





Global Small Cap Portfolio

Fourth Quarter 2024

Market Review

The U.S. equity market pushed slightly higher in the fourth quarter, with the S&P 500 Index advancing 2.41%. Large cap value stocks, as measured by the Russell 1000 Value Index, declined in the fourth quarter falling 1.98%. Large cap growth stocks, measured by the Russell 1000 Growth Index, gained 7.07% for the quarter. Small capitalization stocks underperformed their larger cap counterparts with the Russell 2000 Index up 0.33% in the quarter. International developed markets and emerging markets fell in the fourth quarter with the MSCI EAFE Index down 8.11% and the MSCI Emerging Markets Index dropping 8.01%.

Portfolio Review

The Global Small Cap portfolio underperformed the MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index in the fourth quarter. Poor stock selection in industrials and communication services detracted from performance. An underweight in real estate and an underweight and good stock selection in materials contributed positively to performance. From a geographic perspective, poor stock selection and an underweight in the U.S. and poor stock selection in Japan detracted from performance. Good stock selection in Europe excluding the U.K. and an underweight in Asia ex. Japan contributed positively to performance.

The biggest contributors to performance during the quarter were Moelis & Co. and Triumph Financial. Moelis saw sales recover from a cyclically low level. Investor outlook for capital market activity also increased after the results of the US general election. Triumph's earnings remain cyclically depressed due to the weak trucking market and continued investments by the company into its emerging payments network ("TPAY"). However, investors believe the industry is on the cusp of a recovery, which we believe should improve Triumph's financial results. Other top contributors included nCino, Primerica, and Morningstar.

The biggest detractors from performance during the quarter were Alten and MarkLines. Alten is a leading outsourced research and development engineering firm headquartered in France. Demand for outsourced engineering has been cyclically weak, resulting in slower organic growth and depressed margins. We believe Alten remains a key partner to its clients and is well positioned for a recovery in demand. MarkLines operates an information portal for the auto industry. Its core business has continued to grow, but its adjacent divisions like consulting and recruiting have hit a cyclical soft patch. This led to slower than expected growth. Other bottom contributors included FTI Consulting, Auto Trader, and Simpson Manufacturing.

Purchases and Sales

During the quarter, we purchased Lectra and Qualitas Controladora. We sold Fox Factory, Mercari, Pason Systems, and S-1. Based in France, Lectra is a global leader in textile cutting automation equipment and software products serving the fashion, automotive, and furniture industries. We believe the company will continue to benefit from difficult-to-replicate scale and switching cost advantages, and an attractive long-term growth outlook. We purchased shares at what we believed to be an attractive multiple on cyclically depressed earnings. Qualitas Controladora is the leading auto insurer in Mexico. We believe the company can maintain its market dominance through a combination of excellent service to agents and industry-leading risk and fraud prevention products for fleet vehicles. Management has allocated capital prudently and demonstrated a long-term mindset. We sold Fox Factory because management pursued an acquisition strategy that diluted the competitive positioning and reduced the profitability of the overall company. We sold our position in Mercari after losing confidence in management's stewardship of the company. While the core business remains strong and profitable, the company continues to be committed to other lossmaking businesses that we believed to be structurally challenged. Pason Systems' shares performed well during the first half of the quarter on expectations for increased oil and gas drilling activity. We decided to exit our position and use the proceeds to fund an attractive new purchase. We sold our shares of S-1 to fund the purchase of another company with a similar valuation, but what we believe are better long-term growth prospects.

Portfolio Highlights

Style: Small Cap

Index: MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index

Portfolio Inception: 2016 Portfolio Assets: \$233.0 M* Portfolio Turnover: 25%-35% Number of Holdings: 30-60

Investment Philosophy

We believe that purchasing high-quality businesses with competitive protections at attractive valuations will achieve excess returns over a complete market cycle.

Investment Objectives

- To achieve a return meaningfully above that of the MSCI[®] ACWI Small Cap Index
- To achieve this return objective with a portfolio that exhibits lower overall risk characteristics

Investment Management Team

Name	Research Start Date
Todd Beiley, CFA Portfolio Manager + Senior Research Analyst	1999
Craig Thrasher, CFA Portfolio Manager + Senior Research Analyst	2003

Top 5 Holdings

As of December 31, 2024

Company	Country	Percent of equity (%)
Baltic Classifieds	Lithuania	7.8
Primerica	United States	7.0
Rightmove	United Kingdom	5.8
Ryan Specialty	United States	5.8
Auto Trader	United Kingdom	4.8
Total		31.2

^{*}Figures in USD.

