

## STRATEGY DESCRIPTION & HIGHLIGHTS

The Renaissance Small Cap Growth Strategy employs a disciplined decision-making process to create and manage investments in smaller-sized, growth-oriented companies. Individual stocks typically sell at reasonable valuations and are supported by above-average corporate profitability and accelerating earnings growth. Each portfolio contains approximately 50-60 individual stocks of predominately U.S.-based public companies.

The objective of the Renaissance Small Cap Growth Strategy is to provide clients with a long-term rate of return better than that of comparable small-cap stock indices.

- Outperformed the Russell 2000 Growth<sup>(1)</sup> over the past 3, 5, 7, and 10-year periods and since inception<sup>(2)</sup>, net of fees, on an annualized basis.
- Outperformed the S&P/Barra Small Cap 600 Growth over the past 3, 5, 7 and 10-year and since inception periods, net of fees, on an annualized basis.
- Attractive relative risk/reward profile, since inception<sup>(2)</sup>.
- A disciplined process of “growth at a reasonable price” investing.

## STRATEGY PERFORMANCE—Institutional Composite

		ANNUALIZED							
		3Q2024	YTD 2024	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception <sup>(2)</sup>
Renaissance (Gross)	8.1%	18.1%	27.8%	7.2%	16.7%	13.2%	14.2%	11.0%	
(Net)	8.0%	17.7%	27.2%	6.7%	16.2%	12.8%	13.7%	10.4%	
Russell 2000 Growth <sup>(1)</sup>	8.4%	13.2%	27.7%	-0.4%	8.8%	7.6%	8.9%	7.2%	
S&P/Barra Small Cap 600 Growth	9.0%	12.6%	28.7%	3.6%	10.6%	9.1%	10.8%	10.1%	

Sources: Renaissance Research, Bloomberg, FTSE Russell, S&P Dow Jones

### ANNUAL RETURNS — Institutional Composite

Year	Small Cap Growth		Russell 2000 Growth <sup>(1)</sup>	S&P/Barra Small Cap 600 Growth
	(Gross)	(Net)		
YTD 2024	18.1%	17.7%	13.2%	12.6%
2023	20.6	20.1	18.7	17.1
2022	-20.0	-20.4	-26.4	-21.1
2021	34.3	33.7	2.8	22.6
2020	27.8	27.3	34.6	19.6
2019	23.6	23.3	28.5	21.1
2018	-7.0	-7.1	-9.3	-4.1
2017	28.3	27.9	22.2	14.8
2016	13.0	12.7	11.3	22.2
2015	5.1	4.5	-1.4	2.8
2014	7.8	7.0	5.6	3.9
2013	57.6	56.4	43.3	42.7
2012	15.4	14.5	14.6	14.6
2011	0.0	-0.7	-2.9	3.6
2010	30.1	29.2	29.1	28.0
2009	19.8	18.7	34.5	28.4
2008	-42.5	-43.1	-38.5	-32.9
2007	-1.1	-1.9	7.0	5.6
2006	8.0	7.2	13.3	10.5
2005	6.3	5.5	4.2	9.2
2004	17.3	16.4	14.3	22.0
2003	56.1	55.4	48.5	37.3
2002	-12.8	-13.2	-30.3	-15.4
2001	15.9	15.3	-9.2	-1.2
2000	9.8	9.2	-22.4	0.6
1999	2.5	1.8	43.1	19.6
1998	-12.4	-13.0	1.2	2.3
1997	27.7	26.9	12.9	26.8
1996	27.0	26.3	11.3	16.4

Sources: Renaissance Research, Bloomberg, FTSE Russell, S&P Dow Jones

## MARKET CAP EXPOSURE<sup>(3)</sup>

Market Cap	Small Cap Growth <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	Russell 2000 Growth	Over/Underweight % <sup>(6)</sup>
\$10 Billion +	25.2%	3.8%	+21.4
\$3 Billion - \$10 Billion	56.6%	59.0%	-2.4
\$1 Billion - \$3 Billion	18.3%	29.5%	-11.2
\$0 - \$1 Billion	0.0%	7.7%	-7.7

