. Shareholders of the Funds elected Mr. Connaughton and Mses. Darragh and Trunow as Trustees of CFST, CFST I, CFST II, CET II, and CFVST II, effective January 1, 2021, and of CFVIT, effective July 1, 2020.

<sup>(</sup>a) Mr. Petersen serves as the Senior Vice President and Assistant Secretary of the Columbia Funds (since 2021).

The Board has appointed officers who are responsible for day-to-day business decisions based on policies it has established. The officers serve at the pleasure of the Board. The following table provides basic information about the Officers of the Fund as of the printing of this report, including principal occupations during the past five years, although their specific titles may have varied over the period. In addition to Mr. Petersen, who is Senior Vice President and Assistant Secretary, the Fund's other officers are:

#### **Fund officers**

Name, address and year of birth	Position and year first appointed to position for any Fund in the Columbia Funds Complex or a predecessor thereof	Principal occupation(s) during past five years
Daniel J. Beckman 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1962	President and Principal Executive Officer (2021)	Vice President - Head of North America Product, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (since April 2015); officer of Columbia Funds and affiliated funds since 2020.
Michael G. Clarke 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1969	Chief Financial Officer and Principal Financial Officer (2009) and Senior Vice President (2019)	Vice President, Head of North American Operations, and Co-Head of Global Operations, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, since June 2019 (previously Vice President - Accounting and Tax, May 2010 - May 2019); senior officer of Columbia Funds and affiliated funds since 2002.
Joseph Beranek 5890 Ameriprise Financial Center Minneapolis, MN 55474 1965	Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) (2019) and Principal Financial Officer (2020), CFST, CFST I, CFST II, CFVIT and CFVST II; Assistant Treasurer, CET I and CET II	Vice President - Mutual Fund Accounting and Financial Reporting, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, since December 2018 and March 2017, respectively (previously Vice President - Pricing and Corporate Actions, May 2010 - March 2017).
Marybeth Pilat 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1968	Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) and Principal Financial Officer (2020) for CET I and CET II; Assistant Treasurer, CFST, CFST I, CFST II, CFVIT and CFVST II	Vice President - Product Pricing and Administration, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, since May 2017; Director - Fund Administration, Calvert Investments, August 2015 - March 2017; Vice President - Fund Administration, Legg Mason, May 2015 - July 2015; Vice President - Fund Administration, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, May 2010 - April 2015.
William F. Truscott 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1960	Senior Vice President (2001)	Formerly, Trustee of Columbia Funds Complex until January 1, 2021; Chief Executive Officer, Global Asset Management, Ameriprise Financial, Inc. since September 2012; Chairman of the Board and President, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC since July 2004 and February 2012, respectively; Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. since November 2008 and February 2012, respectively; Chairman of the Board and Director, Threadneedle Asset Management Holdings, Sàrl since March 2013 and December 2008, respectively; senior executive of various entities affiliated with Columbia Threadneedle.
Thomas P. McGuire 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1972	Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer (2012)	Vice President – Asset Management Compliance, Ameriprise Financial, Inc., since May 2010; Chief Compliance Officer, Columbia Acorn/Wanger Funds since December 2015; Chief Compliance Officer, Ameriprise Certificate Company September 2010 – September 2020.
Colin Moore 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1958	Senior Vice President (2010)	Executive Vice President and Global Chief Investment Officer, Ameriprise Financial, Inc., since July 2013; Executive Vice President and Global Chief Investment Officer, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC since July 2013.
Ryan C. Larrenaga 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1970	Senior Vice President (2017), Chief Legal Officer (2017), and Secretary (2015)	Vice President and Chief Counsel, Ameriprise Financial, Inc. since August 2018 (previously Vice President and Group Counsel, August 2011 - August 2018); Chief Legal Officer, Columbia Acorn/Wanger Funds, since September 2020; officer of Columbia Funds and affiliated funds since 2005.

