Polen U.S. Small Company Growth

Portfolio Manager Commentary – September 2022

Summary

- Over the third quarter of 2022, the Polen U.S. Small Company Growth Composite Portfolio (the "Portfolio") returned -4.01% gross and -4.34% net of fees, respectively, versus the 0.24% return of the Russell 2000 Growth Index (the "Index").

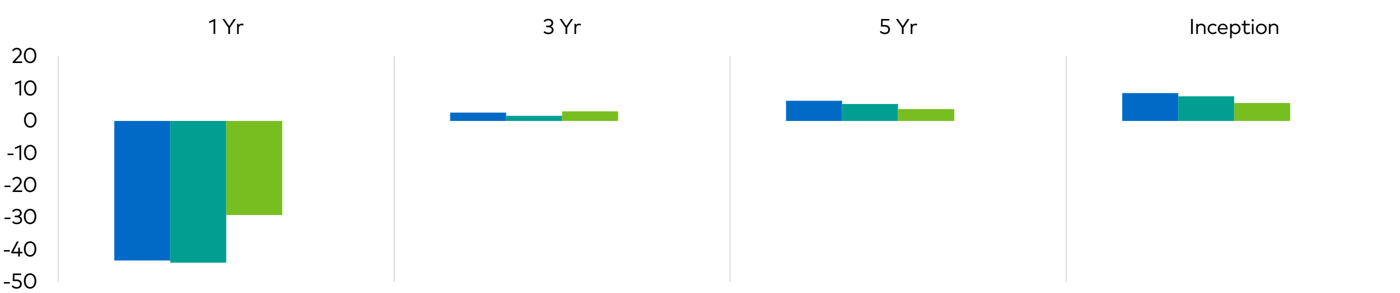
- Consistent with what we've seen for the better part of this year, high inflation, slowing economic growth, tightening monetary policy, and widespread uncertainty have been the dominant narratives driving small cap stocks while company fundamentals have largely been ignored.

- The top absolute contributors to the Portfolio's performance over the third quarter included Wingstop, Paylocity, and Progyny. The most significant absolute detractors from performance included Yeti, Goosehead Insurance, and Azenta.

- We initiated one new position, Euronet Worldwide, and eliminated our position in Paylocity. In addition, we opportunistically added and trimmed some existing positions.

- We believe that maintaining our focus on high-quality growth companies that in our opinion, are well positioned to drive cash flow and earnings growth over the next five years will generate robust long-term performance for the Portfolio, regardless of the volatility in the underlying economy and shorter-term rotations in the market.

Seeks Growth & Capital Preservation (Performance (%) as of 9-30-2022)



	Qtr	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	Inception
U.S. Small Company Growth (Gross)	-4.01	-44.22	-43.33	2.54	6.22	8.64
U.S. Small Company Growth (Net)	-4.34	-44.77	-44.03	1.55	5.21	7.61
Russell 2000 Growth	0.24	-29.28	-29.27	2.93	3.59	5.52

The performance data quoted represents **past performance and does not guarantee future results.** Current performance may be lower or higher. Periods over one-year are annualized. Performance figures are presented gross and net of fees and have been calculated after the deduction of all transaction costs and commissions, and include the reinvestment of all income. Please reference the GIPS Report which accompanies this commentary.

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All company-specific information has been sourced from company financials as of the relevant period discussed.

Commentary

The third quarter was marked by extreme volatility, with broad market strength at the start of the quarter giving way to renewed concern over macro headwinds and higher interest rates in the second half of the quarter. With this backdrop, U.S. small cap growth equities ended the period flat.

Consistent with what we've seen for the better part of this year, high inflation, slowing economic growth, tightening monetary policy, and widespread uncertainty have been the dominant narratives driving small cap stocks, while company fundamentals have largely been ignored. This has led to a year-to-date (YTD) 9-month period that has been the worst on record for the small cap markets.

The underlying fundamentals of the businesses we own are far stronger than their stocks would suggest. In the most recent quarter, the portfolio, in aggregate, delivered 25% year-over-year revenue growth and over +400bps of gross margin expansion, with a trailing 12 months (TTM) return on invested capital (ROIC) of 12%. By all measures, we consider our companies are healthy. While the outlook is uncertain, we believe our businesses remain well-positioned to thrive, having the financial flexibility to withstand the current economic pressures and seize profitable opportunities that help lay the foundation for future growth and sustainability.

