

# COUNSEL RETIREMENT ACCUMULATION PORTFOLIO

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## **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

*For the Year Ended March 31, 2024*

### Fund Manager

Counsel Portfolio Services Inc.

### Sub-advisor

Irish Life Investment Managers Limited

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

June 5, 2024

This Management Discussion of Fund Performance presents the views of Counsel Portfolio Services Inc. (“Counsel” or “we”) on the significant factors and developments during the year ended March 31, 2024 that have affected the Fund’s performance and outlook. For information on the Fund’s longer-term performance, please refer to the *Past Performance* section of the report.

In addition, net asset value (NAV) refers to the value of the Fund or a series, as calculated for transaction purposes, on which the discussion of Fund performance is based.

### Investment Objective and Strategies

The Fund seeks long-term capital growth with the potential for capital accumulation by aiming to reduce the impact of sustained periods of negative performance from investment markets. The Fund invests in global fixed-income securities and equity securities, either directly or through securities of other investment funds (the “Underlying Funds”).

### Risks

The risks of investing in the Fund remain as discussed in the Fund’s Simplified Prospectus. The Fund is suitable for retirees or pre-retirees who: aim to accumulate savings through a global balanced fund to hold as key part of their portfolio; want a medium-term investment; can handle the volatility of stock and bond markets; desire protection from sustained periods of negative investment market performance; and have a low to medium tolerance for risk.

### Results of Operations

#### Investment Performance

The performance of the Fund’s Series A securities is discussed below. The performance of all other series offered by the Fund is shown in the *Past Performance* section of this report. Where series returns differ, it is primarily because different levels of fees and expenses were charged to each series, or because securities of a series were not issued and outstanding for the entire reporting period. Please refer to the *Series Information* section of this report for the varying management and administration fees payable by series.

During the year, the Fund’s Series A securities returned 13.96% (after deducting fees and expenses). This compares with a 20.21% return of a Blended Benchmark comprised of 20% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index (returned 2.10%), and 80% MSCI World Total Return Index (returned 25.10%) (the “Blended Benchmark”). All index and series returns are calculated on a total return basis in Canadian dollar terms. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses, and commissions, none of which are reflected in the index returns.

Global equities rose over the period as central banks slowed the pace of interest rate increases. Canadian markets were supported by the energy sector, while gains in the U.S. equity market came largely from a small number of mega-capitalization stocks. The global economy was resilient, and employment remained strong. After July 2023, the U.S. Federal Reserve and the Bank of Canada held their policy rates steady. Treasury yields reached peak levels and then fell in response to the policy shift. The Bank of Japan raised its policy rate for the first time in 17 years, but many central banks signalled potential rate cuts in 2024. Within the MSCI World (Net) Index, Italy, Denmark and the United States were the strongest-performing markets, while Hong Kong, Portugal and Finland were the weakest. The Information Technology, Communication Services and Financials sectors were the strongest performers, while Utilities, Consumer Staples and Real Estate were the weakest.

The Fund underperformed the broad-based MSCI World Index. The broad-based index is comprised of global equities and has no exposure to fixed income securities, whereas the Fund invests in both equity and fixed-income securities. Given the Fund’s composition, the Blended Benchmark provides a more meaningful comparison for relative performance.

The Fund underperformed the Blended Benchmark primarily due to manager selection decisions. Both underlying components Counsel Defensive Global Equity and Counsel Global Low Volatility Equity, underperformed the MSCI World index. The Fund’s underweight equity positioning detracted as global equity markets performed strongly relative to fixed income over the period also detracted from performance.

During the year, the Euro (“EUR”) and Japanese Yen (“JPY”) depreciated 0.41% and 12.21% respectively against the Canadian dollar (“CAD”) detracting from the Fund’s performance. Selected partial hedging positions held during the year, served to slightly offset this impact. The U.S. dollar (“USD”) and the British Pound (“GBP”) appreciated 0.12% and 2.32% respectively against the CAD contributing to the Fund’s performance. This contribution was slightly augmented by hedging positions taken during periods of depreciation. As of year-end, the Fund was generally unhedged against foreign currencies.

