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**REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER**

**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.**

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**The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.**

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**The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

**SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED MAY 22, 2013**

**PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS**

**Shares**

**Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.**

**Class A Common Stock**

This is an initial public offering of shares of Class A common stock of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. We are offering, on a firm commitment basis, shares of Class A common stock.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our Class A common stock. We expect the initial public offering price of our Class A common stock will be between \$ and \$ per share. We intend to apply to list our Class A common stock on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SAMG.

We intend to use a portion of the net proceeds of this offering to purchase limited partnership units of our subsidiary Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its limited partners and will not retain any of these proceeds.

The underwriters have the option to purchase up to an additional shares of our Class A common stock from us within 30 days of the date of this prospectus at the initial public offering price, less the underwriting discounts and commissions.

Prior to the consummation of this offering, we will issue shares of our Class B common stock, each share of which initially entitles the holder to one vote per share, to the continuing limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. Of these Class B stockholders, holders of shares of our Class B common stock, who will hold approximately % of the combined voting power of our common stock immediately after this offering (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), will enter into a stockholders agreement pursuant to which they will agree to vote their shares of common stock together, as determined by the Executive Committee of Silvercrest L.P. whose vote will initially be controlled by our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, on all matters submitted to a vote of our common stockholders.

**We are an emerging growth company under the federal securities laws and will be subject to reduced public company reporting requirements. Investing in our Class A common stock involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 18.**

	<b>Per Share</b>	<b>Total</b>
Public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.	\$	\$

<sup>(1)</sup>

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The underwriters have reserved \_\_\_\_\_ shares for sale in a directed share program at the initial public offering price. We will pay reduced underwriting discounts and commissions in respect of shares sold in the directed share program. The table assumes that none of the shares reserved for sale in the directed share program are sold in the directed share program. If all of the shares reserved for sale in the directed share program are sold in the directed share program, the total underwriting discounts and commissions would be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the total proceeds to us, before expenses, would be \$ \_\_\_\_\_. See Underwriting beginning on page 152 for a description of additional compensation received by the underwriters.

Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P., on behalf of the underwriters, expects to deliver the shares of Class A common stock on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2013, subject to customary closing conditions.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

SANDLER O'NEILL + PARTNERS, L.P.

RAYMOND JAMES

**The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.**

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectus we may authorize to be delivered to you. Neither we nor the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide you with additional or different information. When you make a decision about whether to participate in this offering, you should not rely on any information other than the information contained in this prospectus or any such free writing prospectus. This document may only be used where it is legal to sell these securities. The information in this prospectus may only be accurate as of the date of this prospectus.

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**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

*This summary highlights selected information contained elsewhere in this prospectus and does not contain all of the information you need to consider in making your decision to invest in our Class A common stock. This summary is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information, and the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, included elsewhere in this prospectus. You should read carefully this entire prospectus and should consider, among other things, the matters set forth in the section entitled Risk Factors before deciding to invest in our Class A common stock. Unless otherwise indicated, the information included in this prospectus assumes (1) no exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase up to an additional \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock and (2) the \_\_\_\_\_ shares that are reserved for sale in the directed share program are sold to the public and not through the directed share program. Unless otherwise indicated, Silvercrest refers solely to Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. The terms we, us, the Company and our refer to Silvercrest L.P. and its consolidated subsidiaries when referring to events occurring prior to this offering, and these terms refer to Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries when referring to events occurring after this offering.*

**Our Company**

We are a premier, full-service wealth management firm focused on providing financial advisory and related family office services to ultra-high net worth individuals and institutional investors. In addition to a wide range of investment capabilities, we offer a full suite of complementary and customized family office services for families seeking comprehensive oversight of their financial affairs. As of March 31, 2013, our assets under management were \$13.6 billion.

We were founded 11 years ago on the premise that if we staffed and organized our business to deliver a combination of excellent investment performance and high-touch client service, we would quickly differentiate our business from a crowded field of firms nominally in the wealth management business. We seek to attract and serve a base of individuals and families with \$10 million or more of investable assets, and we believe we are particularly well-positioned to offer comprehensive investment and family office service solutions to families with over \$25 million of investable assets. As of March 31, 2013, our top 419 client relationships had an average size of \$32 million and represented approximately 98% of our assets under management. Our top 50 relationships averaged \$196 million in size as of March 31, 2013.

We have grown during a time of extraordinary financial turmoil during which the value of a full-service, independent, client-focused firm has become ever-more apparent. Our growth and success at attracting ultra-high net worth clients, primarily by taking market share from our competitors, validates our original premise. Our organic growth has been complemented by selective hiring and by five successfully completed acquisitions, which have expanded not only our assets under management, but also our professional ranks, geographic footprint and service capabilities. Our annual client retention rate has averaged 98% since 2006 and, as shown below, the compound annual growth rate in assets under management since inception is 48%.

