Baron Partners Fund

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Performance

The financial markets were extremely volatile in the third quarter of 2022. The S&P 500 Index was up 9.22% in July, down 4.08% in August, and down 9.21% in September. It was not uncommon for markets to move by over 2% in a single day. Substantial declines at the market's open could be followed by gains throughout the day, and vice versa. The final result was that most indexes ended the quarter lower than where they began. The S&P 500 Index declined 4.88% in the period. The Russell Midcap Growth Index (the "Index") fell 0.65%. And The Morningstar Large Growth Category Average (the "Peer Group") declined 4.09%*.

However, Baron Partners Fund (the "Fund") did considerably better than its comparable indexes and peer group category average. The Fund rose 10.00% (Institutional Shares) in the period.

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Retail Shares: BPTRX
Institutional Shares: BPTIX
R6 Shares: BPTUX

Table I.
Performance
Annualized for periods ended September 30, 2022

	Baron Partners Fund Retail Shares[1,2,3]	Baron Partners Fund Institutional Shares[1,2,3,4]	Russell Midcap Growth Index[2]	S&P 500 Index[2]
Three Months[5]	9.92%	10.00%	(0.65)%	(4.88)%
Nine Months[5]	(28.20)%	(28.06)%	(31.45)%	(23.87)%
One Year	(14.23)%	(14.00)%	(29.50)%	(15.47)%
Three Years	40.23%	40.61%	4.26%	8.16%
Five Years	27.48%	27.81%	7.62%	9.24%
Ten Years	22.18%	22.49%	10.85%	11.70%
Since Conversion (April 30, 2003)	17.06%	17.27%	10.45%	9.43%
Since Inception (January 31, 1992)	15.18%	15.31%	9.27%	9.50%

Performance listed in the above table is net of annual operating expenses. Annual expense ratio for the Retail Shares as of December 31, 2021 was 1.36% (comprised of operating expenses of 1.30% and interest expense of 0.06%) and Institutional Shares was 1.11% (comprised of operating expenses of 1.05% and interest expense of 0.06%). The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate; an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The Adviser reimburses certain Baron Fund expenses pursuant to a contract expiring on August 29, 2033, unless renewed for another 11-year term and the Fund's transfer agency expenses may be reduced by expense offsets from an unaffiliated transfer agent, without which performance would have been lower. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For performance information current to the most recent month end, visit www.BaronFunds.com or call 1-800-99BARON.

1 Reflects the actual fees and expenses that were charged when the Fund was a partnership. The predecessor partnership charged a 20% performance fee after reaching a certain performance benchmark. If the annual returns for the Fund did not reflect the performance fees the returns would be higher. The Fund's shareholders will not be charged a performance fee. The predecessor partnership's performance is only for periods before the Fund's registration statement was effective, which was April 30, 2003. During those periods, the predecessor partnership was not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and was not subject to its requirements or the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code relating to registered investment companies, which, if it were, might have adversely affected its performance.

2 The **Russell Midcap® Growth Index** measures the performance of medium-sized U.S. companies that are classified as growth and the **S&P 500 Index** of 500 widely held large cap U.S. companies. All rights in the FTSE Russell Index (the "Index") vest in the relevant LSE Group company which owns the Index. Russell® is a trademark of the relevant LSE Group company and is used by any other LSE Group company under license. Neither LSE Group nor its licensors accept any liability for any errors or omissions in the indexes or data and no party may rely on any indexes or data contained in this communication. The indexes and the Fund include reinvestment of dividends, net of withholding taxes, which positively impact the performance results. The indexes are unmanaged. Index performance is not Fund performance; one cannot invest directly into an index.

3 The performance data in the table does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or redemption of Fund shares.

4 Performance for the Institutional Shares prior to May 29, 2009 is based on the performance of the Retail Shares, which have a distribution fee. The Institutional Shares do not have a distribution fee. If the annual returns for the Institutional Shares prior to May 29, 2009 did not reflect this fee, the returns would be higher.

5 Not annualized.

* As of 9/30/2022, the annualized returns of the Morningstar Large Growth Category average were (27.10)%, 6.77%, 8.95%, and 11.36% for the 1-, 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods, respectively.