### Net Assets

The Fund’s NAV declined by \$2.3 million, or 2.1%, to \$104.7 million as at March 31, 2024, from \$107.0 million as at March 31, 2023. Of this decrease, \$16.9 million was attributable to net redemptions and almost entirely offset by a \$14.6 million increase due to investment performance (after deducting fees and expenses).

### Fees and Expenses

The annualized management expense ratio (“MER”) for each series during the year ended March 31, 2024, was generally similar to the MER for the year ended March 31, 2023. Total expenses paid vary from period to period mainly as a result of changes in average assets in each series. The MERs for all series are presented in the *Financial Highlights* section of this report.

### Recent Developments

The Counsel portfolio management team expects falling inflation to allow the Bank of Canada, the European Central Bank and the Bank of England to cut rates in the second quarter of 2024, while stickier U.S. inflation may cause the U.S. Federal Reserve to take action later than initially hoped by markets. The team expects GDP growth this year to come in below trend, meaning recessions will likely be avoided, and for the U.S. to continue outperforming other developed markets. The team has a positive outlook for U.S. stocks primarily driven by a bubble in the S&P 500 continuing to inflate due to the hype around artificial intelligence (AI). Longer term, the team believes that attractive risk-return opportunities exist in western Europe and in small cap equities, however those markets will take a back seat while the AI bubble continues to grow.

In early April 2024, the Fund was rebalanced from an overweight in fixed income and an underweight in equities relative to its neutral weighting to be slightly overweight equities and slightly underweight fixed income.

A partial hedge of 20% against the USD was added in early April 2024, while the Fund remains generally unhedged against other foreign currencies. This hedge was subsequently removed in May 2024. Currency hedging is dynamic and may vary between 0-100% at our discretion based on our assessment of currency market conditions.

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On November 30, 2023 (the “Transaction Date”), The Canada Life Assurance Company acquired Investment Planning Counsel Inc. (the parent company of Counsel). Counsel continues to operate as manager of the Fund. Effective on the Transaction Date, changes to the membership of the Fund’s Independent Review Committee and Counsel’s Board of Directors were made to align governance structures with Counsel’s affiliated entity Canada Life Investment Management Ltd.

## Related Party Transactions

### Management Fees

The management fee for each applicable series is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of its NAV. The Fund’s management fees were used by the Manager to pay for: costs of managing the investment portfolio; providing investment analysis and recommendations; making investment decisions; the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio; and providing other services. The Manager also used the management fees to fund trailing commissions and other compensation (collectively, “Distribution Related Payments”) paid to registered dealers and brokers whose clients invest in the Fund.

The following dealers affiliated with Counsel may be entitled to Distribution Related Payments from Counsel on the same basis as unrelated registered brokers and dealers: IPC Securities Corporation, Investors Group Securities Inc., IPC Investment Corporation, Investors Group Financial Services Inc., and Quadrus Investment Services Ltd.

Counsel used approximately 42% of the total management fee revenues received from all Counsel funds to fund Distribution Related Payments to registered dealers and brokers. In comparison, such Distribution Related Payments for the Fund represented 34% of the management fees paid. This amount is an average percentage of the management fees paid by all series. The actual percentage for each series may be higher or lower than the average depending on the level of trailing commissions paid for that series. The lower proportion of Distribution Related Payments is primarily attributable to the higher proportion of retail investors in series which do not pay a trailer fee compared to other Counsel Funds.

### Management and Administration Services

For each applicable series, the Fund paid management fees and administration fees to Counsel at the annual rates specified under *Series Information* in this report and as more fully described in the Simplified Prospectus. In return for the administration fees, Counsel pays all costs and expenses (other than certain specified fund costs) required to operate the Fund. See also *Management Fees*.

