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Investor Update

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Artisan High Income Strategy

## Investment Results—Average Annual Total Returns (usD)


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## Corporate Credit Performance—Q3 2022

|  | Index Averages |  |  |  | Total Returns (\%) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Price (\$) | Yield (\%) | Spread/DM (bps) | Duration (yis) | QTD | YTD | $1 y_{r}$ |
| ICE BofAML US High Yield Index | 83.53 | 9.6 | 550 | 4.3 | -0.68 | -14.62 | -14.06 |
| BB Index | 86.14 | 7.8 | 375 | 4.7 | -0.88 | -14.29 | -13.67 |
| B Index | 84.28 | 9.9 | 582 | 3.9 | -0.59 | -14.30 | -13.59 |
| CCC Index | 70.91 | 16.8 | 1,269 | 3.4 | -0.17 | -17.25 | -17.40 |
| Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index | 91.60 | 11.0 | 668 | - | 1.19 | -3.31 | -2.62 |
| BB Index | 95.89 | 8.5 | 423 | - | 2.29 | -0.90 | -0.27 |
| B Index | 91.62 | 11.4 | 714 | - | 1.05 | -3.65 | -2.83 |
| cCC Index | 78.68 | 18.1 | 1,374 | - | -1.62 | -10.71 | -10.89 |
| First Lien Index | 91.91 | 10.8 | 647 | - | 1.29 | -3.22 | -2.56 |
| Second Lien Index | 82.77 | 17.5 | 1,317 | - | -2.01 | -6.14 | -4.43 |

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## High Yield Dispersion

ICE BofA US High Yield Index: Price Distribution


ICE BofA US High Yield Index: Credit Spreads


Trailing 12-Month Par-Weighted Default Rate
High Yield Bonds and Leveraged Loans


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## New Issuance Volumes

Record new issuance in '20 and '21 has allowed companies to refinance debt with lower borrowing costs and longer maturities


## Leveraged Loan New Issuance Volume and Cov-Lite \%

The significant growth in the issuance of "cov-lite" loans has also reduced default risk


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\% of Market Maturing By Year


## Credit Fundamentals

Net Leverage Levels


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## Default Rates

Implied vs Actual Default Rates


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## Par-Weighted Historical Default Rates



Source: Artisan Partners/ICE BofA/JPMorgan. As of 30 Sep 2022. Based on the par amount of bonds or loans defaulted as a percentage of the total marketface value over the trailing 12-month period. Defaults include missed interest payments and bankruptcy filings.

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## Dislocations Drive Opportunities



Source: Arrisan Partners/CE BofA. Spreads on a spreadto-worst basis for the ICE BofA US High Yield Index and ICE BofA US CCC High Yield Index. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

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## Portfolio Positioning (usd)

| Portfolio Composition |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| (\% of total porffolio) |  |
| Corporate Bonds | 73.9 |
| Bank Loans | 15.1 |
| Equities | 10.4 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total |  |
| Maturity Distribution |  |
| (\% of fixed income securities) | 0.0 |
| Less than 1 year | 6.1 |
| $1-<3$ years | 23.1 |
| $3-<5$ years | 44.9 |
| $5-<7$ years | 23.7 |
| $7-<10$ years | 2.2 |
| $10+$ years | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total |  |
| Ratings Distribution ${ }^{1}$ | 3.1 |
| $\% \%$ of fixed income securities) | 18.9 |
| BBB | 48.8 |
| BB | 26.2 |
| B | 3.0 |
| CCC | $100.0 \%$ |
| Unrated |  |
| Total |  |

Region/Country Allocation
(\% of portfolio securities)

| Americas | 86.1 |
| :--- | :---: |
| United States | 81.8 |
| Canada | 4.1 |
| Bermuda | 0.2 |
| Europe | 13.9 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ |
| Currency Exposure <br> (\% of total porffolio) |  |
| US Dollar | 100.0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |


| Portfolio Statistics |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Number of Holdings | 198 |
| Number of Issuers | 121 |
| Duration | 3.2 years |
| Average Maturity | 5.2 years |

[^2] tutures. Treasury futures represented net notional exposure of - $0.92 \%$ of net assets. Source: S\&P/Moody's. 'Depicts currency of the underlying securities in the portfolio and does not depict currency risk. The investmentteam typically hedges a portion of non-USO currency exposure.

