

## FUND GOALS

- Invest in quality companies at a significant discount to their intrinsic value, providing opportunity to deliver strong results over time as solid managements drive both growth in value and reduction in the discount.
- Seek to excel in Value-driven markets, and to outperform the benchmark on average over time.
- Outperform the benchmark in up markets.

## INVESTMENT GUIDELINES

- Purchase stocks at a significant discount to our proprietary estimate of intrinsic value
- Strong financial position
- Prefer better companies in better industries
- Company management has a feasible action plan in place to resolve real or perceived problem
- Primarily Large Cap stocks
- Typically, no more than 4% (at cost) in any one stock and no more than 15% (at cost) in any one industry

## ANNUALIZED RETURNS

through 12/31/23

	<u>MAVFX</u>	<u>S&amp;P 500</u>	<u>Russell 1000 Value</u>
4Q, 2023	12.85%	11.69%	9.47%
Year-to-Date	25.21%	26.29%	11.41%
1 Year	25.21%	26.29%	11.41%
3 Years	9.57%	10.00%	8.82%
5 Years	13.50%	15.69%	10.88%
10 Years	8.54%	12.03%	8.38%
Since Inception*	8.16%	9.37%	8.62%

\* The inception date is July 1, 1996 when Matrix took over as sub-advisor for the Fund. Matrix became the advisor for the Fund on May 11, 1997.

Returns less than 1 year are not annualized.

*Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling (800) 366-6223 or visiting our website. Performance figures reflect fee waivers in effect; in the absence of fee waivers, total returns would be lower.*

## FUND STATISTICS

P/E - 1 year forward	15.0x
Turnover Rate	24.36%
Gross/Net Expense Ratio**	1.23% / 0.99%

\*\*The Advisor has contractually agreed to reduce fees through 10/31/2024

## QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

The Fund showed strong performance results in 2023. In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the portfolio outperformed both the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> and the Russell 1000 Value<sup>®</sup> Index. For the full year, the portfolio modestly underperformed the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> and was nicely ahead of the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Value Index.

Performance results in 2023 benefited from investments made in high-quality Technology and Communication Services companies when their share prices were much lower. In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, more stocks in a variety of sectors outside of Technology contributed to the portfolio's strong results. Our holdings in Financials were up double digits across the board in Q4, responding to the solid results they have been reporting and getting a lift from improving investor sentiment as interest rates declined. It's worth noting that, in the aftermath of the mini-banking crisis in March and April, our financial holdings have quietly been the portfolio's top sector since May 31 and are up around 28.5% in the back half of the year.

Looking ahead, we are optimistic about the portfolio's positioning and prospects in 2024. We expect good but less spectacular results from last year's biggest winners and continued contributions from Financials in a less restrictive interest rate environment. We also expect greater gains from other areas of the portfolio that lagged in 2023 like Healthcare, Industrials, and Materials. The portfolio's companies have strong and growing franchises and are positioned to prosper as the economy settles into historic trend line economic growth of around 2% with stable to lower interest rates. If we are right in our market outlook for the upcoming year, we expect the Fund's portfolio to build on 2023's strong results with another year of solid gains.

**TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Microsoft Corporation	7.6%
Alphabet inc. Class C	6.6%
Apple Inc	5.2%
Amazon.com Inc	4.4%
Meta Platforms, Inc.	4.4%
J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.	4.3%
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.	4.3%
Morgan Stanley	4.2%
Qualcomm	3.7%
TE Connectivity LTD	3.5%

**KEY DIFFERENTIATORS**

- 30+ years of continuity of leadership and philosophy at the Advisor. Portfolio team averages 20+ years at the firm. Principals have significant personal assets invested alongside clients.
- Eight proprietary intrinsic value models used since the firm's inception allow for identification of undervalued stocks in all industries in all market environments.
- "Go Anywhere" ability allows us to be opportunistic, believing that attractive undervalued investments can surface in any sector at any time. We are not benchmark-driven.
- Research-based, high conviction approach leads to a portfolio of 30-40 names, providing for a favorable mix of performance potential and diversification.
- Focus on better companies in better industries helps to avoid value traps.

