

# U.S. Micro-Cap Value Strategy

## **Strategy Overview**

**INCEPTION DATE:** 09/30/1997

**STRATEGY ASSETS:** \$153 Million

**BENCHMARK: Russell Micro Value** 

**MARKET CAP RANGE:** < Largest Mkt. Cap in Russell Micro-Cap Value Index

**VEHICLES: Separate Account** 

## **Portfolio Managers**

**Gregory T. Ramsby** 

Joined DRZ: 1996 | Investment

Experience: 32 Years

Randy A. Renfrow, CFA

Joined DRZ: 2008 | Investment | Joined DRZ: 2014 | Investment Experience: 24 Years

Darren C. Weems, CFA, CPA

Experience: 25 Years

Brendan M. Long, CFA

Joined DRZ: 2007 | Investment

Experience: 17 Years

**Damien Amato, CFA** 

Experience: 15 Years

Zachary J. Pancratz, CFA

Joined DRZ: 2007 | Investment | Joined DRZ: 2011 | Investment

Experience: 11 Years

## **Investment Discipline**

DRZ's Value Methodology is based upon 3 equally balanced factors:

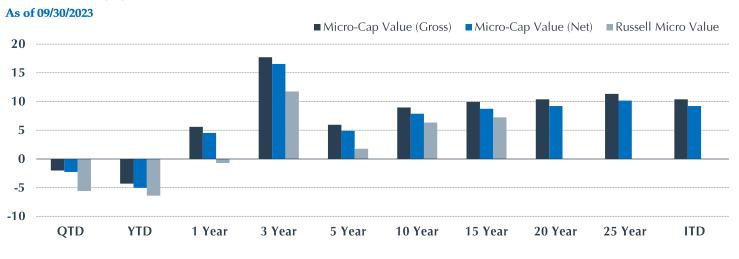
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Dividend Yield Relative Valuation Catalyst

#### **Characteristics**

|                                     | Micro-Cap<br>Value | Russell Micro<br>Value |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Dividend Yield                      | 3.9                | 2.2                    |
| Price/Book                          | 1.3                | 1.0                    |
| Forward Total P/E                   | 22.0               | -30.8                  |
| Forward Positive P/E                | 14.3               | 10.1                   |
| Weighted Avg. Market Cap (Millions) | \$810.5            | \$599.1                |
| <b>Active Share</b>                 | 96%                | -                      |
| Annual Turnover                     | 63%                | -                      |
|                                     |                    |                        |

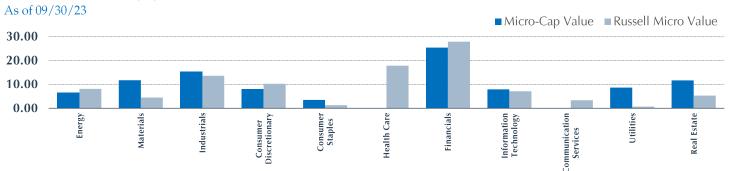
#### Performance (%)



|                         | QTD   | YTD   | 1 Year | 3<br>Years | 5<br>Years | 10<br>Years | 15<br>Years | 20<br>Years | 25<br>Years | ITD   |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|
| Micro-Cap Value (Gross) | -2.01 | -4.3  | 5.58   | 17.7       | 5.95       | 8.97        | 9.94        | 10.38       | 11.32       | 10.37 |
| Micro-Cap Value (Net)   | -2.26 | -5.03 | 4.52   | 16.54      | 4.9        | 7.86        | 8.75        | 9.21        | 10.16       | 9.21  |
| Russell Micro Value     | -5.59 | -6.4  | -0.7   | 11.76      | 1.78       | 6.34        | 7.24        | N/A         | N/A         | N/A   |



### **Sector Allocation (%)**



## **Top 10 Holdings**

| Security                                | % of Portfolio |
|---|----------------|
| Kaiser Aluminum Corp.                   | 3.8%           |
| American Software, Inc.                 | 3.3%           |
| Easterly Government Properties, Inc.    | 3.2%           |
| Solaris Oilfield Infrastructure, Inc.   | 2.9%           |
| York Water Company                      | 2.9%           |
| Community Healthcare Trust Incorporated | 2.9%           |
| Perella Weinberg Partners Class A       | 2.8%           |
| Mativ Holdings, Inc.                    | 2.8%           |
| REV Group, Inc.                         | 2.8%           |
| <b>Primoris Services Corporation</b>    | 2.6%           |

## **Investment Discipline**

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- Institutionally Focused
- 5 Strategies
  - **▶** U.S. Large-Cap Value
  - ▶ U.S. SMID-Cap Value
  - ▶ U.S. Small-Cap Value
  - U.S. Micro-Cap Value
  - **▶** Emerging Markets Value
- \$4.5 Billion total AUM
- Independently Owned
- 30 Colleagues
- Value Discipline Embraced by all Strategies
- 28 Years of executing our Value Discipline

