

EQUITY DIVIDEND PLUS

- Style: All Cap, Income Oriented
- Approach: Active; Bottom Up
- Benchmark: S&P 500 Index
- Inception: 11/1/2003
- Strategy Assets: \$1,288 MM

INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

We believe companies that possess high dividend yield and growth offer the best combination of total return, downside protection and lower volatility. A multi-cap approach helps broaden the investable universe while diversifying away systematic risk.

ABOUT OUR FIRM

GW&K is a dynamic investment management firm that offers active equity and fixed income investment solutions to meet the needs of a diverse client base. At our core is an entrepreneurial spirit of innovation, a desire to help educate our clients and a level of service that is hard to come by. Our founding principles of applying rigorous fundamental research, focusing on quality and maintaining a long-term view still guide our investment process today.

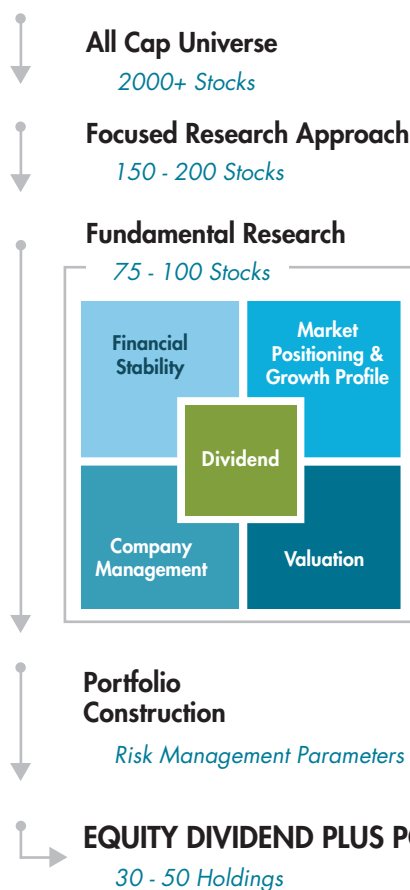
- Founded in 1974
- \$55 Billion Under Management
- Individually Managed Accounts
- Serving Individuals and Institutions

All data as of September 30, 2021

STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS



INVESTMENT PROCESS



DIVIDEND

- Companies that deliver consistent dividend yield and growth

FINANCIAL STABILITY

- Stable or improving financial metrics

MARKET POSITIONING & GROWTH PROFILE

- Companies in attractive markets delivering consistent growth

VALUATION

- Attractive valuation metrics in relation to industry, peers and own company history
- Avoid companies with unsustainable payout ratios

COMPANY MANAGEMENT

- Experienced, tenured, high-quality management

WHY DIVIDEND PAYING STOCKS?

- Securities with higher-than-average dividend yields generally weather depressed markets better than stocks with low yields.
- Dividend paying stocks are typically less volatile. Companies that consistently pay dividends to their shareholders usually have more dependable earnings growth and thus are more stable.
- Dividends have often been viewed as an important indicator of a company's stability and quality and its management's commitment to shareholders.

INVESTMENT TEAM

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13 Domestic Equity Investment Professionals Averaging 22 Years Experience

A DISCIPLINED APPROACH TO PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

DIVERSIFICATION

- By Sector
- Market Capitalization - large, mid, and small cap stocks

DIVIDEND YIELD

- Seek high dividend paying companies:
 - » Approximately 1.5x the benchmark or higher at purchase
 - » Seek overall portfolio yield of 2x the benchmark

MARKET CAP

Minimum: Typically \$1 billion

SECTOR WEIGHTINGS

No more than 2x the benchmark or 30%, whichever is greater
Sector weighting driven by availability of names with required dividend yield

CASH POSITION

Portfolios are fully invested
0% - 5% average cash position

QUANTITATIVE RISK ANALYSIS

Portfolio Risk Characteristics - *beta, absolute risk, tracking error*
Fundamental Factor Exposure - *over a dozen common factors evaluated*
Sector and Industry Exposure
Stock Specific Risk

FOCUSED RESEARCH

Bottom-up fundamental research is the key driver of our equity investment process and is the prime determinant of our success. Each of our equity analysts has a strong belief in our investment philosophy and they devote an extraordinary amount of time to developing original investment ideas and to gaining a deep understanding of each company's business.

Fundamental analysis conducted by our research analysts includes: meetings/conversations with management; analyzing industries; researching a company's earnings and balance sheet trends; reviewing sell-side research; and projecting future earnings and dividend growth.

High quality management is one of the most important attributes we seek for the companies in which we invest. Proven experience, leadership talent, high integrity and possessing a strategic vision are some of the qualities we scrutinize. Especially among smaller companies, we find that appropriate leadership from the top has a greater direct impact on all aspects of a business: its growth profile, valuation, market positioning and financial strength. When it comes to assessing the quality of management teams, we believe we set the bar higher than other managers.