# Scharf Sustainable Value Strategy



Executive Summary | As of January 31, 2022

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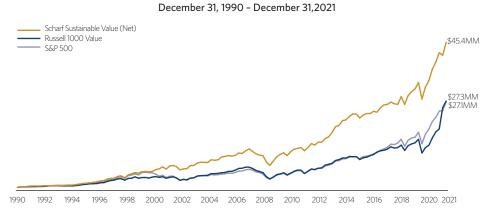
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| Highlights <sub>3</sub> |                |
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| Year Founded            | 1983           |
| Location                | Los Gatos, CA  |
| Firm Assets             | \$3.9 billion  |
| Investment Style        | Value Oriented |
| Annual Turnover         | 35-45%         |
| Average Holdings        | 25-35          |
|                         |                |

Top Equity Holdings, 1/31/22

## Growth of a \$1,000,000 Investment Since Composite Inception,



Source: Bloomberg, Scharf Investments.

#### **Investment Philosophy and Process**

The Scharf Sustainable Value Strategy invests in high quality, enduring franchises priced at substantial discounts to fair value. The team seeks to identify companies with low valuations combined with consistent and sustainable earnings, cash flow and/or book value. The goal is to provide capital appreciation over the course of an entire market cycle while losing notably less than relevant benchmarks in falling markets.

#### **Return Profile**

Microsoft

McKesson

**CVS Health** 

Valvoline

Centene

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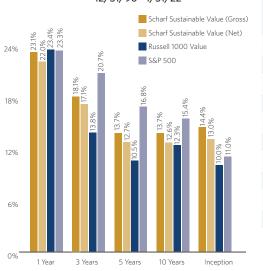
Comcast

**Berkshire Hathaway** 

**Advance Auto Parts** 

- Low Valuation: Bottom-up, valuationoriented investment strategy.
- Margin of Safety: Focus on "Favorability Ratio", or upside potential versus downside risk to historical trading ranges.
- Investment Flexibility: Opportunistic to investments in companies large and small, foreign and domestic.
- **Concentration:** Portfolios are constructed with the best 25-35 ideas at the time of purchase.
- Long-Term Perspective: Patience to wait for convergence between a stock's price and the company's underlying value.

**Rate of Return Gross Net of Fees** 1,3,5 10 Years, and Since Inception 12/31/90 - 1/31/22



| eVestment<br>Rankings<br>Since Inception<br>12/31/90 -<br>12/31/21 | Scharf<br>Sustainable<br>Value<br>(Gross) | Scharf<br>Sustainable<br>Value<br>(Net) |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| Annual Return*   | 12.8%                                     | 11.5%                                   |  |  |
| Percentile Rank  | 4   | 9                                       |  |  |
| Alpha  | 4.6%                                      | 3.4%                                    |  |  |
| Percentile Rank  | 1   | 6                                       |  |  |
| Volatility (S.D.)**  | 13.6%                                     | 13.6%                                   |  |  |
| Percentile Rank  | 5   | 7                                       |  |  |
| Downside Capture   | 72.0%                                     | 74.4%                                   |  |  |
| Percentile Rank  | 5   | 7                                       |  |  |
| Upside Capture   | 87.7%                                     | 84.4%                                   |  |  |
| Percentile Rank  | 75  | 83                                      |  |  |

\*S&P 500 Annual Return: 9.8%; Russell 1000 Value Annual Return: 8.9% \*\*S&P 500 Volatility (S.D.): 15.3%; Russell 1000 Value Volatility (S.D.): 15.5% Source: eVestment US Large Cap Value Equity Universe for the period 12/1990 -12/2021. Sample size is 416 for Scharf Sutainable Value (Gross and Net) rankings.

<sup>1</sup> Scharf Sustainable Value gross and net of fee returns are included in the above charts. The benchmarks shown are the Russell 1000 Value Index and the Standard & Poor's 500 Index. The Russell 1000 Value Index represents a composite of large and mid-cap companies located in the United States that also exhibit a value probability. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index contains 500 industrial, transportation, utility, and financial companies regarded as generally representative of the large capitalization U.S. stock market.<sup>1</sup> To pholings are supplemental to fully compliant performance presentation found on the back. The securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities excitties generally commended for client accounts. The reader should not assume that an investment in the securities identified was or will be profitable. For a list of all securities recommended for purchase or sale during the time period discussed, please contact Scharf Investments directly. Performance results after December 31, 2016 are preliminary and may be subject to change as a result of noging verification. <sup>3</sup> Firm Assets is as of 1/31/2022 and includes assets under advisement.