Sources: Renaissance Research, FactSet, FTSE Russell

## STATISTICS Since Inception<sup>(2)</sup>—9/30/2024—Institutional Composite

	Small Cap Growth (Gross)	Small Cap Growth (Net)	Russell 2000 Growth
Number of Holdings as of 9/30/2024	50 <sup>(4)</sup>	50 <sup>(4)</sup>	1,120
5-Year Average Annual Turnover Rate <sup>(4)</sup>	57.3%	57.3%	
Active Share as of 9/30/2024 <sup>(4)</sup>	90.2%	90.2%	
Alpha <sup>(7)</sup>	4.69%	4.06%	
Beta <sup>(7)</sup>	0.87	0.87	
Sharpe Ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.37	0.35	
Correlation <sup>(7)</sup>	0.92	0.92	
Upside Capture Ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	102%	100%	
Downside Capture Ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	84%	85%	

Sources: Renaissance Research, FactSet, Bloomberg, FTSE Russell

<sup>(1)</sup> Primary benchmark. All other benchmarks are supplemental information.

<sup>(2)</sup> Inception date: 1/1/1996.

<sup>(3)</sup> Weights as of the end of the presentation period. Cumulative total weighting may not add up to 100% due to rounding of percentages to the nearest decimal place.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on a representative account of the strategy discussed and shown as supplemental information to the GIPS Report. Portfolio characteristics (e.g., sector weights, valuation, growth rate) are based on a representative account that we believe is illustrative of the strategy. All accounts

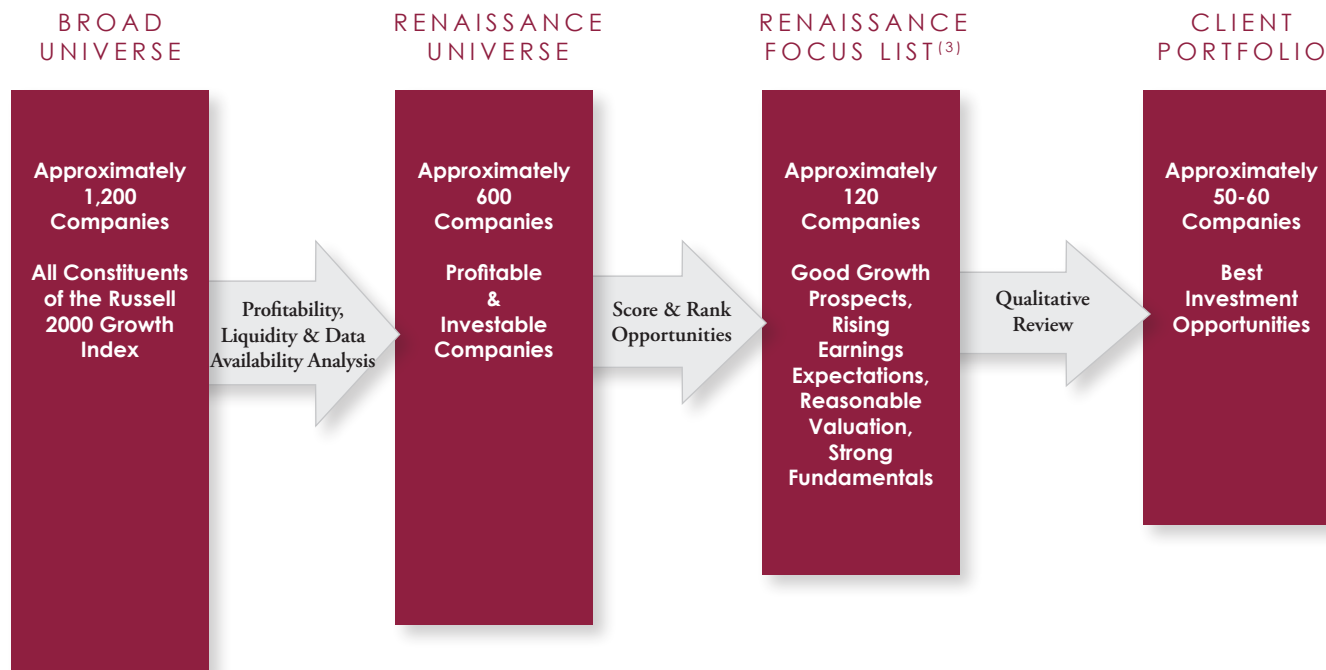
in the strategy are invested identically in the same securities unless a client has imposed restrictions. Characteristics and/or holdings on a given date may vary due to pending trades.

