# STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION May 21, 2021

#### **Clough Global Opportunities Fund**

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This Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") is not a prospectus and is authorized for distribution to prospective investors only if preceded or accompanied by the Prospectus of the Clough Global Opportunities Fund (the "Fund"), dated May 21, 2021, as supplemented from time to time, which is incorporated herein by reference. This SAI should be read in conjunction with such Prospectus, a copy of which may be obtained without charge by contacting your financial intermediary or calling the Fund at (877) 256-8445.

The information in this Statement of Additional Information is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This Statement of Additional Information, which is not a Prospectus, is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Capitalized terms used in this SAI and not otherwise defined have the meanings given them in the Fund's Prospectus.

#### ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT INFORMATION AND RESTRICTIONS

The Fund was organized as a statutory trust in Delaware on January 12, 2006 and is a diversified, closed-end investment management company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. It invests primarily in a managed mix of U.S. and non-U.S. equity and debt securities. The common shares of the Fund are listed on the NYSE American LLC ("NYSE American") under the ticker symbol "GLO". The Fund's investment objective is to provide a high level of total return. The Fund seeks to pursue this objective by applying a fundamental research-driven investment process and will invest in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization and equity-related securities, including equity swaps and call options, as well as fixed income securities, including both corporate and sovereign debt in both U.S. and non-U.S. markets.

Primary investment strategies are described in the Prospectus. The following is a description of the various investment policies that may be engaged in, whether as a primary or secondary strategy, and a summary of certain attendant risks. Clough may, but is not required to, buy any of the following instruments or use any of the following techniques, and would do so only if it believes that doing so will help to achieve the Fund's investment objectives.

#### **Derivative Instruments**

Derivative instruments (which are instruments that derive their value from another instrument, security, index or currency) may be purchased or sold to enhance return (which may be considered speculative), to hedge against fluctuations in securities prices, market conditions or currency exchange rates, or as a substitute for the purchase or sale of securities or currencies. Such transactions may be in the U.S. or abroad and may include the purchase or sale of futures contracts on indices and options on stock index futures, the purchase of put options and the sale of call options on securities held, equity swaps and the purchase and sale of currency futures and forward foreign currency exchange contracts. Transactions in derivative instruments involve a risk of loss or depreciation due to: unanticipated adverse changes in securities prices, interest rates, indices, the other financial instruments' prices or currency exchange rates; the inability to close out a position; default by the counterparty; imperfect correlation between a position and the desired hedge; tax constraints on closing out positions; and portfolio management constraints on securities subject to such transactions. The loss on derivative instruments (other than purchased options) may substantially exceed an investment in these instruments. In addition, the entire premium paid for purchased options may be lost before than can be profitably exercised. Transaction costs are incurred in opening and closing positions. Derivative instruments may sometimes increase or leverage exposure to a particular market risk, thereby increasing price volatility. Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivative instruments, equity swaps and forward sales of stocks involve an enhanced risk that the issuer or counterparty will fail to perform its contractual obligations.

Some derivative instruments are not readily marketable or may become illiquid under adverse market conditions. In addition, during periods of market volatility, a commodity exchange may suspend or limit trading in an exchange-traded derivative instrument, which may make the contract temporarily illiquid and difficult to price. Commodity exchanges may also establish daily limits on the amount that the price of a futures contract or futures option can vary from the previous day's settlement price. Once the daily limit is reached, no trades may be made that day at a price beyond the limit. This may prevent the closing out of positions to limit losses. The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission takes the position that certain purchased OTC options, and assets used as cover for written OTC options, are illiquid. The ability to terminate OTC derivative instruments may depend on the cooperation of the counterparties to such contracts. For thinly traded derivative instruments, the only source of price quotations may be the selling dealer or counterparty. In addition, certain provisions of the Code limit the use of derivative instruments. There can be no assurance that the use of derivative instruments will be advantageous.

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Foreign exchange traded futures contracts and options thereon may be used only if Clough determines that trading on such foreign exchange does not entail risks, including credit and liquidity risks, that are materially greater than the risks associated with trading on CFTC-regulated exchanges.

A put option on a security may be written only if Clough intends to acquire the security. Call options written on securities will be covered by ownership of the securities subject to the call option or an offsetting option.

#### **Corporate Bonds and Other Debt Securities**

The Fund may invest in corporate bonds, including below investment grade quality bonds, commonly known as "junk bonds" ("Non-Investment Grade Bonds"). Investments in Non-Investment Grade Bonds generally provide greater income and increased opportunity for capital appreciation than investments in higher quality securities, but they also typically entail greater price volatility and principal and income risk, including the possibility of issuer default and bankruptcy. Non-Investment Grade Bonds are regarded as predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's continuing ability to meet principal and interest payments. Debt securities in the lowest investment grade category also may be considered to possess some speculative characteristics by certain rating agencies. In addition, analysis of the creditworthiness of issuers of Non-Investment Grade Bonds may be more complex than for issuers of higher quality securities.

Non-Investment Grade Bonds may be more susceptible to real or perceived adverse economic and competitive industry conditions than investment grade securities. A projection of an economic downturn or of a period of rising interest rates, for example, could cause a decline in Non-Investment Grade Bond prices because the advent of recession could lessen the ability of an issuer to make principal and interest payments on its debt obligations. If an issuer of Non-Investment Grade Bonds defaults, in addition to risking payment of all or a portion of interest and principal, the Fund may incur additional expenses to seek recovery. In the case of Non-Investment Grade Bonds structured as zero-coupon, step-up or payment-in-kind securities, their market prices will normally be affected to a greater extent by interest rate changes, and therefore tend to be more volatile than securities which pay interest currently and in cash. Clough seeks to reduce these risks through diversification, credit analysis and attention to current developments in both the economy and financial markets.

The secondary market on which Non-Investment Grade Bonds are traded may be less liquid than the market for investment grade securities. Less liquidity in the secondary trading market could adversely affect the net asset value of the Shares. Adverse publicity and investor perceptions, whether or not based on fundamental analysis, may decrease the values and liquidity of Non-Investment Grade Bonds, especially in a thinly traded market. When secondary markets for Non-Investment Grade Bonds are less liquid than the market for investment grade securities, it may be more difficult to value the securities because such valuation may require more research, and elements of judgment may play a greater role in the valuation because there is no reliable, objective data available. During periods of thin trading in these markets, the spread between bid and asked prices is likely to increase significantly and the Fund may have greater difficulty selling these securities. The Fund will be more dependent on Clough's research and analysis when investing in Non-Investment Grade Bonds. Clough seeks to minimize the risks of investing in all securities through in-depth credit analysis and attention to current developments in interest rate and market conditions.

A general description of the ratings of securities by Moody's, S&P and Fitch is set forth in Appendix A to this SAI. Such ratings represent these rating organizations' opinions as to the quality of the securities they rate. It should be emphasized, however, that ratings are general and are not absolute standards of quality. Consequently, debt obligations with the same maturity, coupon and rating may have different yields while obligations with the same maturity and coupon may have the same yield. For these reasons, the use of credit ratings as the sole method of evaluating Non-Investment Grade Bonds can involve certain risks. For example, credit ratings evaluate the safety or principal and interest payments, not the market value risk of Non-Investment Grade Bonds. Also, credit rating agencies may fail to change credit ratings in a timely fashion to reflect events since the security was last rated. Clough does not rely solely on credit ratings when selecting securities for the Fund, and develops its own independent analysis of issuer credit quality.

In the event that a rating agency or Clough downgrades its assessment of the credit characteristics of a particular issue, the Fund is not required to dispose of such security. In determining whether to retain or sell a downgraded security, Clough may consider such factors as Clough's assessment of the credit quality of the issuer of such security, the price at which such security could be sold and the rating, if any, assigned to such security by other rating agencies. However, analysis of the creditworthiness of issuers of Non-Investment Grade Bonds may be more complex than for issuers of high quality debt securities.

#### **Investment Restrictions**

Fundamental Restrictions. The following investment restrictions of the Fund are designated as fundamental policies and as such cannot be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities, which as used in this SAI means the lesser of (a) 67% of the shares of the Fund present or represented by proxy at a meeting if the holders of more than 50% of the outstanding shares are present or represented at the meeting or (b) more than 50% of outstanding shares of the Fund. As a matter of fundamental policy, the Fund may not:

- (1) Borrow money, except as permitted by the 1940 Act. The 1940 Act currently requires that any indebtedness incurred by a closed-end investment company have an asset coverage of at least 300%;
- (2) Issue senior securities, as defined in the 1940 Act, other than (a) preferred shares which immediately after issuance will have asset coverage of at least 200%, (b) indebtedness which immediately after issuance will have asset coverage of at least 300% or (c) the borrowings permitted by investment restriction (1) above. The 1940 Act currently defines "senior security" as any bond, debenture, note or similar obligation or instrument constituting a security and evidencing indebtedness, and any stock of a class having priority over any other class as to distribution of assets or payment of dividends. Debt and equity securities issued by a closed-end investment company meeting the foregoing asset coverage provisions are excluded from the general 1940 Act prohibition on the issuance of senior securities:
- (3) Purchase securities on margin (but the Fund may obtain such short-term credits as may be necessary for the clearance of purchases and sales of securities). The purchase of investment assets with the proceeds of a permitted borrowing or securities offering will not be deemed to be the purchase of securities on margin;
- (4) Underwrite securities issued by other persons, except insofar as it may technically be deemed to be an underwriter under the Securities Act in selling or disposing of a portfolio investment;
- (5) Make loans to other persons, except by (a) the acquisition of loan interests, debt securities and other obligations in which the Fund is authorized to invest in accordance with its investment objectives and policies, (b) entering into repurchase agreements and (c) lending its portfolio securities;

- (6) Purchase or sell real estate, although it may purchase and sell securities which are secured by interests in real estate and securities of issuers which invest or deal in real estate. The Fund reserves the freedom of action to hold and to sell real estate acquired as a result of the ownership of securities;
- (7) Purchase or sell physical commodities or contracts for the purchase or sale of physical commodities. Physical commodities do not include futures contracts with respect to securities, securities indices, currencies, interest or other financial instruments; and
- (8) Invest 25% or more of the value of its total assets in the securities (other than U.S. Government Securities) of issuers engaged in any single industry or group of related industries.

Non-fundamental Restriction. The Fund has adopted the following non-fundamental investment policy which may be changed by the Board of Trustees without approval of the Fund's shareholders. The Fund may invest in the securities of other investment companies to the extent that such an investment would be consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. Investments in the securities of other investment companies may involve duplication of advisory fees and certain other expenses. By investing in another investment company, the Fund becomes a shareholder of that investment company. As a result, the Fund's shareholders indirectly bear the Fund's proportionate share of the fees and expenses paid by the shareholders of the other investment company, in addition to the fees and expenses Fund shareholders directly bear in connection with the Fund's own operations.

Whenever an investment policy or investment restriction set forth in the Prospectus or this SAI states a maximum or minimum percentage of assets that may be invested in any security or other assets or describes a policy regarding quality standards, such percentage limitation or standard shall be determined immediately after and as a result of the Fund's acquisition of such security or asset. Accordingly, any later increase or decrease resulting from a change in values, assets or other circumstances or any subsequent rating change made by a rating service (or as determined by Clough if the security is not rated by a rating agency) will not compel the Fund to dispose of such security or other asset. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Fund must always be in compliance with the borrowing policies set forth above.

#### **Temporary Borrowings**

The Fund may borrow money as a temporary measure for extraordinary or emergency purposes, including the payment of dividends and the settlement of securities transactions which otherwise might require untimely dispositions of Fund securities. The 1940 Act currently requires that the Fund have 300% asset coverage with respect to all borrowings other than temporary borrowings.

#### TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

The Trustees of the Fund are responsible for the overall management and supervision of the affairs of the Fund. The Trustees and officers of the Fund are listed below. "GLV" refers to Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, "GLQ" refers to Clough Global Equity Fund and "GLO" refers to Clough Global Opportunities Fund. Except as indicated, each individual has held the office shown or other offices in the same company for the last five years. The "non-interested Trustees" consist of those Trustees who are not "interested persons" of the Fund, as that term is defined under the 1940 Act.

