Fiduciary Management, Inc. Verification and Small Cap Equity Composite Performance Examination Report

December 31, 2024





Verification and Performance Examination Report

Fiduciary Management, Inc.

We have verified whether Fiduciary Management, Inc. (the "Firm") has, for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024, established policies and procedures for complying with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS[®]) related to composite and pooled fund maintenance and the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance that are designed in compliance with the GIPS standards, as well as whether these policies and procedures have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. GIPS[®] is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. We have also examined the Firm's Small Cap Equity Composite for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024.

The Firm's management is responsible for its claim of compliance with the GIPS standards, the design and implementation of its policies and procedures, and for the accompanying Small Cap Equity Composite's GIPS composite report. Our responsibilities are to be independent from the Firm and to express an opinion based on our verification and performance examination. We conducted this verification and performance examination in accordance with the required verification and performance examination procedures of the GIPS standards, which includes testing performed on a sample basis. We also conducted such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024, the Firm's policies and procedures for complying with the GIPS standards related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been, in all material respects:

- Designed in compliance with the GIPS standards, and
- Implemented on a firm-wide basis.



Also, in our opinion, the Firm has, in all material respects:

- Constructed the Small Cap Equity Composite and calculated the Small Cap Equity Composite's performance for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024 in compliance with the GIPS standards; and
- Prepared and presented the accompanying Small Cap Equity Composite's GIPS composite report for the periods from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2024 in compliance with the GIPS standards.

This report does not relate to or provide assurance on any specific performance report of the Firm other than the Firm's accompanying Small Cap Equity Composite's GIPS composite report, or on the operating effectiveness of the Firm's controls or policies and procedures for complying with the GIPS standards.

ACA Group

ACA Group, Performance Services Division

April 22, 2025

Fiduciary Management Inc. Small Cap Equity Composite 12/31/2014 - 12/31/2024

						Three Year Ex-Post Standard		т	otal			
	T 1	T 1				Deviation		Composite				
	Total	Total							Total Firm			
	Return	Return	*					Assets		AS	sets End of	
	Gross of	Net of	*Benchmark	Number of				of Period		Period		Percentage of
Year	Fees %	Fees %	Return %	Portfolios	Dispersion %	Composite	*Benchmark	(\$ m	illions)	(\$	millions)	Firm Assets %
2015	-5.72	-6.52	-4.41	171	0.34	11.18%	13.98%	\$	2,597.2	\$	21,042.9	12.34%
2016	21.65	20.65	21.31	171	0.46	12.02%	15.77%	\$	2,596.0	\$	22,626.7	11.47%
2017	15.42	14.49	14.65	171	0.84	11.12%	13.91%	\$	2,774.0	\$	25,322.0	10.96%
2018	-8.10	-8.83	-11.01	160	0.74	11.73%	15.79%	\$	2,220.4	\$	19,833.6	11.20%
2019	27.14	26.17	25.53	119	1.83	12.44%	15.71%	\$	2,415.0	\$	22,609.9	10.68%
2020	4.40	3.60	19.96	104	1.49	21.15%	25.27%	\$	2,079.2	\$	16,284.2	12.77%
2021	31.74	30.77	14.82	102	0.60	21.11%	23.35%	\$	2,294.9	\$	17,068.4	13.45%
2022	-4.98	-5.70	-20.40	96	0.29	22.76%	26.02%	\$	2,173.9	\$	13,021.5	16.69%
2023	26.34	25.41	16.93	92	0.38	18.02%	21.11%	\$	3,050.0	\$	14,729.1	20.71%
2024	11.46	10.65	11.54	93	0.23	18.11%	23.30%	\$	3,616.0	\$	14,761.5	24.50%

*Benchmark: Russell 2000 Index®

Returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. The above table reflects past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. A client's investment return may be lower or higher than the performance shown above. Clients may suffer an investment loss.

Fiduciary Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global investment Performance Standards (GIPS*) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Fiduciary Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the periods 12/31/1993 - 12/31/2024. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards. Verification provides assurance on whether the firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS standards and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. The Small Cap Equity Composite has had a performance examination for the periods 12/31/1993 - 12/31/2024. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

FMI was founded in 1980 and is an independent investment counseling firm registered with the SEC and the State of Wisconsin. The firm manages over \$14.7 billion in assets of pension and profit sharing trusts, mutual funds, Taft-Hartley funds, insurance company portfolios, endowments and personal trusts. The firm includes both institutional and mutual fund business. Although the firm has participated in wrap programs, it is a separate and distinct business, and is excluded from firmwide assets.

The FMI Small Cap Equity Composite was created and incepted in January 1980. These accounts primarily invest in small to medium capitalization US equities.

The FMI Small Cap Equity Composite reflects time-weighted and asset-weighted returns for all discretionary accounts, with a market value greater than \$500,000 as of month end. A small percentage of composite assets (typically ranging from 0-5%) historically has been invested in unmanaged fixed income securities at the direction of account holders. From December 31, 1993 thru September 30, 2002 all accounts included were managed for at least one quarter, from October 1, 2002 to present all accounts were managed for at least one month. All returns are calculated using United States Dollars and are based on monthly valuations using trade date accounting. All accounts in this composite are fee paying. Gross of fees returns are calculated gross of management fees, gross of custodial fees, gross of withholding taxes and net of transaction costs. Net of fees returns are calculated net of actual management fees and transaction costs and gross of custodial fees and withholding taxes. Dispersion is calculated using the equal weighted standard deviation of all accounts in the composite for the entire period. As of 12/31/2011, the trailing three year annualized ex-post standard deviation for the Composite and Benchmark are required to be stated per GIPS[®]. FMI uses gross returns to calculate these.

Currently, the advisory fee structure for the FMI Small Cap Equity Composite portfolios is as follows:

Up to \$25,000,000	0.85%
\$25,000,001-\$50,000,000	0.80%
\$50,000,001-\$100,000,00	0.70%
\$100.000.001 and above	0.60%

The firm generally requires a minimum of \$3 million in assets to establish a discretionary account. High Net Worth individuals may establish an account with a minimum of \$1,000,000, however, the firm reserves the right to charge a minimum dollar fee for High Net Worth individuals depending on the client servicing involved. The minimum account sizes do not apply to new accounts for which there is a corporate, family, or other substantial relationship to existing accounts. In addition, the firm reserves the right to waive the minimum account size and minimum annual fee under certain circumstances. A complete list and description of all firm composites and FMI distributed mutal funds are available upon request.

The Russell 2000 Index[®] measures the performance of the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. The Russell 2000 Index is a subset of the Russell 3000[®] Index representing approximately 8% of the total market capitalization of that index. It includes approximately 2,000 of the smallest securities based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Small Cap Equity composite uses the Russell 2000 Index[®] as its primary index comparison.

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