### 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 \$12.8 billion as of 3.31.2024

#### STRATEGY OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVE

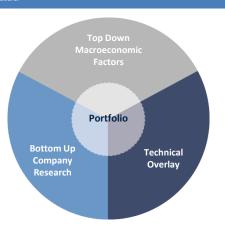
- Style-consistent large cap growth strategy
- Active strategy that seeks to earn risk-adjusted returns in excess of the benchmark by investing primarily in domestic large cap companies with the prospect of robust, sustainable relative growth
- Concentrated, high conviction strategy, typically comprised of approximately 35 – 45 positions
- Average annual turnover of 25 30% undertaken with a tax sensitive investment approach

## INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY & PROCESS

Utilize quantitative screens to help identify stocks that warrant further analysis

Employ a layered approach to portfolio construction by combining top down and bottom up research to generate a diversified growth-focused portfolio

Combine macroeconomic themes with company specific fundamental and technical analysis to form buy/sell decisions



# COMPOSITE CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

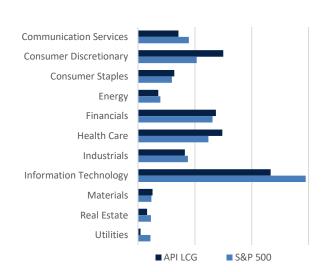
	LARGE CAP GROWTH	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>
Dividend Yield	1.46%	1.67%
Beta	0.99	1.00
Est. Long-Term Earnings Growth	14.50%	14.39%
Forward 12 Month P/E	23.48	25.52
Median Market Cap (in millions)	\$70,849	\$35,363

Source: Appleton Partners, Inc.

# Top 10 Equity Holdings<sup>3</sup>

SECURITY	% OF COMPOSITE
Apple Inc.	6.17
Microsoft Corp.	4.74
Amazon.com Inc.	4.13
Visa Inc. Class A	2.74
Alphabet Inc. Class C	2.48
JP Morgan Chase & Co.	2.40
Micron Technology Inc.	2.24
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	2.20
Home Depot Inc.	2.12
Zoetis Inc.	1.88

#### SECTOR ALLOCATION<sup>4</sup>



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Appleton Partners Composite data & characteristics as of 3.31.24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Benchmark for this strategy is the S&P 500. Characteristics above are as of 3.31.24 and based off the SPY ETF, a replication of the S&P 500, other than beta which is the S&P 500. S&P 500 characteristics may differ slightly from SPY ETF characteristics, including, but not limited to, security weightings or security composition.

<sup>3</sup>Excluding Cash, ETFs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Sector weightings reflect direct holdings and underlying ETF holdings.