

# Johnson Enhanced Index

AS OF: MARCH 31, 2025

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE:**

Our primary objective is to outperform the S&P 500 Index with low tracking error and comparable volatility by synthetically replicating the Large Cap Equity market using Index Futures, combined with investment grade Fixed Income securities.

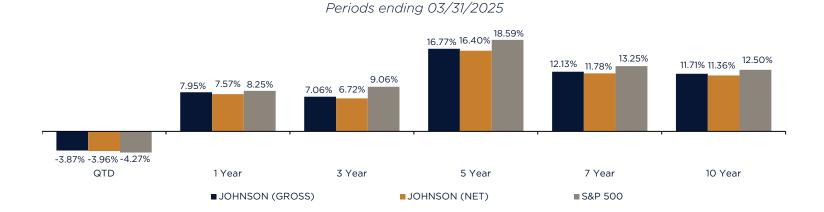
## **INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY:**

Our Enhanced Index investment philosophy is based on the following beliefs:

- We believe by combining Index Futures with high quality bonds we can provide the high correlation benefits of index management with the potential for excess returns from active management.
- We believe that investing in Index Futures allows us to track price movements of the S&P 500 (matching beta), while the underlying bonds enhance the return (alpha).

# **PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW:**

- Blend of S&P 500 Futures Contracts and high quality Fixed Income
- 5% of portfolio held on margin/95% invested in quality bonds
- No portfolio leverage, no swap contracts, no third party risk
- Fixed Income component is 100% Investment Grade
- Diversification by sector, issuer and maturity
- No derivatives, no junk, no foreign currency exposure



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# COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE:

# Annual Returns

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
JOHNSON (GROSS)	22.78%	25.36%	-23.22%	26.99%	19.91%	34.19%	-5.63%	21.77%	13.05%	1.63%
JOHNSON (NET)	22.37%	24.98%	-23.46%	26.61%	19.54%	33.79%	-5.94%	21.38%	12.73%	1.39%
S&P 500	25.02%	26.29%	-18.11%	28.71%	18.40%	31.49%	-4.38%	21.83%	11.96%	1.38%

There is no guarantee that any investment strategy will achieve its objectives, generate profits or avoid losses

## APPROACH, COMBINATION OF ACTIVE AND INDEX MANAGEMENT

## **Benefits of Active Management**

- Returns that are able to outperform the index
- Ability to adapt to changing market conditions

## **Benefits of Index Management**

- Benchmark correlation
- Lower volatility, lower fees

	ACTIVE	PASSIVE	JOHNSON ENHANCED
ALPHA	-0.80%	-0.03%	-1.14%
BETA	0.98	1.00	1.05
TRACKING ERROR	3.79%	0.08%	1.71%
STANDARD DEVIATION	15.46%	15.39%	16.22%
BATTING AVERAGE	0.48%	0.43%	0.48%
UPSIDE CAPTURE	95.55%	99.94%	101.28%
DOWNSIDE CAPTURE	99.39%	100.01%	106.25%
SHARPE RATIO	0.65	0.69	0.58
INFORMATION RATIO	-0.22	-0.36	-0.66

Table Source: eVestment. Trailing 10 years as of 03/31/2025. Active is defined as the median of the eVestment Large Cap Equity pooled vehicles. Passive is the median of the eVestment Passive S&P 500 Equity pooled vehicles Universe. All comparisons are net-of-fees.

## STRATEGIC INVESTMENT TEAM:

#### Jason Jackman, CFA

- Chief Executive Officer, Principal
- 32 Years Industry Experience

#### Michael Leisring, CFA

- Chief Investment Officer Fixed
- Income & Portfolio Manger, Principal
- 27 Years Industry Experience

#### Brandon Zureick, CFA

- Senior Managing Director, Principal
- 17 Years Industry Experience

## David Theobald, CFA

- Senior Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 18 Years Industry Experience

#### Ryan Martin, CFA

- Senior Portfolio Manager, Principal
- 12 Years Industry Experience

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Table Glossary: Alpha-excess returns generated for a given level of risk; Beta-a measure of volatility or systematic risk of a security or portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole; Tracking Error-the annualized standard deviation of excess return to the benchmark; Standard Deviation-Standard deviation of return measures the average deviations of a return series from its mean, and is often used as a measure of risk. A large standard deviation implies that there have been large swings in the return series of the manager. Measure of total risk; Upside Capture- measures the percentage of market gains captured by a manager when markets are up. Ratio over 100 indicates fund generally outperformed the benchmark during periods of positive returns for the benchmark; Downside Capture-measures the percentage of market losses endured by a manager when markets are down. Ratio of less than 100 indicates that a fund has lost less than its benchmark in periods of benchmark loss; Sharpe Ratio-a risk- adjusted measure of return which uses standard deviation to represent risk. (Average Portfolio Return - Risk Free Rate)/Standard Deviation; Information Ratio-a measure of risk-adjusted returns of a portfolio vs. a benchmark. It is the summation of the annualized excess returns divided by the annualized standard deviation of excess returns. The Information Ratio measures the consistency with which a manager beats a benchmark.

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