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# Managed DSIP II Managed Account

#### **BENCHMARK:** S&P 500 Index

#### TOP HOLDINGS (%)

Apple Inc.	7.80
Microsoft Corporation	6.85
JPMorgan Chase & Co	4.22
Lowe's Companies, Inc	3.80
Aflac Incorporated	3.02
Broadcom Inc.	2.96
Chubb Limited	2.79
Linde plc	2.78
Automatic Data Processing, Inc	2.76
Accenture Plc Class A	2.73

Largest company weights are based on market value of the representative account and not necessarily held in all client portfolios. The information shown is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, a recommendation to buy or sell an individual security. A list of all holdings from the prior one-year period is available upon request.

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

**Industry Start Date** 

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#### **Key distinctions**

- A focus on strong companies that are expected to deliver consistent dividend increases
- Expectation of a yield greater than that of the S&P 500, with attractive total return through price appreciation plus dividends
- Seeks to provide downside protection with lower beta compared with the S&P 500
- A diversified but high conviction portfolio of 40 to 60 stocks
- Low portfolio turnover with a tax aware process

# Investment philosophy

We believe:

- Companies that have a history of consistently increasing dividends have significant signaling qualities
  - The ability and willingness of management to return capital to shareholders
  - Company has sustainable competitive advantages
- Company is financially strong and allocates capital prudently and effectively
- Identifying strong companies and holding those businesses through full market cycles lead to investment success
- A diversified, but focused, portfolio of companies with the ability to raise dividends regularly will offer investors strong risk-adjusted returns with superior downside protection during periods of market stress

## **Supplemental information**

Annualized returns (%)								
	3 months <sup>1</sup>	YTD <sup>1</sup>	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	
Composite — Pure Gross <sup>2</sup> (incept 11-1-23)	-1.34	-1.34	5.36	_	_	_	15.58	
Composite — Net <sup>3</sup>	-2.09	-2.09	2.20	-	-	-	12.12	
S&P 500 Index	-4.27	-4.27	8.25	-	-	-	24.59	

The S&P 500 Index consists of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. It is a market-value-weighted index with each stock's weight in the index proportionate to its market value. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Portfolio characteristics		
Statistic	Portfolio	Benchmark
Dividend Yield	1.88%	1.39%
Price/Book	5.39x	4.80x
P/E (trailing 1-year)	23.42x	24.71x
Return on Equity (1-year)	28.28%	25.62%
EPS 3-5 Year est	9.10%	12.34%
Historical 5 Yr EPS Growth	14.12%	15.58%
Wtd. Avg. market cap (\$B)	669.91	906.51

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9.20
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14.68
11.18
8.47
29.63
2.02
2.27
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## Managed DSIP II Managed Account Composite Disclosure



#### GIPS® Composite Report

Period	"Pure" Gross Annual Return (%)	Net Annual Return (%)	Primary Index Return (%)		Primary Index 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)		Number of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$-mm)	Total Firm Assets (\$-mm)
2024	11.51	8.16	25.02	N/A	N/A	N/A	54	86.85	458,112
11/01/23-12/31/23	3 11.60	11.04	14.09	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	0.06	432,838

Primary Index: S&P 500

"Pure" gross annual returns do not reflect the deduction of any expenses, including trading costs. "Pure" gross returns are supplemental to the net returns. Source: Allspring Global Investments

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