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# MICRO-CAP VALUE COMPOSITE

# DePrince, Race & Zollo, Inc.

June 30, 1995 through September 30, 2023

| Year                      | Gross<br>Return(%) | Net<br>Return(%) | Index<br>Return(%) | Composite<br>3-Year Annualized<br>Standard Deviation | Index<br>3-Year Annualized<br>Standard Deviation | Number of<br>Portfolios | Composite<br>Dispersion<br>(%) | Strategy Assets<br>(\$Millions) | Total Composite<br>Assets (\$Millions) | Total Firm Assets<br>(\$Billions) |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|--|--|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 12/31/22 –<br>09/30/23    | (4.31)             | (5.01)           | (6.39)             | 22.84%   | 22.83%   | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 153                             | 102                                    | 4.515                             |
| 2022                      | (3.14)             | (4.11)           | (16.70)            | 24.47%   | 27.99%   | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 290                             | 236                                    | 4.756                             |
| 2021                      | 34.91              | 33.60            | 34.84              | 22.93%   | 26.41%   | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 344                             | 245                                    | 4.347                             |
| 2020                      | 3.41               | 2.38             | 6.34               | 23.32%   | 26.39%   | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 284                             | 210                                    | 3.447                             |
| 2019                      | 25.43              | 24.21            | 21.28              | 15.67%   | 16.07%   | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 211                             | 186                                    | 3.562                             |
| 2018                      | (11.84)            | (12.73)          | (11.96)            | 15.23%   | 16.55%   | 6                       | 0.52                           | 412                             | 412                                    | 3.916                             |
| 2017                      | 14.41              | 13.29            | 11.09              | 15.15%   | 15.02%   | 6                       | N/A                            | 502                             | 502                                    | 4.814                             |
| 2016                      | 46.43              | 45.02            | 30.59              | 15.84%   | 15.95%   | 7                       | 0.07                           | 461                             | 416                                    | 5.565                             |
| 2015                      | (9.65)             | (10.55)          | (6.45)             | 13.29%   | 13.56%   | 7                       | 0.01                           | 321                             | 317                                    | 5.788                             |
| 2014                      | (0.55)             | (1.78)           | 3.15               | 13.57%   | 13.41%   | 11                      | 0.06                           | 459                             | 451                                    | 7.901                             |
| 2013                      | 30.78              | 29.19            | 41.17              | 15.52%   | 16.46%   | 13                      | 0.06                           | 299                             | 586                                    | 8.517                             |
| 2012                      | 14.89              | 13.48            | 22.81              | 19.26%   | 21.32%   | 16                      | 0.03                           | 465                             | 458                                    | 6.770                             |
| 2011                      | (4.43)             | (5.62)           | (10.34)            | 25.31%   | 26.05%   | 18                      | 0.11                           | 479                             | 472                                    | 6.588                             |
| 2010                      | 28.34              | 26.77            | 28.35              | N/A  | N/A  | 13                      | 0.18                           | 367                             | 345                                    | 5.832                             |
| 2009                      | 34.19              | 32.67            | 17.52              | N/A  | N/A  | 7                       | N/A                            | 189                             | 140                                    | 4.870                             |
| 2008                      | (27.77)            | (28.51)          | (34.93)            | N/A  | N/A  | 7                       | N/A                            | 96                              | 87                                     | 3.112                             |
| 2007                      | (3.07)             | (4.04)           | (13.13)            | N/A  | N/A  | 8                       | N/A                            | 146                             | 133                                    | 5.161                             |
| 2006                      | 29.77              | 28.51            | 23.48              | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 131                             | 117                                    | 5.370                             |
| 2005                      | 1.87               | 0.86             | 4.71               | N/A  | N/A  | 12                      | N/A                            | 117                             | 93                                     | 4.944                             |
| 2004                      | 28.08              | 26.83            | 22.25              | N/A  | N/A  | 6                       | N/A                            | 159                             | 68                                     | 4.548                             |
| 2003                      | 34.21              | 32.90            | 46.03              | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 76                              | 76                                     | 3.369                             |
| 2002                      | (5.80)             | (6.74)           | (11.42)            | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 98                              | 97                                     | 2.072                             |
| 2001                      | 26.17              | 24.93            | 14.02              | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 92                              | 72                                     | 1.797                             |
| 2000                      | 26.21              | 24.98            | 22.83              | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 16                              | 16                                     | 1.752                             |
| 1999                      | 10.44              | 9.34             | (1.49)             | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 27                              | 16                                     | 1.702                             |
| 1998                      | (9.18)             | (10.09)          | (6.45)             | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 13                              | 13                                     | 2.166                             |
| 06/30/1997-<br>12/31/1997 | 1.94               | 1.69             | 1.68               | N/A  | N/A  | ≤5                      | N/A                            | 3                               | 3                                      | 1.966                             |