

# **Municipal Fixed Income**

### **Firm Overview:**

Firm Inception: Assets Under Management: Team Fixed Income Assets: Municipal Strategy Assets: Municipal Composite Assets: Municipal Inception: Benchmark:

1985 \$11.4 Billion \$484.0 Million \$147.2 Million \$70.9 Million January 1, 1988 Barclays Muni 1-10 Year Blended Index

## **Portfolio Team:**

#### Heather Perlmutter, Portfolio Manager

Lawrence Fields, Investment Committee Michael Meltzer, Investment Committee Michael Paton, Investment Committee Robert Pegg, Investment Committee

#### **Investment Philosophy**

Tocqueville's Fixed Income team believes that consistent fixed income returns are achieved by maximizing income and reinvestment opportunities through the management of those sectors of the market that enhance income, offer adequate compensation for risk, and provide diversification benefits. The team believes investors are compensated for three types of risk in the fixed income markets: credit, liquidity, and cash flow. The active management of these risks is the source of value-added performance. In addition, the team seeks to enhance yield and return through active management of the portfolio's term structure. The team's active management process incorporates a unified approach in seeking opportunities for added value without exposing the portfolio to excess volatility.

#### **Investment Strategy**

Tocqueville's Municipal Fixed Income (MFI) strategy emphasizes those sectors of the market that have consistently demonstrated the ability to outperform Treasuries on both an after-tax and a risk adjusted basis. Security selection focuses on historical and relative yield spread analysis, bond structure and break-even analysis. The team does not emphasize forecasting the direction of interest rates and typically maintains portfolio sensitivity (i.e. duration) to changes in interest rates within a relatively tight parameter. For risk control, the team will diversify within portfolios so that no single security, municipality or sector can impact portfolio performance. Bonds purchased will have at least an A stand-alone or implied credit rating by S&P or Moody's. If insured, a bond's underlying rating will be at least A.

# \*Annualized Performance Highlights For The Periods Ending June 30, 2016



Sector Distribution<sup>1</sup>



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Characteristics <sup>1</sup>	MFI	Barclays Muni 1-10 Yr Blended Index		
Yield (%)	1.06	1.09		
Average Maturity (years)	3.55	5.68		
Duration (years)	3.05	4.58		
Average Coupon (%)	4.76	4.79		
Average Quality (Moody's)	Aa1	Aa2/Aa3		



# **Annual Performance**

(Please see notes below for disclosures on this Composite.)

Year		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
MFI - Gross		4.66%	3.81%	6.66%	2.50%	6.16%	3.63%	0.32%	3.78%	2.23%
MFI - Net		4.27%	3.42%	6.15%	2.00%	5.66%	3.13%	<b>-0.18%</b>	3.28%	1.73%
Barclays Muni 1-10 Yr Blended Index		4.79%	4.23%	7.18%	3.13%	7.62%	3.55%	-0.32%	4.66%	2.45%
Excess Gross — Barclays Muni 1-10 Yr Blended Index		-0.13%	-0.42%	-0.52%	-0.63%	-1.46%	0.08%	0.64%	-0.88%	-0.22%
Excess Net — Barclays Muni 1-10 Yr Blended Index		-0.52%	<b>-0.8</b> 1%	-1.03%	-1.13%	-1.96%	-0.42%	0.14%	-1.38%	-0.72%
Assets in Composite (\$mm)	\$55	\$107	\$98	\$104	\$99	\$76	\$67	\$62	\$60	\$68
% of Firm Assets	0.94%	1.47%	1.73%	1.27%	0.91%	0.71%	0.61%	0.54%	0.50%	0.65%
Accounts in Composite	6	12	13	12	13	13	13	13	11	14
Internal Composite Dispersion	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.88%	0.38%	1.71%	1.37%	0.44%	1.98%	0.43%
Composite 3-Yr Standard Deviation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.80%	2.00%	1.80%	1.50%	1.40%
Barclays Muni 1-10 Yr Blended 3-Yr Standard Deviation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.20%	2.40%	2.50%	2.20%	2.11%

#### Notes

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- 1. Sector distribution, portfolio characteristics and duration distribution are based on a representative Municipal Fixed Income account, and is shown as Supplemental Information. Holdings will change over time. Average maturity utilizes "Average Life" for both portfolio and index return.
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  The Municipal Fixed Income Composite (formerly known as the Tax Exempt Fixed Income Composite) includes the municipal bond segment of all individual balanced accounts with fixed income assets that are greater than \$3.5 million and all separately managed accounts managed in this strategy with assets greater than \$3.5 million. Cash was allocated to the carve-out segment returns on a pro rata basis depending on the proportion of beginning municipal bond assets to total beginning assets in each portfolio (beginning of period allocation method). As of December 1, 2007 carve out assets represented 0.0% of total composite assets. The rates of return used for the allocated cash was the Citigroup 3-Month Treasury Bill. The Composite was created on December 31, 2004 while the manager was affiliated with another firm. The performance is presented as linked performance of actual historical performance of managed accounts for the period of January 1, 1999 to October 31, 2008 from a prior firm using the same investment objective, strategy, and three of the team's managers and the MFI composite which has the same investment objective, strategy and team for the period of November 1, 2008 to present. Composite performance has not been independently verified. Individual account fees may differ, which will affect returns; pure gross performance does not include such deductions. Tocqueville Asset Management's fees are available upon request.
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  The Composite results are time-weighted rates of return net of commissions and transactions costs, and have been presented net of investment advisory fees. The Firm values all portfolios monthly and records all transactions on a trade date basis. Monthly Composite returns are calculated by weighting each account's monthly return by its beginning market value as a percent of the total Composite beginning market value. Annual Composite returns are calculated by linking the monthly returns through compounded multiplication. The net of fee Composite returns reflect the deduction from gross performance of an investment management fee of 0.375% annually, reduced at a rate of 0.09375 per quarter from inception to December 31, 2009. Thereafter, net of fee composite returns reflect the deduction from gross performance of an investment management fee of 0.50% annually, reduced at a rate of 0.125 basis points per quarter. Performance on this Composite have been calculated using U.S. dollars. Performance results are total return, i.e. include the reinvestment of all income. Composite dispersion is a measure of variability, which is often used in the investment industry as an indicator of risk. The composite dispersion of annual account returns so calculated from the measurements of variance from the mean annual account return on an equal-weighted basis. Composite dispersion is not meaningful for populations of less than five accounts. The minimum account size for the composite is \$1 million. The 3-yr annualized standard deviation presented measures the variability (using monthly returns) of the composite at e 0.50% on the preceding 36 months.
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