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February 27th, 2024

Focused All Cap Performance

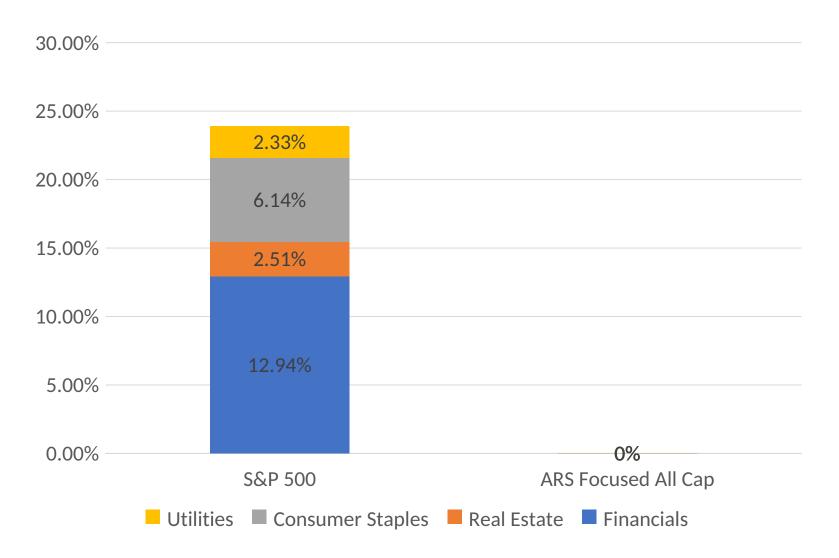
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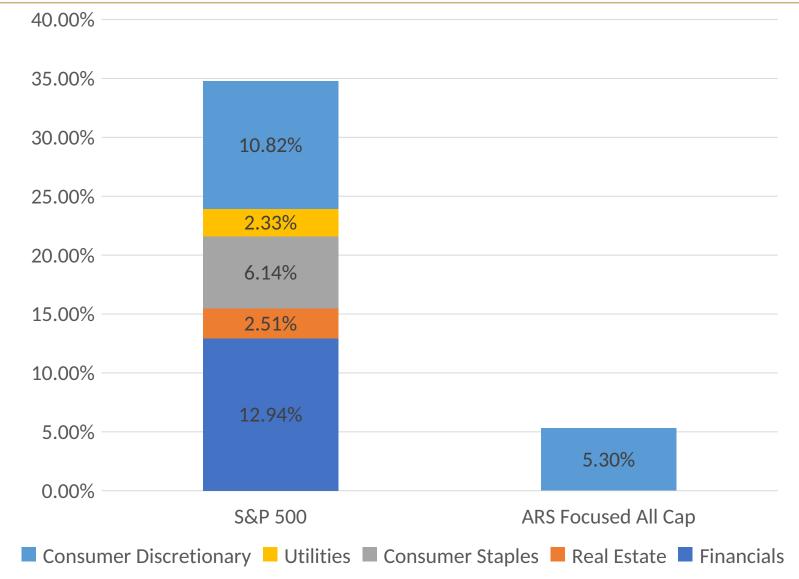