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The Fund's absolute and relative performance over a longer term remains quite good. For the 1-, 3-, 5-, 10-year, and since inception periods ended September 30, 2022, the Fund's performance has meaningfully exceeded the Index's returns. The Fund's 3-, 5-, and 10-year annualized returns were 40.61%, 27.81%, and 22.49%, respectively. These returns are substantially greater than the returns of 4.26%, 7.62%, and 10.85%, respectively, for the Index. Please see Table I for a full list of performance figures for the Fund and Indexes over various time periods.

And since the Fund's inception, its performance has been industry leading. For the over 19 years since Baron Partners Fund converted into a mutual fund in 2003, it has an annualized return of 17.27% (Institutional Shares). Since its conversion, it is ranked number one among all U.S. equity funds (4,132 share classes) through September 30, 2022.**

This current volatile market remains a function of macroeconomic uncertainty. Inflation is a concern for businesses and individuals alike. The strong labor market is theorized to keep inflation elevated. The Federal Reserve continues to hike interest rates, its tool to curb rising prices. Investors question how quickly and how long these rate increases will persist. And the long-lasting war in Ukraine has strained the global economy (and has had horrific humanitarian consequences). But while markets have been volatile, performance of some individual securities has started to diverge. Companies that produced quality results were rewarded, while those that exhibited any weakness were punished. The magnitude of these movements, however, has been unusual.

As we have previously discussed, we segment the Fund's portfolio into four categories (**Disruptive Growth**, **Core Growth**, **Financials**, and **Real/ Irreplaceable Assets**). The returns for each of these categories within the Fund exceeded the Index's. However, there were sizable differences of returns within each group. Each had companies whose stock price performed very well (increasing by more than 9%) over the prior three months. But there were also examples of stock prices that declined meaningfully. However, our selection and weighting of the "winners" surpassed those that were challenged in each segment.

The Disruptive Growth category produced the highest absolute returns because of investments in **Tesla, Inc.** and **Iridium Communications Inc.** Both companies appreciated over 18% in the quarter. Tesla, the electric vehicle manufacturer, has continued to increase its production of vehicles while also reducing manufacturing costs. We believe production and delivery growth should continue at industry-leading rates. We believe the electric vehicle market is reaching a "tipping point" for adoption and expect Tesla to dominate this segment. Additionally, the company is implementing initiatives to improve quality, consistency, and cost of its products. We do not believe that legacy manufacturers will be able to compete with Tesla's enhanced offering.

Iridium is capitalizing on the approximately $3 billion it invested over several years to build and launch its current satellite network. It is now entering what it has termed a "cap-ex holiday" that should result in high free-cash-flow conversion. The company spent approximately $400 million on capital expenditures annually only a few years ago, but we expect this spend to decline to approximately $40 million in the coming years. It is an indication that the company's substantial lead should persist as the capital investment and timeline to launch competitive products is too great. We expect Iridium to capitalize on the growing need for its high-speed L-Band network over this time.

Within our Disruptive Growth group, some companies depreciated in value. New position **Figs Inc.** declined about 15%. The relatively new direct-to-consumer producer of health care apparel has declined along with the broader group of young, high-growth, publicly traded companies. Investors have continued to shun newer business models that they perceive to be riskier. The company has declined over 80% from its highs achieved in late 2021. The recent volatility created an opportunity for us to initiate and build a position in a company that we believe can continue to grow revenue above 20% annually while also expanding margins. Its superior product is competing against brands that lack investment capabilities to improve their offerings. We believe Figs could command a meaningful share of the $79 billion global health care apparel market and eventually develop products for other professions.

The Core Growth segment also contained businesses that appreciated meaningfully while others declined. **CoStar Group, Inc.** and **Gartner, Inc.** both performed well in the quarter. Both companies had been enhancing their products, expanding their services, and growing their sales teams. These investments are now paying off with top-line growth that has exceeded consensus expectations. But companies that continue to invest in their services, like fintech company **Adyen N.V.**, saw their stock prices decline as investors continue to avoid uncertainty. The electronic payments company announced that it would grow its headcount to tackle additional services for clients. We believe the company could be as successful in these tangential categories, which would provide meaningful growth in the years ahead. We think these current investments and elevated costs should benefit long-term investors.

