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Product Recap and Comments Core +

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Overview

In Q3 2023, Little House Capital's Core+ product posted gross returns of –3.32% (-3.57% net) against the S&P 500 benchmark return of –3.27%. Our gross year-to-date performance now stands at +13.30% (+12.55% net), outperforming the blended benchmark return of +13.02%. As the quarter concluded, Core+ held 44 stocks spanning all 11 economic sectors.

Heading into the fourth quarter, Core+ is overweight Information Technology (+1.14%) and Consumer Staples (+0.62%), with underweights in Consumer Discretionary (-1.26%) and Materials (-1.19%). Allocation effect was the main contributor to relative performance (+0.20%) as our Cash and Communication Services overweights played in our favor. Selection effect detracted from performance in the quarter (-0.36%) as stock picking in Health Care and Industrials was weaker-than-usual. Our strategic cash overweight (2.86% versus 0.34% benchmark weight) was accretive to the tune of 10 basis points as money market/cash instruments outperformed with markets rolling over in September.

Our Communication Services holdings returned 5.69% in the quarter, led by our overweight in Alphabet (GOOG), which returned 9.32%. This exceeded the broader sector return of 3.07% and was accretive to overall performance. Selection effect contributed 24 basis points in Financials as key overweight Berkshire Hathaway posted outperforming relative returns (+2.73%) in the quarter. Selection effect was deductive within Industrials driven by Boeing (BA) and Raytheon Technologies (RTX) underperforming returns of –9.23% and –22.33%. Given emerging headwinds in engine manufacturing, we divested from Raytheon in client portfolios yet maintain our long-term positive outlook on Boeing.

In late August, we adjusted our holdings in Core+ by trimming exposure to areas sensitive to discretionary spending given the broader macroeconomic challenges faced by the consumer. Subsequently, we redeployed that capital into equities presenting more compelling risk/return dynamics and less cyclicality. In doing so, we increased our Healthcare and Information Technology exposures while reducing our Consumer Discretionary and Communication Services exposures.

Listed below are the major position changes we made during the quarter.

New/Added Positions: GE Healthcare (GEHC), Emerson Electric (EMR), Public Service Enterprise Group (PEG), Salesforce (CRM), Analog Devices (ADI), Berkshire Hathaway (BRK-B), Netflix (NFLX)

Sold/Trimmed Positions: Texas Instruments (TXN), American Electric Power (AEP), Blackrock (BLK), Becton Dickinson (BDX), Nike (NKE), AT&T (T), Waste Management (WMT)

Our Founder



Robert C. Stimson, CPA Founder, Chief Executive Officer And Chief Investment Officer

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