

# Plymouth County Retirement Association

Scott Moore, CFA
President & Co-Chief Investment Officer

### Nuance Investments

- Nuance Investments, LLC (Nuance) is a boutique classic value investment firm headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri.
- From its seed capital in 2008 of \$30 million, the firm today has approximately \$6.9 billion in three strategies managed by our investment team.
- Nuance is 100% employee owned.

Strategy	Inception	Current Assets <sup>1</sup>
Nuance Concentrated Value	2008	\$900 million
Nuance Mid Cap Value	2008	\$5.9 billion
Nuance Concentrated Value Long-Short	2015	\$120 million

All Cap & Mid Cap Strategies

- \$6.9 billion
- Nuance is not accepting investments from new firms and is continuing to grow with existing firms and their clients.
- Nuance Strategies are capacity constrained to position Nuance for future return potential.
- The goal of the firm is to provide clients with strategies that can sustain leading risk-adjusted returns over the long-term.

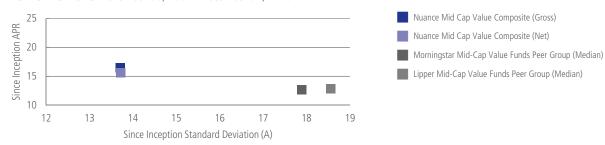
'Assets include discretionary assets and assets under advisement. Assets under advisement represent UMA assets, for which we have no discretionary authority nor responsibility for arranging or effecting the purchase or sale of securities. Inclusion of these assets may make our total asset number different from assets under management reported elsewhere.

# Performance - Peer Comparison

Nuance Mid Cap Value November 30, 2008 - December 31, 2020

	Since Inception APR	Since Inception Standard Deviation (A)	Since Inception Sharpe Ratio (A)
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Gross)	16.45	13.70	1.17
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Net)	15.63	13.72	1.10
Morningstar Mid-Cap Value Funds Peer Group (Median)	12.66	17.89	0.66
Peer Group Percentile and Ranking	1st (2 of 302)	1st (3 of 302)	1st (1 of 302)
Lipper Mid-Cap Value Funds Peer Group (Median)	12.79	18.55	0.63
Peer Group Percentile and Ranking	1st (1 of 80)	1st (1 of 80)	1st (1 of 80)

#### Risk & Reward November 30, 2008 - December 31, 2020



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### Nuance's Investment Team

#### President & Co-Chief Investment Officer



Scott Moore, CFA

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- Founder & Co-owner of Nuance Investments, LLC
- 30 years of investment analyst experience
- 28 years as a value investment analyst
- 22 years of portfolio management experience using a classic value approach
- Lead Portfolio Manager of the Nuance Concentrated Value Strategy starting 11/13/2008
- Lead Portfolio Manager of the Nuance Mid Cap Value Strategy starting 11/03/2008
- Co-manager of the Nuance Concentrated Value Long-Short Strategy
- Expertise in the Utility sector

### **Associate Portfolio Manager**



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- 5 years with Nuance Investments
- 9 years of related financial experience
- Expertise in the Health Care, Communication Services, and Technology sectors

### **Senior Investment Analyst**



D. Adam West, CFA

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- 15 years of investment analyst experience
- 11 years with Nuance Investments
- · Expertise in the Technology, Consumer Discretionary, and Consumer Staples sectors

#### Vice President & Co-Chief Investment Officer



Chad Baumler, CFA

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- Co-owner of Nuance Investments, LLC
- 14 years of investment analyst experience
- 9 years of portfolio management experience using a classic value approach
- Lead Portfolio Manager of the Nuance Concentrated Value Long-Short Strategy
- Co-manager of the Nuance Concentrated Value and Nuance Mid Cap Value Strategies
- Expertise in the Energy, Financial, and Real Estate sectors

### **Senior Investment Analyst**



Laurie S. Kirby, CPA

- Laurie.Kirby@nuanceinvestments.com • Co-owner of Nuance Investments, LLC
- 22 years of investment analyst experience
- 10 years with Nuance Investments
- · Expertise in the Basic Materials sector

### **Investment Analyst**



Jack Meurer, CFA

- Jack.Meurer@nuanceinvestments.com 4 years with Nuance Investments
- Expertise in the Industrial sector

# Nuance's Investment Philosophy and Process

The Nuance team believes that investing in leading business franchises trading at a discount to fair value can generate excess returns over time