**** This is a hypothetical ranking created by Baron Capital using Morningstar extended performance data and is as of 9/30/2022. There were 4,132 share classes in these nine Morningstar Categories for the period from 4/30/2003 to 9/30/2022.**

Note, the peer group used for this analysis includes all U.S. equity share classes in Morningstar Direct domiciled in the U.S., including obsolete funds, index funds, and ETFs. The individual Morningstar Categories used for this analysis are the Morningstar Large Blend, Large Growth, Large Value, Mid-Cap Blend, Mid-Cap Growth, Mid-Cap Value, Small Blend, Small Growth, and Small Value Categories.

The Morningstar Large Growth Category consisted of 1,252, 1,060, and 790 share classes for the 1-, 5-, and 10-year periods. Morningstar ranked Baron Partners Fund (Institutional Shares) in the 3rd, 1st, 1st, and 1st percentiles for the 1-, 5-, 10-year, and since conversion periods, respectively. The Fund converted into a mutual Fund on 4/30/2003, and the category consisted of 787 share classes. Morningstar calculates the Morningstar Large Growth Category Average performance and rankings using its Fractional Weighting methodology. Morningstar rankings are based on total returns and do not include sales charges. Total returns do account for management, administrative, and 12b-1 fees and other costs automatically deducted from fund assets.

It was not only Disruptive Growth and Core Growth that had large differences of returns among its components. While companies in the Financials and Real/Irreplaceable Assets categories had historically performed more in-line in the short term, we saw differences of returns here, too. Companies like **The Charles Schwab Corp.** and **Hyatt Hotels Corp.** performed well in the quarter, as they were able to demonstrate organic growth. But **Brookfield Asset Management Inc.** and **Douglas Emmett, Inc.** are both in segments that are facing headwinds in the current environment. Investors are concerned about the volatile market's impact on Brookfield's ability to both realize distributable earnings as well as raise new funds. Investors feared that Douglas Emmett's portfolio of office properties could face high vacancies and lower prices if a near-term recession, coupled with a work-from-home environment, persists. We believe these issues will be temporary and its quality assets will be more fully utilized in a normal environment.

We believe this market, while difficult, is beginning to reward high quality companies that are demonstrating good operational performance. The Fund's ownership of many of these businesses allowed it to perform well in the current quarter. But investors are still shunning companies that are investing for growth and penalizing near-term performance. We believe this provides opportunities for timely investments and future strong returns for many stocks in the portfolio.

Table II.
Total returns by category for the three months ended September 30, 2022

	% of Net Assets (as of 9/30/2022)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Return (%)
Disruptive Growth	**68.1**	**11.79**	**7.61**
Velo3D, Inc.	0.4	181.84	0.19
Airbnb, Inc.	0.1	18.24	0.02
Tesla, Inc.	52.2	18.17	8.24
Iridium Communications Inc.	2.9	18.13	0.45
Northvolt AB	0.1	1.79	0.00
Spotify Technology S.A.	2.0	–8.03	0.04
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	7.8	–10.74	–0.88
Guidewire Software, Inc.	0.9	–13.26	–0.09
Shopify Inc.	0.7	–13.78	–0.05
Figs Inc.	0.9	–14.65	–0.30
Core Growth	**18.2**	**5.83**	**1.51**
On Holding AG	–	27.29	0.02
CoStar Group, Inc.	8.3	15.30	1.19
Gartner, Inc.	3.1	14.42	0.35
HEICO Corporation	0.5	9.36	0.05
StubHub Holdings, Inc.	0.4	3.53	0.03
Illumina, Inc.	0.2	2.04	0.02
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	4.2	–7.11	–0.06
Adyen N.V.	1.2	–13.58	–0.06
Krispy Kreme, Inc.	0.2	–15.17	–0.03
Financials	**16.8**	**4.71**	**0.66**
The Charles Schwab Corp.	4.8	14.11	0.46
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	4.7	4.25	0.23
MSCI, Inc.	1.3	2.56	0.07
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	4.8	0.11	–0.07
Cohen & Steers, Inc.	0.6	–0.80	0.01
Brookfield Asset Management Inc.	0.7	–7.83	–0.04
Real/Irreplaceable Assets	**11.8**	**2.70**	**0.55**
Hyatt Hotels Corp.	4.4	9.54	0.40
Marriott Vacations Worldwide Corp.	1.4	5.33	0.10
Red Rock Resorts, Inc.	0.7	3.40	0.04
Manchester United plc	–	–0.80	–0.00
Vail Resorts, Inc.	3.7	–1.11	0.05
Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc.	1.3	–2.11	0.02
Douglas Emmett, Inc.	0.4	–18.76	–0.07
Russell Midcap Growth Index		**–0.65**	
Cash	**–14.9**	**–0.19**	**0.02**
Fees	**–**	**–**	**–0.41**
Total	**100.0***	**9.96****	**9.96****

Sources: FactSet PA, BAMCO, and FTSE Russell.
* Individual weights may not sum to the displayed total due to rounding.
** Represents the blended return of all share classes of the Fund.