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Our clients engage us to advise them on traditional and alternative investment strategies. Our clients receive a full menu of proprietary investment capabilities together with a focused array of complementary non-proprietary capabilities offered by unaffiliated firms selected by us. In addition to our investment advisory capabilities, we also provide our clients with family office services and related administrative services, which include financial planning, tax planning and preparation, partnership accounting and fund administration and consolidated wealth reporting.

Our fees for our investment advisory services, non-proprietary services and family office and related administrative services are structured to align our financial incentives with those of our clients to ensure they receive unconflicted advice. The vast majority of our fees are for discretionary asset management, and are based on the value of the assets we manage for our clients. These fee revenues increase if our clients assets grow in value; these fee revenues decrease if our clients assets decline in value. Unlike our discretionary asset management fees, our fees for family office services and related administrative services are generally not based on or correlated to market values of our clients assets. For these services, we generally charge our clients a negotiated fee based on the scope of work requested. These services create strong client relationships and contribute meaningfully to our record of client retention.



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As of March 31, 2013, approximately 89% of our discretionary assets under management were held for our individual clients and 11% for our institutional clients. Based on the strong investment results of our proprietary equity strategies, we are attracting a significant amount of institutional investor interest. The following chart summarizes the performance of each of our principal equity strategies relative to their appropriate benchmarks since inception.

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PROPRIETARY EQUITY PERFORMANCE AS OF 03/31/13	INCEPTION	ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE				INCEPTION
		1-YEAR	3-YEAR	5-YEAR	7-YEAR	
<b>Large Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Russell 1000 Value Index		18.8	12.7	4.9	4.2	5.8
<b>Small Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.8</b>
Russell 2000 Value Index		18.1	12.1	7.3	3.9	7.6
<b>Smid Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>10/1/05</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.7</b>
Russell 2500 Value Index		21.2	14.2	8.8	5.2	6.4
<b>Multi Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>7/1/02</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>8.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Equity Income Composite</b>	<b>12/1/03</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Focused Value Composite</b>	<b>9/1/04</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>9.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.4

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Our headquarters are located in New York City with additional offices in Boston, Massachusetts and Charlottesville, Virginia. We believe our track record of superior performance and our trusted reputation within the wealth management industry and among our clients are solely attributable to the talent and pedigree of our employees. As of May 15, 2013, we had 95 employees, including 37 employee-owners. The 37 employee-owners of Silvercrest L.P. are also referred to as our principals.

### **Our Market Opportunity**

We operate in the multi-family office registered investment adviser channel of private wealth management, the fastest growing sector of the market according to Cerulli Associates. The aggregate assets of managers in this channel have doubled over the last five years, largely due to market share gains, primarily from large financial institutions. Our client relationships with ultra-high net worth individuals currently represent less than 1% of U.S. families with investable assets over \$25 million. The Spectrem Group estimates there were 1.1 million households in the United States with a net worth of over \$5 million in 2012 and 117,000 with a net worth in excess of \$25 million. Even modest improvements in our penetration of this market will lead to significant further growth.

The 2008 financial crisis created an ongoing opportunity for independent smaller firms to attract assets from their larger competitors. The press has documented the erosion of client trust that has occurred at large financial institutions due to inherent conflicts of interest and lack of transparency. In delivering conflict-free advice within a completely transparent fee relationship, we are well-positioned to achieve further market share gains.

### **Key Competitive Strengths**

***Independent, Unconflicted Advice.*** We are an independent registered investment adviser and are not affiliated with a broker/dealer or a commercial bank. We employ a partnership culture and mindset with 37 of our employees owning equity in our company. We do not receive commissions, rebates, spreads or any other indirect or undisclosed forms of compensation. We are not controlled by any client or family and all of our investment decisions are made in the best interests of our clients. All of our fees are fully disclosed and transparent to our clients who have an unrestricted right to accept or reject them.

***Demonstrated Track Record of Growing Assets Under Management.*** We have expanded our business through a combination of organic growth and acquired growth. Our value proposition to clients has enabled us to win market share from competitors. Since 2004, we have successfully completed four strategic acquisitions of separate registered investment advisers and we have integrated and rebranded their operations into our company. In April 2013, we began integrating and rebranding the acquired operations of Ten-Sixty Management, LLC, or Ten-Sixty. These factors, combined with strong investment returns, have produced a compound annual growth rate in total client assets through March 31, 2013 of 48% since our inception.

***Long-Term Track Record of Superior Investment Performance.*** We have a proven ability to generate excellent investment performance through both our asset allocation work on behalf of clients as well as through security selection. We have a team-based approach that utilizes the same body of research to manage all of our proprietary equity strategies, which we believe generates superior, more consistent returns over time. Through March 31, 2013, each of our proprietary equity strategies has outperformed its respective benchmark since inception.

***Loyal, Diverse Base of Clients.*** As a result of our focus on delivering outstanding investment performance combined with highly personalized client service, we have developed significant long-term relationships with a large majority of our clients. Since 2006, our annual client retention rate has averaged 98%. As of March 31, 2013, our clients were represented in 43 states and the District of Columbia and no single client represented more than 5% of our total revenue.