### **Quantitative Screening**

- Screen all public companies in U.S. and developed countries with market cap over \$500m
- Screen is run daily to capture IPOs, spinoffs, and market cap changes
- Goal is to screen for leading businesses, rather than inexpensive stocks, with traits including:
  - Higher returns on capital than sub-industry peers
  - Less volatile returns on capital than sub-industry peers
  - Healthy balance sheets
  - Rational capital spending



### **Competitive Analysis**

- Seeking #1 or #2 market share positions in a specific niche industry
- Ensure sustainable competitive position
- Avoid market share losing companies and competitive transitions



### **Proprietary Financial Statement Analysis**

- Determine sustainable and trough returns on capital
- Determine sustainable and trough earnings and cash flows
- Analyze balance sheet, capital spending, and capital allocation priorities
- Identify risk items within financial statements



### **Proprietary Valuation Study**

- Study company-specific multiples
- Study comparable company multiples
- Study industry takeover multiples
- Determine fair value and trough value multiples:
  - » P/F
  - » Dividend Yield
  - » EV/EBITDAR
  - » Unlevered Free Cash Flow Yield
  - » Price to Tangible Book
  - » Other
- Finalize fair value
- Finalize trough value



### **Portfolio Construction**

### **Buy Discipline:**

- Buy stocks with asymmetrical risk/rewards
- Optimize the risk/reward profile of the portfolio consistently
- Typically buying when sentiment is negative and earnings power is below sustainable levels

### **Sell Discipline:**

- Sell stocks when achieve or surpass fair value
- Sell stocks when better asymmetric risk/rewards exist
- Sell stocks when competitive position or financial situation erodes

Maintain portfolios within guidelines and constraints

## Portfolio Guidelines and Constraints

### **Nuance Mid Cap Value**

Capitalization <sup>1</sup>	Mid-Cap
Cash Limits <sup>2</sup>	10.00%
International Limits <sup>3</sup>	15.00%
Diversification Limits	25.00% of the portfolio assets will not have positions of greater than 5.00%
Convertible And Debt Limits	10.00%
Maximum Position	7.50%
Industry Constraints <sup>4</sup>	25.00%
Sector Constraints <sup>5</sup>	+/- 15.00% Russell Midcap® Value Index
Number of Companies <sup>6</sup>	50 to 90
Absolute Volatility	Less than S&P 500® Index
Peer Group	Mid-Cap Value
Primary Benchmark	Russell Midcap® Value Index
Secondary Benchmarks	S&P MidCap 400® Value Index S&P 500® Index
Tracking Error	Approximately 350-700 bps
Performance Focus	Absolute Return Sharpe Ratio vs. Russell Midcap® Value Index and S&P 500® Index

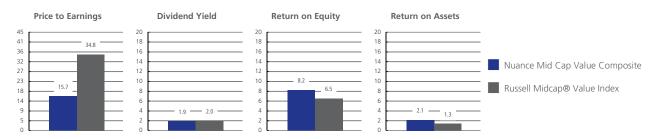
The market capitalization of at least 80 percent of the portfolio will generally be maintained in companies with market capitalizations between the smallest and largest members of the Russell Midcap® (defined using a trailing 12 month average of the smallest and largest members on a month to month basis). The portfolio generally will not exceed a 10% weighting in Cash. The portfolio may invest up to 15% of its assets in equity securities of foreign companies in countries classified as "developed" by MSCI. Nuance utilizes MSCI to classify its international holdings. The country classification of a company is generally determined by the company's country of incorporation and the primary listing of its securities. MSCI will classify a company in the country of incorporation in fits securities have a primary listing outside of the country of incorporation, and the company is percentage as company is securities have a primary listing outside of the country of incorporation, and the company is percentage as company is executive shave a primary listing outside of the country of incorporation, and the company is outside of the country of incorporation, and one country of incorporation and the company is percentaged by MSCI. Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK, and the United States. "The portfolio will not exceed a 25% weighting in one industry as defined by GICS classification standards (GICS®). "Sector diversification limit." A typical portfolio will hold between 50 and 90 companies. This is a fundamental diversification limit.