Name, Address <sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Fund	Term of office and length of service with the Fund <sup>2</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee <sup>3</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Trustee During Past Five Years
<b>Non-Interested T</b>	rustees				
Robert L. Butler Chairman 1941	Chairman of the Board and Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2004 GLQ: 2005 GLO: 2006  Term expires: GLV: 2021 GLQ: 2022 GLO: 2023	Since 2001, Mr. Butler has been an independent consultant for businesses. Mr. Butler has over 45 years' experience in the investment business, including 17 years as a senior executive with a global investment management/natural resources company and 20 years with a securities industry regulation organization.	3	None
Adam D. Crescenzi 1942	Vice- Chairman of the Board and Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2004 GLQ: 2005 GLO: 2006  Term expires: GLV: 2023 GLQ: 2021 GLO: 2022	Mr. Crescenzi has served as the Founding Partner of Simply Tuscan Imports LLC since 2007. He has been a founder and investor of several start-up technology and service firms and has served as a director of both public and private corporations. Currently, he advises businesses and non-profit organizations on issues of strategy, marketing, and governance. He serves as Chairman of the Board of Governors for The Founders Fund, Inc. and is a Trustee and Governor of the Naples Botanical Garden.	3	None
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Karen DiGravio 1969	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2017 GLQ: 2017 GLO: 2017 Term expires: GLV: 2021 GLQ: 2022 GLO: 2023	Ms. DiGravio was a Partner, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer of Westfield Capital Management. Thereafter, she served as a member of the Westfield Advisory Board until 2015. Ms. DiGravio is co-chair of Connecticut College's 1911 Society and is also a member of the college's President's Leadership Council.	3	None
Jerry G. Rutledge 1944	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2004 GLQ: 2005 GLO: 2006 Term expires: GLV: 2023 GLQ: 2021 GLO: 2022	Mr. Rutledge is the President and owner of Rutledge's Inc., a retail clothing business. In addition, Mr. Rutledge served as a Director of the University of Colorado Hospital from 2008-2016.	4	Mr. Rutledge is currently a Trustee of the Financial Investors Trust and the Principal Real Estate Income Fund.
Hon. Vincent W. Versaci 1971	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2013 GLQ: 2013 GLO: 2013 GLO: 2023 GLV: 2022 GLQ: 2023 GLO: 2021	Judge Versaci has served as a Judge in the New York State Courts since January 2003. Currently, Judge Versaci is assigned as an Acting Supreme Court Justice and also presides over the Surrogate's Court for Schenectady County, New York. Previously, Judge Versaci has served as an Adjunct Professor at Schenectady County Community College and a practicing attorney with an emphasis on civil and criminal litigation primarily in New York State Courts.	3	None
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Clifford J. Weber 1963	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2017 GLQ: 2017 GLO: 2017 Term expires: GLV: 2022 GLQ: 2023 GLO: 2021	Mr. Weber is the founder of Financial Products Consulting Group, LLC (a consulting firm). Prior to starting Financial Products Consulting Group, he was the Executive Vice President – Global Index and Exchange Traded Products of the NYSE, a subsidiary of Intercontinental Exchange, from 2013 to 2015.	4	Mr. Weber is currently a Trustee of Clough Funds Trust, Janus Detroit Street Trust, Clayton Street Trust, and Global-X Funds.
<b>Interested Truste</b>	ees <sup>4</sup>				
Edmund J. Burke <sup>5</sup> 1961	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2006 GLQ: 2006 GLO: 2006 Term expires: GLV: 2022 GLQ: 2023 GLO: 2021	Retired. Formerly, Chief Executive Officer and President and Director of ALPS Holdings, Inc., and ALPS Advisors, Inc. (2001-2019), and Director of ALPS Distributors, Inc. (2000-2019), ALPS Fund Services, Inc., (2000-2019) and ALPS Portfolio Solutions Distributor, Inc. (2013-2019). Mr. Burke also served as a Director of Boston Financial Data Services (2013-2019). Mr. Burke is deemed an affiliate of the Funds as defined under the 1940 Act.	5	Mr. Burke is also a Trustee of Financial Investors Trust, Clough Funds Trust, Liberty All-Star Equity Fund, and ALPS ETF Trust, and a Director of the Liberty All-Star Growth Fund, Inc.

Name, Address <sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Fund	Term of office and length of service with the Fund <sup>2</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee <sup>3</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Trustee During Past Five Years
Kevin McNally <sup>6</sup> 1969 Clough Capital Partners L.P. 53 State Street 27th Floor Boston, MA 02109	Trustee	Trustee since: GLV: 2017 GLQ: 2017 GLO: 2017 Term expires: GLV: 2021 GLQ: 2022 GLO: 2023	Mr. McNally is currently a Managing Director at Clough and serves as the portfolio manager for an investment fund advised by Clough that invests primarily in closed-end funds. Prior to joining Clough Capital Partners L.P. in 2014, he served as the Director of Closed- End Funds at ALPS Fund Services, Inc. from 2003 to 2014. Mr. McNally received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1991 and an MBA in Finance from New York University's Stern School of Business in 1998.	4	Mr. McNally is also a Trustee of Clough Funds Trust.
Officers					
Bradley Swenson 1972	President	Officer since <sup>7</sup> GLV: 2019 GLQ: 2019 GLO: 2019	Mr. Swenson joined ALPS in 2004 and has served as its President since June 2019. In this role, he serves as an officer to certain other closed-end and open-end investment companies. He previously served as the Chief Operating Officer of ALPS (2015-2019). Mr. Swenson also previously served as Chief Compliance Officer to ALPS, its affiliated entities, and to certain ETF, closed-end and open-end investment companies (2004-2015).	N/A	N/A

Name, Address <sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Fund	Term of office and length of service with the Fund <sup>2</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee <sup>3</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Trustee During Past Five Years
Lucas Foss 1977	Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO")	Officer since <sup>7</sup> GLV: 2018 GLQ: 2018 GLO: 2018	Mr. Foss has over 17 years of experience within the fund services industry and currently serves as Vice President and Deputy Chief Compliance Officer at ALPS Fund Services, Inc. ("ALPS"). Prior to rejoining ALPS in November 2017, Mr. Foss served as the Director of Compliance at Transamerica Asset Management ("TAM") beginning in July 2015. Previous to TAM, Mr. Foss was Deputy Chief Compliance Officer at ALPS. Mr. Foss received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Vermont and holds the Certified Securities Compliance Professional (CSCP) designation.	N/A	N/A

Name, Address <sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Fund	Term of office and length of service with the Fund <sup>2</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee <sup>3</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Trustee During Past Five Years
Kelly McEwen 1984	Treasurer	Officer since <sup>7</sup> GLV: 2020 GLQ: 2020 GLO: 2020	Ms. McEwen joined ALPS in August 2019 and is currently Vice President and Fund Controller at ALPS. Ms. McEwen also serves as Treasurer of Reaves Utility Income Fund, Clough Funds Trust, and Cambria ETF Trust. Ms. McEwen was formerly Assistant Director of Financial Reporting at Invesco Ltd. in 2019 and Assistant Vice President of Fund Treasury at OppenheimerFunds, Inc. from 2015-2018.	N/A	N/A
Sareena Khwaja- Dixon 1980	Secretary	Officer since <sup>7</sup> GLV: 2016 GLQ: 2016 GLO: 2016	Ms. Khwaja-Dixon joined ALPS in August 2015 and is currently Principal Legal Counsel and Vice President of ALPS. Ms. Khwaja-Dixon is also Secretary of Clough Funds Trust, RiverNorth Opportunities Fund, Inc., Liberty All-Star Growth Fund, Inc., and Liberty All-Star Equity Fund and Assistant Secretary of RiverNorth Funds, RiverNorth Specialty Finance Corp, RiverNorth/DoubleLine Strategic Opportunity Fund, Inc., RiverNorth Flexible Municipal Income Fund, Inc., RiverNorth Managed Duration Municipal Income Fund, Inc., and RiverNorth Opportunistic Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	N/A	N/A
Jennifer A. Craig 1973	Assistant Secretary	Officer since <sup>7</sup> GLV: 2016 GLQ: 2016 GLO: 2016	Ms. Craig joined ALPS in 2007 and is currently Assistant Vice President and Paralegal Manager of ALPS. Ms. Craig is also Assistant Secretary of Financial Investors Trust, Liberty All-Star Equity Fund, Liberty All-Star Growth Fund, Inc., and Secretary of Principal Real Estate Income Fund and Clerk of Goehring & Rozencwajg Investment Funds.	N/A	N/A

- 1 Address: 1290 Broadway, Suite 1000, Denver, Colorado 80203, unless otherwise noted.
- 2 GLV commenced operations July 28, 2004, GLQ commenced operations April 27, 2005, and GLO commenced operations April 25, 2006.
- 3 The Fund Complex for all Trustees, except Mr. Rutledge, Mr. Weber, Mr. McNally and Mr. Burke, consists of the Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund and Clough Global Opportunities Fund. The Fund Complex for Mr. Rutledge consists of Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund and Clough China Fund, a series of the Financial Investors Trust. The Fund Complex for Mr. Burke consists of Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund, Clough China Fund, a series of the Financial Investors Trust, and Clough Global Long-Short Fund, a series of Clough Funds Trust. The Fund Complex for Mr. Weber and Mr. McNally consists of Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund, and Clough Global Long-Short Fund, a series of Clough Funds Trust.
- 4 "Interested Trustees" refers to those Trustees who constitute "interested persons" of the Fund as defined in the 1940 Act.
- 5 Mr. Burke is considered to be an "Interested Trustee" because of his previous positions with ALPS.

- 6 Mr. McNally is considered to be an "Interested Trustee" because of his affiliation with Clough, which acts as the Fund's investment adviser.
- 7 Officers are elected annually and each officer will hold such office until a successor has been elected by the Board.

#### Beneficial Ownership of GLO Common Shares by each Trustee

Set forth in the table below is the dollar range of equity securities held in the Fund and on an aggregate basis for the entire Family of Investment Companies overseen by each Trustee.

Independent Trustees	Dollar Range <sup>1</sup> of Equity Securities Held in GLO	Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities Held in the Family of Investment Companies
Robert L. Butler	\$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
Adam D. Crescenzi	\$1-\$10,000	\$10,001-\$50,000
Jerry G. Rutledge	\$0	\$0
Vincent W. Versaci	\$0	\$10,001-\$50,000
Karen DiGravio	\$10,001-\$50,000	\$50,0001-\$100,000
Clifford J. Weber	\$0	\$10,001-\$50,000
Interested Trustees		
Edmund J. Burke	\$0	\$0
Kevin McNally	\$0	Over \$100,000

- (1) This information has been furnished by each Trustee of December 31, 2020. "Beneficial Ownership" is determined in accordance with Section 16a-1(a)(2) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) Ownership amount constitutes less than 1% of the total shares outstanding.
- (3) The Funds in the family of investment companies for all Trustees, consists of the Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund and Clough Funds Trust.

#### **Trustee Transactions with Fund Affiliates**

As of December 31, 2020, none of the independent trustees, meaning those Trustees who are not "interested persons" as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act and are independent under the NYSE American's Listing Standards (each an "Independent Trustee" and collectively the "Independent Trustees"), nor members of their immediate families owned securities, beneficially or of record, in Clough or an affiliate or person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with Clough, other than investments in the Fund and investments in affiliated investment vehicles that, pursuant to guidance from the SEC Staff, do not affect such Trustee's independence. Furthermore, over the past five years, neither the Independent Trustees nor members of their immediate families have had any direct or indirect interest, the value of which exceeds \$120,000, in Clough or any of its affiliates. In addition, since the beginning of the last two fiscal years, neither the Independent Trustees nor members of their immediate families have conducted any transactions (or series of transactions) or maintained any direct or indirect relationship in which the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 and to which Clough or any affiliate of Clough was a party.

#### **Trustee Compensation**

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the compensation of the Fund's Trustees for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020. Trustees and Officers of the Fund who are employed by ALPS or Clough receive no compensation or expense reimbursement from the Fund.

Compensation Table for the Fiscal Year Ended October 31, 2020.

Name of Trustee	Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund	Total Compensation Paid From the Fund Complex <sup>1</sup>
Edmund Burke	\$12,667	\$38,330
Robert L. Butler	\$24,000	\$72,000
Adam D. Crescenzi	\$20,000	\$60,000
Jerry G. Rutledge	\$20,000	\$60,440
Vincent W. Versaci	\$20,000	\$60,000
Karen DiGravio	\$22,000	\$66,000
Clifford J. Weber	\$20,000	\$86,000

(1) The Fund Complex for all Trustees, except Mr. Rutledge, Mr. Weber, Mr. McNally and Mr. Burke, consists of the Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund and Clough Global Opportunities Fund. The Fund Complex for Mr. Rutledge consists of Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund and Clough China Fund, a series of the Financial Investors Trust. The Fund Complex for Mr. Burke consists of Clough Global Dividend and Income Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund, Clough China Fund, a series of the Financial Investors Trust, and Clough Global Long-Short Fund, a series of Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Equity Fund, Clough Global Opportunities Fund, and Clough Global Long-Short Fund, a series of Clough Funds Trust.

The Fund pays compensation to the Chairman of the Board (the "Chairman") and each Trustee who is not affiliated with ALPS or Clough or their affiliates. The Trustees receive from the Fund an annual retainer of \$14,000 per year plus \$1,500 per Board meeting attended. The Chairman receives from the Fund an annual retainer of \$16,800 per year plus \$1,800 per Board meeting attended. The Audit Committee Chairman receives from the Fund an annual retainer of \$15,400 per year plus \$1,650 per Board meeting attended. For each telephonic Board meeting attended to the following: (i) \$500 for each Independent Trustee; (ii) \$600 for the Chairman; and (iii) \$550 for the Chairman of the Audit Committee. The Independent Trustees do not receive any additional fees for in-person or telephonic committee meetings. The Chairman, Audit Committee Chairman and each Independent Trustee's actual out-of-pocket expenses relating to their attendance at such meetings are also paid for by the Fund.

During the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020, the Board of the Fund met four times. Each Trustee then serving in such capacity attended at least 75% of the meetings of Trustees and of any committee of which he/she is a member.