As a reminder, in good times and in bad, one of the key tenets of our Flywheel is investing in businesses with strong balance sheets that can self-fund growth. We believe this allows them to invest and grow during challenging economic and funding environments, positioning them to emerge stronger following them. However, this does not mean we sit idle. We have been working hard all year to leverage our distinctive collaborative team approach to look at our investments from all angles and perspectives.

We have leaned into the heightened volatility this year to upgrade the quality of the Portfolio without limiting our ability to participate in a recovery.

We do not believe now is the time to retreat to safety. While we can't predict when markets will recover, we believe that maintaining our focus on high-quality growth companies that are well-positioned to drive cash flow and earnings growth over the next five years will generate superior long-term performance for the Portfolio, regardless of the volatility in the underlying economy and shorter-term rotations in the market.

This is an exciting time to be investing in the small cap markets for those of us that are long-term, patient, and discerning. Absolute and relative valuations for small caps are attractive, sentiment is weak, earnings estimates are being adjusted lower, and most market participants are engaging in very short-term behaviors leaving stocks mispriced and misunderstood.

We believe the companies in our Portfolio have the potential to at least double in value over a five-year period, with many offering far more upside especially after the recent drawdown, and we continue to uncover exciting opportunities during this ongoing equity market dislocation.

Portfolio Performance & Attribution

Over the third quarter, Polen U.S. Small Company Growth Composite Portfolio (the "Portfolio") returned -4.01% gross and -4.34% net of fees, respectively, compared to the 0.34% return of the Russell 2000 Growth Index (the "Index").

While stock selection was the primary driver of underperformance in the quarter, the portfolio also faced material-style headwinds mostly coming from an underweight exposure to momentum and overweight exposure to profitability. The better performance came from lower-quality companies. At the sector and industry level, the portfolio's overweight to information technology (largely coming from software) and lack of exposure to energy and biotech (which don't fit our quality orientation) also negatively impacted relative performance.

The most significant absolute detractors from the Portfolio's performance over the quarter included **Yeti, Goosehead Insurance, and Azenta.**

Yeti, a maker of premium outdoor/lifestyle products, reported weaker-than-expected results driven by channel and product mix shifts in the period that pressured margins, and an uncertain macro environment led the company to reduce its outlook for the remainder of the year as it works through inventory challenges. We remain positive on the long-term outlook for Yeti and have maintained our position amidst these shorter-term headwinds.

Goosehead Insurance, a personal line insurance brokerage focused primarily on homeowner and auto insurance, remains on track and the underlying business remains strong. However, the stock came under pressure during the quarter due to an unfavorable corporate governance development. After visiting the company's headquarters in Texas, exploring the issue in detail, and sharing our feedback, we remain confident in our long-term view of the company.

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Finally, **Azenta**, a healthcare company focused on biological sample management, is navigating a challenging environment with COVID restrictions in China, a strong dollar, and a modest demand decline with some of its smaller customers. Stepping back, we believe these obstacles are temporary. The company has not lost any market share, has a rock-solid balance sheet, and remains a secular winner with a growing need for its services in an increasingly complex drug discovery world. We remain excited about the long-term opportunity and return potential for Azenta

The top absolute contributors to the Portfolio's performance over the quarter included **Wingstop, Paylocity,** and **Progyny.**

Wingstop, a franchised chicken wing restaurant chain, was the best performer in the period. The company reported better-than-expected results, highlighted exciting progress around international growth, and announced its intention to launch a chicken sandwich nationally. After a recent headquarter visit, we believe there are many favorable tailwinds for the business despite the worsening consumer outlook.

Paylocity, a leading provider of cloud-based payroll and Human Capital Management (HCM) software, continued to benefit from a robust demand environment and delivered better-than-expected results. We eliminated our position during the period (discussed more below).

Lastly, **Progyny**, a fertility benefits manager for self-insured companies, reported powerful results across the board. More importantly, this continued business strength reinforces our view that this is a competitively advantaged, "patient-first" business model with a nascent opportunity to penetrate a large and rapidly growing market.

Portfolio Activity

This quarter's activity included one new initiation and one complete sale, along with modest adds and trims to existing positions. We eliminated our position in **Paylocity** on the back of solid performance as it is a success story and has graduated out of our market cap range. We used Paylocity as a source of funds to initiate a new position in **Euronet Worldwide** and added to existing holdings with very attractive returns. Euronet is a technology company in the financial services space. It is an industry leader providing secure electronic financial transaction solutions through ATM operations and outsourcing, the second larger global money transfer business, and digital payment solutions. We previously owned the company and sold it during the pandemic due to acute concerns that drove a wider range of outcomes. Those concerns have been resolved, and we believe the company remains well-positioned for the long-term. While macro uncertainties and currency fluctuations create a near-term headwind reflected in the depressed valuation, we believe Euronet should be able to able to deliver low double-digit top-line growth and sustain solid margins and cash flow while continuing to buy back stock and do accretive M&A.