## Portfolio Statistics

Nuance Mid Cap Value January 31, 2021

Statistic	Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite	Russell Midcap® Value Index
Weighted Average Market Cap	20.7b	18.0b
Median Market Cap	10.8b	8.8b
Price to Earnings (internal and ttm)*	15.7x	34.8x
Price to Earnings (ex-neg earnings)	-	21.6x
Dividend Yield	1.9%	2.0%
Return on Equity	8.2%	6.5%
Return on Assets	2.1%	1.3%
Number of Securities	56	697

\*Based on Nuance internal estimates and benchmarked against the above noted index.



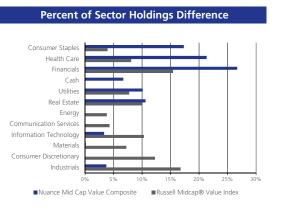
Index statistics are provided by FactSet. The following Composite characteristics are calculated using FactSet data: Weighted Average Market Cap, Median Market Cap (midpoint of market capitalization of the stocks in the portfolio), Dividend Yield (annual dividends relative to share price), Return on Equity (net income divided by shareholder equity), Return on Assets (net income divided by average total assets), P/E (price of a company's stock relative to its earnings per share). Characteristics for P/E, DY, ROE & ROA use an index aggregation calculation methodology (the index method sums the weighted portfolio value of the numerator and the denominator first, then divides those sums to determine the portfolio and benchmark values). Characteristics calculations use holdings at market close on the stated date, including cash & cash equivalents. The P/E excluding negative earners omits companies with negative earnings from the calculation to provide readers with an additional tool during periods of extreme volatility.

## Top 10 Holdings And Sector Weights

January 31, 2021

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Company Name	Weight	GICS Sector	Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite Top 10 Holdings
Travelers Companies, Inc.	6.8	Financials	6.8
Equity Commonwealth	6.3	Real Estate	6.3
Beiersdorf AG Unsp ADR	5.5	Consumer Staples	5.5
Smith & Nephew PLC Sp ADR	4.6	Health Care	4.6
Sanderson Farms, Inc.	4.5	Consumer Staples	53.0 4.5
Northern Trust Corporation	4.4	Financials	4.4
Dentsply Sirona, Inc.	4.3	Health Care	4.3
BDX 6 06/01/23 Pfd	4.0	Health Care	3.1 3.4 4.0
Cal-Maine Foods, Inc.	3.4	Consumer Staples	
Everest Re Group, Ltd.	3.1	Financials	■ Other Holdings

GICS Sector Weights	Portfolio	RMV Index	Difference
Consumer Staples	17.3	4.0	13.4
Health Care	21.3	8.1	13.2
Financials	26.7	15.5	11.3
Cash	6.7	0.0	6.7
Utilities	10.1	7.8	2.3
Real Estate	10.6	10.0	0.6
Energy	0.0	3.8	(3.8)
Communication Services	0.0	4.3	(4.3)
Information Technology	3.4	10.3	(7.0)
Materials	0.1	7.3	(7.1)
Consumer Discretionary	0.0	12.3	(12.3)
Industrials	3.7	16.8	(13.1)



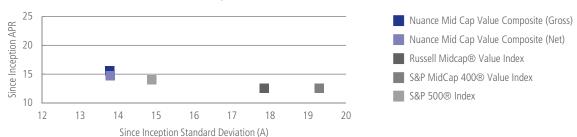
Top 10 holdings subject to change. Sector Classifications are generally determined by referencing the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS®) Codes developed by Standard & Poor's and Morgan Stanley Capital International. Sector Allocations are a percent of equity investments and subject to change. The Portfolio represents the Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite and the RMV Index represents the Russell Midcagp® Value Logication provided by FactSet.

## Performance Statistics

Nuance Mid Cap Value November 3, 2008 - January 31, 2021

	Since Inception APR	Since Inception TR	Since Inception Standard Deviation (A)	Since Inception Sharpe Ratio (A)
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Gross)	15.55	487.97	13.77	1.09
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Net)	14.74	439.37	13.79	1.03
Russell Midcap® Value Index	12.60	327.58	17.84	0.68
S&P MidCap 400® Value Index	12.53	324.36	19.29	0.62
S&P 500® Index	14.00	397.18	14.89	0.90