Provided below is a brief summary of the specific experience, qualifications, attributes or skills for each Trustee that warranted his/her consideration as a Trustee to the Board of Trustees of the Fund, which is registered as an individual investment company under the 1940 Act. In addition, since being appointed to the Board, each Trustee has further enhanced his or her experience and skills, in conjunction with the other Trustees, through the Board's oversight of the Fund's officers in dealing with a diverse range of topics, to include but not limited to, portfolio management, legal and regulatory matters, compliance oversight, preparation of financial statements and oversight of the Fund's multiple service providers.

Robert L. Butler – Mr. Butler is currently an independent consultant for businesses. Mr. Butler was President of Pioneer Funds Distributor, Inc. from 1989 to 1998. He was Senior Vice-President from 1985 to 1988 and Executive Vice-President and Director from 1988 to 1999 of the Pioneer Group, Inc. While at the Pioneer Group, Inc. until his retirement in 1999, Mr. Butler was a Director or Supervisory Board member of a number of subsidiary and affiliated companies, including: Pioneer First Polish Investment Fund, JSC, Pioneer Czech Investment Company and Pioneer Global Equity Fund PLC. From 1975 to 1984, Mr. Butler was a Vice-President of the National Association of Securities Dealers (currently Financial Industry Regulatory Authority). Mr. Butler has served as Trustee since the Fund's inception and as Chairman of the Board for the Fund since 2006. Mr. Butler has also served as a member of the Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee during his tenure as a Trustee for the Fund. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Mr. Butler's professional experience in the financial services industry, including extensive involvement with international investing and as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Mr. Butler contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Adam D. Crescenzi – Mr. Crescenzi is currently founding partner of Simply Tuscan Imports LLC and he advises businesses and non-profit organizations on issues of strategy, marketing, and governance. He serves as Chairman of the Board of Governors for The Founders Fund Inc., and is a Trustee and Governor of the Naples Botanical Garden. Mr. Crescenzi graduated from the Greater Naples Leadership program in 2014. He previously served as a Trustee of Dean College from 2003 to 2015. He has been a founding partner and investor of several start-up technology and service firms, such as Telos Partners, a strategic business advisory firm, Creative Realties, Inc. a creative arts technology firm, and ICEX, Inc., whose principal business is web-based corporate exchange forums. Prior to being involved in multiple corporate start-ups, Mr. Crescenzi retired from CSC Index as Executive Vice-President of Management Consulting Services. During his career, Mr. Crescenzi has also served with various philanthropic organizations such as the Boston College McMullen Museum of Arts. Mr. Crescenzi has served as Trustee since the Fund's inception. Mr. Crescenzi has also served as a member of the Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee during his tenure as a Trustee for the Fund. Mr. Crescenzi has served as Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committee for the Fund since 2006. The Board of Trustees, in its judgement of Mr. Crescenzi's professional business and consulting experience, including his experience serving as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Mr. Crescenzi contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Jerry G. Rutledge – Mr. Rutledge is the President and owner of Rutledge's Inc., a retail clothing business that has operated for over 40 years. As a recognized community leader in the state of Colorado, Mr. Rutledge was elected as a Regent at the University of Colorado in 1994 and retired in 2007. In addition, Mr. Rutledge is currently serving as a Director of the University of Colorado Hospital and is a Trustee of Financial Investors Trust, an open-end investment company, and the Principal Real Estate Income Fund, a closed-end investment company. Mr. Rutledge also served as a Director of the American National Bank until 2009. Mr. Rutledge has served as Trustee since the Fund's inception. Mr. Rutledge has also served as a member of the Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee during his tenure as a Trustee for the Fund. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Mr. Rutledge's leadership, long-term professional success in operating a business in a competitive industry and as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Mr. Rutledge contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Hon. Vincent W. Versaci – Judge Versaci has served as a Judge for the State of New York since January 2003. Currently, Judge Versaci serves as Acting Supreme Court Justice and Surrogate Court Judge for Schenectady County, New York. In his capacity as Schenectady County's Surrogate Court Judge since May of 2010, Judge Versaci has presided over thousands of matters and supervised the activities of tens of thousands of fiduciaries in estates, guardianships and all types of trust proceedings including testamentary, inter vivos and multi-generational irrevocable trusts. Judge Versaci oversees the distribution of millions of dollars of assets annually and is charged with monitoring the activities of thousands of corporate and individual fiduciaries to ensure that they are prudently investing and preserving assets for designated beneficiaries.

In recognition of Judge Versaci's experience and expertise in New York Trusts and Estates Law, particularly in the area of fiduciary matters, he has received several accolades and notable appointments. In 2019, the Presiding Judge of New York's Appellate Division, Third Department, appointed Judge Versaci to the Administrative Board for the Offices of Public Administrators ("The Administrative Board"). Public Administrators are appointed by statute to administer estates of decedents where there is no other person or entity to perform these fiduciary functions. The Administrative Board oversees their activities and promulgates rules with respect to the oversight of Public Administrators across New York State, including New York City. Additionally, in 2018, New York's Chief Administrative Judge selected Judge Versaci to serve as a member of New York's Surrogate's Court Advisory Committee. This standing committee is charged with reviewing current laws and practices and recommending proposed legislation and changes to the regulations and procedures affecting all aspects of New York Trusts and Estates Law.

Prior to becoming Surrogate and Supreme Court Justice, Judge Versaci served as City Court Judge for the City of Schenectady from 2003 to 2010 where he presided over a demanding volume and vast array of criminal and civil matters. At that time, he was noted to be the second youngest judge in the State of New York. Judge Versaci has also served as an Adjunct Professor and a practicing attorney with an emphasis on civil and criminal litigation primarily in New York State and Federal Courts. Currently, he sits on the Board of the Schenectady County Bar Association and is often asked to speak to before a variety of local, State and Federal Bar Associations and other groups on a variety of topics relating to Trusts and Estates, as well as fiduciary roles and responsibilities.

Judge Versaci has served as a Trustee of each Fund and as a member of each Fund's Audit Committee and Governance Committee and Nominating Committee since March 2013. In addition, Judge Versaci has served as Chair of the Qualified Legal Compliance Committee of each Fund since 2017. Since being appointed to the Board by the Funds' Trustees, Judge Versaci has contributed significantly to the Board's oversight of the Funds' officers and has successfully managed a diverse range of topics, including portfolio management, legal and regulatory matters, compliance oversight, preparation of financial statements and oversight of the Funds' multiple service providers. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Judge Versaci's professional experience as a reputable attorney and judge, and as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Judge Versaci offers a unique and diverse perspective to the Board and lends a particular expertise in ethics and fiduciary matters that is invaluable to our partnership.

Karen DiGravio – Ms. DiGravio has over 21 years of industry experience focused on finance, accounting, compliance and risk management in the asset management industry. Most recently, she was a Partner, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer of Westfield Capital Management, a Boston based asset manager with over \$12 Billion in assets under management. She was also a member of the Westfield Advisory Board. While at Westfield, Ms. DiGravio led the finance, accounting and compliance functions and chaired the firm's Operating and Risk Management Committee. A 1991 graduate of Connecticut College, Ms. DiGravio is co-chair of Connecticut College's 1911 Society and is also a member of the college's President's Leadership Council. She received her MBA in General Management from the Boston University School of Management in 1997. Ms. DiGravio has served as a member of the Fund's Audit Committee and Governing and Nominating Committee and as a Trustee since August 2017. In addition, Ms. DiGravio has served as the Audit Committee Financial Expert and Chair of the Fund's Audit Committee during her tenure as a Trustee of the Fund. The Board of Trustees, in its judgement of Ms. DiGravio's professional business experience, including her experience serving as chief financial officer and chief compliance officer of an asset management firm and experience serving as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Ms. DiGravio contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Clifford J. Weber – Mr. Weber has more than 25 years of experience in the financial markets where he has successfully led businesses and created products in exchange-traded funds (ETFs) and listed derivatives. His areas of expertise include trading markets and derivatives regulation. He currently provides consulting services to the financial industry and serves as an independent trustee of certain mutual funds, ETFs and variable annuity trusts. From 2013 to 2015 he was Executive Vice President of Global Index and Exchange Traded Products at the NYSE, and Executive Vice President, Head of Strategy and Product Development at NYSE Liffe from 2008 to 2013. Prior to that, Mr. Weber spent 18 years at the American Stock Exchange U.S. where he was instrumental in the development of the Amex's dominant ETF business, running that business from 2000-2008, and the Amex's Closed-End Fund business. He received a B.A. degree in Biochemistry from Dartmouth College, and an M.S.E. degree in Systems, with a concentration in Operations Research, from the University of Pennsylvania. He has been featured in numerous media publications and financial shows, has been published in various financial publications, and is co-author of "Equity Flex Options: The Financial Engineer's Most Versatile Tool." He is a named inventor on twenty-one issued patents, all in the field of financial innovation. Mr. Weber has served as a member of the Fund's Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee and as a Trustee since August 2017. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Mr. Weber's professional business experience, including his positions with national securities exchanges and serving on the boards of registered investment companies, believes Mr. Weber contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Edmund J. Burke – Mr. Burke retired from ALPS Fund Services, Inc. ("ALPS") in 2019. He previously served as Director of ALPS, Director and President of ALPS Holdings, Inc. (a wholly-owned subsidiary of SS&C) and ALPS Advisors, Inc., and a Director of ALPS Distributors, Inc. and ALPS Portfolio Solutions Distributor, Inc. These organizations specialize in the day-to-day operations associated with both open- and closed-end investment companies, exchange traded funds and hedge funds. In addition, Mr. Burke is also currently Trustee of the Financial Investors Trust, an open-end investment company, Trustee of Clough Funds Trust, an open-end investment company, and Trustee of the Liberty All-Star Equity Fund and Director of the Liberty All-Star Growth Fund, Inc., each a closed-end investment company. Mr. Burke has served as Trustee for the Fund since 2006 and as an interested trustee he does not serve as a member of the Audit and Governance and Nominating Committees. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Mr. Burke's long-term professional experience with operational requirements and obligations in operating closed-end investment companies and as a trustee of closed-end investment companies, believes Mr. Burke contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

Kevin McNally – Mr. McNally is currently a Managing Director at Clough Capital Partners L.P. and serves as the portfolio manager for an investment fund advised by Clough that invests primarily in closed-end funds, and a separately managed account that invests in substantially the same strategy. He has over 25 years of industry experience focusing almost exclusively on closed-end funds. Prior to joining Clough in 2014, he served as the Director of Closed-End Funds at ALPS Fund Services, Inc. from 2003 to 2014, where he was instrumental in launching approximately \$13 billion in total assets of CEFs, including the three Clough CEFs. Prior to that, Mr. McNally was Director of Closed-End Fund and ETF Research at Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. from 1998 to 2003, and Director of Closed-End Fund and ETF Marketing at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Discover & Co. from 1997 to 1998. Previously, he was an analyst covering closed-end funds in the Mutual Fund Research Department at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner, & Smith, Inc. from 1994 to 1997, and also was Manager of the Closed-End Fund Marketing Department at Prudential Securities from 1992 to 1994. He has been quoted in *The Wall Street Journal, Barrons*, and several other publications and has also appeared on TV as a closed-end fund and ETF expert. Mr. McNally received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1991 and an MBA in Finance from New York University's Stern School of Business in 1998. Mr. McNally has served as Trustee for the Fund since 2017 and as an interested trustee he does not serve as a member of the Audit and Governance and Nominating Committees. The Board of Trustees, in its judgment of Mr. Weber's professional business experience, including his positions with national securities exchanges and serving on the boards of registered investment companies, believes Mr. Weber contributes a diverse perspective to the Board.

#### **Leadership Structure of the Board of Trustees**

The Board, which has overall responsibility for the oversight of the Fund's investment programs and business affairs, has appointed an Independent Trustee as Chairman of the Board whose role is to preside at all meetings of the Board. The Board has also appointed an Independent Trustee as Vice-Chairman of the Fund. The Chairman is involved, at his discretion, in the preparation of the agendas for the Board meetings. In between meetings of the Board, the Chairman may act as liaison between the Board and the Fund's officers, attorneys and various other service providers, including but not limited to, the Fund's investment adviser, administrator and other such third parties servicing the Fund. The Chairman may also perform other functions as may be delegated by the Board from time to time. The Board believes that the use of an Independent Trustee as Chairman is the appropriate leadership structure for mitigating potential conflicts of interest associated with appointing an Interested Trustee as chairman and facilitates the ability to maintain a robust culture of compliance. The Board has three standing committees, each of which enhances the leadership structure of the Board: the Audit Committee; the Governance and Nominating Committee; and the Executive Committee. The Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee are each chaired by, and composed of, members who are Independent Trustees. The Executive Committee consists of two Interested Trustees and one Independent Trustee.

#### Oversight of Risk Management

The Fund, by the nature of its business, is confronted with various risks such as investment risk, counterparty risk, valuation risk, political risk, risk of operational failures, business continuity risk, regulatory risk, legal risk and other risks not listed here. The Board recognizes that not all risks that may affect the Fund can be known, eliminated or mitigated. In addition, there are some risks that may not be cost effective or an efficient use of the Fund's limited resources to moderate. As a result of these realities, the Board, through its oversight and leadership, has and will continue to deem it necessary for shareholders of the Fund to bear certain and undeniable risks, such as investment risk, in order for the Fund to operate in accordance with its investment strategies.