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***Dedicated, Proven Senior Management.*** Our entire business is overseen by an Executive Committee comprising our Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel and a Managing Director of our Portfolio Management Group. At present, except for Albert S. Messina, no one on the Executive Committee has direct client or investment responsibility and, as a result, the members of the Executive Committee commit significant resources to managing the business and executing our growth strategy.

### **Our Growth Strategy**

***Continuing To Support Our Organic Growth.*** We have a proven ability to identify, attract and retain ultra-high net worth clients who seek a firm that can deliver excellent investment performance and excellent client service. Our organizational model of separate and distinct business functions has proven scalable and our assets under management have grown to \$13.6 billion as of March 31, 2013, consisting of the market appreciation of our assets under management as well as an increase in the amount of assets we manage for both new and existing clients, without a commensurate increase in headcount. Going forward, we will continue to execute our proven business plan for attracting ultra-high net worth clients through client referrals, as well as through our recently created business development team charged with identifying and then creating customized solicitations for newly formed wealth.

***Continuing Our Successful Track Record of Acquired Growth.*** From our inception, our organic growth has been complemented by selective hiring and strategic acquisitions. We expect to continue to acquire compatible wealth management companies, and recruit and hire senior portfolio managers with significant client relationships as well as successful investment professionals with capabilities currently not available internally to us. We currently intend to establish offices in major wealth centers on the West Coast, in the Southwest and in the Midwest to be closer to both our clients and to prospective clients.

***Continuing To Accelerate Our Institutional Growth.*** After five years of effort focused on cultivating relationships with institutional investment consultants, we are now regularly making new business presentations to institutional investors, including public pension funds, endowments, foundations and their consultants. We are now on the approved lists of certain prominent institutional investment consultants, which means that these consultants would be prepared to recommend our firm to clients in search of a particular investment strategy for its clients. This has significantly enhanced our ability to win mandates these consultants seek for their institutional clients and as a result we have begun to win institutional mandates in our equity strategies. This trend was recently highlighted by our selection by a very large state retirement fund to manage an equity mandate of up to \$400 million. In addition, since December 2011, we have been hired to manage, and have been providing services to, a new equity mutual fund which is being actively marketed throughout the nation. We expect this trend to continue once it is publicly known that these and other institutions have engaged us to manage significant portfolios for them and we will actively pursue new business opportunities in this channel.

***Continuing to Uphold And Increase Our Brand Awareness.*** We have invested heavily to build, maintain and extend our brand. With limited resources, we have created a focused national advertising campaign and have invested in efforts to receive media coverage in some of the nation's most prestigious national publications as well as in industry journals and newsletters. Following this offering, we expect to increase our spending in both advertising and public relations as part of our effort to further build our brand and to increase the market's awareness of our company, particularly in geographic markets that we expect to enter.

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**Risks Facing our Company**

Our business is subject to numerous risks that are described more fully in the section entitled **Risk Factors** beginning on page 18.

***Volatile Market Conditions.*** The fees we earn under our investment management agreements with clients are based on the value of our assets under management. The prices of the securities held in the portfolios we manage and, therefore, our assets under management, may decline due to any number of factors beyond our control, including, among others, a declining stock or bond market, general economic downturn, political uncertainty or acts of terrorism. Thus, volatile market conditions could adversely affect our business in many ways, including reducing the value of our assets under management and causing clients to withdraw funds, either of which could materially reduce our revenues and adversely affect our financial condition.

***Withdrawal of Significant Clients.*** Certain of our strategies are or may derive a significant portion of their total assets under management from assets of a single client or a small number of clients. If any such clients withdraw all or a portion of their assets under management, our business would be significantly affected, which would negatively impact our management fees and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

***Limited to Long-Only Equity Investment Focus.*** Our largest equity investment strategies hold long positions in publicly-traded equity securities of companies across a wide range of market capitalizations, geographies and industries. Accordingly, under market conditions in which there is a general decline in the value of equity securities, each of our equity strategies is likely to perform poorly on an absolute basis. Even if our investment performance remains strong during such market conditions relative to other long-only, equity strategies, investors may choose to withdraw assets from our management or allocate a larger portion of their assets to non-long-only or non-equity strategies.

***Competition in the investment management industry is intense.*** The investment management industry is intensely competitive, with competition based on a variety of factors, including investment performance, investment management fee rates, continuity of investment professionals and client relationships, the quality of services provided to clients, reputation, continuity of selling arrangements with intermediaries and differentiated products. A number of factors serve to increase our competitive risks with respect to many of our larger competitors, such as different fee structures, investment strategies and financial resources. If we are unable to compete effectively, our results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

***Loss of Key Investment Professionals of Our Senior Management Team.*** We depend on the skills and expertise of our investment professionals and our success depends on our ability to retain the key members of our senior management and investment teams, who possess substantial experience in investing and have been primarily responsible for the historically strong investment performance we have achieved. While we have generally experienced very few departures among our portfolio managers, there can be no assurance that this stability will continue in the future. The departure of one of a strategy's portfolio managers could cause clients to withdraw funds from the strategy, which would reduce our assets under management, our investment management and other fees and, if we were not able to reduce our expenses sufficiently, our net income, and these reductions could be material to our business.