**SECTOR ALLOCATION**

<u>Sectors</u>	<u>MAVFX</u>
Communication Services	14.8%
Consumer Discretionary	5.1%
Consumer Staples	0.0%
Energy	0.0%
Financial Services	25.2%
Health Care	18.0%
Industrials	7.3%
Info. Technology	28.4%
Materials	1.0%
Real Estate	0.0%
Utilities	0.0%
Cash & Equivalent	0.3%

**FUND CHARACTERISTICS**

	<u>MAVFX</u>	<u>R1000V</u>	<u>S&amp;P 500</u> <u>ETF</u>
Market Cap. - average (\$bil.)	699.8	139.2	722.7
P/E Ratio - 1 yr. Forward	15.0x	15.0x	*19.5x
EPS Growth (forward 3-5 yrs)	10.9%	9.6%	10.2%
# of Holdings	31	849	504

\*P/E reflects the S&P 500 Index

**PORTFOLIO MANAGER**

**DAVID KATZ**

37 years at Matrix / 39 years in industry

**GENERAL FIRM INFORMATION**

<i>Address:</i>	<b>Matrix Asset Advisors, Inc.</b> 10 Bank Street, Suite 590 White Plains, NY 10606
<i>Phone:</i>	212-486-2004
<i>Firm/Fund Assets:</i>	\$1.021 Billion / \$60 Million
<i>Investment Style:</i>	US Large Cap Value Equity
<i>Market Capitalization:</i>	Generally \$10 Billion or more
<i>Decision Making:</i>	Bottom-Up Stock Selection
<i>Manager Avg. Tenure:</i>	25 Years
<i>Mgr. Avg. Experience:</i>	38 Years

## Definitions

Earnings Growth - The annual rate of growth of earnings from business

EPS Growth - Annualized compound growth rate of earnings from the business on a per-share basis

P/E Ratio - The Price/Earnings (P/E) ratio represents the median of the portfolio's individual stock P/E's. Individual stock P/E is calculated by dividing the current price by forward earnings

Price/Earnings for individual stocks are excluded when the figures are not meaningful, which includes negative earnings per share or depressed earnings per share

Price/Book - The Price/Book (P/B) ratio represents the median of the portfolio's individual stock P/B's. Individual stock P/B is calculated by dividing the current price by current book value.

Price/Book for individual stocks are excluded when the figures are not meaningful, which includes negative book value or statistically anomalous book value

All data is through (or as of) 12/31/23 unless otherwise noted. Source: Matrix Asset Advisors, Bloomberg, eVestment Alliance.

The S&P 500 Index measures the performance of 500 publicly traded companies, which are among the largest in the United States. The S&P 500 Index does not incur expenses and is not available for investment.

S&P 500 ETF (The SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust), also known as the SPY ETF, is one of the most popular funds that aims to track the Standard & Poor's S&P 500 Index, which comprises 500 large-cap U.S. stocks. These stocks are selected by a committee based on market size, liquidity, and industry. The S&P 500 serves as one of the main benchmarks of the U.S. equity market and indicates the financial health and stability of the economy.

The Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Value Index measures the performance of those Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

Russell 1000 Value ETF - The iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large- and mid-capitalization U.S. equities that exhibit value characteristics.

The Fund's holdings are on a trade date basis and may change at any time due to ongoing portfolio management. References to specific investments should not be construed as a recommendation by the Fund or Matrix Asset Advisors to buy or sell the securities.

*The Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other important information about the investment company, and it may be obtained by calling 1-800-366-6223, or visiting [www.matrixadvisorsvaluefund.com](http://www.matrixadvisorsvaluefund.com). Read it carefully before investing.*

**Mutual fund investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. The stock of Value companies can continue to be undervalued for long periods of time and may not realize its expected value. The value of the Fund may decrease in response to the activities and financial prospects of an individual company.**