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# FORT WASHINGTON DIVIDEND EQUITY - 102025

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Inception Date: 1/1/2016 Total Assets: \$4.8 billion Total Public Equity Assets: \$14.7 billion

Style: Large Cap Equity, Dividend Income Benchmark: S&P 500 Index

# VEHICLE **AVAILABILITY**

- Separate Account
- Mutual Fund

# **STRATEGY OVERVIEW**

- Disciplined and repeatable process supported by theory and evidence
- Income focus without the traditional biases of high dividend investing
- Sector neutral orientation
- Low cost, value orientation, and prudent diversification with favorable risk/reward characteristics

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

- Dividend paying stocks tend to outperform over time with less risk
- Companies with high barriers ► to entry sustain excess profits over time that promote dividend growth
- Traditional dividend strategies often have unintentional embedded exposures
- Avoid large exposures that are not supported by strong investment rationale

#### ABOUT

# FORT WASHINGTON

- Founded in 1990; \$88.1 billion in current total assets under management<sup>1</sup>
- Organizational hallmarks include: stability of teams, consistency of process, competitive performance, deep resources, and alignment of interests

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM

Austin R. Kummer, CFA Managing Director, Senior Portfolio Manager

James E. Wilhelm Managing Director, Senior Portfolio Manager **Christopher D. Shipley** Senior Vice President. Co-Chief Investment Officer

Supported by 8 Additional Analysts & Traders

# STRATEGY SUMMARY AND GUIDELINES

Fort Washington's Dividend Equity Strategy uses a unique approach resulting in a portfolio of high quality companies with sustainable competitive advantages that should pay reliable, growing dividends at reasonable valuations.

Objective	The strategy seeks current income and long-term growth of capital and income by investing in dividend paying, large cap equity securities
Cash	Generally 2% or less
Max Position Size	4% absolute at purchase; 5% absolute at market value; 2% relative at purchase
Sector Weight Limit	Typically +/- 2% of the S&P 500
Holdings	Typically 65 to 90 holdings
Top 10 Holdings (% of portfolio)	Typically 20% to 30% of portfolio
Investments	At least 90% of the portfolio will be invested in S&P 500 securities
Turnover	Typically 10% to 25%
Benchmark	S&P 500 Index

# Trailing Total Returns (as of March 31, 2025)

	Dividend Equity	Div	/idend Equity				
	(Gross)	(Net)		S&P 500 Index	Russell 1000 Value		
	Return	Return	Percentile Rank	Return	Return		
1Q2025	1.52%	1.44%	42	-4.27%	2.14%		
YTD	1.52%	1.44%	42	-4.27%	2.14%		
1 Year	7.09%	6.77%	56	8.25%	7.18%		
3 Years	7.58%	7.26%	41	9.06%	6.64%		
5 Years	16.84%	16.44%	31	18.59%	16.15%		
Since Inception	12.10%	11.64%	24	13.53%	9.92%		

Inception date: 01/01/2016. Source: Fort Washington and Nasdag eVestment. Peer ranks are percentile rankings versus the eVestment US Dividend Focus Equity Universe based on net performance relative to peer group. Peer group data as of 03/31/2025 were calculated on 04/18/2025 with 82.4% of firm's reporting and is subject to change. Not valid without subsequent pages. Past performance is not indicative of future results. This supplemental information complements the Dividend Equity GIPS Report.

1Assets as of 03/31/2025. Includes assets under management by Fort Washington of \$82.9 billion and \$5.2 billion in commitments managed by Fort Washington Capital Partners Group (FW Capital), a division.

#### Portfolio Characteristics (as of March 31, 2025) Portfolio Benchmark Dividend Yield 2.5 1.4 Beta 0.7 1.0 EV / EBITDA 11.0 13.3 Weighted Avg. Market Cap \$373B \$906B Price / Book 2.8 4.0 18.2 Price / Earnings 14.8 ROIC 14 26 5 6 % No Moat Top 10 % Portfolio 20 90 504 Number of Securities

Source: Fort Washington. Portfolio characteristics are as of the reported date and are subject to change at any time without notice. Data above includes cash. This supplemental information complements the Dividend Equity GIPS Report. See Dividend Equity composite below for complete disclosure. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Sector Allocation (as of March 31, 2025)							
Name	Portfolio	Benchmark					
Communication Services	8.5%	9.2%					
Consumer Discretionary	7.6%	10.3%					
Consumer Staples	6.8%	6.0%					
Energy	5.2%	3.7%					
Financials	15.3%	14.7%					
Health Care	12.7%	11.2%					
Industrials	10.3%	8.4%					
Information Technology	20.4%	29.6%					
Materials	3.5%	2.1%					
Real Estate	3.1%	2.3%					
Utilities	4.7%	2.5%					
Cash	2.0%	0.0%					

Source: Fort Washington. This supplemental information complements the Dividend Equity GIPS Report. Portfolio characteristics are as of the reported date and are subject to change at any time without notice.

