

# Bay County Employees Retirement System Investment Review

As of March 31, 2016



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# Investment team, philosophy and process



# **Columbia Focused Value Team**



- Dedicated team focused solely on value equity investing
- Experienced professionals with wide breadth of industry knowledge
- Complementary skills with clear accountability

Professional	Title/ responsibilities	Year joined industry	Year joined firm
Richard Rosen	Senior Portfolio Manager	1982	1997
Kari Montanus	Portfolio Manager	1990	2003
Rick Taft, CPA	Portfolio Manager	1997	2011

Firm tenure includes time with legacy firms of Columbia Threadneedle Investments. As of December 31, 2015.

# Columbia Focused Value Team



# Firm-wide resources

Independent perspectives available to all portfolio management teams

# **Columbia Focused Value Team**

**Richard Rosen** Senior Portfolio Manager Joined industry in 1982 Joined firm in 1997

Kari Montanus Portfolio Manager Joined industry in 1990 Joined firm in 2003

**Rick Taft. CPA** Portfolio Manager Joined industry in 1997 Joined firm in 2011

#### Trading

- Tier One trading platform
- Focus on capturing alpha - impact opportunities
- Global trading coverage of all international markets
- 21 traders

#### Quantitative research

- Broad universe coverage
- Customized investment reports
- 5 research analysts 23 sector/industry specific models

#### **Fundamental** research

- Deep industry
- knowledge Comprehensive
- sector coverage Work closely with our
- fixed income counterparts
- 24 analysts
- 7 research associates

Fundamental research sectors

Equipment

Discounters

Technology -

Technology –

Semiconductors

Transportation

Travel and Leisure

Hardware

Utilities

Pharmaceuticals

Retail - Specialty

Retail - Staples and

Technology – Software

- Aerospace/Defense Network Services and
- Banks and Mortgage
- Basic Materials Biotechnology
- Business Services
- Capital Markets
- Consumer Staples
- Energy
- Industrials –
- Small and Mid
- Insurance
- Media
- Medical Devices and Services
- Natural Resources Small and Mid
- Consumer Discretionary

For staff that joined the firm as part of an acquisition, tenure includes time at legacy firms. As of December 31, 2015.



# Investment approach

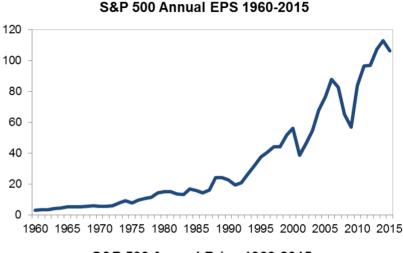
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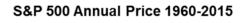
- Outperform benchmark and peer strategies
- Rank in top quartile over full market cycle

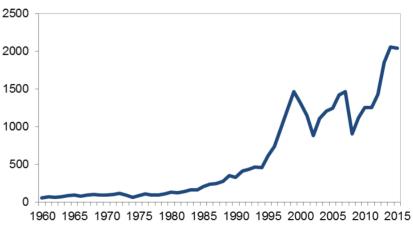
# **Investment philosophy**

# We believe that:

- Companies that show accelerating earnings growth tend to outperform
- We can exploit inefficiencies created by low market expectations
- Value generally is defined by price-to-earnings levels below the general market
- Research can identify potential catalysts that will drive earnings acceleration
- A concentrated, low-turnover portfolio can maximize outperformance







Source: FactSet, longrundata.com

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# **Distinguishing features**

## Seasoned, stable investment team

- Average more than 26 years of investing experience
- Complementary industry knowledge
- Ability to leverage extensive centralized resources

## **Distinct view of value**

- Seek stocks with attractive 'value' characteristics, combined with a potential for an acceleration in earnings growth
- Identifying a catalyst as the cornerstone of the investment process
- Long holding period fully captures the inflection point and full period of a stock's outperformance