However, as required under the 1940 Act, the Board has adopted on the Fund's behalf a risk program that mandates the Fund various service providers, including the investment adviser, to adopt a variety of processes, procedures and controls to identify various risks, mitigate the likelihood of such adverse events from occurring and/or attempt to limit the effects of such adverse events on the Fund. The Board implements its oversight role by receiving a variety of quarterly written reports prepared by the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO") that: (i) evaluate the operation of the Fund service providers; (ii) make known any material changes to the policies and procedures adopted by the Fund or its service providers since the CCO's last report and; (iii) disclose any material compliance matter that occurred since the date of the last CCO report. In addition, the Chairman and the Independent Trustees meet quarterly in executive sessions without the presence of any Interested Trustees, the investment adviser, the administrator, or any of their affiliates. This configuration permits the Chairman and the Independent Trustees to effectively receive the information and have private discussions necessary to perform its risk oversight role, exercise independent judgment, and allocate areas or responsibility between the full Board, its various committees and certain officers of the Fund. Furthermore the Independent Trustees have engaged independent legal counsel and auditors to assist the Independent Trustees in performing their responsibilities. As discussed above and in consideration of other factors not referenced herein, the function of the Board with respect to its leadership role concerning risk management is one of oversight and not active management or coordination of the Fund day-to-day risk management activities.

The role of the Fund's Audit Committee is to assist the Board in its oversight of: (i) the quality and integrity of Fund financial statements, reporting process and the independent registered public accounting firm (the "independent accountant") and reviews thereof; (ii) the Fund accounting and financial reporting policies and practices, its internal controls and, as appropriate, the internal controls of certain service providers; (iii) the Fund's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; and (iv) the independent accountant's qualifications, independence and performance. The Audit Committee is also required to prepare an audit committee report pursuant to the rules of the SEC for inclusion in the Fund's annual proxy statement. The Audit Committee operates pursuant to an Audit Committee Charter (the "Audit Charter") that was most recently reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee on December 22, 2020. As set forth in the Audit Charter, management is responsible for maintaining appropriate systems for accounting and internal control and the Fund's independent accountant is responsible for planning and carrying out proper audits and reviews. The independent accountant is ultimately accountable to the Fund's Board and Audit Committee, as representatives of the Fund shareholders. The independent accountant for the Fund reports directly to the Audit Committee.

In performing its oversight function, at a meeting held on December 22, 2020, the Audit Committee reviewed and discussed with management of the Fund and the independent registered public accounting firm, Cohen & Company, Ltd. ("Cohen" or "independent accountant"), the audited financial statements of the Fund as of and for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020.

In addition, the Audit Committee discussed with the independent accountant the accounting principles applied by the Fund and such other matters brought to the attention of the Audit Committee by the independent accountant required by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") and the SEC. The Audit Committee also received from the independent accountant the written disclosures and letters required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent accountant's communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with the independent accountant the independent accountant's independence.

As set forth above, and as more fully set forth in the Audit Charter, the Audit Committee has significant duties and powers in its oversight role with respect to Fund's financial reporting procedures, internal control systems and the independent audit process.

The members of the Audit Committees are not, and do not represent themselves to be, professionally engaged in the practice of auditing or accounting and are not employed by the Fund for accounting, financial management or internal control purposes. Moreover, the Audit Committee relies on and makes no independent verification of the facts presented to it or representations made by management or the Fund's independent accountant. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's oversight does not provide an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and/or financial reporting principles and policies, or internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions referred to above do not provide assurance that the audit of the Fund's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or that the financial statements are presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee met two times during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020 .The Audit Committee is composed of six Independent Trustees, namely Ms. DiGravio and Messrs. Butler, Crescenzi, Rutledge, Weber and Judge Versaci. None of the members of the Audit Committee are "interested persons" of the Funds.

Based on the findings of the Audit Committee, the Audit Committee has determined that Ms. Karen DiGravio is the Fund's "audit committee financial expert," as defined in the rules promulgated by the SEC, and as required by NYSE American listing standards. Ms. DiGravio serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee for the Fund.

#### **Governance and Nominating Committee**

The Fund's Board has a Governance and Nominating Committee composed of six Independent Trustees as the term is defined by the NYSE American listing standards, namely Ms. DiGravio and Messrs. Butler, Crescenzi, Rutledge, Weber and Judge Versaci. None of the members of the Governance and Nominating Committee are "interested persons" of the Funds. The Governance and Nominating Committee operates pursuant to a Governance and Nominating Committee Charter that was most recently reviewed and approved by the Governance and Nominating Committee on October 20, 2020. The Governance and Nominating Committee Charter is available at the Fund website. The Governance and Nominating Committee met three times during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020. The Governance and Nominating Committee is responsible for identifying and recommending to the Board individuals believed to be qualified to become Board members and officers of the Funds in the event that a position is vacated or created. Mr. Crescenzi serves as Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committee of the Fund.

When such vacancies or creations occur, the Governance and Nominating Committee will consider Trustee candidates recommended by a variety of sources to include the Fund's respective shareholders. The Governance and Nominating Committee has a diversity policy. In considering Trustee candidates, the Governance and Nominating Committee will take into consideration the interest of shareholders, the needs of the Board and the Trustee candidate's qualifications, which include but are not limited to, the diversity of the individual's professional experience, education, individual qualification or skills.

Shareholders may submit for the Governance and Nominating Committee's consideration recommendations regarding potential independent Board member nominees. The Governance and Nominating Committee Charter (which is available at www.cloughglobal.com) includes Independent Trustee qualifications and criteria that the Governance and Nominating Committee will assess in determining whether it will consider a shareholder's submission. In addition, the By-Laws of the Fund contain detailed requirements regarding qualifications for Independent Trustees and information that must be included with any nomination for Independent Trustee or shareholder proposal.

#### Charter and By-Laws:

The following are some of the requirements and criteria in the Governance and Nominating Committee Charter and By-Laws:

- (a) The nominee must satisfy all qualifications provided under the Governance and Nominating Committee Charter and in the Fund's organizational documents, including qualification as a possible independent Board member.
- (b) The nominee may not be the nominating shareholder, a member of the nominating shareholder group or a member of the immediate family of the nominating shareholder or any member of the nominating shareholder group.
- (c) Neither the nominee nor any member of the nominee's immediate family may be currently employed or employed within the last year by any nominating shareholder entity or entity in a nominating shareholder group.
- (d) Neither the nominee nor any immediate family member of the nominee is permitted to have accepted directly or indirectly, during the year of the election for which the nominee's name was submitted, during the immediately preceding calendar year, or during the year when the nominee's name was submitted, any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee from the nominating shareholder or any member of a nominating shareholder group.
- (e) The nominee may not be an executive officer, Trustee (or person fulfilling similar functions) of the nominating shareholder or any member of the nominating shareholder group, or of an affiliate of the nominating shareholder group.
- (f) The nominee may not control (as that term is defined under the 1940 Act) the nominating shareholder or any member of the nominating shareholder group (or, in the case of a holder or member that is a fund, an interested person of such holder or member as defined by Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act).

(g) A shareholder or shareholder group may not submit for consideration a nominee who has previously been considered by the Governance and Nominating Committee.

The following is a summary of requirements in the Funds' By-Laws that must be provided to a Fund regarding the shareholder or shareholder group submitting a proposed nominee and that will be considered by the Governance and Nominating Committee:

- (a) Information on the proposed nominee, including name, address, age and occupation.
- (b) Information on shares owned beneficially and of record.
- (c) Descriptions of any agreements, arrangements, or understandings (including profit interest or options) involving the Proposed Nominee and any other shareholder of record or beneficially.
- (d) A description of all commercial and business relationships and all transactions the Proposed Nominee has had with any other shareholder of record or beneficially.
- (e) A representation that the Proposed Nominee will qualify as a non-interested Trustee under Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and rules thereunder.
- (f) A representation that the Proposed Nominee meets the Trustee Qualifications set forth on Article III of the Fund's By-laws.
- (g) Such other information requested by the Governance and Nominating Committee required to be disclosed in a proxy statement.
- (h) Written consent of the Proposed Nominee to being named a nominee and to serving as a Trustee.
- (i) A certificate that the Proposed Nominee will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding not disclosed to the Trust.

The nominee must provide to the Governance and Nominating Committee all information requested by the Governance and Nominating Committee that is related to the requirements and criteria in the Governance and Nominating Charter and By- Laws.

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee meets periodically to take action, as authorized by the Board, if the Board cannot meet. Members of the Executive Committee are currently Messrs. Burke, Butler and McNally. During the fiscal year ended October 31, 2020, the Fund's Executive Committee did not meet.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Fund does not have a compensation committee.

#### **Other Board Related Matters**

The Fund does not require Trustees to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. No Trustees attended the Funds' Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on July 9, 2020.

#### **CODE OF ETHICS**

Clough and the Fund have each adopted a code of ethics governing personal securities transactions under Rule 17j-1 of the 1940 Act. Under Clough's code of ethics, Clough employees may purchase and sell securities (including securities held or eligible for purchase by the Fund), subject to certain pre-clearance and reporting requirements and other procedures. The Fund's code of ethics permits personnel subject thereto to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the Fund. However, the Fund's code of ethics generally prohibits, among other things, persons subject thereto from purchasing or selling securities if they know at the time of such purchase or sale that the security is being considered for purchase or sale by the Fund or is being purchased or sold by the Fund.

The codes of ethics can be reviewed on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's internet site at http://www.sec.gov, and copies of the codes of ethics may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following email address: <a href="mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov">publicinfo@sec.gov</a>, or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102.

#### PROXY VOTING POLICY

The Fund has delegated to Clough the responsibility to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities held by the Fund. In deciding to delegate this responsibility, the Board of Trustees reviewed and approved the policies and procedures adopted by Clough. These include the procedures that Clough follows when a vote presents a conflict between the interests of the Fund and its shareholders and Clough, its affiliates, its other clients, or other persons. Clough's proxy voting guidelines and procedures applicable to the Fund are included in this Statement of Additional Information as Appendix A-1. Information regarding vote proxies relating to the portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

#### INVESTMENT ADVISORY AND OTHER SERVICES

Clough has been managing assets of private investment vehicles since 2000. Clough maintains a staff of experienced investment professionals to service the needs of its clients.

Except as provided in the Administration Agreement, the Fund will be responsible for all of its costs and expenses not expressly stated to be payable by Clough under the Advisory Agreement or ALPS under the Administration Agreement. Such costs and expenses to be borne by the Fund include, without limitation: advisory fees, administration fees, trustees' fees, interest expenses, if any, expenses related to custody of international securities, portfolio transaction expenses, litigation expenses, taxes, costs of preferred shares, expenses of conducting repurchase offers for the purpose of repurchasing Fund shares and extraordinary expenses.

The Advisory Agreement with Clough became effective on April 25, 2006 for an initial period of two years and continues in effect from year to year thereafter so long as such continuance is approved at least annually: (i) by the vote of a majority of the non-interested Trustees of the Fund or of Clough cast in person at a meeting specifically called for the purpose of voting on such approval; and (ii) by the Board of Trustees or by vote of a majority of the outstanding Shares of the Fund. The agreement may be terminated at any time without penalty on sixty (60) days' written notice by the Trustees of the Fund or Clough, as applicable, or by vote of the majority of the outstanding shares of the Fund. The Advisory Agreement was most recently approved by a majority of the Board, including a majority of the Trustees who are not interested persons as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, at a meeting of the Board held on April 29, 2020 pursuant to the exemptive order issued by the SEC for conditional relief from the in-person voting requirements. A discussion regarding the basis for the most recent approval of the Investment Advisory Agreement by the Board is available in the Fund's semi-annual report to shareholders for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2020. The agreement will terminate automatically in the event of its assignment. The agreement provides that, in the absence of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of its obligations or duties to the Fund under such agreements on the part of Clough, or a loss resulting from a breach of fiduciary duty by Clough with respect to the receipt of compensation for services (in which case damages shall be limited by the 1940 Act), Clough shall not be liable to the Fund or any shareholder for any loss incurred, to the extent not covered by insurance.

Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, October 31, 2019 and October 31, 2020, Clough earned \$6,617,936, \$5,798,998 and \$5,866,687 respectively. Clough is a limited partnership organized under the laws of Delaware. It is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. As of January 31, 2021, Clough had approximately \$2.1 billion in assets under management.

#### Portfolio Managers

Set forth below is certain additional information with respect Charles I. Clough, and Robert Zdunczyk, the Fund's portfolio managers (collectively, the "Portfolio Managers"), who together are the principal investment professionals of Clough. Unless noted otherwise, all information is provided as of January 31, 2021.