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Investment Process: Discovering Quality



Development of KAR High-Quality

Quantitative Screens

- High return on capital over a full economic cycle
- Long and resilient earnings history
- High return on net operating assets
- Minimal debt

Other Resources

- Research on existing portfolio holdings
- Meetings with companies
- Industry reviews
- Investment conferences
- Third-party research



Proprietary
Fundamenta
Pessarch

Qualitative Analysis

 Evaluate sustainability of business model and assess management's ability to direct capital where it can create further control of its market

Financial Analysis

 Evaluate basis for profitability, long-term growth potential, and ability to allocate capital appropriately

Valuation Analysis

 Determine the current and potential value of the business

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Portfolio Construction

Position Weights

 Maximum initial position size is 5% (at cost)
 Maximum position size is 10% (at market)

Sector and Geographic Tolerances

 Seek broad diversification, but no sector or geographic constraints

Holding Period

- Typically 3-to-5 years
- Portfolio turnover is typically 25% to 35%

Cash Levels

 Typically will not exceed 10% once a portfolio is fully invested; review by CIO triggered if over 10%



Sell Discipline

Extended Valuation

Portfolio Upgrade

Acquisition Activity

Negative Company or Industry Changes

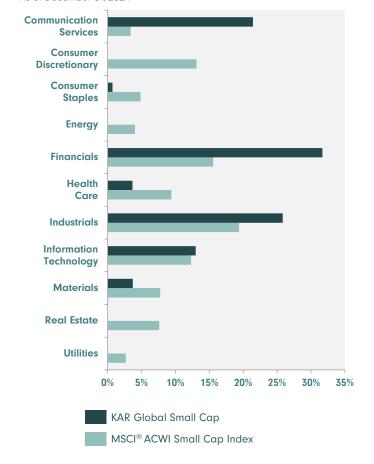
Seeking Higher Quality

Seeking Stronger, More Consistent Growth

Seeking Better Value

Sector Diversification

As of December 31, 2024



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Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2024

	KAR Global Small Cap	MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index
Quality		
Return on Equity—Past 5 Years	24.3%	11.0%
Debt/EBITDA*	0.4 x	2.2 x
Interest Expense Coverage	19.6 x	3.7 x
Growth		
Earnings Per Share Growth—Past 5 Years	9.0%	12.8%
Earnings Per Share Growth—Past 10 Years	15.5%	8.7%
Dividend Per Share Growth—Past 5 Years	12.4%	9.1%
Dividend Per Share Growth—Past 10 Years	12.9%	7.0%
Value		
P/E Ratio—Trailing 12 Months	20.8 x	24.6 x
Dividend Yield [†]	2.3%	2.0%
Market Characteristics		
\$ Weighted Average Market Cap—3-Year Avg.	\$3.8 B	\$4.0 B
Largest Market Cap—3-Year Avg.	\$10.0 B	\$894.0 B

*KAR utilizes the interquartile method when calculating Debt/EBITDA. The interquartile method excludes outliers from an aggregate statistic such as weighted average. The interquartile method does not assume that data from the top or bottom of the distribution are outliers—only the extreme ends are excluded—and that it can be applied consistently as a quantitative method for most fundamental characteristics. Debt/EBITDA utilizes net debt for the calculation. 'Dividend yield is a financial ratio that shows how much companies have paid out in dividends in the most recent year relative to their stock price at the end of such year. Dividend yield is being shown here as a characteristic of the stocks held in the portfolio and not to infer how the stocks have or will perform, as dividends are not the only component of the portfolio's performance. Dividends are subject to change from year-to-year, and the portfolio's dividend yield could be lower or higher in future years.

Data is obtained from FactSet Research Systems and BNY Mellon and is assumed to be reliable. Other principal consultant firms may use different algorithms to calculate selected statistics. Estimates are based on certain assumptions and historical information.

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Geographical Exposure

As of December 31, 2024



U.S. vs. Non-U.S.

As of December 31, 2024

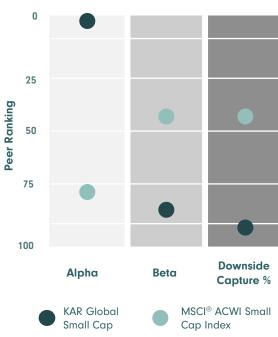


Historical Returns

	KAR Global Small Cap (gross)	KAR Global Small Cap (net)‡	MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index
Annualized Returns (%) [†] As of December 31, 2024			
4 th Quarter	(6.40)	(6.61)	(3.26)
One Year	3.47	2.54	7.66
Three Years	0.94	0.04	0.76
Five Years	9.55	8.57	6.68
Seven Years	10.85	9.87	5.70
Inception*	15.05	14.03	8.23
Annual Returns (%)			
2024	3.47	2.54	7.66
2023	25.00	23.89	16.84
2022	(20.47)	(21.20)	(18.67)
2021	12.63	11.63	16.09
2020	36.18	34.98	16.33
2019	26.40	25.29	24.65
2018	3.16	2.24	(14.39)
2017	37.08	35.88	23.81
2016	25.21	24.11	11.59

Peer Comparison Chart

Inception* to December 31, 2024



The eVestment Global Small Cap Universe includes 49 managers categorized in the global small cap asset class by eVestment. KAR does not pay any fees to be included in the eVestment Global Small Cap Universe or for the ranking itself. KAR does pay fees for the use of certain products and services provided by eVestment. eVestment rankings are based on gross of fee returns. Gross of fee returns will be reduced by investment management fees and other expenses that may be incurred in the management of the account. Management fees are described in KAR's Form ADV Part 2A, which is available upon request and can also be found at https://kayne.com/wpcontent/uploads/ADV-Part-2A.pdf. Returns could be reduced or losses incurred due to currency fluctuations. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Performance Statistics

