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Investment Grade Short Duration Strategy

Q3 2026

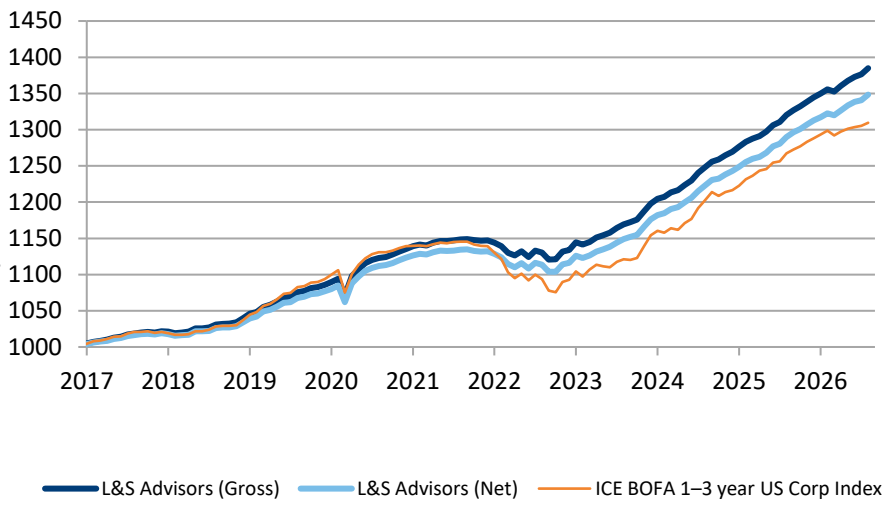
Strategy Objective

Seeks to generate taxable income, combined with relative portfolio stability, for clients with a need or desire for long-term capital stability.

Strategy Highlights

- Targeting bonds with shorter maturities provides outperformance in a rising interest rate environment. No bonds held with stated maturity beyond 5 years.
- Ability to produce higher return with less interest rate risk.
- Primary focus on safety of principal and issuer's ability to meet all obligations across varying market conditions.
- Analysis of balance sheet and cash flow uncovers undervalued securities in a replicable manner.
- Boutique size enables the purchase of smaller issues unavailable to larger firms.

Growth of a $1,000 Investment



Performance

Please note all Characteristics, Performance, Allocation and Holding information as of September 30, 2026

Annualized Returns

	Q3	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	7 Yr.	ITD
L&S Advisors (Gross)	0.91%	3.01%	4.40%	5.72%	3.81%	3.66%	3.37%
L&S Advisors (Net)	0.74%	2.70%	4.00%	5.39%	3.51%	3.37%	3.09%
ICE 1-3 Yr Gov/Corp	-0.18%	1.01%	2.23%	5.12%	2.58%	2.64%	2.71%

Calendar Year Returns

	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
L&S Advisors (Gross)	3.01%	5.92%	5.98%	5.65%	-1.16%	1.07%	4.55%	4.40%	1.77%
L&S Advisors (Net)	2.70%	5.62%	5.67%	5.38%	-1.42%	0.81%	4.29%	4.13%	1.50%
ICE 1-3 Yr Gov/Corp	1.01%	5.89%	5.40%	5.61%	-4.05%	-0.01%	4.16%	5.43%	1.62%

Characteristics*

	L&S Advisors	*ICE BOFA 1-3 Yr*
Number of Holdings	63	2379
Yield to Maturity	6.08%	4.54%
Yield to Worst	6.05%	5.41%
Convexity to Maturity	0.04	0.03
Modified Duration	1.40	1.86
Current Yield	5.72%	5.40%
Average Credit Quality	BBB/BBB-	A3
Alpha **	1.20	--
Beta **	0.69	1
Sharpe Ratio **	2.00	1.29
Std. Deviation**	1.52	2.09

** Characteristics exclude non-fixed income and non-individual securities held in some accounts of composite. ** Characteristics are based on net-of-fee returns from inception to date.*

Top Allocations

Allocation	%
Financials	36.20%
Information Technology	13.20%
Industrials	12.00%
Communication Services	7.70%
Consumer Discretionary	6.50%
Energy	6.20%
Real Estate	5.20%
Materials	4.60%
Other	4.40%
Health Care	2.00%
Cash & Equivalents	1.10%
Utilities	0.90%
	100%

Top Bond Holdings***

Holding%	%
EPR PROPERTIES	4.38%
F&G ANN & LIFE INC	4.12%
PARAMOUNT GLOBAL	3.47%
CARNIVAL CORP	3.26%
AMER AIRLINE 16-1 A	3.23%
PIMCO EN SHRT MAT	3.21%
WEBSTER FIN CORP	3.14%
ALPHABET INC	3.10%
FS KKR CAPITAL CORP	2.95%
NEW MTN FIN COR	2.94%
	33.80%

**** Non-individual bond holdings held in some accounts of the composite have been excluded.*

See important disclosures on next page.