***Performance Dependent on Our Strategies.*** We derive a substantial portion of our revenues from a limited number of our strategies. As a result, a portion of our operating results depends upon the performance of those strategies and our ability to retain client assets. In addition, while we seek to deliver long-term value to our clients, volatility may lead to underperformance in the near term, which could adversely affect our results of operations. If a significant portion of the investors in our larger

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strategies decide to withdraw their investments or terminate their investment management agreements for any reason, our revenues from those strategies would decline, which would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

***Reduction in Our Growth Opportunities.*** As part of our growth strategy, we may seek to take advantage of opportunities to add new investment teams that invest in a way that is consistent with our philosophy of offering high value-added investment strategies. To the extent we are unable to recruit and retain investment teams that will complement our existing business model, we may not be successful in further diversifying our investment strategies and client assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and future prospects.

**Our Structure and Reorganization**

On July 11, 2011, Silvercrest was incorporated as a Delaware corporation. Silvercrest GP LLC is currently the general partner of Silvercrest L.P., which is the managing member of the operating subsidiary, Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC. See [The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Overview](#) for a description of the reorganization and the structure of our company. Prior to the consummation of this offering but after the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, the members of Silvercrest GP LLC will receive a distribution of the general partner interests of Silvercrest L.P. owned by Silvercrest GP LLC as part of the reorganization. Once acquired, these interests that were distributed to the members of Silvercrest GP LLC will be automatically converted into limited partnership interests. Subsequent to the distribution of the general partner interests of Silvercrest L.P. to its members and the conversion of those interests into limited partnership interests, Silvercrest GP LLC will transfer its rights as general partner to Silvercrest and will be dissolved. Thereafter, Silvercrest will become the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. As part of the reorganization, the partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. will be amended to provide that the limited partnership interests will be converted to Class B units and the general partnership interests will be converted to Class A units.

Immediately following the reorganization, our only material asset will be the general partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P. We will use approximately \$ million of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from its current limited partners, including all Class B units held by Vulcan Wealth Management LLC, or Vulcan, and such Class B units acquired by us will be immediately converted into Class A units. This third-party investor will therefore no longer hold any portion of Silvercrest L.P.'s Class B units or any of our Class B common stock subsequent to the reorganization. Following the reorganization and this offering, we will own all of the Class A units, which represent the general partnership interest in Silvercrest L.P., or approximately % of the partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % of the partnership units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The remaining approximately % of the partnership units in Silvercrest L.P. (or % of the partnership units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock) will be held by 37 of our principals and two former employees, whom we refer to in this prospectus as the non-employee partners. We refer to our principals and non-employee partners collectively as our limited partners in this prospectus. In addition, Silvercrest L.P. has issued deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units, which entitle the holders thereof to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to the same extent as if the underlying Class B units were outstanding. See [The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure](#) for a description of the reorganization and the structure of our company. Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its limited partners of previously undistributed earnings in the aggregate amount of approximately \$ million. Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. Purchasers in this offering will not be entitled to any portion of this distribution and such distribution may not be indicative of the amount of any future distributions.

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Set forth below is our holding company structure and anticipated ownership immediately after the consummation of this offering and the use of a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from its limited partners including Vulcan (assuming no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares and without taking into account any outstanding deferred equity units).

- (1) Each share of Class B common stock is entitled to one vote per share. Class B stockholders will have the right to receive the par value of the Class B common stock upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.
- (2) Each share of Class A common stock is entitled to one vote per share. Class A common stockholders will have 100% of the rights of all classes of our capital stock to receive distributions, except that Class B common stockholders will have the right to receive the par value of the Class B common stock upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.
- (3) Each Class B unit held by a principal is exchangeable for one share of Class A common stock. The limited partners will collectively hold Class B units, which will represent the right to receive approximately % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P., and non-voting deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units, which will represent the right to receive approximately % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % and %, respectively, of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The deferred equity units which have been issued to limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. entitle the holders thereof to participate in distributions from Silvercrest L.P. as if the underlying Class B units are outstanding and thus are taken into account to determine the economic interest of each holder of units in Silvercrest L.P. However, because the Class B units underlying the deferred equity units have not been

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issued and are not deemed outstanding, the holders of deferred equity units have no voting rights with respect to those Class B units. We will not issue shares of Class B common stock in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. until such time as the underlying Class B units are issued.

- (4) We will hold            Class A units (or            Class A units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock), which will represent the right to receive approximately    % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately    % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The            deferred equity units which have been issued to principals of Silvercrest L.P. entitle the holders thereof to participate in distributions from Silvercrest L.P. as if the underlying Class B units are outstanding and thus are taken into account to determine the economic interest of each holder of units in Silvercrest L.P. However, because the Class B units underlying the deferred equity units have not been issued and are not deemed outstanding, the holders of deferred equity units have no voting rights with respect to those Class B units. We will not issue shares of Class B common stock in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. until such time as the underlying Class B units are issued.

