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## FORT WASHINGTON SMALL COMPANY EQUITY - 2Q2025

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Inception Date: 4/1/13 Total Assets: \$1.4 billion

Style: Core

Benchmark: Russell 2000

## VEHICLE AVAILABILITY

- ► Separate Account
- Collective Investment Trust
- Mutual Fund

## STRATEGY OVERVIEW

- Dedicated management team with extensive small cap experience
- We believe earnings growth is the long-term driver of equity returns and only invest in profitable companies.
- Earnings growth with quality fundamental characteristics are critical to risk management and reduced downside volatility.

## STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

- Returned 10.3% annualized since inception outperforming the Russell 2000 by 1.8% annualized (net)
- Outperformed the Russell 2000 Index and eVestment Small Cap Core peer group in over 80% of rolling three-year periods since inception (net)
- 101% up-market capture since inception combined with 88% down-market capture, calculated quarterly, demonstrates consistency over market cycles

## ABOUT FORT WASHINGTON

- Founded in 1990; \$90.5 billion in current total assets under management 1
- Organizational hallmarks include: stability of teams, consistency of process, competitive performance, deep resources, and alignment of interests

### **INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS**

#### Jason V. Ronovech, CFA

Vice President, Senior Portfolio Manager

25 Years Experience

Sri Gullapalli, CFA

Vice President, Senior Equity Research Manager

20 Years Experience

#### John T. Stewart

Assistant Vice President, Senior Equity Research Manager 16 Years Experience

## Lenny A. Valvano, CFA

Equity Research Manager 10 Years Experience

Trailing Total Returns (as of June 30, 2025)							
Period	Return (Gross)	Return (Net)	Russell 2000 Return	Peer Percentile Rank (Net) <sup>2</sup>			
2Q2025	8.16%	7.96%	8.50%	39			
YTD	0.59%	0.22%	-1.79%	35			
1 Year	10.70%	9.87%	7.68%	33			
3 Years	13.84%	12.99%	10.00%	20			
5 Years	15.26%	14.40%	10.04%	22			
10 Years	10.08%	9.26%	7.12%	21			
Since Inception	11.12%	10.29%	8.45%	24			

Portfolio Characteristics (as of June 30, 2025)							
	<b>Small Company Equity</b>	Russell 2000					
Number of holdings	73	1,989					
Price/Prospective Earnings*	19X	34X					
Long-Term Earnings Growth	15%	10%					
Weighted Average Market Capitalization	\$6.2B	\$3.4B					
% Non-Earners	0%	24%					
Net Margin	11%	5%					
Active Share	94%	-					

Custom GICS Sector Groups (as of June 30, 2025)						
Custom Sector	Portfolio Weight	Russell 2000 Weight				
Industrials	29.9%	28.7%				
Technology	22.7%	17.3%				
Health Care	18.6%	16.0%				
Financials	15.5%	25.3%				
Consumer	12.7%	12.5%				
Cash	0.5%	-				

Inception date: 04/13/2013. \*Excludes negative values; calculation is Price/Mean GAAP EPS estimate for the unreported fiscal year two years after the report date. ¹Includes assets under management as of 06/30/2025 by Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. of \$85.0 billion and \$5.5 billion in commitments managed by Fort Washington Capital Partners Group, a division. ²Source: Fort Washington and Nasdaq eVestment. Peer rankings are relative to the eVestment US Small Cap Core Universe (Peer Group). Peer group ranks as of 06/30/2025 were calculated on 07/18/2025 with 79.6% of firms reporting and may be subject to change.Data above includes cash. Portfolio characteristics are estimates as of the reported date and are subject to change at any time without notice. Due to rounding, numbers may not total 100%. This supplemental information complements the Small Company Equity GIPS Report.