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10 years experience

Strategy Philosophy

Most investors like to think about the traditional style box when it comes to investing. For fixed income investors, this means analyzing interest-rate sensitivity (duration) on one axis and credit quality on the other. We believe that through rigorous, bottom-up research, we can expand our opportunity set beyond our benchmark which in turn enhances our ability to exploit market inefficiencies. These core investment principles have been the focus of the strategy since inception. We believe by pursuing companies who are improving their balance sheet, we can seek to provide significant alpha while limiting risk over a full market cycle (5 years).

Net Monthly Performance (Net)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	*ICE 1-3*
2016												0.21	0.21	*0.06*
2017	0.19	0.24	0.12	0.09	0.28	0.12	0.24	0.15	0.12	0.04	-0.09	0.17	1.67	*0.84*
2018	-0.12	-0.20	0.08	0.05	0.44	0.00	0.08	0.38	0.08	0.00	0.17	0.54	1.50	*1.60*
2019	0.51	0.23	0.69	0.19	0.44	0.49	0.10	0.52	0.17	0.33	0.08	0.29	4.13	*4.03*
2020	0.30	0.42	-2.12	2.45	0.86	0.74	0.37	0.22	0.13	0.24	0.36	0.29	4.29	*3.33*
2021	0.29	0.20	-0.10	0.27	0.20	-0.02	0.03	0.11	0.03	-0.18	-0.08	0.05	0.81	*-0.47*
2022	-0.32	-0.45	-0.81	-0.38	0.53	-0.68	0.71	-0.27	0.86	0.00	0.92	0.21	-1.42	*-3.69*
2023	0.86	-0.28	0.34	0.46	0.28	0.29	0.50	0.42	0.28	0.24	0.98	0.89	5.38	*4.61*
2024	0.47	0.23	0.52	0.19	0.58	0.50	0.79	0.63	0.61	0.17	0.47	0.38	5.67	*5.40*
2025	0.47	0.52	0.34	0.23	0.47	0.67	0.27	0.76	0.50	0.33	0.47	0.47	5.62	*5.89*
2026	0.33	0.41	-0.22	0.50	0.55	0.36	0.17	0.57	0.00				2.70	*1.01*

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Short-Duration Investment Grade Fixed Income Strategy Composite seeks to generate taxable income, combined with relative portfolio stability, for clients with a need or desire for long-term capital stability. Risk will be reduced through the selection of securities that have a final maturity no longer than five years from the date of purchase. The shorter nature of this portfolio will provide clients with a portfolio that is likely to be much less sensitive to rising interest rates that most other income generating investments. Diversification will be achieved through the selection of individual bonds, bond funds, index funds, actively managed funds, and exchange-traded funds (ETFs) that may provide access to different asset classes such as, but not limited to, investment grade fixed income securities and bonds, international and emerging market fixed income, and other income generating securities. Risk appropriate securities will be chosen using fundamental analysis combined with technical evaluation. Like other L&S strategies, this strategy may seek to maintain proper risk exposure through the active allocation of risk assets and cash. The strategy may be tactical and unconstrained. The strategy and exposure to risk assets may be varied depending on the clients' individual risk tolerance and circumstances. Results are based on fully discretionary accounts under management, including those accounts no longer with the firm. Composite performance is presented gross of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest income, and capital gains. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The U.S. Dollar is the currency used to express performance. Returns are presented gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Net-of-fee performance was calculated using actual management fees. Inception performance is as of November 30, 2016.

For comparison purposes the Short-Duration Investment Grade Fixed Income Strategy Composite is measured against the ICE BOFA 1–3 year US Corporate Index. The ICE BOFA 1–3 year US Corporate Index is a subset of the ICE BofA US Corporate Master Index tracking the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade rated corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market. This subset includes all securities with a remaining term to maturity of less than 3 years. Prior to 1/1/2024, the strategy was benchmarked to a different index. Indexes are not available for direct investment.