## BOSTON ADVISORS

# Dynamic Risk Parity

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## About Us

Founded: 1982 Headquarters: Boston, MA

AUM: \$25B Assets include those of both Boston Advisors and Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors\*

Investment Team: 10 members Average PM Industry Tenure: 18 years

## Dynamic Risk Parity

Inception: February 28, 2013 Composite Assets: \$1m

## Benchmarks

- 40% S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index/60% Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Bond Index
- 40% MSCI ACWI/60% ML Global Broad Market Index
- Bank of America Merrill Lynch US
  3-Month Treasury Bill + 200 bps

## Portfolio Management Team



Ted Mulrane, CFA VP & Director of Quantitative Research Industry start: 2009 Firm start: 2009 Rochester Institute of Technology - BS, MS Boston Un<u>iversity - MS, MBA</u>



#### **David Hanna** Sr. VP & Chief Investment Officer

Industry start: 1987 Firm start: 2006 Pennsylvania State University - BS Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary - MS



### James Gaul, CFA

Sr. VP & Portfolio Manager Industry start: 1998 Firm start: 2005 Babson College - BS Boston University - MS



**Eric Eaton, CFA** Portfolio Manager & Equity Analyst Industry start: 2007 Firm start: 2011 Gordon College - BA Bentley University - MS Harvard University - MBA

## Investment Objective

Boston Advisors' Dynamic Risk Parity Strategy (DRP) is intended to provide positive total returns through most market conditions. The strategy aims to deliver higher risk-adjusted returns by adjusting the weight of each asset class based on current indications of market stress.

## **Investment Process**

The Dynamic Risk Parity Strategy invests in a broad range of asset classes, including domestic and international equity, commodities, currencies, taxable and tax-exempt fixed income, high yield debt and inflation-protected securities. The investment team primarily employ exchange traded products to gain exposure to these various asset classes. Starting from a risk parity allocation—portfolio weights derived from equalizing the risk contributions from each asset class—the strategy adjusts the positioning based on a quantitative process. This approach aims to determine when to overweight "risk" assets versus "non-risk" assets, and vice versa.

## **Key Attributes**

- Invests across twelve asset classes to increase the sources of return potential and spread risk
- Positions portfolio to benefit from different risk environments
- Employs sophisticated, proprietary models, emphasizing quantitative measures of market stress to manage the portfolio around a baseline risk parity allocation
- Pursues the risk/return profile of risk parity without the explicit leverage utilized by most risk parity strategies

## **Investment Approach**



\*Boston Advisors is the equity divison of Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors (KoCAA)

<b>Performance</b> Total Returns Ending December 31, 2022	Quarter to Date	Year to Date	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*		Since Inception (2/28/13)*	4	
Dynamic Risk Parity - Gro	5.75%	-10.19%	-10.19%	1.61%	2.73%		3.15%	2	
Dynamic Risk Parity - Net	5.48%	-11.08%	-11.08%	0.60%	1.71%		2.13%	2	
3-month T-Bill plus 200 b	1.35%	3.48%	3.48%	2.74%	3.29%		2.79%		
40% S&P/60% Barclays Agg.		4.26%	-14.76%	-14.76%	1.75%	4.07%		5.61%	1
40% MSCI ACWI / 60% Bloomberg Barclays Global- Aggregate	0% MSCI ACWI / 60% loomberg Barclays Global- .ggregate		-16.91%	-16.91%	-0.86%	1.33%		3.07%	1
<b>Return Statistics</b> February 28, 2013 - December 31, 2022	DRP Gross		DRP Net	3-Month T-Bill Plus 200 bps	40% S&P / 60% Barclays Agg.		40% MSCI ACWI / 60% ML global Broad Market		
Return*	3.15%		2.13%	2.79%	5.61%		3.07%		
Standard Deviation*	8.44		8.43	0.29	7.03		7.89		
Max Drawdown	15.05		15.68	N/A	18.24		22.62		
Max Drawdown Length	9 months		9 months	N/A	13 months			9 months	
Max Drawdown Recovery									

\*Annualized

Standard deviation, maximum drawdown, max drawdown length and max drawdown recovery statistics are calculated using monthly composite month end return values. The above data is intended to supplement the composite presentation located below. Source: eVestment Analytics



September 30, 2022 December 31, 2022

The <u>S&P 500 Index</u> is an unmanaged capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks designed to measure performance of the broad domestic stock market through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

The MSCI ACWI captures large and mid-cap representation across both Developed Markets and Emerging Markets countries.