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## Performance

Nuance Mid Cap Value November 3, 2008 - January 31, 2021

	YTD 2021	1 year	3 Years APR	5 Years APR	7 Years APR	10 Years APR	Since Inception APR	Since Inception TR
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Gross)	(0.95)	6.82	9.10	14.11	11.46	13.51	15.55	487.97
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Net)	(1.01)	6.09	8.34	13.32	10.74	12.67	14.74	439.37
Russell Midcap® Value Index	(0.23)	6.80	4.49	10.94	8.45	10.22	12.60	327.58
S&P MidCap 400® Value Index	1.15	9.45	4.79	11.90	8.44	10.12	12.53	324.36
S&P 500® Index	(1.01)	17.25	11.70	16.16	13.32	13.50	14.00	397.18

	11/03/08 - 12/31/08	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Gross)	(4.13)	38.69	21.08	4.04	22.02	35.45	9.79	2.95	21.87	16.18	(4.18)	32.52	5.52
Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite (Net)	(4.13)	38.20	20.01	3.38	20.61	34.24	9.14	2.33	21.05	15.42	(4.88)	31.62	4.79
Russell Midcap® Value Index	(5.60)	34.21	24.75	(1.38)	18.51	33.46	14.75	(4.78)	20.00	13.34	(12.29)	27.06	4.96
S&P MidCap 400® Value Index	(3.99)	33.73	22.78	(2.43)	18.53	34.25	12.10	(6.65)	26.53	12.32	(11.88)	26.08	3.73
S&P 500® Index	(5.95)	26.46	15.06	2.11	16.00	32.39	13.69	1.38	11.96	21.83	(4.38)	31.49	18.40

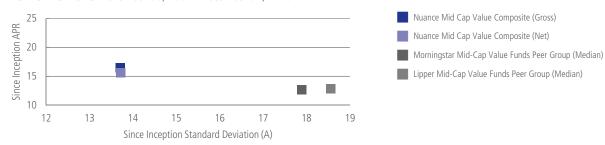
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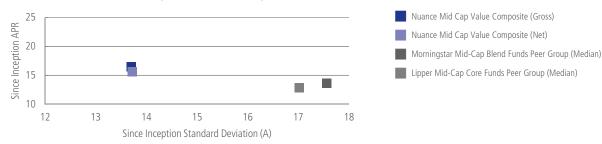
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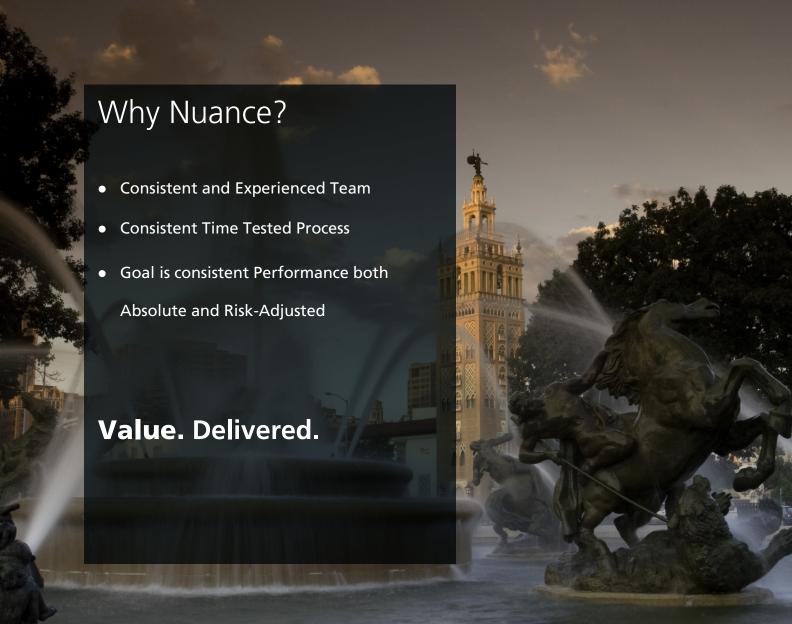
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Morningstar Mid-Cap Blend Funds Peer Group (Median)	13.59	17.56	0.74
Peer Group Percentile and Ranking	12th (33 of 272)	1st (3 of 272)	1st (1 of 272)
Lipper Mid-Cap Core Funds Peer Group (Median)	12.85	17.05	0.72
Peer Group Percentile and Ranking	8th (12 of 156)	2nd (3 of 156)	1st (1 of 156)

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Appendix

# Manager Style

November 30, 2008 - January 31, 2021 (36-Month Moving Windows, Computed Monthly)

Russell 1000 Value	Russell 1000 Growth
Russell 2000 Value	Russell 2000 Growth

Manager Style presented using FactSet returns based style analysis. Returns based style analysis calculates a Style Benchmark for a manager from the manager's return series and the return series of the indices that are to be used in the Style Benchmark. Manager style presented is based on 36 moving periods computed monthly.