Inception* to December 31, 2024

	KAR Global Small Cap (gross)	KAR Global Small Cap (net)	MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index
Alpha	6.95	6.00	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.76	0.70	0.35
Information Ratio	1.12	0.95	N/A
Beta	0.90	0.90	1.00
Downside Capture	80.31	82.04	100.00
Tracking Error	6.08	6.08	N/A

^{*}January 1, 2016

[†]All periods less than one year are total returns and are not annualized. Returns are final.

^{*}Net of all fees and expenses. Assumes a 0.90% annual fee.

This material is deemed supplemental and complements the performance and disclosure at the end of this presentation. Returns of the Kayne Anderson Rudnick composite are final. Returns could be reduced, or losses incurred, due to currency fluctuations. For further details on the composite, please see the disclosure statement in this presentation. Data is obtained from FactSet Research Systems and is assumed to be reliable. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** Returns could be reduced, or losses incurred, due to currency fluctuations.





Global Small Cap Composite

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Disclosure

Year	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Net Return (%)	MSCI [®] ACWI Small Cap Index Return (%)	Composite 3-Yr Std Dev (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Std Dev (%)	Number of Accounts	Internal Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	Firm Assets (\$ Millions)
2016	25.21	24.11	11.59	N/A	N/A	< 5	N/A	4	9,989
2017	37.08	35.88	23.81	N/A	N/A	< 5	N/A	5	14,609
2018	3.16	2.24	(14.39)	11.83	12.49	< 5	N/A	5	17,840
2019	26.40	25.29	24.65	11.82	12.77	< 5	N/A	3	25,685
2020	36.18	34.98	16.33	20.88	22.96	< 5	N/A	9	39,582
2021	12.63	11.63	16.09	20.20	21.58	< 5	N/A	111	47,269
2022	(20.47)	(21.20)	(18.67)	22.98	24.17	< 5	N/A	144	33,531
2023	25.00	23.89	16.84	17.61	18.43	6	0.44	237	41,186

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The Global Small Cap Composite has had a performance examination for the period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2023. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

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The composite includes all fully discretionary institutional Global Small Cap Portfolios. Global Small Cap Portfolios are invested in equity securities with market capitalizations in line with the MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index, that have market control, rising free cash flow, shareholderoriented management, strong consistent profit growth and low-debt balance sheets. For comparison purposes, the composite is measured against the MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index (net). The MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of smallcapitalization stocks of the MSCI® Global Investable Market Indices Universe. The index is calculated on a total-return basis with dividends reinvested, net of withholding taxes. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers. The inception date of the composite is January 2016. The composite was created in January 2016. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request. The firm's list of composite descriptions, list of broad distribution pooled fund and the list of limited distribution pooled funds descriptions are available upon request.

The model management fee used for the net returns in this table is 0.90% for all periods presented. The standard management fee schedule currently in effect is as follows: 0.90% for

the first \$50 million; 0.80% on the next \$50 million; 0.70% on the next \$100 million; 0.60% on the balance. Actual management fees charged may vary depending on applicable fee schedules and portfolio size, among other things. Additional information may be found in Part 2A of Form ADV, which is available on request. The performance information is supplied for reference. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Results will vary among accounts. The U.S. dollar is the currency used to express performance. Returns are presented net of withholding taxes, net of transaction fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Gross returns will be reduced by investment management fees and other expenses that may be incurred in the management of the account. Model net returns have been calculated by deducting 1/12th of the highest tier of the standard management fee schedule in effect for the respective period from the gross composite returns on a monthly basis.

Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns for accounts in the composite for the entire year. For those years when less than five accounts were included for the full year, no dispersion measure is presented. The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation, which measures the variability of the composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period, is not presented for periods prior to 2018 because 36 monthly composite returns are not available.

GLOSSARY: Alpha: A risk-adjusted measure of an investment's excess return relative to a benchmark. Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. Information Ratio: The information ratio (IR) is a measurement of portfolio returns beyond the returns of a benchmark, usually an index, compared to the volatility of those returns. Beta: A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as whole. Downside Capture Ratio: A statistical measure of an investment manager's overall performance in downmarkets. It is used to evaluate how well an investment manager performed relative to an index during periods when that index has dropped. Tracking Error: The divergence between the price behavior of a position or a portfolio and the price behavior of a benchmark. It is reported as a

standard deviation percentage difference, which reports the difference between the return an investor receives and that of the benchmark they were attempting to imitate.

INDEX DEFINITION: The MSCI® ACWI Small Cap Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that measures small cap equity performance of developed and emerging markets. The index is calculated on a total return basis with net dividends reinvested. The index is calculated on a total return basis with net dividends reinvested. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment.