

First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Semi-Annual Report
For the Six Months Ended
June 30, 2022

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First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Semi-Annual Letter from the Chairman and CEO
June 30, 2022

Dear Shareholders,

First Trust is pleased to provide you with the semi-annual report for the First Trust Variable Insurance Trust (the “Funds”), which contains detailed information about the Funds for the six months ended June 30, 2022.

The trillions of dollars of stimulus funneled into the U.S. financial system by the Federal government throughout the bulk of the coronavirus (“COVID-19”) pandemic was effective in bolstering economic activity, as reflected by some impressive gross domestic product (“GDP”) statistics. It also fueled inflation. I will touch on that angle as well. Data from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis indicates that annualized real GDP growth rates over the four quarters comprising 2021 were 6.3%, 6.7%, 2.3% and 6.9%, respectively. It appears, however, that the upside from those stimulus dollars may be waning. In the first two quarters of 2022, the U.S. economy contracted. Real GDP declined by an annualized 1.6% in the first quarter and declined by an annualized 0.9% in the second quarter. Why the downturn? Well, the lion’s share of the stimulus programs for individuals ended in September 2021. The war between Russia and Ukraine, which commenced in late February 2022, China’s COVID-19 shutdown this year and the ongoing supply chain bottlenecks have also provided a drag on the global economy and securities markets, in my opinion. While the standard definition of a recession is two consecutive quarters of negative GDP growth, the official arbiter of declaring recessions in the U.S. belongs to the National Bureau of Economic Research, and it factors in additional economic indicators in its evaluation process. Even if we were to experience a recession, it does not necessarily mean it will be deep in scope. Currently, the Federal Reserve (the “Fed”) is still hoping to orchestrate a soft landing for the economy, though it admits it will be challenging.

In addition to the recent decline in economic activity, the financial media is paying a good deal of attention to the inverted yield curve in the Treasury market, particularly the spread between the yields on the 2-Year and 10-Year Treasury Note (“T-Note”). As of July 27, 2022, the closing yield on the 2-Year T-Note was 3.00%, 21 basis points (“bps”) above the 2.79% yield on the 10-Year T-Note. The current inversion has only been in play in earnest since July 5, 2022. Yields on shorter-maturity bonds should be lower than those further out on the curve. For the 30-year period ended July 27, 2022, the average yield on the 10-Year T-Note was 113 bps higher than the average yield on the 2-Year T-Note. Historically, such inversions have portended that a recession is likely to arrive in the next 12-24 months. At its meeting on July 27, 2022, the Fed raised the Federal Funds target rate by 75 bps to combat the spike in inflation. The target rate currently sits at 2.50%, marking the upper bound of its 2.25% to 2.50% range. The Fed’s next meeting is scheduled for September 20-21, 2022.

In the current climate, the number one goal is to tame inflation. The Fed has made it clear that it is committed to doing so. The Consumer Price Index stood at a trailing 12-month rate of 9.1% in June 2022, its highest level since 1981. Surging inflation is the number one concern of Americans. It is certainly going to be a hot button issue in the upcoming mid-term elections in November. A recent CNN poll revealed that 75% of Americans consider inflation their top economic concern and only 25% approve of President Joe Biden’s efforts to curtail it. This dovetails into another concern: the markets. With respect to returns, on a year-to-date and 12-month basis, all the major domestic and foreign stock and bond indices were sitting in negative territory, based on their respective total returns through June 30, 2022. Sell-offs are a natural part of market cycles. We all know that prices do not go up in a straight line. As previously noted, the Fed, the economy and the markets are battling some significant headwinds. The good news is we know what they are. Suffice it to say, it will take some time to remedy them. Stay the course!

Thank you for giving First Trust the opportunity to play a role in your financial future. We value our relationship with you and will report on the Funds again in six months.

Sincerely,



James A. Bowen
Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Chief Executive Officer of First Trust Advisors L.P.

Fund Performance Overview

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio
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Return Comparison

	Average Annual Total Returns				
	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	5 Years Ended 6/30/22	10 Years Ended 6/30/22	Inception (5/1/12) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance					
First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio - Class I	-14.92%	-10.91%	4.92%	6.85%	6.75%
Index Performance					
Blended Benchmark ⁽¹⁾	-17.72%	-13.84%	6.13%	7.70%	7.49%
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment-Grade Index ⁽²⁾	-14.39%	-14.19%	1.28%	2.62%	2.71%
Russell 3000® Index ⁽³⁾	-21.10%	-13.87%	10.60%	12.57%	12.02%
Secondary Blended Benchmark ⁽⁴⁾	-18.27%	-14.45%	6.12%	7.70%	7.50%
Dow Jones Equal Weight U.S. Issued Corporate Bond Index ^{SM(5)}	-15.25%	-14.97%	1.35%	2.70%	2.81%
Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index ^{SM(6)}	-21.33%	-14.24%	10.48%	12.47%	11.92%

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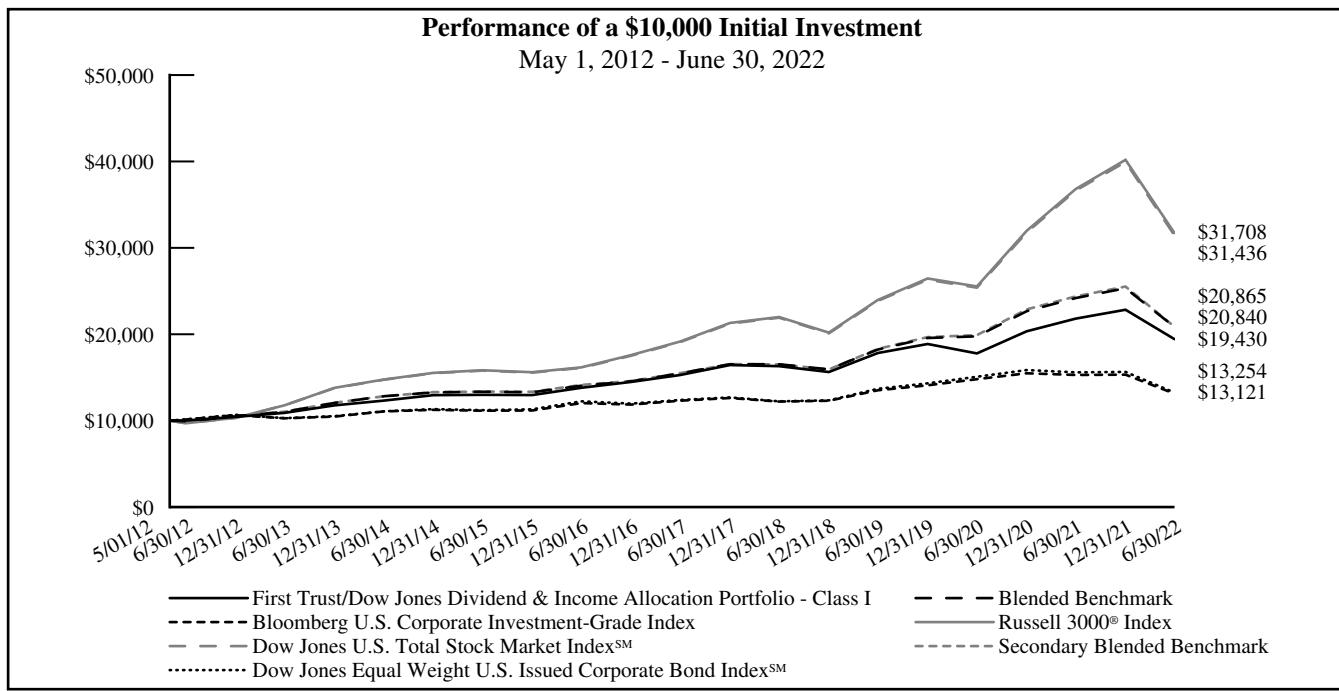
	Average Annual Total Returns			
	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	5 Years Ended 6/30/22	Inception (5/1/14) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance				
First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio - Class II	-14.84%	-10.66%	5.17%	6.30%
Index Performance				
Blended Benchmark ⁽¹⁾	-17.72%	-13.84%	6.13%	6.50%
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment-Grade Index ⁽²⁾	-14.39%	-14.19%	1.28%	2.24%
Russell 3000® Index ⁽³⁾	-21.10%	-13.87%	10.60%	10.44%
Secondary Blended Benchmark ⁽⁴⁾	-18.27%	-14.45%	6.12%	6.51%
Dow Jones Equal Weight U.S. Issued Corporate Bond Index ^{SM(5)}	-15.25%	-14.97%	1.35%	2.35%
Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index ^{SM(6)}	-21.33%	-14.24%	10.48%	10.34%

The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns shown.

- (1) The Blended Benchmark returns are a 50/50 split between the Russell 3000® Index and the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment-Grade Index returns. The Blended Benchmark returns are calculated by using the monthly return of the two indices during each period shown above. At the beginning of each month the two indices are rebalanced to a 50-50 ratio to account for divergence from that ratio that occurred during the course of each month. The monthly returns are then compounded for each period shown above, giving the performance for the Blended Benchmark for each period shown above.
- (2) Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment-Grade Index measures the performance of investment grade U.S. corporate bonds. The index includes all publicly issued, dollar-denominated corporate bonds with a minimum of \$250 million par outstanding that are investment grade-rated (Baa3/BBB- or higher). The index excludes bonds having less than one year to final maturity as well as floating rate bonds, non-registered private placements, structured notes, hybrids, and convertible securities. (Bloomberg). (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).
- (3) The Russell 3000® Index is composed of 3,000 large U.S. companies, as determined by market capitalization. This index represents approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market. (Bloomberg). (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).
- (4) The Secondary Blended Benchmark return is a 50/50 split between the Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market IndexSM and the Dow Jones Equal Weight U.S. Issued Corporate Bond IndexSM returns. The Secondary Blended Benchmark returns are calculated by using the monthly return of the two indices during each period shown above. At the beginning of each month the two indices are rebalanced to a 50-50 ratio to account for divergence from that ratio that occurred during the course of each month. The monthly returns are then compounded for each period shown above, giving the performance for the Secondary Blended Benchmark for each period shown above.
- (5) The Dow Jones Equal Weight U.S. Issued Corporate Bond IndexSM measures the return of readily tradable, high-grade U.S. corporate bonds. The index includes an equally weighted basket of 96 recently issued investment-grade corporate bonds with laddered maturities. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).
- (6) The Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market IndexSM measures all U.S. equity securities that have readily available prices. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).

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Credit Quality ⁽⁷⁾	% of Total Fixed-Income Investments	Sector Allocation	% of Total Investments
AAA	8.1%	Common Stocks	
AA-	12.1	Financials	19.3%
A+	7.7	Industrials	14.4
A	16.0	Consumer Discretionary	5.8
A-	9.6	Health Care	5.1
BBB+	15.5	Information Technology	4.3
BBB	18.2	Materials	3.5
BBB-	12.8	Consumer Staples	2.1
Total	100.0%	Communication Services	0.5
Top Equity Holdings		Total Common Stocks	55.0%
Merck & Co., Inc.	0.5%	Corporate Bonds and Notes	
Dollar General Corp.	0.5	Financials	13.6
Northrop Grumman Corp.	0.5	Utilities	6.0
CVB Financial Corp.	0.5	Health Care	4.4
Service Corp. International	0.5	Communication Services	3.9
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	0.5	Energy	2.8
First Interstate BancSystem, Inc., Class A	0.5	Information Technology	2.5
Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corp.	0.5	Industrials	2.1
Progressive (The) Corp.	0.5	Consumer Staples	1.0
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	0.5	Consumer Discretionary	0.4
Total	5.0%	Materials	0.4
		Real Estate	0.1
Top Fixed-Income Holdings by Issuer		Total Corporate Bonds and Notes	37.2%
United States Treasury	3.6%	U.S. Government Bonds and Notes	3.6%
Bank of America Corp.	2.7	Foreign Corporate Bonds and Notes	
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2.6	Financials	2.1
Citigroup, Inc.	2.5	Energy	0.7
Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.	2.3	Industrials	0.4
Morgan Stanley	2.3	Health Care	0.3
CVS Health Corp.	1.1	Total Foreign Corporate Bonds and Notes	3.5%
Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	1.0	Real Estate Investment Trusts	
AT&T, Inc.	0.9	Financials	0.7
Verizon Communications, Inc.	0.9	Total Real Estate Investment Trusts	0.7%
Total	19.9%	Total	100.0%
Fund Allocation		% of Net Assets	
Common Stocks		54.6%	
Corporate Bonds and Notes		36.9	
U.S. Government Bonds and Notes		3.6	
Foreign Corporate Bonds and Notes		3.5	
Real Estate Investment Trusts		0.7	
Net Other Assets and Liabilities ⁽⁸⁾		0.7	
Total		100.0%	

⁽⁷⁾ The credit quality and ratings information presented above reflect the ratings assigned by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs), including S&P Global Ratings, Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Fitch Ratings or a comparably rated NRSRO. For situations in which a security is rated by more than one NRSRO and the ratings are not equivalent, the highest rating is used. Sub-investment grade ratings are those rated BB+/Ba1 or lower. Investment grade ratings are those rated BBB-/Baa3 or higher. The credit ratings shown relate to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the underlying securities in the Fund, and not to the Fund or its shares. Credit ratings are subject to change.

⁽⁸⁾ Includes variation margin on futures contracts.

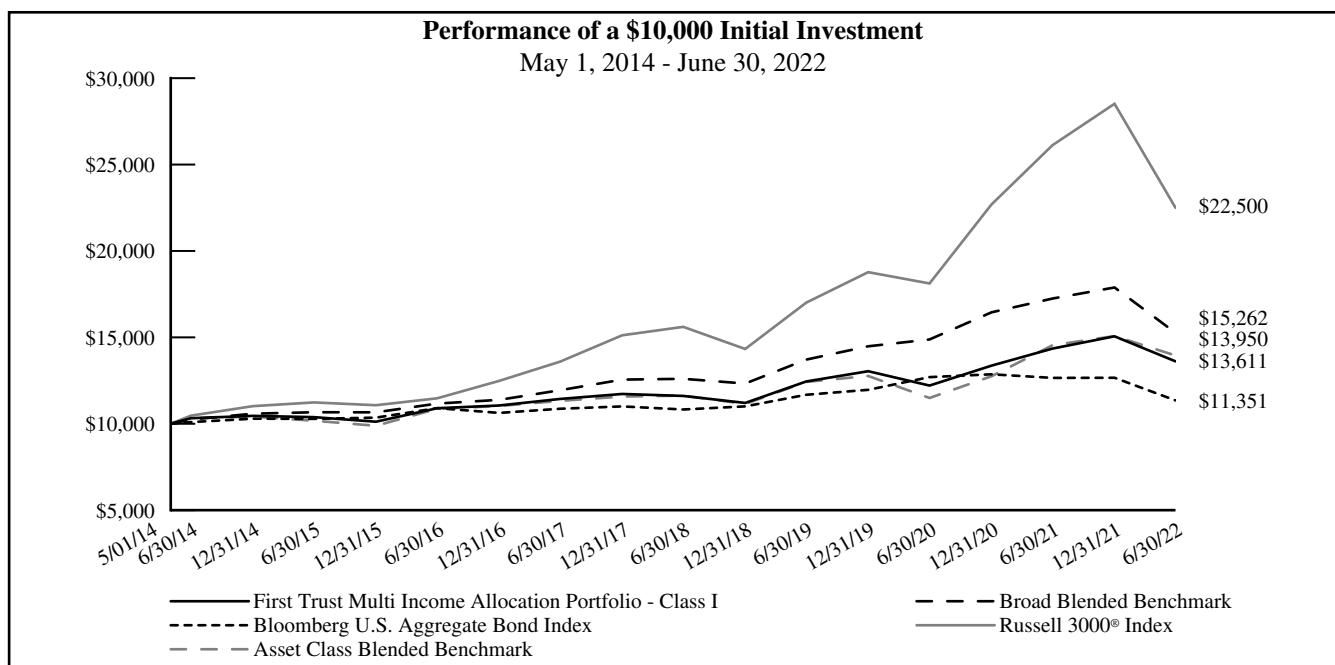
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Return Comparison

	Average Annual Total Returns			
	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	5 Years Ended 6/30/22	Inception (5/1/14) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance				
First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio - Class I	-9.62%	-5.16%	3.54%	3.85%
First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio - Class II	-9.52%	-4.92%	3.80%	4.10%
Index Performance				
Broad Blended Benchmark ⁽¹⁾	-14.68%	-11.50%	5.03%	5.31%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index ⁽²⁾	-10.35%	-10.29%	0.88%	1.56%
Russell 3000® Index ⁽³⁾	-21.10%	-13.87%	10.60%	10.44%
Asset Class Blended Benchmark ⁽⁴⁾	-7.47%	-4.09%	4.25%	4.16%

The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns shown.



⁽¹⁾ The Broad Blended Benchmark returns are split between the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (60%) and the Russell 3000® Index (40%). The Broad Blended Benchmark returns are calculated by using the monthly return of the two indices during each month shown above. At the beginning of each month the two indices are rebalanced to a 60% and 40% ratio, respectively, to account for divergence from that ratio that occurred during the course of each month. The monthly returns are then compounded for each period shown above, giving the performance for the Broad Blended Benchmark for each period shown above.

⁽²⁾ The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index represents the U.S. investment grade fixed rate bond market, with index components for government and corporate securities, mortgage pass-through securities, and asset-backed securities. Bonds included in the index are U.S. dollar denominated; have a fixed rate coupon; carry an investment-grade rating; have at least one year to final maturity; and meet certain criteria for minimum amount of outstanding par value. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).

⁽³⁾ The Russell 3000® Index is composed of 3,000 large U.S. companies, as determined by market capitalization. This index represents approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).

⁽⁴⁾ The Asset Class Blended Benchmark is weighted to include nine indexes: Dow Jones U.S. Select Dividend™ Index (15%), ICE BofA Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index (8%), Alerian MLP Index (15%), S&P U.S. REIT Index (15%), ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Index (8%), S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index (15%), Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment-Grade Index (8%), ICE BofA U.S. MBS Index (8%), and ICE BofA U.S. Inflation-Linked Treasury Index (8%). The Asset Class Benchmark returns are calculated by using the monthly return of the nine indices during each period shown above. At the beginning of each month the nine indices are rebalanced to a 15%, 8%, 15%, 15%, 8%, 15%, 8%, 8% and 8% ratio, respectively, to account for divergence from that ratio that occurred during the course of each month. The monthly returns are then compounded for each period shown above, giving the performance for the Asset Class Blended Benchmark for each period shown above.

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Top Ten Holdings	% of Total Investments
First Trust Senior Loan ETF	15.6%
First Trust Tactical High Yield ETF	9.5
First Trust Institutional Preferred Securities and Income ETF	5.3
iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF	5.3
First Trust Low Duration Opportunities ETF	3.7
iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF	3.7
iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF	2.0
First Trust Preferred Securities and Income ETF	1.8
Enterprise Products Partners, L.P.	1.3
Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P.	1.3
Total	<u><u>49.5%</u></u>

Sector Allocation	% of Total Investments
Exchange-Traded Funds	47.0%
Common Stocks	
Utilities	6.0
Energy	5.4
Information Technology	3.9
Health Care	2.8
Industrials	2.3
Financials	1.8
Consumer Discretionary	1.8
Consumer Staples	0.9
Materials	0.6
Communication Services	0.3
Total Common Stocks	25.8%
Real Estate Investment Trusts	
Financials	11.9
Total Real Estate Investment Trusts	11.9%
U.S. Government Bonds and Notes	7.3%
Master Limited Partnerships	
Energy	5.7
Utilities	0.9
Materials	0.3
Total Master Limited Partnerships	6.9%
U.S. Government Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities	1.1%
Mortgage-Backed Securities	0.0%*
Total	<u><u>100.0%</u></u>

* Amount is less than 0.1%.

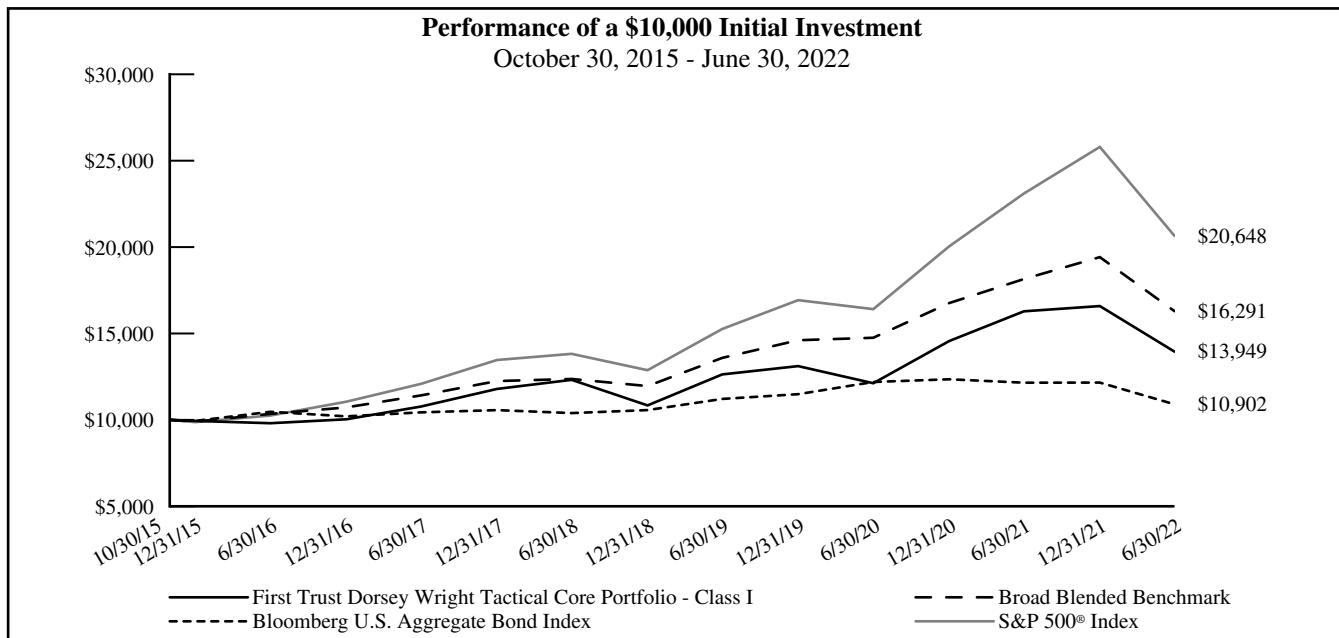
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Return Comparison

	Average Annual Total Returns			
	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	5 Years Ended 6/30/22	Inception (10/30/15) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance				
First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio - Class I	-15.90%	-14.34%	5.30%	5.12%
First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio - Class II	-15.84%	-14.21%	5.48%	5.26%
Index Performance				
Broad Blended Benchmark ⁽¹⁾	-16.11%	-10.24%	7.37%	7.60%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index ⁽²⁾	-10.35%	-10.29%	0.88%	1.30%
S&P 500® Index ⁽³⁾	-19.96%	-10.62%	11.31%	11.49%

The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns shown.



⁽¹⁾ The Broad Blended Benchmark return is split between the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (40%) and the S&P 500® Index (60%). The Broad Blended Benchmark returns are calculated by using the monthly return of the two indices during each period shown above. At the beginning of each month the two indices are rebalanced to a 40% and 60% ratio, respectively, to account for divergence from that ratio that occurred during the course of each month. The monthly returns are then compounded for each period shown above, giving the performance for the Broad Blended Benchmark for each period shown above.

⁽²⁾ The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index represents the U.S. investment grade fixed rate bond market, with index components for government and corporate securities, mortgage pass-through securities, and asset-backed securities. Bonds included in the index are U.S. dollar denominated; have a fixed rate coupon; carry an investment-grade rating; have at least one year to final maturity; and meet certain criteria for minimum amount of outstanding par value. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).

⁽³⁾ The S&P 500® Index is an unmanaged index of 500 stocks used to measure large-cap U.S. stock market performance. (The index reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes).

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Top Ten Holdings	% of Total Investments
First Trust Nasdaq Oil & Gas ETF	13.9%
First Trust Mid Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund	9.3
First Trust Energy AlphaDEX® Fund	9.0
First Trust Mid Cap Core AlphaDEX® Fund	8.7
First Trust Nasdaq Food & Beverage ETF	8.7
First Trust Small Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund	8.7
First Trust Industrials/Producer Durables AlphaDEX® Fund	8.5
First Trust Materials AlphaDEX® Fund	7.7
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	6.4
SPDR Blackstone Senior Loan ETF	3.8
Total	<u>84.7%</u>

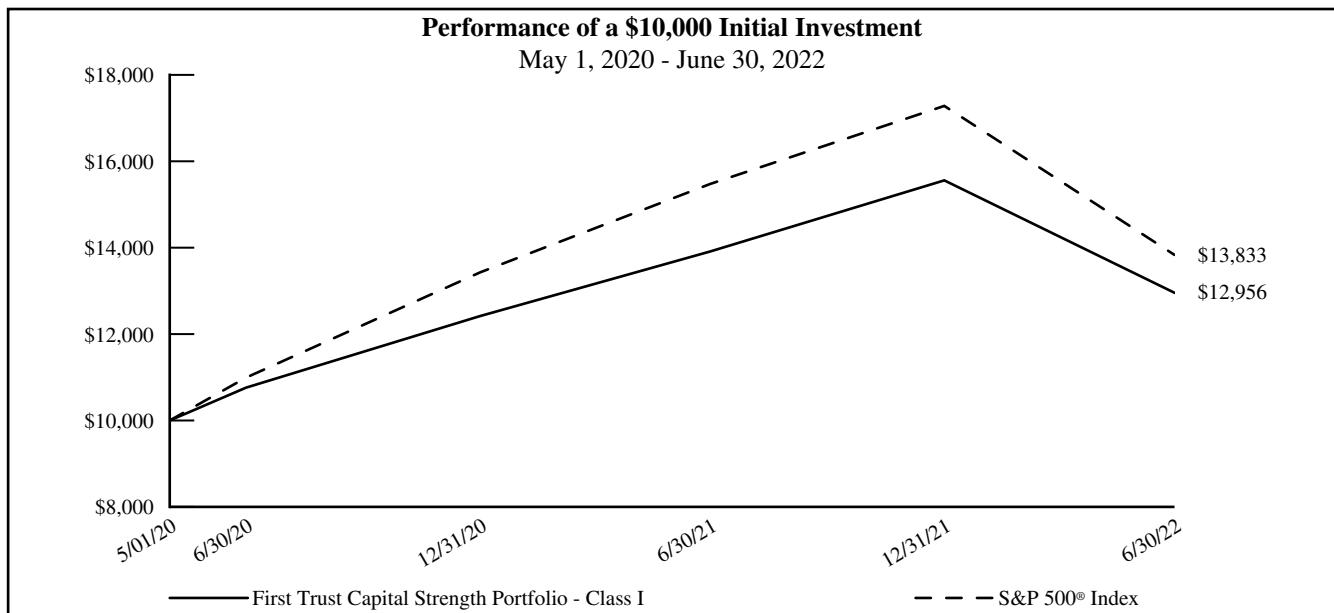
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	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	Average Annual Total Returns Inception (5/1/20) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance			
First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio - Class I	-16.72%	-6.88%	12.71%
First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio - Class II	-16.56%	-6.57%	13.01%
Index Performance			
S&P 500® Index ⁽¹⁾	-19.96%	-10.62%	16.17%

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Top Ten Holdings	% of Total Investments	Sector Allocation	% of Total Investments
Merck & Co., Inc.	2.3%	Health Care	33.1%
Progressive (The) Corp.	2.3	Financials	21.6
W.R. Berkley Corp.	2.2	Industrials	20.0
Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	2.2	Consumer Staples	13.6
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	2.2	Information Technology	9.5
Johnson & Johnson	2.2	Materials	2.2
PACCAR, Inc.	2.2	Total	<u>100.0%</u>
Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	2.2		
Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	2.2		
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.	2.2		
Total	<u>22.2%</u>		

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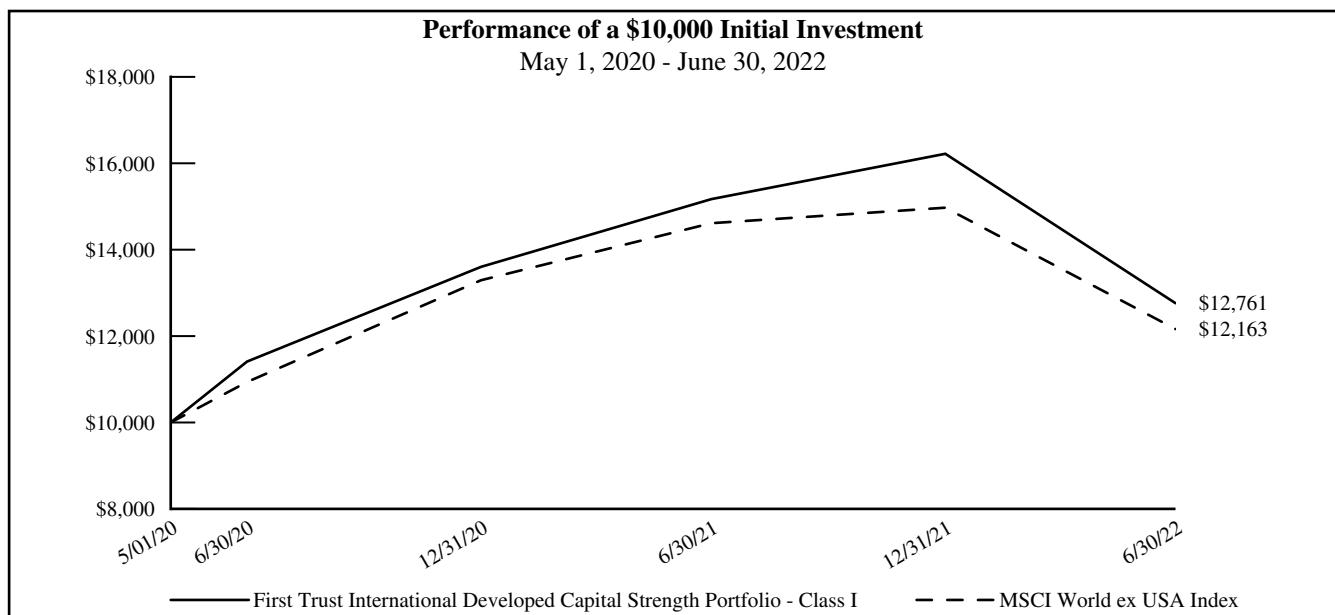
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First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio Semi-Annual Report June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

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	6 Months Ended 6/30/22	1 Year Ended 6/30/22	Average Annual Total Returns Inception (5/1/20) to 6/30/22
Fund Performance			
First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio - Class I	-21.33%	-15.88%	11.92%
First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio - Class II	-21.23%	-15.67%	12.18%
Index Performance			
MSCI World ex USA Index ⁽¹⁾	-18.76%	-16.76%	9.47%

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Top Ten Holdings	% of Total Investments	Sector Allocation	% of Total Investments
Unilever PLC	2.3%	Industrials	32.0%
BAE Systems PLC	2.3	Consumer Staples	16.5
CGI, Inc.	2.3	Financials	15.9
Thomson Reuters Corp.	2.2	Health Care	14.0
Intact Financial Corp.	2.2	Information Technology	10.5
Aristocrat Leisure Ltd.	2.2	Materials	3.4
Obic Co., Ltd.	2.2	Consumer Discretionary	2.2
Kone Oyj, Class B	2.2	Communication Services	1.9
Novo Nordisk A.S., Class B	2.2	Energy	1.9
CSL Ltd.	2.2	Real Estate	1.7
Total	<u>22.3%</u>	Total	<u>100.0%</u>

⁽¹⁾ The MSCI World ex USA Index includes developed markets and is designed to provide a broad measure of stock performance throughout the world, with the exception of U.S.-based companies.

**First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio
Semi-Annual Report
June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)**

Advisor

First Trust Advisors L.P. (“First Trust”) is a registered investment advisor based in Wheaton, IL and is the investment advisor to First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio (the “Fund”). In this capacity, First Trust is responsible for the selection and ongoing monitoring of the securities in the Fund’s portfolio and certain other services necessary for the management of the Fund.

Portfolio Management Team

Daniel J. Lindquist, Chairman of the Investment Committee and Managing Director, First Trust
David G. McGarel, Chief Investment Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Managing Director, First Trust
Jon C. Erickson, Senior Vice President, First Trust
Roger F. Testin, Senior Vice President, First Trust
Todd Larson, Senior Vice President, First Trust
Chris A. Peterson, Senior Vice President, First Trust
Eric Maisel, Senior Vice President, First Trust

Portfolio Management (Continued)

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio Semi-Annual Report June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Advisor

First Trust is a registered investment advisor based in Wheaton, IL and is the investment advisor to the First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio (the “Fund”). In this capacity, First Trust is responsible for the selection and ongoing monitoring of the securities in the Fund’s portfolio and certain other services necessary for the management of the Fund. First Trust manages the Fund’s fixed income investments, as well as a portion of the Fund’s equity investments.

Sub-Advisors

Stonebridge Advisors LLC (“Stonebridge” or the “Sub-Advisor”) is a sub-advisor to the Fund and is a registered investment advisor based in Wilton, CT. Stonebridge specializes in the management of preferred securities and North American equity income securities.

Energy Income Partners, LLC (“EIP” or the “Sub-Advisor”) is a sub-advisor to the Fund and is a registered investment advisor based in Westport, CT. EIP was founded in 2003 to provide professional asset management services in publicly traded energy-related infrastructure companies with above average dividend payout ratios operating pipeline and related storage and handling facilities, electric power transmission and distribution as well as long contracted or regulated power generation from renewables and other sources. The corporate structure of the portfolio companies include C-corporations, partnerships and energy infrastructure real estate investment trusts.

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Todd Larson, Senior Vice President, First Trust
James Snyder, Senior Vice President, First Trust
Jeremiah Charles, Senior Vice President, First Trust

Stonebridge

Scott Fleming, Portfolio Manager, President and Chief Investment Officer of Stonebridge
Robert Wolf, Senior Portfolio Manager and Senior Vice President of Stonebridge

EIP

James J. Murchie, Co-Portfolio Manager, Co-Founder, Principal and CEO of EIP
Eva Pao, Co-Portfolio Manager, Co-Founder, Principal of EIP
John Tysseland, Co-Portfolio Manager, Principal of EIP

Portfolio Management (Continued)

First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio Semi-Annual Report June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Advisor

First Trust is a registered investment advisor based in Wheaton, IL and is the investment advisor to First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio (the “Fund”). In this capacity, First Trust is responsible for the selection and ongoing monitoring of the securities in the Fund’s portfolio and certain other services necessary for the management of the Fund.

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Portfolio Management (Continued)

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio Semi-Annual Report June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Advisor

First Trust is a registered investment advisor based in Wheaton, IL and is the investment advisor to First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio (the “Fund”). In this capacity, First Trust is responsible for the selection and ongoing monitoring of the securities in the Fund’s portfolio and certain other services necessary for the management of the Fund.

Portfolio Management Team

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Portfolio Management (Continued)

First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio Semi-Annual Report June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Advisor

First Trust is a registered investment advisor based in Wheaton, IL and is the investment advisor to First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio (the “Fund”). In this capacity, First Trust is responsible for the selection and ongoing monitoring of the securities in the Fund’s portfolio and certain other services necessary for the management of the Fund.

Portfolio Management Team

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First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Understanding Your Fund Expenses
June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

As a shareholder of First Trust Dow/Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio, First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio, First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio or First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio (each a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”), you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs; and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees, if any, and other Fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs of investing in the Funds and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other funds.

The Example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held through the six-month period ended June 30, 2022.

Actual Expenses

The first three columns of the table below provide information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in these columns, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the third column under the heading entitled “Expenses Paid During Period” to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this six-month period.

Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The next three columns of the table below provide information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on each Fund’s actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not each Fund’s actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Funds and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs such as sales charges (loads) or contingent deferred sales charges. Therefore, the hypothetical section of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Actual Expenses			Hypothetical (5% Return Before Expenses)				Annualized Expense Ratios (b)
	Beginning Account Value 1/1/2022	Ending Account Value 6/30/2022	Expenses Paid During Period 1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022 (a)	Beginning Account Value 1/1/2022	Ending Account Value 6/30/2022	Expenses Paid During Period 1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022 (a)		
First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio								
Class I.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 850.80	\$ 5.51	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,018.84	\$ 6.01	1.20%	
Class II.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 851.60	\$ 4.36	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.08	\$ 4.76	0.95%	
First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio (c)								
Class I.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 903.80	\$ 3.92	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.68	\$ 4.16	0.83%	
Class II.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 904.80	\$ 2.74	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,021.92	\$ 2.91	0.58%	
First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio (c)								
Class I.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 841.00	\$ 3.56	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.93	\$ 3.91	0.78%	
Class II.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 841.60	\$ 2.42	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,022.17	\$ 2.66	0.53%	

First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Understanding Your Fund Expenses (Continued)
June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

	Actual Expenses			Hypothetical (5% Return Before Expenses)				Annualized Expense Ratios (b)
	Beginning Account Value 1/1/2022	Ending Account Value 6/30/2022	Expenses Paid During Period 1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022 (a)	Beginning Account Value 1/1/2022	Ending Account Value 6/30/2022	Expenses Paid During Period 1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022 (a)		
First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio								
Class I.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 832.80	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,019.34	\$ 5.51	1.10%	
Class II.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 834.40	\$ 3.87	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.58	\$ 4.26	0.85%	
First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio								
Class I.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 786.70	\$ 5.32	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,018.84	\$ 6.01	1.20%	
Class II.....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 787.70	\$ 4.21	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.08	\$ 4.76	0.95%	

- (a) Expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratios as indicated in the table multiplied by the average account value over the period (January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022), multiplied by 181/365 (to reflect the six-month period).
- (b) These expense ratios reflect expense caps. First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio expense ratios reflect an additional waiver. See Note 3 in the Notes to Financial Statements.
- (c) Annualized expense ratio and expenses paid during the six-month period do not include fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which the Fund invests.

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS – 54.6%		
Aerospace & Defense – 1.4%		
18,131	General Dynamics Corp.	\$ 4,011,484
9,907	Lockheed Martin Corp.	4,259,614
9,780	Northrop Grumman Corp.	<u>4,680,414</u>
		<u>12,951,512</u>
Air Freight & Logistics – 0.5%		
42,391	Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	<u>4,131,427</u>
Banks – 6.5%		
92,870	Brookline Bancorp, Inc.	1,236,100
61,086	Commerce Bancshares, Inc.	4,010,296
47,739	Community Bank System, Inc.	3,020,924
188,411	CVB Financial Corp.	4,674,477
27,680	FB Financial Corp.	1,085,610
81,048	First Commonwealth Financial Corp.	1,087,664
84,789	First Financial Bankshares, Inc.	3,329,664
118,928	First Interstate BancSystem, Inc., Class A	4,532,346
62,086	First Merchants Corp.	2,211,503
261,348	Fulton Financial Corp.	3,776,479
25,131	Heartland Financial USA, Inc.	1,043,942
109,552	Hilltop Holdings, Inc.	2,920,656
27,905	Lakeland Financial Corp.	1,853,450
28,965	National Bank Holdings Corp., Class A	1,108,490
33,656	NBT Bancorp, Inc.	1,265,129
103,716	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	1,327,565
40,163	OFG Bancorp	1,020,140
53,499	Popular, Inc.	4,115,678
63,030	Prosperity Bancshares, Inc.	4,303,058
38,287	Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.	1,495,873
39,257	ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.	3,098,162
57,292	Towne Bank	1,555,478
41,217	UMB Financial Corp.	3,548,784
19,255	Westamerica BanCorp.	<u>1,071,733</u>
		<u>58,693,201</u>
Biotechnology – 1.0%		
18,083	Amgen, Inc.	4,399,594
73,557	Gilead Sciences, Inc.	<u>4,546,558</u>
		<u>8,946,152</u>
Building Products – 0.8%		
68,445	A.O. Smith Corp.	3,742,573
56,675	UFP Industries, Inc.	<u>3,861,834</u>
		<u>7,604,407</u>
Capital Markets – 6.5%		
14,559	Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	3,460,383
5,723	BlackRock, Inc.	3,485,536
34,449	Blackstone, Inc.	3,142,782
38,219	Cboe Global Markets, Inc.	4,326,009
18,385	CME Group, Inc.	3,763,409
39,284	Evercore, Inc., Class A	3,677,375
10,073	FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	3,873,774
38,014	Hamilton Lane, Inc., Class A	2,553,780
49,806	Houlihan Lokey, Inc.	3,931,188
33,098	Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.	<u>3,112,536</u>

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Capital Markets (Continued)		
90,398	Moelis & Co., Class A	\$ 3,557,161
13,849	Piper Sandler Cos.	1,569,923
40,969	PJT Partners, Inc., Class A	2,879,301
39,787	Raymond James Financial, Inc.	3,557,356
72,630	SEI Investments Co.	3,923,473
64,405	Stifel Financial Corp.	3,607,968
28,924	T Rowe Price Group, Inc.	3,286,056
7,753	Virtus Investment Partners, Inc.	1,325,918
		<u>59,033,928</u>
Chemicals – 2.2%		
26,019	Balchem Corp.	3,375,705
30,609	Celanese Corp.	3,599,925
33,236	FMC Corp.	3,556,584
116,583	Huntsman Corp.	3,305,128
11,532	NewMarket Corp.	3,470,671
23,164	Stepan Co.	2,347,671
		<u>19,655,684</u>
Commercial Services & Supplies – 1.2%		
124,766	Rollins, Inc.	4,356,829
26,513	Tetra Tech, Inc.	3,620,350
15,393	UniFirst Corp.	2,650,367
		<u>10,627,546</u>
Construction & Engineering – 0.4%		
38,827	EMCOR Group, Inc.	<u>3,997,628</u>
Construction Materials – 0.4%		
34,067	Eagle Materials, Inc.	<u>3,745,326</u>
Containers & Packaging – 0.4%		
28,013	Packaging Corp. of America	<u>3,851,787</u>
Diversified Consumer Services – 0.5%		
66,439	Service Corp. International.	<u>4,592,264</u>
Diversified Financial Services – 0.4%		
65,908	Voya Financial, Inc.	<u>3,923,503</u>
Diversified Telecommunication Services – 0.5%		
85,845	Verizon Communications, Inc.	<u>4,356,634</u>
Electrical Equipment – 0.4%		
32,836	AMETEK, Inc.	<u>3,608,348</u>
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 0.6%		
58,036	Amphenol Corp., Class A	3,736,358
49,213	Methode Electronics, Inc.	1,822,849
		<u>5,559,207</u>
Food & Staples Retailing – 0.4%		
7,593	Costco Wholesale Corp.	<u>3,639,173</u>
Food Products – 1.2%		
18,640	Lancaster Colony Corp.	2,400,459
69,657	Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	4,325,003
48,791	Tyson Foods, Inc., Class A	4,198,954
		<u>10,924,416</u>

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Health Care Equipment & Supplies – 0.4%		
36,947	Abbott Laboratories	\$ 4,014,291
Health Care Providers & Services – 0.9%		
8,632	Chemed Corp.....	4,051,774
8,576	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	4,404,891
		<u>8,456,665</u>
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure – 0.4%		
52,227	Texas Roadhouse, Inc.	3,823,016
Household Durables – 0.6%		
36,869	Garmin Ltd.....	3,622,379
79,121	La-Z-Boy, Inc.	1,875,959
		<u>5,498,338</u>
Household Products – 0.5%		
28,618	Procter & Gamble (The) Co.	4,114,982
Insurance – 5.7%		
67,913	Aflac, Inc.....	3,757,626
31,571	Allstate (The) Corp.....	4,000,993
32,163	Cincinnati Financial Corp.	3,826,754
27,817	Employers Holdings, Inc.	1,165,254
89,537	Fidelity National Financial, Inc.	3,309,288
67,463	First American Financial Corp.	3,570,142
27,797	Hanover Insurance Group (The), Inc.	4,065,311
55,601	Mercury General Corp.	2,463,124
169,037	Old Republic International Corp.	3,779,667
38,362	Progressive (The) Corp.	4,460,350
23,622	RLI Corp.	2,754,089
16,274	Safety Insurance Group, Inc.	1,580,205
41,863	Selective Insurance Group, Inc.	3,639,569
31,105	Stewart Information Services Corp.	1,547,474
23,932	Travelers (The) Cos., Inc.	4,047,619
18,512	Willis Towers Watson PLC.	3,654,084
		<u>51,621,549</u>
IT Services – 2.1%		
12,967	Accenture PLC, Class A	3,600,287
19,217	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	4,036,339
48,769	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp., Class A	3,291,420
22,194	Jack Henry & Associates, Inc.	3,995,364
19,720	Visa, Inc., Class A	3,882,671
		<u>18,806,081</u>
Leisure Products – 0.5%		
48,359	Acushnet Holdings Corp.	2,015,603
40,133	Sturm Ruger & Co., Inc.	2,554,466
		<u>4,570,069</u>
Life Sciences Tools & Services – 1.2%		
14,908	Danaher Corp.	3,779,476
7,405	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	4,022,989
10,646	West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc.	3,219,031
		<u>11,021,496</u>

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Machinery – 5.2%		
7,081	Alamo Group, Inc.	\$ 824,441
111,385	Allison Transmission Holdings, Inc.	4,282,753
19,626	Caterpillar, Inc.	3,508,344
21,320	Cummins, Inc.	4,126,060
10,524	Deere & Co.	3,151,622
41,659	Franklin Electric Co., Inc.	3,051,938
62,722	Graco, Inc.	3,726,314
58,144	ITT, Inc.	3,909,603
75,064	Mueller Industries, Inc.	4,000,161
19,257	Nordson Corp.	3,898,387
49,654	PACCAR, Inc.	4,088,510
21,281	Snap-on, Inc.	4,192,995
51,153	Toro (The) Co.	<u>3,876,886</u>
		<u>46,638,014</u>
Marine – 0.3%		
36,256	Matson, Inc.	<u>2,642,337</u>
Metals & Mining – 0.5%		
23,851	Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co.	<u>4,051,331</u>
Multiline Retail – 0.5%		
19,643	Dollar General Corp.	<u>4,821,178</u>
Pharmaceuticals – 1.5%		
24,676	Johnson & Johnson	4,380,237
53,297	Merck & Co., Inc.	4,859,087
23,189	Zoetis, Inc.	<u>3,985,957</u>
		<u>13,225,281</u>
Professional Services – 0.9%		
49,784	Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corp.	4,498,483
19,018	Kforce, Inc.	1,166,564
38,298	Robert Half International, Inc.	<u>2,868,137</u>
		<u>8,533,184</u>
Road & Rail – 1.9%		
21,777	JB Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	3,429,224
86,664	Knight-Swift Transportation Holdings, Inc.	4,011,677
28,993	Landstar System, Inc.	4,216,162
78,724	Marten Transport Ltd.	1,324,138
14,640	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.	<u>3,751,939</u>
		<u>16,733,140</u>
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment – 1.2%		
88,235	Intel Corp.	3,300,871
47,184	Power Integrations, Inc.	3,539,272
23,834	Texas Instruments, Inc.	<u>3,662,094</u>
		<u>10,502,237</u>
Software – 0.4%		
14,184	Microsoft Corp.	<u>3,642,877</u>
Specialty Retail – 2.4%		
21,131	Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	3,657,565
48,108	Best Buy Co., Inc.	3,136,161
132,355	Buckle (The), Inc.	3,664,910
48,342	Ross Stores, Inc.	<u>3,395,059</u>

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Specialty Retail (Continued)		
72,185	TJX (The) Cos., Inc.	\$ 4,031,532
18,737	Tractor Supply Co.	<u>3,632,167</u>
		<u>21,517,394</u>
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods – 0.8%		
48,304	Columbia Sportswear Co.	3,457,600
113,172	Steven Madden Ltd.	<u>3,645,270</u>
		<u>7,102,870</u>
Trading Companies & Distributors – 1.4%		
62,948	Boise Cascade Co.	3,744,777
73,619	Fastenal Co.	<u>3,675,060</u>
27,029	Rush Enterprises, Inc., Class A	1,302,798
14,355	Watsco, Inc.	<u>3,428,261</u>
		<u>12,150,896</u>
Total Common Stocks		493,329,369
(Cost \$486,899,808)		
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – 0.7%		
Diversified REITs – 0.4%		
17,254	PS Business Parks, Inc.	<u>3,229,086</u>
Industrial REITs – 0.3%		
278,536	LXP Industrial Trust	<u>2,991,477</u>
Total Real Estate Investment Trusts		6,220,563
(Cost \$7,211,059)		

Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES – 36.9%				
Aerospace & Defense – 1.2%				
\$ 1,000,000	Boeing (The) Co.	1.43%	02/04/24	956,693
500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	2.75%	02/01/26	465,561
1,000,000	Boeing (The) Co.	2.20%	02/04/26	902,287
500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	2.70%	02/01/27	446,572
500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	3.25%	02/01/28	448,026
250,000	Boeing (The) Co.	3.20%	03/01/29	216,932
500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	2.95%	02/01/30	417,476
500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	3.63%	02/01/31	435,151
1,000,000	Boeing (The) Co.	5.71%	05/01/40	938,291
1,500,000	Boeing (The) Co.	3.75%	02/01/50	1,055,499
500,000	Northrop Grumman Corp.	2.93%	01/15/25	489,982
500,000	Northrop Grumman Corp.	3.25%	01/15/28	475,950
750,000	Northrop Grumman Corp.	4.03%	10/15/47	671,453
250,000	Northrop Grumman Corp.	5.25%	05/01/50	265,844
1,000,000	Raytheon Technologies Corp.	4.63%	11/16/48	984,655
250,000	Raytheon Technologies Corp.	3.13%	07/01/50	193,151
1,000,000	Raytheon Technologies Corp.	2.82%	09/01/51	723,186
500,000	Textron, Inc.	2.45%	03/15/31	412,400
				<u>10,499,109</u>
Air Freight & Logistics – 0.4%				
1,000,000	FedEx Corp.	2.40%	05/15/31	845,215
1,750,000	FedEx Corp.	3.25%	05/15/41	1,374,986

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Air Freight & Logistics (Continued)				
\$ 1,500,000	FedEx Corp.....	4.55%	04/01/46	\$ 1,357,565
				<u>3,577,766</u>
Banks – 8.0%				
2,050,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	1.84%	02/04/25	1,977,444
2,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	0.98%	04/22/25	1,884,355
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.09%	10/01/25	484,826
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.46%	10/22/25	477,243
750,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.02%	02/13/26	704,484
400,000	Bank of America Corp.....	4.45%	03/03/26	399,165
2,500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.38%	04/02/26	2,428,631
950,000	Bank of America Corp.....	3.50%	04/19/26	928,332
1,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	1.20%	10/24/26	897,434
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.56%	04/23/27	481,657
450,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.55%	02/04/28	410,178
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.71%	04/24/28	477,906
475,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	4.38%	04/27/28	468,720
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.59%	07/21/28	472,737
1,091,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.42%	12/20/28	1,018,643
1,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.09%	06/14/29	858,397
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	4.27%	07/23/29	482,872
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.97%	02/07/30	473,639
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.19%	07/23/30	449,709
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.88%	10/22/30	438,020
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	1.90%	07/23/31	401,087
1,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	1.92%	10/24/31	798,980
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.57%	10/20/32	414,089
750,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.97%	02/04/33	641,452
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	4.57%	04/27/33	488,201
1,500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.48%	09/21/36	1,168,289
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	4.08%	04/23/40	442,387
1,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.68%	06/19/41	724,558
2,000,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.31%	04/22/42	1,579,371
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	3.95%	01/23/49	428,738
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	4.33%	03/15/50	453,126
500,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.83%	10/24/51	345,848
750,000	Bank of America Corp. (a)	2.97%	07/21/52	537,304
5,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	0.78%	10/30/24	4,772,593
2,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	0.98%	05/01/25	1,876,942
2,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	2.01%	01/25/26	1,877,473
500,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	3.11%	04/08/26	481,020
3,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	1.12%	01/28/27	2,656,847
3,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	1.46%	06/09/27	2,660,818
350,000	Citigroup, Inc.	4.45%	09/29/27	343,548
500,000	Citigroup, Inc.	4.13%	07/25/28	481,111
500,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	3.98%	03/20/30	470,191
1,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	2.98%	11/05/30	876,060
500,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	2.67%	01/29/31	425,990
2,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	2.56%	05/01/32	1,651,951
1,000,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	3.06%	01/25/33	852,183
500,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	3.88%	01/24/39	434,770
1,500,000	Citigroup, Inc. (a)	2.90%	11/03/42	1,092,192
750,000	Citigroup, Inc.	4.75%	05/18/46	675,009
500,000	Citigroup, Inc.	4.65%	07/23/48	469,553
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a)	0.56%	02/16/25	943,558

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CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Banks (Continued)				
\$ 2,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	0.82%	06/01/25	\$ 1,872,406
3,500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	0.97%	06/23/25	3,275,980
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.30%	10/15/25	477,113
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.60%	02/24/26	476,214
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	4.08%	04/26/26	987,973
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	1.05%	11/19/26	445,724
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	1.04%	02/04/27	443,543
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	1.58%	04/22/27	446,314
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	1.47%	09/22/27	878,927
550,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.95%	02/24/28	510,722
975,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	4.32%	04/26/28	961,168
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.54%	05/01/28	475,192
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.51%	01/23/29	468,951
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.07%	06/01/29	861,864
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	4.20%	07/23/29	483,638
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.70%	05/06/30	466,526
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.96%	05/13/31	433,159
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	1.76%	11/19/31	396,808
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.58%	04/22/32	842,491
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.96%	01/25/33	861,579
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	4.59%	04/26/33	986,704
1,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	2.53%	11/19/41	720,645
2,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.16%	04/22/42	1,564,542
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	4.26%	02/22/48	449,762
750,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.96%	11/15/48	641,171
500,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.90%	01/23/49	425,819
2,000,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. (a).....	3.33%	04/22/52	1,535,742
500,000	Wells Fargo & Co. (a).....	2.41%	10/30/25	477,029
500,000	Wells Fargo & Co. (a).....	2.16%	02/11/26	470,983
550,000	Wells Fargo & Co.	3.00%	04/22/26	525,004
750,000	Wells Fargo & Co.	4.75%	12/07/46	692,102
				72,235,426
Beverages – 0.7%				
875,000	Anheuser-Busch Cos., LLC/Anheuser-Busch InBev Worldwide, Inc.	4.70%	02/01/36	842,600
1,100,000	Anheuser-Busch Cos., LLC/Anheuser-Busch InBev Worldwide, Inc.	4.90%	02/01/46	1,041,789
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.75%	01/23/29	255,076
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.90%	01/23/31	257,237
750,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.38%	04/15/38	691,986
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.35%	06/01/40	225,226
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.60%	04/15/48	226,213
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	5.55%	01/23/49	257,339
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.50%	06/01/50	226,582
750,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	4.75%	04/15/58	677,617
250,000	Anheuser-Busch Inbev Worldwide, Inc.	5.80%	01/23/59	262,408
250,000	Constellation Brands, Inc.	2.25%	08/01/31	203,592
500,000	Keurig Dr. Pepper, Inc.	3.95%	04/15/29	478,393
500,000	Keurig Dr. Pepper, Inc.	4.05%	04/15/32	469,730
				6,115,788
Biotechnology – 1.1%				
1,000,000	AbbVie, Inc.	2.60%	11/21/24	970,093
1,000,000	AbbVie, Inc.	2.95%	11/21/26	949,193

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Biotechnology (Continued)				
\$ 250,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.25%	11/14/28	\$ 248,328
1,225,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.05%	11/21/39	1,099,382
275,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.40%	11/06/42	251,693
300,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.70%	05/14/45	284,644
250,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.88%	11/14/48	242,897
1,000,000	AbbVie, Inc.....	4.25%	11/21/49	893,010
500,000	Amgen, Inc.	1.90%	02/21/25	477,912
500,000	Amgen, Inc.	3.00%	02/22/29	462,483
500,000	Amgen, Inc.	2.45%	02/21/30	437,523
1,000,000	Amgen, Inc.	2.00%	01/15/32	817,578
500,000	Amgen, Inc.	3.35%	02/22/32	460,238
750,000	Amgen, Inc.	3.15%	02/21/40	598,735
1,000,000	Amgen, Inc.	2.80%	08/15/41	746,684
750,000	Amgen, Inc.	3.38%	02/21/50	578,498
500,000	Amgen, Inc.	4.20%	02/22/52	441,488
				<u>9,960,379</u>
Building Products – 0.1%				
1,000,000	Masco Corp.....	2.00%	02/15/31	<u>788,885</u>
Capital Markets – 4.6%				
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.63%	02/20/24	499,167
600,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	4.00%	03/03/24	602,827
965,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.00%	03/15/24	952,650
3,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	0.93%	10/21/24	2,872,551
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.76%	01/24/25	481,686
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.50%	04/01/25	491,204
600,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	4.25%	10/21/25	597,000
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	0.86%	02/12/26	455,708
550,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.75%	02/25/26	540,671
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.50%	11/16/26	480,445
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.09%	12/09/26	446,607
750,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	3.85%	01/26/27	726,742
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.43%	03/09/27	889,116
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.54%	09/10/27	879,609
1,500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.95%	10/21/27	1,336,623
950,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	2.64%	02/24/28	864,117
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	3.81%	04/23/29	472,733
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	4.22%	05/01/29	483,105
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc.....	2.60%	02/07/30	428,067
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	1.99%	01/27/32	793,048
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	2.62%	04/22/32	833,496
1,500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	2.65%	10/21/32	1,240,660
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	3.10%	02/24/33	857,477
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	4.02%	10/31/38	439,071
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	4.41%	04/23/39	456,478
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	3.21%	04/22/42	769,104
1,000,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	2.91%	07/21/42	735,593
500,000	Goldman Sachs Group (The), Inc. (a)	3.44%	02/24/43	395,185
1,500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	3.62%	04/17/25	1,483,196
3,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	0.79%	05/30/25	2,801,629
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	0.86%	10/21/25	923,187
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	1.16%	10/21/25	928,417
800,000	Morgan Stanley	3.88%	01/27/26	790,017
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.19%	04/28/26	469,138

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Capital Markets (Continued)				
\$ 1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	1.59%	05/04/27	\$ 890,465
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.48%	01/21/28	911,117
1,050,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	4.21%	04/20/28	1,029,022
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	3.59%	07/22/28	474,480
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	3.77%	01/24/29	475,658
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	4.43%	01/23/30	487,054
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.70%	01/22/31	434,535
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	1.93%	04/28/32	796,199
2,500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.24%	07/21/32	2,035,174
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.51%	10/20/32	829,645
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.94%	01/21/33	858,569
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.48%	09/16/36	772,117
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	5.30%	04/20/37	486,014
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	3.97%	07/22/38	449,960
500,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	4.46%	04/22/39	468,584
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	3.22%	04/22/42	792,705
1,000,000	Morgan Stanley (a).....	2.80%	01/25/52	701,413
				<u>41,309,035</u>
Chemicals – 0.4%				
250,000	Dow Chemical (The) Co.....	2.10%	11/15/30	207,005
250,000	Dow Chemical (The) Co.....	4.80%	05/15/49	229,154
1,000,000	International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. (b).....	1.23%	10/01/25	904,436
500,000	International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. (b).....	1.83%	10/15/27	431,926
500,000	International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. (b).....	2.30%	11/01/30	412,413
500,000	International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. (b).....	3.27%	11/15/40	384,278
500,000	International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc. (b).....	3.47%	12/01/50	374,078
500,000	Sherwin-Williams (The) Co.....	2.90%	03/15/52	344,116
				<u>3,287,406</u>
Consumer Finance – 0.8%				
250,000	GE Capital Funding LLC.....	4.55%	05/15/32	242,117
1,000,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	1.20%	10/15/24	931,646
1,000,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	2.90%	02/26/25	956,436
500,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	1.25%	01/08/26	441,608
1,000,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	1.50%	06/10/26	875,334
1,500,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	2.40%	04/10/28	1,271,398
2,000,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	2.40%	10/15/28	1,665,849
1,500,000	General Motors Financial Co., Inc.....	3.10%	01/12/32	1,210,337
				<u>7,594,725</u>
Diversified Telecommunication Services – 1.7%				
3,000,000	AT&T, Inc.....	1.70%	03/25/26	2,749,268
500,000	AT&T, Inc.....	2.30%	06/01/27	456,976
500,000	AT&T, Inc.....	1.65%	02/01/28	433,744
462,000	AT&T, Inc.....	4.30%	02/15/30	452,252
500,000	AT&T, Inc.....	2.75%	06/01/31	433,414
500,000	AT&T, Inc.....	2.25%	02/01/32	409,625
1,392,000	AT&T, Inc.....	2.55%	12/01/33	1,134,503
1,186,000	AT&T, Inc.....	3.50%	09/15/53	907,615
504,000	AT&T, Inc.....	3.55%	09/15/55	380,974
1,044,000	AT&T, Inc.....	3.65%	09/15/59	789,979
1,000,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	1.45%	03/20/26	917,413
500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	2.10%	03/22/28	445,462
1,119,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	4.02%	12/03/29	1,087,196

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Diversified Telecommunication Services (Continued)				
\$ 500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	1.75%	01/20/31	\$ 403,171
500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	2.55%	03/21/31	429,074
2,003,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	2.36%	03/15/32	1,667,408
500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	2.65%	11/20/40	370,539
500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	3.40%	03/22/41	408,638
500,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	2.88%	11/20/50	357,291
1,000,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	3.55%	03/22/51	808,794
1,000,000	Verizon Communications, Inc.....	3.88%	03/01/52	849,235
				15,892,571
Electric Utilities – 4.9%				
500,000	AEP Texas, Inc.	4.70%	05/15/32	499,618
1,000,000	AEP Texas, Inc.	3.45%	05/15/51	774,616
500,000	AEP Texas, Inc.	5.25%	05/15/52	511,241
250,000	AEP Transmission Co., LLC	4.00%	12/01/46	223,225
500,000	AEP Transmission Co., LLC	4.25%	09/15/48	463,463
2,000,000	AEP Transmission Co., LLC	2.75%	08/15/51	1,416,476
500,000	Alabama Power Co.	3.45%	10/01/49	400,187
1,000,000	Alabama Power Co.	3.13%	07/15/51	755,977
782,000	American Electric Power Co., Inc.	2.03%	03/15/24	757,529
1,500,000	American Electric Power Co., Inc.	1.00%	11/01/25	1,351,788
1,000,000	Appalachian Power Co.	2.70%	04/01/31	866,147
250,000	Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.	3.20%	09/15/49	195,575
250,000	Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.	2.90%	06/15/50	184,391
500,000	Commonwealth Edison Co.	4.00%	03/01/49	452,411
500,000	Duke Energy Carolinas LLC	2.85%	03/15/32	445,579
500,000	Duke Energy Carolinas LLC	3.55%	03/15/52	418,486
750,000	Duke Energy Corp.	2.55%	06/15/31	625,573
2,500,000	Duke Energy Corp.	3.30%	06/15/41	1,948,551
2,000,000	Duke Energy Corp.	3.50%	06/15/51	1,521,073
1,000,000	Duke Energy Progress LLC	4.00%	04/01/52	902,989
2,000,000	Exelon Corp. (b)	2.75%	03/15/27	1,873,904
1,000,000	Exelon Corp. (b)	3.35%	03/15/32	898,869
1,500,000	Exelon Corp. (b)	4.10%	03/15/52	1,295,602
2,500,000	FirstEnergy Transmission LLC (b)	4.35%	01/15/25	2,465,010
500,000	Indiana Michigan Power Co.	3.75%	07/01/47	416,978
250,000	Indiana Michigan Power Co.	4.25%	08/15/48	223,933
500,000	Indiana Michigan Power Co.	3.25%	05/01/51	382,535
500,000	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings, Inc.	4.20%	06/20/24	503,135
1,500,000	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings, Inc.	4.45%	06/20/25	1,513,257
2,655,000	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings, Inc.	4.63%	07/15/27	2,693,792
2,500,000	Ohio Power Co.	2.90%	10/01/51	1,806,080
2,500,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	1.37%	03/10/23	2,462,727
1,000,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	1.70%	11/15/23	964,786
1,000,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	4.95%	06/08/25	982,457
1,000,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	5.45%	06/15/27	970,025
1,000,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	3.00%	06/15/28	864,318
500,000	Pacific Gas and Electric Co.	3.25%	06/01/31	405,439
500,000	PECO Energy Co.	3.90%	03/01/48	451,616
1,000,000	Southern (The) Co.	4.48%	08/01/24	1,005,470
1,000,000	Southern (The) Co.	5.11%	08/01/27	1,011,238
500,000	Southern California Edison Co.	2.50%	06/01/31	421,470
1,500,000	Southern California Edison Co.	2.75%	02/01/32	1,272,536
500,000	Southern California Edison Co.	3.65%	06/01/51	391,573
1,500,000	Southern California Edison Co.	3.45%	02/01/52	1,126,945

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Electric Utilities (Continued)				
\$ 500,000	Southwestern Electric Power Co.....	2.75%	10/01/26	\$ 468,856
500,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	3.75%	05/15/27	496,175
475,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	4.45%	02/15/44	445,145
250,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	4.00%	11/15/46	223,513
250,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	3.80%	09/15/47	216,552
500,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	4.60%	12/01/48	485,098
500,000	Virginia Electric & Power Co.....	4.63%	05/15/52	488,387
				<u>43,942,316</u>
Entertainment – 0.2%				
500,000	Magallanes, Inc. (b)	3.76%	03/15/27	469,399
500,000	Magallanes, Inc. (b)	4.28%	03/15/32	448,967
1,000,000	Magallanes, Inc. (b)	5.14%	03/15/52	846,167
				<u>1,764,533</u>
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts – 0.1%				
500,000	Crown Castle International Corp.....	1.05%	07/15/26	433,839
500,000	Crown Castle International Corp.....	2.10%	04/01/31	399,437
				<u>833,276</u>
Gas Utilities – 0.0%				
500,000	Southern Co. Gas Capital Corp.	4.40%	05/30/47	440,008
Health Care Equipment & Supplies – 0.3%				
500,000	Baxter International, Inc.	1.92%	02/01/27	448,811
1,000,000	Baxter International, Inc.	2.27%	12/01/28	876,352
1,000,000	Baxter International, Inc.	2.54%	02/01/32	845,844
1,000,000	Baxter International, Inc.	3.13%	12/01/51	735,642
				<u>2,906,649</u>
Health Care Providers & Services – 2.2%				
1,143,000	Centene Corp.	4.25%	12/15/27	1,067,276
2,000,000	Centene Corp.	2.45%	07/15/28	1,674,610
1,000,000	Centene Corp.	2.50%	03/01/31	796,880
1,750,000	CVS Health Corp.	2.63%	08/15/24	1,713,769
1,000,000	CVS Health Corp.	4.10%	03/25/25	1,008,163
1,000,000	CVS Health Corp.	3.88%	07/20/25	996,121
1,500,000	CVS Health Corp.	1.30%	08/21/27	1,295,712
800,000	CVS Health Corp.	1.75%	08/21/30	643,113
500,000	CVS Health Corp.	1.88%	02/28/31	401,975
2,500,000	CVS Health Corp.	2.13%	09/15/31	2,036,263
500,000	CVS Health Corp.	2.70%	08/21/40	362,944
1,250,000	CVS Health Corp.	5.05%	03/25/48	1,205,934
500,000	Elevance Health, Inc.	2.55%	03/15/31	433,444
500,000	Elevance Health, Inc.	4.10%	05/15/32	488,626
1,000,000	Elevance Health, Inc.	3.60%	03/15/51	819,341
500,000	Elevance Health, Inc.	4.55%	05/15/52	478,666
1,000,000	HCA, Inc.	2.38%	07/15/31	783,486
2,500,000	HCA, Inc.	3.50%	07/15/51	1,742,057
1,000,000	Universal Health Services, Inc. (b)	1.65%	09/01/26	869,134
500,000	Universal Health Services, Inc. (b)	2.65%	10/15/30	400,852
1,000,000	Universal Health Services, Inc. (b)	2.65%	01/15/32	781,765
				<u>20,000,131</u>

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure – 0.2%				
\$ 500,000	Expedia Group, Inc.....	2.95%	03/15/31	\$ 399,474
500,000	Marriott International (MD), Inc.....	5.75%	05/01/25	519,643
500,000	Marriott International (MD), Inc.....	3.50%	10/15/32	433,164
1,000,000	Marriott International (MD), Inc.....	2.75%	10/15/33	790,248
				<u>2,142,529</u>
Insurance – 0.1%				
750,000	Brown & Brown, Inc.	2.38%	03/15/31	596,053
IT Services – 0.6%				
1,000,000	CDW LLC/CDW Finance Corp.....	2.67%	12/01/26	892,809
1,000,000	Fiserv, Inc.	3.20%	07/01/26	949,932
500,000	Fiserv, Inc.	3.50%	07/01/29	457,494
250,000	Fiserv, Inc.	2.65%	06/01/30	212,447
500,000	Fiserv, Inc.	4.40%	07/01/49	433,487
1,000,000	Global Payments, Inc.	1.50%	11/15/24	940,571
1,000,000	Global Payments, Inc.	1.20%	03/01/26	882,434
500,000	PayPal Holdings, Inc.	3.90%	06/01/27	498,651
				<u>5,267,825</u>
Life Sciences Tools & Services – 0.2%				
1,000,000	PerkinElmer, Inc.	1.90%	09/15/28	835,629
500,000	PerkinElmer, Inc.	2.25%	09/15/31	396,767
1,000,000	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	2.80%	10/15/41	790,768
				<u>2,023,164</u>
Machinery – 0.3%				
1,625,000	Parker-Hannifin Corp.	3.65%	06/15/24	1,621,725
1,000,000	Parker-Hannifin Corp.	4.50%	09/15/29	997,883
				<u>2,619,608</u>
Media – 1.2%				
2,500,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	2.25%	01/15/29	2,060,395
500,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	2.30%	02/01/32	379,962
1,000,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	3.50%	06/01/41	707,040
2,500,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	3.50%	03/01/42	1,747,168
500,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	4.80%	03/01/50	400,398
1,000,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	3.70%	04/01/51	682,799
2,000,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	3.90%	06/01/52	1,400,943
1,000,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	4.40%	12/01/61	725,850
500,000	Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital	5.50%	04/01/63	428,406
500,000	Comcast Corp.	3.25%	11/01/39	413,691
1,000,000	Comcast Corp.	3.75%	04/01/40	882,266
500,000	Comcast Corp.	4.00%	08/15/47	436,177
500,000	Comcast Corp.	3.45%	02/01/50	401,468

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Media (Continued)				
\$ 543,000	Comcast Corp.	2.94%	11/01/56	\$ 380,190
				<u>11,046,753</u>
Multi-Utilities – 1.1%				
1,000,000	CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.	4.40%	07/01/32	988,839
1,000,000	CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	1.45%	06/01/26	902,442
1,000,000	CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	2.65%	06/01/31	855,028
1,600,000	Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.	2.30%	12/01/31	1,372,295
1,000,000	Dominion Energy, Inc.	3.07%	08/15/24	977,962
2,500,000	Dominion Energy, Inc.	1.45%	04/15/26	2,266,519
2,500,000	Dominion Energy, Inc.	3.30%	04/15/41	1,975,900
495,000	Dominion Energy, Inc.	4.70%	12/01/44	460,972
				<u>9,799,957</u>
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 2.8%				
1,000,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	3.80%	09/21/25	1,005,339
500,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	3.41%	02/11/26	491,035
500,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	3.94%	09/21/28	490,352
500,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	1.75%	08/10/30	410,740
2,500,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	2.72%	01/12/32	2,160,881
1,000,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	3.06%	06/17/41	784,881
1,000,000	BP Capital Markets America, Inc.	3.00%	03/17/52	727,845
1,500,000	ConocoPhillips Co.	3.80%	03/15/52	1,295,878
500,000	Diamondback Energy, Inc.	3.50%	12/01/29	459,523
1,000,000	Diamondback Energy, Inc.	3.13%	03/24/31	874,080
2,000,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	4.50%	04/15/24	2,003,697
250,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	4.20%	04/15/27	240,610
1,250,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	5.25%	04/15/29	1,242,057
250,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	5.30%	04/15/47	218,135
250,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	6.00%	06/15/48	236,605
2,250,000	Energy Transfer L.P.	6.25%	04/15/49	2,197,358
500,000	Energy Transfer LP.	4.00%	10/01/27	472,903
500,000	Energy Transfer LP.	5.40%	10/01/47	442,326
500,000	Pioneer Natural Resources Co.	1.13%	01/15/26	447,861
500,000	Pioneer Natural Resources Co.	1.90%	08/15/30	409,905
500,000	Pioneer Natural Resources Co.	2.15%	01/15/31	413,287
250,000	Plains All American Pipeline L.P./PAA Finance Corp.	3.80%	09/15/30	221,777
1,000,000	Plains All American Pipeline L.P./PAA Finance Corp.	4.90%	02/15/45	809,747
500,000	Sabine Pass Liquefaction LLC	5.00%	03/15/27	502,391
250,000	Sabine Pass Liquefaction LLC	4.20%	03/15/28	238,920
1,000,000	Targa Resources Corp.	5.20%	07/01/27	1,006,628
200,000	Targa Resources Corp.	4.20%	02/01/33	181,957
500,000	Targa Resources Corp.	4.95%	04/15/52	432,314
1,500,000	Targa Resources Corp.	6.25%	07/01/52	1,508,351
250,000	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	3.50%	11/15/30	226,148
1,000,000	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	2.60%	03/15/31	840,243
625,000	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	4.90%	01/15/45	565,850
270,000	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	5.10%	09/15/45	253,342
1,000,000	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	4.85%	03/01/48	915,030
500,000	Williams Cos (The), Inc.	3.50%	10/15/51	375,621
				<u>25,103,617</u>
Pharmaceuticals – 0.5%				
500,000	Astrazeneca Finance LLC	1.75%	05/28/28	442,365
1,000,000	Astrazeneca Finance LLC	2.25%	05/28/31	873,950

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Pharmaceuticals (Continued)				
\$ 500,000	Utah Acquisition Sub., Inc.....	3.95%	06/15/26	\$ 472,528
2,000,000	Viatris, Inc.....	1.65%	06/22/25	1,814,268
750,000	Viatris, Inc.....	2.70%	06/22/30	604,784
				<u>4,207,895</u>
Road & Rail – 0.1%				
1,500,000	Norfolk Southern Corp.	4.55%	06/01/53	1,430,856
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment – 1.2%				
500,000	Analog Devices, Inc.	2.80%	10/01/41	394,633
1,205,000	Analog Devices, Inc.	2.95%	10/01/51	928,664
500,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	1.95%	02/15/28	426,948
107,000	Broadcom, Inc.	4.15%	11/15/30	98,384
500,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	2.45%	02/15/31	403,280
250,000	Broadcom, Inc.	4.30%	11/15/32	228,041
250,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	2.60%	02/15/33	193,362
383,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	3.42%	04/15/33	318,099
500,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	3.47%	04/15/34	408,968
642,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	4.93%	05/15/37	578,541
500,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	3.50%	02/15/41	380,162
500,000	Broadcom, Inc. (b)	3.75%	02/15/51	373,630
503,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp.....	5.85%	07/15/25	519,764
500,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp.....	4.90%	10/01/26	501,804
250,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp.....	6.10%	07/15/27	262,430
2,000,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp. (b).....	3.38%	12/15/41	1,439,941
124,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp.....	8.35%	07/15/46	155,481
2,000,000	Dell International LLC/EMC Corp. (b).....	3.45%	12/15/51	1,359,164
500,000	Marvell Technology, Inc.	1.65%	04/15/26	449,109
1,000,000	Marvell Technology, Inc.	2.45%	04/15/28	875,335
500,000	Marvell Technology, Inc.	2.95%	04/15/31	421,115
				<u>10,716,855</u>
Software – 0.7%				
1,000,000	Fortinet, Inc.	1.00%	03/15/26	881,701
1,000,000	Fortinet, Inc.	2.20%	03/15/31	812,587
900,000	Oracle Corp.....	5.38%	07/15/40	824,742
500,000	Oracle Corp.....	3.60%	04/01/50	351,210
500,000	Oracle Corp.....	3.95%	03/25/51	370,311
1,000,000	salesforce.com, Inc.	2.70%	07/15/41	779,057
500,000	VMware, Inc.	1.40%	08/15/26	443,280
500,000	VMware, Inc.	1.80%	08/15/28	416,510
1,000,000	VMware, Inc.	2.20%	08/15/31	790,685
500,000	Workday, Inc.	3.80%	04/01/32	458,789
				<u>6,128,872</u>
Specialty Retail – 0.2%				
500,000	Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	3.50%	03/15/32	430,614
500,000	Lowe's Cos., Inc.	3.35%	04/01/27	482,260
500,000	Lowe's Cos., Inc.	4.25%	04/01/52	436,034
500,000	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	4.70%	06/15/32	499,898
				<u>1,848,806</u>
Tobacco – 0.3%				
1,500,000	BAT Capital Corp.	2.79%	09/06/24	1,453,850
250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	3.22%	09/06/26	235,076

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
Tobacco (Continued)				
\$ 250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	4.70%	04/02/27	\$ 244,697
250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	4.91%	04/02/30	232,965
250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	4.39%	08/15/37	199,436
250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	4.76%	09/06/49	190,026
250,000	BAT Capital Corp.	5.28%	04/02/50	205,711
				<u>2,761,761</u>
Wireless Telecommunication Services – 0.7%				
2,000,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	3.50%	04/15/25	1,960,344
250,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	1.50%	02/15/26	226,462
500,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	3.75%	04/15/27	481,980
750,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	2.05%	02/15/28	653,077
750,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	2.55%	02/15/31	633,545
500,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	2.25%	11/15/31	407,456
1,500,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	3.00%	02/15/41	1,121,752
1,000,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	3.30%	02/15/51	734,852
				<u>6,219,468</u>
Total Corporate Bonds and Notes				
(Cost \$381,884,898)				
U.S. GOVERNMENT BONDS AND NOTES – 3.6%				
3,955,000	U.S. Treasury Bond	3.25%	05/15/42	3,882,080
2,310,000	U.S. Treasury Bond	2.25%	02/15/52	1,918,022
1,750,000	U.S. Treasury Note (c)	0.13%	06/30/23	1,702,437
4,625,000	U.S. Treasury Note	2.50%	05/31/24	4,587,422
530,000	U.S. Treasury Note	3.00%	06/30/24	531,615
5,125,000	U.S. Treasury Note	2.88%	06/15/25	5,109,785
7,735,000	U.S. Treasury Note	2.63%	05/31/27	7,601,148
825,000	U.S. Treasury Note	3.25%	06/30/27	838,535
90,000	U.S. Treasury Note	3.25%	06/30/29	91,758
5,780,000	U.S. Treasury Note	2.88%	05/15/32	5,732,586
Total U.S. Government Bonds and Notes				
(Cost \$31,907,111)				
FOREIGN CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES – 3.5%				
Banks – 1.9%				
1,500,000	Barclays PLC (a).....	1.01%	12/10/24	1,426,685
500,000	Barclays PLC (a).....	3.81%	03/10/42	381,860
500,000	BNP Paribas S.A. (a) (b)	3.05%	01/13/31	432,741
1,000,000	BNP Paribas S.A. (a) (b)	2.87%	04/19/32	833,453
1,000,000	Deutsche Bank AG/New York NY (a)	2.22%	09/18/24	965,230
500,000	Deutsche Bank AG/New York NY (a)	2.13%	11/24/26	445,180
2,500,000	Deutsche Bank AG/New York NY (a)	2.31%	11/16/27	2,162,259
2,500,000	Deutsche Bank AG/New York NY (a)	2.55%	01/07/28	2,168,966
1,000,000	Deutsche Bank AG/New York NY (a)	3.04%	05/28/32	794,351
1,000,000	Lloyds Banking Group PLC (a)	1.63%	05/11/27	891,263
1,000,000	NatWest Group PLC (a)	1.64%	06/14/27	879,567
3,000,000	NatWest Markets PLC (b)	1.60%	09/29/26	2,648,275
700,000	Societe Generale S.A. (a) (b)	1.79%	06/09/27	612,539
750,000	Societe Generale S.A. (a) (b)	2.89%	06/09/32	600,732
500,000	UBS Group AG (a) (b)	1.36%	01/30/27	444,488
1,250,000	UBS Group AG (a) (b)	1.49%	08/10/27	1,096,139
1,000,000	UBS Group AG (a) (b)	2.10%	02/11/32	797,126
				<u>17,580,854</u>

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
FOREIGN CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
	Biotechnology – 0.0%			
\$ 500,000	CSL Finance PLC (b)	4.75%	04/27/52	\$ 482,247
	Commercial Services & Supplies – 0.1%			
1,000,000	Waste Connections, Inc.	3.20%	06/01/32	895,277
	Diversified Financial Services – 0.1%			
541,000	GE Capital International Funding Co. Unlimited Co.	4.42%	11/15/35	508,142
	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 0.8%			
500,000	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	2.05%	07/15/25	468,767
500,000	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	3.85%	06/01/27	480,322
500,000	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	2.95%	07/15/30	440,291
500,000	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	6.25%	03/15/38	531,620
1,000,000	Enbridge, Inc.	1.60%	10/04/26	892,371
1,000,000	Enbridge, Inc.	2.50%	08/01/33	811,962
2,000,000	Enbridge, Inc.	3.40%	08/01/51	1,518,080
2,000,000	TransCanada PipeLines Ltd.	2.50%	10/12/31	1,669,472
				6,812,885
	Pharmaceuticals – 0.2%			
1,000,000	AstraZeneca PLC.....	3.00%	05/28/51	801,573
1,500,000	Royalty Pharma PLC	2.15%	09/02/31	1,175,093
				1,976,666
	Road & Rail – 0.3%			
1,000,000	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	1.75%	12/02/26	906,963
1,000,000	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	2.45%	12/02/31	859,253
500,000	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	3.00%	12/02/41	394,749
500,000	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	3.10%	12/02/51	372,652
				2,533,617
	Tobacco – 0.1%			
500,000	BAT International Finance PLC (b)	3.95%	06/15/25	491,299
500,000	BAT International Finance PLC	1.67%	03/25/26	443,801
				935,100
	Total Foreign Corporate Bonds and Notes			31,724,788
	(Cost \$36,942,557)			
	Total Investments – 99.3%			896,332,130
	(Cost \$944,845,433)			
	Net Other Assets and Liabilities – 0.7%			6,747,593
	Net Assets – 100.0%			\$ 903,079,723

Futures Contracts (See Note 2E - Futures Contracts in the Notes to Financial Statements):

Futures Contracts	Position	Number of Contracts	Expiration Date	Notional Value	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)/ Value
U.S. Treasury 5-Year Notes	Short	100	Sep 2022	\$(11,225,000)	\$ 35,938
U.S. Treasury Ultra 10-Year Notes	Short	50	Sep 2022	(6,368,750)	83,984
U.S. Treasury Ultra Bonds	Short	5	Sep 2022	(771,719)	17,227
				<u>\$(18,365,469)</u>	<u>\$ 137,149</u>

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- (a) Fixed-to-floating or fixed-to-variable rate security. The interest rate shown reflects the fixed rate in effect at June 30, 2022. At a predetermined date, the fixed rate will change to a floating rate or a variable rate.
- (b) This security, sold within the terms of a private placement memorandum, is exempt from registration upon resale under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. Pursuant to procedures adopted by the Trust's Board of Trustees, this security has been determined to be liquid by First Trust Advisors L.P., the Fund's advisor. Although market instability can result in periods of increased overall market illiquidity, liquidity for each security is determined based on security specific factors and assumptions, which require subjective judgment. At June 30, 2022, securities noted as such amounted to \$27,177,934 or 3.0% of net assets.
- (c) All or a portion of this security is segregated as collateral for open futures contracts.

Valuation Inputs

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022 is as follows (see Note 2A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Financial Statements):

	Total Value at 6/30/2022	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2 Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs
Common Stocks*	\$ 493,329,369	\$ 493,329,369	\$ —	\$ —
Real Estate Investment Trusts*	6,220,563	6,220,563	—	—
Corporate Bonds and Notes*	333,062,022	—	333,062,022	—
U.S. Government Bonds and Notes	31,995,388	—	31,995,388	—
Foreign Corporate Bonds and Notes*.....	31,724,788	—	31,724,788	—
Total Investments	896,332,130	499,549,932	396,782,198	—
Futures Contracts	137,149	137,149	—	—
Total	\$ 896,469,279	\$ 499,687,081	\$ 396,782,198	\$ —

* See Portfolio of Investments for industry breakout.

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS – 25.2%		
Aerospace & Defense – 0.4%		
277	Northrop Grumman Corp.....	\$ 132,564
Banks – 1.1%		
1,707	JPMorgan Chase & Co.....	192,225
1,312	M&T Bank Corp.....	209,120
		<u>401,345</u>
Beverages – 0.3%		
754	PepsiCo, Inc.....	125,662
Biotechnology – 0.4%		
955	AbbVie, Inc.	146,268
Capital Markets – 0.6%		
179	BlackRock, Inc.	109,018
1,415	Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.....	133,067
		<u>242,085</u>
Communications Equipment – 0.3%		
456	Motorola Solutions, Inc.....	95,578
Construction & Engineering – 0.6%		
1,644	Quanta Services, Inc.....	206,059
Containers & Packaging – 0.2%		
615	Packaging Corp. of America	84,562
Electric Utilities – 2.3%		
811	Alliant Energy Corp.....	47,533
1,283	American Electric Power Co., Inc.	123,091
805	Constellation Energy Corp.....	46,094
4,935	Enel S.p.A., ADR	26,896
1,019	Exelon Corp.....	46,181
687	Iberdrola S.A., ADR	28,421
453	IDACORP, Inc.	47,982
2,237	NextEra Energy, Inc.....	173,278
2,811	OGE Energy Corp.....	108,392
2,806	PPL Corp.....	76,127
1,083	Southern (The) Co.....	77,229
656	Xcel Energy, Inc.....	46,418
		<u>847,642</u>
Electrical Equipment – 0.3%		
772	Eaton Corp PLC	97,264
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 0.3%		
1,023	TE Connectivity Ltd.....	115,752
Energy Equipment & Services – 0.3%		
3,605	Baker Hughes Co.....	104,076
Food & Staples Retailing – 0.5%		
748	Sysco Corp.....	63,363
1,009	Walmart, Inc.....	122,674
		<u>186,037</u>
Gas Utilities – 1.4%		
9,762	AltaGas Ltd. (CAD)	205,979
841	Atmos Energy Corp.....	94,276
680	National Fuel Gas Co.	44,914

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Gas Utilities (Continued)		
736	New Jersey Resources Corp.	\$ 32,774
1,130	ONE Gas, Inc.	91,744
926	UGI Corp.	35,753
		<u>505,440</u>
Health Care Equipment & Supplies – 0.9%		
1,325	Abbott Laboratories	143,961
1,237	Medtronic PLC	111,021
338	STERIS PLC	69,679
		<u>324,661</u>
Health Care Providers & Services – 1.1%		
2,165	CVS Health Corp.	200,609
410	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	210,588
		<u>411,197</u>
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure – 0.3%		
1,048	Darden Restaurants, Inc.	118,550
Household Durables – 0.4%		
2,297	DR Horton, Inc.	152,038
Independent Power & Renewable Electricity Producers – 0.5%		
2,334	AES (The) Corp.	49,037
4,473	Clearway Energy, Inc., Class A	143,002
		<u>192,039</u>
Industrial Conglomerates – 0.2%		
358	Honeywell International, Inc.	62,224
IT Services – 1.1%		
587	Accenture PLC, Class A	162,981
689	Fidelity National Information Services, Inc.	63,161
5,785	Switch, Inc., Class A	193,797
		<u>419,939</u>
Machinery – 0.5%		
366	Parker-Hannifin Corp.	90,054
776	Stanley Black & Decker, Inc.	81,372
		<u>171,426</u>
Media – 0.3%		
3,091	Comcast Corp., Class A	121,291
Metals & Mining – 0.4%		
2,275	Newmont Corp.	135,749
Multiline Retail – 0.3%		
930	Target Corp.	131,344
Multi-Utilities – 1.7%		
4,153	CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	122,846
463	CMS Energy Corp.	31,252
4,268	Public Service Enterprise Group, Inc.	270,079
985	Sempra Energy	148,016
476	WEC Energy Group, Inc.	47,905
		<u>620,098</u>

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 5.0%		
2,106	Cheniere Energy, Inc.	\$ 280,161
2,309	ConocoPhillips	207,371
3,547	DT Midstream, Inc.	173,874
2,913	Enbridge, Inc.	123,103
1,894	EOG Resources, Inc.	209,173
1,186	Hess Corp.	125,645
5,142	Keyera Corp. (CAD)	117,445
5,253	Kinder Morgan, Inc.	88,040
1,505	ONEOK, Inc.	83,528
6,007	TC Energy Corp.	311,223
3,707	Williams (The) Cos., Inc.	115,696
		<u>1,835,259</u>
Pharmaceuticals – 0.4%		
813	Johnson & Johnson	<u>144,316</u>
Road & Rail – 0.4%		
786	Union Pacific Corp.	<u>167,638</u>
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment – 0.8%		
339	Broadcom, Inc.	164,690
379	KLA Corp.	120,931
		<u>285,621</u>
Software – 0.9%		
724	Microsoft Corp.	185,945
1,868	Oracle Corp.	130,517
		<u>316,462</u>
Specialty Retail – 0.4%		
2,551	TJX (The) Cos., Inc.	<u>142,473</u>
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals – 0.4%		
1,224	Apple, Inc.	<u>167,345</u>
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods – 0.2%		
840	NIKE, Inc., Class B	<u>85,848</u>
Total Common Stocks		
(Cost \$8,092,689)		<u>9,295,852</u>
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – 11.7%		
Health Care REITs – 1.4%		
10,162	Medical Properties Trust, Inc.	155,174
3,356	Ventas, Inc.	172,599
2,141	Welltower, Inc.	176,311
		<u>504,084</u>
Hotel & Resort REITs – 0.9%		
11,634	Apple Hospitality REIT, Inc.	170,671
9,368	Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc.	146,890
		<u>317,561</u>
Industrial REITs – 0.8%		
1,267	Prologis, Inc.	149,062
5,151	STAG Industrial, Inc.	159,063
		<u>308,125</u>

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS (Continued)		
Office REITs – 0.4%		
4,707	Highwoods Properties, Inc.....	\$ 160,932
Residential REITs – 1.9%		
834	AvalonBay Communities, Inc.....	162,004
1,249	Camden Property Trust.....	167,966
5,091	Invitation Homes, Inc.	181,138
1,001	Mid-America Apartment Communities, Inc.....	174,845
		<u>685,953</u>
Retail REITs – 1.8%		
8,282	Kimco Realty Corp.....	163,735
8,698	Kite Realty Group Trust.....	150,389
2,952	Realty Income Corp.....	201,504
1,608	Simon Property Group, Inc.....	152,631
		<u>668,259</u>
Specialized REITs – 4.5%		
814	American Tower Corp.....	208,050
1,443	Digital Realty Trust, Inc.....	187,345
995	Extra Space Storage, Inc.	169,269
4,400	Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc.	201,784
1,457	Life Storage, Inc.	162,689
573	Public Storage.....	179,160
594	SBA Communications Corp.	190,110
7,188	VICI Properties, Inc.	214,130
4,706	Weyerhaeuser Co.....	155,863
		<u>1,668,400</u>
Total Real Estate Investment Trusts		<u>4,313,314</u>
(Cost \$4,297,569)		
MASTER LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS – 6.8%		
Chemicals – 0.3%		
4,665	Westlake Chemical Partners, L.P.	<u>116,205</u>
Independent Power & Renewable Electricity Producers – 0.9%		
4,291	NextEra Energy Partners, L.P. (a)	<u>318,220</u>
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 5.6%		
4,965	Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.	222,779
30,115	Energy Transfer, L.P.	300,548
19,624	Enterprise Products Partners, L.P.	478,237
5,403	Hess Midstream, L.P., Class A (a)....	151,284
6,864	Holly Energy Partners, L.P.	110,030
9,839	Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P.	469,911
2,946	MPLX, L.P.	85,876
22,760	Plains GP Holdings, L.P., Class A.....	234,883
		<u>2,053,548</u>
Total Master Limited Partnerships		<u>2,487,973</u>
(Cost \$2,046,309)		

Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
U.S. GOVERNMENT BONDS AND NOTES – 7.2%				
\$ 82,638	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.63%	04/15/23	84,069
79,508	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.38%	07/15/23	80,939

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
U.S. GOVERNMENT BONDS AND NOTES (Continued)				
\$ 85,494	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.63%	01/15/24	\$ 86,954
64,193	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.50%	04/15/24	65,142
79,386	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	07/15/24	80,249
65,357	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	10/15/24	65,856
134,268	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.25%	01/15/25	135,267
63,798	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	04/15/25	63,922
84,120	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.38%	07/15/25	85,085
56,826	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	10/15/25	56,883
100,989	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.63%	01/15/26	102,305
21,121	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	2.00%	01/15/26	22,406
65,043	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	04/15/26	64,557
69,955	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	07/15/26	69,526
66,655	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	10/15/26	66,185
84,976	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.38%	01/15/27	84,844
28,672	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	2.38%	01/15/27	31,219
30,719	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	04/15/27	30,315
80,368	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.38%	07/15/27	80,304
84,389	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.50%	01/15/28	84,070
40,021	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	1.75%	01/15/28	42,587
8,937	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	3.63%	04/15/28	10,468
103,658	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.75%	07/15/28	104,776
79,003	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.88%	01/15/29	79,999
16,159	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	2.50%	01/15/29	18,027
21,104	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	3.88%	04/15/29	25,561
102,852	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.25%	07/15/29	100,119
70,793	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	01/15/30	67,819
73,295	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	07/15/30	70,176
68,858	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	01/15/31	65,772
76,586	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	07/15/31	73,159
73,007	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	01/15/32	69,590
8,144	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	3.38%	04/15/32	10,228
32,102	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	2.13%	02/15/40	37,941
48,583	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	2.13%	02/15/41	57,152
45,805	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.75%	02/15/42	42,499
44,766	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.63%	02/15/43	40,191
44,410	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	1.38%	02/15/44	46,082
43,339	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.75%	02/15/45	39,510
37,825	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	1.00%	02/15/46	36,456
34,732	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.88%	02/15/47	32,658
34,000	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	1.00%	02/15/48	33,044
26,425	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	1.00%	02/15/49	25,930
26,988	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.25%	02/15/50	21,746
32,203	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	02/15/51	25,362
17,656	U.S. Treasury Inflation Indexed Bond (b)	0.13%	02/15/52	14,064
Total U.S. Government Bonds and Notes				2,631,013
(Cost \$2,808,698)				

U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES – 1.1%

Collateralized Mortgage Obligations – 0.7%

Fannie Mae REMICS

15	Series 1993-1, Class KA	7.90%	01/01/23	15
36	Series 1993-119, Class H	6.50%	07/01/23	36
314	Series 1993-178, Class PK	6.50%	09/01/23	319
85	Series 1993-62, Class E	7.00%	04/01/23	86
118	Series 1995-24, Class G	6.50%	04/01/23	119
643	Series 1999-56, Class Z	7.00%	12/01/29	684

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio
Portfolio of Investments (Continued)
June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES (Continued)				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (Continued)				
	Fannie Mae REMICS (Continued)			
\$ 639	Series 2002-67, Class PE	5.50%	11/01/32	\$ 679
15,181	Series 2002-9, Class MS, IO, 1 Mo. LIBOR x -1 + 8.10% (c)	6.48%	03/25/32	2,251
2,701	Series 2002-90, Class A1	6.50%	06/01/42	2,923
1,034	Series 2003-14, Class AQ	3.50%	03/01/33	1,027
1,457	Series 2003-41, Class OA	4.00%	05/01/33	1,466
20,958	Series 2004-10, Class ZB	6.00%	02/01/34	22,428
7,522	Series 2005-79, Class NF, 1 Mo. LIBOR + 0.41% (d)	0.87%	09/25/35	7,507
13,663	Series 2007-10, Class Z	6.00%	02/01/37	14,764
710	Series 2012-35, Class PL	2.00%	11/01/41	678
239	Series 2013-14, Class QE	1.75%	03/01/43	215
9,056	Series 2013-31, Class NT	3.00%	04/01/43	8,873
	FHLMC-GNMA			
4	Series 1993-5, Class HA	7.50%	02/01/23	4
101	Series 1994-27, Class D	7.00%	03/01/24	102
	Freddie Mac REMICS			
236	Series 1992-1401, Class Q, 1 Mo. LIBOR + 0.60% (d)	1.92%	10/15/22	236
1,512	Series 1993-1487, Class P, IO, 1 Mo. LIBOR x -1 + 9.50% (c)	8.18%	03/15/23	25
534	Series 1994-1673, Class FB, 10 Yr. Constant Maturity Treasury Rate - 0.50% (d)	2.37%	02/01/24	531
19	Series 1996-1847, Class LL	7.50%	04/01/26	20
4,629	Series 1998-2033, Class IA, IO	7.00%	02/01/28	402
1,422	Series 1999-2130, Class KB	6.38%	03/01/29	1,508
20,077	Series 1999-2174, Class PN	6.00%	07/01/29	21,084
2,371	Series 2001-2277, Class B	7.50%	01/01/31	2,675
21,389	Series 2003-2647, Class LS, 1 Mo. LIBOR x -2.5 + 14.00% (c)	11.35%	07/01/33	22,425
14,425	Series 2004-2768, Class PW	4.25%	03/01/34	14,425
2,000	Series 2004-2778, Class MM	5.25%	04/01/34	2,106
19,187	Series 2006-3199, Class DS, IO, 1 Mo. LIBOR x -1 + 7.15% (c)	5.83%	08/15/36	2,293
760	Series 2006-3237, Class CB	5.50%	07/01/36	760
7,914	Series 2010-3775, Class KZ	4.00%	08/01/25	7,812
23,488	Series 2013-4178, Class ZN	3.50%	03/01/43	22,257
	Government National Mortgage Association			
16,734	Series 2002-92, Class PB	5.50%	12/01/32	16,817
39,275	Series 2007-35, Class NE	6.00%	06/01/37	42,000
750	Series 2009-29, Class TA	4.50%	03/01/39	754
49,000	Series 2009-61, Class QE	5.50%	08/01/39	52,632
3,162	Series 2011-136, Class GB	2.50%	05/01/40	3,145
				278,083
Pass-through Security – 0.4%				
	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation			
3,545	Pool C01252	6.50%	11/01/31	3,837
21,865	Pool G01731	6.50%	12/01/29	23,070
12,826	Pool G06358	4.00%	04/01/41	13,008
	Federal National Mortgage Association			
7,855	Pool 890383	4.00%	01/01/42	7,959
202	Pool AD0659	6.00%	02/01/23	203
56	Pool AE0050	5.50%	12/01/22	56
10,993	Pool AL0791	4.00%	02/01/41	11,138
16,323	Pool AU4289	4.00%	09/01/43	16,452
2,534	Pool MA0561	4.00%	11/01/40	2,568
12,225	Pool MA1028	4.00%	04/01/42	12,386
	Government National Mortgage Association			
12,309	Pool 667422	5.00%	10/01/39	13,144

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Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

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Principal Value	Description	Stated Coupon	Stated Maturity	Value
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES (Continued)				
Pass-through Security (Continued)				
Government National Mortgage Association (Continued)				
\$ 5,976	Pool 706201	5.50%	04/01/39	\$ 6,287
8,847	Pool 736558	5.00%	02/01/40	9,186
11,738	Pool 759248	4.00%	02/01/41	11,898
				131,192
Total U.S. Government Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities				409,275
(Cost \$426,413)				
MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES – 0.0%				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations – 0.0%				
Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp.				
299	Series 2004-6, Class 2A1	4.75%	09/25/19	0
MASTR Alternative Loan Trust				
601	Series 2004-10, Class 2A1.....	5.50%	10/01/19	537
28	Series 2005-1, Class 5A1.....	5.50%	01/01/20	24
MASTR Asset Securitization Trust				
4,132	Series 2004-1, Class 5A4.....	5.50%	02/01/34	4,027
Structured Asset Mortgage Investments Trust				
3,307	Series 1999-1, Class 2A (e).....	3.90%	06/01/29	3,311
Total Mortgage-Backed Securities				7,899
(Cost \$8,362)				
Shares	Description			Value
EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS – 46.0%				
108,639	First Trust Institutional Preferred Securities and Income ETF (f).....			1,925,083
500	First Trust Long Duration Opportunities ETF (f).....			11,898
28,000	First Trust Low Duration Opportunities ETF (f)			1,352,400
36,932	First Trust Preferred Securities and Income ETF (f).....			636,338
127,877	First Trust Senior Loan ETF (f).....			5,639,376
87,791	First Trust Tactical High Yield ETF (f).....			3,437,018
14,467	iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF			731,307
12,900	iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF			1,319,670
17,261	iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF.....			1,899,228
Total Exchange-Traded Funds				16,952,318
(Cost \$18,792,812)				
Total Investments – 98.0%				36,097,644
(Cost \$36,472,852)				
Net Other Assets and Liabilities – 2.0%				724,325
Net Assets – 100.0%				\$ 36,821,969

- (a) This security is taxed as a “C” corporation for federal income tax purposes.
- (b) Security whose principal value is adjusted in accordance with changes to the country’s Consumer Price Index. Interest is calculated on the basis of the current adjusted principal value.
- (c) Inverse floating rate security.
- (d) Floating or variable rate security.
- (e) Collateral Strip Rate security. Coupon is based on the weighted net interest rate of the investment’s underlying collateral. The interest rate resets periodically.
- (f) Investment in an affiliated fund.

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ADR American Depository Receipt

CAD Canadian Dollar

IO Interest-Only Security - Principal amount shown represents par value on which interest payments are based.

LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate

Valuation Inputs

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022 is as follows (see Note 2A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Financial Statements):

	Total Value at 6/30/2022	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2 Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs
Common Stocks*	\$ 9,295,852	\$ 9,295,852	\$ —	\$ —
Real Estate Investment Trusts*	4,313,314	4,313,314	—	—
Master Limited Partnerships*	2,487,973	2,487,973	—	—
U.S. Government Bonds and Notes	2,631,013	—	2,631,013	—
U.S. Government Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities	409,275	—	409,275	—
Mortgage-Backed Securities	7,899	—	7,899	—
Exchange-Traded Funds	16,952,318	16,952,318	—	—
Total Investments	<u>\$ 36,097,644</u>	<u>\$ 33,049,457</u>	<u>\$ 3,048,187</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

* See Portfolio of Investments for industry breakout.

First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio
Portfolio of Investments
June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS – 97.8%		
Capital Markets – 97.8%		
5,718	First Trust Chindia ETF (a)	\$ 232,494
12,096	First Trust Developed Markets ex-US AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	579,277
10,308	First Trust Dow Jones Global Select Dividend Index Fund (a)	224,096
29,220	First Trust Emerging Markets AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	623,350
302,756	First Trust Energy AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	4,468,679
6,041	First Trust India NIFTY 50 Equal Weight ETF (a)	249,010
88,358	First Trust Industrials/Producer Durables AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	4,252,671
12,651	First Trust Latin America AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	206,464
67,564	First Trust Materials AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	3,818,717
51,496	First Trust Mid Cap Core AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	4,308,155
113,694	First Trust Mid Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	4,627,346
167,956	First Trust Nasdaq Food & Beverage ETF (a)	4,308,071
295,424	First Trust Nasdaq Oil & Gas ETF (a)	6,918,830
97,799	First Trust Small Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	4,306,198
6,946	First Trust United Kingdom AlphaDEX® Fund (a)	219,285
31,472	iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	3,200,073
45,995	SPDR Blackstone Senior Loan ETF	1,915,232
61,052	SPDR Bloomberg Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF	1,838,276
55,840	SPDR Portfolio Short Term Corporate Bond ETF	1,660,123
65,807	SPDR Portfolio TIPS ETF	1,811,009
Total Investments – 97.8%		49,767,356
(Cost \$53,920,275)		
Net Other Assets and Liabilities – 2.2%		1,111,971
Net Assets – 100.0%		<u><u>\$ 50,879,327</u></u>

(a) Investment in an affiliated fund.

Valuation Inputs

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022 is as follows (see Note 2A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Financial Statements):

	Total Value at 6/30/2022	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2 Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs
Exchange-Traded Funds*	\$ 49,767,356	\$ 49,767,356	\$ —	\$ —

* See Portfolio of Investments for industry breakout.

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value	Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS – 98.6%					
	Aerospace & Defense – 4.0%			Health Care Equipment & Supplies – 4.0%	
5,716	General Dynamics Corp.	\$ 1,264,665	11,839	Abbott Laboratories	\$ 1,286,307
2,979	Lockheed Martin Corp.	1,280,851	18,254	Hologic, Inc. (a)	1,265,002
		<u>2,545,516</u>			<u>2,551,309</u>
	Air Freight & Logistics – 2.2%			Health Care Providers & Services – 7.9%	
14,410	Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	1,404,398	8,643	AmerisourceBergen Corp.	1,222,812
			2,670	Elevance Health, Inc.	1,288,489
	Beverages – 4.2%		5,179	Laboratory Corp of America Holdings	1,213,750
21,429	Coca-Cola (The) Co.	1,348,099	2,605	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	1,338,006
8,105	PepsiCo, Inc.	1,350,779			<u>5,063,057</u>
		<u>2,698,878</u>			
	Biotechnology – 10.1%			Household Products – 2.0%	
8,584	AbbVie, Inc.	1,314,725	8,787	Procter & Gamble (The) Co.	1,263,483
5,485	Amgen, Inc.	1,334,501			
17,046	Incyte Corp. (a)	1,294,985		Industrial Conglomerates – 3.8%	
1,901	Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (a)	1,123,738	9,454	3M Co.	1,223,442
4,838	Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (a)	1,363,300	7,138	Honeywell International, Inc.	1,240,656
		<u>6,431,249</u>			<u>2,464,098</u>
	Capital Markets – 7.2%				
11,189	Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.	1,052,213		Insurance – 12.3%	
4,243	Moody's Corp.	1,153,969	9,871	Allstate (The) Corp.	1,250,952
7,804	Nasdaq, Inc.	1,190,422	28,447	Arch Capital Group Ltd. (a)	1,294,054
3,595	S&P Global, Inc.	1,211,731	945	Markel Corp. (a)	1,222,121
		<u>4,608,335</u>	8,208	Marsh & McLennan Cos., Inc.	1,274,292
			12,428	Progressive (The) Corp.	1,445,003
	Chemicals – 2.1%		20,580	W.R. Berkley Corp.	1,404,791
5,645	Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.	1,357,510			<u>7,891,213</u>
	Communications Equipment – 1.8%				
27,229	Cisco Systems, Inc.	1,161,044		IT Services – 5.5%	
			6,079	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	1,276,833
	Diversified Financial Services – 1.7%		16,442	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp., Class A	1,109,671
4,046	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B (a)	1,104,639	10,193	Paychex, Inc.	1,160,677
		<u>3,547,181</u>			
	Electrical Equipment – 1.9%				
15,005	Emerson Electric Co.	1,193,498		Life Sciences Tools & Services – 2.1%	
			2,449	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	1,330,493
	Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 2.0%				
19,797	Amphenol Corp., Class A	1,274,531		Machinery – 4.2%	
			7,099	Illinois Tool Works, Inc.	1,293,793
	Food & Staples Retailing – 3.5%		16,645	PACCAR, Inc.	1,370,549
2,360	Costco Wholesale Corp.	1,131,101			<u>2,664,342</u>
8,870	Walmart, Inc.	1,078,414			
		<u>2,209,515</u>			
	Food Products – 2.1%				
21,866	Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	1,357,660		Pharmaceuticals – 8.6%	
			17,976	Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	1,384,152
			7,745	Johnson & Johnson	1,374,815
			16,032	Merck & Co., Inc.	1,461,637
			7,439	Zoetis, Inc.	1,278,690
					<u>5,499,294</u>
	Road & Rail – 3.7%				
39,741	CSX Corp.	1,154,873			

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio**Portfolio of Investments (Continued)**

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Road & Rail (Continued)		
5,659	Union Pacific Corp.	<u>\$ 1,206,952</u> <u>2,361,825</u>
Tobacco – 1.7%		
25,342	Altria Group, Inc.	<u>1,058,535</u>
Total Investments – 98.6%		
(Cost \$67,443,519)		
Net Other Assets and Liabilities – 1.4%		
Net Assets – 100.0%		
		<u>924,787</u> <u>\$ 63,966,390</u>

(a) Non-income producing security.

Valuation Inputs

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022 is as follows (see Note 2A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Financial Statements):

	Total Value at 6/30/2022	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2	Level 3
			Significant Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs
Common Stocks*	\$ 63,041,603	\$ 63,041,603	\$ —	\$ —

* See Portfolio of Investments for industry breakout.

First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value	Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS – 95.8%					
	Aerospace & Defense – 2.3%			Food Products (Continued)	
10,275	BAE Systems PLC	\$ 103,839	778	Nestle S.A.	\$ 90,819
	Banks – 3.9%				276,258
907	Bank of Montreal	87,219			
1,382	Toronto-Dominion Bank (The)	90,627		Health Care Providers & Services – 1.9%	
		177,846	3,896	Sonic Healthcare Ltd.	88,771
	Beverages – 3.9%			Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure – 2.1%	
1,984	Diageo PLC	85,266	4,175	Aristocrat Leisure Ltd.	99,076
1,062	Heineken N.V.	96,824			
		182,090		Insurance – 6.0%	
522	CSL Ltd.	96,945	712	Intact Financial Corp.	100,428
	Biotechnology – 2.1%		2,112	Sampo Oyj, Class A	91,895
			1,885	Sun Life Financial, Inc.	86,371
	Building Products – 1.8%				278,694
172	Geberit AG	82,662			
	Capital Markets – 3.9%		1,281	CGI, Inc. (a)	102,046
568	Deutsche Boerse AG	95,000	700	Obic Co., Ltd.	99,005
5,900	Japan Exchange Group, Inc.	85,143			201,051
		180,143		Machinery – 4.1%	
306	Sika AG	70,526	2,055	Kone Oyj, Class B	97,685
	Chemicals – 1.5%		500	Schindler Holding AG	91,185
					188,870
14,872	Rentokil Initial PLC	85,920		Metals & Mining – 1.8%	
	Commercial Services & Supplies – 1.9%		2,961	BHP Group Ltd.	84,308
				Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 1.8%	
4,908	Skanska AB, Class B	75,229	1,564	Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	84,044
	Construction & Engineering – 1.6%				
4,710	Investor AB, Class B	77,434		Personal Products – 4.2%	
	Diversified Financial Services – 1.7%		265	L'Oreal S.A.	91,449
3,290	ABB Ltd.	87,743	2,293	Unilever PLC	103,863
1,168	Legrand S.A.	86,243			195,312
		173,986		Pharmaceuticals – 9.6%	
1,700	Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	92,668	3,000	Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	76,725
	Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 2.0%		4,436	GSK PLC	95,341
			1,106	Novartis AG	93,668
	Entertainment – 1.9%		878	Novo Nordisk A.S., Class B	97,380
200	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	86,498	247	Roche Holding AG	82,420
					445,534
	Food & Staples Retailing – 1.9%			Professional Services – 10.1%	
2,301	Alimentation Couche-Tard, Inc.	89,756	3,778	Bureau Veritas S.A.	96,802
	Food Products – 6.0%		38	SGS S.A.	86,974
43	Barry Callebaut AG	95,941	285	Teleperformance	87,599
935	Kerry Group PLC, Class A	89,498	967	Thomson Reuters Corp.	100,809
			965	Wolters Kluwer N.V.	93,603
					465,787
	Road & Rail – 2.0%		809	Canadian National Railway Co.	91,000

First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio

Portfolio of Investments (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description	Value
COMMON STOCKS (Continued)		
Software – 3.9%		
60	Constellation Software, Inc.	\$ 89,071
990	SAP SE	<u>90,187</u>
		179,258
Trading Companies & Distributors – 3.7%		
2,566	Bunzl PLC	84,930
785	Ferguson PLC	<u>87,799</u>
		172,729
	Total Common Stocks	4,426,234
(Cost \$5,044,962)		
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – 1.6%		
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts – 1.6%		
6,108	Goodman Group	75,214
	(Cost \$98,950)	
	Total Investments – 97.4%	4,501,448
(Cost \$5,143,912)		
Net Other Assets and Liabilities – 2.6%		
		121,193
	Net Assets – 100.0%	\$ 4,622,641

(a) Non-income producing security.

Country Allocation†	% of Net Assets
Canada	19.9%
Switzerland	16.9
United Kingdom	12.1
Australia	9.6
Japan	9.5
France	7.9
Netherlands	4.1
Finland	4.1
Germany	4.0
Sweden	3.3
Denmark	2.1
Ireland	2.0
Jersey	1.9
Total Investments	97.4
Net Other Assets and Liabilities	<u>2.6</u>
Total	<u>100.0%</u>

† Portfolio securities are categorized based upon their country of incorporation.

Valuation Inputs

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022 is as follows (see Note 2A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Financial Statements):

	Total Value at 6/30/2022	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2 Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs
Common Stocks*	\$ 4,426,234	\$ 4,426,234	\$ —	\$ —
Real Estate Investment Trusts*	75,214	75,214	—	—
Total Investments	<u>\$ 4,501,448</u>	<u>\$ 4,501,448</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

* See Portfolio of Investments for industry breakout.

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First Trust Variable Insurance Trust

Statements of Assets and Liabilities

June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

	First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio	First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio	First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio
ASSETS:			
Investments, at value - Unaffiliated.....	\$ 896,332,130	\$ 23,095,531	\$ 10,424,713
Investments, at value - Affiliated.....	—	13,002,113	39,342,643
Total investments, at value	896,332,130	36,097,644	49,767,356
Cash.....	8,567,371	782,439	1,192,384
Foreign currency	—	1,705	—
Receivables:			
Interest	3,038,901	7,755	—
Investment securities sold	1,723,240	—	—
Dividends	667,321	25,210	—
Fund shares sold	43,364	39	—
Dividend reclaims	—	815	—
From investment advisor	—	11,309	9,063
Prepaid expenses	2,544	115	162
Total Assets	910,374,871	36,927,031	50,968,965
LIABILITIES:			
Payables:			
Investment securities purchased	5,782,819	—	—
Investment advisory fees	389,292	—	—
Fund shares redeemed	291,160	16,643	10,439
12b-1 distribution and service fees	187,327	7,702	10,934
Shareholder reporting fees.....	154,020	11,476	8,969
Administrative service fees.....	150,112	6,189	8,870
Variation margin.....	148,437	—	—
Licensing fees	83,327	—	13,791
Administrative fees.....	67,784	3,929	8,533
Audit and tax fees.....	23,604	39,336	19,723
Transfer agent fees	17,499	7,543	2,292
Custodian fees.....	11,423	13,075	4,392
Financial reporting fees.....	771	771	732
Trustees' fees and expenses	(446)	(469)	(470)
Legal fees	(12,492)	(1,371)	1,005
Other liabilities.....	511	238	428
Total Liabilities.....	7,295,148	105,062	89,638
NET ASSETS	\$ 903,079,723	\$ 36,821,969	\$ 50,879,327
NET ASSETS consist of:			
Paid-in capital	\$ 923,542,895	\$ 36,170,966	\$ 53,533,444
Accumulated distributable earnings (loss)	(20,463,172)	651,003	(2,654,117)
NET ASSETS	\$ 903,079,723	\$ 36,821,969	\$ 50,879,327
Investments, at cost - Unaffiliated.....	\$ 944,845,433	\$ 21,968,514	\$ 11,421,258
Investments, at cost - Affiliated	\$ —	\$ 14,504,338	\$ 42,499,017
Total Investments, at cost.....	\$ 944,845,433	\$ 36,472,852	\$ 53,920,275
Foreign currency, at cost	\$ —	\$ 1,708	\$ —
Class I Shares:			
NET ASSETS	\$ 901,571,420	\$ 36,662,116	\$ 50,216,235
NET ASSET VALUE, per share	\$ 12.19	\$ 11.01	\$ 10.79
Number of Shares outstanding.....	73,984,787	3,328,651	4,655,520
Class II Shares:			
NET ASSETS	\$ 1,508,303	\$ 159,853	\$ 663,092
NET ASSET VALUE, per share	\$ 12.22	\$ 11.01	\$ 10.70
Number of Shares outstanding.....	123,441	14,514	61,956

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio	First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio
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\$ 63,041,603	\$ 4,501,448
—	—
63,041,603	4,501,448
1,196,367	123,508
—	1,509
—	—
115,744	4,747
9,414	6
—	3,538
—	18,811
140	10
<u>64,363,268</u>	<u>4,653,577</u>

13,234	—
12,300	—
312,675	859
12,796	769
1,152	1,076
10,428	765
—	—
9,167	653
2,638	5,319
10,978	12,367
7,617	7,329
2,484	710
771	771
63	68
336	57
239	193
<u>396,878</u>	<u>30,936</u>
<u>\$ 63,966,390</u>	<u>\$ 4,622,641</u>

\$ 69,321,785	\$ 5,362,741
(5,355,395)	(740,100)
<u>\$ 63,966,390</u>	<u>\$ 4,622,641</u>
\$ 67,443,519	\$ 5,143,912
\$ —	\$ —
<u>\$ 67,443,519</u>	<u>\$ 5,143,912</u>
<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 1,525</u>
\$ 62,826,023	\$ 3,705,052
\$ 11.88	\$ 10.49
<u>5,288,074</u>	<u>353,300</u>
<u>\$ 1,140,367</u>	<u>\$ 917,589</u>
<u>\$ 11.89</u>	<u>\$ 10.49</u>
<u>95,948</u>	<u>87,464</u>

First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Statements of Operations
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

	First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio	First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio	First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio
INVESTMENT INCOME:			
Interest	\$ 5,961,837	\$ 114,971	\$ 808
Dividends - Unaffiliated	5,851,058	266,993	215,745
Dividends - Affiliated	—	319,276	324,801
Foreign withholding tax on dividend income	(5,465)	(3,491)	—
Total investment income.....	<u>11,807,430</u>	<u>697,749</u>	<u>541,354</u>
EXPENSES:			
Investment advisory fees	2,919,041	116,653	102,596
12b-1 distribution and/or service fees:			
Class I.....	1,214,254	48,393	72,300
Administrative service fees	973,000	38,757	58,553
Administrative fees.....	271,334	9,984	26,041
Licensing fees	214,500	—	29,313
Shareholder reporting fees.....	53,916	11,879	9,186
Custodian fees.....	47,673	26,110	6,479
Transfer agent fees	45,706	26,112	28,260
Legal fees	41,470	2,162	3,784
Expenses previously waived or reimbursed.....	40,142	—	—
Commitment fees.....	35,333	16,499	—
Audit and tax fees.....	18,386	30,664	14,936
Trustees' fees and expenses.....	9,022	8,743	8,739
Financial reporting fees.....	4,625	4,625	4,587
Other	8,711	2,520	900
Total expenses.....	<u>5,897,113</u>	<u>343,101</u>	<u>365,674</u>
Fees waived and expenses reimbursed by the investment advisor	<u>(61,045)</u>	<u>(181,946)</u>	<u>(138,431)</u>
Net expenses	<u>5,836,068</u>	<u>161,155</u>	<u>227,243</u>
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS):	<u>5,971,362</u>	<u>536,594</u>	<u>314,111</u>
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS):			
Net realized gain (loss) on:			
Investments - Unaffiliated	23,561,290	1,098,714	(791,771)
Investments - Affiliated.....	—	55,333	2,136,367
Foreign currency transactions.....	—	(74)	—
Futures contracts	3,658,282	—	—
Net realized gain (loss).....	<u>27,219,572</u>	<u>1,153,973</u>	<u>1,344,596</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:			
Investments - Unaffiliated	(193,497,682)	(3,843,184)	(789,963)
Investments - Affiliated.....	—	(1,752,631)	(11,009,482)
Foreign currency translation.....	—	(59)	—
Futures contracts	250,814	—	—
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	<u>(193,246,868)</u>	<u>(5,595,874)</u>	<u>(11,799,445)</u>
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS):	<u>(166,027,296)</u>	<u>(4,441,901)</u>	<u>(10,454,849)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ (160,055,934)</u>	<u>\$ (3,905,307)</u>	<u>\$ (10,140,738)</u>

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio	First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio
\$ 536,753	\$ 75,988
—	—
—	(11,925)
<u>536,771</u>	<u>64,083</u>
152,757	12,734
74,874	4,168
60,960	2,790
21,039	20,758
9,166	5,637
9,247	9,180
5,420	4,491
26,569	25,543
3,864	304
—	—
—	—
18,884	20,557
9,238	9,228
4,625	4,625
1,845	1,613
<u>398,488</u>	<u>121,628</u>
<u>(63,928)</u>	<u>(97,298)</u>
<u>334,560</u>	<u>24,330</u>
<u>202,211</u>	<u>39,753</u>
(1,006,774)	(67,654)
—	—
—	(417)
<u>(1,006,774)</u>	<u>(68,071)</u>
(10,454,767)	(998,985)
—	—
—	(191)
<u>(10,454,767)</u>	<u>(999,176)</u>
<u>(11,461,541)</u>	<u>(1,067,247)</u>
<u><u>\$11,259,330</u></u>	<u><u>\$(1,027,494)</u></u>

First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio		First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio	
	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021
OPERATIONS:				
Net investment income (loss)	\$ 5,971,362	\$ 10,294,681	\$ 536,594	\$ 791,951
Net realized gain (loss)	27,219,572	118,247,642	1,153,973	1,454,649
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation).....	(193,246,868)	(8,969,992)	(5,595,874)	1,985,048
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations.....	(160,055,934)	119,572,331	(3,905,307)	4,231,648
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:				
Class I Shares.....	(123,584,181)	(17,747,847)	(1,210,067)	(829,833)
Class II Shares.....	(207,680)	(30,791)	(5,453)	(3,905)
Total distributions to shareholders from investment operations.....	(123,791,861)	(17,778,638)	(1,215,520)	(833,738)
CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS:				
Proceeds from shares sold	28,102,177	51,602,753	2,945,175	7,333,516
Proceeds from shares reinvested	123,791,861	17,778,638	1,215,520	833,738
Cost of shares redeemed	(46,881,575)	(91,423,655)	(2,637,294)	(3,606,134)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from capital transactions	105,012,463	(22,042,264)	1,523,401	4,561,120
Total increase (decrease) in net assets.....	(178,835,332)	79,751,429	(3,597,426)	7,959,030
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of period.....	1,081,915,055	1,002,163,626	40,419,395	32,460,365
End of period	\$ 903,079,723	\$ 1,081,915,055	\$ 36,821,969	\$ 40,419,395

First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio		First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio		First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio	
Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021
\$ 314,111	\$ 250,807	\$ 202,211	\$ 227,505	\$ 39,753	\$ 30,978
1,344,596	7,561,460	(1,006,774)	2,814,452	(68,071)	357,755
(11,799,445)	(493,895)	(10,454,767)	5,314,204	(999,176)	89,271
<u>(10,140,738)</u>	<u>7,318,372</u>	<u>(11,259,330)</u>	<u>8,356,161</u>	<u>(1,027,494)</u>	<u>478,004</u>
(7,544,629)	(2,030,687)	(274,096)	(2,838,606)	(44,921)	(303,060)
(101,352)	(10,083)	(6,354)	(66,846)	(12,173)	(106,977)
<u>(7,645,981)</u>	<u>(2,040,770)</u>	<u>(280,450)</u>	<u>(2,905,452)</u>	<u>(57,094)</u>	<u>(410,037)</u>
2,828,342	20,250,393	17,978,539	41,837,961	1,862,194	2,214,540
7,645,981	2,040,770	280,450	2,905,452	57,094	410,037
(10,611,354)	(8,631,517)	(3,155,149)	(5,252,127)	(271,674)	(571,162)
<u>(137,031)</u>	<u>13,659,646</u>	<u>15,103,840</u>	<u>39,491,286</u>	<u>1,647,614</u>	<u>2,053,415</u>
(17,923,750)	18,937,248	3,564,060	44,941,995	563,026	2,121,382
68,803,077	49,865,829	60,402,330	15,460,335	4,059,615	1,938,233
<u>\$ 50,879,327</u>	<u>\$ 68,803,077</u>	<u>\$ 63,966,390</u>	<u>\$ 60,402,330</u>	<u>\$ 4,622,641</u>	<u>\$ 4,059,615</u>

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Financial Highlights

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class I Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 16.63	\$ 15.07	\$ 14.68	\$ 12.82	\$ 13.73	\$ 12.85
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.09	0.16 (a)	0.21 (a)	0.23	0.21	0.18
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)....	(2.59)	1.67	0.85	2.39	(0.88)	1.54
Total from investment operations.....	(2.50)	1.83	1.06	2.62	(0.67)	1.72
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.09)	(0.15)	(0.21)	(0.22)	(0.21)	(0.18)
Net realized gain.....	(1.85)	(0.12)	(0.46)	(0.54)	(0.03)	(0.66)
Total distributions.....	(1.94)	(0.27)	(0.67)	(0.76)	(0.24)	(0.84)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 12.19	\$ 16.63	\$ 15.07	\$ 14.68	\$ 12.82	\$ 13.73
Total return (b) (c).....	(14.92)%	12.25%	7.81%	20.77%	(4.92)%	13.47%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 901,571	\$ 1,080,143	\$ 1,000,640	\$ 961,210	\$ 767,616	\$ 737,320
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	1.21%(d)	1.19%	1.21%	1.21%	1.22%	1.23%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	1.20%(d)	1.19%	1.20%	1.20%	1.20%	1.20%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	1.23%(d)	0.99%	1.49%	1.65%	1.56%	1.35%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	49%	120%	105%	89%	76%	71%

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- (d) Annualized.

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio

Financial Highlights (Continued)

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class II Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 16.67	\$ 15.11	\$ 14.71	\$ 12.85	\$ 13.75	\$ 12.87
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.12	0.20 (a)	0.24 (a)	0.28 (a)	0.25 (a)	0.14
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(2.62)	1.67	0.86	2.38	(0.88)	1.61
Total from investment operations.....	(2.50)	1.87	1.10	2.66	(0.63)	1.75
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.10)	(0.19)	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.24)	(0.21)
Net realized gain.....	(1.85)	(0.12)	(0.46)	(0.54)	(0.03)	(0.66)
Total distributions.....	(1.95)	(0.31)	(0.70)	(0.80)	(0.27)	(0.87)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 12.22	\$ 16.67	\$ 15.11	\$ 14.71	\$ 12.85	\$ 13.75
Total return (b) (c).....	(14.84)%	12.50%	8.13%	21.02%	(4.60)%	13.75%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 1,508	\$ 1,772	\$ 1,524	\$ 1,318	\$ 44	\$ 202
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	0.96%(d)	0.94%	0.96%	0.97%	0.97%	1.00%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	0.95%(d)	0.94%	0.95%	0.95%	0.95%	0.95%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	1.48%(d)	1.24%	1.74%	2.00%	1.79%	1.88%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	49%	120%	105%	89%	76%	71%

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First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio
Financial Highlights (Continued)
For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class I Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 12.60	\$ 11.44	\$ 11.55	\$ 10.17	\$ 10.89	\$ 10.54
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.17	0.27 (a)	0.22	0.26	0.23	0.24
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(1.38)	1.17	0.05	1.40	(0.71)	0.39
Total from investment operations.....	(1.21)	1.44	0.27	1.66	(0.48)	0.63
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.21)	(0.28)	(0.24)	(0.27)	(0.24)	(0.25)
Net realized gain.....	(0.17)	—	(0.14)	(0.01)	—	(0.03)
Total distributions.....	(0.38)	(0.28)	(0.38)	(0.28)	(0.24)	(0.28)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 11.01	\$ 12.60	\$ 11.44	\$ 11.55	\$ 10.17	\$ 10.89
Total return (b) (c).....	(9.62)%	12.69%	2.49%	16.38%	(4.44)%	6.04%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 36,662	\$ 40,243	\$ 32,345	\$ 31,012	\$ 24,451	\$ 20,083
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets (d)....	1.77% (e)	1.81%	1.77%	1.80%	2.09%	2.17%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (d)....	0.83% (e)	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	2.76% (e)	2.22%	2.04%	2.42%	2.29%	2.24%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	25%	36%	49%	30%	40%	46%

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- (e) Annualized.

First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio
Financial Highlights (Continued)
For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class II Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 12.60	\$ 11.43	\$ 11.54	\$ 10.17	\$ 10.88	\$ 10.54
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.18	0.30 (a)	0.24 (a)	0.30	0.26	0.27
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(1.38)	1.18	0.05	1.38	(0.70)	0.38
Total from investment operations.....	(1.20)	1.48	0.29	1.68	(0.44)	0.65
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.22)	(0.31)	(0.26)	(0.30)	(0.27)	(0.28)
Net realized gain.....	(0.17)	—	(0.14)	(0.01)	—	(0.03)
Total distributions.....	(0.39)	(0.31)	(0.40)	(0.31)	(0.27)	(0.31)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 11.01	\$ 12.60	\$ 11.43	\$ 11.54	\$ 10.17	\$ 10.88
Total return (b) (c).....	(9.52)%	13.07%	2.74%	16.57%	(4.11)%	6.22%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 160	\$ 177	\$ 115	\$ 150	\$ 142	\$ 159
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets (d).....	1.52% (e)	1.56%	1.49%	1.56%	1.83%	1.92%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (d).....	0.58% (e)	0.58%	0.58%	0.58%	0.58%	0.58%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	3.01% (e)	2.50%	2.25%	2.66%	2.49%	2.49%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	25%	36%	49%	30%	40%	46%

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- (e) Annualized.

First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio

Financial Highlights (Continued)

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class I Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 15.10	\$ 13.68	\$ 12.37	\$ 10.45	\$ 11.41	\$ 9.85
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.04	0.06
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(2.47)	1.83	1.31	2.10	(0.95)	1.66
Total from investment operations.....	(2.40)	1.89	1.37	2.18	(0.91)	1.72
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.03)	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.08)	(0.03)	(0.06)
Net realized gain.....	(1.88)	(0.41)	—	(0.18)	(0.02)	(0.10)
Total distributions.....	(1.91)	(0.47)	(0.06)	(0.26)	(0.05)	(0.16)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 10.79	\$ 15.10	\$ 13.68	\$ 12.37	\$ 10.45	\$ 11.41
Total return (a) (b).....	(15.90)%	13.87%	11.09%	20.87%	(8.00)%	17.50%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 50,216	\$ 67,914	\$ 49,762	\$ 50,843	\$ 38,277	\$ 22,477
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets (c)....	1.21% (d)	1.16%	1.35%	1.23%	1.40%	1.85%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (c)....	0.78% (d)	0.72%	0.83%	0.77%	0.74%	0.75%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	1.07% (d)	0.39%	0.48%	0.62%	0.48%	0.76%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	59%	78%	284%	34%	70%	31%

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- (d) Annualized.

First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio

Financial Highlights (Continued)

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended December 31,				
		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class II Shares						
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 15.00	\$ 13.63	\$ 12.37	\$ 10.44	\$ 11.40	\$ 9.83
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income (loss).....	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.07	0.10
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(2.46)	1.79	1.26	2.12	(0.95)	1.66
Total from investment operations.....	(2.37)	1.87	1.35	2.22	(0.88)	1.76
Distributions paid to shareholders from:						
Net investment income.....	(0.05)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.11)	(0.06)	(0.09)
Net realized gain.....	(1.88)	(0.41)	—	(0.18)	(0.02)	(0.10)
Total distributions.....	(1.93)	(0.50)	(0.09)	(0.29)	(0.08)	(0.19)
Net asset value, end of period.....	\$ 10.70	\$ 15.00	\$ 13.63	\$ 12.37	\$ 10.44	\$ 11.40
Total return (a) (b).....	(15.84)%	13.84%	10.96%	21.29%	(7.77)%	17.94%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 663	\$ 889	\$ 104	\$ 109	\$ 84	\$ 59
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets (c).....	4.26% (d)	6.52%	34.33%	26.37%	32.62%	46.41%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets (c).....	0.53% (d)	0.47%	0.57%	0.52%	0.49%	0.50%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets.....	1.30% (d)	0.97%	0.72%	0.87%	0.73%	0.93%
Portfolio turnover rate.....	59%	78%	284%	34%	70%	31%

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First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio
Financial Highlights (Continued)
For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended <u>6/30/2022</u> (Unaudited)	Year Ended <u>12/31/2021</u>	Period Ended <u>12/31/2020</u> (a)
Class I Shares			
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 14.33	\$ 12.06	\$ 10.00
Income from investment operations:			
Net investment income (loss).....	0.04	0.07	0.02
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	<u>(2.44)</u>	<u>2.95</u>	<u>2.39</u>
Total from investment operations.....	<u>(2.40)</u>	<u>3.02</u>	<u>2.41</u>
Distributions paid to shareholders from:			
Net investment income.....	(0.02)	(0.07)	(0.02)
Net realized gain.....	<u>(0.03)</u>	<u>(0.68)</u>	<u>(0.33)</u>
Total distributions.....	<u>(0.05)</u>	<u>(0.75)</u>	<u>(0.35)</u>
Net asset value, end of period.....	<u>\$ 11.88</u>	<u>\$ 14.33</u>	<u>\$ 12.06</u>
Total return (b) (c).....	(16.72)%	25.29%	24.17%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:			
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 62,826	\$ 59,093	\$ 14,831
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	1.31% (d)	1.52%	4.37% (d)
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	1.10% (d)	1.10%	1.10% (d)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets... ..	0.66% (d)	0.65%	0.60% (d)
Portfolio turnover rate.....	76%	115%	79%

- (a) The Fund's shares were seeded on April 30, 2020, and commenced operations on May 1, 2020.
- (b) Total return is based on the combination of reinvested dividends, capital gain and return of capital distributions, if any. Total return is not annualized for periods of less than one year. The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns above.
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- (d) Annualized.

First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio
Financial Highlights (Continued)
For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021	Period Ended 12/31/2020 (a)
Class II Shares			
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 14.33	\$ 12.06	\$ 10.00
Income from investment operations:			
Net investment income (loss).....	0.06	0.10	0.04
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(2.43)	2.95	2.39
Total from investment operations.....	<u>(2.37)</u>	<u>3.05</u>	<u>2.43</u>
Distributions paid to shareholders from:			
Net investment income.....	(0.04)	(0.10)	(0.04)
Net realized gain.....	(0.03)	(0.68)	(0.33)
Total distributions.....	<u>(0.07)</u>	<u>(0.78)</u>	<u>(0.37)</u>
Net asset value, end of period.....	<u>\$ 11.89</u>	<u>\$ 14.33</u>	<u>\$ 12.06</u>
Total return (b) (c).....	(16.56)%	25.60%	24.33%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:			
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 1,140	\$ 1,309	\$ 629
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	1.06% (d)	1.33%	6.90% (d)
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	0.85% (d)	0.85%	0.85% (d)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets... ..	0.89% (d)	0.91%	0.84% (d)
Portfolio turnover rate.....	76%	115%	79%

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- (d) Annualized.

First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio

Financial Highlights (Continued)

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

	Six Months Ended <u>6/30/2022</u> (Unaudited)	Year Ended <u>12/31/2021</u>	Period Ended <u>12/31/2020</u> (a)
Class I Shares			
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	<u>\$ 13.50</u>	<u>\$ 12.68</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Income from investment operations:			
Net investment income (loss).....	0.09	0.16	0.01
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	<u>(2.97)</u>	<u>2.22</u>	<u>3.57</u>
Total from investment operations.....	<u>(2.88)</u>	<u>2.38</u>	<u>3.58</u>
Distributions paid to shareholders from:			
Net investment income.....	(0.09)	(0.25)	(0.06)
Net realized gain.....	<u>(0.04)</u>	<u>(1.31)</u>	<u>(0.84)</u>
Total distributions.....	<u>(0.13)</u>	<u>(1.56)</u>	<u>(0.90)</u>
Net asset value, end of period.....	<u>\$ 10.49</u>	<u>\$ 13.50</u>	<u>\$ 12.68</u>
Total return (b) (c).....	(21.33)%	19.24%	36.03%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:			
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 3,705	\$ 3,059	\$ 1,199
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	5.78% (d)	7.59%	20.98% (d)
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	1.20% (d)	1.20%	1.20% (d)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets... ..	1.85% (d)	0.89%	0.14% (d)
Portfolio turnover rate.....	37%	83%	52%

- (a) The Fund's shares were seeded on April 30, 2020, and commenced operations on May 1, 2020.
- (b) Total return is based on the combination of reinvested dividends, capital gain and return of capital distributions, if any. Total return is not annualized for periods of less than one year. The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns above.
- (c) Total returns would have been lower if certain fees had not been waived and expenses reimbursed by the investment advisor.
- (d) Annualized.

First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio

Financial Highlights (Continued)

For a Share outstanding throughout each period

Class II Shares	Six Months Ended 6/30/2022 (Unaudited)	Year Ended 12/31/2021	Period Ended 12/31/2020 (a)
Net asset value, beginning of period.....	\$ 13.50	\$ 12.69	\$ 10.00
Income from investment operations:			
Net investment income (loss).....	0.10	0.21	0.03
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss).....	(2.97)	2.19	3.58
Total from investment operations.....	<u>(2.87)</u>	<u>2.40</u>	<u>3.61</u>
Distributions paid to shareholders from:			
Net investment income.....	(0.10)	(0.25)	(0.08)
Net realized gain.....	(0.04)	(1.34)	(0.84)
Total distributions.....	<u>(0.14)</u>	<u>(1.59)</u>	<u>(0.92)</u>
Net asset value, end of period.....	<u>\$ 10.49</u>	<u>\$ 13.50</u>	<u>\$ 12.69</u>
Total return (b) (c).....	(21.23)%	19.44%	36.31%
Ratios to average net assets/supplemental data:			
Net assets, end of period (in 000's).....	\$ 918	\$ 1,000	\$ 739
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets.....	5.53% (d)	8.07%	20.95% (d)
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets.....	0.95% (d)	0.95%	0.95% (d)
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets... ..	1.94% (d)	1.51%	0.37% (d)
Portfolio turnover rate.....	37%	83%	52%

- (a) The Fund's shares were seeded on April 30, 2020, and commenced operations on May 1, 2020.
- (b) Total return is based on the combination of reinvested dividends, capital gain and return of capital distributions, if any. Total return is not annualized for periods of less than one year. The returns for the Fund do not reflect the deduction of expenses associated with variable products, such as mortality and expense risk charges, separate account charges, and sales charges or the effect of taxes. These expenses would reduce the overall returns above.
- (c) Total returns would have been lower if certain fees had not been waived and expenses reimbursed by the investment advisor.
- (d) Annualized.

**First Trust Variable Insurance Trust
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First Trust Variable Insurance Trust (the “Trust”) is an open-end management investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust on December 14, 2011 and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). The Trust currently offers shares of five series (each a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”), First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio (“First Trust Dow Jones”), which commenced investment operations on May 1, 2012, First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio (“First Trust Multi Income”), which commenced investment operations on May 1, 2014, First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio (“First Trust Dorsey Wright”), which commenced investment operations on October 30, 2015, First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio (“First Trust Capital Strength”), which commenced operations on May 1, 2020, and First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio (“First Trust International”), which commenced operations on May 1, 2020. Each Fund’s shares are sold only to variable insurance accounts (each an “Account”) to fund the benefits of the variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts (each a “Contract” and collectively, the “Contracts”) issued by life insurance companies writing variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance contracts with which the Trust has a contract (each a “Participating Insurance Company”).

First Trust Dow Jones’ investment objective seeks to provide total return by allocating among dividend-paying stocks and investment grade bonds. First Trust Dow Jones seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions, approximately 40-60% of its net assets in equity securities and approximately 40-60% of its net assets in fixed-income securities at the time of purchase. Under normal market conditions, at the time of purchase at least 80% of the Fund’s net assets (including investment borrowings) will be invested in securities of issuers included in a Dow Jones index. The equity portion of the portfolio will be derived from a quantitative process that seeks to provide total return through investing generally in dividend-paying stocks included in the Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market IndexSM. First Trust Advisors L.P. (“First Trust” or the “Advisor”) reserves the right to over-weight, under-weight or exclude certain securities from the portfolio that would otherwise be selected pursuant to the quantitative process in certain instances.

First Trust Dow Jones’ fixed-income component seeks to provide income and preserve capital through investing in a diversified investment-grade debt portfolio. Investment-grade debt securities are those long-term debt securities rated “BBB-” or higher by Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC or Fitch Ratings, Inc. or “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc., and those short-term debt securities rated “A-3” or higher by Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC, “F3” or higher by Fitch Ratings, Inc. or “Prime 3” or higher by Moody’s Investor Service, Inc. at the time of purchase. Under normal market conditions, at the time of purchase approximately 80% of the net assets of the Fund allocated to corporate debt will be invested in investment-grade debt securities included in the Dow Jones Equal Weight U.S. Issued Corporate Bond IndexSM (the “Bond Index”) and other investment-grade debt securities of issuers whose securities are included in the Bond Index; and investment-grade debt securities of issuers included in the Dow Jones Composite AverageTM. The Fund may also invest in U.S. government and agency securities, including mortgage-backed securities. The Fund may, at certain times, also hold exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”) that invest in investment-grade corporate debt securities and U.S. government bonds in lieu of investing directly in such securities. The Fund may also invest in companies with various market capitalizations and when-issued, to-be-announced (“TBA”) and delayed delivery securities.

First Trust Multi Income’s primary investment objective is to maximize current income, with a secondary objective of capital appreciation. First Trust Multi Income seeks to achieve its objectives through diversified exposure to nine income generating asset classes: dividend paying stocks, preferred stocks, energy infrastructure companies and master limited partnerships (“MLPs”), real estate investment trusts (“REITs”), high yield or “junk” bonds, floating-rate loans, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed securities and Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (“TIPS”). The Fund is actively managed by First Trust and implementing the strategy involves multiple portfolio management teams.

The Advisor tactically adjusts allocation weights in a manner deemed to offer attractive levels of total return relative to the level of expected risk. The Advisor intends to adjust asset allocation weights quarterly but may do so more or less frequently depending upon market conditions. The maximum weight of any asset class, at the time of adjustment, is 20%. The minimum weight of any asset class, at the time of adjustment, is 5%.

First Trust Multi Income may, at certain times, invest in ETFs that generally provide exposure to the nine asset classes in lieu of investing directly in such asset classes. Certain of the ETFs may be advised by First Trust. As a result, First Trust will also earn advisory fees on the underlying ETFs.

In general, the U.S. dollar-denominated fixed-income securities in which First Trust Multi Income invests may be issued by U.S. and non-U.S. issuers, of any credit quality, including high yield securities. The high yield securities in which the Fund invests are rated below investment-grade at the time of purchase or unrated and deemed by the Advisor to be of comparable quality, commonly referred to as “junk” bonds. The Fund also invests in the equity securities of domestic and foreign issuers listed on a U.S. or foreign securities

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exchange and non-U.S. securities that are listed on a U.S. securities exchange in the form of American Depository Receipts (“ADRs”) and Global Depository Receipts (“GDRs”). The Fund may invest in equity securities issued by small, mid or large capitalization companies. The Fund may also invest in bank loans, covenant-lite loans, hybrid capital securities, senior loans and when-issued, TBA and delayed delivery securities.

First Trust Dorsey Wright’s investment objective seeks to provide total return. First Trust Dorsey Wright seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its net assets (including investment borrowings) in ETFs that comprise the Dorsey Wright Tactical Tilt Moderate Core Index. It is expected that a majority of the ETFs in which the Fund invests will be advised by First Trust.

First Trust Capital Strength seeks to provide capital appreciation. First Trust Capital Strength seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its net assets (including investment borrowings) in the common stocks and REITs that comprise The Capital Strength IndexSM which is developed, maintained and sponsored by Nasdaq, Inc.

First Trust International seeks to provide capital appreciation. First Trust International seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its net assets (including investment borrowings) in the common stocks that comprise The International Developed Capital Strength IndexSM which is developed, maintained and sponsored by Nasdaq, Inc.

Each Fund offers two classes of shares: Class I and Class II. Each class represents an interest in the same portfolio of investments but with a different combination of service (12b-1) fees, eligibility requirements and other features.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

The Funds are each considered an investment company and follow accounting and reporting guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946, “Financial Services-Investment Companies.” The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Funds in the preparation of the financial statements. The preparation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

A. Portfolio Valuation

The net asset value (“NAV”) for each class of shares in each Fund is determined daily as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, on each day the NYSE is open for trading. If the NYSE closes early on a valuation day, the NAV is determined as of that time. Domestic debt securities and foreign securities are priced using data reflecting the earlier closing of the principal markets for those securities. The NAV for each class is calculated by dividing the value of each Fund’s total assets attributable to such class (including accrued interest and dividends), less all liabilities attributable to such class (including accrued expenses, dividends declared but unpaid, and any borrowings of each Fund) by the total number of shares of the class outstanding. Differences in the NAV of each class of each Fund’s shares are generally expected to be due to the daily expense accruals of the specified service (12b-1) fees, if any, and transfer agency costs applicable to such class of shares and the resulting differential in the dividends that may be paid on each class of shares.

Each Fund’s investments are valued daily at market value or, in the absence of market value with respect to any portfolio securities, at fair value. Market value prices represent last sale or official closing prices from a national or foreign exchange (i.e., a regulated market) and are primarily obtained from third-party pricing services. Fair value prices represent any prices not considered market value prices and are either obtained from a third-party pricing service or are determined by the Advisor’s Pricing Committee, in accordance with valuation procedures adopted by the Trust’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”), and in accordance with provisions of the 1940 Act. Investments valued by the Advisor’s Pricing Committee, if any, are footnoted as such in the footnotes to the Portfolio of Investments. Each Fund’s investments are valued as follows:

Common stocks, preferred stocks, MLPs, ETFs, REITs and other equity securities listed on any national or foreign exchange (excluding The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq”) and the London Stock Exchange Alternative Investment Market (“AIM”)) are valued at the last sale price on the exchange on which they are principally traded or, for Nasdaq and AIM securities, the official closing price. Securities traded on more than one securities exchange are valued at the last sale price or official closing price, as applicable, at the close of the securities exchange representing the principal market for such securities.

Securities trading on foreign exchanges or over-the-counter markets that close prior to the NYSE close may be valued using a systematic fair valuation model provided by a third-party pricing service. If these foreign securities meet certain criteria in relation to the valuation model, their valuation is systematically adjusted to reflect the impact of movement in the U.S. market after the close of the foreign markets.

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Securities traded in an over-the-counter market are fair valued at the mean of their most recent bid and asked price, if available, and otherwise at their closing bid price.

Corporate bonds, corporate notes, U.S. government securities and other debt securities are fair valued on the basis of valuations provided by dealers who make markets in such securities or by a third-party pricing service approved by the Trust's Board, which may use the following valuation inputs when available:

- 1) benchmark yields;
- 2) reported trades;
- 3) broker/dealer quotes;
- 4) issuer spreads;
- 5) benchmark securities;
- 6) bids and offers; and
- 7) reference data including market research publications.

Exchange-traded futures contracts are valued at the closing price in the market where such contracts are principally traded. If no closing price is available, exchange-traded futures contracts are fair valued at the mean of their most recent bid and asked price, if available, and otherwise at their closing bid price.

Commercial paper, fixed income and other debt securities having a remaining maturity of sixty days or less when purchased are fair valued at cost adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts (amortized cost), provided the Advisor's Pricing Committee has determined that the use of amortized cost is an appropriate reflection of fair value given market and issuer-specific conditions existing at the time of the determination. Factors that may be considered in determining the appropriateness of the use of amortized cost include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1) the credit conditions in the relevant market and changes thereto;
- 2) the liquidity conditions in the relevant market and changes thereto;
- 3) the interest rate conditions in the relevant market and changes thereto (such as significant changes in interest rates);
- 4) issuer-specific conditions (such as significant credit deterioration); and
- 5) any other market-based data the Advisor's Pricing Committee considers relevant. In this regard, the Advisor's Pricing Committee may use last-obtained market-based data to assist it when valuing portfolio securities using amortized cost.

Certain securities may not be able to be priced by pre-established pricing methods. Such securities may be valued by the Trust's Board or its delegate, the Advisor's Pricing Committee, at fair value. These securities generally include, but are not limited to, restricted securities (securities which may not be publicly sold without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) for which a third-party pricing service is unable to provide a market price; securities whose trading has been formally suspended; a security whose market or fair value price is not available from a pre-established pricing source; a security with respect to which an event has occurred that is likely to materially affect the value of the security after the market has closed but before the calculation of a Fund's NAV or make it difficult or impossible to obtain a reliable market quotation; and a security whose price, as provided by the third-party pricing service, does not reflect the security's fair value. As a general principle, the current fair value of a security would appear to be the amount which the owner might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale. When fair value prices are used, generally they will differ from market quotations or official closing prices on the applicable exchanges. A variety of factors may be considered in determining the fair value of such securities.

Fair valuation of a debt security will be based on the consideration of all available information, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) the fundamental business data relating to the issuer;
- 2) an evaluation of the forces which influence the market in which these securities are purchased and sold;
- 3) the type, size and cost of the security;
- 4) the financial statements of the issuer;
- 5) the credit quality and cash flow of the issuer, based on the Advisor's or external analysis;
- 6) the information as to any transactions in or offers for the security;
- 7) the price and extent of public trading in similar securities (or equity securities) of the issuer/borrower, or comparable companies;
- 8) the coupon payments;
- 9) the quality, value and salability of collateral, if any, securing the security;

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- 10) the business prospects of the issuer, including any ability to obtain money or resources from a parent or affiliate and an assessment of the issuer's management (for corporate debt only);
- 11) the prospects for the issuer's industry, and multiples (of earnings and/or cash flows) being paid for similar businesses in that industry (for corporate debt only); and
- 12) other relevant factors.

Fair valuation of an equity security will be based on the consideration of all available information, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) the type of security;
- 2) the size of the holding;
- 3) the initial cost of the security;
- 4) transactions in comparable securities;
- 5) price quotes from dealers and/or third-party pricing services;
- 6) relationships among various securities;
- 7) information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange;
- 8) an analysis of the issuer's financial statements; and
- 9) the existence of merger proposals or tender offers that might affect the value of the security.

If the securities in question are foreign securities, the following additional information may be considered:

- 1) the value of similar foreign securities traded on other foreign markets;
- 2) ADR trading of similar securities;
- 3) closed-end fund or exchange-traded fund trading of similar securities;
- 4) foreign currency exchange activity;
- 5) the trading prices of financial products that are tied to baskets of foreign securities;
- 6) factors relating to the event that precipitated the pricing problem;
- 7) whether the event is likely to recur; and
- 8) whether the effects of the event are isolated or whether they affect entire markets, countries or regions.

The Funds are subject to fair value accounting standards that define fair value, establish the framework for measuring fair value and provide a three-level hierarchy for fair valuation based upon the inputs to the valuation as of the measurement date. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 – Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical investments. An active market is a market in which transactions for the investment occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.
- Level 2 – Level 2 inputs are observable inputs, either directly or indirectly, and include the following:
 - o Quoted prices for similar investments in active markets.
 - o Quoted prices for identical or similar investments in markets that are non-active. A non-active market is a market where there are few transactions for the investment, the prices are not current, or price quotations vary substantially either over time or among market makers, or in which little information is released publicly.
 - o Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the investment (for example, interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks, and default rates).
 - o Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- Level 3 – Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs may reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the investment.

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those investments. A summary of the inputs used to value each Fund's investments as of June 30, 2022, is included with each Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

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B. Securities Transactions and Investment Income

Securities transactions are recorded as of the trade date. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded daily on the accrual basis. Amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts are recorded using the effective interest method.

Distributions received from a Fund's investments in MLPs generally are comprised of return of capital and investment income. A Fund records estimated return of capital and investment income based on historical information available from each MLP. These estimates may subsequently be revised based on information received from the MLPs after their tax reporting periods are concluded.

Distributions received from a Fund's investments in REITs may be comprised of return of capital, capital gains, and income. The actual character of the amounts received during the year are not known until after the REITs' fiscal year end. A Fund records the character of distributions received from the REITs during the year based on estimates available. The characterization of distributions received by a Fund may be subsequently revised based on information received from the REITs after their tax reporting periods conclude.

The United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA"), which regulates the London Interbank Offered Rates ("LIBOR"), announced on March 5, 2021 that it intended to phase-out all LIBOR reference rates, beginning December 31, 2021. Since that announcement, the FCA has ceased publication of all non-USD LIBOR reference rates and the 1-week and 2-month USD LIBOR reference rates as of December 31, 2021. The remaining USD LIBOR settings will cease to be published or no longer be representative immediately after June 30, 2023. The International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA") confirmed that the FCA's March 5, 2021 announcement of its intention to cease providing LIBOR reference rates, constituted an index cessation event under the Interbank Offered Rates ("IBOR") Fallbacks Supplement and the ISDA 2020 IBOR Fallbacks Protocol for all 35 LIBOR settings and confirmed that the spread adjustment to be used in ISDA fallbacks was fixed as of the date of the announcement.

In the United States, the Alternative Reference Rates Committee (the "ARRC"), a group of market participants convened by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in cooperation with other federal and state government agencies, has since 2014 undertaken efforts to identify U.S. dollar reference interest rates as alternatives to LIBOR and to facilitate the mitigation of LIBOR-related risks. In June 2017, the ARRC identified the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR"), a broad measure of the cost of cash overnight borrowing collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, as the preferred alternative for U.S. dollar LIBOR. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York began daily publishing of SOFR in April 2018. There is no assurance that any alternative reference rate, including SOFR, will be similar to or produce the same value or economic equivalence as LIBOR or that instruments using an alternative rate will have the same volume or liquidity.

At this time, it is not possible to predict the full impact of the elimination of LIBOR and the establishment of an alternative reference rate on each Fund or its investments.

C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Normally, the Funds invest substantially all of their assets to meet their investment objectives. The Funds may invest the remainder of their assets in securities with maturities of less than one year or cash equivalents, or they may hold cash. The investment in such instruments is not a principal investment strategy of First Trust Dow Jones, First Trust Multi Income, First Trust Capital Strength or First Trust International. The percentage of each Fund's net assets invested in such holdings varies and depends on several factors, including market conditions. For temporary defensive purposes and during periods of high cash inflows or outflows, the Funds may depart from their principal investment strategies and invest part or all of their assets in these securities, or they may hold cash.

D. Foreign Currency

The books and records of the Funds are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currencies, investments and other assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the period. Purchases and sales of investments and items of income and expense are translated on the respective dates of such transactions. Unrealized gains and losses on assets and liabilities, other than investments in securities, which result from changes in foreign currency exchange rates have been included in "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on foreign currency translation" on the Statements of Operations. Unrealized gains and losses on investments in securities which result from changes in foreign exchange rates are included with fluctuations arising from changes in market price and are included in "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments" on the Statements of Operations. Net realized foreign currency gains and losses include the effect of changes in exchange rates between trade date and settlement date on investment security transactions, foreign currency transactions and interest and dividends received and are included in "Net realized gain (loss) on foreign currency transactions" on the Statements of Operations. The portion of foreign currency gains and losses related to fluctuations in exchange rates between the initial purchase settlement date and subsequent sale trade date is included in "Net realized gain (loss) on investments" on the Statements of Operations.

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E. Futures Contracts

First Trust Dow Jones purchases or sells (i.e., is long or short) futures contracts to hedge against changes in interest rates (interest rate risk). Futures contracts are agreements between the Fund and a counterparty to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specified price and at a specified date. Depending on the terms of the contract, futures contracts are settled either through physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date. Open futures contracts can also be closed out prior to settlement by entering into an offsetting transaction in a matching futures contract. If the Fund is not able to enter into an offsetting transaction, the Fund will continue to be required to maintain margin deposits on the futures contract. When the contract is closed or expires, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value of the contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it was closed or expired. This gain or loss is included in “Net realized gain (loss) on futures contracts” on the Statements of Operations.

Upon entering into a futures contract, the Fund must deposit funds, called margin, with its custodian in the name of the clearing broker equal to a specified percentage of the current value of the contract. Open futures contracts are marked-to-market daily with the change in value recognized as a component of “Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on futures contracts” on the Statements of Operations. Pursuant to the contract, the Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as variation margin and are included in “Variation margin” payable or receivable on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. If market conditions change unexpectedly, the Fund may not achieve the anticipated benefits of the futures contract and may realize a loss. The use of futures contracts involves the risk of imperfect correlation in movements in the price of the futures contracts, interest rates and the underlying instruments.

F. Principal-Only Securities

A principal-only security (“PO Security”) is the principal-only portion of a mortgage-backed security that does not receive any interest, is priced at a deep discount to its redemption value and ultimately receives the redemption value. Generally speaking, when interest rates are falling and prepayment rates are increasing, the value of a PO Security will rise. Conversely, when interest rates are rising and prepayment rates are decreasing, generally the value of a PO Security will fall. These securities, if any, are identified on the Portfolio of Investments.

G. Interest-Only Securities

An interest-only security (“IO Security”) is the interest-only portion of a mortgage-backed security that receives some or all of the interest portion of the underlying mortgage-backed security and little or no principal. A reference principal value called a notional value is used to calculate the amount of interest due to the IO Security. IO Securities are sold at a deep discount to their notional principal amount. Generally speaking, when interest rates are falling and prepayment rates are increasing, the value of an IO Security will fall. Conversely, when interest rates are rising and prepayment rates are decreasing, generally the value of an IO Security will rise. These securities, if any, are identified on the Portfolio of Investments.

H. Affiliated Transactions

First Trust Multi Income and First Trust Dorsey Wright invest in securities of affiliated funds. Dividend income and realized gains and losses from affiliated funds are presented on the Statements of Operations. Each Fund’s investment performance and risks are directly related to the investment performance and risks of the affiliated funds.

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Amounts relating to these investments in First Trust Multi Income at June 30, 2022, and for the six month period then ended are:

Security Name	Shares at 6/30/2022	Value at 12/31/2021	Purchases	Sales	Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Realized Gain (Loss)	Value at 6/30/2022	Dividend Income
First Trust Institutional Preferred Securities and Income ETF	108,639	\$ 657,696	\$1,555,894	\$ —	\$ (288,507)	\$ —	\$ 1,925,083	\$ 47,328
First Trust Long Duration Opportunities ETF	500	13,881	—	—	(1,983)	—	11,898	99
First Trust Low Duration Opportunities ETF	28,000	1,917,116	377,877	(874,729)	(16,474)	(51,390)	1,352,400	17,748
First Trust Preferred Securities and Income ETF	36,932	1,954,418	49,058	(1,255,022)	(228,217)	116,101	636,338	16,442
First Trust Senior Loan ETF	127,877	6,030,876	447,135	(345,308)	(483,949)	(9,378)	5,639,376	113,604
First Trust Tactical High Yield ETF	87,791	3,376,727	793,792	—	(733,501)	—	3,437,018	124,055
	<u>\$13,950,714</u>	<u>\$3,223,756</u>	<u>\$2,475,059</u>		<u>\$1,752,631</u>	<u>\$ 55,333</u>	<u>\$13,002,113</u>	<u>\$319,276</u>

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Amounts relating to these investments in First Trust Dorsey Wright at June 30, 2022, and for the six month period then ended are:

Security Name	Shares at 6/30/2022	Value at 12/31/2021	Purchases	Sales	Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Realized Gain (Loss)	Value at 6/30/2022	Dividend Income
First Trust Chindia ETF	5,718	\$ —	\$ 221,515	\$ —	\$ 10,979	\$ —	\$ 232,494	\$ 293
First Trust Consumer Discretionary AlphaDEX® Fund	—	\$ 6,061,370	137,681	(5,344,429)	(1,589,432)	734,810	—	6,759
First Trust Developed Markets ex-US AlphaDEX® Fund	12,096	829,647	19,122	(108,365)	(159,008)	(2,119)	579,277	9,006
First Trust Dow Jones Global Select Dividend Index Fund	10,308	—	267,772	(6,037)	(37,212)	(427)	224,096	5,533
First Trust Emerging Markets AlphaDEX® Fund	29,220	861,981	20,033	(117,436)	(139,376)	(1,852)	623,350	16,213
First Trust Energy AlphaDEX® Fund	302,756	—	4,741,725	(58,444)	(217,984)	3,382	4,468,679	48,913
First Trust Eurozone AlphaDEX® ETF	—	330,556	7,662	(305,921)	9,963	(42,260)	—	—
First Trust Germany AlphaDEX® Fund	—	320,851	7,367	(280,410)	(47,978)	170	—	—
First Trust India NIFTY 50 Equal Weight ETF	6,041	323,175	7,728	(43,134)	(42,123)	3,364	249,010	8,076
First Trust Industrials/Producer Durables AlphaDEX® Fund	88,358	6,234,946	141,705	(778,369)	(1,400,935)	55,324	4,252,671	19,195
First Trust Latin America AlphaDEX® Fund	12,651	—	257,355	(5,656)	(44,658)	(577)	206,464	6,595
First Trust Materials AlphaDEX® Fund	67,564	—	4,613,481	(53,691)	(741,177)	104	3,818,717	23,215
First Trust Mid Cap Core AlphaDEX® Fund	51,496	—	5,561,046	(695,809)	(565,426)	8,344	4,308,155	19,058
First Trust Mid Cap Growth AlphaDEX® Fund	—	6,436,187	143,265	(5,628,675)	(45,125)	(905,652)	—	—
First Trust Mid Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund	113,694	6,072,655	114,068	(811,956)	(731,135)	(16,286)	4,627,346	31,375
First Trust Nasdaq Food & Beverage ETF	167,956	—	4,723,541	—	(415,470)	—	4,308,071	12,664
First Trust Nasdaq Oil & Gas ETF	295,424	6,522,412	132,236	(1,094,097)	1,203,784	154,495	6,918,830	90,531
First Trust Nasdaq Transportation ETF	—	6,112,724	143,369	(5,458,312)	(1,590,367)	792,586	—	—
First Trust NASDAQ-100- Technology Sector Index Fund	—	6,237,623	137,390	(5,024,506)	(1,909,527)	559,020	—	—
First Trust Small Cap Growth AlphaDEX® Fund	—	6,530,802	146,560	(5,714,692)	(1,760,010)	797,340	—	—
First Trust Small Cap Value AlphaDEX® Fund	97,799	—	5,624,338	(695,265)	(622,872)	(3)	4,306,198	20,440
First Trust Switzerland AlphaDEX® Fund	—	343,978	7,725	(265,951)	(86,958)	1,206	—	—
First Trust United Kingdom AlphaDEX® Fund	6,946	<u>347,142</u>	<u>7,950</u>	<u>(43,770)</u>	<u>(87,435)</u>	<u>(4,602)</u>	<u>219,285</u>	<u>6,935</u>
		<u>\$53,566,049</u>	<u>\$27,184,634</u>	<u>\$(32,534,925)</u>	<u>\$(11,009,482)</u>	<u>\$2,136,367</u>	<u>\$39,342,643</u>	<u>\$324,801</u>

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I. Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders

Distributions from net investment income of each Fund, if any, are declared and paid semi-annually. Each Fund distributes its net realized capital gains, if any, to shareholders at least annually. All dividends payable by each Fund will be reinvested in the Fund.

Distributions from income and capital gains are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. Certain capital accounts in the financial statements are periodically adjusted for permanent differences in order to reflect their tax character. These permanent differences are primarily due to the varying treatment of income and gain/loss on portfolio securities held by the Funds and have no impact on net assets or NAV per share. Temporary differences, which arise from recognizing certain items of income, expense and gain/loss in different periods for financial statement and tax purposes, will reverse at some time in the future.

The tax character of distributions paid by each Fund during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	Distributions paid from Ordinary Income	Distributions paid from Capital Gains	Distributions paid from Return of Capital
First Trust Dow Jones	\$ 9,875,004	\$ 7,903,634	\$ —
First Trust Multi Income	833,738	—	—
First Trust Dorsey Wright	399,154	1,641,616	—
First Trust Capital Strength.....	2,746,842	158,610	—
First Trust International	270,626	139,411	—

As of December 31, 2021, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis for each Fund were as follows:

	Undistributed Ordinary Income	Accumulated Capital and Other Gain (Loss)	Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
First Trust Dow Jones	\$ 54,532,433	\$ 64,445,831	\$ 144,406,359
First Trust Multi Income	220,013	611,725	4,940,092
First Trust Dorsey Wright	3,614,422	3,931,109	7,587,071
First Trust Capital Strength.....	73,700	86,870	6,023,815
First Trust International	—	19,134	325,354

J. Income Taxes

Each Fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company by complying with the requirements under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which includes distributing substantially all of its net investment income and net realized gains to shareholders. Accordingly, no provision has been made for federal and state income taxes. However, due to the timing and amount of distributions, each Fund may be subject to an excise tax of 4% of the amount by which approximately 98% of each Fund's taxable income exceeds the distributions from such taxable income for the calendar year.

The Funds are subject to accounting standards that establish a minimum threshold for recognizing, and a system for measuring, the benefits of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Taxable years ended 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 remain open to federal and state audit for First Trust Dow Jones, First Trust Multi Income and First Trust Dorsey Wright. The taxable years ended 2020 and 2021 remain open to federal and state audit for First Trust Capital Strength and First Trust International. As of June 30, 2022, management has evaluated the application of these standards to the Funds and has determined that no provision for income tax is required in the Funds' financial statements for uncertain tax positions.

The Funds intend to utilize provisions of the federal income tax laws, which allow them to carry a realized capital loss forward indefinitely following the year of the loss and offset such loss against any future realized capital gains. The Funds are subject to certain limitations under U.S. tax rules on the use of capital loss carryforwards and net unrealized built-in losses. These limitations apply when there has been a 50% change in ownership. At December 31, 2021, for federal income tax purposes, none of the Funds had a capital loss carryforward.

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During the taxable year ended December 31, 2021, First Trust Multi Income utilized its capital loss carryforward in the amount of \$737,931.

As of June 30, 2022, the aggregate cost, gross unrealized appreciation, gross unrealized depreciation, and net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments (including short positions and derivatives, if any) for federal income tax purposes were as follows:

	Tax Cost	Gross Unrealized Appreciation	Gross Unrealized (Depreciation)	Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
First Trust Dow Jones.....	\$ 944,845,433	\$ 53,823,590	\$ (102,199,744)	\$ (48,376,154)
First Trust Multi Income	36,472,852	2,316,598	(2,691,806)	(375,208)
First Trust Dorsey Wright.....	53,920,275	922,864	(5,075,783)	(4,152,919)
First Trust Capital Strength	67,443,519	1,246,768	(5,648,684)	(4,401,916)
First Trust International	5,143,912	26,564	(669,028)	(642,464)

K. Expenses

Each Fund will pay all expenses directly related to its operations.

Each Participating Insurance Company performs certain administrative services for the Funds, their Accounts and the Contracts. Each Fund pays an administrative services fee of 0.20% of average daily net assets to cover expenses incurred by Participating Insurance Companies in connection with these services.

First Trust has entered into various licensing agreements, which allow First Trust to use certain trademarks and trade names of the applicable licensors (see Licensing Information in the Additional Information section of this report). The Trust, on behalf of First Trust Dow Jones, First Trust Dorsey Wright, First Trust Capital Strength and First Trust International, is a sub-licensee to these license agreements and is required to pay licensing fees, which are shown on the Statements of Operations.

3. Investment Advisory Fee, Affiliated Transactions and Other Fee Arrangements

First Trust, the investment advisor to the Funds, is a limited partnership with one limited partner, Grace Partners of DuPage L.P., and one general partner, The Charger Corporation. The Charger Corporation is an Illinois corporation controlled by James A. Bowen, Chief Executive Officer of First Trust. First Trust provides each Fund with discretionary investment services and certain administrative services necessary for the management of the Funds. For its investment advisory and management services, First Trust is entitled to a monthly fee calculated at an annual rate of 0.60% of the average daily net assets for First Trust Dow Jones, First Trust Multi Income, and First Trust International, 0.35% of the average daily net assets for First Trust Dorsey Wright, and 0.50% of the average daily net assets for First Trust Capital Strength. First Trust also provides fund reporting services to the Funds for a flat annual fee in the amount of \$9,250 per Fund.

In addition, First Trust Multi Income and First Trust Dorsey Wright incur their respective pro rata share of fees and expenses attributable to each Fund's investments in other investment companies ("acquired fund fees and expenses"). The total of net expenses and acquired fund fees and expenses represents each Fund's total net annual operating expenses.

First Trust Multi Income and First Trust have retained Energy Income Partners, LLC ("EIP") and Stonebridge Advisors LLC ("Stonebridge") (collectively, the "Sub-Advisors"), affiliates of First Trust, to serve as investment sub-advisors. In this capacity, the Sub-Advisors provide recommendations to the Advisor regarding the selection and ongoing monitoring of certain securities in First Trust Multi Income's investment portfolio. EIP acts as sub-advisor for, and manages on a discretionary basis the investment and reinvestment of, only the assets of First Trust Multi Income allocated to EIP by the Advisor and furnishes an investment program in respect of and makes investment decisions only with respect to the portion of First Trust Multi Income's investment portfolio allocated to it by the Advisor. EIP, an affiliate of the Advisor, has been retained by First Trust Multi Income and the Advisor to provide recommendations regarding the selection and ongoing monitoring of the MLP, MLP affiliate and energy infrastructure securities in First Trust Multi Income's investment portfolio and to exercise discretion only with respect to assets of First Trust Multi Income allocated to EIP. Stonebridge serves as a nondiscretionary sub-advisor. Stonebridge has been retained by First Trust Multi Income and the Advisor to provide recommendations regarding the selection and ongoing monitoring of the preferred and hybrid securities in First Trust Multi Income's investment portfolio.

For the services provided and the expenses assumed pursuant to the investment sub-advisory agreement, First Trust will pay EIP a sub-advisory fee equal to 40% monthly in arrears of any remaining monthly investment management fee paid to the Advisor for the

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average daily net assets allocated to EIP after First Trust's waiver of any of its investment management fee to comply with the then-current expense cap, as defined below. For the services provided and the expenses assumed pursuant to the investment sub-advisory agreement, First Trust will pay Stonebridge a portfolio management fee equal to an annual rate of 0.20% of the Fund's average daily net assets allocated to Stonebridge.

First Trust Capital Partners, LLC ("FTCP"), an affiliate of First Trust, owns, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, a 15% ownership interest in each of EIP and EIP Partners, LLC, an affiliate of EIP. FTCP also owns, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, a 51% ownership interest in Stonebridge.

First Trust has agreed to waive fees and/or pay First Trust Dow Jones', First Trust Multi Income's and First Trust International's expenses to the extent necessary to prevent the annual operating expenses of Class I shares and Class II shares (excluding interest expense, brokerage commissions and other trading expenses, acquired fund fees and expenses, if any, taxes and extraordinary expenses) from exceeding 1.20% and 0.95% (each an "Expense Cap"), respectively, of each Fund's average daily net assets per year at least until May 1, 2023. First Trust has agreed to waive fees and/or pay First Trust Dorsey Wright's expenses to the extent necessary to prevent the operating expenses of Class I shares and Class II shares (excluding interest expense, brokerage commissions and other trading expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses) from exceeding 1.30% and 1.05% (each an "Expense Cap"), respectively, of the Fund's average daily net assets per year at least until May 1, 2023. For First Trust Dorsey Wright, because acquired fund fees and expenses are estimated, First Trust will periodically adjust the amount of the fee waiver and expense reimbursement in order to attempt to meet the Expense Caps. However, total net annual fund expenses may be higher or lower than the Expense Caps. First Trust has agreed to waive fees and/or pay First Trust Capital Strength's expenses to the extent necessary to prevent the annual operating expenses of Class I shares and Class II shares (excluding interest expense, brokerage commissions and other trading expenses, acquired fund fees and expenses, if any, taxes and extraordinary expenses) from exceeding 1.10% and 0.85% (each an "Expense Cap"), respectively, of the Fund's average daily net assets per year at least until May 1, 2023.

Expenses borne and fees waived by First Trust are subject to reimbursement by each Fund for up to three years from the date the fee or expense was incurred by the Fund, but no reimbursement payment will be made by the Fund at any time if it would result in the Fund's expenses exceeding (i) the Expense Cap in place for the most recent fiscal year for which such expense limitation was in place, (ii) the Expense Cap in place at the time the fees were waived or expenses reimbursed, or (iii) the current Expense Cap. These amounts, if any, are included in "Expenses previously waived or reimbursed" on the Statements of Operations.

The advisory fee waivers and expense reimbursements for the six months ended June 30, 2022, and the expenses borne and fees waived by First Trust subject to recovery from the applicable Fund at June 30, 2022, are included in the table below.

	Fees Waived or Expenses Borne by First Trust Subject to Recovery						
	Fees Waived	Expenses Reimbursed	Six Months Ended December 31, 2019	Year Ended December 31, 2020	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022	Total
First Trust Dow Jones*	\$ 61,045	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 114,341	\$ 11,004	\$ 61,045	\$ 186,390
First Trust Multi Income	110,008	—	86,983	174,191	216,153	110,008	587,335
First Trust Dorsey Wright	102,596	35,835	123,796	264,357	301,093	138,431	827,677
First Trust Capital Strength	63,928	—	—	154,126	147,773	63,928	365,827
First Trust International	12,734	84,564	—	184,650	188,132	97,298	470,080

* At December 31, 2021, it was mistakenly reported that First Trust Dow Jones did not have any remaining fees previously waived or expenses reimbursed that were subject to recovery. It should have been reported that First Trust Dow Jones had \$165,487 of fees previously waived that were subject to recovery at December 31, 2021.

During the six months ended June 30, 2022, First Trust Dow Jones recovered \$40,142 in fees that were previously waived or reimbursed.

First Trust agreed to waive fees in the amount of 0.37% of the First Trust Multi Income's average daily net assets through May 1, 2023. During the six months ended June 30, 2022, First Trust reimbursed First Trust Multi Income \$71,938 of fees that are not subject to recovery.

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BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc. (“BNYM IS”) serves as each Fund’s transfer agent in accordance with certain fee arrangements. As transfer agent, BNYM IS is responsible for maintaining shareholder records for the Funds. BNYM IS is a subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation, a financial holding company.

The Bank of New York Mellon (“BNYM”) serves as First Trust Dow Jones’, First Trust Multi Income’s, First Trust Capital Strength’s, and First Trust International’s administrator, fund accountant and custodian in accordance with certain fee arrangements. As administrator and fund accountant, BNYM is responsible for providing certain administrative and accounting services to the Funds, including maintaining the Funds’ books of account, records of the Funds’ securities transactions, and certain other books and records. As custodian, BNYM is responsible for custody of each Fund’s assets. BNYM is a subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation, a financial holding company.

Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. (“BBH”) serves as First Trust Dorsey Wright’s administrator, fund accountant and custodian. As custodian, BBH is responsible for custody of the Fund’s assets. As administrator and fund accountant, BBH is responsible for providing certain administrative and accounting services to the Fund, including maintaining the Fund’s books of account, records of the Fund’s securities transactions, and certain other books and records.

Each Trustee who is not an officer or employee of First Trust, any sub-advisor or any of their affiliates (“Independent Trustees”) is paid a fixed annual retainer that is allocated equally among each fund in the First Trust Fund Complex. Each Independent Trustee is also paid an annual per fund fee that varies based on whether the fund is a closed-end or other actively managed fund, a defined-outcome fund or an index fund.

Additionally, the Lead Independent Trustee and the Chairs of the Audit Committee, Nominating and Governance Committee and Valuation Committee are paid annual fees to serve in such capacities, with such compensation allocated pro rata among each fund in the First Trust Fund Complex based on net assets. Independent Trustees are reimbursed for travel and out-of-pocket expenses in connection with all meetings. The Lead Independent Trustee and Committee Chairs rotate every three years. The officers and “Interested” Trustee receive no compensation from the Trust for acting in such capacities.

4. Capital Share Transactions

Capital transactions for First Trust Dow Jones were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Sales:				
Class I	1,887,042	\$ 28,080,658	3,227,788	\$ 51,413,338
Class II	<u>1,442</u>	<u>21,519</u>	<u>11,674</u>	<u>189,415</u>
Total Sales	<u><u>1,888,484</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 28,102,177</u></u>	<u><u>3,239,462</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 51,602,753</u></u>
Dividend Reinvestment:				
Class I	10,255,948	\$ 123,584,181	1,110,777	\$ 17,747,847
Class II	<u>17,193</u>	<u>207,680</u>	<u>1,920</u>	<u>30,791</u>
Total Dividend Reinvestment	<u><u>10,273,141</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 123,791,861</u></u>	<u><u>1,112,697</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,778,638</u></u>
Redemptions:				
Class I	(3,109,445)	\$ (46,858,681)	(5,770,010)	\$ (91,298,447)
Class II	<u>(1,500)</u>	<u>(22,894)</u>	<u>(8,163)</u>	<u>(125,208)</u>
Total Redemptions	<u><u>(3,110,945)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (46,881,575)</u></u>	<u><u>(5,778,173)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (91,423,655)</u></u>

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Capital transactions for First Trust Multi Income were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Sales:				
Class I	241,519	\$ 2,945,164	596,837	\$ 7,288,406
Class II	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3,639</u>	<u>45,110</u>
Total Sales	<u><u>241,520</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,945,175</u></u>	<u><u>600,476</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,333,516</u></u>
Dividend Reinvestment:				
Class I	110,509	\$ 1,210,067	68,085	\$ 829,833
Class II	<u>497</u>	<u>5,453</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>3,905</u>
Total Dividend Reinvestment	<u><u>111,006</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,215,520</u></u>	<u><u>68,405</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 833,738</u></u>
Redemptions:				
Class I	(218,043)	\$ (2,637,145)	(298,846)	\$ (3,605,993)
Class II	<u>(12)</u>	<u>(149)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(141)</u>
Total Redemptions	<u><u>(218,055)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (2,637,294)</u></u>	<u><u>(298,857)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (3,606,134)</u></u>

Capital transactions for First Trust Dorsey Wright were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Sales:				
Class I	197,506	\$ 2,769,829	1,304,611	\$ 19,478,760
Class II	<u>4,081</u>	<u>58,513</u>	<u>52,669</u>	<u>771,633</u>
Total Sales	<u><u>201,587</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,828,342</u></u>	<u><u>1,357,280</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20,250,393</u></u>
Dividend Reinvestment:				
Class I	697,931	\$ 7,544,629	137,838	\$ 2,030,687
Class II	<u>9,454</u>	<u>101,352</u>	<u>689</u>	<u>10,083</u>
Total Dividend Reinvestment	<u><u>707,385</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,645,981</u></u>	<u><u>138,527</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,040,770</u></u>
Redemptions:				
Class I	(736,330)	\$ (10,459,597)	(582,499)	\$ (8,606,179)
Class II	<u>(10,817)</u>	<u>(151,757)</u>	<u>(1,720)</u>	<u>(25,338)</u>
Total Redemptions	<u><u>(747,147)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (10,611,354)</u></u>	<u><u>(584,219)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (8,631,517)</u></u>

Capital transactions for First Trust Capital Strength were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Sales:				
Class I	1,376,260	\$ 17,778,395	3,080,376	\$ 41,264,985
Class II	<u>15,549</u>	<u>200,144</u>	<u>42,347</u>	<u>572,976</u>
Total Sales	<u><u>1,391,809</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,978,539</u></u>	<u><u>3,122,723</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 41,837,961</u></u>

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	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Dividend Reinvestment:				
Class I	23,488	\$ 274,096	205,028	\$ 2,838,606
Class II	544	6,354	4,829	66,846
Total Dividend Reinvestment	<u>24,032</u>	<u>\$ 280,450</u>	<u>209,857</u>	<u>\$ 2,905,452</u>
Redemptions:				
Class I	(235,237)	\$ (3,003,545)	(391,970)	\$ (5,142,229)
Class II	(11,496)	(151,604)	(7,987)	(109,898)
Total Redemptions	<u>(246,733)</u>	<u>\$ (3,155,149)</u>	<u>(399,957)</u>	<u>\$ (5,252,127)</u>

Capital transactions for First Trust International were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022		Year Ended December 31, 2021	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Sales:				
Class I	144,632	\$ 1,716,409	148,750	\$ 2,113,339
Class II	12,321	145,785	7,964	101,201
Total Sales	<u>156,953</u>	<u>\$ 1,862,194</u>	<u>156,714</u>	<u>\$ 2,214,540</u>
Dividend Reinvestment:				
Class I	4,353	\$ 44,921	23,051	\$ 303,060
Class II	1,179	12,173	8,106	106,977
Total Dividend Reinvestment	<u>5,532</u>	<u>\$ 57,094</u>	<u>31,157</u>	<u>\$ 410,037</u>
Redemptions:				
Class I	(22,368)	\$ (270,043)	(39,659)	\$ (567,847)
Class II	(146)	(1,631)	(239)	(3,315)
Total Redemptions	<u>(22,514)</u>	<u>\$ (271,674)</u>	<u>(39,898)</u>	<u>\$ (571,162)</u>

5. Purchases and Sales of Securities

For the six months ended June 30, 2022, the cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities for each Fund, excluding U.S. Government investment securities and short-term investments, were as follows:

	Purchases	Sales
First Trust Dow Jones	\$ 339,971,265	\$ 354,231,590
First Trust Multi Income	10,152,115	9,108,707
First Trust Dorsey Wright	34,783,942	41,647,584
First Trust Capital Strength	61,946,295	46,496,576
First Trust International	3,164,709	1,578,770

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For the six months ended June 30, 2022, the cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of U.S. government investment securities for each Fund, excluding short-term investments, were as follows:

	Purchases	Sales
First Trust Dow Jones	\$ 144,331,728	\$ 131,524,831
First Trust Multi Income	406,198	329,189
First Trust Dorsey Wright	—	—
First Trust Capital Strength	—	—
First Trust International	—	—

6. Derivative Transactions

The following table presents the type of derivatives held by First Trust Dow Jones at June 30, 2022, the primary underlying risk exposure and the location of these instruments as presented on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. First Trust Multi Income, First Trust Dorsey Wright, First Trust Capital Strength and First Trust International did not hold any derivative instruments as of June 30, 2022.

Derivative Instrument	Risk Exposure	Asset Derivatives		Liability Derivatives	
		Statements of Assets and Liabilities Location	Value	Statements of Assets and Liabilities Location	Value
Futures contracts	Interest Rate Risk	Unrealized appreciation on futures contracts*	\$ 137,149	Unrealized depreciation on futures contracts*	\$ —

* Includes cumulative appreciation (depreciation) on futures contracts as reported in the Portfolio of Investments. The current day's variation margin is reported within the Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

The following table presents the amount of net realized gain (loss) and change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2022, on derivative instruments held by First Trust Dow Jones, as well as the primary underlying risk exposure associated with each instrument.

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Interest Rate Risk Exposure

Net realized gain (loss) on futures contracts	\$3,658,282
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on futures contracts	250,814

During the six months ended June 30, 2022, the notional value of futures contracts opened and closed were 48,388,607 and 87,776,043, respectively.

First Trust Dow Jones does not have the right to offset financial assets and liabilities related to futures contracts on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

7. 12b-1 Service Plan

The Trust has adopted a plan (the "Plan") pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, which provides that Class I shares of each of the Funds will be subject to an annual service fee.

First Trust Portfolios L.P. ("FTP"), an affiliate of First Trust, serves as the selling agent and distributor of shares of the Funds. FTP uses the service fee to compensate each Participating Insurance Company for providing account services to contract owners. These services include establishing and maintaining Contract owners' accounts, supplying information to Contract owners, delivering Fund materials to Contract owners, answering inquiries, and providing other personal services to Contract owners. Each Fund may spend up to 0.25% per year of the average daily net assets of its Class I shares as a service fee under the Plan. In addition, the Plan permits First Trust to use a portion of its advisory fee to compensate FTP for expenses incurred in connection with the sale of a Fund's Class I shares including, without limitation, compensation of its sales force, expenses of printing and distributing the Prospectus to persons other than Contract owners, expenses of preparing, printing and distributing advertising and sales literature and reports to Contract owners used in connection with the sale of a Fund's Class I shares, certain other expenses associated with the servicing of Class I shares of a Fund, and any service-related expenses that may be authorized from time to time by the Board.

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During the six months ended June 30, 2022, all service fees received by FTP were paid to the Participating Insurance Companies, with no portion of such fees retained by FTP. The Plan may be renewed from year to year if approved by a vote of the Trust's Board and a vote of the Independent Trustees, who have no direct or indirect financial interest in the Plan, cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on the Plan.

8. Borrowings

The Trust, on behalf of First Trust Dow Jones and First Trust Multi Income, along with First Trust Series Fund and First Trust Exchange-Traded Fund IV, has a \$200 million Credit Agreement (the "BNYM Line of Credit") with BNYM to be a liquidity backstop during periods of high redemption volume. The borrowing rate is the applicable Term SOFR rate plus 125 basis points. Prior to January 28, 2022, the borrowing rate was the applicable LIBOR rate plus 125 basis points. A commitment fee of 0.25% of the daily amount of the excess of the commitment amount over the outstanding principal balance of the loans will be charged by BNYM, which First Trust will allocate amongst the funds that have access to the BNYM Line of Credit. These fees are reflected in the Statements of Operations in the "Commitment fees" line item. To the extent that either fund accesses the BNYM Line of Credit, there would also be an interest fee charged. Neither First Trust Dow Jones or First Trust Multi Income drew on the BNYM Line of Credit during the six months ended June 30, 2022.

9. Indemnification

The Trust, on behalf of the Funds, has a variety of indemnification obligations under contracts with its service providers. The Trust's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. However, the Trust has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.

10. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated the impact of all subsequent events to the Funds through the date the financial statements were issued and has determined that there were no subsequent events requiring recognition or disclosure in the financial statements that have not already been disclosed.

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Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

A description of the policies and procedures that each Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies and information on how each Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio investments during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available (1) without charge, upon request, by calling (800) 988-5891; (2) on each Fund's website at www.ftportfolios.com; and (3) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") website at www.sec.gov.

Portfolio Holdings

Each Fund files portfolio holdings information for each month in a fiscal quarter within 60 days after the end of the relevant fiscal quarter on Form N-PORT. Portfolio holdings information for the third month of each fiscal quarter will be publicly available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Each Fund's complete schedule of portfolio holdings for the second and fourth quarters of each fiscal year is included in the semi-annual and annual reports to shareholders, respectively, and is filed with the SEC on Form N-CSR. The semi-annual and annual report for each Fund is available to investors within 60 days after the period to which it relates. Each Fund's Forms N-PORT and Forms N-CSR are available on the SEC's website listed above.

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ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES RISK. Asset-backed securities are debt securities typically created by buying and pooling loans or other receivables other than mortgage loans and creating securities backed by those similar type assets. As with other debt securities, asset-backed securities are subject to credit risk, extension risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk. These securities are generally not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government and are subject to the risk of default on the underlying asset or loan, particularly during periods of economic downturn. The impairment of the value of collateral or other assets underlying an asset-backed security, such as a result of non-payment of loans or non-performance of underlying assets, may result in a reduction in the value of such asset-backed securities and losses to an underlying ETF.

BANK LOANS RISK. Investments in bank loans are subject to the same risks as investments in other types of debt securities, including credit risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk that may be heightened because of the limited public information available regarding bank loans and because loan borrowers may be leveraged and tend to be more adversely affected by changes in market or economic conditions. If an underlying ETF holds a bank loan through another financial institution or relies on a financial institution to administer the loan, its receipt of principal and interest on the loan may be subject to the credit risk of that financial institution. It is possible that any collateral securing a loan may be insufficient or unavailable to the underlying ETF, and that the underlying ETF's rights to collateral may be limited by bankruptcy or insolvency laws. Additionally, there is no central clearinghouse for loan trades and the loan market has not established enforceable settlement standards or remedies for failure to settle. As such, the secondary market for bank loans may be subject to irregular trading activity, wide bid/ask spreads and extended trade settlement periods (in some cases longer than 7 days) which may cause the underlying ETF to be unable to realize the full value of its investment. In addition, bank loans are generally not registered with the Securities Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be considered "securities," and an underlying ETF may not be entitled to rely on the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws.

CALL RISK. Some debt securities may be redeemed, or "called," at the option of the issuer before their stated maturity date. In general, an issuer will call its debt securities if they can be refinanced by issuing new debt securities which bear a lower interest rate. An underlying ETF is subject to the possibility that during periods of falling interest rates an issuer will call its high yielding debt securities. An underlying ETF would then be forced to invest the proceeds at lower interest rates, likely resulting in a decline in the underlying ETF's income.

CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY COMPANIES RISK. Consumer discretionary companies, such as retailers, media companies and consumer services companies, provide non-essential goods and services. These companies manufacture products and provide discretionary services directly to the consumer, and the success of these companies is tied closely to the performance of the overall domestic and international economy, interest rates, competition and consumer confidence. Success depends heavily on disposable household income and consumer spending. Changes in demographics and consumer tastes can also affect the demand for, and success of, consumer discretionary products in the marketplace.

COUNTERPARTY RISK. Underlying fund transactions involving a counterparty are subject to the risk that the counterparty will not fulfill its obligation to the underlying fund. Counterparty risk may arise because of the counterparty's financial condition (i.e., financial difficulties, bankruptcy, or insolvency), market activities and developments, or other reasons, whether foreseen or not. A counterparty's inability to fulfill its obligation may result in significant financial loss to an underlying fund. An underlying fund may be unable to recover its investment from the counterparty or may obtain a limited recovery, and/or recovery may be delayed.

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COVENANT-LITE LOANS RISK. Covenant-lite loans contain fewer maintenance covenants, or no maintenance covenants at all, than traditional loans and may not include terms that allow the lender to monitor the financial performance of the borrower and declare a default if certain criteria are breached. This may hinder an underlying ETF's ability to reprice credit risk associated with the borrower and reduce a Fund's ability to restructure a problematic loan and mitigate potential loss. As a result, an underlying ETF's exposure to losses on such investments is increased, especially during a downturn in the credit cycle.

CREDIT RISK. An issuer or other obligated party of a debt security held by an underlying ETF may be unable or unwilling to make dividend, interest and/or principal payments when due. In addition, the value of a debt security may decline because of concerns about the issuer's ability or unwillingness to make such payments.

CURRENCY RISK. Changes in currency exchange rates affect the value of investments denominated in a foreign currency, and therefore the value of such investments in an underlying ETF's portfolio. An underlying ETF's net asset value could decline if a currency to which an underlying ETF has exposure depreciates against the U.S. dollar or if there are delays or limits on repatriation of such currency. Currency exchange rates can be very volatile and can change quickly and unpredictably. As a result, the value of an investment in such an underlying ETF may change quickly and without warning.

CYBER SECURITY RISK. A Fund is susceptible to operational risks through breaches in cyber security. A breach in cyber security refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause a Fund to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. Such events could cause a Fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cyber security breaches may involve unauthorized access to a Fund's digital information systems through "hacking" or malicious software coding but may also result from outside attacks such as denial-of-service attacks through efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users. In addition, cyber security breaches of the issuers of securities in which a Fund invests or a Fund's third-party service providers, such as its administrator, transfer agent, custodian, or sub-advisor, as applicable, can also subject a Fund to many of the same risks associated with direct cyber security breaches. Although a Fund has established risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cyber security, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially because a Fund does not directly control the cyber security systems of issuers or third-party service providers.

DEBT SECURITIES RISK. Investments in debt securities subject the holder to the credit risk of the issuer. Credit risk refers to the possibility that the issuer or other obligor of a security will not be able or willing to make payments of interest and principal when due. Generally, the value of debt securities will change inversely with changes in interest rates. To the extent that interest rates rise, certain underlying obligations may be paid off substantially slower than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply. During periods of falling interest rates, the income received by an underlying ETF may decline. If the principal on a debt security is prepaid before expected, the prepayments of principal may have to be reinvested in obligations paying interest at lower rates. Debt securities generally do not trade on a securities exchange making them generally less liquid and more difficult to value than common stock.

DEPOSITORY RECEIPTS RISK. Depositary receipts may be less liquid than the underlying shares in their primary trading market. Any distributions paid to the holders of depositary receipts are usually subject to a fee charged by the depositary. Holders of depositary receipts may have limited voting rights, and investment restrictions in certain countries may adversely impact the value of depositary receipts because such restrictions may limit the ability to convert the equity shares into depositary receipts and vice versa. Such restrictions may cause the equity shares of the underlying issuer to trade at a discount or premium to the market price of the depositary receipts.

DIVIDENDS RISK. A Fund's investment in dividend-paying securities could cause a Fund to underperform similar funds that invest without consideration of an issuer's track record of paying dividends. Companies that issue dividend-paying securities are not required to continue to pay dividends on such securities. Therefore, there is the possibility that such companies could reduce or eliminate the payment of dividends in the future, which could negatively affect a Fund's performance.

EMERGING MARKETS RISK. A Fund may invest in ETFs that hold investments in securities issued by emerging market governments and companies operating in emerging market countries. Investments in securities issued by governments and companies operating in emerging market countries involve additional risks relating to political, economic, or regulatory conditions not associated with investments in securities and instruments issued by U.S. companies or by companies operating in other developed market countries. Investments in emerging markets securities are generally considered speculative in nature and are subject to the following heightened risks: smaller market capitalization of securities markets which may suffer periods of relative illiquidity; significant price volatility; restrictions on foreign investment; possible repatriation of investment income and capital; rapid inflation; and currency convertibility issues. Emerging market countries also often have less uniformity in accounting and reporting requirements, unsettled securities laws, unreliable securities valuation and greater risk associated with custody of securities. Financial and other reporting by companies and government entities also may be less reliable in emerging market countries. Shareholder claims that are available in the

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U.S., as well as regulatory oversight and authority that is common in the U.S., including for claims based on fraud, may be difficult or impossible for shareholders of securities in emerging market countries or for U.S. authorities to pursue. For funds that track an index or are managed based upon a benchmark, the index may not weight the securities in emerging market countries on the basis of investor protection limitations, financial reporting quality or available oversight mechanisms. Furthermore, investors may be required to register the proceeds of sales and future economic or political crises could lead to price controls, forced mergers, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, seizure, nationalization or creation of government monopolies.

ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE COMPANIES RISK. Energy infrastructure companies, including MLPs and utility companies, are subject to risks specific to the energy and energy-related industries. This includes but is not limited to: fluctuations in commodity prices impacting the volume of energy commodities transported, processed, stored or distributed; reductions in volumes of natural gas or other energy commodities being available for transporting, processing, storing or distributing; slowdowns in new construction and acquisitions limiting growth potential; reduced demand for oil, natural gas and petroleum products, particularly for a sustained period of time; depletion of natural gas reserves or other commodities; rising interest rates resulting in higher costs of capital, increased operating costs; counterparties to contracts defaulting or going bankrupt; and an inability to execute acquisitions or expansion projects in a cost-effect manner; extreme weather events and environmental hazards; and threats of attack by terrorists on energy assets. Energy infrastructure companies may also face counterparty risk, such that long-term contracts may be declared void if the counterparty to those contracts enters bankruptcy proceedings. In addition, energy infrastructure companies are subject to significant federal, state and local government regulation in virtually every aspect of their operations, including how facilities are constructed, maintained and operated, environmental and safety controls, and the prices they may charge for products and services. Various governmental authorities have the power to enforce compliance with these regulations and the permits issued under them and violators are subject to administrative, civil and criminal penalties, including civil fines, injunctions or both. Stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies could be enacted in the future which would likely increase compliance costs and may adversely affect the financial performance of energy infrastructure companies. Natural disasters, such as hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico, also may impact the energy infrastructure companies.

Certain energy infrastructure companies in the utilities industry are subject to the imposition of rate caps, increased competition due to deregulation, the difficulty in obtaining an adequate return on invested capital or in financing large construction projects, the limitations on operations and increased costs and delays attributable to environmental considerations, and the capital market's ability to absorb utility debt. In addition, taxes, government regulation, international politics, price and supply fluctuations, volatile interest rates and energy conservation may cause difficulties for these companies. Such issuers have been experiencing certain of these problems in varying degrees.

EQUITY SECURITIES RISK. The value of an underlying ETF's shares will fluctuate with changes in the value of the equity securities in which it invests. Equity securities prices fluctuate for several reasons, including changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer or the general condition of the relevant equity market, such as market volatility, or when political or economic events affecting an issuer occur. Common stock prices may be particularly sensitive to rising interest rates, as the cost of capital rises and borrowing costs increase. Equity securities may decline significantly in price over short or extended periods of time, and such declines may occur in the equity market as a whole, or they may occur in only a particular country, company, industry or sector of the market.

ETF RISK. A Fund's investment in shares of ETFs subjects it to the risks of owning the securities underlying the ETF, as well as certain structural risks, including authorized participant concentration risk, market maker risk, premium/discount risk and trading issues risk. As a shareholder in another ETF, a Fund bears its proportionate share of the ETF's expenses, subjecting Fund shareholders to duplicative expenses.

EUROPE RISK. A Fund is subject to certain risks specifically associated with investments in the securities of European issuers. Political or economic disruptions in European countries, even in countries in which a Fund is not invested, may adversely affect security values and thus a Fund's holdings. A significant number of countries in Europe are member states in the European Union (the "EU"), and the member states no longer control their own monetary policies by directing independent interest rates for their currencies. In these member states, the authority to direct monetary policies, including money supply and official interest rates for the Euro, is exercised by the European Central Bank. In a 2016 referendum, the United Kingdom elected to withdraw from the EU ("Brexit"). After years of negotiations between the United Kingdom and the EU, the United Kingdom formally left the EU. As the second largest economy among EU members, the implications of the United Kingdom's withdrawal are difficult to gauge and cannot be fully known. Its departure may negatively impact the EU and Europe as a whole by causing volatility within the EU, triggering prolonged economic downturns in certain European countries or sparking additional member states to contemplate departing the EU (thereby perpetuating political instability in the region).

EXTENSION RISK. Extension risk is the risk that, when interest rates rise, certain obligations will be paid off by the issuer (or other obligated party) more slowly than anticipated, causing the value of these debt securities to fall. Rising interest rates tend to extend the

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duration of debt securities, making their market value more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The value of longer-term debt securities generally changes more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term debt securities. As a result, in a period of rising interest rates, securities may exhibit additional volatility and may lose value.

FINANCIAL COMPANIES RISK. Financial companies, such as retail and commercial banks, insurance companies and financial services companies, are especially subject to the adverse effects of economic recession, currency exchange rates, extensive government regulation, decreases in the availability of capital, volatile interest rates, portfolio concentrations in geographic markets, industries or products (such as commercial and residential real estate loans), competition from new entrants and blurred distinctions in their fields of business.

FLOATING RATE DEBT INSTRUMENTS RISK. Investments in floating rate debt instruments are subject to the same risks as investments in other types of debt securities, including credit risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk. Floating rate debt instruments include debt securities issued by corporate and governmental entities, as well bank loans, mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities. Floating rate debt instruments are structured so that the security's coupon rate fluctuates based upon the level of a reference rate. Most commonly, the coupon rate of a floating rate debt instrument is set at the level of a widely followed interest rate, plus a fixed spread. As a result, the coupon on floating rate debt instrument will generally decline in a falling interest rate environment, causing an underlying ETF to experience a reduction in the income it receives from the instrument. A floating rate debt instrument's coupon rate resets periodically according to its terms. Consequently, in a rising interest rate environment, floating rate debt instruments with coupon rates that reset infrequently may lag behind the changes in market interest rates. Floating rate debt instruments may also contain terms that impose a maximum coupon rate the issuer will pay, regardless of the level of the reference rate. To the extent an underlying ETF invests in floating rate loans, such instruments may be subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale, may trade infrequently, and their value may be impaired when the underlying ETF needs to liquidate such securities. It is possible that the collateral securing a floating rate loan may be insufficient or unavailable to the underlying ETF, and that the underlying ETF's rights to collateral may be limited by bankruptcy or insolvency laws. Additionally, floating rate loans may not be considered "securities" under federal securities laws, and purchasers, such as an underlying ETF, therefore may not be entitled to rely on the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws.

HIGH YIELD SECURITIES RISK. High yield securities, or "junk" bonds, are subject to greater market fluctuations, are less liquid and provide a greater risk of loss than investment grade securities, and therefore, are considered to be highly speculative. In general, high yield securities may have a greater risk of default than other types of securities and could cause income and principal losses for a Fund.

HYBRID CAPITAL SECURITIES RISK. Hybrid capital securities are subject to the risks of equity securities and debt securities. The claims of holders of hybrid capital securities of an issuer are generally subordinated to those of holders of traditional debt securities in bankruptcy, and thus hybrid capital securities may be more volatile and subject to greater risk than traditional debt securities, and may in certain circumstances be even more volatile than traditional equity securities. At the same time, hybrid capital securities may not fully participate in gains of their issuer and thus potential returns of such securities are generally more limited than traditional equity securities, which would participate in such gains. The terms of hybrid capital securities may vary substantially and the risks of a particular hybrid capital security will depend upon the terms of the instrument, but may include the credit risk of the issuer, as well as liquidity risk, since they often are customized to meet the needs of an issuer or a particular investor, and therefore the number of investors that buy such instruments in the secondary market may be small.

INCOME RISK. A Fund may invest in ETFs that hold debt securities. An underlying ETF's income may decline when interest rates fall or if there are defaults in its portfolio. This decline can occur because an underlying ETF may subsequently invest in lower-yielding securities as debt securities in its portfolio mature, are near maturity or are called, or the ETF otherwise needs to purchase additional debt securities.

INDEX CONCENTRATION RISK. A Fund that tracks an index will be concentrated in an industry or a group of industries to the extent that the Index is so concentrated. To the extent that a Fund invests a significant percentage of its assets in a single asset class or the securities of issuers within the same country, state, region, industry or sector, an adverse economic, business or political development may affect the value of the Fund's investments more than if the Fund were more broadly diversified. A significant exposure makes the Fund more susceptible to any single occurrence and may subject the Fund to greater market risk than a fund that is more broadly diversified.

INDEX REBALANCE RISK. Pursuant to the methodology that the Index Provider uses to calculate and maintain the Index, a Fund may own a significant number of the outstanding shares of ETFs included in a Fund. Any such ETF may be removed from the Index in the event that it does not comply with the eligibility requirements of the Index. As a result, a Fund may be forced to sell shares of certain ETFs at inopportune times or for prices other than at current market values or may elect not to sell such shares on the day that they are removed from the Index, due to market conditions or otherwise. Due to these factors, the variation between a Fund's annual

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return and the return of the Index may increase significantly. Apart from scheduled rebalances, the Index Provider may carry out additional ad hoc rebalances to the Index to, for example, correct an error in the selection of constituents. When a Fund in turn rebalances its portfolio, any transaction costs and market exposure arising from such portfolio rebalancing will be borne by a Fund and its shareholders. Unscheduled rebalances may also expose a Fund to additional tracking error risk. Therefore, errors and additional ad hoc rebalances carried out by the Index Provider may increase a Fund's costs and market exposure.

INDUSTRIALS COMPANIES RISK. Industrials companies convert unfinished goods into finished durables used to manufacture other goods or provide services. Examples of industrials companies include companies involved in the production of electrical equipment and components, industrial products, manufactured housing and telecommunications equipment, as well as defense and aerospace companies. General risks of industrials companies include the general state of the economy, exchange rates, commodity prices, intense competition, consolidation, domestic and international politics, government regulation, import controls, excess capacity, consumer demand and spending trends. In addition, industrials companies may also be significantly affected by overall capital spending levels, economic cycles, rapid technological changes, delays in modernization, labor relations, environmental liabilities, governmental and product liability and e-commerce initiatives.

INFLATION RISK. Inflation risk is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the present value of a Fund's assets and distributions may decline.

INFLATION-INDEXED SECURITIES RISK. Inflation-indexed debt securities, such as TIPS, are subject to the same risks as other types of debt securities, including credit risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk. The principal amount of an inflation-indexed security typically increases with inflation and decreases with deflation, as measured by a specified index. Although the holders of TIPS receive no less than the par value of the security at maturity, if a Fund purchases TIPS in the secondary market whose principal values have previously been adjusted upward and there is a period of subsequent declining inflation rates, a Fund may receive at maturity less than it invested and incur a loss.

INTEREST RATE RISK. Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the debt securities in an underlying ETF's portfolio will decline because of rising market interest rates. Interest rate risk is generally lower for shorter term debt securities and higher for longer-term debt securities. An underlying ETF may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates than would normally be the case due to the current period of historically low rates and the effect of potential government fiscal policy initiatives and resulting market reaction to those initiatives. Duration is a reasonably accurate measure of a debt security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates and a common measure of interest rate risk. Duration measures a debt security's expected life on a present value basis, taking into account the debt security's yield, interest payments and final maturity. In general, duration represents the expected percentage change in the value of a security for an immediate 1% change in interest rates. For example, the price of a debt security with a three-year duration would be expected to drop by approximately 3% in response to a 1% increase in interest rates. Therefore, prices of debt securities with shorter durations tend to be less sensitive to interest rate changes than debt securities with longer durations. As the value of a debt security changes over time, so will its duration.

JAPAN RISK. A Fund is subject to certain risks specifically associated with investments in the securities of Japanese issuers. The Japanese economy may be subject to considerable degrees of economic, political and social instability, which could have a negative impact on Japanese securities. Japan's economy is characterized by government intervention and protectionism, reliance on oil imports, an unstable financial services sector and relatively high unemployment. Since 2000 Japan has experienced relatively low economic growth, and it may remain low in the future. Its economy is heavily dependent on international trade and has been adversely affected by trade tariffs and competition from emerging economies. As such, economic growth is heavily dependent on continued growth in international trade, relatively low commodities prices, government support of the financial services sector and other government policies. Any changes or trends in these economic factors could have a significant impact on Japanese markets overall and may negatively affect a Fund's investments. Japan's economy and equity market also share a strong correlation with U.S. markets and the Japanese economy may be affected by economic problems in the U.S. Despite a strengthening in the economic relationship between Japan and China, the countries' political relationship has at times been strained. Should political tension increase, it could adversely affect the economy and destabilize the region as a whole. Additionally, escalated tensions involving North Korea and any outbreak of hostilities involving North Korea could have a severe adverse effect on Japan's economy. Japan's geography also subjects it to an increased risk of natural disasters, such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, typhoons and tsunamis, all of which could negatively impact a Fund's investments.

LARGE CAPITALIZATION COMPANIES RISK. Large capitalization companies may grow at a slower rate and be less able to adapt to changing market conditions than smaller capitalization companies. Thus, the return on investment in securities of large capitalization companies may be less than the return on investment in securities of small and/or mid capitalization companies. The performance of large capitalization companies also tends to trail the overall market during different market cycles.

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LIBOR RISK. The United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority, which regulates LIBOR, intends to cease making LIBOR available as a reference rate over a phase-out period that is currently expected to begin after the end of 2021, although the specific timing of the phase out of LIBOR continues to be discussed and negotiated across the industry and in various jurisdictions. The unavailability or replacement of LIBOR may affect the value, liquidity or return on certain Fund investments and may result in costs incurred in connection with closing out positions and entering into new trades. Any potential effects of the transition away from LIBOR on a Fund or on certain instruments in which a Fund invests can be difficult to ascertain, and they may vary depending on a variety of factors. Any such effects of the transition away from LIBOR, as well as other unforeseen effects, could result in losses to a Fund.

LIQUIDITY RISK. A Fund, and certain underlying ETFs, may hold certain investments that may be subject to restrictions on resale, trade over-the-counter or in limited volume, or lack an active trading market. Accordingly, a Fund, and certain underlying ETFs, may not be able to sell or close out of such investments at favorable times or prices (or at all), or at the prices approximating those at which a Fund currently values them. Illiquid securities may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments and may be subject to wide fluctuations in market value.

LOW VOLATILITY RISK. Although subject to the risks of common stocks, low volatility stocks are seen as having a lower risk profile than the overall markets. However, a portfolio comprised of low volatility stocks may not produce investment exposure that has lower variability to changes in such stocks' price levels. Low volatility stocks are likely to underperform the broader market during periods of rapidly rising stock prices when market volatility is high. Low volatility stocks also may not protect against market declines.

MANAGEMENT RISK. A Fund is subject to management risk because it is an actively managed portfolio. In managing a Fund's investment portfolio, the portfolio managers will apply investment techniques and risk analyses that may not produce the desired result. There can be no guarantee that a Fund will meet its investment objective.

MARKET RISK. Market risk is the risk that a particular security, or shares of a Fund in general, may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by such factors as economic, political, regulatory or market developments, changes in interest rates and perceived trends in securities prices. Shares of a Fund could decline in value or underperform other investments. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant negative impact on the Fund and its investments.

For example, the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) global pandemic and the aggressive responses taken by many governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines or similar restrictions, had negative impacts, and in many cases severe impacts, on markets worldwide. While the development of vaccines has slowed the spread of the virus and allowed for the resumption of reasonably normal business activity in the United States, many countries continue to impose lockdown measures in an attempt to slow the spread. Additionally, there is no guarantee that vaccines will be effective against emerging variants of the disease. As this global pandemic illustrated, such events may affect certain geographic regions, countries, sectors and industries more significantly than others. These events also adversely affect the prices and liquidity of a Fund's portfolio securities or other instruments and could result in disruptions in the trading markets. Any of such circumstances could have a materially negative impact on the value of a Fund's shares and result in increased market volatility. During any such events, the Fund's shares may trade at increased premiums or discounts to their net asset value.

MLP RISK. Investments in securities of MLPs involve certain risks different from or in addition to the risks of investing in common stocks. MLP common units can be affected by macro-economic factors and other factors unique to the partnership or company and the industry or industries in which the MLP operates. Certain MLP securities may trade in relatively low volumes due to their smaller capitalizations or other factors, which may cause them to have a high degree of price volatility and illiquidity. The structures of MLPs create certain risks, including, for example, risks related to the limited ability of investors to control an MLP and to vote on matters affecting the MLP, risks related to potential conflicts of interest between an MLP and the MLP's general partner, the risk that an MLP will generate insufficient cash flow to meet its current operating requirements, the risk that an MLP will issue additional securities or engage in other transactions that will have the effect of diluting the interests of existing investors, and risks related to the general partner's right to require unit-holders to sell their common units at an undesirable time or price. On March 15, 2018, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") changed its long-standing tax allowance policy which no longer permits MLPs to include in their cost of service an income tax allowance. This has had a negative impact on the performance of some MLPs affected by this decision. This policy change and any similar policy changes in the future could adversely impact an MLP's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and ability to pay cash distributions or dividends.

MLP TAX RISK. A Fund's ability to meet its investment objective relies in part upon the level of taxable income it receives from the MLPs in which it invests, a factor over which a Fund has no control. The benefit a Fund derives from its investment in MLPs is largely dependent on their being treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Partnerships do not pay U.S. federal income tax at the partnership level. Rather, each partner is allocated a share of the partnership's income, gains, losses, deductions and expenses. A

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change in current tax law or a change in the underlying business mix of a given MLP could result in an MLP being treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which would result in the MLP being required to pay U.S. federal income tax (as well as state and local income taxes) on its taxable income at the applicable corporate tax rate. This would have the effect of reducing the amount of cash available for distribution by an MLP and could result in a significant reduction in the value of a Fund's investment. The classification of an MLP as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes would have the effect of reducing the amount of cash available for distribution by the MLP and causing any such distributions received by a Fund to be taxed as dividend income to the extent of the MLP's current or accumulated earnings and profits. To the extent a distribution received by a Fund from an MLP is treated as a return of capital, a Fund's adjusted tax basis in the interests of the MLP may be reduced, which will result in an increase in the amount of income or gain (or decrease in the amount of loss) that will be recognized by a Fund for tax purposes upon the sale of any such interests or upon subsequent distributions in respect of such interests. Furthermore, any return of capital distribution received from an MLP may require a Fund to restate the character of its distributions and amend any shareholder tax reporting previously issued.

MOMENTUM INVESTING RISK. A Fund employs a "momentum" style of investing that emphasizes selecting stocks that have had higher recent price performance compared to other stocks. Momentum can change quickly and stocks that previously exhibited high momentum characteristics may not experience positive momentum or may experience more volatility than the market as a whole. In addition, there may be periods when the momentum style of investing is out of favor and the investment performance of a Fund may suffer.

MORTGAGE-RELATED SECURITIES RISK. Mortgage-related securities are subject to the same risks as investments in other types of debt securities, including credit risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk. However, these investments make an underlying ETF more susceptible to adverse economic, political or regulatory events that affect the value of real estate. Mortgage-related securities are also significantly affected by the rate of prepayments and modifications of the mortgage loans underlying those securities, as well as by other factors such as borrower defaults, delinquencies, realized or liquidation losses and other shortfalls. The incidence of borrower defaults or delinquencies may rise significantly during financial downturns and could adversely affect the value of mortgage-related securities held by a Fund. Events such as war, acts of terrorism, spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, or other events that result in broad and simultaneous financial hardships for individuals and businesses could have a significant negative impact on the value of mortgage-related securities. Mortgage-related securities are particularly sensitive to prepayment risk, given that the term to maturity for mortgage loans is generally substantially longer than the expected lives of those securities. As the timing and amount of prepayments cannot be accurately predicted, the timing of changes in the rate of prepayments of the mortgage loans may significantly affect an underlying ETF's actual yield to maturity on any mortgage-related securities. Along with prepayment risk, mortgage-related securities are significantly affected by interest rate risk.

MUNICIPAL SECURITIES RISK. Issuers, including governmental issuers, may be unable to pay their obligations as they come due. The values of municipal securities that depend on a specific revenue source to fund their payment obligations may fluctuate as a result of actual or anticipated changes in the cash flows generated by the revenue source or changes in the priority of the municipal obligation to receive the cash flows generated by the revenue source. The values of municipal securities held by an underlying ETF may be adversely affected by local political and economic conditions and developments. Adverse conditions in an industry significant to a local economy could have a correspondingly adverse effect on the financial condition of local issuers. In addition, income from municipal securities held by an underlying ETF could be declared taxable because of, among other things, unfavorable changes in tax laws, adverse interpretations by the Internal Revenue Service or state tax authorities, or noncompliant conduct of an issuer or other obligated party. Loss of tax-exempt status may cause interest received and distributed to shareholders by an underlying ETF to be taxable and may result in a significant decline in the values of such municipal securities. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the risks of the municipal securities market have been magnified. The costs associated with combating the pandemic and the negative impact on tax revenues has adversely affected the financial condition of many states and political subdivisions. These risks may also adversely affect several sectors of the municipal bond market, such as airports, toll roads, hospitals and colleges, among many others. The full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on state and political subdivisions' ability to make payments on debt obligations is impossible to predict, but could negatively impact the value of bonds, the ability of state and political subdivisions to make payments when due and the performance of a Fund.

NON-AGENCY SECURITIES RISK. Investments in asset-backed or mortgage-backed securities offered by non-governmental issuers, such as commercial banks, savings and loans, private mortgage insurance companies, mortgage bankers and other secondary market issuers are subject to additional risks. There are no direct or indirect government or agency guarantees of payments in loan pools created by non-government issuers. Securities issued by private issuers are subject to the credit risks of the issuers. An unexpectedly high rate of defaults on the loan pool may adversely affect the value of a non-agency security and could result in losses to a Fund. The risk of such defaults is generally higher in the case of pools that include subprime loans. Non-agency securities are typically traded "over-the-counter" rather than on a securities exchange and there may be a limited market for the securities, especially when there is a perceived weakness in the mortgage and real estate market sectors. Without an active trading market, the non-agency

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mortgage-related securities held by a Fund may be particularly difficult to value because of the complexities involved in assessing the value of the underlying loans.

NON-CORRELATION RISK. A Fund's return may not match the return of the Index for a number of reasons. A Fund incurs operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and may incur costs in buying and selling securities, especially when rebalancing a Fund's portfolio holdings to reflect changes in the composition of the Index. In addition, a Fund's portfolio holdings may not exactly replicate the securities included in the Index or the ratios between the securities included in the Index.

NON-DIVERSIFICATION RISK. A Fund is classified as "non-diversified" under the 1940 Act. As a result, a Fund is only limited as to the percentage of its assets which may be invested in the securities of any one issuer by the diversification requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A Fund may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. As a result, a Fund may be more susceptible to a single adverse economic or regulatory occurrence affecting one or more of these issuers, experience increased volatility and be highly invested in certain issuers.

NON-U.S. SECURITIES RISK. Non-U.S. securities are subject to higher volatility than securities of domestic issuers due to possible adverse political, social or economic developments, restrictions on foreign investment or exchange of securities, capital controls, lack of liquidity, currency exchange rates, excessive taxation, government seizure of assets, the imposition of sanctions by foreign governments, different legal or accounting standards, and less government supervision and regulation of securities exchanges in foreign countries.

OPERATIONAL RISK. A Fund is subject to risks arising from various operational factors, including, but not limited to, human error, processing and communication errors, errors of a Fund's service providers, counterparties or other third-parties, failed or inadequate processes and technology or systems failures. Although a Fund and the Advisor seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures, there is no way to completely protect against such risks.

PASSIVE INVESTMENT RISK. A Fund that tracks an index is not actively managed. A Fund invests in securities included in or representative of the Index regardless of investment merit. A Fund generally will not attempt to take defensive positions in declining markets. In the event that the Index is no longer calculated, the Index license is terminated or the identity or character of the Index is materially changed, a Fund will seek to engage a replacement index.

PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RISK. High portfolio turnover may result in a Fund paying higher levels of transaction costs and may generate greater tax liabilities for shareholders. Portfolio turnover risk may cause a Fund's performance to be less than expected.

PREFERRED SECURITIES RISK. Preferred securities combine some of the characteristics of both common stocks and bonds. Preferred securities are typically subordinated to bonds and other debt securities in a company's capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income, subjecting them to greater credit risk than those debt securities. Generally, holders of preferred securities have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company unless preferred dividends have been in arrears for a specified number of periods, at which time the preferred security holders may obtain limited rights. In certain circumstances, an issuer of preferred securities may defer payment on the securities and, in some cases, redeem the securities prior to a specified date. Preferred securities may also be substantially less liquid than other securities, including common stock.

PREPAYMENT RISK. Prepayment risk is the risk that the issuer of a debt security will repay principal prior to the scheduled maturity date. Debt securities allowing prepayment may offer less potential for gains during a period of declining interest rates, as an underlying ETF may be required to reinvest the proceeds of any prepayment at lower interest rates. These factors may cause the value of an investment in an underlying ETF to change.

REIT RISK. REITs typically own and operate income-producing real estate, such as residential or commercial buildings, or real-estate related assets, including mortgages. As a result, investments in REITs are subject to the risks associated with investing in real estate, which may include, but are not limited to: fluctuations in the value of underlying properties; defaults by borrowers or tenants; market saturation; changes in general and local operating expenses; and other economic, political or regulatory occurrences affecting companies in the real estate sector. REITs are also subject to the risk that the real estate market may experience an economic downturn generally, which may have a material effect on the real estate in which the REITs invest and their underlying portfolio securities. REITs may have also a relatively small market capitalization which may result in their shares experiencing less market liquidity and greater price volatility than larger companies. Increases in interest rates typically lower the present value of a REIT's future earnings stream, and may make financing property purchases and improvements more costly. Because the market price of REIT stocks may change based upon investors' collective perceptions of future earnings, the value of a Fund will generally decline when investors anticipate or experience rising interest rates.

SENIOR LOAN RISK. Senior loans represent debt obligations of sub-investment grade corporate borrowers, similar to high yield bonds; however, senior loans are different from traditional high yield bonds in that senior loans are typically senior to other obligations

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of the borrower and generally secured by a lien on all or some portion of the assets of the borrower. The senior loan market has seen a significant increase in loans with weaker lender protections including, but not limited to, limited financial maintenance covenants or, in some cases, no financial maintenance covenants (i.e., “covenant-lite loans”) that would typically be included in a traditional loan agreement and general weakening of other restrictive covenants applicable to the borrower such as limitations on incurrence of additional debt, restrictions on payments of junior debt or restrictions on dividends and distributions. Weaker lender protections such as the absence of financial maintenance covenants in a loan agreement and the inclusion of “borrower-favorable” terms may impact recovery values and/or trading levels of senior loans in the future. The absence of financial maintenance covenants in a loan agreement generally means that the lender may not be able to declare a default if financial performance deteriorates. This may hinder an underlying ETF’s ability to reprice credit risk associated with a particular borrower and reduce an underlying ETF’s ability to restructure a problematic loan and mitigate potential loss. As a result, an underlying ETF’s exposure to losses on investments in senior loans may be increased, especially during a downturn in the credit cycle or changes in market or economic conditions.

Senior loans are also subject to the same risks as investments in other types of debt securities, including credit risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk that may be heightened because of the limited public information available regarding senior loans. If an underlying ETF holds a senior loan through another financial institution or relies on a financial institution to administer the loan, its receipt of principal and interest on the loan may be subject to the credit risk of that financial institution. Although senior loans are generally secured by specific collateral, there can be no assurance that liquidation of such collateral would satisfy the borrower’s obligation in the event of non-payment of scheduled interest or principal or that such collateral could be readily liquidated.

No active trading market may exist for certain senior loans, which may impair the ability of an underlying ETF to realize full value in the event of the need to sell its position in a senior loan and which may make it difficult to accurately value senior loans. Lastly, senior loans may not be considered “securities,” and an underlying ETF may not be entitled to rely on the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws.

SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE RISK. To the extent that a Fund invests a large percentage of its assets in a single asset class or the securities of issuers within the same country, state, region, industry or sector, an adverse economic, business or political development may affect the value of a Fund’s investments more than if a Fund were more broadly diversified. A significant exposure makes a Fund more susceptible to any single occurrence and may subject a Fund to greater market risk than a fund that is more broadly diversified.

SMALLER COMPANIES RISK. Small and/or mid capitalization companies may be more vulnerable to adverse general market or economic developments, and their securities may be less liquid and may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies as a result of several factors, including limited trading volumes, fewer products or financial resources, management inexperience and less publicly available information. Accordingly, such companies are generally subject to greater market risk than larger, more established companies.

TBA TRANSACTIONS RISK. Certain ETFs in which a Fund may invest may purchase securities via to-be-announced transactions (“TBA Transactions”). In such a transaction, the purchase price of the securities is typically fixed at the time of the commitment, but delivery and payment can take place a month or more after the date of the commitment. At the time of delivery of the securities, the value may be more or less than the purchase or sale price. Purchasing securities in a TBA Transaction may give rise to investment leverage and may increase an underlying ETF’s volatility. Default by, or bankruptcy of, a counterparty to a TBA Transaction would expose an underlying ETF to possible losses because of an adverse market action, expenses or delays in connection with the purchase or sale of the pools specified in such transaction.

U.S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES RISK. U.S. government securities are subject to interest rate risk but generally do not involve the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities. As a result, the yields available from U.S. government securities are generally lower than the yields available from other debt securities. U.S. government securities are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and the payment of principal when held to maturity. While securities issued or guaranteed by U.S. federal government agencies (such as Ginnie Mae) are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, securities issued by government sponsored entities (such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac) are solely the obligation of the issuer and generally do not carry any guarantee from the U.S. government.

VALUATION RISK. A Fund or an underlying ETF may hold securities or other assets that may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur because the asset or security does not trade on a centralized exchange, or in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” assets or securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that a Fund or an underlying ETF could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that a Fund or an underlying ETF would incur a loss

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because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by a Fund or an underlying ETF at that time. A Fund's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

Board Considerations Regarding Approval of Continuation of Investment Management and Investment Sub-Advisory Agreements

The Board of Trustees of First Trust Variable Insurance Trust (the "Trust"), including the Independent Trustees, unanimously approved the continuation of the Investment Management Agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") with First Trust Advisors L.P. (the "Advisor") on behalf of the following five series of the Trust (each a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"):

First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio
First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio
First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio
First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio
First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio

The Board, including the Independent Trustees, also unanimously approved the continuation of the Investment Sub-Advisory Agreement (the "Stonebridge Sub-Advisory Agreement") among the Trust, on behalf of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, the Advisor and Stonebridge Advisors LLC ("Stonebridge"); and the Investment Sub-Advisory Agreement (the "Energy Income Partners Sub-Advisory Agreement") among the Trust, on behalf of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, the Advisor and Energy Income Partners, LLC ("Energy Income Partners"). The Stonebridge Sub-Advisory Agreement and the Energy Income Partners Sub-Advisory Agreement are collectively referred to as the "Sub-Advisory Agreements." Stonebridge and Energy Income Partners are individually referred to as a "Sub-Advisor" and are collectively referred to as the "Sub-Advisors." The Sub-Advisory Agreements together with the Advisory Agreement are referred to as the "Agreements." The Board approved the continuation of the Agreements for a one-year period ending June 30, 2023 at a meeting held on June 12–13, 2022. The Board determined that the continuation of the Advisory Agreement is in the best interests of each Fund and the continuation of the Sub-Advisory Agreements is in the best interests of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio in light of the nature, extent and quality of the services provided and such other matters as the Board considered to be relevant in the exercise of its business judgment.

To reach this determination, the Board considered its duties under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as well as under the general principles of state law, in reviewing and approving advisory contracts; the requirements of the 1940 Act in such matters; the fiduciary duty of investment advisors with respect to advisory agreements and compensation; the standards used by courts in determining whether investment company boards have fulfilled their duties; and the factors to be considered by the Board in voting on such agreements. At meetings held on April 18, 2022 and June 12–13, 2022, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, reviewed materials provided by the Advisor and each of the Sub-Advisors responding to requests for information from counsel to the Independent Trustees, submitted on behalf of the Independent Trustees, that, among other things, outlined: the services provided by the Advisor to the Funds and by the Sub-Advisors to First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio (including the relevant personnel responsible for these services and their experience); the advisory fee rate payable by each Fund and the sub-advisory fee rates for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio as compared to fees charged to a peer group of funds (the "Expense Group") and a broad peer universe of funds (the "Expense Universe"), each assembled by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge"), an independent source, and as compared to fees charged to other clients of the Advisor and the Sub-Advisor; the expense ratio of each Fund as compared to expense ratios of the funds in each Fund's Expense Group and Expense Universe; performance information for each Fund, including comparisons of each Fund's performance to that of one or more relevant benchmark indexes and to that of a performance group of funds and a broad performance universe of funds (the "Performance Universe"), each assembled by Broadridge; the nature of expenses incurred in providing services to the Funds and the potential for the Advisor and each Sub-Advisor to realize economies of scale, if any; profitability and other financial data for the Advisor; financial data for each Sub-Advisor; any indirect benefits to the Advisor and its affiliates, First Trust Portfolios L.P. ("FTP") and First Trust Capital Partners, LLC ("FTCP"), and the Sub-Advisors; and information on the Advisor's and each Sub-Advisor's compliance programs. The Board reviewed initial materials with the Advisor at the meeting held on April 18, 2022, prior to which the Independent Trustees and their counsel met separately to discuss the information provided by the Advisor and each of the Sub-Advisors. Following the April meeting, counsel to the Independent Trustees, on behalf of the Independent Trustees, requested certain clarifications and supplements to the materials provided, and the information provided in response to those requests was considered at an executive session of the Independent Trustees and their counsel held prior to the June 12–13, 2022 meeting, as well as at the June meeting. The Board applied its business judgment to determine whether the arrangements between the Trust and the Advisor continue to be reasonable business arrangements from the Funds' perspective. Similarly, the Board applied its business judgment to determine whether the arrangements among the Trust, the Advisor and each of the Sub-Advisors continue to be reasonable business arrangements from the perspective of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio. The Board determined that, given the totality of the information provided with respect to the

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Agreements, the Board had received sufficient information to renew the Agreements. The Board considered that shareholders chose to invest or remain invested in the Funds knowing that the Advisor manages the Funds, knowing that the Sub-Advisors serve as such for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio and knowing each Fund's advisory fee.

In reviewing the Agreements, the Board considered the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by the Advisor and each Sub-Advisor under the Agreements. With respect to the Advisory Agreement, the Board considered that the Advisor is responsible for the overall management and administration of the Trust and the Funds and reviewed all of the services provided by the Advisor to the Funds, including the oversight of the Sub-Advisors for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, as well as the background and experience of the persons responsible for such services. The Board received a presentation from members of the Advisor's portfolio management team at the April 18, 2022 meeting. The Board also noted that the Advisor oversees the Sub-Advisors' management of portions of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio's investment portfolio, including risk monitoring and performance review. In reviewing the services provided, the Board noted the compliance program that had been developed by the Advisor and considered that it includes a robust program for monitoring the Advisor's, the Sub-Advisors' and the Funds' compliance with the 1940 Act, as well as each Fund's compliance with its investment objective or objectives, policies and restrictions. The Board also considered a report from the Advisor with respect to its risk management functions related to the operation of the Funds. Finally, as part of the Board's consideration of the Advisor's services, the Advisor, in its written materials and at the April 18, 2022 meeting, described to the Board the scope of its ongoing investment in additional personnel and infrastructure to maintain and improve the quality of services provided to the Funds and the other funds in the First Trust Fund Complex. With respect to the Sub-Advisory Agreements for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, the Board reviewed the materials provided by each Sub-Advisor and considered the services that each Sub-Advisor provides to the Fund, noting that Energy Income Partners is responsible for the day-to-day management of a portion of the Fund's investments and that Stonebridge serves in a non-discretionary capacity for a portion of the Fund's investments. In considering each Sub-Advisor's services to the Fund, the Board noted the background and experience of each Sub-Advisor's portfolio management team and the Board's prior meetings with members of each portfolio management team. The Board also received a presentation from representatives of Stonebridge at the June 12–13, 2022 meeting. In light of the information presented and the considerations made, the Board concluded that the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to the Funds by the Advisor and to First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio by the Sub-Advisors under the Agreements have been and are expected to remain satisfactory and that the Advisor and, for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, the Sub-Advisors, have managed the Funds consistent with each Fund's respective investment objective or objectives, policies and restrictions.

The Board considered the advisory fee rate payable by each Fund under the Advisory Agreement and, for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, considered the sub-advisory fee rates payable under the Sub-Advisory Agreements for the services provided, noting that the sub-advisory fees are paid by the Advisor from its advisory fee. The Board considered that the Advisor agreed to extend the current expense caps for Class I and Class II shares of each Fund at least until May 1, 2023. For each Fund, the Board noted that expenses borne by the Advisor are subject to reimbursement by the Fund for up to three years from the date the fee or expense was incurred, but no reimbursement payment will be made by the Fund at any time if it would result in Class I share and Class II share expenses (excluding interest expense, brokerage commissions and other trading expenses, taxes, and extraordinary expenses and acquired fund fees and expenses for First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio and First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio) exceeding (i) the applicable expense limitation in place for the most recent fiscal year for which such expense limitation was in place, (ii) the applicable expense limitation in place at the time the fees were waived or expenses were reimbursed, or (iii) the current expense limitation. The Board also noted that the Advisor had extended through May 1, 2023 its agreement to reduce the advisory fee payable by First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio in the amount of 0.37% of the Fund's average daily net assets, which is intended to offset the acquired fund fees and expenses associated with the Fund's investments in underlying ETFs, including ETFs in the First Trust Fund Complex. The Board received and reviewed information for each Fund showing the fee rates and expense ratios of the peer funds in the Expense Group, as well as advisory and unitary fee rates charged by the Advisor and the Sub-Advisors to other fund and non-fund clients, as applicable. With respect to the Expense Groups, the Board, at the April 18, 2022 meeting, discussed with Broadridge its methodology for assembling peer groups and discussed with the Advisor the limitations in creating peer groups for the Funds. The Board took these limitations into account in considering the peer data. The Board noted that because First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio invests in underlying ETFs, including ETFs in the First Trust Fund Complex, such Fund will incur acquired fund fees and expenses, and that such acquired fund fees and expenses will change over time as assets are reallocated among the underlying ETFs. Based on the information provided, the Board noted that the contractual advisory fee rate payable by First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio was equal to the median contractual advisory fee of the peer funds in the Fund's Expense Group and that the contractual advisory fee rate payable by each of the other Funds was below the median contractual advisory fee of the peer funds in the Fund's respective Expense Group. The Board also noted that with respect to the total (net) expense ratio of each Fund's Class I shares, the net expense ratio (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, as applicable) of each of First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio, First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio and First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio was above the median net expense ratio (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses) of the peer funds in the Fund's respective Expense Group and that the net expense ratio

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(excluding acquired fund fees and expenses) of each of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio and First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio was below the median net expense ratio (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses) of the peer funds in the Fund's Expense Group. With respect to fees charged to other clients, the Board considered differences between the Funds and other clients that limited their comparability. In considering the advisory fee rates overall, the Board also considered the Advisor's statement that it seeks to meet investor needs through innovative and value-added investment solutions and the Advisor's demonstrated long-term commitment to each Fund and the other funds in the First Trust Fund Complex.

The Board considered performance information for the Funds. The Board noted the process it has established for monitoring the Funds' performance and portfolio risk on an ongoing basis, which includes quarterly performance reporting from the Advisor for the Funds and the Sub-Advisors for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio. The Board determined that this process continues to be effective for reviewing the Funds' performance. The Board received and reviewed information comparing each Fund's performance for periods ended December 31, 2021 to the performance of the funds in the Fund's Performance Universe and to that of a benchmark index or blended benchmark index, as applicable. Based on the information provided, the Board noted that First Trust/Dow Jones Dividend & Income Allocation Portfolio (Class I shares) outperformed the Performance Universe median for the one-, three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2021, outperformed the blended benchmark index for the one-year period ended December 31, 2021, and underperformed the blended benchmark index for the three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2021. The Board noted that First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio (Class I shares) outperformed the Performance Universe median and the blended benchmark index for the one-year period ended December 31, 2021 and underperformed the Performance Universe median and the blended benchmark index for the three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2021. The Board noted that First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio (Class I shares) outperformed the Performance Universe median for the one-, three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2021 and underperformed the blended benchmark index for the one-, three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2021. The Board noted that First Trust Capital Strength Portfolio (Class I shares) underperformed the Performance Universe median and the benchmark index for the one-year period ended December 31, 2021. The Board noted that First Trust International Developed Capital Strength Portfolio outperformed the Performance Universe median and the benchmark index for the one-year period ended December 31, 2021.

On the basis of all the information provided on the fees, expenses and performance of the Funds and the ongoing oversight by the Board, the Board concluded that the advisory fee for each Fund and the sub-advisory fees for First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio continue to be reasonable and appropriate in light of the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by the Advisor to each Fund under the Advisory Agreement and provided by the Sub-Advisors to First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio under the respective Sub-Advisory Agreements.

The Board considered information and discussed with the Advisor whether there were any economies of scale in connection with providing advisory services to each Fund and noted the Advisor's statement that it believes that its expenses relating to providing advisory services to the Funds will likely increase during the next twelve months as the Advisor continues to build infrastructure and add new staff. The Board considered the revenues and allocated costs (including the allocation methodology) of the Advisor in serving as investment advisor to each Fund for the twelve months ended December 31, 2021 and the estimated profitability level for each Fund calculated by the Advisor based on such data, as well as complex-wide and product-line profitability data, for the same period. The Board noted the inherent limitations in the profitability analysis and concluded that, based on the information provided, the Advisor's profitability level for each Fund was not unreasonable. In addition, the Board considered indirect benefits described by the Advisor that may be realized from its relationship with the Funds. The Board considered that the Advisor had identified as an indirect benefit to the Advisor and FTP their exposure to investors and brokers who, absent their exposure to the Funds, may have had no dealings with the Advisor or FTP. The Board considered the ownership interests of FTCP in Stonebridge and Energy Income Partners and potential indirect benefits to the Advisor from such ownership interests. The Board noted that FTP is compensated for services provided to the Funds through Rule 12b-1 distribution and service fees payable by Class I shares, and that the Advisor receives compensation from each Fund for providing fund reporting services pursuant to a separate Fund Reporting Services Agreement. The Board also noted that the Advisor does not utilize soft dollars in connection with the Funds. In addition, the Board considered that the Advisor, as the investment advisor to certain underlying ETFs in which First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio and First Trust Dorsey Wright Tactical Core Portfolio invest, will recognize additional revenue from the underlying ETFs if investment by such Funds causes the assets of the underlying ETFs to grow. The Board concluded that the character and amount of potential indirect benefits to the Advisor were not unreasonable.

With respect to the Stonebridge Sub-Advisory Agreement, the Board considered Stonebridge's expenses in providing sub-advisory services to the First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio and noted Stonebridge's hiring of additional personnel and Stonebridge's statement that it would add resources as needed if it experiences enough asset growth. The Board did not review the profitability of Stonebridge with respect to the Fund. The Board noted that the Advisor pays Stonebridge from its advisory fee and its understanding that the First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio's sub-advisory fee rate was the product of an arm's length negotiation. The Board concluded that the profitability analysis for the Advisor was more relevant. The Board considered indirect benefits that may be

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realized by Stonebridge from its relationship with First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, including potential indirect benefits to Stonebridge from the ownership interest of FTCP in Stonebridge. The Board noted Stonebridge's statement that its relationship with the Advisor has helped it build relationships with Wall Street firms that have preferred and hybrid securities trading desks, which may lead to access to those firms' research reports and analysts. The Board noted that Stonebridge acts as a non-discretionary manager providing model portfolio recommendations to the Advisor and does not provide trade execution services to the First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio. The Board concluded that the character and amount of potential indirect benefits to Stonebridge were not unreasonable.

With respect to the Energy Income Partners Sub-Advisory Agreement, the Board considered that Energy Income Partners anticipates that its expenses will continue to rise due to additions to personnel and system upgrades. The Board did not review the profitability of Energy Income Partners with respect to the First Trust Multi Asset Income Allocation Portfolio. The Board noted that the Advisor pays Energy Income Partners from its advisory fee, and its understanding that the First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio's sub-advisory fee rate was the product of an arm's length negotiation. The Board concluded that the profitability analysis for the Advisor was more relevant. The Board considered indirect benefits that may be realized by Energy Income Partners from its relationship with First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio, including the potential indirect benefits to Energy Income Partners from the ownership interest of FTCP in Energy Income Partners. The Board noted that Energy Income Partners does not provide trade execution services on behalf of First Trust Multi Income Allocation Portfolio. The Board concluded that the character and amount of potential indirect benefits to Energy Income Partners were not unreasonable.

Based on all of the information considered and the conclusions reached, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously determined that the terms of the Agreements continue to be fair and reasonable and that the continuation of the Agreements is in the best interests of the applicable Funds. No single factor was determinative in the Board's analysis.

Liquidity Risk Management Program

In accordance with Rule 22e-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), the Funds and each other fund in the First Trust Fund Complex, other than the closed-end funds, have adopted and implemented a liquidity risk management program (the "Program") reasonably designed to assess and manage the funds' liquidity risk, i.e., the risk that a fund could not meet requests to redeem shares issued by the fund without significant dilution of remaining investors' interests in the fund. The Board of Trustees of the First Trust Funds has appointed First Trust Advisors L.P. (the "Advisor") as the person designated to administer the Program, and in this capacity the Advisor performs its duties primarily through the activities and efforts of the First Trust Liquidity Committee (the "Liquidity Committee").

Pursuant to the Program, the Liquidity Committee classifies the liquidity of each fund's portfolio investments into one of the four liquidity categories specified by Rule 22e-4: highly liquid investments, moderately liquid investments, less liquid investments and illiquid investments. The Liquidity Committee determines certain of the inputs for this classification process, including reasonably anticipated trade sizes and significant investor dilution thresholds. The Liquidity Committee also determines and periodically reviews a highly liquid investment minimum for certain funds, monitors the funds' holdings of assets classified as illiquid investments to seek to ensure they do not exceed 15% of a fund's net assets and establishes policies and procedures regarding redemptions in kind.

At the April 18, 2022 meeting of the Board of Trustees, as required by Rule 22e-4 and the Program, the Advisor provided the Board with a written report prepared by the Advisor that addressed the operation of the Program during the period from March 16, 2021 through the Liquidity Committee's annual meeting held on March 17, 2022 and assessed the Program's adequacy and effectiveness of implementation during this period, including the operation of the highly liquid investment minimum for each fund that is required under the Program to have one, and any material changes to the Program. Note that because the Funds primarily hold assets that are highly liquid investments, the Funds have not adopted any highly liquid investment minimums.

As stated in the written report, during the review period, no fund breached the 15% limitation on illiquid investments, no fund with a highly liquid investment minimum breached that minimum and no fund filed a Form N-LIQUID. The Advisor concluded that each fund's investment strategy is appropriate for an open-end fund; that the Program operated effectively in all material respects during the review period; and that the Program is reasonably designed to assess and manage the liquidity risk of each fund and to maintain compliance with Rule 22e-4.

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