### Other Related Party Transactions

During the year, the Fund relied on standing instructions from the IRC Independent Review Committee (“IRC”) with regards to asset re-allocations.

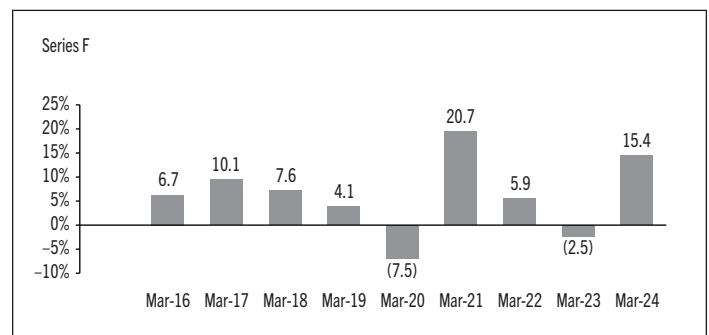
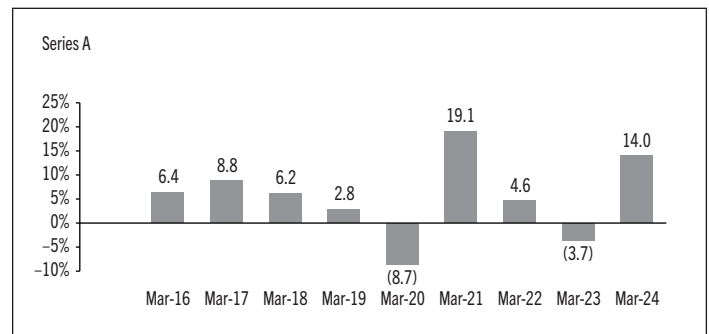
## Past Performance

The indicated rates of return are the historical annual compound total returns, including changes in NAV per security and assuming reinvestment of all distributions. They do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional sales charges, management fees directly payable by investors or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns. Returns for each series primarily differ because fees and expenses vary for each series. Please refer to *Series Information* for further information. The past performance of the Fund is not necessarily an indication of how it will perform in the future.

If you hold this Fund outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions paid to you increase your income for tax purposes, whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional securities. The amount of reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the securities that you own. This would decrease your capital gain or increase your capital loss when you later redeem from the Fund, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax advisor regarding your personal tax situation.

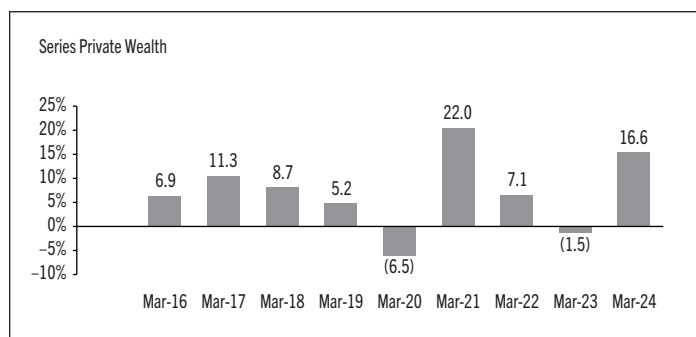
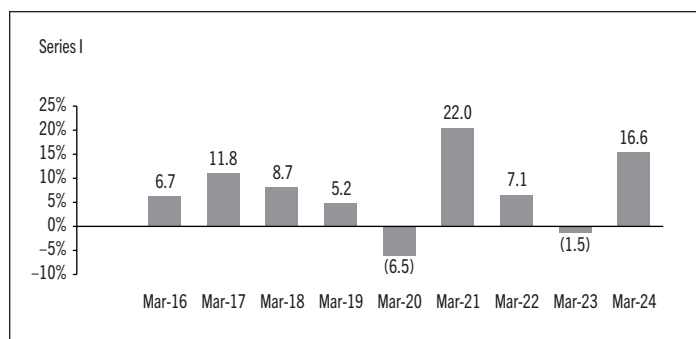
### Year-by-Year Returns

The bar charts show how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have increased or decreased by the end of the respective periods. For the first year of a series, the percentage shown will be the actual return of the series from its inception date, which can be found under *Series Information*. The charts illustrate how the Fund’s performance has changed over time.