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applied both funds and separate accounts. Morningstar Style Box Methodology is based on growth versus value scores using historical measures of various portfolio components and weights. A complete description of Morningstar's Category classifications and Style Box Methodology can be found at <a href="https://morningstar.com">https://morningstar.com</a>. Lipper's Fund Classifications have a prospectus-based methodology with diversified funds having an additional portfolio-based classification and are applied to open-ended funds but not to separate accounts or product composites. A complete description of Lipper's fund classification methodology can be found at <a href="https://lipperalpha.refinitiv.com">https://lipperalpha.refinitiv.com</a>.

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# GIPS Compliance Disclosures

Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite										3 Year Annualized	3 Year Annualized
	Gross of Fees Return	Net of Fees Return	Benchmark Return (RMV Index)	Benchmark Return (MIDV Index)	Composite Dispersion (Full Period)	Number of Separate Accounts (End of Period)	Total Composite Assets (End Of Period)	Total Firm Assets (End Of Period)	% of Non-Fee Paying Accounts	Standard Deviation (Composite Gross)	Standard Deviation (RMV Index)
YTD 2008 (11/03/08-12/31/08)	(4.13)	(4.13)	(5.60)	(3.99)	N/A	1	\$9,531,045	\$18,657,997	0.0%	-	-
2009	38.69	38.20	34.21	33.73	N/A	4	\$50,600,141	\$137,943,058	1.1%	-	-
2010	21.08	20.01	24.75	22.78	0.05	4	\$60,702,099	\$181,201,036	1.1%	-	-
2011	4.04	3.38	(1.38)	(2.43)	0.08	4	\$55,186,800	\$152,976,943	0.9%	18.2	23.1
2012	22.02	20.61	18.51	18.53	0.06	4	\$58,463,905	\$214,936,666	1.0%	14.6	17.0
2013	35.45	34.24	33.46	34.25	0.05	8	\$80,358,264	\$507,569,897	1.0%	13.1	13.9
2014	9.79	9.14	14.75	12.10	0.14	13	\$130,238,086	\$1,071,186,382	0.7%	10.7	9.9
2015	2.95	2.33	(4.78)	(6.65)	0.06	17	\$145,638,450	\$913,545,839	0.6%	11.2	10.9
2016	21.87	21.05	20.00	26.53	0.06	22	\$416,346,621	\$1,466,221,847	0.1%	11.5	11.5
2017	16.18	15.42	13.34	12.32	0.03	23	\$586,931,538	\$1,784,338,191	0.0%	10.5	10.5
2018	(4.18)	(4.88)	(12.29)	(11.88)	0.15	21	\$852,510,018	\$1,724,795,756	0.0%	10.2	12.1
2019	32.52	31.62	27.06	26.08	0.23	43	\$2,297,275,123	\$3,486,104,071	0.0%	9.4	13.0
2020	5.52	4.79	4.96	3.73	0.33	59	\$4,586,107,319	\$5,949,248,916	0.0%	14.5	22.9
YTD 2021 (1/31/21)	(0.95)	(1.01)	(0.23)	1.15	N/A	58	\$4,526,646,633	\$5,972,303,196	0.0%	14.5	22.9

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account basis at its discretion. Incentive fee structures and performance-based fee structures are available for qualified clients and are negotiated individually. In instances where Nuance has multiple accounts under an advisory relationship, Nuance typically calculates the amount of assets under management for the purpose of determining the applicable fee breakpoint by including all assets under that relationship. Nuance's annual advisory fee is 0.75% of the average daily net assets for the Nuance Mid Cap Value Fund. For the Nuance Mid Cap Value Fund, the net expense ratio is 1.19% and 0.94% of the average daily net assets attributable to the Investor Class and the Institutional Class shares, respectively. The net expense ratio for the Z Class is 0.79%. Nuance has contractually agreed to reduce its management fees and pay fund expenses until at least. August 28, 2021, to ensure that total annual fund operating expenses (exclusive of certain expenses as indicated in the prospectus) do not exceed 1.18% for the Investor Class, 0.93% for the Institutional Class, and 0.78% for the Z Class. The net expense ratio represents what investors have paid as of the prospectus dated 8/28/2020. From the inception of each composite until 12/31/10, Time Weighted Return was compounded on a monthly basis. Beginning 01/01/11 through present, Time Weighted Return was compounded on a daily basis. Nuance updated its index performance source from Bloomberg to FactSet effective 12/31/2020. Historical index returns have been amended to reflect FactSet source information.

