#### ABOUT APPLETON

- Founded in 1986 and located in Boston, MA
- 100% employee owned and operated
- Collaborative, team-oriented culture marked by personnel continuity
- Consistent investment philosophy and process emphasizes quality, liquidity and tax efficiency
- Commitment to separate account management
- Assets Under Management of over \$11.45 billion as of 6.30.2022

# STRATEGY OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVE

- Seeks to provide consistent, taxable income through a high quality, laddered bond portfolio
- Investment Grade Corporates, Taxable Municipals, US Treasuries, TIPs and US Agencies
- Maturity range of 1 5 Years or 1 10 years
- Looks to reduce interest rate volatility by holding bonds to maturity and reinvesting proceeds in a manner that maintains the overall portfolio maturity structure

## **INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY & PROCESS**

# INVESTMENT PROCESS EMPHASIZES:

- Credit Approval Process and Security Selection
- Customized Portfolio Construction
- Focus on Liquidity
- Technology and Intra-System Communication

seeks to identify potential upgrades and protect against credit deterioration

analysis, issuer liquidit and credit metrics, and geographic and sector diversification

In-house risk metrics drive internal credit ratings

credit analysis can

lead to attractive investment opportunities

Limit trading to
reinvestment of cash from
maturities, management
of client cash needs,
and/or sale of securities
due to perceived
credit weakening

Approved credits are

## INVESTMENT GUIDELINES & TARGET PORTFOLIO\* CHARACTERISTICS

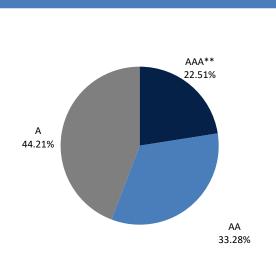
Investment Guidelines		Target Portfolio Characteristics*	1-5 Year Ladder	1-10 Year Ladder
Maturity Range	1 – 5 Years or 1 – 10 Years	Average Maturity	3.24 Years	5.37 Years
Annual Trading	Passive Strategy – Low Turnover	Average Duration	2.84 Years	4.73 Years
Credit Quality Target	High Investment Grade, Minimum BBB+ credit rating at time of purchase	Average Coupon	3.27%	3.38%
Diversification	Will limit portfolio exposure to any particular sector or issuer	Yield to Maturity	3.61%	3.81%
Average # of Holdings	10 – 15	Current Yield	3.35%	3.53%
Investment Timeframe	30 – 60 days	Average Price	\$98.00	\$95.93
Minimum Investment	\$250,000	Average Annual Turnover	20%	10%

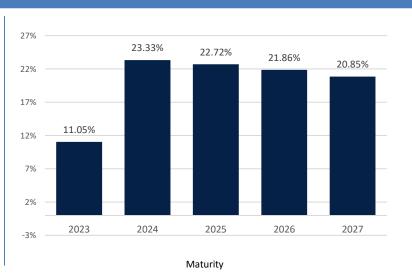
Source: Appleton Partners, Inc.



<sup>\*</sup>The Target Portfolio was constructed to most closely resemble the one that Appleton Partners would attempt to construct as of 6.30.22 for prospective clients in this strategy. The ultimate portfolio characteristics may differ initially and over time from the portfolio shown based on client specific objectives and market driven conditions. Client performance may vary based on many factors. It should not be assumed that all of Appleton's client accounts have the same characteristics, holdings, concentrations or performance results.

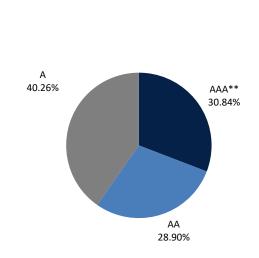
### 1- 5 Year High Grade Gov/Credit Ladder Target Portfolio\* Profile

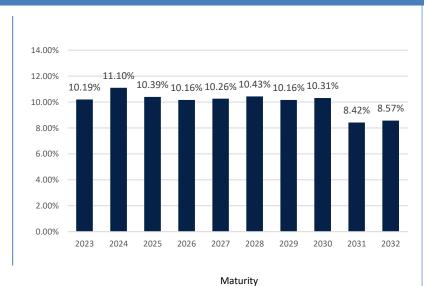




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### 1- 10 YEAR HIGH GRADE GOV/CREDIT LADDER TARGET PORTFOLIO\* PROFILE





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