During the quarter, we also added to some of our existing holdings **including Azenta, Doximity, Duck Creek Technology, Goosehead Insurance,** and **Bumble.** We maintain our long-term conviction in the fundamentals of these businesses and used weakness in the period to lean into a very attractive long-term expected return and favorable risk/reward tradeoffs.

We continued to trim our position **in AMN Healthcare.** AMN, a provider of healthcare staffing solutions, is a high-quality company that provides a critical service to manage the structural shortage in nurses and other healthcare staffing. It has been a top performer YTD, and while we maintain a meaningful position, we saw an opportunity to right-size the exposure, freeing up capital for other opportunities.

Outlook

There may be tougher times ahead, and we are prepared for it. We are expecting growth to slow in the face of difficult comparisons and the weakening outlook. This compounds uncertainty around near-term predictions and valuation multiples. Companies that benefited from the pandemic may look particularly volatile in the short-term view.

> **This underscores why we stay focused on the long term. While the short-term view is heavily influenced by fear and uncertainty, the long-term picture is far clearer than the market would suggest, and by and large, our long-term view and conviction in our portfolio companies is unchanged.**

This allows us to confidently sift through the noise and take advantage of price dislocations. This also highlights the benefit of owning Flywheel companies as we define them: long-term secular winners, still in the early innings of their growth, with durable business models and balance sheets that are built to keep them robust when others are weak. Time and patience are required for the fundamentals to play out. We cannot predict the short-term even though we believe significant bad news is priced in.

Despite all the challenges, the opportunity set in small caps is attractive. High-quality small-cap companies have greater latent potential for growth relative to more mature businesses. The best small cap growth companies can quickly reduce spending and inflect profitability if needed given their high starting levels of investment.

We believe the best-of-the-best small-cap companies will take advantage of adjacencies and have a better potential opportunity set for value-added acquisitions.

Of course, many companies do not meet this high hurdle, which is why we hold a concentrated portfolio of companies that do not just offer growth and high returns, but also durability, robust financial models, the ability to self-fund growth, and what we believe to be superior management teams.

We believe great investing requires a clear and proven philosophy, a disciplined process, and conviction. It also requires great humility and a willingness to change your view when the evidence requires it. We look forward to keeping you updated on our views in future commentary.

Thank you for your interest in Polen Capital and the U.S. Small Company Growth Portfolio. Please contact us with any questions.

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Experience in High Quality Growth Investing

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GIPS Report

Polen Capital Management
U.S. Small Company Growth Composite—GIPS Composite Report

		UMA	Firm	Composite Assets		Annual Performance Results				3 Year Standard Deviation[2]	
Year End	Total ($Millions)	Assets ($Millions)	Assets ($Millions)	U.S. Dollars ($Millions)	Number of Accounts	Composite Gross (%)	Composite Net (%)	Russell 2000 G (%)	Composite Dispersion (%)	Polen Gross (%)	Russell 2000 G (%)
2021	82,789	28,884	53,905	83.89	156	18.67	17.69	2.83	0.6	23.54	23.08
2020	59,161	20,662	38,499	48.06	68	56.41	55.08	34.63	1.7	25.52	25.10
2019	34,784	12,681	22,104	8.28	8	22.73	21.62	28.50	0.1	N/A	N/A
2018	20,591	7,862	12,729	3.82	6	3.30	2.31	-9.29	0.0	N/A	N/A
2017[1]	17,422	6,957	10,466	5.65	4	20.74	19.82	18.22	N/A	N/A	N/A

Performance % as of 12-31-2021:
(Annualized returns are presented for periods greater than one year)

	1 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
U.S. Small Company Growth (Gross)	18.67	-	-	24.24
U.S. Small Company Growth (Net)	17.69	-	-	23.13
Russell 2000 Growth	2.83	-	-	14.34

[1]Performance represents partial period (March 9, 2017 through December 31, 2017), assets and accounts are as of December 31, 2017.
[2]A 3 Year Standard Deviation is not available for 2017, 2018 and 2019 due to 36 monthly returns are not available. Total assets and UMA assets are supplemental information to the GIPS Composite Report.
N/A - There are five or fewer accounts in the composite the entire year.
While pitch books are updated quarterly to include composite performance through the most recent quarter, we use the GIPS Report that includes annual returns only. To minimize the risk of error we update the GIPS Report annually. This is typically updated by the end of the first quarter.

GIPS Report

The U.S. Small Company Growth Composite created on July 3, 2017 with inception date March 9, 2017 contains fully discretionary small company equity accounts that are not managed within a wrap fee structure and for comparison purposes is measured against Russell 2000 Growth. Effective January 2022, fully discretionary small company equity accounts managed as part of our U.S. Small Company Growth strategy that adhere to the rules and regulations applicable to registered investment companies subject to the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940 were included into the U.S. Small Company Growth Composite. The accounts comprising the portfolios are highly concentrated and are not constrained by EU diversification regulations.

Polen Capital Management claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Polen Capital Management has been independently verified for the periods April 1, 1992 through December 31, 2021. The verification reports are available upon request. 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. Verification does not provide assurance on the accuracy of any specific performance report.

Polen Capital Management is an independent registered investment adviser. Polen Capital Management invests exclusively in equity portfolios consisting of high-quality companies but also has a subsidiary, Polen Capital Credit, LLC, that specializes in high yield securities and special situations investing. A list of all composite and pooled fund investment strategies offered by the firm, with a description of each strategy, is available upon request. In July 2007, the firm was reorganized from an S-corporation into an LLC and changed names from Polen Capital Management, Inc. to Polen Capital Management, LLC.
A material error in the 2017 annual performance for the Russell 2000 Growth was corrected as of April 17, 2020. Results are based on fully discretionary accounts under management, including those accounts no longer with the firm.

Effective January 1, 2022, composite policy requires the temporary removal of any portfolio incurring a client initiated significant net cash inflow or outflow of 10% or greater of portfolio assets. The U.S. Dollar is the currency used to express performance. Returns are presented gross and net of fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Net of fee performance was calculated using either actual management fees or highest fees for fund structures. The annual composite dispersion presented is an asset-weighted standard deviation using returns presented gross of management fees calculated for the accounts in the composite the entire year. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.

The separate account management fee schedule is as follows:
Institutional: Per annum fees for managing accounts are 100 basis points (1.00%) on the first $50 Million and 85 basis points (0.85%) on all assets above $50 Million of assets under management. HNW: Per annum fees for managing accounts are 175 basis points (1.75%) of the first $500,000 of assets under management and 125 basis points (1.25%) of amounts above $500,000 of assets under management. Actual investment advisory fees incurred by clients may vary.

The per annum fee schedule for managing the Polen U.S. Small Company Growth Fund, which is included in the U.S. Small Company Growth Composite, is 100 basis points (1.00%). The total annual fund operating expenses are up to 135 basis points (1.35%). As of 4/30/2022, the mutual fund expense ratio goes up to 1.35%. This figure may vary from year to year.

Past performance does not guarantee future results and future accuracy and profitable results cannot be guaranteed. Performance figures are presented gross and net of fees and have been calculated after the deduction of all transaction costs and commissions. Polen Capital is an SEC registered investment advisor and its investment advisory fees are described in its Form ADV Part 2A. The advisory fees will reduce clients' returns. The chart below depicts the effect of a 1% management fee on the growth of one dollar over a 10 year period at 10% (9% after fees) and 20% (19% after fees) assumed rates of return.

The Russell 2000® Growth Index is a market capitalization weighted index that measures the performance of the small-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes Russell 2000® Index companies with higher price/book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The index is maintained by the FTSE Russell, a subsidiary of the London Stock Exchange Group.

The volatility and other material characteristics of the indices referenced may be materially different from the performance achieved. In addition, the composite's holdings may be materially different from those within the index. Indices are unmanaged and one cannot invest directly in an index.

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Return	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	6 Years	7 Years	8 Years	9 Years	10 Years
10%	1.10	1.21	1.33	1.46	1.61	1.77	1.95	2.14	2.36	2.59
9%	1.09	1.19	1.30	1.41	1.54	1.68	1.83	1.99	2.17	2.37
20%	1.20	1.44	1.73	2.07	2.49	2.99	3.58	4.30	5.16	6.19
19%	1.19	1.42	1.69	2.01	2.39	2.84	3.38	4.02	4.79	5.69