# MULTI-CAP GROWTH STRATEGY



Strategy Inception 7/1/2003

Managed Accounts | 1Q 2025

### Firm Overview

| Founded                         | 1985     |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Investment Professionals</b> | 25       |
| Total Strategy Assets*          | \$492mm  |
| Enterprise Assets*              | \$21.8bn |

<sup>\*</sup>Totals include model management assets.

| Characteristics<br>as of 3/31/2025 | Multi-Cap Growth<br>Composite | S&P 1500 |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| P/E - Trailing 12 Months           | 33.3x                         | 23.4x    |  |  |  |
| Yield %**                          | 0.84                          | 1.41     |  |  |  |
| Number of Equity Holdings***       | 48                            | 1,506    |  |  |  |
| 1-Yr Turnover %                    | 24.1                          |          |  |  |  |

# **Key Investment Tenets**



**Profitability** 

Franchise

**Valuation** 

|          |         |     |          | . 1    |
|----------|---------|-----|----------|--------|
| Positive | revenue | and | earnings | growth |

- Strong competitive position in stable, expanding industry
- · Positive earnings
- · Free cash flow positive
- Established profit margins
- Management focused on core business and aligned with stakeholders' interests
- Prudent use of debt and leverage
- Evaluate relative to history, peers, and economic conditions

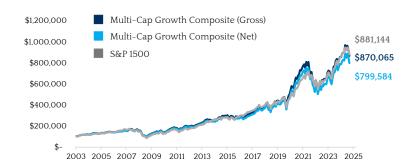
| Risk Characteristics**<br>7/1/2003 - 3/31/2025 | Multi-Cap Growth<br>Composite (Gross) | S&P 1500 |  |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Standard Deviation %                           | 17.28                                 | 15.78    |  |  |
| Beta   | 1.04                                  | 1.00     |  |  |
| Sharpe Ratio                                   | 0.57                                  | 0.61     |  |  |
| Alpha  | -0.19                                 |          |  |  |
| Upside Capture %                               | 99.3                                  | 100.0    |  |  |
| Downside Capture %                             | 99.2                                  | 100.0    |  |  |
|  |                                       |          |  |  |

<sup>\*\*</sup> Characteristics are gross of fees and are computed without the deduction of fees and expenses.

### **Portfolio Construction**

- 50 to 60 securities
- Industry exposure not to exceed 25% and no more than 5% to any one security, in general
- Fully invested with a cash allocation not in excess of 5%, in general
- Average annual turnover of 25-50%

# Growth of \$100,000 7/1/2003 through 3/31/2025



# Average Annualized Performance % as of 3/31/2025

|  | QTD  | YTD  | 1 Yr | 3 Yrs | 5 Yrs | 10 Yrs | Since<br>Inception<br>7/1/2003 |
|--|------|------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------------------------------|
| Multi-Cap Growth Composite (Gross of Fees) | -5.9 | -5.9 | 3.6  | 6.7   | 17.8  | 11.3   | 10.5                           |
| Multi-Cap Growth Composite (Net of Fees)   | -6.0 | -6.0 | 3.3  | 6.4   | 17.4  | 10.9   | 10.0                           |
| S&P 1500                                   | -4.5 | -4.5 | 7.3  | 8.6   | 18.4  | 12.1   | 10.5                           |

### Past performance does not guarantee future results.

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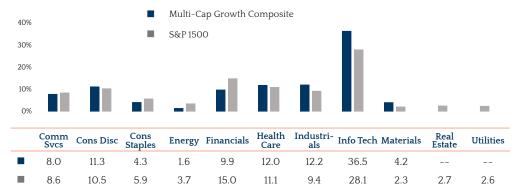


# Top 10 Holdings as of 3/31/2025

| Total:                    | 30.8 |
|---------------------------|------|
| Netflix Inc               | 2.7  |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. | 2.7  |
| Arista Networks, Inc.     | 2.7  |
| HEICO Corp.               | 2.8  |
| Amphenol Corp.            | 2.9  |
| Apple, Inc.               | 3.0  |
| Fortinet, Inc.            | 3.2  |
| Costco Wholesale Corp.    | 3.3  |
| NVIDIA Corp.              | 3.7  |
| Fair Isaac Corp.          | 3.9  |
|                           |      |

# Investment CommitteeCompany TenureJohn O'Reilly, CFA Committee Chair2001Dan Lagan, CFA1989Nancy Huynh1998Mark Nygren, CFA2023

## GICS Sector Allocation<sup>1</sup> vs. Benchmark % ex Cash as of 3/31/2025



Actual client account holdings and sector allocations may vary. O.77% Cash and/or cash equivalents.

The S&P 1500 Index measures the performance of widely available, liquid stocks in U.S. equity market. It combines three leading indices — S&P 500 Index, S&P MidCap 400 Index, and S&P SmallCap 600 Index, to cover approximately 90% of the U.S. market capitalization. P/E Ratio is the ratio of a company's share price to the company's earnings per share. Active Share is a measure of the stock holdings in a portfolio that differ from the stated benchmark index. Standard Deviation is a measure of the dispersion of a set of data from its mean. It is used by investors as a gauge for the amount of expected volatility. Sharpe Ratio is a risk-adjusted measure, calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the better the portfolio's historical adjusted performance, given the level of risk as measured by Beta, where Beta measures sensitivity to benchmark movements. Beta is a measure of the difference between actual returns and expected performance, given the level of risk as measured by Beta, where Beta measures sensitivity to benchmark movements. Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the entire market or a benchmark. Upside Capture ratio measures the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only months that are positive in the benchmark. An Upside Capture Ratio of the manager's overall performance to the benchmark's overall performance, considering only months that are negative in the benchmark. A Downside Capture Ratio of less than 100% indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's positive months. Downside Capture Ratio of less than 100% indicates a manager who outperforms the relative benchmark in the benchmark's positive months and protects more of a portfolio's value during down markets.