The <u>Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index</u> is a measure of global investment grade debt from local currency markets. This multi-currency benchmark includes treasury government-related, corporate and securitized fixed-rate bonds from both developed and emerging markets issuers.

The <u>Bloomberg Barclays US Government/Credit Bond Index</u> is a broad-based benchmark that measures the non-securitized component of the US Aggregate Index. The index includes investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate treasuries, governmentrelated and corporate securities

200 basis points is added to the ICE BofAML 3-Month T-Bill Index, which is an unmanaged index that measures returns of three-month Treasury Bills

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	Firm Assets	Composite Assets		Annual Performance Results						3 Year Standard Deviation			
Year End	USD (billions)	USD (millions)	# Accounts	Composite Gross	Composite Net	40% S&P 500/ 60% U.S. Bond	40% ACWI/ 60% Global Bond	T-Bill +200	Composite Dispersion	Composite	40% S&P 500 /60% U.S. Bond	40% ACWI / 60% Global Bond	T-Bill +200
2013	\$3*	\$7	<6	3.08%	2.22%	7.98%	6.13%	1.75%	***				
2014	\$3*	\$7	<6	1.62%	0.61%	9.07%	2.49%	2.04%	***				
2015	\$5*	\$7	<6	-5.74%	-6.68%	1.12%	-2.38%	2.05%	***				
2016	\$5*	\$7	<6	6.67%	5.61%	6.44%	4.58%	2.33%	***	6.57%	4.41%	5.66%	0.05%
2017	\$5*	\$13	6	12.57%	11.45%	10.55%	13.55%	2.87%	***	5.74%	4.00%	5.30%	0.12%
2018	\$2*	\$12	6	-5.92%	-6.86%	-1.47%	-4.35%	3.90%	0.04%	5.60%	4.36%	5.42%	0.20%
2019	\$26	\$2	<6	15.93%	14.78%	17.62%	14.60%	4.33%	***	6.15%	4.81%	5.18%	0.20%
2020	\$29	\$3	<6	4.17%	3.13%	12.53%	12.63%	2.69%	***	10.11%	7.76%	8.64%	0.28%
2021	\$29	\$3	<6	12.14%	11.03%	9.81%	4.13%	2.05%	***	9.90%	7.28%	8.24%	0.33%
2022	\$26	\$1	<6	-10.19%	-11.08%	-14.76%	-16.91%	3.48%	***	11.55%	10.50%	11.40%	0.35%

\* AUM reflects assets of predecessor firm prior to acquisition by KoCAA

\*\* Performance is for partial year period, since inception February 28, 2013 through December 31, 2013

\*\*\* Information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire period

Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors Dynamic Risk Parity Strategy Composite contains all discretionary, fee-paying accounts that typically invest in a broad range of asset classes include do provide positive total return through most market conditions. Eligible asset classes include domestic and international equity, commodities, taxable and tax-exempt fixed income, engineered returns, high yield debt and inflation protected securities. The strategy may employ exchange-traded funds and other commingled vehicles, faxable and the recently index the advantage of market conditions. The strategy aims to deliver higher risk-adjusted returns by adjusting the weight of each asset class based on current indications of market stress and for comparison purposes is measured against a blended benchmark comprised of 40% S&P 500 Total Return Index and 60% Bloomberg Capital U.S. Aggregate Bond Index ("Global Bond"), rebalanced monthly and the BofA Merrill Lynch US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index plus 200 basis points, which accrues interest daily on is priced daily. On October 1, 2017 the Bolomberg Global-Aggregate Total Return Bond Index ("Global Bond"), rebalanced monthly and the BofA Merrill Lynch Global Broad Market Total Return Bond Index ("Global Bond"), due to the sale of the benchmark to another vendor resulting in the data no longer being available. The firm considers the updated benchmark an equivalent Global Bond representative and is consistent vite the total bond exposure sought for comparison. The Dynamic Risk Parity Strategy Composite has a creation and inception date of February 28, 2013. Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors ("KoCAA") claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS<sup>®</sup>) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. KoCAA has been independently verified for the period from April 1, 2006 through December 31, 2021. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedures 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 whether the him's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of period March 1, 2013 through December 31, 2021. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request. KoCAA is an investment adviser and wholly-owned subsidiary of Knights of Columbus, a fraternal benefit society organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut. As of October 1, 2019 the firm definition includes the acquisition of the institutional assets of Boston Advisors, LLC which serves as the equity division of KoCAA as of the acquisition date. 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