# Benefits of a concentrated portfolio

- Efficient way to capture alpha and mitigate risk exposures
- Allows manager to know companies extremely well

Sound investment decision making

Portfolio concentrated in manager's best ideas

# **Risk management**



# Investment process overview





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# Step 1: Define and evaluate investable universe

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**Objective:** Prioritize candidates for further research

### Look for stocks that have:

- Market capitalizations in the range of companies in the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Value Index at the time of purchase
- Valuation metrics generally below market P/E, industry P/E multiple or company's historical P/E multiple
- Stocks that have come down hard for reasons we believe are temporary and/or are off their 52 week high

100–200 Stocks under consideration

Potential benefit: Select from a broad-based group of stocks within the "value" style that deserve further research

Step 2: Identify potential catalysts that could accelerate earnings growth

Objective: Focus research efforts on stocks with the potential to show earnings acceleration

## Potential catalysts could contribute to accelerating earnings growth:

- Management change
- Corporate restructuring
- New product cycle

### Changing industry fundamentals can also drive earnings acceleration:

- Improving competitive dynamics (i.e., consolidation)
- Attractive supply/demand trends
- A cyclical recovery
- New secular growth driver (i.e., new technology)

**Potential benefit:** Ability to overweight attractive or underweight unattractive industries in the portfolio leverages bottom-up research approach.





# Step 3: Construct portfolio and manage risk



Objective: Invest in 30-40 stocks with the best chance of exhibiting earnings acceleration

#### **Risk control:**

- Position size limited to 5% at time of purchase; positions trimmed back when they reach 7%
- Sector exposure limited to 35% of portfolio
- Top 10 holdings typically account for less than 40% of the portfolio
- Contribution at risk (CAR) analysis ensures positions are in line with manager conviction
- Price targets maintained on all portfolio holdings; updated regularly
- Semi annual 5P review to ensure no unintentional style bias

### Less is more — concentrated portfolio not necessarily more risky:

- Allows managers to know companies well
- Diversification benefits can be captured within a 30–40 stock portfolio

# Potential benefit: Concentrated portfolio with low turnover helps keep risk exposures balanced and maximizes alpha



# Step 4: Monitor holdings

**Objective:** Give stocks the time it takes for the catalyst to unfold and the market to reward accelerating earnings growth.

### **Outperformance takes patience:**

- Anticipate change early and allow sufficient time for company to become a better company
- Continuously monitor positions for leading indicators and signs of pending earnings growth improvement
- Upward earnings estimate revisions and P/E multiple expansion due to changing investor perceptions often accompany earnings acceleration and can generate significant multi-year outperformance

### Constantly challenging existing positions. Sell or trim a position if:

- Expected catalyst or market dynamics do not materialize or fundamentals deteriorate
- Team recognizes factors that may imperil investment thesis
- Stock becomes fully-valued relative to our price target or the market
- Better investment opportunity arises

# Potential benefit: Maximize potential alpha of the portfolio through longer holding period



# Step 4 (continued): Monitor holdings

# Intensive fundamental research continually seeks additional drivers and assesses valuation

### Stock Example: A leading freight rail company

Drivers over the duration of ownership have included:

- 2003: New CEO appointed; rail carriers taking share from trucking companies as oil prices and environmentally-based anti-truck sentiment rise; growth in intermodal rail; commitment to sell noncore business; New CFO appointed; management realignment flattens reporting lines
- 2004: New technology initiatives allow pricing based on profitability and introduce profitability metrics; New COO appointed; pricing power increase on strong demand for rail
- 2005 Secular changes in rail industry continued price increases successfully implemented (2% -3% net pricing); increased capital budget geared to capacity increases; constrained truck capacity due to driver shortage; road congestion increases delivery times
- 2006: Rising Asian imports fuel demand; rising diesel prices provides competitive advantage over truckers; share gains over rivals due to superior execution; intermodal sharing arrangement with BNI
- **2007:** Share repurchase program and dividend hike implemented
- 2008: Export coal demand rises (company's highest margin business)
- 2009: Effective cost management as volumes decline
- 2012: New COO appointed; new technology deployed at Ohio intermodal hub
- 2013: Increasing crude oil shipments by rail; improving agricultural and housing-related demand