#### Other Accounts Managed by Portfolio Managers

In addition to his responsibilities with regard to the Fund, Mr. Clough, either as the principal investment professional of Clough, or as a member of Clough's affiliate, Clough Associates, LLC, also has day-to-day management responsibilities for the assets of (i) four other registered investment companies with approximately \$1,162.9 million in assets under management; (ii) three other pooled investment vehicles with a total of approximately \$329.5 million in assets under management, with respect to which a portion of the investment advisory fees are based on the performance of the assets thereof; and (iii) one other account with a total of approximately \$337.8 million in assets under management, with respect to which a portion of the investment advisory fees are based on the performance of the assets thereof. In addition to his responsibilities with regard to the Fund, Mr. Zdunczyk has day-to-day management responsibilities for the assets of (i) three other registered investment companies with approximately \$1,114 million in assets under management; and (ii) one other account with a total of approximately \$337.8 million in assets under management, with respect to which a portion of the investment advisory fees are based on the performance of the assets thereof.

#### Compensation of Portfolio Managers

The Portfolio Managers each receive a fixed base salary from Clough. The base salary for each Portfolio Manager is typically determined based on market factors and the skill and experience of each Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Clough distributes its annual net profits to the two Portfolio Managers and other partners of Clough, with Mr. Clough receiving a majority share and Mr. Zdunczyk receiving a portion of the remainder.

#### Material Conflicts of Interest

Material conflicts of interest may arise as a result of the fact that the Portfolio Managers also have day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to both the Fund and the various accounts listed above (collectively with the Fund, the "Accounts"). These potential conflicts include:

Limited Resources. The Portfolio Managers cannot devote their full time and attention to the management of each of the Accounts. Accordingly, the Portfolio Managers may be limited in their ability to identify investment opportunities for each of the Accounts that are as attractive as might be the case if the Portfolio Managers were to devote substantially more attention to the management of a single Account. The effects of this potential conflict may be more pronounced where the Accounts have different investment strategies.

Limited Investment Opportunities. If the Portfolio Managers identify a limited investment opportunity that may be appropriate for more than one Account, the investment opportunity may be allocated among several Accounts. This could limit any single Account's ability to take full advantage of an investment opportunity that might not be limited if the Portfolio Managers did not provide investment advice to other Accounts.

Different Investment Strategies. The Accounts managed by the Portfolio Managers have differing investment strategies. If the Portfolio Managers determine that an investment opportunity may be appropriate for only some of the Accounts or decide that certain of the Accounts should take different positions with respect to a particular security, the Portfolio Managers may effect transactions for one or more Accounts which may affect the market price of the security or the execution of the transaction, or both, to the detriment or benefit of one or more other Accounts.

Variation in Compensation. A conflict of interest may arise where Clough is compensated differently by the Accounts that are managed by the Portfolio Managers. If certain Accounts pay higher management fees or performance-based incentive fees, the Portfolio Managers might be motivated to prefer certain Accounts over others. The Portfolio Managers might also be motivated to favor Accounts in which they have a greater ownership interest or Accounts that are more likely to enhance the Portfolio Managers' performance record or to otherwise benefit the Portfolio Managers.

Selection of Brokers. The Portfolio Managers select the brokers that execute securities transactions for the Accounts that they supervise. In addition to executing trades, some brokers provide the Portfolio Managers with research and other services which may require the payment of higher brokerage fees than might otherwise be available. The Portfolio Managers' decision as to the selection of brokers could yield disproportionate costs and benefits among the Accounts that they manage, since the research and other services provided by brokers may be more beneficial to some Accounts than to others.

#### **Investment Advisory Services**

Under the general supervision of the Board of Trustees, Clough carries out the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the Fund, furnishes continuously an investment program with respect to the Fund, determines which securities should be purchased, sold or exchanged, and implements such determinations. Clough furnishes to the Fund investment advice and provide related office facilities and personnel for servicing the investments of the Fund. Clough compensates all Trustees and officers of the Fund who are members of the Clough organization and who render investment services to the Fund, and also compensates all other Clough personnel who provide research and investment services to the Fund.

#### **Administrative Services**

Under the Administration Agreement, ALPS is responsible for calculating the net asset value of the Common Shares, and generally managing the business affairs of the Fund, subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees. ALPS furnishes to the Fund all office facilities, equipment and personnel for administering the affairs of the Fund. ALPS compensates all Trustees and officers of the Fund who are members of the ALPS organization and who render executive and administrative services to the Fund, and compensates all other ALPS personnel who perform management and administrative services for the Fund. ALPS' administrative services include, preparation and filing of documents required to comply with federal and state securities laws, supervising the activities of the Fund's custodian and transfer agent, providing assistance in connection with the Trustees and shareholders' meetings, providing services in connection with repurchase offers, if any, and other administrative services necessary to conduct the Fund's business. Under the Administration Agreement, ALPS is also obligated to pay all expenses incurred by the Fund, with the exception of advisory fees, portfolio transaction expenses, trustees' fees, litigation expenses, taxes, costs of preferred shares, expenses of conducting repurchase offers for the purpose of repurchasing Fund shares and extraordinary expenses.

#### DETERMINATION OF NET ASSET VALUE

The net asset value per Share of the Fund is determined no less frequently than daily, on each day that the New York Stock Exchange (the "Exchange") is open for trading, as of the close of regular trading on the exchange (normally 4:00 p.m. New York time). The Fund's net asset value per Share is determined by ALPS, in the manner authorized by the Trustees of the Fund. Net asset value is computed by dividing the value of the Fund's total assets, less its liabilities by the number of shares outstanding.

The Trustees of the Fund have established the following procedures for fair valuation of the Fund's assets under normal market conditions. Marketable securities listed on foreign or U.S. securities exchanges generally are valued at closing sale prices or, if there were no sales, at the mean between the closing bid and asked prices therefor on the exchange where such securities are principally traded (such prices may not be used, however, where an active over-the-counter market in an exchange listed security better reflects current market value). Marketable securities listed in the NASDAQ National Market System are valued at the NASDAQ closing price. Unlisted or listed securities for which closing sale prices are not available are valued at the mean between the latest bid and asked prices. An option is valued at the last sale price as quoted on the principal exchange or board of trade on which such option or contract is traded, or in the absence of a sale, at the mean between the last bid and asked prices.

The Fair Valuation Committee may implement new pricing methodologies or expand mark-to-market valuation of debt securities whose market prices are not readily available in the future, which may result in a change in the Fund's net asset value per share. The Fund's net asset value per share will also be affected by fair value pricing decisions and by changes in the market for such debt securities. The Fund has adopted Fair Valuation Procedures to determine the fair value of a debt security. These Fair Valuation Procedures consider relevant factors, data, and information, including: (i) the characteristics of and fundamental analytical data relating to the debt security, including the cost, size, current interest rate, period until next interest rate reset, maturity and base lending rate of the debt security, the terms and conditions of the debt security and any related agreements, and the position of the debt security in the borrower's debt structure; (ii) the nature, adequacy and value of the collateral, including the Fund's rights, remedies and interests with respect to the collateral; (iii) the creditworthiness of the borrower, based on an evaluation of its financial condition, financial statements and information about the borrower's business, cash flows, capital structure and future prospects; (iv) information relating to the market for the debt security, including price quotations for and trading in the debt security and interests in similar debt security and the market environment and investor attitudes towards the debt security and interests in similar debt security and the market condition, stability and financial condition of the Agent and any intermediate participants in the debt security and (vi) general economic and market conditions affecting the fair value of the debt security. The fair value of each debt security is reviewed and approved by the Fair Valuation Committee and the Fund's Trustees.

Debt securities for which the over-the-counter market is the primary market are normally valued on the basis of prices furnished by one or more pricing services at the mean between the latest available bid and asked prices. OTC options are valued at the mean between the bid and asked prices provided by dealers. Financial futures contracts listed on commodity exchanges and exchange-traded options are valued at closing settlement prices. Short-term obligations having remaining maturities of less than 60 days are valued at amortized cost, which approximates value, unless the Trustees determine that under particular circumstances such method does not result in fair value. As authorized by the Trustees, debt securities (other than short-term obligations) may be valued on the basis of valuations furnished by a pricing service which determines valuations based upon market transactions for normal, institutional-size trading units of such securities. Securities for which there is no such quotation or valuation and all other assets are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by or at the direction of the Fund's Trustees.

All other securities are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by or at the direction of the Trustees.

Generally, trading in the foreign securities owned by the Fund is substantially completed each day at various times prior to the close of the Exchange. The values of these securities used in determining the net asset value of the Fund generally are computed as of such times. Occasionally, events affecting the value of foreign securities may occur between such times and the close of the Exchange which will not be reflected in the computation of the Fund's net asset value (unless the Fund deems that such events would materially affect its net asset value, in which case an adjustment would be made and reflected in such computation). Foreign securities and currency held by the Fund will be valued in U.S. dollars; such values will be computed by the custodian based on foreign currency exchange rate quotations supplied by an independent quotation service.

#### PORTFOLIO TRADING

Decisions concerning the execution of portfolio security transactions, including the selection of the market and the executing firm, are made by Clough. Clough is also responsible for the execution of transactions for all other accounts managed by it. Clough generally aggregates the portfolio security transactions of the Fund and of all other accounts managed by it for execution with many firms and allocates the orders across all participating accounts on a pro rata basis (based on factors such as client objectives and asset size) prior to execution. Clough uses its best efforts to obtain execution of portfolio security transactions at prices which are advantageous to the Fund and at reasonably competitive spreads or (when a disclosed commission is being charged) at reasonably competitive commission rates. In seeking such execution, Clough will use its best judgment in evaluating the terms of a transaction, and will give consideration to various relevant factors, including without limitation the full range and quality of the executing firm's services, the value of the brokerage and research services provided, the responsiveness of the firm to Clough, the actual price of the security, the commission rates charged, the nature and character of the market for the security, the confidentiality, speed and certainty of effective execution required for the transaction, the general execution and operational capabilities of the executing firm, the reputation, reliability, integrity, experience and financial condition of the firm, the value and quality of the services rendered by the firm in this and other transactions, and the reasonableness of the spread or commission, if any.

Transactions on stock exchanges and other agency transactions involve the payment of negotiated brokerage commissions. Such commissions vary among different broker-dealer firms, and a particular broker-dealer may charge different commissions according to such factors as the difficulty and size of the transaction and the volume of business done with such broker-dealer. Transactions in foreign securities often involve the payment of brokerage commissions, which may be higher than those in the United States. There is generally no stated commission in the case of securities traded in the over-the-counter markets, but the price paid or received usually includes an undisclosed dealer markup or markdown. In an underwritten offering the price paid often includes a disclosed fixed commission or discount retained by the underwriter or dealer.

Fixed income obligations which may be purchased and sold by the Fund are generally traded in the over-the-counter market on a net basis (*i.e.*, without commission) through broker-dealers or banks acting for their own account rather than as brokers, or otherwise involve transactions directly with the issuers of such obligations. The Fund may also purchase fixed income and other securities from underwriters, the cost of which may include undisclosed fees and concessions to the underwriters.

Although spreads or commissions paid on portfolio security transactions will, in the judgment of Clough, be reasonable in relation to the value of the services provided, commissions exceeding those which another firm might charge may be paid to broker-dealers who were selected to execute transactions on behalf of Clough's clients in part for providing brokerage and research services to Clough.

As authorized in Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, a broker or dealer who executes a portfolio transaction on behalf of the Fund may receive a commission which is in excess of the amount of commission another broker or dealer would have charged for effecting that transaction. Clough may use brokers or dealers who provide additional brokerage or research services and charge commissions in excess of other brokers or dealers (soft dollar arrangements) if it determines in good faith that such compensation was reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and research services provided. This determination may be made on the basis of that particular transaction or on the basis of overall responsibilities which Clough and its affiliates have for accounts over which they exercise investment discretion. In making any such determination, Clough will not attempt to place a specific dollar value on the brokerage and research services provided or to determine what portion of the commission should be related to such services. Brokerage and research services may include advice as to the value of securities, the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling securities, and the availability of securities or purchasers or sellers of securities; furnishing analyses and reports concerning issuers, industries, securities, economic factors and trends, portfolio strategy and the performance of accounts; effecting securities transactions and performing functions incidental thereto (such as clearance and settlement); and the "Research Services" referred to in the next paragraph.

It is a common practice of the investment advisory industry and of the advisers of investment companies, institutions and other investors to receive research, analytical, statistical and quotation services, data, information and other services, products and materials which assist such advisers in the performance of their investment responsibilities ("Research Services") from broker-dealer firms which execute portfolio transactions for the clients of such advisers and from third parties with which such broker-dealers have arrangements. Consistent with this practice, Clough receives Research Services from many broker-dealer firms with which Clough places the Fund's transactions and from third parties with which these broker-dealers have arrangements. These Research Services may include such matters as general economic, political, business and market information, industry and company reviews, evaluations of securities and portfolio strategies and transactions, proxy voting data and analysis services, technical analysis of various aspects of the securities market, recommendations as to the purchase and sale of securities and other portfolio transactions, financial, industry and trade publications, news and information services, pricing and quotation equipment and services, and research oriented computer hardware, software, data bases and services. Any particular Research Service obtained through a broker-dealer may be used by Clough in connection with client accounts other than those accounts which pay commissions to such broker-dealer. Any such Research Service may be broadly useful and of value to Clough in rendering investment advisory services to all or a significant portion of its clients, or may be relevant and useful for the management of only one client's account or of a few clients' accounts, or may be useful for the management of merely a segment of certain clients' accounts, regardless of whether any such account or accounts paid commissions to the broker-dealer through which such Research Service was obtained. The advisory fee paid by the Fund is not reduced because Clough receives such Research Services. Clough evaluates the nature and quality of the various Research Services obtained through brokerdealer firms and attempts to allocate sufficient portfolio security transactions to such firms to ensure the continued receipt of Research Services which Clough believes are useful or of value to it in rendering investment advisory services to its clients. If only part of the Research Services provided are used to assist in the investment decision-making process, the percentage of permitted use must be determined and the remainder paid for with hard dollars.