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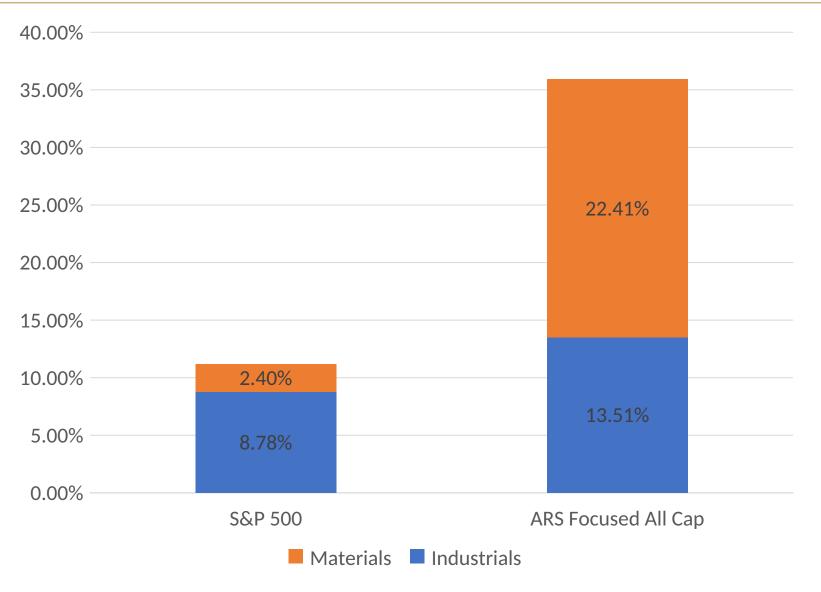
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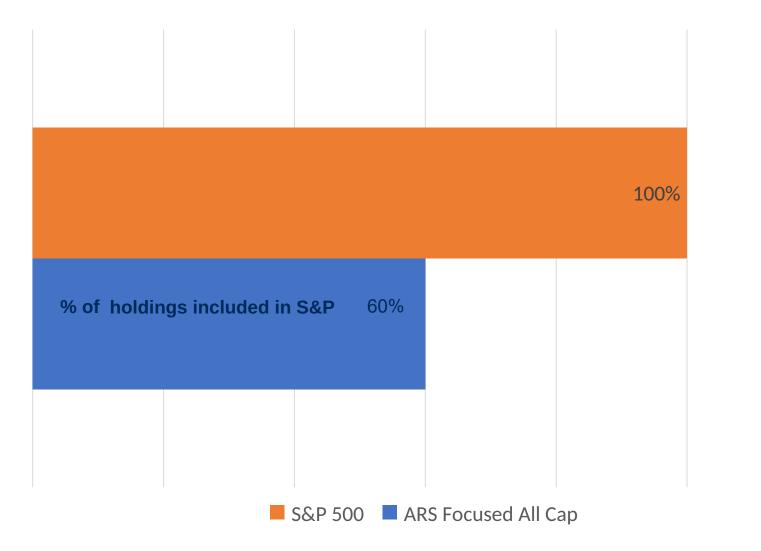


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DIFFERENTIATED PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

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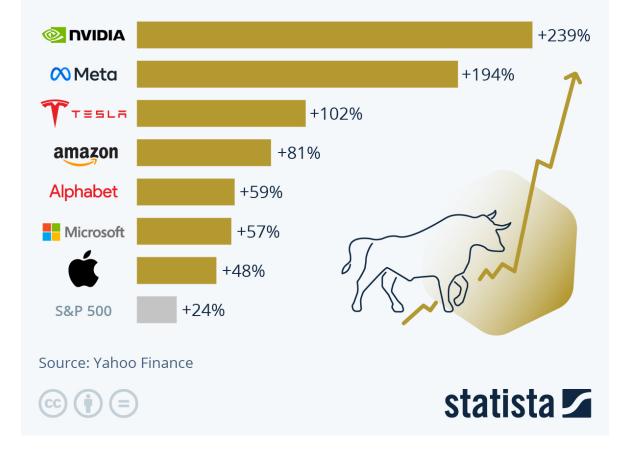


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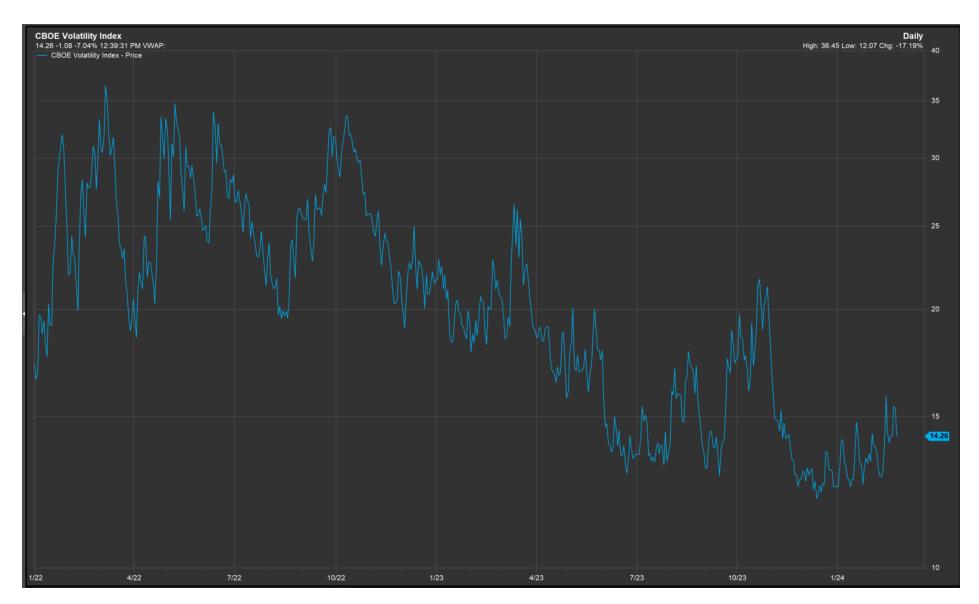
The Year of the 'Magnificent Seven'