#### Fund officers (continued)

Name, address and year of birth	Position and year first appointed to position for any Fund in the Columbia Funds Complex or a predecessor thereof	Principal occupation(s) during past five years
Michael E. DeFao 290 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210 1968	Vice President (2011) and Assistant Secretary (2010)	Vice President and Chief Counsel, Ameriprise Financial, Inc. since May 2010; Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Assistant Secretary, Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC since October 2021 (previously Vice President and Assistant Secretary, May 2010 – September 2021).
Lyn Kephart-Strong 5228 Ameriprise Financial Center Minneapolis, MN 55474 1960	Vice President (2015)	President, Columbia Management Investment Services Corp. since October 2014; Vice President & Resolution Officer, Ameriprise Trust Company since August 2009.

# LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Pursuant to Rule 22e-4 under the 1940 Act, the Fund has adopted a liquidity risk management program (Program). The Program's principal objectives include assessing, managing and periodically reviewing the Fund's liquidity risk. Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Fund could not meet redemption requests without significant dilution of remaining investors' interests in the Fund.

The Board has appointed the Investment Manager as the program administrator for the Fund's Program. The Investment Manager has delegated oversight of the Program to its Liquidity Risk Management Committee (the Committee). At a board meeting during the fiscal period, the Committee provided the Board with a report addressing the operations of the program and assessing its adequacy and effectiveness of implementation for the period January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, including:

- the Fund had sufficient liquidity to both meet redemptions and operate effectively on behalf of shareholders;
- there were no material changes to the Program during the period;
- the implementation of the Program was effective to manage the Fund's liquidity risk; and
- the Program operated adequately during the period.

There can be no assurance that the Program will achieve its objectives in the future. Please refer to the Fund's prospectus for more information regarding the Fund's exposure to liquidity risk and other principal risks to which an investment in the Fund may be subject.

### APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC (the Investment Manager, and together with its domestic and global affiliates, Columbia Threadneedle Investments), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. (Ameriprise Financial), serves as the investment manager to Columbia Emerging Markets Fund (the Fund). Under a management agreement (the Management Agreement), the Investment Manager provides investment advice and other services to the Fund and other funds distributed by Columbia Management Investment Distributors, Inc. (collectively, the Funds).

### APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (continued)

On an annual basis, the Fund's Board of Trustees (the Board), including the independent Board members (the Independent Trustees), considers renewal of the Management Agreement. The Investment Manager prepared detailed reports for the Board and its Contracts Committee in November and December 2020 and March, April and June 2021, including reports providing the results of analyses performed by an independent third-party data provider, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (Broadridge), and a comprehensive response to requests for information by independent legal counsels to the Independent Trustees (Independent Legal Counsel) in a letter to the Investment Manager, to assist the Board in making this determination. In addition, throughout the year, the Board (or its committees) regularly meets with portfolio management teams and senior management personnel and reviews information prepared by the Investment Manager addressing the services the Investment Manager provides and Fund performance. The Board also accords appropriate weight to the work, deliberations and conclusions of the various committees, such as the Contracts Committee, the Investment Oversight Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compliance Committee in determining whether to continue the Management Agreement.

The Board, at its June 15, 2021 Board meeting (the June Meeting), considered the renewal of the Management Agreement for an additional one-year term. At the June Meeting, Independent Legal Counsel reviewed with the Independent Trustees various factors relevant to the Board's consideration of advisory agreements and the Board's legal responsibilities related to such consideration. The Independent Trustees considered all information that they, their legal counsel or the Investment Manager believed reasonably necessary to evaluate and to approve the continuation of the Management Agreement. Among other things, the information and factors considered included the following:

- Information on the investment performance of the Fund relative to the performance of a group of mutual funds determined to be comparable to the Fund by Broadridge, as well as performance relative to benchmarks;
- Information on the Fund's management fees and total expenses, including information comparing the Fund's expenses to those of a group of comparable mutual funds, as determined by Broadridge;
- The Investment Manager's agreement to contractually limit or cap total operating expenses for the Fund so that total operating expenses (excluding certain fees and expenses, such as transaction costs and certain other investment related expenses, interest, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses, and infrequent and/or unusual expenses) would not exceed a specified annual rate, as a percentage of the Fund's net assets;
- Terms of the Management Agreement;
- Descriptions of other agreements and arrangements with affiliates of the Investment Manager relating to the operations of the Fund, including agreements with respect to the provision of transfer agency and shareholder services to the Fund;
- Descriptions of various services performed by the Investment Manager under the Management Agreement, including portfolio management and portfolio trading practices;
- Information regarding any recently negotiated management fees of similarly-managed portfolios of other institutional clients of the Investment Manager;
- Information regarding the resources of the Investment Manager, including information regarding senior management, portfolio managers and other personnel;
- Information regarding the capabilities of the Investment Manager with respect to compliance monitoring services;
- · The profitability to the Investment Manager and its affiliates from their relationships with the Fund; and
- Report provided by the Board's independent fee consultant, JDL Consultants, LLC (JDL).

Following an analysis and discussion of the foregoing, and the factors identified below, the Board, including all of the Independent Trustees, approved the renewal of the Management Agreement.

#### Nature, extent and quality of services provided by the Investment Manager

The Board analyzed various reports and presentations it had received detailing the services performed by the Investment Manager, as well as its history, expertise, resources and relative capabilities, and the qualifications of its personnel.

### APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (continued)

The Board specifically considered the many developments during recent years concerning the services provided by the Investment Manager. Among other things, the Board noted the organization and depth of the equity and credit research departments. The Board further observed the enhancements to the investment risk management department's processes, systems and oversight, over the past several years, as well as planned 2021 initiatives in this regard. The Board also took into account the broad scope of services provided by the Investment Manager to the Fund, including, among other services, investment, risk and compliance oversight. The Board also took into account the information it received concerning the Investment Manager's ability to attract and retain key portfolio management personnel and that it has sufficient resources to provide competitive and adequate compensation to investment personnel. The Board also observed that the Investment Manager has been able to effectively manage, operate and distribute the Funds through the COVID-19 pandemic period with no disruptions in services provided.

In connection with the Board's evaluation of the overall package of services provided by the Investment Manager, the Board also considered the nature, quality and range of administrative services provided to the Fund by the Investment Manager, as well as the achievements in 2020 in the performance of administrative services, and noted the various enhancements anticipated for 2021. In evaluating the quality of services provided under the Management Agreement, the Board also took into account the organization and strength of the Fund's and its service providers' compliance programs. The Board also reviewed the financial condition of the Investment Manager and its affiliates and each entity's ability to carry out its responsibilities under the Management Agreement and the Fund's other service agreements.

In addition, the Board discussed the acceptability of the terms of the Management Agreement, noting that no changes are proposed from the form of agreement previously approved. The Board also noted the wide array of legal and compliance services provided to the Funds under the Fund Management Agreements.

After reviewing these and related factors (including investment performance as discussed below), the Board concluded, within the context of their overall conclusions, that the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to the Fund under the Management Agreement supported the continuation of the Management Agreement.

#### Investment performance

In this connection, the Board carefully reviewed the investment performance of the Fund, including detailed reports providing the results of analyses performed by each of the Investment Manager, Broadridge and JDL collectively showing, for various periods (including since manager inception): (i) the performance of the Fund, (ii) the performance of a benchmark index, (iii) the percentage ranking of the Fund among its comparison group, (iv) the Fund's performance relative to peers and benchmarks and (v) the net assets of the Fund. The Board observed that the Fund's performance for certain periods ranked above median based on information provided by Broadridge. The Board also reviewed a description of the third-party data provider's methodology for identifying the Fund's peer groups for purposes of performance and expense comparisons.