Table III.
Top contributors to performance for the quarter ended September 30, 2022

	Year Acquired	Market Cap When Acquired (billions)	Quarter End Market Cap (billions)	Total Return	Percent Impact
Tesla, Inc.	2014	$21.9	$831.2	18.17%	8.24%
CoStar Group, Inc.	2005	0.7	28.3	15.30	1.19
The Charles Schwab Corp.	1992	1.0	136.3	14.11	0.46
Iridium Communications Inc.	2019	3.0	5.6	18.13	0.45
Hyatt Hotels Corp.	2009	4.2	8.8	9.54	0.40

Tesla, Inc. manufactures electric vehicles (EVs), related software offerings, solar and energy storage products, and battery cells. Shares rose on increased production volumes from Tesla's global factories, new full self-driving functionality, manufacturing techniques that improve quality and reduce costs, and industry-leading margins despite complex COVID-related shutdowns. A new federal tax incentive program should also provide material benefits for Tesla's differentiation, margins, and demand. We remain investors in this uniquely innovative company leading the EV revolution.

Shares of real estate data and marketing platform **CoStar Group, Inc.** contributed to performance on strong financial results and its inclusion in the S&P 500 Index. We believe the company is well positioned to benefit from the continuing migration of real estate market spend to online channels. CoStar is investing aggressively to build out its residential marketing platform, which will launch later in 2022 and offers significant upside potential, in our view. CoStar has over $4.7 billion of cash on its balance sheet, which we expect it to begin to deploy for opportunistic M&A.

Shares of online brokerage firm **The Charles Schwab Corp.** were buoyed by investor expectations that rising interest rates will lead to increased profits on the company's more than $600 billion in interest-earning assets. We are also encouraged by Schwab's organic growth. Despite turbulent markets, the company attracted over $400 billion of net new client assets over the past 12 months. We also believe Schwab's operating expense per client assets should drop to record low levels once equity markets improve.

Shares of **Iridium Communications Inc.**, a leading satellite-based mobile voice and data communications services vendor, rose on increased expectations for smartphone compatibility after it announced a related development agreement and other market participants announced similar capabilities. In addition, Iridium reported record quarterly results showing an acceleration of revenue growth with strong profitability. Lastly, growth initiatives continue to mature including Aireon, an award from the Space Development Agency, and increasing speeds for its Certus offering.

Shares of global hotelier **Hyatt Hotels Corp.** increased in the quarter on strong revenue-per-available-room results as business travel continued to recover from pandemic lows. While leisure rates dropped a little in the seasonally slower back-to-school period, this decline was expected and was more than offset by increases in business transient and group bookings. Robust rates across the industry are leading to higher margins, including for Hyatt. Hyatt is using the increased cash flow to buy-in its shares, indicating that it sees value in the stock.

Table IV.
Top detractors from performance for the quarter ended September 30, 2022

	Year Acquired	Market Cap When Acquired (billions)	Quarter End Market Cap (billions)	Total Return	Percent Impact
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2017	$ –	$ –	–10.74%	–0.88%
Figs Inc.	2022	1.6	1.4	–14.65	–0.30
Guidewire Software, Inc.	2017	6.0	5.2	–13.26	–0.09
Douglas Emmett, Inc.	2015	4.2	3.2	–18.76	–0.07
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	2002	0.6	16.8	0.11	–0.07

Space Exploration Technologies Corp. (SpaceX) is a high-profile private company founded by Elon Musk that designs, manufactures, and launches rockets, satellites, and spacecrafts. Its ultimate goal is to make humanity multi-planetary. Products include reusable orbital launch offering and a broadband service leveraging its satellite constellation, Starlink. We value SpaceX using prices of recent financing transactions and a proprietary valuation model.

