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INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, INC.

## Nicollet Custom Managed Bond Portfolios

### Strategy Overview

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#### Investment Objective

Custom managed bond strategy designed to seek predictable income and capital preservation, using high quality, investment grade bond securities, along with best-efforts cash flow matching principles.

#### Our Approach

- Professional credit research
- Protect principal – minimize interest rate risk closely matching portfolio securities with cash flow requirements and reinvesting maturing bond proceeds at prevailing interest rates.
- Direct institutional trading access
  - Vast network of institutional broker-dealers to buy and sell bonds at optimized execution prices.

#### Why Managed Bond Portfolios?

##### Full customization by:

- **Maturity & Duration management**
  - Best efforts cash flow matching principles and yield optimization.
  - Utilize run-off and turnover minimization principles for best efforts immunization against interest rate risk.
- **Coupon income** – choose to reinvest interest payments or receive cash.
- **Tax harvesting** – choose to opportunistically harvest losses year-round.
- **Sector restrictions** – choose custom investment mandates based on ESG or other industry elimination or focus areas.

##### Additional highlights:

- Minimum Investment: \$125,000 per account

##### Transition of existing portfolios:

- Retain bonds that are a fit based on: portfolio sizing, cash flow factors, and/or credit quality.
- Put bonds out for offer if they don't fit portfolio parameters.
- Transition analysis reports for clients with existing portfolio, Nicollet can provide detail on how they would be transitioned.
- Personalized sample portfolio reports
  - Detail of holdings, portfolio structure and yield of a hypothetical bond portfolio.

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## Portfolio Management Team:

**Mark Hoonsbeen, CFA**

Principal

Chief Investment Officer

**Tim Fahey**

Senior Managing Director - Head of Fixed Income

**Nate Travis**

Senior Managing Director

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