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## Portfolio Positioning



[^3] of the total representative porttolio as of 30 Sep 2022.

## Artisan High Income Q3 Trade Activity

Purchase Summary by Cumulative Trade Amount (\$)

New Buys by Purchase Price


New Buys by Yield to Worst


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## Capturing Returns in Excess of Yield Through Convexity

Hypothetical Capital Structure

|  | Price | Coupon | Maturity |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revolver |  | Amt (\$mm) |  |
| Term Loan B |  | 4 Dec 2025 | - |
| Secured Bonds | 77.84 | $4.25 \%$ | 1 Jun 2028 |
| Unsecured Bonds |  | 1 Dec 2028 | 9,950 |
| Total Capitalization |  |  | 500 |

Potential Return Outcomes

| Secured Bonds | Price | Date | Yield |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yield to Worst / Yield to Maturity | 100.00 | 1 Jun 2028 | $9.38 \%$ |
| Yield to Expected Refinancing | 100.00 | 1 Dec 2025 | $13.00 \%$ |



Artisan Floating Rate Strategy
Portfolio Positioning and Investment Results

## Investment Results-Total Returns (usD)


 periods due to the imited operating period since inception. Returns less than one year are not annualized. Composite inception: I Jan 2022

Leveraged Loan Fundamentals


Debt-to-Enterprise Value


YoY EBITDA Growth


Par-Weighed Default Rate


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## Leveraged Loan Fundamentals

Trailing 12-Month Default Rate vs \% Distress (<\$80, 6-Mo Forward)


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## Leveraged Loan Fundamentals

Single B/CCC Loan Maturities: 2021 vs Current


Single B/CCC Maturities (30 Sep 2022)


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## Illustrating the Impact of Higher Interest Rates

Hypothetical Capital Structure

| (\$mm) | Amt | Leverage (X) | \% Capital | Index Floor | Current Index* | Spread | Floor Coupon | Market Coupon |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First lien Revolver | - | 3.5 | 35\% | 0.00\% | 3.25\% | 2.25\% | 2.250\% | 5.500\% |
| First lien Term Loan | 3,500.0 | 3.5 | 35\% | 0.50\% | 3.25\% | 3.25\% | 3.750\% | 6.500\% |
| HY Bond | 1,500.0 | 5.0 | 50\% | NA |  |  | 5.750\% | 5.750\% |
| Total Debt | 5,000.0 | 5.0 | 50\% |  |  |  | 4.350\% | 6.275\% |
| Equity | 5,000.0 | 5.0 | 50\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Capitalization | 10,000.0 | 10.0 | 100\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest coverage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First lien TL |  |  |  |  |  |  | $7.6 x$ | $4.4 x$ |
| Total Debt |  |  |  |  |  |  | $4.6 x$ | 3.2 x |

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## Measuring Market Dispersion

Price Distribution: Leveraged Loans


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## Leveraged Finance Valuations

Current Spreads vs 10-Year Range


Source: ICE BofA/Credit Suisse/Bloomberg. As of 30 Sep 2022. Asset classes represented by the following indices: Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index (Global Aggregate); Bloomberg US MBS Index (MBS); ICE BofA US Corporate Index (IG Corporates); ICE BofA Euro High Yield Index (Euro High Yield); ICE BofA US High Yield Index (High Yield); Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index (US Leveraged Loans); ICE BofA High Yield Emerging Markets Corporate Index (EM High Yield).
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## Selective Opportunities in New Issues

Leveraged Loan New Issue Price (7-Day Average)


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## Leveraged Loan Diversification Benefits