We are a Delaware corporation and the address of our principal executive offices is 1330 Avenue of the Americas, 38th Floor, New York, New York 10019. Our telephone number is (212) 649-0600 and our website is [www.silvercrestgroup.com](http://www.silvercrestgroup.com). Our website and the information included therein are not part of this prospectus.

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**The Offering**

Class A common stock offered by us	shares of Class A common stock, or shares of Class A common stock if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares.
Class A common stock to be outstanding immediately after this offering	shares of Class A common stock (which includes 10 shares of Class A common stock issued to our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer on May 7, 2012), or shares of Class A common stock if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares. If all outstanding Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals were to be exchanged for shares of our Class A common stock, shares of Class A common stock would be outstanding immediately after this offering.
Class B common stock to be outstanding immediately after this offering and the use of proceeds to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P.	shares of Class B common stock will be outstanding after this offering and the use of a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its existing limited partners including Vulcan. See Use of Proceeds. Shares of our Class B common stock have voting rights but no economic rights (including no rights to dividends or distribution upon liquidation) and will be issued to our limited partners in an amount equal to the number of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. that our limited partners hold following the reorganization (but will not be issued in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals). When a Class B unit is purchased by us or exchanged for a share of Class A common stock, the corresponding share of Class B common stock will be cancelled. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Coordination of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. and Silvercrest L.P.
Use of proceeds	We will receive net proceeds from our sale of Class A common stock in this offering of approximately \$ million (or approximately \$ million if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share (the midpoint in the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus), in each case after deducting assumed underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We intend to use approximately \$ million of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its existing limited partners including Vulcan. The purchase price for the Class B units will be determined by the public offering price of our Class A common stock in this



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offering, less the amount of underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses incurred by us on a per share basis. We intend to use the remaining net proceeds of this offering, including any proceeds from the exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares, to purchase additional Class A units from Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest L.P. will use such proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include business operations, investments in our business, the development of new investment strategies and strategic acquisitions.

Voting rights and stockholders' agreement

One vote per share for Class A common stock and Class B common stock. Our principals who hold shares of Class B common stock will enter into a stockholders' agreement pursuant to which they will agree to vote, while employed by us, the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock that they hold in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee of Silvercrest L.P., referred to herein as the Executive Committee, consisting as of the date hereof of G. Moffett Cochran, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Richard R. Hough III, President and Chief Operating Officer, Scott A. Gerard, Chief Financial Officer, David J. Campbell, General Counsel and Secretary, and Albert S. Messina, a Managing Director of our Portfolio Management Group. The vote of each member of the Executive Committee will be weighted based on the number of Class B units owned by the member relative to the number of Class B units held by all members of the Executive Committee at the time of a vote. Since Mr. Cochran, our Chief Executive Officer, owns a greater percentage of equity than the rest of the members of the Executive Committee collectively, he will initially control the vote of such committee, and, as a result, all of the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our principals. See "The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure - Voting Rights of Class A and Class B Stockholders" and "The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure - Stockholders' Agreement Among Class B Stockholders."

Class B unit exchange

Pursuant to the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. and an exchange agreement to be entered into between us and the principals, each Class B unit held by a principal will be exchangeable for a share of our Class A common stock, subject to the exchange timing and volume limitations described under "The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure - Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. - Exchange Rights." All Class B units held by a principal will be exchanged automatically for shares of our Class A common stock upon the termination of employment of such principal, other than in the case of retirement, subject to certain limitations described under "The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure - Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. - Exchange Rights."

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Resale and registration rights

Pursuant to a resale and registration rights agreement that we will enter into with the principals, we will agree to use our best efforts to file a registration statement for the sale of the shares of our Class A common stock that are issuable upon exchange of Class B units as soon as practicable after we become eligible to file a registration statement on Form S-3, which we expect to be one year after the consummation of this offering. We expect to cause that registration statement to be declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, as soon as practicable thereafter. See [The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement](#) for a description of the timing and manner limitations on resales of these shares of our Class A common stock.

Dividend policy

Upon completion of this offering, we will have no material assets other than our ownership of Class A units of Silvercrest L.P. Accordingly, our ability to pay dividends will depend on distributions from Silvercrest L.P. We intend to cause Silvercrest L.P. to make distributions to us with available cash generated from its subsidiaries' operations in an amount sufficient to cover dividends. If Silvercrest L.P. makes such distributions, the limited partners will be entitled to receive equivalent distributions on a pro rata basis.

The declaration and payment of all future dividends, if any, will be at the sole discretion of our board of directors and may be discontinued at any time. In determining the amount of any future dividends, our board of directors will take into account any legal or contractual limitations, our actual and anticipated future earnings, cash flow, debt service and capital requirements and the amount of distributions to us from Silvercrest L.P.

Following this offering, we intend to pay quarterly cash dividends. See [Dividend Policy](#).