<sup>(5)</sup> Based on the equity portion of the portfolio.

<sup>(6)</sup> Percentages may not match the actual difference between the representative account and the benchmark due to rounding of percentages to the nearest decimal place.

<sup>(7)</sup> Composite statistics based on returns calculated quarterly. The calculation methodology for each statistic is available upon request.

## BUY DISCIPLINE<sup>(1)(2)</sup>



## SELL DISCIPLINE<sup>(2)</sup>

### Characteristics of Sell-Ranked Stocks

- High Valuation
- Slowing Rates of Earnings Growth
- Negative Earnings Estimate Revisions
- Hard Sell: Market Cap Surpasses \$25 Billion

### Risk Control

- Consistently hold between 50 and 60 positions.
- Initiate new positions at an equal weight within the portfolio<sup>(4)</sup>.
- Scale back positions before hitting double weight in the portfolio.
- Maximum industry and sector weights of 20% and 40%<sup>(4)</sup>.
- Consistently sell positions where fundamental characteristics have deteriorated in favor of higher ranked stocks.



*Stock rankings are used as a tool in our sell decision process.*

<sup>(1)</sup> Chart is for illustrative purposes only and is not drawn to scale.

<sup>(2)</sup> This is an overview of the investment process that guides our decision making. While stock rankings are used as a guide, the Portfolio Manager uses fundamental analysis to determine all buys and sells.

<sup>(3)</sup> The Focus List is based on the output of our proprietary quantitative screening process and it represents the top 20% of our eligible investment universe for this investment strategy.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on Buylist target weight.

## SECTOR ALLOCATION

Sector	Small Cap Growth <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Russell 2000 Growth <sup>(1)</sup>	Under/Overweight % <sup>(3)</sup>
Consumer Discretionary	17.1%	10.1%	+7.1
Consumer Staples	7.9%	3.2%	+4.7
Financials	10.3%	8.3%	+2.0
Industrials	23.3%	21.8%	+1.5
Information Technology	20.6%	19.6%	+1.0
Cash	0.2%	0.0%	+0.2
Utilities	0.0%	0.5%	-0.5
Energy	2.7%	3.4%	-0.7
Communication Services	1.2%	2.0%	-0.8
Real Estate	0.0%	1.5%	-1.5
Materials	0.0%	3.9%	-3.9
Health Care	16.7%	25.6%	-8.8

Source: Renaissance Research, FactSet, FTSE Russell

## SMALL CAP GROWTH HOLDINGS <sup>(2)(4)</sup>



### Industrials

Applied Industrial Technologies, Axon Enterprise, Comfort Systems USA, EMCOR Group, ExlService Holdings, FTI Consulting, Huron Consulting Group, Paylocity Holdings, Sterling Infrastructure, Verra Mobility



### Consumer Staples

e.l.f. Beauty, Simply Good Foods, Sprouts Farmers Market, Vital Farms



### Information Technology

Alarm.com, Belden, Blackline, Credo Technology Group, Jamf Holding, Lattice Semiconductor, PagerDuty, Q2 Holdings, Qualys, Rambus, SPS Commerce, Tenable Holdings



### Energy

Matador Resources, Weatherford International



### Consumer Discretionary

Abercrombie & Fitch, Deckers Outdoor, Duolingo, Green Brick Partners, Stride, Texas Roadhouse, TopBuild



### Communication Services

Integral Ad Science



### Health Care

Addus HomeCare, Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Ensign Group, HealthEquity, Hims & Hers Health, InMode, Lantheus Holdings, Medpace Holdings, Merit Medical Systems



### Materials

None



### Real Estate

None



### Financials

Axos Financial, Flywire, Kinsale Capital Group, NMI Holdings, Palomar Holdings



### Utilities

None

Source: Renaissance Research, FactSet

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<sup>(3)</sup>Percentages may not match the actual difference between the representative account and the benchmark due to rounding of percentages to the nearest decimal place.

<sup>(4)</sup>Any securities referenced should not be considered a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. These securities represent all of the companies held in a representative account in this strategy as of the date stated and are intended for informational purposes only. The reader should not assume that investments in the securities identified or discussed were or will prove to be profitable. The past performance of these securities is no guarantee of future results. To request a complete list of portfolio holdings recommendations for the past year or a list showing the contribution of every holding to the performance of the representative account for the time period stated, please contact Renaissance at [compliance@reninv.com](mailto:compliance@reninv.com).