Low Correlations Improve Fixed Income Diversification 20-Year Correlation

| US Stocks | Aggregate <br> Bond | Leveraged <br> Loans | High Yield <br> Bonds | EM Debt |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| US Stocks | $100.0 \%$ | $12.8 \%$ | $57.5 \%$ | $71.8 \%$ | $58.9 \%$ |
| Aggregate <br> Bond |  | $100.0 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $32.7 \%$ | $60.8 \%$ |
| Leveraged <br> Loans |  | $100.0 \%$ | $82.2 \%$ | $57.4 \%$ |  |
| High Yield <br> Bonds |  |  | $100.0 \%$ | $78.1 \%$ |  |
| EM Debt |  |  |  | $100.0 \%$ |  |

Leveraged Loans offer a compelling risk/reward Yield vs Realized Volatility


[^6]Artisan Floating Rate Strategy

## Portfolio Positioning (usd)

| Portfolio Composition (\% of total poriffio) |  | Region/Country Allocation (\% of porffolio securities) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Floating Rate Loans | 86.6 | Americas | 100.0 |
| Other Floating Rate Securities | 2.1 | United States | 100.0 |
| Fixed Rate Bonds | 1.9 | Europe | - |
| Fixed Rate Loans | 0.4 | Total | 100.0\% |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | 9.0 |  |  |
| Total | 100.0\% | Currency Exposure ${ }^{2}$ <br> (\% of total poriffio) |  |
| Ratings Distribution ${ }^{1}$ |  | US Dollar | 100.0 |
| (\% of fixed income securities) |  | Total | 100.0\% |
| BBB | 2.8 |  |  |
| BB | 15.6 | Portfolio Statistics |  |
| B | 70.9 |  |  |
| CCC | 9.2 | Number of Holdings | 75 |
| Unrated | 1.5 | Number of Issuers | 60 |
| Total | 100.0\% | Duration | 0.2 years |
|  |  | Average Maturity | 4.2 years |

[^7]Artisan Floating Rate Strategy

## Portfolio Positioning



[^8]Artisan Floating Rate Strategy

## Portfolio Positioning

|  | Portfolio Exposures (\% Wgt) |  |  | Credit Suisse Lev Loan Index (\% Wgt) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Credit Ratings | 31 Mar 2022 | 30 Jun 2022 | 30 Sep 2022 | 30 Sep 2022 | Porffolio vs Index* |
| BBB | 2.1 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 5.1 | -2.3 |
| BB | 9.8 | 13.3 | 15.6 | 33.5 | -17.9 |
| B | 79.3 | 74.2 | 70.9 | 54.4 | 16.5 |
| CCC and Below | 8.4 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 5.1 | 4.1 |
| Not Rated | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 1.9 | -0.4 |
| Seniority |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Lien | 83.6 | 83.4 | 80.2 | 96.9 | -16.7 |
| Second Lien | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 3.1 | 3.6 |
| Perpetual | 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.1 | - | 2.1 |
| Cash | 6.3 | 6.7 | 9.0 | - | 9.0 |
| Maturity (Yrs) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-3 | 12.6 | 26.0 | 25.5 | 19.7 | 5.8 |
| 3-5 | 25.6 | 23.2 | 24.4 | 30.4 | -6.0 |
| 5-7 | 55.6 | 44.9 | 45.1 | 47.1 | -2.0 |
| 7-10 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 2.1 |
| Perpetual | 3.3 | 3.3 | 2.3 | - | 2.3 |

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Q\&A

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[^1]:    Source: ICE BofA/JPMorgan. As of 30 Sep 2022. Actual default rate based on the ICE BofA US High Yield Index. Implied default rate calculated by subtracting the spread level from the long-term excess spread of 320 bps and dividing by default losses (1-recovery rate). Excess spread represents the 30 -year monthly median of the difference between spreads 12 months prior and actual default losses based on $40 \%$ recovery rates.

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[^4]:    Source: Artisan Partners/Bloomberg/Morgon Stanley/JPMorgan. As of 30 Jun 2022. Based on constituents in the Morringstar LSTA Leveraged Loon Index and JPMorgan Leveraged Loan Index (defaults).

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