

Baron Fifth Avenue Growth Fund

Retail Shares (BFTHX) | Institutional Shares (BFTIX) | R6 Shares (BFTUX)

As of March 31, 2018

A bold and targeted approach to large-cap investing

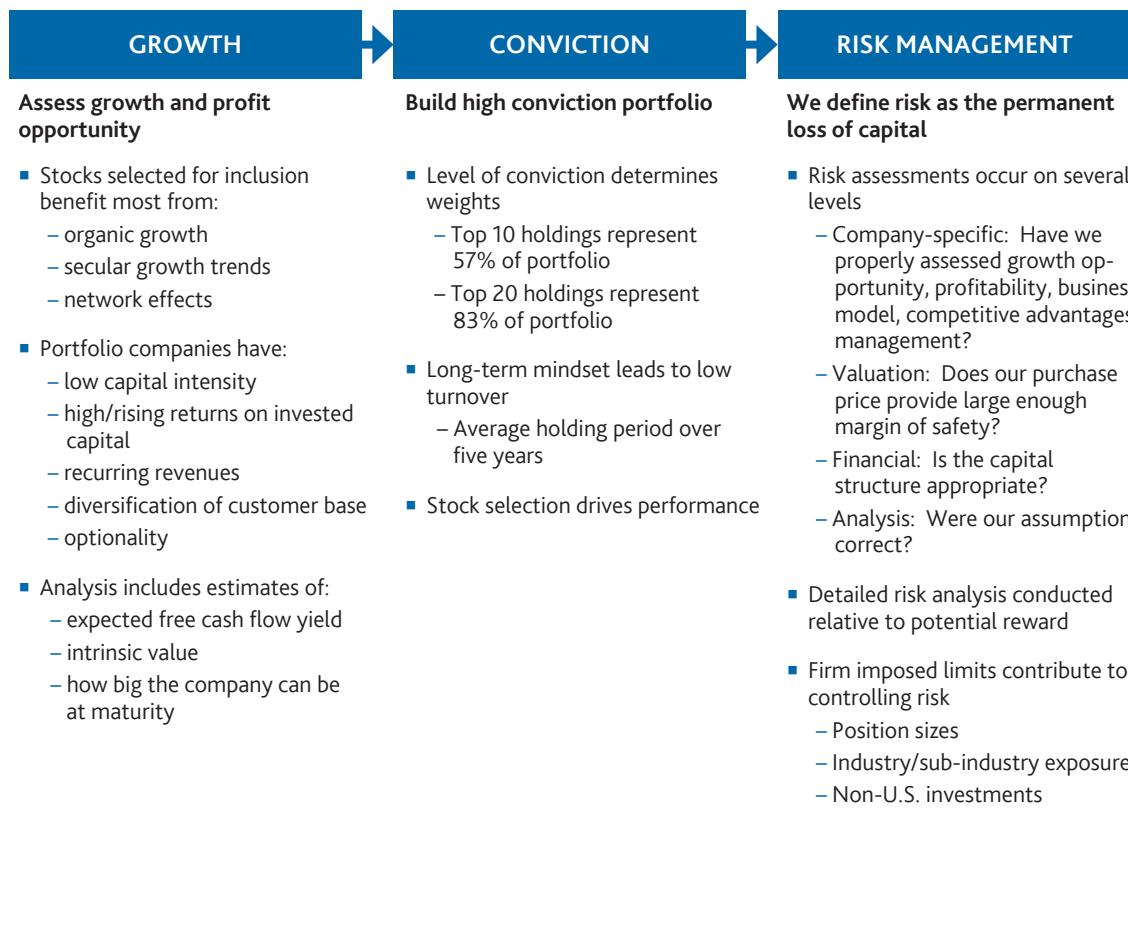
We focus on identifying and investing in what we believe are unique companies with sustainable competitive advantages, exceptional management, pricing power, and the ability to compound capital at high rates of return for extended periods of time.

Distinguishing characteristics

- We manage a high conviction portfolio with fewer than 40 stocks
- We focus research on economies of networks, not just economies of scale
- Our purchase discipline (20% below estimates of intrinsic value) is designed to provide a margin of safety
- We assess and manage risk across many dimensions, rather than managing portfolio risk to a statistic, such as beta or standard deviation
- Relative to our peer group average¹, our investment horizon is longer and our growth profile is higher

Alex Umansky, Portfolio Manager

- 25 years of investment experience
- Manages all Baron large-cap growth portfolios since 11/1/2011, the Global Advantage Fund since inception on 4/30/2012, Durable Advantage Fund since inception on 12/29/2017
- Prior to Baron, managed or co-managed eight strategies at Morgan Stanley
 - Experience spans large-cap growth, technology, small-cap growth, international, and global strategies



Investment Philosophy

- Long-term investing creates an advantage
- Independent and exhaustive research is essential to understanding a business
- Successful growth businesses have open-ended opportunities and sustainable competitive advantages
- People are the key drivers of a successful business
- Purchase price matters
- Risk management is integral to portfolio management

Why Baron

- Proven, consistent, repeatable research and investment process
- A long-term ownership mindset
- A culture that fosters collaboration, intellectual curiosity, creativity, professional development, and risk management
- Accumulated significant investment experience and expertise
- Employee interests aligned with those of our shareholders

1 - For purposes of this analysis, the peer group average is defined as the **Morningstar US Fund Large Growth Category Average**.



