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### Fort Washington Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy - 4Q2023

## ORGANIZATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Signatory of:









Parent company:



- ► Fortune 500 Company
- Anchor investor in all Fort Washington strategies



**680+** Organizations Supported<sup>5</sup>

**\$27.4 billion**Community Impact
Since 2008



Nearly \$80.1 million to Local Economy



**\$1.2 million**Donated in 2022

#### **WHO WE ARE**

Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. was founded in 1990 as the primary investment management subsidiary of The Western and Southern Life Insurance Company. An SEC-registered investment advisor, Fort Washington now manages a total of \$79.8 billion<sup>1</sup> as of December 31, 2023, for a variety of institutional investors and high net worth families.

Total Associates: 2 158 / Total Investment Professionals: 2 94

**Mission** / Our mission is to enrich our clients with proactive, strategic financial advice, decisive action, and a commitment to excellence.

Promise / We strive to always go beyond what's expected.

#### At a Glance







Headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio



Investment professionals average about 20 years of experience

#### **INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS**

#### **Fixed Income**

Active Corporate Fixed Income, Core Fixed Income, Emerging Markets Debt, Strategic Income, Core Plus Fixed Income, High Yield Fixed Income, Intermediate Fixed Income, Securitized Total Return, Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy, Short Duration Fixed Income, Structured Opportunities, Ultra Short Duration

#### **Public Equity**

 Dividend Equity, Focused Equity, Large Cap Focused Equity, International Equity, Small Company Equity

#### **Private Equity**

► Funds of Funds and Secondary Funds

#### WHY FORT WASHINGTON

- Highly experienced and cohesive investment team of 35 professionals managing \$56.1 billion in fixed income assets<sup>1</sup>
- Ownership stability and access to capital: Fort Washington's parent company, Western & Southern
   Financial Group (founded in 1888), is an anchor investor in all propriety strategies
- ▶ Western & Southern is one of the most highly capitalized life insurance groups in the world<sup>5</sup>
- 1 Includes assets under management as of 12/31/2023, by Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc., an SEC-registered investment advisor of \$74.6 billion and \$5.2 billion in commitments managed by Fort Washington Capital Partners Group, a division.
- 2 As of 12/31/2023.
- 3 Registration as an investment advisor does not imply any level of skill or training.
- 4 The Equity Collective is a collaboration between 27 wealth and asset management firms dedicated to educating, empowering and developing the next generation of diverse leaders in the industry. Best Places to Work rankings are determined in conjunction with third party surveys of employers and employees.
- 5 Categories of causes and needs supported in 2022 by Western & Southern's corporate foundation, associates, charitable fundraising campaigns and community sponsorships.

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# FORT WASHINGTON SECURITIES LENDING REINVESTMENT STRATEGY - 4Q2023

#### STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

- Invests in higher-quality (Investment Grade) fixed income securities
- ▶ Seeks to generate returns commensurate with a low-risk strategy
- ▶ Tailored to client's risk, return, liquidity, and compliance objectives
- Strategy Assets (\$ millions): \$1,468.6
- ► Inception Date: 4/1/2022
- ▶ Benchmark: Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Bills: 1-3 Months

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Jay M. Devine

Vice President, Senior Portfolio Manager

Richard A. Ellensohn

Assistant Vice President & Senior Credit Analyst, IG Credit

**Investment Grade Credit** 

10 Portfolio Managers & Analysts Average Industry experience / 2001

#### Kevin J. Wittich

Assistant Portfolio Manager, Short Duration Trader

#### **Emerging Markets**

5 Portfolio Managers & Analysts Average Industry experience / 2003

#### **Securitized Products**

6 Portfolio Managers & Analysts Average Industry experience / 2002

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

- ▶ We believe in the value of a well-planned cash segmentation strategy
- Utilization of a laddered approach to liquidity management
- > Active management can optimize each step of the ladder by aligning liquidity needs, risk tolerance and value in short-term markets

#### **INVESTMENT PROCESS**

A focus on sector allocation and relative value within a risk management framework is central to Fort Washington's investment process

1	Risk Appetite	Determine risk level	Set based on the current state of the economy and asset valuations     Target risk levels applied to strategy and client specific risk budgets
2	Sector Allocation	Identify optimal sector combinations	Make explicit estimates of risk and return for relative value assessment     Seek opportunities in niche markets
3	Security Selection	Perform fundamental analysis	<ul> <li>Drive security selection decisions to "Sector PMs" (analyst level)</li> <li>25+ dedicated sector analysts focused on bottom up fundamental analysis</li> </ul>
4	Risk Management	Continuous portfolio monitoring	Active investment management optimizes each segment by stepping up and down the return-risk spectrum of short-term market instruments     Multiple layers of oversight utilizing propriety risk management tools