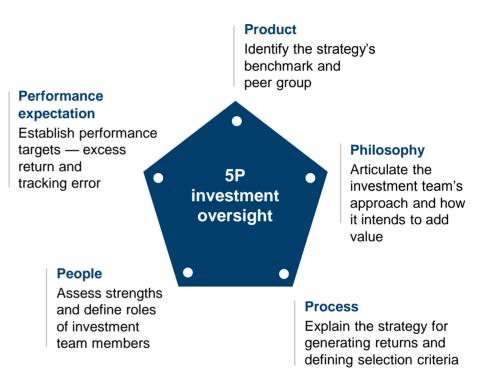


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# 5P process overview

- Formally determine that the investment team is adhering to their philosophy and process.
- We do not tell portfolio managers what to do, we ensure they do what they say.
- The 5P assessment: Results are reviewed to assess adherence to strategy, product viability and performance.
  - Product positioning define the product's positioning style, benchmark, etc.
  - Philosophy articulate the team's approach and how it intends to add value.
  - People assess strengths and define roles of investment team members.
  - Process explain the strategy for generating returns and defining stock criteria.
  - Performance establish performance targets excess return and tracking error.



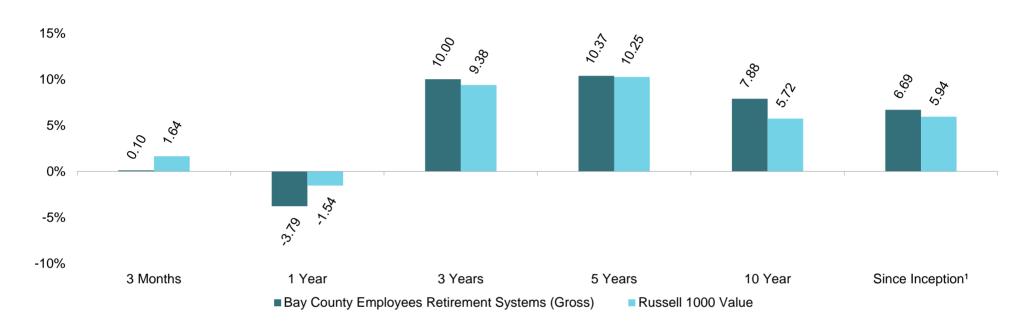


# Performance and portfolio structure





# Portfolio performance As of March 31, 2016



	3 Months (%)	1 Year (%)	3 Year (%)	5 Year (%)	10 Year (%)	Since Inception <sup>1</sup> (%)
Bay County Employees Retirement Systems (Gross)	0.10	-3.79	10.00	10.37	7.88	6.69
Russell 1000 Value Index	1.64	-1.54	9.38	10.25	5.72	5.94

<sup>1</sup> Inception Date: January 27 2001

Source: Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC, Factset

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# Portfolio characteristics As of March 31, 2016

Characteristics	Bay County	Russell 1000 Value
Debt/Capital	45.1%	39.2%
3 Year Historical EPS Growth	9.7%	2.7%
3 to 5 Year Projected EPS Growth	9.1%	7.3%
Return on Equity	7.9%	9.4%
Dividend Yield	2.5%	2.6%
Weighted Average Market Cap (mil)	\$75,025.13	\$109,772.59

P/E Ratio <sup>1</sup>	Bay County	Russell 1000 Value
Last Twelve Months (LTM)	15.5x	16.4x
Next Twelve Months (NTM)	13.6x	14.8x
Next Twelve Months Relative to Russell 1000 Value	0.92x	1.00x