Stock price change of selected U.S. tech companies in 2023





VIX – EXPECTATIONS OF VOLATILITY



Source: FactSet



Performance by technology

DRAM Q1-24

- \$3.4 billion, representing 73% of total revenue
- Revenue increased 24% Q/Q
- Bit shipments increased in the low-20s percentage range Q/Q
- ASPs increased in the low-single digit percentage range Q/Q

NAND Q1-24

- \$1.2 billion, representing 26% of total revenue
- Revenue increased 2% Q/Q
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- ASPs increased by approximately 20%

December 20, 2023

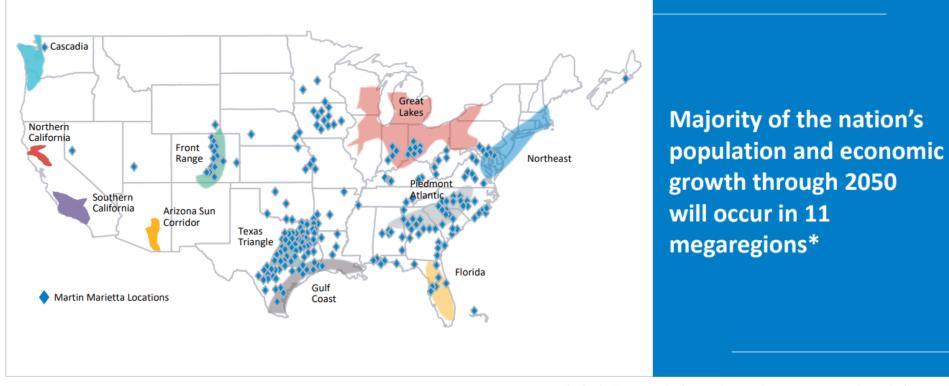
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MARTIN MARIETTA GEOGRAPHIC FOOTPRINT

ATTRACTIVE GEOGRAPHIC FOOTPRINT ACROSS U.S. MEGAREGIONS





Source: America 2050

*Defined as large networks of metropolitan population centers covering thousands of square miles