Tax receivable agreement

We will enter into a tax receivable agreement with the principals, and any future holders of Class B units, that will require us to pay them 85% of the amount of cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal, state and local income tax that we actually realize (or are deemed to realize in the case of an early termination payment by us, or a change in control) as a result of the increases in tax basis and certain other tax benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement, including tax benefits attributable to payments under the tax receivable agreement. This will be our obligation and not the obligation of Silvercrest L.P. We expect to benefit from the remaining 15% of cash savings, if any, realized.

The tax receivable agreement will commence upon consummation of this offering and will continue until all such tax benefits have been utilized or expired, unless we exercise our right to terminate the tax receivable agreement for an amount based on an agreed upon value of payments remaining to be made under the agreement. The tax receivable agreement will automatically terminate with respect to our obligations to a principal if a principal (i) is terminated for cause, (ii) breaches his or her non-solicitation covenants with our company or

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(iii) voluntarily resigns or retires and competes with our company in the 12-month period following resignation of employment or retirement, and no further payments will be made to such principal under the tax receivable agreement. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Tax Receivable Agreement.

Listing symbol

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Unless otherwise noted, the number of shares of Class A common stock outstanding after this offering and other information based thereon in this prospectus excludes:

shares of Class A common stock, which may be issued upon the exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares;

shares of Class A common stock reserved for issuance upon exchange of the Class B units that will be outstanding immediately after this offering;

shares of Class A common stock reserved for issuance upon exchange of the corresponding number of Class B units reserved for issuance upon the exercise of deferred equity units that have been granted as of the date of this prospectus and shares of Class A common stock reserved for issuance upon the vesting of performance units that have been granted as of the date of this prospectus; and

shares of Class A common stock reserved for issuance under our new 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

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**Summary Selected Historical and Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Data**

The following table sets forth the summary selected historical consolidated financial data of Silvercrest L.P., which is deemed to be our predecessor for accounting purposes, as of the dates and for the periods indicated. The historical selected consolidated statement of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and the consolidated statements of financial position data as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 of Silvercrest L.P. have been derived from, and are qualified in their entirety by, the historical audited consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. included elsewhere in this prospectus. The consolidated statements of financial position data as of December 31, 2010 have been derived from financial statements not included in this prospectus. The summary selected consolidated statements of operations data for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the summary selected consolidated statement of financial condition data as of March 31, 2013 have been derived from the Silvercrest L.P. unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary selected consolidated statement of financial condition data as of March 31, 2012 have been derived from the Silvercrest L.P. unaudited condensed consolidated statement of financial condition as of March 31, 2012, not included in this prospectus. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on substantially the same basis as our annual consolidated financial statements and include all adjustments that we consider necessary for a fair presentation of our results of operations and financial condition for the periods and as of the dates presented. Our results for the three months ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of our results for a full fiscal year.

The unaudited pro forma consolidated financial data for Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. give effect to all transactions described under Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information, including the reorganization, the distribution of approximately \$ million to its existing limited partners prior to the consummation of this offering and this offering.

You should read the following summary selected historical consolidated financial data of Silvercrest L.P. and the unaudited pro forma financial information of Silvercrest, together with Business, Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data, Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes of Silvercrest L.P. and subsidiaries appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. In the following tables (including the footnotes thereto), dollars are in thousands, except as otherwise indicated.

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	Historical Silvercrest L.P.					Pro Forma Silvercrest	
	2012	Year Ended December 31, 2011	2010	Three Months Ended March 31, 2012		Year Ended December 31, 2012	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013
<b>Statements of operations data:</b>							
<b>Revenue:</b>							
Management and advisory fees	\$ 46,069	\$ 37,869	\$ 32,442	\$ 12,457	\$ 10,682		
Performance fees and allocations	714	85	548	3			
Family office services	4,907	4,833	3,841	1,225	1,198		
Total revenue	51,690	42,787	36,831	13,685	11,880		
<b>Expenses:</b>							
Compensation and benefits	19,108	17,492	16,528	5,201	4,768		
General and administrative	13,680	10,849	9,459	2,710	2,566		
Total expenses	32,788	28,341	25,987	7,911	7,334		
<b>Income before other income (expense), net</b>	<b>18,902</b>	<b>14,446</b>	<b>10,844</b>	<b>5,774</b>	<b>4,546</b>		
<b>Other income (expense), net:</b>							
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable		(34)	(508)				
Other income (expense)	123	(210)	32	29	32		
Interest income	145	187	231	27	45		
Interest expense	(304)	(164)	(241)	(37)	(64)		
Equity income from investments	1,911	950	1,241				
Total other income (expense), net	1,875	729	755	19	13		
Income before provision for income taxes	20,777	15,175	11,599	5,793	4,559		
(Provision) for income taxes	(1,057)	(566)	(657)	(329)	(270)		
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 19,720</b>	<b>\$ 14,609</b>	<b>\$ 10,942</b>	<b>\$ 5,464</b>	<b>\$ 4,289</b>		
<b>Selected statements of financial position data:</b>							
Total assets	\$ 52,454	\$ 45,262	\$ 33,079	\$ 45,037	\$ 40,454		
Notes payable	3,315	4,809	2,957	4,350	4,362		
Total liabilities	14,317	15,751	12,490	13,193	12,645		
Redeemable partners capital	98,607	85,177	45,619	111,048	80,919		
Partners deficit/Stockholders equity	(60,470)	(55,666)	(25,030)	(79,204)	(53,110)		
Non-controlling interests							
<b>Selected unaudited operating data:</b>							
Assets under management (billions) (1)	\$ 11.2	\$ 10.1	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.6	\$ 11.1		
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$ 14,702	\$ 10,839	\$ 9,068	\$ 4,137	\$ 3,447		
Adjusted EBITDA margin (3)	28.4%	25.3%	24.6%	30.2%	29.0%		

(1) As of the last day of the period.

