## Appleton Partners Dividend Focused Equity

# Q4 2024

#### ABOUT APPLETON

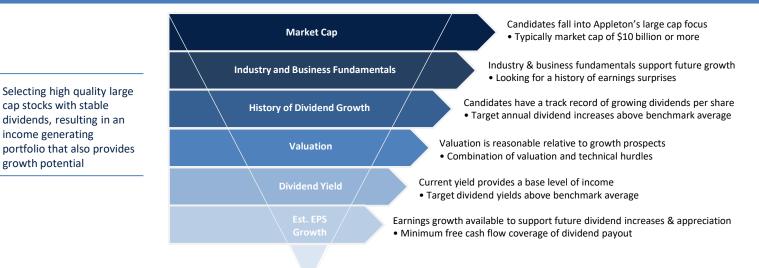
- Founded in 1986 and located in Boston, MA
- 100% employee owned and operated
- Collaborative, team-oriented culture marked by personnel continuity
- Consistent investment philosophy and process emphasizes quality, liquidity and tax efficiency
- Commitment to separate account management
- Assets Under Management of \$13.4 billion as of 12.31.2024

### STRATEGY OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVE

- Active large cap equity strategy that seeks to identify high quality companies with stable, above-market and growing dividends
- Income generating portfolio that also provides equity growth potential
- Will primarily invest in domestic large cap stocks, as well as ETFs for exposure to MLPs, REITs, Preferred Stock and International markets
- Concentrated, high conviction strategy, typically comprised of approximately 30 40 positions
- Long-term focus aims to deliver stable income, low turnover, and tax efficiency

SECTOR PROFILE<sup>2</sup>

#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY & PROCESS



### Composite Characteristics & Top 10 Holdings<sup>1</sup>

	Dividend Focus	Benchmark <sup>3</sup>	Security	% of Composite	Communication Services	
	EQUITY		Apple Inc.	7.06	Consumer Discretionary	
Dividend Yield	2.20%	1.51%	Microsoft Corp.	4.67	Consumer Staples	
			JP Morgan Chase & Co.	4.01	Energy	
Beta	0.83	1.00	Broadcom Inc.	3.63	Financials	
			Walmart Inc.	2.94	Health Care	
Est. Long-Term Earnings Growth	10.73%	16.09%	Republic Services Inc.	2.85	Industrials	
Forward 12			Home Depot Inc.	2.82	Information Technology	
Month P/E	21.40	21.58	Blackstone Inc.	2.75	Materials	_
Median Market			Abbvie Inc.	2.47	Real Estate	-
Cap (in millions)	\$85,612	\$37,134	CRH PLC	2.35	Utilities	-

Source: Appleton Partners, Inc.

<sup>1</sup>Appleton Partners Composite data & characteristics as of 12.31.24; Top 10 Holdings Excludes Cash, ETFs

<sup>2</sup>Sector weightings reflect direct holdings and underlying ETF holdings.

<sup>3</sup>Benchmark for this strategy is the S&P 500. Characteristics above are as of 12.31.24 and based off the SPY ETF, a replication of the S&P 500, other than beta which is the S&P 500. S&P 500 characteristics may differ slightly from SPY ETF characteristics, including, but not limited to, security weightings or security composition.

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