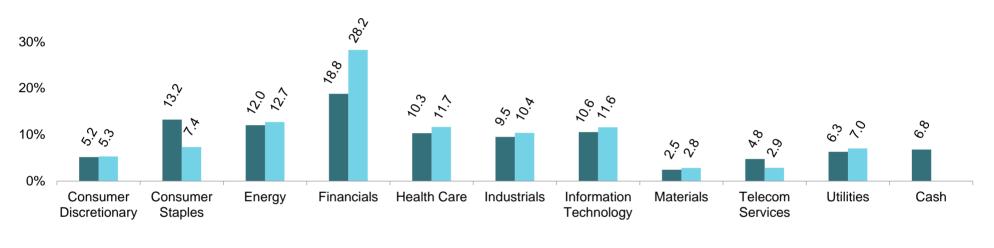
# Portfolio characteristics As of March 31, 2016

Top Ten Holdings	% Portfolio	Sector
Verizon Communications Inc.	5.1	Telecommunication Services
NextEra Energy, Inc.	4.2	Utilities
Tyson Foods, Inc. – Class A	4.2	Consumer Staples
Applied Materials Inc.	3.9	Information Technology
Lowes Companies	3.9	Consumer Discretionary
Humana Inc.	3.9	Health Care
Bristol-Myers Squibb Company	3.9	Health Care
Altria Group, Inc.	3.7	Consumer Staples
Philip Morris International Inc.	3.5	Consumer Staples
Unum Group	3.3	Financials
Total	39.8	



# Portfolio characteristics As of March 31, 2016

### **Sector allocation**



Bay County

Russell 1000 Value



# Open and closed positions Calendar year 2015

### Open positions: 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

Security Name	Sector
Baxalta Inc.	Healthcare
FMC Corp.	Materials
Nextera Energy Inc.	Utilities

#### Closed positions: 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

Security Name	Sector
General Dynamics Corp.	Industrials



# Open and closed positions First quarter 2016

### Open positions: 1/1/2016 - 3/31/2016

Security Name	Sector
Halliburton	Energy

### Closed positions: 1/1/2016 – 3/31/2016

Security Name	Sector
Baxalta Inc.	Heathcare
Freeport-McMoran Inc.	Materials
Conoco Phillips	Energy
Du Pont E.I. De Nemours	Materials



# Portfolio holdings



#### As of 3/31/2016

#### Investment Portfolio Summary Base Currency: USD

Category	Cost	Market Value	Accrued Income	Current Yield	Est. Annual Income	% of Portfolio
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	2,037,088	2,037,088	0	0.00%	0	6.80%
EQUITIES	19,501,231	27,927,237	32,122	2.49%	696,717	93.20%
TOTAL ACCRUED INCOME	21,538,319	29,964,325 32,122	32,122	2.33%	696,717	100.00%
TOTAL MARKET VALUE		29,996,447				



#### As of 3/31/2016

#### Equity Portfolio Diversification Base Currency: USD

Sector	Cost	Market Value	% of Total Equity	Unrealized Gain/Loss	
Equities					
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	613,887	1,556,055	5.57%	942,168	
CONSUMER STAPLES	1,286,941	3,969,440	14.21%	2,682,499	
ENERGY	3,268,346	3,608,911	12.92%	340,566	
FINANCIALS	5,282,906	5,629,990	20.16%	347,084	
HEALTH CARE	1,567,026	3,088,760	11.06%	1,521,734	
INDUSTRIALS	902,914	2,851,520	10.21%	1,948,606	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	2,966,470	3,164,678	11.33%	198,208	
MATERIALS	713,518	738,771	2.65%	25,253	
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES	1,268,329	1,427,712	5.11%	159,383	
UTILITIES	1,630,895	1,891,400	6.77%	260,505	
TOTAL EQUITY	19,501,231	27,927,237	100.00%	8,426,006	