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## Annual Compound Returns

The Annual Compound Return table shows the annual compound total return for each series of the Fund for the periods shown ended March 31, 2024. The annual compound total return is also compared to the Fund's benchmark(s)<sup>(1)</sup> calculated on the same compound basis.

(%)	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception
Series A	13.96	4.68	4.51	n/a	5.69
Series F	15.42	6.03	5.87	n/a	7.04
Series I	16.58	7.13	6.99	n/a	8.21
Series Private Wealth	16.58	7.13	6.98	n/a	8.18
Blended Benchmark	20.21	8.71	9.96	n/a	9.34
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	2.10	(1.52)	0.28	n/a	1.32
MSCI World Total Return Index	25.10	11.31	12.36	n/a	11.31

(1) The Blended Benchmark is composed of 20% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and 80% MSCI World Total Return Index. The return of the Blended Benchmark will not equal the proportionate sum of the returns of its components due to monthly rebalancing factored in the calculation of the Blended Benchmark's returns.

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index is a broad measure of the total return of Canadian bonds that mature in more than one year. It includes a broad range of Canadian federal, provincial, municipal and corporate bonds rated BBB or higher.

The MSCI World Total Return Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets.

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## Summary of Investment Portfolio

at March 31, 2024

UNDERLYING FUND TYPE	% OF NAV
Equity mutual funds	80.5
Fixed income mutual funds	17.9
Fixed income ETFs	1.4
Other net assets (liabilities)	0.2

EFFECTIVE SECTOR ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Information technology	16.8
Financials	14.1
Corporate bonds	11.3
Health care	10.5
Consumer discretionary	8.3
Real estate	6.6
Industrials	5.9
Consumer staples	5.0
Communication services	4.8
Energy	3.6
Federal bonds	3.5
Provincial bonds	3.0
Other investments	5.4
Cash and cash equivalents	3.3
Other assets (liabilities)	(2.1)

EFFECTIVE COUNTRY ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
United States	56.1
Canada	14.3
Japan	5.7
United Kingdom	2.3
Germany	1.9
France	1.7
Switzerland	1.6
China	1.5
Taiwan	1.2
Netherlands	1.1
Australia	1.0
Spain	1.0
Other countries	9.4
Cash and cash equivalents	3.3
Other assets (liabilities)	(2.1)

The effective allocation shows the country and sector exposure of the Fund calculated by including the Fund's proportionate share of its holdings in underlying investment funds. The Simplified Prospectus and other information about each of the Underlying Funds are available on the SEDAR+ website at [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca).

TOP 25 POSITIONS	% OF NAV
<b>Issuer/Underlying Fund</b>	
Counsel Defensive Global Equity Series O	52.3
Counsel Global Low Volatility Equity Series O	23.3
Counsel Canadian Core Fixed Income Series O	12.1
Counsel North American High Yield Bond Series O	5.8
Counsel Global Real Estate Series O	4.9
iShares J.P. Morgan EM Local Currency Bond ETF	1.4
<b>Top long positions as a percentage of total net asset value</b>	<b>99.8</b>

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## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for each of the fiscal periods presented below. If during the period a fund or series was established or reinstated, "period" represents the period from inception to the end of that fiscal period. Series inception dates can be found under *Series Information*.

