

# Johnson Institutional Short Duration Bond Fund CLASS I: JIBDX CLASS F: JIMDX

AS OF: MARCH 31, 2024



OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATINGS BY CLASS

**CLASS I** 



CLASS F



#### **KEY FACTS**

| Class:                      | Class I     | Class F   |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Ticker:                     | JIBDX       | JIMDX     |
| CUSIP:                      | 479164600   | 479164816 |
| Share Class<br>Launch Date: | 8/31/2000   | 5/1/2018  |
| Expense Ratio (gross):      | 0.30%       | 0.55%     |
| Expense Ratio (net):        | 0.25%       | 0.40%     |
| Minimum<br>Investment:      | \$1,000,000 | \$500,000 |

## **FUND PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

Fund Benchmark:

ICE BofAML U.S. Corp & Gov't Index, 1-3 Years

| Average Credit Quality: | A+                 |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| SEC Yield:              | 4.45% (Class I)    |
| Effective Duration:     | 2.06 years         |
| Weighted Average Life:  | 2.25 years         |
| Portfolio Turnover:     | 32.67%<br>(12-mo.) |
| Number of Holdings:     | 103                |

## ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

|          | Class I | Class F | Benchmark |  |  |
|----------|---------|---------|-----------|--|--|
|          | JIBDX   | JIMDX   | -         |  |  |
| 1 YEAR:  | 4.04%   | 3.88%   | 3.60%     |  |  |
| 3 YEAR:  | 0.15%   | 0.01%   | 0.27%     |  |  |
| 5 YEAR:  | 1.32%   | 1.17%   | 1.38%     |  |  |
| 10 YEAR: | 1.40%   | 1.28%   | 1.31%     |  |  |

#### **FUND DESCRIPTION**

Johnson Institutional Short Duration Bond Fund is an investment grade domestic fixed income portfolio that aims to provide outperformance over the market index with comparable volatility and greater downside risk protection. The Fund's stated objective is a high level of income over the long term consistent with preservation of capital.

#### **FUND HIGHLIGHTS**

- 100% Investment Grade securities
- · No derivatives, no high-yield, no foreign currency exposure
- · Proprietary quality yield approach

#### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- · Strict adherence to quality credit discipline
- · Overweight "low beta", shorter duration credit
- Utilize longer duration government securities as a credit hedge and for liquidity
- Emphasize intermediate maturity to capture roll return and "off the run" yield premium
- Neutral duration slightly longer than the ICE BofAML U.S. Corp & Gov't Index, 1-3 Years
- In managing the Fund, portfolio managers do not speculate on changes in interest rates

#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

The Fund's portfolio management team's philosophy is built on the belief that fixed income plays two crucial roles within a portfolio. First and foremost, we believe fixed income should serve as the anchor of a portfolio — providing stability and protection especially during periods of market volatility. Second, fixed income should be a consistent and reliable source of compounding income. Therefore, the team focuses exclusively on quality securities and only invests in dollar denominated, investment grade rated securities— no derivatives, no currency exposure, and no high-yield.

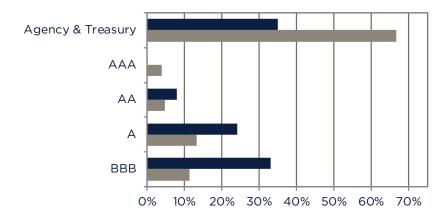
The team seeks to build portfolios that maximize yield and total return in normal environments, while never sacrificing our high-quality discipline, that aims to provide reliable downside protection during periods of economic and market stress. To accomplish this the Fund is often positioned overweight corporate bonds relative to its benchmark as a way to maximize current income. In order to help limit the Fund's overall spread sensitivity, the Fund generally strives for a shorter spread duration than the index. The Fund's focus on intermediate maturity corporates also provides additional opportunities for both yield curve and credit curve roll return. The team's disciplined credit process further eliminates volatile sectors and issuers which helps mitigate volatility, especially during higher risk periods. Balancing the Fund's tilt toward high-quality intermediate corporate bonds with longer duration government bonds provides an additional hedge to the portfolio and further provides stability to relative performance. While the Fund seeks to provide downside protection, it may not always be able to do so.

Unique to the industry, this Quality Yield approach aims to provide a high degree of both outperformance and consistency during strong and weak environments. When yield spreads are tightening in the market and credit performs well, we believe the portfolio's overweight to the sector may help performance. When spreads are widening and corporate bonds lag in the market, we believe the portfolio's quality emphasis and shorter duration exposure should lead to solid attribution from security selection.

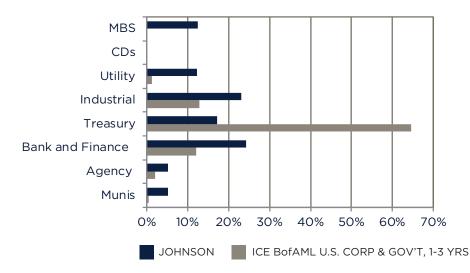
## **CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE**

|                 | 1sт QTR 2024 | 2023  | 2022   | 2021   | 2020  | 2019  | 2018  | 2017  |
|-----------------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CLASS I - JIBDX | 0.55%        | 4.78% | -4.29% | -0.91% | 3.91% | 4.65% | 1.16% | 1.54% |
| CLASS F - JIMDX | 0.51%        | 4.68% | -4.47% | -1.09% | 3.82% | 4.36% |       |       |
| BENCHMARK       | 0.46%        | 4.66% | -3.76% | -0.41% | 3.35% | 4.07% | 1.63% | 0.86% |

## **QUALITY WEIGHTINGS:**



## **SECTOR WEIGHTINGS:**



## FIXED INCOME PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM:

## Jason Jackman, CFA

- Chief Executive Officer, Principal
- 31 Years Industry Experience

## Michael Leisring, CFA

- Chief Investment Officer Fixed Income
   & Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 26 Years Industry Experience

## Brandon Zureick, CFA

- Managing Director & Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 16 Years Industry Experience

#### David Theobald, CFA

- Senior Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 17 Years Industry Experience

#### Ryan Martin, CFA

- Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 11 Years Industry Experience

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