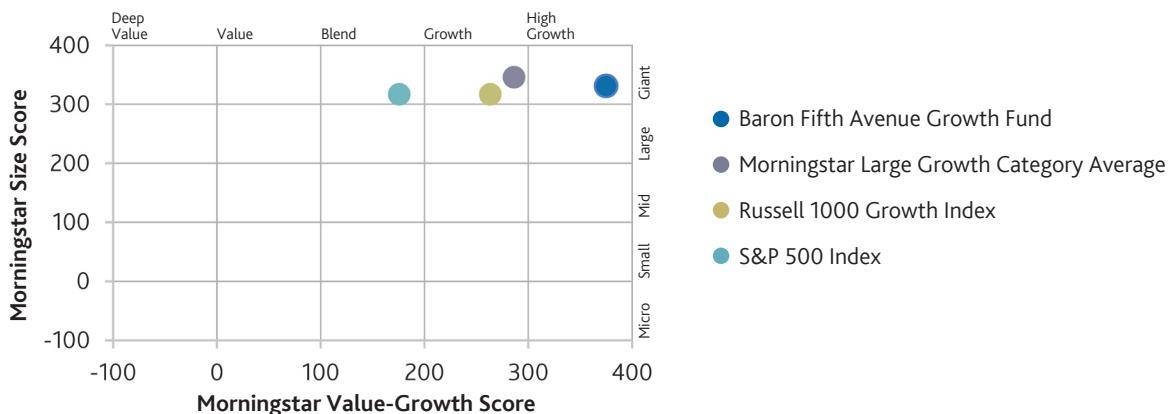
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We invest with the intention of owning the stock for an extended period of time

The Fund's turnover was over three times lower than that of the Morningstar Large Growth peer group average, using each fund's published turnover.

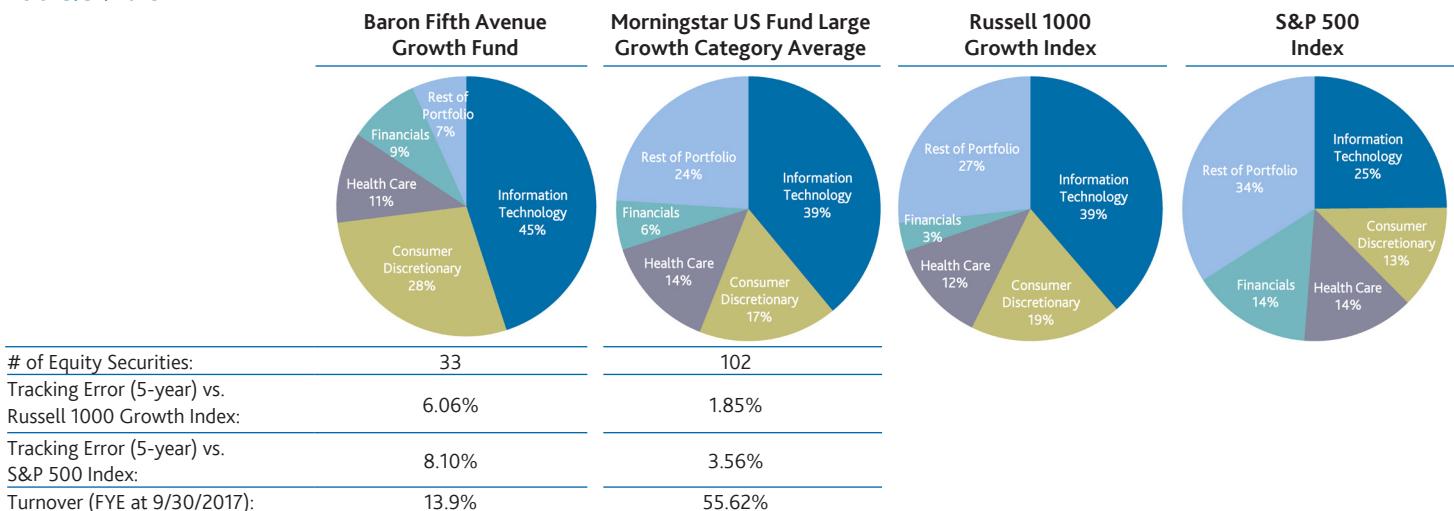
The businesses in which we invest have higher growth profiles¹

As of 3/31/2018



Our approach leads to a differentiated large-cap portfolio relative to peers and indexes

As of 3/31/2018



Source: BAMCO, FactSet SPAR, and Morningstar Direct.

The **Morningstar US Fund Large Growth Category Average** is not weighted and represents the straight average of the fiscal year turnover, size score, and value-growth score of each of the funds in the Morningstar Large Growth Category. As of 3/31/2018, the Category consisted of 1,099 funds for the 5-year period.

The **Russell 1000® Growth Index** is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of large-sized U.S. companies that are classified as growth. The **S&P 500 Index** measures the performance of 500 widely held large-cap U.S. companies. The indexes and the Fund returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings, which positively impact performance results. The index performance is not fund performance; one cannot invest directly into an index.

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Tracking Error measures how closely a fund's return follows the benchmark index returns. It is calculated as the annualized standard deviation of the difference between the fund and the index returns.

1 - Morningstar classifies funds as being large-cap, mid-cap, or small-cap based on the market capitalization of the fund's stock holdings; and as value, blend, or growth based on the value-growth orientation of the stock holdings. The nine possible combinations of these characteristics correspond to the nine squares of the Morningstar Style Box—size is displayed along the vertical axis and style is displayed along the horizontal axis. The current, enhanced Style Box model uses 10 factors—five for value and five for growth—to measure a stock's value-growth orientation. The multi-factor approach produces more accurate and stable stock and fund style assignments. To measure size, the enhanced model uses flexible rather than static breakpoints between large-, mid-, and small-cap stocks. The range of the value-growth and size scores are -100 to 400.

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of the Fund carefully before investing. The prospectus and summary prospectus contain this and other information about the Fund and can be obtained from the Fund's distributor, Baron Capital, Inc., by calling 1-800-99BARON or visiting www.BaronFunds.com. Please read them carefully before investing.

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