The Board also considered the Investment Manager's performance and reputation generally. After reviewing these and related factors, the Board concluded, within the context of their overall conclusions, that the performance of the Fund and the Investment Manager, in light of other considerations, supported the continuation of the Management Agreement.

# Comparative fees, costs of services provided and the profits realized by the Investment Manager and its affiliates from their relationships with the Fund

The Board reviewed comparative fees and the costs of services provided under the Management Agreement. The Board members considered detailed comparative information set forth in an annual report on fees and expenses, including, among other things, data (based on analyses conducted by Broadridge and JDL) showing a comparison of the Fund's expenses with median expenses paid by funds in its comparative peer universe, as well as data showing the Fund's contribution to the Investment Manager's profitability.

The Board considered the reports of JDL, which assisted in the Board's analysis of the Funds' performance and expenses and the reasonableness of the Funds' fee rates. The Board accorded particular weight to the notion that a primary objective of the level of fees is to achieve a rational pricing model applied consistently across the various product lines in the Fund family, while assuring that the overall fees for each Fund (with certain exceptions) are generally in line with the current

### APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (continued)

"pricing philosophy" such that Fund total expense ratios, in general, approximate or are lower than the median expense ratios of funds in the same Lipper comparison universe. The Board took into account that the Fund's total expense ratio (after considering proposed expense caps/waivers) was slightly below the peer universe's median expense ratio shown in the reports.

After reviewing these and related factors, the Board concluded, within the context of their overall conclusions, that the levels of management fees and expenses of the Fund, in light of other considerations, supported the continuation of the Management Agreement.

The Board also considered the profitability of the Investment Manager and its affiliates in connection with the Investment Manager providing management services to the Fund. With respect to the profitability of the Investment Manager and its affiliates, the Independent Trustees referred to information discussing the profitability to the Investment Manager and Ameriprise Financial from managing, operating and distributing the Funds. The Board considered that in 2020 the Board had considered 2019 profitability and that the 2021 information showed that the profitability generated by the Investment Manager in 2020 increased slightly from 2019 levels. It also took into account the indirect economic benefits flowing to the Investment Manager or its affiliates in connection with managing or distributing the Funds, such as the enhanced ability to offer various other financial products to Ameriprise Financial customers, soft dollar benefits and overall reputational advantages. The Board noted that the fees paid by the Fund should permit the Investment Manager to offer competitive compensation to its personnel, make necessary investments in its business and earn an appropriate profit. After reviewing these and related factors, the Board concluded, within the context of their overall conclusions, that the costs of services provided and the profitability to the Investment Manager and its affiliates from their relationships with the Fund supported the continuation of the Management Agreement.

#### **Economies of scale**

The Board considered the potential existence of economies of scale in the provision by the Investment Manager of services to the Fund, to groups of related funds, and to the Investment Manager as a whole, and whether those economies of scale were shared with the Fund through breakpoints in investment management fees or other means, such as expense limitation arrangements and additional investments by the Investment Manager in investment, trading, compliance and other resources. The Board considered the economies of scale that might be realized as the Fund's net asset level grows and took note of the extent to which Fund shareholders might also benefit from such growth. In this regard, the Board took into account that management fees decline as Fund assets exceed various breakpoints, all of which have not been surpassed. The Board observed that the Management Agreement provided for breakpoints in the management fee rate schedule that allow opportunities for shareholders to realize lower fees as Fund assets grow and that there are additional opportunities through other means for sharing economies of scale with shareholders.

#### Conclusion

The Board reviewed all of the above considerations in reaching its decision to approve the continuation of the Management Agreement. In reaching its conclusions, no single factor was determinative.

On June 15, 2021, the Board, including all of the Independent Trustees, determined that fees payable under the Management Agreement were fair and reasonable in light of the extent and quality of services provided and approved the renewal of the Management Agreement.

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