#### As of 3/31/2016

#### Holdings Valuation Base Currency: USD

<u>Cash an</u>	nd Equivalents			~ .			0/ - 6 C h
CASH AN	ND EQUIVALENTS	Quantity	Cost/ Price	Market Value	Accrued Income	Est. Income/ Current Yield	% of Cash Equivalents
USD	US DOLLAR	2,037,088	2,037,088 1.00	2,037,088 1.00	0	0 0.00%	100.00%
TO	OTAL CASH AND EQUIVALENTS		2,037,088	2,037,088	0	0 0.00%	100.00%

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Fauitias							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
<u>Equities</u> CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY		Shares	Cost l Price	<u>Basis</u>	<u>Market V</u> Price	/alue Total	Current Yield	% of Equity
LOWE'S COS INC	LOW	14,500	24.08	349,231	75.75	1,098,375	1.48%	3.93%
NORDSTROM INC	JWN	8,000	33.08	264,656	57.21	457,680	2.59%	1.64%
TOTAL CONSUMER DISCRETI	ONARY			613,887		1,556,055	1.80%	5.57%

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Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
Equines			Cost Basis		Market V	Value	Current	% of
CONSUMER STAPLES		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
ALTRIA GROUP INC	МО	16,500	28.59	471,722	62.66	1,033,890	3.61%	3.70%
COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP	COST	5,000	42.67	213,361	157.58	787,900	1.02%	2.82%
PHILIP MORRIS INTERNATIONAL	РМ	10,000	19.93	199,266	98.11	981,100	4.16%	3.51%
TYSON FOODS INC-CL A	TSN	17,500	23.01	402,592	66.66	1,166,550	0.90%	4.18%
TOTAL CONSUMER STAPLES				1,286,941		3,969,440	2.43%	14.21%



Equities							Holdings Valuation Base Currency: USD	
Equility		_	Cost I		Market V		Current	% of
ENERGY		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP	APC	15,000	66.61	999,156	46.57	698,550	0.43%	2.50%
CHEVRON CORP	CVX	8,791	61.18	537,809	95.40	838,661	4.49%	3.00%
HALLIBURTON CO	HAL	17,500	33.12	579,652	35.72	625,100	2.02%	2.24%
MARATHON OIL CORP	MRO	10,000	30.01	300,108	11.14	111,400	1.80%	0.40%
MARATHON PETROLEUM CORP	MPC	7,000	20.48	143,375	37.18	260,260	3.44%	0.93%
VALERO ENERGY CORP	VLO	12,500	24.36	304,505	64.14	801,750	3.74%	2.87%
WILLIAMS COS INC	WMB	17,000	23.75	403,740	16.07	273,190	15.93%	0.98%
TOTAL ENERGY				3,268,346		3,608,911	3.82%	12.92%



#### As of 3/31/2016

Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
Equites		_	Cost I		Market V		Current	% of
FINANCIALS		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
BANK OF AMERICA CORP	BAC	60,000	15.54	932,379	13.52	811,200	1.48%	2.90%
CITIGROUP INC	С	17,000	35.07	596,167	41.75	709,750	0.48%	2.54%
JPMORGAN CHASE& CO	JPM	11,500	53.85	619,223	59.22	681,030	2.97%	2.44%
METLIFE INC	MET	12,000	59.09	709,127	43.94	527,280	3.41%	1.89%
MORGAN STANLEY	MS	21,000	34.84	731,579	25.01	525,210	2.40%	1.88%
PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC	PRU	9,000	57.16	514,478	72.22	649,980	3.88%	2.33%
UNUM GROUP	UNM	30,000	23.17	695,157	30.92	927,600	2.39%	3.32%
WELLS FARGO& CO	WFC	16,500	29.38	484,795	48.36	797,940	3.10%	2.86%
TOTAL FINANCIALS				5,282,906		5,629,990	2.46%	20.16%



Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
Equites		_	Cost Basis		Market V	alue	Current	% of
HEALTH CARE		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC	BAX	12,000	30.64	367,658	41.08	492,960	1.12%	1.77%
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO	BMY	17,000	25.10	426,730	63.88	1,085,960	2.38%	3.89%
EXPRESS SCRIPTS HOLDING CO	ESRX	6,000	78.85	473,104	68.69	412,140	0.00%	1.48%
HUMANA INC	HUM	6,000	49.92	299,534	182.95	1,097,700	0.63%	3.93%
TOTAL HEALTH CARE				1,567,026		3,088,760	1.24%	11.06%



Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
			Cost Basis		Market V	alue	Current	% of
INDUSTRIALS		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
CSX CORP	CSX	25,000	7.93	198,312	25.75	643,750	2.80%	2.31%
HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC	HON	7,500	27.17	203,802	112.05	840,375	2.12%	3.01%
UNION PACIFIC CORP	UNP	7,500	0.00	131,663	79.55	596,625	2.77%	2.14%
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	UTX	7,700	47.94	369,137	100.10	770,770	2.56%	2.76%
TOTAL INDUSTRIALS				902,914		2,851,520	2.53%	10.21%



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Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
Equities			Cost Basis		Market Value		Current	% of
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
APPLIED MATERIALS INC	AMAT	52,000	14.01	728,761	21.18	1,101,360	1.89%	3.94%
CORNING INC	GLW	38,200	20.79	794,256	20.89	797,998	2.58%	2.86%
JUNIPER NETWORKS INC	JNPR	28,000	20.21	565,986	25.51	714,280	1.57%	2.56%
TERADATA CORP	TDC	21,000	41.78	877,467	26.24	551,040	0.00%	1.97%
TOTAL INFORMATION TECHN	OLOGY			2,966,470		3,164,678	1.66%	11.33%



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<u>Equities</u>							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
		Shares _	<u>Cost l</u> Price	<u>Basis</u>	<u>Market V</u> Price	alue Total	Current Yield	% of Equity
MATERIALS FMC CORP	FMC	18,300	38.99	713,518	40.37	738,771	1.63%	2.65%
TOTAL MATERIALS				713,518		738,771	1.63%	2.65%



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<u>Equities</u>							Holdings Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
			<b>Cost Basis</b>		Market <b>'</b>	Value	Current	% of
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC	VZ	26,400	48.04	1,268,329	54.08	1,427,712	4.18%	5.11%
TOTAL TELECOMMUNICATION S	SERVICES			1,268,329		1,427,712	4.18%	5.11%

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Equities							Holding Base	s Valuation Currency: USD
Equities			Cost l	Basis	Market V	Value	Current	% of
UTILITIES		Shares	Price	Total	Price	Total	Yield	Equity
AES CORP	AES	60,000	10.37	621,939	11.80	708,000	3.73%	2.54%
NEXTERA ENERGY INC	NEE	10,000	100.90	1,008,956	118.34	1,183,400	2.94%	4.24%
TOTAL UTILITIES				1,630,895		1,891,400	3.24%	6.77%

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<u>Equities</u>	Shares	Cost Price	<u>Basis</u> Total	<u>Marke</u> Price	et Value Total	Current Yield	% of Equity
TOTAL EQUITIES			19,501,231		27,927,237	2.49%	100.00%



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# Appendix

# **Biographies**



#### **Richard Rosen** Senior Portfolio Manager, *Columbia Focused Value Team*

Richard Rosen is a senior portfolio manager on the Columbia Focused Value Team at Columbia Threadneedle Investments. Mr. Rosen joined one of the Columbia Threadneedle Investments legacy firms in 1997. Previously, Mr. Rosen was a senior portfolio manager at Bear Stearns Asset Management and a managing director at Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. Mr. Rosen received a B.A. in economics from Brandeis University and an MBA in finance from the New York University Stern School of Business. He is a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts and the Financial Analysts Federation.

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