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### Scharf Investments Sustainable Value Composite Performance 1991-2021

| Year | Composite<br>Total Return<br>Gross of Fees | Composite<br>Total Return<br>Net of Fees | Wrap<br>Accounts<br>Net of All<br>Wrap Fees | Russell<br>1000 Value<br>Return | Standard &<br>Poor's 500<br>Return | Number of<br>Composite<br>Portfolios | Composite<br>Assets (\$) | Total Firm<br>Assets (\$) | Composite<br>3 Year<br>St Dev (Gross<br>of Fees) | Russell 1000<br>Value<br>3 Year<br>St Dev | Standard &<br>Poor's 500<br>3 Year<br>St Dev |
|------|--|--|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1991 | 42.2%                                      | 40.3%                                    | 37.3%                                       | 19.5%                           | 30.5%                              | 19                                   | 3,192,775                | 10,200,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1992 | 8.1%                                       | 6.5%                                     | 3.5%  | 9.4%                            | 7.6%                               | 35                                   | 5,623,314                | 18,500,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1993 | 9.1%                                       | 7.5%                                     | 4.5%  | 14.4%                           | 10.1%                              | 59                                   | 11,106,371               | 28,000,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1994 | 6.9%                                       | 5.3%                                     | 2.3%  | -5.5%                           | 1.3%                               | 86                                   | 12,901,152               | 40,000,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1995 | 36.8%                                      | 34.9%                                    | 31.9%                                       | 38.0%                           | 37.6%                              | 135                                  | 30,179,155               | 68,000,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1996 | 32.0%                                      | 30.2%                                    | 27.2%                                       | 21.6%                           | 23.0%                              | 188                                  | 57,835,869               | 98,500,000                | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1997 | 30.1%                                      | 28.4%                                    | 25.4%                                       | 35.2%                           | 33.4%                              | 212                                  | 84,808,260               | 131,797,905               | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1998 | 27.6%                                      | 25.9%                                    | 22.9%                                       | 15.6%                           | 28.6%                              | 278                                  | 118,412,989              | 166,018,376               | N/A  | N/A                                       | N/A  |
| 1999 | 22.2%                                      | 20.7%                                    | 17.7%                                       | 7.4%                            | 21.0%                              | 307                                  | 147,198,870              | 210,491,180               | 16.9%  | 16.0%                                     | 16.5%  |
| 2000 | 12.5%                                      | 11.1%                                    | 8.1%  | 7.4%                            | -9.1%                              | 348                                  | 164,086,403              | 218,975,246               | 18.2%  | 17.3%                                     | 17.4%  |
| 2001 | 19.2%                                      | 17.7%                                    | 14.7%                                       | -5.6%                           | -11.9%                             | 385                                  | 204,188,689              | 275,016,481               | 15.1%  | 14.7%                                     | 16.7%  |
| 2002 | -11.1%                                     | -12.2%                                   | -15.2%                                      | -15.5%                          | -22.1%                             | 478                                  | 202,541,718              | 273,841,310               | 16.7%  | 17.0%                                     | 18.5%  |
| 2003 | 28.5%                                      | 26.9%                                    | 23.9%                                       | 30.0%                           | 28.7%                              | 557                                  | 295,200,382              | 387,100,039               | 14.6%  | 16.0%                                     | 18.1%  |
| 2004 | 13.3%                                      | 11.9%                                    | 8.9%  | 16.5%                           | 10.9%                              | 696                                  | 409,671,208              | 489,288,960               | 12.1%  | 14.8%                                     | 14.9%  |
| 2005 | 12.3%                                      | 11.0%                                    | 8.0%  | 7.0%                            | 4.9%                               | 781                                  | 498,459,218              | 568,629,995               | 8.8%   | 9.5%                                      | 9.0%   |
| 2006 | 11.3%                                      | 10.0%                                    | 7.0%  | 22.2%                           | 15.8%                              | 817                                  | 544,877,064              | 620,415,124               | 7.6%   | 6.7%                                      | 6.8%   |