(2) To provide investors with additional insight, promote transparency and allow for a more comprehensive understanding of the information used by management in its financial and operational decision-making, we supplement our consolidated financial statements presented on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, with Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure of earnings. EBITDA represents net income before income tax expense, interest income, interest expense, depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA without giving effect to professional fees associated with acquisitions or financing transactions, losses on forgiveness of notes receivable from our principals, gains on extinguishment of debt or other obligations related to acquisitions, impairment charges and losses on disposals or abandonment of assets and leaseholds, client reimbursements and fund redemption costs, severance and other similar expenses, but including partner incentive allocations as an expense. Our management uses Adjusted EBITDA as a financial measure to evaluate the profitability and efficiency of our business model. We use this non-GAAP financial measure to assess the strength of the underlying operations of our business. These adjustments, and the non-GAAP financial measure that is derived from them, provide supplemental information to analyze our operations between periods and over time. Investors should consider our non-GAAP financial measure in addition to, and not as a substitute for, financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.



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The following table contains a reconciliation of net income to Adjusted EBITDA (amounts in thousands).

	2012	Year Ended December 31, 2011	2010	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013	2012
<b>Reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measure:</b>					
Net income	\$ 19,720	\$ 14,609	\$ 10,942	\$ 5,464	\$ 4,289
Provision for income taxes	1,057	566	657	329	270
Interest expense	304	164	241	37	64
Interest income	(145)	(187)	(231)	(27)	(45)
Partner incentive allocations (A)	(12,129)	(8,775)	(5,173)	(2,880)	(2,027)
Depreciation and amortization	1,918	1,469	1,379	449	475
Equity-based compensation	1,416	1,060	583	628	431
Other adjustments (B)	2,561	1,933	670	137	(10)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 14,702	\$ 10,839	\$ 9,068	\$ 4,137	\$ 3,447

- (A) Partner incentive allocations have historically been treated as distributions of net income and recorded when paid. Upon the completion of the reorganization and this offering, we will account for partner incentive payments as an expense in our statement of operations and have reflected the related adjustments in our pro forma financial information. Accordingly, this will have the effect of increasing compensation expense relative to the amounts that have been recorded historically in our financial statements. See Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information.
- (B) Other adjustments consist of the following:

	2012	Years Ended December 31, 2011	2010	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013	2012
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable (a)	\$	\$ 34	\$ 508	\$	\$
Write-off of LongChamp revenue (b)			64		
Loss on sub-lease (c)	(85)	150		(21)	(21)
Lease abandonment (reversal) (d)	(662)				
Client reimbursement	12				
Fund redemption costs (e)	(4)	827			9
IPO professional fees	2,892	578		8	2
Acquisition costs (f)	121	222		51	
Severance	79	69	100		
Other (g)	208	53	(2)	99	
<b>Total other adjustments</b>	<b>\$ 2,561</b>	<b>\$ 1,933</b>	<b>\$ 670</b>	<b>\$ 137</b>	<b>\$ (10)</b>

- (a) Represents remaining balance on notes originally issued in connection with the issuance of equity that were forgiven in connection with the termination of employee-partners.
- (b) In 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the former owners of LGI to close the business of LGI, which was acquired by us in 2007. All agreements between our company and the former owners of LGI were terminated. LGI was ultimately wound down in 2009.
- (c)

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Reflects the subsequent amortization and an initial charge taken for the difference, on a present value basis, between the per square foot rental rate for our company's primary lease and a sub-lease that we signed in 2011 with a sub-tenant for our headquarters in New York.



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- (d) Reflects a reversal for the remaining rent expense on a portion of our unutilized space at our headquarters that we abandoned in 2009 and reoccupied in May 2012. A portion of this space is subleased through September 29, 2017.
  - (e) Includes the costs associated with the reimbursement to one of our funds for the difference between the value of certain investor redemptions and the actual proceeds of the underlying securities in 2012 and 2011.
  - (f) Reflects the legal and accounting fees associated with the closing of the Ten-Sixty acquisition in 2013, the Commodity Advisors acquisition in 2012 and the Milbank acquisition that were expensed in 2011. Also reflects expenses related to relocating Milbank personnel and operations to our headquarters that were incurred during the year ended December 31, 2012.
  - (g) For the three months ended March 31, 2013, represents the accrual of Quarterly Income Payments, as defined in the purchase agreement related to the Commodity Advisors acquisition. For the year ended December 31, 2012, represents a fair value adjustment to the Milbank contingent consideration of (\$42), a non-recurring catch-up operating escalation from our landlord of \$97, and \$153 of expenses incurred related to our 10th anniversary client event. In 2011, professional fees related to the Milbank acquisition and a Silvercrest fund.
- (3) Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by total revenue.

