## Lazard Equity Franchise Portfolio

#### Morningstar Rating¹ ★ ★ ★

(Overall Rating out of 147 Funds in the Morningstar Global Large-Stock Value Category) 3-Year Rank: 5 Stars, out of 147 Funds, 5-Year Rank: 4 Stars, out of 141 Funds

Morningstar Rating based on risk-adjusted returns as of March 31, 2023 for the Portfolio's Institutional Shares. Ratings and Performance for other share classes may vary

The Lazard Equity Franchise Portfolio is actively managed and seeks longterm, defensive returns by investing globally in a range of franchise companies. The Portfolio invests in listed companies which we consider possess a combination of predictable earnings and large competitive advantages.

	Institutional	Open	R6
Ticker	LZFIX	LZFOX	RLZFX
Benchmark	MSCI World Index		
Total Net Assets	\$179.8 Million		

#### Performance Review (%; net of fees. As of March 31, 2023)

		Annualized			
	3 M	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y	Since Inception 10/1/2017
Institutional	8.06	-2.37	24.02	8.29	8.06
Open	8.07	-2.62	23.68	8.02	7.78
Benchmark	7.73	-7.02	16.40	8.01	8.05

# Characteristics Lazard Benchmark 20 8.5 10.1 12.8 14.8 16.7 Forward P/E

		Lazard	Benchmark
Number of Securities		25	1,509
Insti	Institutional	0.94	N/A
Beta (3 Yrs)	Open	0.94	-
Charna Batia (2 Vra)	Institutional	1.18	0.83
Sharpe Ratio (3 Yrs)	Open	1.16	
Turnover – Trailing 12 Months (%)		100.6	N/A

Please see "Important Information" for definitions.

Calendar Year					
40 —				Institutional	■ Benchmark
20 —			_		
0 -	_		_		
-20 —					
-40 —					
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Institutional	-5 21	22.76	1 15	21 70	-5.10

15.90

The performance quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. An investor may obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end online at www.lazardassetmanagement.com. The investment return and principal value of the Portfolio will fluctuate; an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Returns of certain share classes reflect reimbursement of expenses as described in the prospectus. Had expenses not been reimbursed, returns would have been lower and the expense ratio would have been higher.

-8.71

27.67

#### Allocations

Benchmark

-18.14

Sector	Lazard (%)	Benchmark (%)
Health Care	24.4	13.3
Consumer Discretionary	19.2	10.8
Industrials	16.3	10.7
Information Technology	12.0	22.7
Communication Services	11.3	6.9
Utilities	7.5	3.0
Consumer Staples	2.2	7.6
Energy	-	5.0
Financials	-	13.0
Materials	-	4.4
Real Estate	-	2.5
Cash & Equivalents	7.0	-

21.82

Region	Lazard (%)	Benchmark (%)
North America	52.2	71.3
Continental Europe	27.1	14.7
United Kingdom	9.8	4.2
Japan	3.9	6.2
Middle East	-	0.2
Asia Pacific ex-Japan	-	3.4
Cash & Equivalents	7.0	-

As of 31 March 2023 Source: Lazard, FactSet, MSCI

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#### Top Ten Holdings Lazard (%) Sector Fresenius Medical 6.1 Health Care Cognizant Technology Solutions 6.1 Information Technology **IGT** 5.3 Consumer Discretionary H&R Block 5.1 Consumer Discretionary eBay 4.7 Consumer Discretionary CVS Health 4.5 Health Care Omnicom 42 Communication Services Tapestry, Inc 4.1 Consumer Discretionary National Grid 4.1 Utilities 4.1 Communication Services

For a complete list of holdings, please visit www.lazardassetmanagement.com

#### Portfolio Management Team

#### Bertrand Cliquet, CFA

Portfolio Manager/Analyst 24 years of investment experience

#### John Mulquiney, CFA

Portfolio Manager/Analyst 26 years of investment experience

#### Matthew Landy

Portfolio Manager/Analyst 28 years of investment experience

#### Warryn Robertson

Portfolio Manager/Analyst 31 years of investment experience

#### Expenses

#### Minimum Initial Investment

Institutional: \$10,000 Open: \$2,500 R6: \$1,000,000

### Total Expense Ratio

Institutional: 0.99% Open: 4 46% R6: 0.99%

#### Net Expense Ratio\*

Institutional: 0.96% Open: 1 21% R6: 0.91%

\* Reflects a contractual agreement by Lazard Asset Management LLC (the "Investment Manager") to waive its fee and, if necessary, reimburse the Portfolio until April 29, 2023, to the extent Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses exceed 0.95%, 1.20% and 0.90% of the average daily net assets of the Portfolio's Institutional, Open and R6 Shares, respectively. Excluding Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, the Total Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement are 0.95%, 1.20% and 0.90%, respectively.

#### Notes

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were invested more broadly in a number of types of companies

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