| 2007 | 5.7%                                       | 4.4%                                     | 1.4%  | -0.2%                           | 5.5%                               | 831                                  | 584,521,293              | 681,807,787               | 8.4%   | 8.1%                                      | 7.7%   |
| 2008 | -26.1%                                     | -27.1%                                   | -30.1%                                      | -36.9%                          | -37.0%                             | 796                                  | 396,386,690              | 485,921,399               | 13.8%  | 15.4%                                     | 15.1%  |
| 2009 | 28.4%                                      | 26.8%                                    | 23.8%                                       | 19.6%                           | 26.5%                              | 750                                  | 447,830,002              | 750,025,372               | 18.2%  | 21.1%                                     | 19.6%  |
| 2010 | 15.9%                                      | 14.5%                                    | 11.5%                                       | 15.5%                           | 15.1%                              | 834                                  | 540,529,490              | 988,634,723               | 19.3%  | 23.2%                                     | 21.9%  |
| 2011 | 4.6%                                       | 3.4%                                     | 0.4%  | 0.4%                            | 2.1%                               | 957                                  | 602,673,598              | 1,116,241,768             | 15.6%  | 20.7%                                     | 18.7%  |
| 2012 | 14.3%                                      | 12.9%                                    | 9.9%  | 17.5%                           | 16.0%                              | 1,024                                | 805,587,366              | 1,491,382,028             | 11.4%  | 15.5%                                     | 15.1%  |
| 2013 | 33.2%                                      | 31.8%                                    | 28.8%                                       | 32.6%                           | 32.4%                              | 1,038                                | 1,143,735,361            | 2,186,337,295             | 9.5%   | 12.7%                                     | 11.9%  |
| 2014 | 17.2%                                      | 16.0%                                    | 13.0%                                       | 13.5%                           | 13.7%                              | 1,101                                | 1,587,542,982            | 3,228,568,198             | 8.4%   | 9.2%                                      | 9.0%   |
| 2015 | 2.9%                                       | 1.9%                                     | -1.1%                                       | -3.8%                           | 1.4%                               | 1,229                                | 2,011,766,652            | 3,978,556,532             | 9.7%   | 10.7%                                     | 10.5%  |
| 2016 | 4.9%                                       | 3.9%                                     | 0.9%  | 17.3%                           | 12.0%                              | 1,143                                | 2,103,497,016            | 4,144,710,216             | 9.8%   | 10.8%                                     | 10.6%  |
| 2017 | 13.8%                                      | 12.8%                                    | 9.8%  | 13.6%                           | 21.8%                              | 986                                  | 2,019,183,492            | 3,711,694,111             | 9.1%   | 10.2%                                     | 9.9%   |
| 2018 | -1.8%                                      | -2.7%                                    | -5.7%                                       | -8.3%                           | -4.4%                              | 602                                  | 1,182,562,415            | 2,326,333,399             | 9.7%   | 10.8%                                     | 10.8%  |
| 2019 | 26.6%                                      | 25.5%                                    | 22.5%                                       | 26.5%                           | 31.5%                              | 531                                  | 1,222,081,485            | 2,370,910,589             | 10.3%  | 11.8%                                     | 11.9%  |
| 2020 | 13.3%                                      | 12.3%                                    | 9.3%  | 2.8%                            | 18.4%                              | 414                                  | 1,072,698,232            | 2,392,744,265             | 14.7%  | 19.6%                                     | 18.5%  |
| 2021 | 23.5%                                      | 22.3%                                    | 19.3%                                       | 25.1%                           | 28.7%                              | 701                                  | 1,674,092,803            | 2,843,079,881             | 14.1%  | 19.1%                                     | 17.2%  |

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schedules and expense ratios are available upon request. Annualized 1991-2021 return for the composite was 14.5% before management fees, 13.1% after management fees. Annualized return for the benchmarks listed above were 11.2% & 10.1%, respectively. Returns are size-weighted and calculated using beginning of period values on an adjusted capital basis. Any foreign taxes paid in an account were treated as a flow and had no effect on the account's return. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.

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