



**MERGANSER**  
CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

# SHORT TERM BOND 1-5 YEAR GOV/CREDIT COMPOSITE OVERVIEW

As of September 30, 2023

## KEY CHARACTERISTICS

<b>Total Strategy AUM:*</b>	\$434 MM
<b>Strategy Inception:*</b>	1/1/1991
<b>Yield to Maturity:</b>	5.98%
<b>Duration:</b>	2.31 Years
<b>Average Quality:</b>	AA-

## PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

• <b>Adam M. Ware, CFA</b>	• <b>Peter S. Kaplan, CFA</b>
Industry: 1996	Industry: 1986
Merganser: 2007	Merganser: 1986

## STRATEGY OVERVIEW

### Investment Objective

- To exceed the returns of the ICE BAML 1-5 Year Corporate/Government Index over a market cycle
- Emphasize low volatility, high quality and portfolio liquidity

### Investment Strategy

- Leverage our boutique size by investing in underappreciated areas of the market
- Employ extensive fundamental research and relative value analysis, with a goal of achieving attractive risk-adjusted returns while preserving liquidity
- Keep duration neutral to the benchmark; generate alpha through sector rotation and security selection decisions

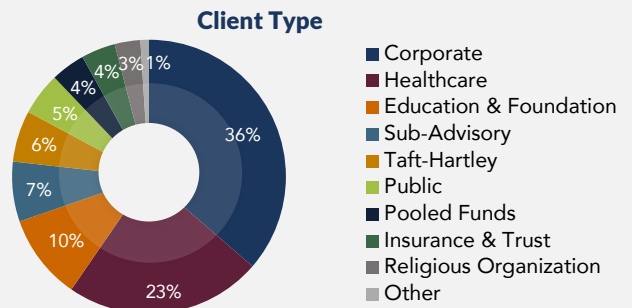
## COMPOSITE CHARACTERISTICS VS. BENCHMARK

SECTORS	STB 1-5 YR G/C COMPOSITE	ICE BAML 1-5 YR C/G INDEX
Treasuries & Cash**	12%	64%
Agencies	0%	2%
Credit	43%	34%
RMBS	7%	0%
CMBS	16%	0%
ABS	21%	0%
QUALITY	STB 1-5 YR G/C COMPOSITE	ICE BAML 1-5 YR C/G INDEX
Gov't Gtd	19%	65%
AAA	31%	4%
AA	5%	4%
A	26%	14%
BBB	18%	13%
Below BBB	1%	0%
DURATION (YRS)	STB 1-5 YR G/C COMPOSITE	ICE BAML 1-5 YR C/G INDEX
0-1	18%	5%
1-2	20%	34%
2-3	32%	27%
3-4	16%	24%
4-5	14%	10%
5+	0%	0%

## FIRM OVERVIEW

### About Merganser

- Formed in 1985, Merganser has been managing institutional fixed income portfolios for over 35 years
- Our strategies are long only, US dollar-denominated and do not utilize complex derivatives
- The investment team is highly collaborative and portfolios are managed on a team basis
- As a boutique manager, we embrace portfolio customization and solving unique issues for our clients



Tables may not foot due to rounding.

\*Characteristic includes accounts that are not in the Composite. All other characteristics are derived only from accounts that are in the Composite.

\*\*Includes cash, receivables and payables.

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