The Fund and Clough may also receive Research Services from underwriters and dealers in fixed-price offerings, which Research Services are reviewed and evaluated by Clough in connection with its investment responsibilities.

Securities considered as investments for the Fund may also be appropriate for other investment accounts managed by Clough or its affiliates. Whenever decisions are made to buy or sell securities by the Fund and one or more of such other accounts simultaneously, Clough will allocate the security transactions (including initial public offerings and other new issues) in a manner which it believes to be fair and equitable under the circumstances and in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. As a result of such allocations, there may be instances where the Fund will not participate in a transaction that is allocated among other accounts. Generally, participating accounts will receive the weighted average execution price per broker for the day and will pay the commissions, fees and other charges on a pro rata basis. However there may be instances where a smaller account receives its entire allocation before a larger account in order to minimize transaction costs, an account that specializes or concentrates holdings in a particular industry is given priority in allocation over other accounts, or allocations are not exactly pro rata due to Clough's practice of trading in 100 share lots. While these aggregation and allocation policies could have a detrimental effect on the price or amount of the securities available to the Fund from time to time, it is the opinion of the Trustees of the Fund that the benefits received from Clough's organization outweigh any disadvantage that may arise from exposure to simultaneous transactions.

#### PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS AND CONTROL PERSONS

As of February 22, 2021, the following person(s) beneficially owned 5% or more of the Fund's outstanding common shares.

	GLO Common Shares <sup>(a)</sup>	
Bank of America Corporation Bank of America Corporate Center 100 N Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28255	6.8%	2,182,686

(a) The table above shows 5% or greater shareholders' ownership of Shares as of February 22, 2021. The information contained in this table is based on Schedule 13G filings made on or before February 22, 2021.

As of February 22, 2021, the officers and Trustees of the Fund, as a group, owned less than 1% of the Fund's outstanding voting securities.

#### **TAXES**

The Fund intends to elect to be treated and to qualify each year as a regulated investment company (a "RIC") under the Code. Accordingly, the Fund must, among other things, (i) derive in each taxable year at least 90% of its gross income (including tax-exempt interest) from dividends, interest, payments with respect to certain securities loans, and gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, or other income (including but not limited to gain from options, futures and forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such stock, securities or currencies and net income from interest in qualified publicly traded partnerships; (ii) diversify its holdings so that, at the end of each quarter of each taxable year (a) at least 50% of the market value of the Fund's total assets is represented by cash and cash items, U.S. government securities, the securities of other regulated investment companies and other securities, with such other securities limited, in respect of any one issuer, to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Fund's total assets and not more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer and (b) not more than 25% of the market value of the Fund's total assets is invested in the securities of any issuer (other than U.S. government securities and the securities of other regulated investment companies) or of any two or more issuers that the Fund controls and that are determined to be engaged in the same business or similar or related trades or businesses or the securities of one or more qualified publicly traded partnerships and (iii) distribute substantially all of its net income and net short-term and long-term capital gains (after reduction by any available capital loss carryforwards) in accordance with the timing requirements imposed by the Code, so as to maintain its RIC status and to avoid paying any U.S. federal income or excise tax. To the extent it qualifies for treatment as a RIC and satisfies the abovementioned distribution requirements, the Fund will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on income paid to its shareholders in the form of dividends or capital gain distributions.

In order to avoid incurring a U.S. federal excise tax obligation, the Code requires that the Fund distribute (or be deemed to have distributed) by December 31 of each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (i) 98% of its ordinary income for such year and (ii) 98.2% of its capital gain net income (which is the excess of its realized net long-term capital gain over its realized net short-term capital loss), generally computed on the basis of the one-year period ending on October 31 of such year, after reduction by any available capital loss carryforwards, plus (iii) 100% of any ordinary income and capital gain net income from the prior year (as previously computed) that were not paid out during such year and on which the Fund paid no U.S. federal income tax. Under current law, provided that the Fund qualifies as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Fund should not be liable for any income, corporate excise or franchise tax in the state of Delaware.

If the Fund fails to meet the annual gross income test described above, the Fund will nevertheless be considered to have satisfied the test if: (i) (a) such failure is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect; and (b) the Fund reports the failure; and (ii) the Fund pays an excise tax equal to the excess non-qualifying income. If the Fund fails to meet the asset diversification test described above with respect to any quarter, the Fund will nevertheless be considered to have satisfied the requirements for such quarter if the Fund cures such failure within six months and either: (i) such failure is de minimis; or (ii) (a) such failure is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect; and (b) the Fund reports the failure and pays an excise tax.

If the Fund does not qualify as a RIC for any taxable year, the Fund's taxable income will be subject to corporate income taxes, and all distributions from earnings and profits, including distributions of net capital gain (if any), will be taxable to the shareholder as ordinary income. Such distributions generally will be eligible (i) for the dividends received deduction in the case of corporate shareholders and (ii) for treatment as "qualified dividends" in the case of individual shareholders provided certain holding period and other requirements are met, as described below. In addition, in order to requalify for taxation as a RIC, the Fund may be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest, and make certain distributions.

Distributions from the Fund generally will be taxable to Common Shareholders as dividend income to the extent derived from investment income and net short-term capital gains, as described below. Distributions of net capital gains (that is, the excess of net gains from the sale of capital assets held more than one year over net losses from the sale of capital assets held for not more than one year) properly designated as capital gain dividends will be taxable to Common Shareholders as long-term capital gain, regardless of how long a Common Shareholder has held the shares in the Fund.

If a Common Shareholder's distributions are automatically reinvested pursuant to the Plan and the Plan Administrator invests the distribution in shares acquired on behalf of the shareholder in open-market purchases, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Common Shareholder will generally be treated as having received a taxable distribution in the amount of the cash dividend that the Common Shareholder would have received if the shareholder had elected to receive cash. If a Common Shareholder's distributions are automatically reinvested pursuant to the Plan and the Plan Administrator invests the distribution in newly issued shares of the Fund, the Common Shareholder will generally be treated as receiving a taxable distribution equal to the fair market value of the stock the Common Shareholder receives.

Certain income distributions paid by the Fund to individual taxpayers are taxed at rates equal to those applicable to net long-term capital gains (20%, or 0% or 15% for individuals at certain annual income levels). This tax treatment applies only if certain holding period requirements and other requirements are satisfied by the Common Shareholder and the dividends are attributable to qualified dividends received by the Fund itself. For this purpose, "qualified dividends" means dividends received by the Fund from United States corporations and qualifying foreign corporations, provided that the Fund satisfies certain holding period and other requirements in respect of the stock of such corporations. In the case of securities lending transactions, payments in lieu of dividends are not qualified dividends. Dividends received by the Fund from REITs are qualified dividends eligible for this lower tax rate only in limited circumstances.

A dividend will not be treated as qualified dividend income (whether received by the Fund or paid by the Fund to a shareholder) if (1) the dividend is received with respect to any share held for fewer than 61 days during the 120-day period beginning on the date which is 60 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend, (2) to the extent that the recipient is under an obligation (whether pursuant to a short sale or otherwise) to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property or (3) if the recipient elects to have the dividend treated as investment income for purposes of the limitation on deductibility of investment interest. Distributions of income by the Fund other than qualified dividend income and distributions of net realized short-term gains (on stocks held for one year or less) are taxed as ordinary income, at rates currently up to 37%.

The benefits of the reduced tax rates applicable to long-term capital gains and qualified dividend income may be impacted by the application of the alternative minimum tax to individual shareholders.

The Fund's investment in zero coupon and certain other securities will cause it to realize income prior to the receipt of cash payments with respect to these securities. Such income will be accrued daily by the Fund and, in order to avoid a tax payable by the Fund, the Fund may be required to liquidate securities that it might otherwise have continued to hold in order to generate cash so that the Fund may make required distributions to its shareholders.

Investments in lower rated or unrated securities may present special tax issues for the Fund to the extent that the issuers of these securities default on their obligations pertaining thereto. The Code is not entirely clear regarding the federal income tax consequences of the Fund's taking certain positions in connection with ownership of such distressed securities.

Any recognized gain or income attributable to market discount on long-term debt obligations (*i.e.*, obligations with a term of more than one year except to the extent of a portion of the discount attributable to original issue discount) purchased by the Fund is taxable as ordinary income. A long-term debt obligation is generally treated as acquired at a market discount if purchased after its original issue at a price less than (i) the stated principal amount payable at maturity, in the case of an obligation that does not have original issue discount or (ii) in the case of an obligation that does have original issue discount, the sum of the issue price and any original issue discount that accrued before the obligation was purchased, subject to a *de minimis* exclusion.

The Fund's investments in options, futures contracts, hedging transactions, forward contracts (to the extent permitted) and certain other transactions will be subject to special tax rules (including mark-to-market, constructive sale, straddle, wash sale, short sale and other rules), the effect of which may be to accelerate income to the Fund, defer Fund losses, cause adjustments in the holding periods of securities held by the Fund, convert capital gain into ordinary income and convert short-term capital losses into long-term capital losses. These rules could therefore affect the amount, timing and character of distributions to shareholders. The Fund may be required to limit its activities in options and futures contracts in order to enable it to maintain its RIC status.

Effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017 and before January 1, 2026, the Code generally allows individuals and certain non-corporate entities a deduction for 20% of qualified REIT dividends. Proposed regulations (which are currently effective) permit a RIC to pass the character of its qualified REIT dividends through to its shareholders provided certain holding period requirements are met. As a result, Fund shareholders will be eligible to receive the benefit of such deductions with respect to Fund dividends that distribute such qualified REIT dividend income.

The Fund's transactions in foreign currencies, foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and certain foreign currency options, futures contracts and forward contracts (and similar instruments) may give rise to ordinary income or loss to the extent such income or loss results from fluctuations in the value of the foreign currency concerned.

Income received by the Fund from sources within foreign countries may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries. Tax conventions between certain countries and the U.S. may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Common Shareholders generally will not be entitled to claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes.

If the Fund acquires any equity interest in certain foreign corporations that receive at least 75% of their annual gross income from passive sources (such as interest, dividends, certain rents and royalties, or capital gains) or that hold at least 50% of their assets in investments producing such passive income ("passive foreign investment companies"), the Fund could be subject to U.S. federal income tax and additional interest charges on "excess distributions" received from such companies or on gain from the sale of stock in such companies, even if all income or gain actually received by the Fund is timely distributed to its shareholders. The Fund would not be able to pass through to its shareholders any credit or deduction for such a tax. An election may generally be available that would ameliorate these adverse tax consequences, but any such election could require the Fund to recognize taxable income or gain (subject to tax distribution requirements) without the concurrent receipt of cash. These investments could also result in the treatment of associated capital gains as ordinary income. The Fund may limit and/or manage its holdings in passive foreign investment companies to limit its tax liability or maximize its return from these investments. Dividends paid by passive foreign investment companies will not qualify for the reduced tax rates for qualified dividend income.

The sale, exchange or redemption of Fund shares may give rise to a gain or loss. In general, any gain or loss realized upon a taxable disposition of shares will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held for more than 12 months. Otherwise, the gain or loss on the taxable disposition of Fund shares will be treated as short-term capital gain or loss. Long-term capital gain rates applicable to individuals have been reduced, in general, to 20% (or 5% or 0% or 15% for individuals at certain annual income levels). Any loss realized upon the sale or exchange of Fund shares with a holding period of 6 months or less will be treated as a long-term capital loss to the extent of any capital gain distributions received with respect to such shares. In addition, all or a portion of a loss realized on a redemption or other disposition of Fund shares may be disallowed under "wash sale" rules to the extent the shares disposed of are replaced with other substantially identical shares (whether through the reinvestment of distributions or otherwise) within a 61-day period beginning 30 days before the redemption of the loss shares and ending 30 days after such date. Any disallowed loss will result in an adjustment to the shareholder's tax basis in some or all of the other shares acquired.

Sales charges paid upon a purchase of shares cannot be taken into account for purposes of determining gain or loss on a sale of the shares before the 91st day after their purchase to the extent a sales charge is reduced or eliminated in a subsequent acquisition of shares of the Fund (or of another fund), during the period beginning on the date of such sale and ending on January 31 of the following calendar year, pursuant to the reinvestment or exchange privilege. Any disregarded amounts will result in an adjustment to the shareholder's tax basis in some or all of any other shares acquired.

Certain net investment income received by an individual having adjusted gross income in excess of \$200,000 (or \$250,000 for married individuals filing jointly) will be subject to a tax of 3.8%. Undistributed net investment income of trusts and estates in excess of a specified amount also will be subject to this tax. Dividends and capital gains distributed by the Fund, and gain realized on the sale of Fund shares, will constituted investment income of the type subject to this tax.

Special tax rules apply to investments through defined contribution plans and other tax-qualified plans. Shareholders should consult their tax advisor to determine the suitability of shares of the Fund as an investment through such plans.