### NET ASSETS PER SECURITY (\$)¹

	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31
Series A	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	12.48	13.05	12.66	10.72	11.87
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.24	0.35	0.38	0.43	0.42
Total expenses	(0.32)	(0.30)	(0.34)	(0.30)	(0.31)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.66	0.04	0.80	0.25	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.08	(0.53)	(0.28)	1.74	(1.35)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	1.66	(0.44)	0.56	2.12	(1.03)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding Canadian dividends)	–	(0.01)	(0.08)	(0.10)	(0.12)
From Canadian dividends	–	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
From capital gains	(0.41)	(0.06)	(0.11)	–	–
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	(0.41)	(0.08)	(0.20)	(0.11)	(0.13)
<b>Net assets at period end</b>	13.78	12.48	13.05	12.66	10.72
	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31
Series F	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	12.46	13.04	12.65	10.72	11.87
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.24	0.36	0.38	0.43	0.42
Total expenses	(0.15)	(0.14)	(0.16)	(0.14)	(0.15)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.93	0.05	0.86	0.27	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.08	(0.53)	(0.28)	1.74	(1.35)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	2.10	(0.26)	0.80	2.30	(0.87)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding Canadian dividends)	(0.06)	(0.18)	(0.27)	(0.27)	(0.29)
From Canadian dividends	–	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
From capital gains	(0.62)	(0.06)	(0.11)	–	–
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	(0.68)	(0.25)	(0.39)	(0.28)	(0.30)
<b>Net assets at period end</b>	13.64	12.46	13.04	12.65	10.72

	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31
Series I	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	12.46	13.08	12.69	10.76	11.91
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.24	0.36	0.39	0.43	0.43
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.62	(0.13)	0.81	0.10	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.08	(0.53)	(0.28)	1.77	(1.35)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	1.92	(0.32)	0.90	2.28	(0.73)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding Canadian dividends)	(0.18)	(0.34)	(0.43)	(0.41)	(0.43)
From Canadian dividends	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
From capital gains	(0.62)	(0.06)	(0.11)	–	–
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	(0.81)	(0.41)	(0.55)	(0.42)	(0.44)
<b>Net assets at period end</b>	13.64	12.46	13.08	12.69	10.76
	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31
Series Private Wealth	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	12.42	13.04	12.66	10.73	11.88
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.23	0.36	0.38	0.43	0.42
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.67	0.15	1.58	0.20	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.07	(0.53)	(0.28)	1.75	(1.34)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	1.95	(0.04)	1.66	2.36	(0.73)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding Canadian dividends)	(0.18)	(0.34)	(0.42)	(0.40)	(0.43)
From Canadian dividends	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
From capital gains	(0.61)	(0.06)	(0.11)	–	–
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	(0.80)	(0.41)	(0.54)	(0.41)	(0.44)
<b>Net assets at period end</b>	13.61	12.42	13.04	12.66	10.73

(1) These calculations are prescribed by securities regulations and are not intended to be a reconciliation between opening and closing net assets per security. The information presented is derived from the Fund's financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. The net assets presented here in this table and in the financial statements may differ from the NAV; an explanation of these differences can be found in Note 3 of the Fund's Financial Statements.

(2) NAV and distributions per security figures are based on the actual number of securities outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of securities outstanding over the financial period.

(3) Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional securities of the Fund, or both.

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## RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Series A	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
Total net asset value (\$000's) <sup>1</sup>	32,638	34,062	35,578	33,146	37,095
Securities Outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	2,368	2,728	2,726	2,618	3,459
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>2</sup>	2.48	2.50	2.54	2.54	2.55
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) <sup>2</sup>	2.48	2.50	2.54	2.54	2.55
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>4</sup>	17.20	27.81	18.91	21.57	12.83

Series F	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
Total net asset value (\$000's) <sup>1</sup>	39,658	30,802	31,619	31,951	40,503
Securities Outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	2,907	2,473	2,424	2,525	3,779
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>2</sup>	1.19	1.21	1.24	1.25	1.26
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) <sup>2</sup>	1.19	1.21	1.24	1.25	1.26
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>4</sup>	17.20	27.81	18.91	21.57	12.83

Series I	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
Total net asset value (\$000's) <sup>1</sup>	29,646	32,851	40,237	38,922	25,898
Securities Outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	2,173	2,637	3,076	3,066	2,408
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.19	0.18
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.19	0.18
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>4</sup>	17.20	27.81	18.91	21.57	12.83

Series Private Wealth	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
Total net asset value (\$000's) <sup>1</sup>	2,740	3,143	3,444	10,182	9,173
Securities Outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	201	253	264.0	804	855
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.18	0.19	0.17	0.18	0.18
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.18	0.19	0.17	0.18	0.18
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>4</sup>	17.20	27.81	18.91	21.57	12.83

- (1) This information is provided as at the end of the fiscal period shown.
- (2) MER and MER before waivers or absorptions ("Gross MER") are based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of average daily NAV during the period. In the period a series is established, the MERs and Gross MERs are annualized from the date of inception to the end of the period. MER and Gross MER may be impacted by decreases and/or increases in management fees and/or administration fees as discussed under Series Information. Where the Fund invests in securities of an Underlying Fund, the MERs and Gross MERs presented for the Fund include the portion of MERs of the Underlying Fund(s) attributable to this investment.
- (3) The trading expense ratio ("TER") represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs incurred as an annualized percentage of the daily average NAV during the period. Where the Fund invests in securities of an Underlying Fund, the TERs presented for the Fund include the portion of TERs of its Underlying Fund(s) attributable to this investment.
- (4) The portfolio turnover rate ("PTR") indicates how actively the portfolio advisor manages the investments. A PTR of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher PTR in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high PTR and the performance of the Fund. Costs incurred to realign the Fund's portfolio after a fund merger, if any, are excluded from the PTR.



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## Series Information

Series	Inception/ Reinstatement Date	Minimum Investment (\$)	Management fee (%) <sup>6</sup>	Administration fee (%) <sup>6</sup>
Series A <sup>1</sup>	January 7, 2016	1,000	1.95	0.25
Series F <sup>2</sup>	January 7, 2016	1,000	0.90	0.15
Series I <sup>2,3,6</sup>	January 7, 2016	1,000	–	0.15
Series Private Wealth <sup>4</sup>	January 7, 2016	–	–	0.15
Series Private Wealth I <sup>2,5</sup>	May 25, 2017	1,000	0.90	0.15

- (1) Series A is the only series subject to sales or redemption charges; these charges are based on purchase option chosen. Securities purchased under the sales charge option may be subject to a negotiated fee of up to 5% at time of initial purchase. Securities previously purchased under the redemption charge purchase option may be subject to a redemption fee of up to 4.0% (based on date of initial purchase); new securities are not available under this option but may be acquired through switching from other Counsel funds.
- (2) A negotiable advisory or asset-based fee (plus sales taxes) is payable by investors to their dealer(s) in connection with the securities held in this series. The fee may be collected by Counsel from the investor's account through redemption of securities and remitted to the dealer at the investor's request. Alternatively, the dealer may collect it directly from the investor.
- (3) The management fee for this series is 0.90% and is payable directly to Counsel generally through the monthly redemption of securities.
- (4) There are no management fees for Series Private Wealth. An investor must enter into an agreement to participate in a discretionary managed program offered by IPC Securities Corporation and agree to pay certain asset-based fees.
- (5) This series is available solely to those investing through a private client service offering from IPC Investment Corporation and IPC Securities Corporation. On October 27, 2023, Series Private Wealth I securities were redesignated as Series F securities, resulting in a consolidation of these series' assets.
- (6) Counsel may, at its discretion, waive or lower the management fee (either directly or indirectly) and/or administration fee payable by investors. Individual investors may be eligible for a management fee reduction subject to meeting certain requirements as discussed in the Fund's Simplified Prospectus. Effective June 15, 2022, the management fee rates for all series were reduced by 0.05% to above stated rates.