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## FORT WASHINGTON SECURITIZED OPPORTUNITIES - 4Q2024

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Inception Date: 10/01/2011 Strategy Assets: \$674 million Style: Securitized Fixed Income Benchmark: Bloomberg US MBS Index

## VEHICLE AVAILABILITY

► ETF

Separately Managed Account

## STRATEGY OVERVIEW

- Focus on moderate to higher risk/return opportunities within securitized products
- High spread/short spread duration focus reduces volatility
- Longer holding periods enable realization of yield advantage

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

We believe

- Securitized products offer an attractive risk/return profile versus competing fixed income assets.
- Securitized products tend to have complex structures and uncertain cash flows, offering potential for inefficient markets and attractive risk-adjusted returns.
- Strong front-end due diligence and back-end surveillance processes are necessary to navigate markets and manage risk.
- Emphasizing the income component of return and focusing on high spread/shorter spread duration securities supports fundamental investing with a longer-term horizon.

# ABOUT FORT WASHINGTON

- Founded in 1990; \$86.4 billion in current total assets under management<sup>1</sup>
- Organizational hallmarks include: stability of teams, consistency of process, competitive performance, deep resources, and alignment of interests

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Portfolio Characteristics (as of December 31, 2024)								
	Securitized Opportunities	Bloomberg US MBS Index						
Quality	А	AA+						
YTW	7.66	5.27						
OAS	304	43						
OA Duration	2.60 yrs	6.17 yrs						
OA Convexity	0.12	-0.05						
OASD	3.35 yrs	5.64 yrs						
Number of Issues	188	1,002						

Source: Fort Washington. This supplemental information complements the Securitized Opportunities GIPS Report. Portfolio characteristics are as of the reported date and are subject to change without notice. See Securitized Opportunities GIPS Report on the next page for complete disclosure. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Annualized Total Returns (as of December 31, 2024)								
Period	Securitized Opportunities (Gross)	Securitized Opportunities (Net)	Bloomberg US MBS Index					
4Q2024	0.41%	0.32%	-3.16%					
YTD	8.17%	7.78%	1.20%					
1 Year	8.17%	7.78%	1.20%					
3 Years	2.62%	2.24%	-2.13%					
5 Years	2.92%	2.53%	-0.74%					
10 Years	4.24%	3.83%	0.91%					
Since Inception	5.96%	5.56%	1.29%					

'Assets as of 12/31/2024. Includes assets under management by Fort Washington of \$81.3 billion and \$5.1 billion in commitments managed by Fort Washington Capital Partners Group (FW Capital), a division. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

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#### SECURITIZED OPPORTUNITIES COMPOSITE GIPS REPORT

	4Q2024	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Securitized Opportunities (Gross)	0.41%	8.17%	6.86%	-6.49%	4.22%	2.51%	6.77%	4.72%	6.10%	5.87%	4.46%
Securitized Opportunities (Net)	0.32%	7.78%	6.45%	-6.85%	3.81%	2.10%	6.35%	4.30%	5.68%	5.44%	4.04%
Bloomberg US Mortgage Backed Securities Index	-3.16%	1.20%	5.05%	-11.81%	-1.04%	3.87%	6.35%	0.99%	2.47%	1.67%	1.51%
Securitized Opportunities 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>3</sup>	-	3.36%	3.18%	6.39%	6.15%	6.10%	1.30%	1.19%	1.03%	0.91%	1.45%
Bloomberg US Mortgage Backed Securities Index 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>3</sup>	-	8.51%	7.66%	5.62%	1.71%	2.17%	2.15%	2.26%	1.75%	2.11%	2.31%
Dispersion <sup>4</sup>	0.47%	0.89%	1.84%	0.84%	0.56%						
Number of Accounts	8	8	8	7	6	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5
Composite Assets (\$ Millions)	\$674.3	\$674.3	\$565.9	\$530.3	\$580.4	\$358.2	\$341.2	\$258.9	\$179.9	\$92.7	\$68.0
Total Firm Assets (\$ Millions)	\$81,286	\$81,286	\$74,613	\$66,365	\$73,804	\$65,086	\$59,174	\$49,225	\$52,774	\$45,656	\$42,959

Composite inception and creation date: 10/01/2011. <sup>3</sup>The 3-Year annualized ex-post standard deviation is calculated using monthly gross-of-fee returns to measure the average deviations of returns from its mean. <sup>4</sup>Dispersion is not calculated for years in which the composite contains five portfolios or less. Dispersion is not calculated as the equal weighted standard deviation of quarterly gross-of-fee returns for box posted in the composite during the full measurement period. Composite Governor for 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019 have been revised due to incorrect values in prior presentations. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The benchmark for this composite is the Bloomberg US Mortgage-Backed Securities Index tracks fixed-rate agency mortgage-backed pass-through securities guaranteed by Ginnie Mae (GNMA), Fannie Mae (FNMA), and Freddie Mac (FHLMC). The index is constructed by grouping individual TBA-deliverable MBS pools into aggregates or generics based on program, coupon, and vintage. The index accounts for interest payments by incorporating them into the total return calculation. Fort Washington's Securitized Opportunities strategy focuses on non-index, structured securities with higher return potential relative to a blended benchmark. Typical securities utilized include private label mortgage-backed securities, agency mortgage-backed securities, agency mortgage-backed securities, agency debentures, and cash securities style, with a minimum of \$15 million under our management, are included in this composite. Effective 03/22/2022, the Securitized Opportunities Fixed Income fee schedule is 0.40% on the first \$75 million and 0.35% on additional amounts over \$75 million. Benchmark returns include interest income, but as an unmanaged fixed income index, transaction fees (brokerage commissions) are not included, and no direct comparison is possible. Portfolios in this composite include cash, cash equivalents, investment securities index, transaction fees (brokerage commissions) are not in

## **RISK DISCLOSURE**

The Fort Washington Securitized Opportunities strategy invests primarily in securitized asset instruments, including mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities and other securities. The market prices of securities may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to general market conditions, such as real or perceived adverse economic, political, or regulatory conditions, recessions, inflation, changes in interest or currency rates, lack of liquidity in the bond markets, or adverse investor sentiment. Investments in the strategy are subject to possible loss due to the financial failure of issuers of underlying securities and their inability to meet their debt obligations. When interest rates rise, the prices of fixed-income securities in the strategy will generally rise. The value of mortgage-related and asset backed securities will be influenced by factors affecting the real estate market and the assets underlying those securities. These securities are also subject to prepayment and extension risks and risk of default.

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