Top 10 Holdings (as of March 31, 2025)								
Name	% of Portfolio	Dividend Yield	5 Year Dividend Growth	Payout Ratio	Moat			
Microsoft Corp	3.4%	0.9%	10	24	Wide			
Broadcom Inc	2.2%	1.4%	14	63	Wide			
Apple Inc	2.0%	0.5%	5	14	Wide			
Johnson & Johnson	1.9%	3.0%	5	58	Wide			
Medtronic PLC	1.8%	3.1%	5	65	Narrow			
Wells Fargo & Co	1.8%	2.2%	-5	28	Wide			
Philip Morris International	1.7%	3.4%	3	87	Wide			
The Home Depot Inc	1.6%	2.5%	10	60	Wide			
UnitedHealth Group Inc	1.6%	1.6%	14	32	Narrow			
Exxon Mobil Corp	1.5%	3.3%	2	52	Narrow			

Source: Fort Washington, Morningstar, Bloomberg. Portfolio characteristics are as of the reported date and are subject to change at any time without notice. The securities identified do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended, and the reader should not assume that investments in securities identified and discussed were or will be profitable. This is not a recommendation with respect to the purchase or sale of any of these securities. This supplemental information complements the Dividend Equity GIPS Report.

### **DIVIDEND EQUITY COMPOSITE GIPS REPORT**

	1Q2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Dividend Equity (Gross)	1.52%	13.47%	11.85%	-4.90%	26.14%	10.37%	26.53%	-3.22%	19.85%	14.89%
Dividend Equity (Net)	1.44%	13.13%	11.51%	-5.18%	25.64%	9.88%	25.90%	-3.71%	19.26%	14.32%
S&P 500 Index	-4.27%	25.02%	26.29%	-18.11%	28.71%	18.40%	31.49%	-4.38%	21.83%	11.96%
Dividend Equity 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup>	-	15.87%	15.97%	19.61%	16.67%	17.58%	10.98%	10.72%		
SPX Index 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup>	-	17.15%	17.29%	20.87%	17.17%	18.53%	11.93%	10.80%		
Dispersion <sup>2</sup>	0.21%	0.41%	0.30%	0.21%	0.03%	0.41%				
Number of Accounts	17	16	13	10	8	6	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5
Composite Assets (\$ millions)	\$3,754.6	\$3,843.3	\$3,671.9	\$3,915.	\$4,822.8	\$810.7	\$538.6	\$322.3	\$604.3	\$516.3
Total Firm Assets (\$ millions)	\$82,871	\$81,286	\$74,613	\$66,365	\$73,804	\$65,086	\$59,174	\$49,225	\$52,774	\$45,656

Composite inception and creation date: 01/01/2016. 'The 3-Year annualized ex-post standard deviation is calculated using monthly gross-of-fee returns to measure the average deviations of returns from its mean. <sup>2</sup>Dispersion is not calculated for years in which the composite contains five portfolios or less. Dispersion is calculated as the equal weighted standard deviation of gross-of-fee returns for those portfolios held in the composite during the entire period. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The benchmark tor this composite is the Standard & Poor's 500 Index (SRP 500). The SRP 500 Index (SRP 500) Intex (SR

# **RISK DISCLOSURE**

The Fort Washington Dividend Equity strategy invests in stocks of large-cap companies which may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges. The strategy invests in dividendpaying companies. There is no guarantee that the companies in which the strategy invests will declare dividends in the future or that dividends, if declared, will remain at current levels or increase over time. Securities that pay dividends may be sensitive to changes in interest rates, and as interest rates rise or fall, the prices of such securities may fall. The strategy invests in value stocks which may not appreciate in value as anticipated or may experience a decline in value.

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