#### Definition of the Firm

The definition of the firm is the foundation for firm-wide compliance and creates defined boundaries for determining the assets of the firm. In this instance, the firm is defined as Nuance Investments, LLC (Nuance). Nuance founded on November 1, 2008, was formed on the belief that the ability to outperform the broad stock market is predicated on a consistent and disciplined value investing approach. The Investment Management Team selects securities for the Nuance investment portfolio's by using an extensive quantitative screening and fundamental research process that identifies leading businesses selling at a discount to fair value and that have the potential to generate above-average rates of returns over time. The Investment Management Team seeks to identify companies across a range of industries and market sectors that have leading and sustainable market share positions, above-average financial strength, and are trading at a discount to their internal view of intrinsic value. The Investment Management Team may sell an investment when it believes it has surpassed its intrinsic value by applying the screening process described above, for purposes of portfolio construction or risk management, or when a more attractive investment opportunity becomes available. The total firm assets will be defined as all discretionary and non-discretionary assets under management within Nuance. This includes primary investment management accounts, sub-advisory investment management accounts as well as both fee-paying and non-fee paying assets.

Strategy: Our Core offerings are the Nuance Mid Cap Value Strategy, the Nuance Concentrated Value Strategy and the Nuance Concentrated Value Long-Short Strategy. The Nuance Mid Cap Value Composite consists of separately managed accounts and pooled investment funds (portfolios) in the Mid Cap Value strategy. The composite was created and incepted on November 3, 2008. Nuance Mid Cap Value seeks to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities (including common stocks, preferred stocks and convertible securities) of companies organized in the United States that the Investment Management Team believes are high quality, though temporarily out of favor. The market capitalization of at least 80 percent of the portfolio will be maintained in companies with market capitalizations between the smallest and largest members of the Russell Midcap® Index (defined using a trailing 12 month average of the smallest and largest members on a month to month basis). The weighted average market capitalization will also be maintained between the smallest and largest members of the Russell Midcap® Index. The Investment Management Team will invest primarily in the equity securities of U. S. companies; however, the portfolio may invest up to 15% of its assets in equity securities of foreign companies classified as "developed" by MSCI. Nuance utilizes MSCI to classify its international holdings. The country classification of a company is generally determined by the company's country of incorporation and the primary listing of its securities. MSCI will classify a company in the country of incorporation if its securities have a primary listing of its securities. MSCI will classify a company in the country of incorporation if its securities have a primary listing of the country of incorporation, an additional analysis is performed to determine the company's country classification. 25 percent of the portfolio assets will generally not have positions of greater than 5.00 percent. Cash will generally not be

Benchmark: For comparison purposes, the composite is measured against the Russell Midcap® Value Index as the primary index. The Russell Midcap® Value Index measures the performance of the mid-cap value segment of the U. S. equity universe. It includes those Russell Midcap® Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. Secondary indices are the S&P MidCap 400® Value Index and the S&P 500® Index.

Dispersion: Dispersion is calculated from gross of fee returns using an equal-weighted standard deviation methodology. Only those accounts included for the full calculation period are part of the dispersion calculation. The 3-year Ex-post annualized standard deviation value is calculated using 36 consecutive monthly gross of fee returns to the end calculation period. Prior to January 1, 2017 dispersion was calculated using an asset-weighted methodology. The calculation methodology was updated based on a new performance system dispersion calculation.

Nuance has adopted the following Significant Security & Cash Flow Policy. An account will be removed from a composite if a client has given specific instructions that prevent full investment of securities or cash flow(s) in a timely manner (defined as 5 business days or greater), or if a single security or cash flow is equal or greater than 10 percent of the total account value based on the beginning of the month market value. If these circumstances exist, the account will be removed from the composite and added back to the composite on the first day of the following month. More information regarding Composite descriptions and policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations are available upon request by contacting client.services@nuanceinvestments.com or 816-743-7080. To obtain information about the pooled funds included in this strategy, please contact client.services@nuanceinvestments.com or 816-743-7080.