End-Market Outlook for 2024

Resilient underlying demand with positive pricing momentum

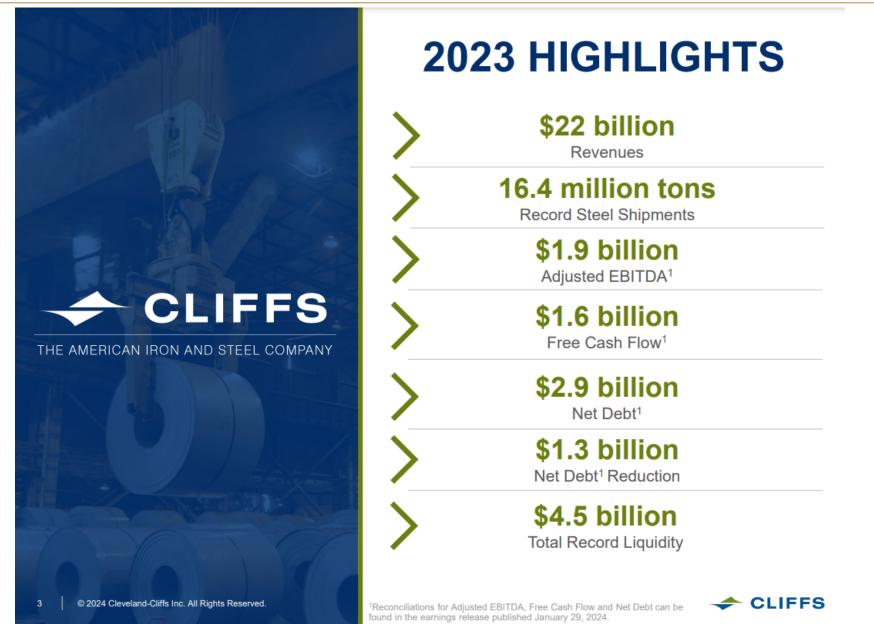


Well positioned to capitalize on strong growth opportunities

CRH plc, Earnings Update 12



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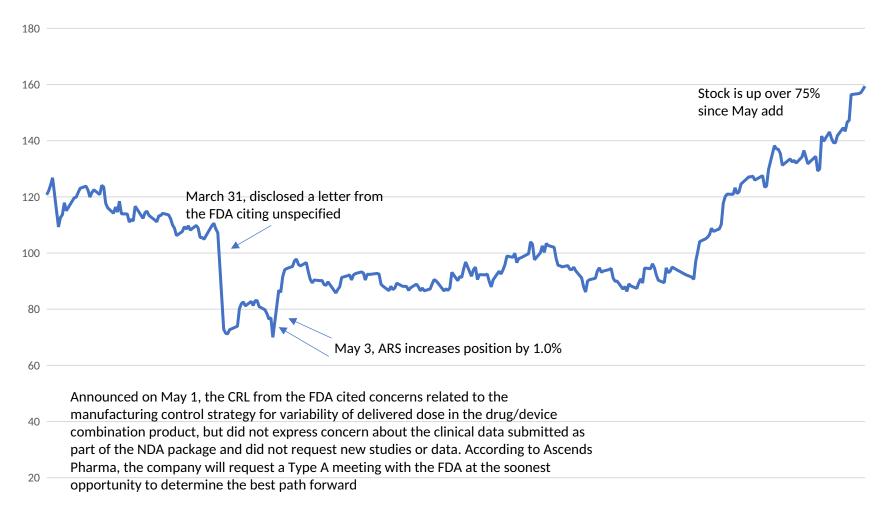
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ARS Investment Partners, LLC

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The Firm's management is responsible for its claim of compliance with the GIPS standards and the design and implementation of its policies and procedures. Our responsibilities are to be independent from the Firm and to express an opinion based on our verification. We conducted this verification in accordance with the required verification procedures of the GIPS standards, which includes testing performance on a sample basis. We also conducted such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, for the periods from January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2022, the Firm's policies and procedures for complying with the GIPS standards related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been, in all material respects:

- · Designed in compliance with the GIPS standards, and
- Implemented on a firm-wide basis.

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August 31, 2023



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Benchmark Definitions - In April 2023, Russell was removed as a benchmark for all index periods and replaced with a comparable S&P index. The S&P Mid Cap 400® is designed to measure the performance of 400 mid-sized companies, reflecting the distinctive risk and return characteristics of this market segment. The S&P 500® includes 500 leading companies and covers approximately 80% of available market capitalization. The S&P 500 Value® measures value stocks using three factors: the ratios of book value, earnings, and sales to price. S&P Style Indices divide the complete market capitalization of each parent index into growth and value segments. Constituents are drawn from the S&P 500®. The S&P Small Cap 600® seeks to measure the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity market. The index is designed to track companies that meet specific inclusion criteria to ensure that they are liquid and financially viable. The MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) ex US® is designed to represent performance of the full opportunity set of large- and mid-cap stocks across 23 developed (ex. US) and 26 emerging markets. It covers more than 3,000 constituents across 11 sectors and approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each market. The index is built using MSCI's Global Investable Market Index (GIMI) methodology, which is designed to take into account variations reflecting conditions across regions, market capitalization sizes, sectors, style segments and combinations. The Bloomberg Barclay's Intermediate US Government/Credit Bond® is a broad-based flagship benchmark that measures the non-securitized component of the Bloomberg Barclay's US Aggregate Index with less than 10 years to maturity. The index includes investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate treasuries, government-related, and corporate securities. All Custom Blended Benchmarks are calculated by weighting the respective index returns on a monthly basis.

Composite Definitions – <u>ARS Focused All Cap</u> includes all fee-paying, discretionary institutional portfolios managed by ARS in a Focused All Cap strategy with an absolute returnoriented focus having a minimum initial portfolio size of \$5 million (amount lowered from \$10 million on 7/1/2010). The Focused All Cap strategy requires that equity, equity-like securities, and cash represent a target of 90% of the portfolio value. If a portfolio does not have at least