Figs Inc. is the largest direct-to-consumer platform in health care apparel. While the company reported quarterly results that beat consensus and reaffirmed its outlook for the rest of the year, shares fell due to market-related weakness in late September. Despite macroeconomic uncertainty, we believe Figs will be more resilient than other apparel categories as its products are largely non-discretionary and replenishment-driven. We also believe Figs can continue to expand its customer base due to its superior product offering.

Shares of P&C insurance software vendor **Guidewire Software, Inc.** detracted from performance due to broader multiple compression in high-growth stocks. We remain shareholders. Guidewire has crossed the midpoint of its cloud transition, which should correspond with improving financial results. Guidewire has tripled its potential market through new products and cloud delivery. Over time, we think Guidewire will be the key software vendor for the global P&C insurance industry, with 30% to 50% of its $15 billion to $30 billion total addressable market and margins above 40%.

Douglas Emmett, Inc. is a REIT that owns a portfolio of office and apartment buildings concentrated in West Los Angeles and Honolulu. Weak operational and financial results combined with investor concerns over a potential recession drove down the share price during the quarter. We remain optimistic about Douglas Emmett's long-term prospects given its irreplaceable real estate portfolio.

Arch Capital Group Ltd. is a specialty insurance company based in Bermuda. The share price was flat during the quarter as earnings that beat consensus were offset by a small decline in book value as higher interest rates weighed on the market value of the fixed income portfolio. Pricing trends remain favorable in the P&C insurance market, and margins for the mortgage insurance business have improved substantially since the onset of the pandemic. We remain shareholders due to Arch's strong management team and our expectation of robust growth in earnings and book value.

Investment Strategy and Portfolio Structure

Baron Partners Fund seeks to invest in businesses that we believe can double in value within five or six years. The Fund invests for the long term in a focused portfolio of appropriately capitalized, well-managed growth businesses at attractive prices across market capitalizations. We attempt to create a portfolio of approximately 30 securities diversified by GICS sectors, but with the top 10 positions representing a significant portion of net assets. These businesses are identified by our analysts and portfolio managers using our proprietary research. We think these well-managed businesses have sustainable competitive advantages and strong, long-term growth opportunities. We may use leverage to enhance returns, which increases the Fund's volatility.

As of September 30, 2022, Baron Partners Fund held 30 investments. The median market capitalization of these growth companies was $15.9 billion. The top 10 positions represented 98.0% of net assets. Leverage was 14.9%.

Portfolio leverage is significantly below historical levels. We have traditionally managed the portfolio with 20% to 25% leverage (the average leverage over the prior 10 years was 21.9%). At the start of 2020, leverage was 27.0%. However, due to a combination of a rapidly rising market, higher market volatility, and increased concentration in our top holdings, we managed risk by reducing leverage. Quarterly leverage bottomed at 3.3% at the end of March 2021 and has remained below average. Market volatility enabled us to make a few new investments in companies we have long followed at what we believe are attractive prices. Therefore, leverage has slowly risen. While we expect legacy positions to be the main contributors to performance in the near term, we expect these new investments to be more meaningful contributors in the future.

The long-term absolute and relative performance of the Fund has been very good. The Fund has returned 15.31% annualized since inception as a private partnership on January 31, 1992, beating its benchmark Index by 6.04% per year.

The Fund's performance has also exceeded its Index over the prior 1-, 3-, 5-, 10-, 15-, and 20-year periods. In addition to viewing the Fund's returns over various trailing periods, we believe it is helpful to understand how the Fund has performed over an economic cycle.

The Fund has appreciated considerably in good times (Table V)...

There have been two distinct periods over the life of the Fund with significant economic growth. The nearly 8-year period from the Fund's inception through the Internet Bubble (1/31/1992 to 12/31/1999) and the more recent 11-year period Post-Great Recession to the start of the COVID Pandemic (12/31/2008 to 12/31/2019). During both periods, the Index had strong returns; however, the Fund's returns were even better. Baron Partners Fund's annualized return during the most recent robust economic 11-year period was 17.44% compared to the Index's 16.84%.