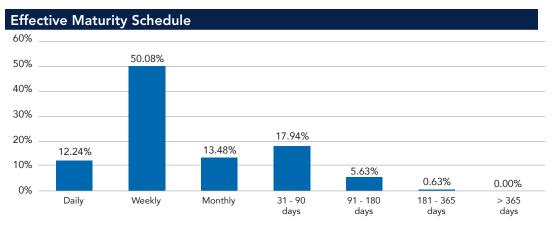
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Portfolio Characteristics						
	Portfolio	U.S. T-Bills 1-3 Mos.				
Yield to Worst	5.64%	5.26%				
Weighted Average Maturity (WAM)	20 days	55 days				
Average Quality	A1/A2	Aa1				
Duration	0.06	0.15				
Number of Issues	100	17				

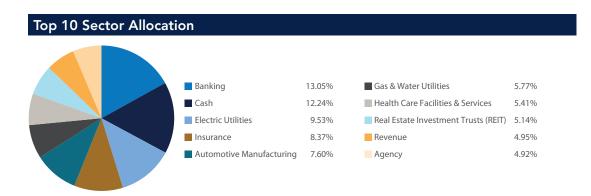
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Annualized Total Returns								
Period	Gross of Fees	Net of Fees	Bloomberg Treasury 1-3 Month					
4Q2023	1.45%	1.44%	1.38%					
YTD	5.62%	5.58%	5.14%					
1 Year	5.62%	5.58%	5.14%					
Since Inception (4/1/2022)	3.79%	3.75%	3.46%					

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#### COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURES

	4Q2023	2023	2022 <sup>1</sup>
Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy (Gross)	1.45%	5.62%	1.68%
Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy (Net)	1.44%	5.58%	1.65%
Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Bills: 1-3 Months	1.38%	5.14%	1.52%
Securities Lending 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>2</sup>			
Dispersion <sup>3</sup>			
Number of Accounts	<u>≤</u> 5	<u>≤5</u>	≤5
Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	\$1,468.6	\$1,468.6	\$1,226.9
Total Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	\$74,613	\$74,613	\$66,365

Composite inception and creation date: 4/01/22. <sup>1</sup>2022 returns are partial-year returns, reflecting the composite inception date of 04/01/22. <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.

Fort Washington's Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy seeks to preserve capital and provide ample liquidity while generating returns commensurate with a low risk strategy. This objective seeks to assure that the cash generated from securities lending activity is invested in a timely manner in a diversified portfolio of investment grade securities. Typical securities unclude a portfolio maximum weighted average maturity of 60 days. All fee paying, fully discretionary portfolios, managed in the securities lending reinvestment strategy style, with a minimum of \$250 million under management, are included in this composite. The fee for the Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy is 0.05% for all separately managed accounts. The benchmark for this composite is the Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Bills: 1-3 Months Index. This benchmark covers the 1-3 months component of the U.S. Treasury Bills Index. Cash is maintained, within each separately managed account segment, in accordance with our asset allocation ratio. The U.S. oldlar is the base currency. The specific securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended. Returns are presented gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Gross returns will be reduced by investment advisory fees and other expenses that may be incurred in the management of the account. Net of fee performance was calculated using the actual management fees charged. Individual portfolio returns are calculated on a daily valuation basis. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. (Fort Washington), a wholly owned subsidiary of The Western and Southern Life Insurance Company, is a registered investment advisor and provides discretionary money management to a broad range of investors, including both institutional and individual investors. Assets under management referomance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS S

#### RISK DISCLOSURE

The Fort Washington Securities Lending Reinvestment Strategy involves exposure to certain risks, including cash collateral investment risk (i.e., risk that cash collateral investment) achieve their investment objectives, including suffering realized or unrealized loss due to investment performance), "gap" risk (i.e., risk that the return on cash collateral investments is insufficient to pay the rebate fees the lending fund or lending account has committed to pay to borrowers), liquidity risk (i.e., risk that the cash collateral is invested, directly or through the cash collateral funds, in securities and other instruments that are less liquid than the lending fund or lending account, which could limit the liquidity available to the lending fund or lending account for ordinary course transactions), operational risk (i.e., risk of losses resulting from problems in the settlement and accounting process), foreign exchange risk (i.e., risk of a shortfall at default when a cash collateral investment is denominated in a currency other than the currency of the assets being loaned due to movements in foreign exchange rates), and credit, legal, counterparty and market risks. At any particular point in time, investments in the cash collateral funds could comprise a material portion of a lending fund's assets. These materials are being provided for informational purposes only and are not intended to constitute tax, legal or accounting advice. You should consult your own advisers on such matters. Additional information is available on request. Information contained herein is believed to be reliable but Fort Washington's own opinions. There can be no assurance that the investment objectives of any strategy referred to herein will be achieved. An investment in any strategy referred to herein involves a high degree of risk, including the risk that the entire amount invested may be lost.

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