Dividends and distributions on the Fund's shares are generally subject to federal income tax as described herein to the extent they do not exceed the Fund's realized income and gains, even though such dividends and distributions may economically represent a return of a particular shareholder's investment. Such distributions are likely to occur in respect of shares purchased at a time when the Fund's net asset value reflects gains that are either unrealized, or realized but not distributed. Such realized gains may be required to be distributed even when the Fund's net asset value also reflects unrealized losses. Certain distributions declared in October, November or December and paid in the following January will be taxed to shareholders as if received on December 31 of the year in which they were declared. In addition, certain other distributions made after the close of a taxable year of the Fund may be "spilled back" and treated as paid by the Fund (except for purposes of the 4% excise tax) during such taxable year. In such case, Shareholders will be treated as having received such dividends in the taxable year in which the distributions were actually made.

Amounts paid by the Fund to individuals and certain other shareholders who have not provided the Fund with their correct taxpayer identification number ("TIN") and certain certifications required by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") as well as shareholders with respect to whom the Fund has received certain information from the IRS or a broker may be subject to "backup" withholding of federal income tax arising from the Fund's taxable dividends and other distributions as well as the gross proceeds of sales of shares, at a rate equal to the fourth highest rate of tax applicable to a single individual (in 2021, 24%). An individual's TIN is generally his or her social security number. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules from payments made to a Shareholder may be refunded or credited against such Shareholder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS.

If a shareholder recognizes a loss on disposition of the Fund's shares of \$2 million or more for an individual shareholder or \$10 million or more for a corporate shareholder, the shareholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on Form 8886. Direct shareholders of portfolio securities are in many cases excepted from this reporting requirement, but under current guidance, shareholders of a regulated investment company are not excepted. The fact that a loss is reportable under these regulations does not affect the legal determination of whether the taxpayer's treatment of the loss is proper. Shareholders should consult their tax advisers to determine the applicability of these regulations in light of their individual circumstances.

The foregoing discussion does not address the special tax rules applicable to certain classes of investors, such as tax-exempt entities, foreign investors, insurance companies and financial institutions. Shareholders should consult their own tax advisers with respect to special tax rules that may apply in their particular situations, as well as the state, local, and, where applicable, foreign tax consequences of investing in the Fund.

The Fund will inform Shareholders of the source and tax status of all distributions promptly after the close of each calendar year. The IRS has taken the position that if a RIC has more than one class of shares, it may designate distributions made to each class in any year as consisting of no more than that class's proportionate share of particular types of income for that year, including ordinary income and net capital gain. A class's proportionate share of a particular type of income for a year is determined according to the percentage of total dividends paid by the RIC during that year to the class. Accordingly, the Fund intends to designate a portion of its distributions in capital gain dividends in accordance with the IRS position.

#### **State and Local Taxes**

Shareholders should consult their own tax advisers as to the state or local tax consequences of investing in the Fund.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

The Fund is an organization of the type commonly known as a "Delaware statutory trust." Under Delaware law, shareholders of such a trust may, in certain circumstances, be held personally liable as partners for the obligations of the trust. The Declaration of Trust contains an express disclaimer of shareholder liability in connection with the Fund property or the acts, obligations or affairs of the Fund. The Declaration of Trust also provides for indemnification out of the Fund property of any shareholder held personally liable for the claims and liabilities to which a shareholder may become subject by reason of being or having been a shareholder. Thus, the risk of a shareholder incurring financial loss on account of shareholder liability is limited to circumstances in which the Fund itself is unable to meet its obligations. The Fund has been advised by its counsel that the risk of any shareholder incurring any liability for the obligations of the Fund is remote.

The Declaration of Trust provides that the Trustees will not be liable for actions taken in good faith in the reasonable belief that such actions were in the best interests of the Fund or, in the case of any criminal proceeding, as to which a Trustee did not have reasonable cause to believe that such actions were unlawful; but nothing in the Declaration of Trust protects a Trustee against any liability to the Fund or its shareholders to which he would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence, or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his office. Voting rights are not cumulative, which means that the holders of more than 50% of the shares voting for the election of Trustees can elect 100% of the Trustees and, in such event, the holders of the remaining less than 50% of the shares voting on the matter will not be able to elect any Trustees.

The Declaration of Trust provides that no person shall serve as a Trustee if shareholders holding two-thirds of the outstanding shares have removed him from that office either by a written declaration filed with the Fund's custodian or by votes cast at a meeting called for that purpose.

The Fund's Prospectus and this SAI do not contain all of the information set forth in the Registration Statement that the Fund has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The complete Registration Statement may be obtained from the Securities and Exchange Commission upon payment of the fee prescribed by its Rules and Regulations.

#### INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Cohen & Company Ltd., located at 1350 Euclid Ave Suite 800, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, serves as the independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year. The firm provides services including (i) audit of annual financial statements, (ii) assistance and consultation in connection with SEC filings, and (iii) other audit related and tax services.

#### APPENDIX A

#### **RATINGS**

#### MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE, INC.

#### **Long-Term Debt Securities and Preferred Stock Ratings**

AAA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Aaa are judged to be of the best quality. They carry the smallest degree of investment risk and are generally referred to as "gilt edged." Interest payments are protected by a large or by an exceptionally stable margin and principal is secure. While the various protective elements are likely to change, such changes as can be visualized are most unlikely to impair the fundamentally strong position of such issues.

AA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Aa are judged to be of high quality by all standards. Together with the Aaa group they comprise what are generally known as high grade bonds. They are rated lower than the best bonds because margins of protection may not be as large as in Aaa securities or fluctuation of protective elements may be of greater amplitude or there may be other elements present which make the long-term risk appear somewhat larger than the Aaa securities.

A: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated A possess many favorable investment attributes and are to be considered as upper-medium-grade obligations. Factors giving security to principal and interest are considered adequate, but elements may be present which suggest a susceptibility to impairment sometime in the future.

BAA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Baa are considered as medium-grade obligations (*i.e.*, they are neither highly protected nor poorly secured). Interest payments and principal security appear adequate for the present but certain protective elements may be lacking or may be characteristically unreliable over any great length of time. Such bonds and preferred stock lack outstanding investment characteristics and in fact have speculative characteristics as well.

BA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Ba are judged to have speculative elements; their future cannot be considered as well-assured. Often the protection of interest and principal payments may be very moderate and thereby not well safeguarded during other good and bad times over the future. Uncertainty of position characterizes bonds in this class.

B: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated B generally lack characteristics of the desirable investment. Assurance of interest and principal payments or of maintenance of other terms of the contract over any long period of time may be small.

CAA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Caa are of poor standing. Such issues may be in default or there may be present elements of danger with respect to principal or interest.

CA: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated Ca represent obligations which are speculative in a high degree. Such issues are often in default or have other marked shortcomings.

C: Bonds and preferred stock which are rated C are the lowest rated class of bonds, and issues so rated can be regarded as having extremely poor prospects of ever attaining any real investment standing.

The ratings indicated herein are believed to be the most recent ratings available at the date of this SAI for the securities listed. Ratings are generally given to securities at the time of issuance. While the rating agencies may from time to time revise such ratings, they undertake no obligation to do so, and the ratings indicated do not necessarily represent ratings which would be given to these securities on the date of the Fund's fiscal year end.

Absence of Rating: Where no rating has been assigned or where a rating has been suspended or withdrawn, it may be for reasons unrelated to the quality of the issue.

Should no rating be assigned, the reason may be one of the following:

- 1. An application for rating was not received or accepted.
- 2. The issue or issuer belongs to a group of securities or companies that are not rated as a matter of policy.
- 3. There is a lack of essential data pertaining to the issue or issuer.
- 4. The issue was privately placed, in which case the rating is not published in Moody's publications.

Suspension or withdrawal may occur if new and material circumstances arise, the effects of which preclude satisfactory analysis; if there is no longer available reasonable up-to-date data to permit a judgment to be formed; if a bond is called for redemption; or for other reasons.

Note: Moody's applies numerical modifiers, 1, 2 and 3 in each generic rating classification from Aa through B in its bond rating system. The modifier 1 indicates that the security ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates that the issue ranks in the lower end of its generic rating category.

#### **Short-Term Debt Securities Ratings**

Moody's short-term debt ratings are opinions of the ability of issuers to repay punctually senior debt obligations. These obligations have an original maturity not exceeding one year, unless explicitly noted.

Moody's employs the following three designations, all judged to be investment grade, to indicate the relative repayment ability of rated issuers:

PRIME-1: Issuers rated Prime-1 (or supporting institutions) have a superior ability for repayment of senior short-term debt obligations. Prime-1 repayment ability will often be evidenced by many of the following characteristics: leading market positions in well-established industries; high rates of return on funds employed; conservative capitalization structure with moderate reliance on debt and ample asset protection; broad margins in earnings coverage of fixed financial charges and high internal cash generation; and well-established access to a range of financial markets and assured sources of alternate liquidity.

PRIME-2: Issuers rated Prime-2 (or supporting institutions) have a strong ability for repayment of senior short-term debt obligations. This will normally be evidenced by many of the characteristics cited above but to a lesser degree. Earnings trends and coverage ratios, while sound, may be more subject to variation. Capitalization characteristics, while still appropriate, may be more affected by external conditions. Ample alternate liquidity is maintained.

PRIME-3: Issuers rated Prime-3 (or supporting institutions) have an acceptable ability for repayment of senior short-term obligations. The effect of industry characteristics and market compositions may be more pronounced. Variability in earnings and profitability may result in changes in the level of debt protection measurements and may require relatively high financial leverage. Adequate alternate liquidity is maintained.

NOT PRIME: Issuers rated Not Prime do not fall within any of the Prime rating categories.

#### STANDARD & POOR'S RATINGS GROUP

#### **Investment Grade**

AAA: Debt and preferred stock rated AAA have the highest rating assigned by S&P. Capacity to pay interest and repay principal is extremely strong.

AA: Debt rated AA have a very strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal and differs from the highest rated issues only in small degree.

A: Debt and preferred stock rated A have a strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal although it is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than debt in higher rated categories.

BBB: Debt and preferred stock rated BBB are regarded as having an adequate capacity to pay interest and repay principal. Whereas it normally exhibit adequate protection parameters, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity to pay interest and repay principal for debt in this category than in higher rated categories.

#### **Speculative Grade**

Debt and preferred stock rated BB, B, CCC, CC and C are regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to capacity to pay interest and repay principal. BB indicates the least degree of speculation and C the highest. While such debt will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these are outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

BB: Debt and preferred stock rated BB have less near-term vulnerability to default than other speculative issues. However, it faces major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to inadequate capacity to meet timely interest and principal payments. The BB rating category is also used for debt subordinated to senior debt that is assigned an actual or implied BBB-rating.

B: Debt and preferred stock rated B have a greater vulnerability to default but currently has the capacity to meet interest payments and principal repayments. Adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair capacity or willingness to pay interest and repay principal. The B rating category is also used for debt subordinated to senior debt that is assigned an actual or implied BB or BB-rating.

CCC: Debt and preferred stock rated CCC have a currently identifiable vulnerability to default, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions to meet timely payment of interest and repayment of principal. In the event of adverse business, financial, or economic conditions, it is not likely to have the capacity to pay interest and repay principal. The CCC rating category is also used for debt subordinated to senior debt that is assigned an actual or implied B or B- rating.

CC: The rating CC is typically applied to debt subordinated to senior debt and preferred stock which is assigned an actual or implied CCC debt rating.

C: The rating C is typically applied to debt subordinated to senior debt and preferred stock which is assigned an actual or implied CCC-debt rating. The C rating may be used to cover a situation where a bankruptcy petition has been filed, but debt service payments are continued.

C1: The Rating C1 is reserved for income bonds on which no interest is being paid.

D: Debt and preferred stock rated D is in payment default. The D rating category is used when interest payments or principal payments are not made on the date due even if the applicable grace period has not expired, unless S&P believes that such payments will be made during such grace period.

The D rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition if debt service payments are jeopardized.

PLUS (+) OR MINUS (-): The ratings from AA to CCC may be modified by the addition of a plus or minus sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

P: The letter "p" indicates that the rating is provisional. A provisional rating assumes the successful completion of the project being financed by the debt being rated and indicates that payment of debt service requirements is largely or entirely dependent upon the successful and timely completion of the project. This rating, however, while addressing credit quality subsequent to completion of the project, makes no comment on the likelihood of, or the risk of default upon failure of such completion. The investor should exercise his own judgment with respect to such likelihood and risk.

L: The letter "L" indicates that the rating pertains to the principal amount of those bonds to the extent that the underlying deposit collateral is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and interest is adequately collateralized. In the case of certificates of deposit, the letter "L" indicates that the deposit, combined with other deposits being held in the same right and capacity, will be honored for principal and accrued pre-default interest up to the federal insurance limits within 30 days after closing of the insured institution or, in the event that the deposit is assumed by a successor insured institution, upon maturity.

NR: NR indicates no rating has been requested, that there is insufficient information on which to base a rating, or that S&P does not rate a particular type of obligation as a matter of policy.