Table V.
Performance
The Good Times: Outpacing the Index

	Fund's Inception to Internet Bubble 1/31/1992 to 12/31/1999		Post-Financial Panic to Macro Downturn 12/31/2008 to 12/31/2019	
	Value $10,000	Annualized Return	Value $10,000	Annualized Return
Baron Partners Fund (Institutional Shares)	$49,685	22.45%	$58,586	17.44%
Russell Midcap Growth Index	$40,316	19.26%	$55,380	16.84%
S&P 500 Index	$42,945	20.21%	$45,104	14.68%

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The indexes are unmanaged. Index performance is not Fund performance; one cannot invest directly into an index.

The Fund has retained value in challenging times (Table VI)...

We believe what sets the Fund apart from other growth funds is its historic ability to outperform in more challenging economic periods. The 9-year period from the Internet Bubble collapse through the Great Recession (12/31/1999 to 12/31/2008) saw lower returns for the Fund. It had annualized returns of 1.54%. However, the Index declined substantially. $10,000 hypothetically invested in the Fund at the start of this period would have been worth $11,479 after those nine years. A $10,000 hypothetical investment in funds designed to track the Index would be worth only $6,488, more than a 35% cumulative decline. The Fund preserved (and slightly grew) capital during this difficult economic time because its investments in a diverse set of high-quality growth businesses were able to weather the environment and enhance their competitive positioning.

Today's environment is also challenging. The COVID-19 pandemic and its lingering macroeconomic issues have caused great volatility. In just under three years, there have been two sizable market corrections each with an approximate 33% decline in major indexes. But so far, the Fund has performed admirably in both, protecting and growing clients' capital. Since the start of the COVID pandemic through this quarter (12/31/2019 to 9/30/2022), the Fund has an annualized return of 36.67%. The Index has an annualized return of 1.71%. We do not know how long this challenging period will persist, but we are pleased with how the Fund has performed so far.

Table VI.
Performance
The Challenging Times: The Impact of Not Losing Money

	Internet Bubble to Financial Panic 12/31/1999 to 12/31/2008		Macro Downturn to Present 12/31/2019 to 9/30/2022	
	Value $10,000	Annualized Return	Value $10,000	Annualized Return
Baron Partners Fund (Institutional Shares)	$11,479	1.54%	$23,612	36.67%
Russell Midcap Growth Index	$ 6,488	(4.69)%	$10,477	1.71%
S&P 500 Index	$ 7,188	(3.60)%	$11,602	5.55%

During periods of strong economic expansion, investors often disregard these more challenging periods. Losing capital during those periods, we believe, makes it nearly impossible to have exceptionally strong returns over the long term. Baron Partners Fund has shown a prior ability to grow capital during those challenging periods. We believe the high-quality growth portfolio should be able to perform well again in future difficult economic periods, although there is no guarantee that will be the case.

Over the longer term, this combination has been rewarding for clients. A $10,000 hypothetical investment at the inception of the Fund on January 31, 1992, would have been worth $788,955 on September 30, 2022. That same $10,000 hypothetical investment in a fund designed to track the Index would now be worth $151,762, only about 19% of what it would have been worth if invested in the Fund.

Portfolio Holdings

Table VII.
Top 10 holdings as of September 30, 2022

	Year Acquired	Market Cap When Acquired (billions)	Quarter End Market Cap (billions)	Quarter End Investment Value (millions)	Percent of Total Investments
Tesla, Inc.	2014	$21.9	$831.2	$3,222.8	45.5%
CoStar Group, Inc.	2005	0.7	28.3	511.9	7.2
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2017	–	–	483.5	6.8
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	2002	0.6	16.8	298.3	4.2
The Charles Schwab Corp.	1992	1.0	136.3	294.7	4.2
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	2007	2.7	15.2	288.1	4.1
Hyatt Hotels Corp.	2009	4.2	8.8	269.2	3.8
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	2013	4.7	27.1	260.6	3.7
Vail Resorts, Inc.	2008	1.6	8.7	226.4	3.2
Gartner, Inc.	2013	5.7	21.9	193.7	2.7

Thank you for joining us as fellow shareholders in Baron Partners Fund. We continue to work hard to justify your confidence and trust in our stewardship of your hard-earned savings. We remain dedicated to providing you with the information we would like to have if our roles were reversed. We hope this letter enables you to make an informed decision about whether this Fund remains an appropriate investment.

Respectfully,

Ronald Baron
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Michael Baron
Co-Portfolio Manager

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