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Top Ten Holdings (as of June 30, 2025)							
Name	Sector	% of Portfolio					
Haemonetics (HAE)	Health Care	2.7%					
CarGurus (CARG)	Communication Services	2.3%					
LiveRamp (RAMP)	Information Technology	2.2%					
WNS Holdings (WNS)	Industrials	2.1%					
Option Care Health (OPCH)	Health Care	2.0%					
RingCentral (RNG)	Information Technology	2.0%					
LivaNova (LIVN)	Health Care	1.9%					
Progyny Inc (PGNY)	Health Care	1.9%					
Stride Inc (LRN)	Consumer Discretionary	1.9%					
Silgan (SLGN)	Materials	1.9%					
Total		20.9%					

Source: Fort Washington. The data is rounded for informational purposes. Totals reflect actual value and may not match the sum based on rounded values. Holdings subject to change at any time without notice. The securities identified do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended. It should not be assumed investments in securities identified were or will be profitable. This is not a recommendation with respect to the purchase or sale of any securities disclosed. This supplemental information complements the Small Company Equity GIPS Report.

#### SMALL COMPANY EQUITY COMPOSITE GIPS REPORT

	2Q2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Small Company Equity (Gross)	8.16%	14.51%	17.20%	-13.62%	24.68%	19.01%	22.59%	-7.44%	18.75%	20.71%	-0.41%
Small Company Equity (Net)	7.96%	13.65%	16.33%	-14.27%	23.75%	18.13%	21.67%	-8.13%	17.86%	19.81%	-1.16%
Russell 2000 Index	8.50%	11.54%	16.93%	-20.44%	14.82%	19.96%	25.52%	-11.01%	14.65%	21.31%	-4.41%
Small Company Equity 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup>	-	19.57%	17.98%	25.10%	23.47%	25.44%	15.30%	15.79%	13.91%	15.76%	
Russell 2000 Index 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>1</sup>	-	23.30%	21.11%	26.02%	23.35%	25.27%	15.71%	14.99%	13.90%	15.86%	
Dispersion <sup>2</sup>	0.03%	0.10%	0.23%	0.06%							
Number of Accounts	14	13	9	8	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5
Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	\$1,401.3	\$1,409.5	\$1,206.4	\$1,006.3	\$1,104.0	\$939.0	\$1,072.5	\$1,114.9	\$1,295.3	\$1,147.8	\$907.5
Total Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	\$84,969	\$81,286	\$74,613	\$66,365	\$73,804	\$65,086	\$59,174	\$49,225	\$52,774	N/A	N/A

Composite inception and creation date: 10/01/2007. The 3Year annualized ex-post standard deviation is calculated using monthly gross-of-fee returns from its mean. 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 is the Russell 3000 Index. The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the 3,000 largest publicly traded companies in the U.S. The index accounts for both capital gains and dividend income. The Fort Washington Focused Equity strategy is an all-cap concentrated, value-oriented strategy that invests in businesses with strong barriers to entry that have the capability of generating excess returns on capital. The strategy looks to take advantage of irrational human behavior by buying securities that have been mispriced by the market. We will invest in companies that have limited absolute downside and large margin of safety on the upside. The objective of the Focused Equity strategy is to outperform the Russell 3000 Index over a full market cycle. All fee-paying, fully discretionary portfolios managed in the Focused Equity strategy will be such a strategy fee schedule is 0.70% on the first \$50 million and 0.65% on additional amounts over \$50 million. Frank Russell Company (FRC) is the source and owner of the Russell Index data contained or reflected in this material and all trademarks and copyrights related thereto. The presentation may contain confidential information pertaining to FRC and unauthorized use, disclosure, copying, dissemination, or redistribution is strictly prohibited. This is a Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. Frank Russell Company is not responsible for the formatting or configuration of this material and all trademarks and copyrights related thereto. The presentation thereof. Portfolios in this composite include cash, cash equivalents, investment securities, interest, and dividends. The composite

## RISK DISCLOSURE

The Fort Washington Small Company Equity strategy invests in stocks of small-cap companies, which may be subject to more erratic market movements than stocks of larger, more established companies. The strategy invests in foreign securities, which carry the associated risks of economic and political instability, market liquidity, currency volatility, and accounting standards that differ from those of U.S. markets and may offer less protection to investors. The strategy may focus its investments in a particular industry and/or market sector which may increase the strategy's volatility and magnify its effects on total return. Events in the U.S. and global financial markets, including actions taken to stimulate or stabilize economic growth may at times result in unusually high market volatility, which could negatively impact the strategy's performance and cause it to experience illiquidity, shareholder redemptions, or other potentially adverse effects.

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