#### **Commercial Paper Rating Definitions**

A S&P's commercial paper rating is a current assessment of the likelihood of timely payment of debt having an original maturity of no more than 365 days. Ratings are graded into several categories, ranging from A for the highest quality obligations to D for the lowest. These categories are as follows:

- A-1: A short-term obligation rated A-1 is rated in the highest category by S&P. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is strong. Within this category, certain obligations are designated with a plus sign (+). This indicates that the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on these obligations is extremely strong.
- A-2: A short-term obligation rated A-2 is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher rating categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is satisfactory.
- A-3: A short-term obligation rated A-3 exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
- B: A short-term obligation rated B is regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. The obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation; however, it faces major ongoing uncertainties which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
- C: A short-term obligation rated C is currently vulnerable to nonpayment and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
- D: A short-term obligation rated D is in payment default. The D rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due even if the applicable grace period has not expired, unless S&P believes that such payments will be made during such grace period. The D rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of a similar action if payments on an obligation are jeopardized.

A commercial paper rating is not a recommendation to purchase, sell or hold a security inasmuch as it does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor. The ratings are based on current information furnished to S&P by the issuer or obtained from other sources it considers reliable. S&P does not perform an audit in connection with any rating and may, on occasion, rely on unaudited financial information. The ratings may be changed, suspended, or withdrawn as a result of changes in or unavailability of such information.

#### FITCH RATINGS

#### **Investment Grade Ratings**

AAA: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered to be investment grade and of the highest credit quality. The obligor has an exceptionally strong ability to pay interest and repay principal, which is unlikely to be affected by reasonably foreseeable events.

AA: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered to be investment grade and of very high credit quality. The obligor's ability to pay interest and repay principal is very strong, although not quite as strong as bonds rated AAA. Because bonds rated in the AAA and AA categories are not significantly vulnerable to foreseeable future developments, short-term debt of these issuers is generally rated F-1+.

A: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered to be investment grade and of high credit quality. The obligor's ability to pay interest and repay principal is considered to be strong, but may be more vulnerable to adverse changes in economic conditions and circumstances than bonds with higher ratings.

BBB: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered to be investment grade and of satisfactory credit quality. The obligor's ability to pay interest and repay principal is considered to be adequate. Adverse changes in economic conditions and circumstances, however, are more likely to have adverse impact on these bonds, and therefore, impair timely payment. The likelihood that the ratings of these bonds will fall below investment grade is higher than for bonds with higher ratings.

#### **Below Investment Grade Ratings**

BB: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered speculative. The obligor's ability to pay interest and repay principal may be affected over time by adverse economic changes. However, business and financial alternatives can be identified that could assist the obligor in satisfying its debt service requirements.

B: Bonds and preferred stocks are considered highly speculative. While bonds in this class are currently meeting debt service requirements, the probability of continued timely payment of principal and interest reflects the obligor's limited margin of safety and the need for reasonable business and economic activity throughout the life of the issue.

CCC: Bonds and preferred stocks have certain identifiable characteristics which, if not remedied, may lead to default. The ability to meet obligations requires an advantageous business and economic environment.

CC: Bonds and preferred stocks are minimally protected. Default in payment of interest and/or principal seems probable over time.

C: Bonds and preferred stocks are in imminent default in payment of interest or principal.

DDD, DD AND D: Bonds and preferred stocks are in default on interest and/or principal payments. Such bonds are extremely speculative and should be valued on the basis of their ultimate recovery value in liquidation or reorganization of the obligor. DDD represents the highest potential for recovery on these bonds, and D represents the lowest potential for recovery.

PLUS (+) OR MINUS (-): The ratings from AA to C may be modified by the addition of a plus or minus sign to indicate the relative position of a credit within the rating category.

NR: Indicates that Fitch does not rate the specific issue.

CONDITIONAL: A conditional rating is premised on the successful completion of a project or the occurrence of a specific event.

#### **Investment Grade Short-Term Ratings**

Fitch's short-term ratings apply to debt obligations that are payable on demand or have original maturities of generally up to three years, including commercial paper, certificates of deposit, medium-term notes, and municipal and investment notes.

- F-1+: Exceptionally Strong Credit Quality. Issues assigned this rating are regarded as having the strongest degree of assurance for timely payment.
- F-1: Very Strong Credit Quality. Issues assigned this rating reflect an assurance of timely payment only slightly less in degree than issues rated F-1+.
- F-2: Good Credit Quality. Issues carrying this rating have a satisfactory degree of assurance for timely payment, but the margin of safety is not as great as the F-1+ and F-1 categories.
- F-3: Fair Credit Quality. Issues carrying this rating have characteristics suggesting that the degree of assurance for timely payment is adequate, however, near-term adverse change could cause these securities to be rated below investment grade.

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Notes: Bonds which are unrated expose the investor to risks with respect to capacity to pay interest or repay principal which are similar to the risks of lower-rated speculative bonds. The Fund is dependent on Clough's judgment, analysis and experience in the evaluation of such bonds.

Investors should note that the assignment of a rating to a bond by a rating service may not reflect the effect of recent developments on the issuer's ability to make interest and principal payments.

### APPENDIX B

### PROXY VOTING POLICY

## CLOUGH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP

### PROCEDURES

<b>Procedure Name:</b>	Proxy Voting Procedures & Proxy Voting Guidelines
Related Policy:	Proxy Voting
<b>Effective Date</b>	June 15, 2004, revised October 12, 2020
Responsible Person:	Proxy Voting Administrator

# Detailed Procedures:

#### 1.0 Proxy Voting in General

Proxy votes for client accounts of Clough Capital will be handled by the Proxy Voting Administrator (typically an intern or Co-op), who will coordinate all required proxy votes through ProxyEdge, a Broadridge Financial Solutions product ("Broadridge"), which will be used to vote proxies according to the attached guidelines (Appendix A), prepare the information required in order for [ALPS Fund Services, Inc. ("ALPS")] to make the required filings for the mutual fund, and then store them in ProxyEdge for the required period of time. For issues not addressed by the Proxy Voting Guidelines, or for those issues where a determination is made by one of the persons listed in section 4.0 that a vote according to the established Guidelines would not be in the economic interest of a client account, the Proxy Voting Administrator will refer the matter to the Compliance Committee for resolution.

#### 1.1 Use of Proxy Edge for Voting

ProxyEdge is an electronic voting service that helps simplify the management of proxies. The system manages the process of meeting notifications, voting, tracking, reporting, and record maintenance. ProxyEdge allows Clough Capital to manage, track, reconcile and report proxy voting through electronic delivery of ballots, online voting, and integrated reporting and recordkeeping to help satisfy SEC requirements. ProxyEdge provides proxy information through an automated electronic interface based on share positions provided directly to Broadridge by the client's custodian, bank or broker-dealer.

#### 2.0 Proxy Voting Administrator

The duties of the Administrator will include the following:

- For new client accounts, confirm that Clough Capital will be voting proxies on the client's behalf, then contact Broadridge to coordinate an electronic feed of securities holdings from the client's custodian to ProxyEdge
- Gather any physical proxies sent to Clough Capital for each of the securities held by a client account or fund and double check that they have been voted in ProxyEdge
- Log on to the Proxy Edge system (www.proxyedge.com) to vote the proxies if they have not been voted
- Submit proxies that are not addressed in the Guidelines to PM's/Analysts for their opinion
- Run a proxy voting record for votes cast for the Clough Capital mutual funds on a quarterly basis to send to ALPS Fund Compliance
- Run a full year report for the mutual funds at end of each proxy year (July 1st to June 30th) and send to ALPS to complete the Form N-PX for filing with SEC by August 31st (this may also be done by the Director of Compliance and Risk)

#### 3.0 Proxy Voting Record Required

The following information must be recorded and saved by ProxyEdge for each proxy vote of each security:

- Name of the issuer of the portfolio security
- Exchange ticker symbol of the portfolio security
- CUSIP for the portfolio security (if available)
- Shareholder meeting date
- Brief identification of matter voted on
- Whether the matter is proposed by issuer or a security holder
- Whether fund cast its vote on the matter
- How the fund cast its vote (for/against/abstain)
- Whether fund cast its vote for or against the management position on the issue

This information is required to be filed with the SEC electronically via Form N-PX for all registered investment companies (mutual funds) no later than August 31 for the most recent 12 month period ended June 30. This will be done by the fund's administrator, ALPS, for the mutual funds sponsored by Clough Capital, but ALPS will need this information from Clough. The information also needs to be sent to ALPS so it is available upon request by shareholders.

#### 4.0 Contradiction to Proxy Voting Guidelines

For the proxy issues outlined in the attached Proxy Voting Guidelines, the Clough Capital voting position will generally be as listed, and these will be the default votes in ProxyEdge, unless an analyst, trader, or portfolio manager of the firm believes that voting a particular proxy in accordance with the stated guideline would not be in the best economic interests of a client account, in which case that person should bring the matter to the attention of the Proxy Voting Administrator. The Administrator will then refer the matter to the Compliance Committee for resolution, at which time the Administrator can log on to ProxyEdge and over-ride the default voting option, if necessary. Votes in contradiction to the established Proxy Voting Guidelines will be documented in an appropriate memo to file.

#### 4.1 Votes on Issues not listed in the Proxy Voting Guidelines

If a proxy vote is received and the Proxy Voting Administrator cannot find the particular issue to be voted on the Proxy Voting Guidelines, then the Administrator must summarize the issue and then bring it to the attention of the analyst covering that industry and the relevant portfolio manager for consideration. Once there has been a determination made as to how to vote the issue, the analyst should update the Proxy Voting Guidelines for guidance on future, similar issues.

#### 5.0 Record Keeping Requirements

Clough Capital must keep accurate books and records, including those relating to proxy voting. The records that must be maintained in accordance with the Record Keeping Policy are listed under Records Produced below. The Proxy Voting Administrator will be responsible for ensuring that the records listed are maintained.

Records Produced:	<ul> <li>Proxy statements received regarding client securities</li> <li>Records of votes cast on behalf of clients (Reports from ProxyEdge)</li> <li>Information gathered for the filing of Form N-PX</li> <li>Form N-PX filed by August 31st of each year for preceding year ended June 30th</li> <li>Records of client requests for proxy voting information, if any are sent to Clough Capital</li> <li>Any documents prepared by Clough Capital that were material to making a decision how to vote or that memorialized the basis for the decision</li> </ul>			
Evidence of Supervision:	On a quarterly basis, the Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO") will examine the proxy voting records in ProxyEdge and ensure that all proxies were voted in accordance with the Policy and documented accordingly, including any votes that presented a potential or actual conflict of interest. This information will be supplied to the Fund CCO as part of the Quarterly Compliance Certification.			
Record Keeping:	Records will be maintained for 2 years on site and 3 years offsite, except for records for registered mutual funds, which will be maintained for 2 years on site and 4 years offsite.			

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#### Appendix A Proxy Voting Guidelines

For the following proxy issues, the Clough Capital voting position will generally be as listed, unless an analyst, trader, or Partner of the firm believes that voting a particular proxy in accordance with the stated guideline would not be in the best economic interests of a client account, in which case that person should bring the matter to the attention of the Proxy Voting Administrator. The Administrator will then refer the matter to the Compliance Committee for resolution as outlined in the Proxy Voting Procedures.

Category of Issue	Issue	Clough Position	Rationale/Reasoning
Board of Directors	Election of Directors	Support Management Recommendations	Where no corporate governance issues are implicated
	Changes in Board of Directors (removals of directors; filling of vacancies; fixing size of board)	Support Management Recommendations	Management in best position to know if best for company
	Other Issues (e.g. Classified Board; Liability of Board; Qualification of Directors)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Capital Structure	Increase in common stock	Support Management Recommendations	Management in best position to know if best for company
	Reclassification of common stock	Support Management Recommendations	Management in best position to know if best for company
	Other Issues (e.g. Additional Shares; Stock Splits; Repurchases, etc.)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Corporate Governance	Addition or amendment of indemnification provisions in company's charter or by-laws	Support Management Recommendations	Management in best position to know if best for company
	Other issues (e.g. Confidential Voting; Cumulative Voting; Supermajority Requirements)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Compensation	Compensation of Outside Directors	Support Management Recommendations	Management in best position to know if best for company

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	Other Issues (e.g. Executive/Director stock option plans; Employee Stock Option Plans; Option Expensing)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Anti-Takeover Provisions	Shareholder rights plans ("Poison Pills") (shareholder approval of or ratification of these types of plans)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
	Other Issues (e.g. Reincorporation plans; Fair-Price Proposals, etc.)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Mergers & Acquisitions	Special corporate transactions (takeovers; spin-offs; sales of assets; reorganizations; restructurings; recapitalizations)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients
Social & Political Issues	Labor & human rights (global codes of conduct; workplace standards)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	Generally best not to impose these issues from the outside
	Other Issues (e.g. Environmental issues; Diversity & Equality; Health & Safety; Government/Military)	Support Management Recommendation	Generally best not to impose these issues from the outside
Miscellaneous Items	Selection of Independent Auditors	Support Management recommendation	Management in best position to know if best for company
	Other Issues (e.g. Limitation of non-audit services provided by independent auditors; Audit Firm Rotation; Bundled Proposals, etc.)	Generally Support Management Recommendations	So long as in best economic interests of clients