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# GIPS Report Small Cap Growth Institutional Composite

Year	Small Cap Growth Institutional Composite		Russell 2000 Growth Benchmark Return	Net Composite 3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation	Benchmark 3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation	Annual Asset Weighted Composite Dispersion	Number of Portfolios in Composite	Market Value of Composite (Millions)	Market Value of Strategy's AUA (Millions)**	Market Value of Strategy (Millions)**	Market Value of Firm's GIPS Assets (Millions)	Market Value of Firm's AUA (Millions)**	Market Value of Total Firm AUM (Millions) **
	Gross-of-Fee Return	Net-of-Fee Return	Return	Standard Deviation	Standard Deviation	Dispersion		(Millions)	(Millions)**	(Millions)**	(Millions)	(Millions)**	(Millions) **
2014	7.76%	6.96%	5.00%	13.98%	13.82%	NMF*	3	\$1.5	\$0.0	\$15.1	\$2,986.2	\$1,347.8	\$4,334.0
2015	5.10%	4.47%	-1.38%	14.56%	14.95%	NMF*	5	\$1.7	\$0.0	\$16.2	\$2,703.8	\$1,534.0	\$4,237.8
2016	13.04%	12.66%	11.32%	14.44%	16.67%	NMF*	7	\$0.7	\$0.0	\$17.6	\$1,762.0	\$2,686.1	\$4,448.1
2017	28.25%	27.91%	22.17%	12.74%	14.59%	NMF*	3	\$0.9	\$0.0	\$23.1	\$2,202.4	\$3,281.7	\$5,484.1
2018	-6.98%	-7.12%	-9.31%	15.60%	16.46%	NMF*	5	\$1.6	\$8.5	\$33.8	\$1,682.2	\$2,517.0	\$4,199.2
2019	23.63%	23.30%	28.48%	17.36%	16.37%	0.22	15	\$7.3	\$10.9	\$49.8	\$883.1	\$2,656.5	\$3,539.6
2020	27.83%	27.28%	34.63%	25.60%	25.10%	1.72	18	\$12.9	\$11.9	\$68.0	\$879.0	\$2,177.1	\$3,056.1
2021	34.31%	33.69%	2.83%	22.79%	23.07%	0.78	30	\$38.7	\$18.4	\$95.8	\$977.0	\$2,128.6	\$3,105.6
2022	-20.03%	-20.41%	-26.36%	24.98%	26.20%	0.27	52	\$35.3	\$18.4	\$90.2	\$845.4	\$1,743.4	\$2,588.8
2023	20.61%	20.05%	18.66%	19.14%	21.79%	0.08	60	\$44.0	\$29.5	\$134.8	\$1,051.7	\$2,042.6	\$3,094.3
<b>FINAL 12/31/2023</b>													

\* Not meaningful figure due to five or fewer accounts invested for the entire year.  
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**Calculation of Performance Returns:** Performance is calculated using total returns. Monthly composite performance is asset-weighted using beginning-of-period values. Rates of return are time-weighted with geometric linking of monthly returns. Valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. dollars. Account performance is based on total assets in the account, including cash and cash equivalents. Performance is actual performance.

RIM has chosen to present performance for gross- and net-of-fees. The gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before deductions of management and custodial fees but after the deduction of all trading expenses. Net performance is reported after the deduction of all trading costs and actual RIM management fees. These gross- and net-of-fee investment results for the Renaissance Small Cap Growth Institutional Composite include reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Clients' returns will be reduced by the advisory fee and any other expenses that may be incurred in the management of the client's investment advisory account. For example, if the gross annualized return of an account over a five-year period was 5.0%, deducting one twelfth of an annual advisory fee of 90 basis points each month on the ending monthly account balance would produce a cumulative net return of 22.7%. The cumulative gross return of 5.0% per annum over a five-year period would be 28.3%. A \$1 million starting portfolio would thus have an ending net market value of \$1,227,096, \$56,262 less than the gross return ending value of \$1,283,359. There is no minimum asset size for inclusion in the composite. RIM uses trade date accounting and income is accrued. Actual performance may differ from composite returns, depending on the size of the account, brokerage commissions, investment guidelines and/or restrictions, inception date and other factors. After-tax results

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