

# LARGE CAP EQUITY STRATEGIES

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### Separately Managed Accounts (Large Cap Core, Large Cap Growth, and Large Cap Value)

#### Top 10 Crossmark Large Cap Core Model Account Holdings<sup>1</sup>

Microsoft Corp.	6.4%
Apple, Inc.	4.9%
Visa, Inc.	2.7%
CVS Caremark Corp.	2.7%
Cigna Corp.	2.6%
General Mills, Inc.	2.5%
Mastercard, Inc.	2.5%
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	2.5%
Elevance Health, Inc.	2.5%
MetLife, Inc.	2.5%
<b>Total % of Portfolio</b>	<b>31.8%</b>

#### Top 10 Crossmark Large Cap Growth Model Account Holdings<sup>1</sup>

Apple, Inc.	11.8%
Microsoft Corp.	11.2%
Alphabet Class A	4.0%
Amazon.com, Inc.	3.8%
Visa, Inc.	3.7%
Mastercard, Inc.	3.3%
Home Depot, Inc.	3.1%
American Tower Corp.	2.6%
Amgen, Inc.	2.5%
McKesson Corp.	2.5%
<b>Total % of Portfolio</b>	<b>48.5%</b>

#### Markets and Performance

We have entered a high-risk zone as a consequence of the largest rise in inflation in 40 years, rising policy rates, several developed market countries having excessive debt levels, some poorly-timed fiscal actions and the awakening of the bond vigilantes. In this environment, stocks and bonds both declined for the third consecutive quarter, the longest streak in almost 50 years. The Russell 1000, Russell 1000 Value and Russell 1000 Growth indices returned -4.61%, -5.62%, and -3.60%, respectively in the third quarter. The Large Cap Growth model portfolio underperformed its benchmark, the Russell 1000 Growth index, for the quarter returning -4.55%. Both the Large Cap Core and Large Cap Value model portfolios outperformed their respective benchmarks. The Large Cap Core model portfolio outperformed the Russell 1000 index by 3 basis points for the quarter, returning -4.58%. The Large Cap Value model portfolio outperformed the Russell 1000 Value index by 75 basis points for the quarter, returning -4.87%.

#### Positive and Negative Contributors to Performance

Outperformance in Large Cap Value came primarily from sector selection (overweighting energy and underweighting communication services.) Stock selection was positive in healthcare and energy and negative in technology. Positives in Large Cap Core included stock selection in healthcare and underweighting communication services, offset by stock selection in technology. Large Cap Growth suffered from poor stock selection in technology, overweighting real estate, and underweighting consumer discretionary; this was somewhat offset by good stock selection in healthcare and underweights in healthcare and communication services.

Our best stocks were Biogen (2.3% of total net assets), Marathon Petroleum (2.8% of total net assets), and ConocoPhillips (3.1% of total net assets); worst stocks were Dell Technologies (1.5% of total net assets), Intel (1.3% of total net assets) and HP, Inc. (1.6% of total net assets). The portfolios benefitted from below benchmark betas, above benchmark yields, and management quality.

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Top 10 Crossmark Large Cap Value Model Account Holdings <sup>1</sup>	
ConocoPhillips	3.1%
Marathon Petroleum Corp.	2.8%
CVS Caremark Corp.	2.8%
Elevance Health, Inc.	2.7%
Biogen, Inc.	2.6%
Cisco Systems, Inc.	2.6%
Aflac, Inc.	2.6%
Cigna Corp.	2.6%
McKesson Corp.	2.6%
MetLife, Inc.	2.6%
<b>Total % of Portfolio</b>	<b>27.0%</b>

**Looking Ahead**

Economic growth is slowing globally, but it is not collapsing. We do anticipate that the Fed will continue to hike rates and move into restrictive territory by year-end, increasing the probability of a recession in 2023. We expect volatility in both directions in the fourth quarter. Earnings are likely to disappoint as the Fed continues to tighten, raising the recession probability ever higher. Our largest overweighed sector remains technology, with an emphasis on software and services. Our largest underweighted sectors are communication services and utilities.

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