### Congress Asset Management Co. Multi-Cap Growth Composite 1/1/2014 - 12/31/2023

| Year | Total Return<br>Gross of<br>Fees % | Total Return<br>Net of Fees % | S&P<br>Composite<br>1500 Return<br>% (dividends<br>reinvested) | Russell 3000<br>Growth<br>%<br>(dividends<br>reinvested) | Composite<br>Gross 3-Yr<br>annualized<br>ex-post St<br>Dev (%) | S&P<br>Composite<br>1500 3-Yr<br>annualized<br>ex-post St<br>Dev (%) | S&P 500 3-Yr<br>annualized<br>ex-post St<br>Dev (%) | Number of<br>Portfolios | Gross<br>Dispersion % | Total<br>Composite<br>Assets End<br>of Period<br>(\$millions) | Total Firm<br>Discretionary<br>Assets End<br>of Period<br>(\$millions) | Total Firm<br>Advisory-<br>Only Assets<br>End of Period<br>(\$ millions) | Total Firm<br>Assets End<br>of Period #<br>(\$millions) |
|------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|---|
| 2023 | 30.2                               | 29.9                          | 25.5   | 41.2   | 20.9   | 17.4   | 20.3  | 29                      | 1                     | 325   | 12,146   | 8,514  | 20,660  |
| 2022 | -27.5                              | -27.7                         | -17.8  | -29.0  | 24.2   | 21.1   | 23.4  | 32                      | О                     | 287   | 10,083   | 6,799  | 16,882  |
| 2021 | 22.6                               | 22.1                          | 28.5   | 28.7   | 19.2   | 17.5   | 17.2  | 34                      | 1                     | 403   | 12,778   | 8,018  | 20,796  |
| 2020 | 39.6                               | 39.1                          | 17.9   | 18.4   | 20.7   | 18.9   | 18.5  | 30                      | 1                     | 324   | 10,746   | 5,523  | 16,269  |
| 2019 | 33.4                               | 32.9                          | 30.9   | 31.5   | 13.4   | 12.1   | 11.9  | 27                      | 1                     | 242   | 8,445  | 4,083  | 12,528  |
| 2018 | -3.4                               | -3.8                          | -5.0   | -4.4   | 12.4   | 11.0   | 10.8  | 23                      | О                     | 187   | 7,102  | 3,132  | 10,234  |
| 2017 | 25.4                               | 24.9                          | 21.1   | 21.8   | 10.3   | 9.9  | 9.9   | 23                      | 1                     | 215   | 7,272  | 3,274  | 10,546  |
| 2016 | 0.5                                | 0.1                           | 13.0   | 12.0   | 11.4   | 10.7   | 10.6  | 6                       | n/a                   | 131   | 5,693  | 2,445  | 8,139   |
| 2015 | 2.7                                | 2.3                           | 1.0  | 1.4  | 10.8   | 10.5   | 10.5  | ≤5                      | n/a                   | 135   | 5,941  | 1,153  | 7,094   |
| 2014 | 7.0                                | 6.6                           | 13.1   | 13.7   | 10.4   | 9.1  | 9.0   | ≤5                      | n/a                   | 134   | 6,328  | 1,121  | 7,449   |

#The "Total Firm Assets" column includes unified managed account (UMA) assetsCongress Asset Management claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS\*) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Congress Asset Management has been independently verified for the periods 1/1/96 – 12/31/22. The verification report(s) is/are available upon request. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedure for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards. Verification provides assurance on whether the firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS standards and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. Verification does not provide assurance on the accuracy of any specific performance report.

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Composite Characteristics: The creation and inception date of the Multi-Cap Growth Composite is July 1, 2003, which reflects the first full month an account was fully invested in the strategy and met the inclusion criteria. The composite includes all fully discretionary portfolios with a value over \$100 thousand (US dollars) managed in the multi cap growth style for a minimum of one full month. The multi-cap growth strategy invests in the equity of high quality companies with market capitalizations over \$500 million exhibiting consistent earnings growth. Accounts with wrap commissions are excluded from the composite. Prior to January 1, 2016, the composite minimum was \$500 thousand (US dollars). The primary composite benchmark is the S&P Composite 1500 Index, and the S&P 500 Index is a supplemental index. Effective April 1, 2021, the Multi-Cap Growth Composite benchmark was changed retroactively from the Russell 3000 Growth Index to the S&P Composite 1500 Index in order to better represent the investable universe. The benchmark returns are not covered by the report of independent verifiers. Closed account data is included in the composite as mandated by the standards in order to eliminate a survivorship bias. The % of the composite represented by non-fee paying accounts at annual period end was 196 in 2008. A list of composite descriptions, a list of broad distribution pooled funds, and a list of limited distribution pooled fund descriptions are available upon request.

Calculation Methodology: Valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. dollars. Gross of fees returns are calculated gross of management and custodial fees and net of transaction costs. Prior to 2007 net of fees returns were calculated by reducing gross returns by 174th of the highest management fee in the Multi-Cap Growth Composite, which was 0.63%, applied quarterly. Effective January 1, 2007, net of fees returns are calculated using actual management fees. The composite results portrayed reflect the reinvestment of dividends, capital gains, and other earnings when appropriate. Accruals for equity securities are included in calculations. Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross-of-fees returns of those portfolios that were included in the composite for the entire year. For those years when less than six portfolios were included in the composite for the full year, no dispersion measure is presented. The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the composite, and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

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