Small Company Growth



June 30, 2023

Strategy Facts

Portfolio Managers: Greg Baxter, CFA, Jim Stark, CFA

Inception: June 1, 2007 Index: Russell 2000 Growth

Available Vehicles: Separate Account, Collective Trust

Strategy AUM: \$529M Firm AUM: \$3.0B

Website: http://castleark.com/small-cap-growth/

Investment Philosophy

We believe that **earnings** growth is the primary driver of stock prices over the long term, and that excess return can be achieved by investing in those companies with **improving business fundamentals.**

Portfolio Characteristics

	CastleArk	Index
# of Securities	109	1,089
Weighted Avg Market Cap (\$MM)	\$6,109	\$3,302
Median Market Cap (\$MM)	\$5,085	\$1,261
Historical Sales Growth	36.2%	36.5%
Historical EPS Growth	35.5%	32.3%
EPS Growth - Long Term Forward	17.3%	17.9%
Return on Equity	9.0%	5.2%
Price to Earnings (Trailing 12M)	23.6	20.0
Price to Earnings (Forward 12M)	22.2	19.1
Price to Book	4.2	4.0
Dividend Yield	0.3%	0.6%
Active Share	85.8%	

Investment Strategy



A process that emphasizes the **direction of growth** over the absolute level of growth



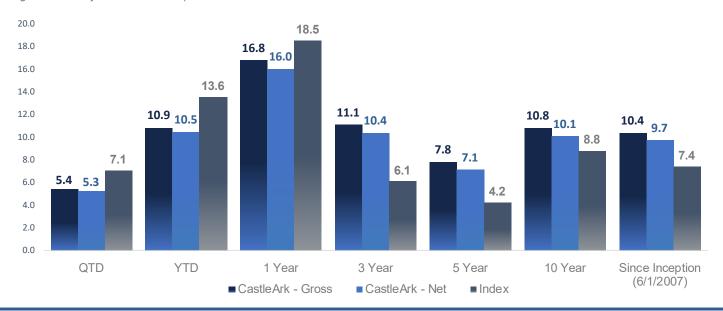
A focus on **actual** fundamental improvements **vs. anticipated improvements** enhance our success rate



A disciplined analysis focused on the **magnitude and sustainability** of the driver of fundamental improvement

Composite Performance*

(Periods greater than 1-year are annualized)



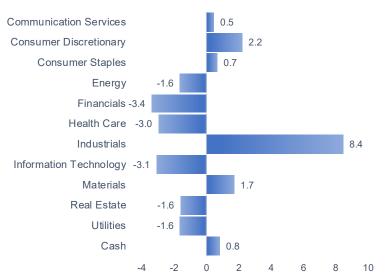
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Sector Allocation vs. Index



Top 10 Holdings*

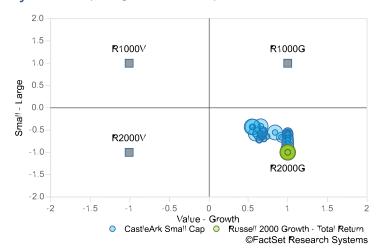
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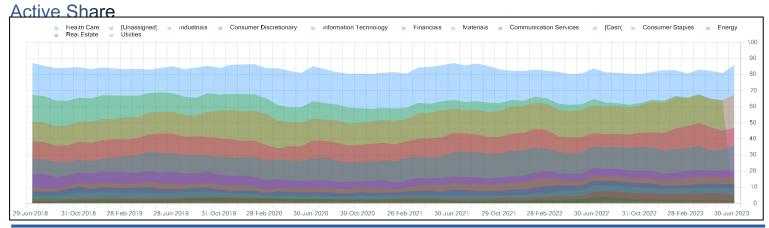
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Security	Weight
Celsius Holdings, Inc.	2.08%
APi Group Corporation	1.87%
TransMedics Group, Inc.	1.86%
ATI Inc.	1.81%
Inspire Medical Systems, Inc.	1.72%
Wingstop, Inc.	1.63%
Rambus Inc.	1.59%
Manhattan Associates, Inc.	1.56%
PulteGroup, Inc.	1.51%
Super Micro Computer, Inc.	1.48%

■ 6.0% - Materials

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Style Drift (Rolling 1 Month Periods)





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