90% of its value in these assets, the portfolio will be removed from the composite for the entire period and will be included in the composite again if its allocation is aligned with the above parameters for one full period. The composite was created in January 2007. Effective 7/1/2010, the composite was redefined to include taxable accounts which had previously been excluded. Effective 1/1/17, a model fee of 1.05% was used to calculate net returns. linception Date is 1/21/93. Management believes that the returns prior to 2000 are accurate, but due to a lack of firmwide client data, GIPS compliance cannot be claimed prior to 1/1/2000. ARS Core Equity includes discretionary institutional portfolios managed by the Firm and invests in companies with above-average dividend yields and strong balance sheets, typically with clear prospects for dividend growth. For periods prior to 1/1/17, the composite is made up of 100% wrap portfolios, which may include, but is not limited to broker, investment advisory, custodial, and administrative fees. As of 1/1/17, the composite began using non-wrap accounts. Also, as of 1/1/17, we no longer had any wrap accounts. The composite was created in October 2011. Effective 1/1/17 a model fee of 1.25% was used to calculate net returns. Inception Date is 3/7/11. ARS Focused Small Cap invests in companies with market capitalizations typically ranging from \$100 million to \$2.5 billion. The portfolio is long biased, aiming to control risk via cash levels, prudent shorts, inverse ETFs, and option strategies. This composite was created in July 2018. Net returns are calculated using a 1.25% model fee. Inception Date is 3/31/17. ARS Focused ETF leverages our macro outlook by constructing a portfolio that utilizes ETFs to express our views. The strategy concentrates on sector, industry, and subindustry ETFs that we feel provide the greatest exposure to our highest conviction secular trends. A model fee of 0.70% is used to calculate net returns. Inception Date is 6/30/17. ARS Tactical Sector ETF Strategy: Balanced Composite leverages our investment philosophy and process, while providing a strategy that more closely tracks the benchmarks with limited turnover. This composite was created in December 2016. The Strategy seeks a balance of current income and capital growth. The Strategy strives for a 60/40 balance between equity and fixed income ETFs with a 25% variance. A model fee of 0.70% is used to calculate net returns. Inception Date is 1/31/14. ARS Tactical Sector Allocation Growth ETF leverages our investment philosophy and process, while providing a strategy that more closely tracks the benchmarks with limited turnover. The primary objective is capital appreciation and growth. This composite was created in December 2016. A model fee of 0.70% is used to calculate net returns. Inception Date is 1/31/14.

Investment Management Fees – The investment management fees that apply to the portfolio composites are as follows: Equity Accounts which include the ARS Core Equity, ARS Focused All Cap, ARS Focused Small Cap & ARS Tactical Asset Allocation (ARS Balanced Strategy & ARS Equity Strategy) – 1.25% per annum of the first \$1 million, 1.00% per annum of the next \$20 million, and to be discussed thereafter. ETF Accounts which include the ARS Tactical Sector Allocation ETF Strategy: Growth Composite, ARS Tactical Sector ETF Strategy: Balanced Composite & ARS Focused ETF Strategy, ARS Fixed Income ETF Strategy– 0.70% per annum of the first \$25 million, 0.50% per annum of the next \$20 million, and to be discussed thereafter; Institutional Accounts which include the ARS Tactical Asset (Balanced) Strategy– 0.80% per annum of the first \$25 million, 0.70% per annum of the next \$25 million, and to be discussed thereafter. Fixed Income Accounts which include the ARS Core Fixed Income Strategy– 0.50% per annum of the first \$15 million, 0.35% per annum of the next \$15 million, and to be discussed thereafter. The management fees for certain clients may differ from this schedule because those clients' fees are grandfathered or because of relationships with the applicant and related accounts. For institutional accounts, certain asset or fee minimums may apply.

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Significant Cash Flows – Since January 1, 2017, if an account in the Focused Small Cap Composite receives a large cash inflow, the account will be removed from a composite until it has fully invested the cash. To qualify as a large cash inflow, the deposit must exceed 25% of the total account value as of the end of the prior month. The account will rejoin the composite the month after the funds have been invested. A significant cash outflow of 25% or more will result in the removal of a portfolio from the composite for the month of the flow. The portfolio will be returned to the composite in the month following the outflow. A portfolio will be removed from the composite prior to the month of the actual cashflow, if upon notification from the client, it is determined that it will take more than a month to raise the cash needed to prepare for the outflow.

Basis of Presentation – Rates of return presented are computed using a time-weighted rate of return methodology that adjusts for external cash flows. Total rate of return calculations include realized and unrealized gains and losses, plus income, and cash and cash equivalents held. Gross performance returns are presented after transaction costs and before investment management fees and all operating costs. Net performance returns are presented after transaction costs and before investment fee and before all operating costs. Operating costs include custodian and administrative fees. However, gross performance prior to 2017 for the ARS Core Equity Composite is presented as gross and net performance is actual investment management fees and after all operating costs and the gross returns are presented as supplemental information. Additional information regarding policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports is available upon request by emailing <u>info@arsinvestmentpartners.com</u>. Performance results for periods of less than a year are not annualized.

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