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**RISK FACTORS**

*You should carefully consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information presented in this prospectus before investing in our Class A common stock. Any of the following risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flow. If any of the following risks and uncertainties actually occur, you may lose all or part of your original investment.*

**Risks Related to our Investment Performance and the Financial Markets**

*Volatile market conditions could adversely affect our business in many ways, including by reducing the value of our assets under management and causing clients to withdraw funds, either of which could materially reduce our revenues and adversely affect our financial condition.*

The fees we earn under our investment management agreements with clients are based on the value of our assets under management. The prices of the securities held in the portfolios we manage and, therefore, our assets under management, may decline due to any number of factors beyond our control, including, among others, a declining stock or bond market, general economic downturn, political uncertainty or acts of terrorism. In connection with the severe market dislocations of 2008 and early 2009, the value of our assets under management declined substantially due primarily to the significant decline in stock prices worldwide. In future periods of difficult market conditions we may experience accelerated client redemptions or withdrawals if clients move assets to investments they perceive as offering greater opportunity or lower risk, which could further reduce our assets under management in addition to market depreciation. The economic outlook remains uncertain and we continue to operate in a challenging business environment. If market conditions, or actions taken by clients in response to market conditions, cause a decline in our assets under management, it would result in lower investment management fees and other revenue. If our revenues decline without a commensurate reduction in our expenses, our net income will be reduced and our business will be negatively affected.

If market conditions improve greatly, driving the prices of the securities in our clients' accounts higher, it may lead to withdrawals or redemptions. In many cases, we advise only a portion of our clients' complete financial portfolio. This is because many clients prefer to diversify their portfolio among more than one asset manager or investment type. As to those clients, if the portion of their portfolio held by us increases significantly, it may become too large a percentage of their overall portfolio, and they may withdraw assets from our management and invest it elsewhere, thereby rebalancing their overall portfolio and returning their allocation to us to its prior level.

*If our investment strategies perform poorly, clients could withdraw their assets and we could suffer a decline in our assets under management and/or become the subject of litigation, either of which would reduce our earnings.*

The performance of our investment strategies is critical in retaining existing client assets as well as attracting new client assets. If our investment strategies perform poorly for any reason on an absolute basis or relative to other investment advisers, or the rankings of mutual funds we sub-advise decline, our earnings could decline because:

our existing clients may withdraw funds from our investment strategies or terminate their relationships with us, or investors in the mutual funds we sub-advise may redeem their investments, which would cause a decline in the revenues that we generate from investment management and other fees; or

third-party financial intermediaries, advisers or consultants may rate our investment products poorly, which may lead our existing clients to withdraw funds from our investment strategies or reduce asset inflows from these third parties or their clients.

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Our investment strategies can perform poorly for a number of reasons, including general market conditions, investment decisions that we make and the performance of the companies in which we invest on behalf of our clients. In addition, while we seek to deliver long-term value to our clients, volatility may lead to under-performance in the near term, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

While clients do not generally have legal recourse against us solely on the basis of poor investment results, if our investment strategies perform poorly, we are more likely to become subject to litigation brought by dissatisfied clients. In addition, to the extent clients are successful in claiming that their losses resulted from fraud, gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of contract or other similar misconduct, these clients may have remedies against us and/or our investment professionals under the federal securities laws and/or state law.

***The historical returns of our existing investment strategies may not be indicative of their future results or of the future results of investment strategies we may develop in the future.***

We have presented the historical returns of our existing investment strategies under Business Our Business Model. The historical returns of our strategies should not be considered indicative of the future results of these strategies or of the results of any other strategies that we may develop in the future. The investment performance we achieve for our clients varies over time and the variance can be wide. The historical performance presented herein is as of March 31, 2013 and for periods then ended. The performance we achieve as of a subsequent date and for a subsequent period may be higher or lower and the difference may be material. Our strategies' returns have benefited during some periods from investment opportunities and positive economic and market conditions. In other periods, such as in 2008, the first quarter of 2009 and the second quarter of 2010, general economic and market conditions have negatively affected investment opportunities and our strategies' returns. These negative conditions may occur again, and in the future, we may not be able to identify and invest in profitable investment opportunities within our current or future strategies.

***We derive a substantial portion of our revenues from a limited number of our strategies.***

As of March 31, 2013, \$8.6 billion of our assets under management were concentrated in discretionary managed accounts, representing approximately 83% of our investment management fees for the three months ended March 31, 2013. In addition, \$0.9 billion of our assets under management were invested in private partnerships, as of March 31, 2013, representing approximately 17% of our investment management fees for the three months ended March 31, 2013. As a result, a substantial portion of our operating results depends upon the performance of a limited number of investment strategies used to manage those discretionary managed accounts and private partnerships, and our ability to retain client assets. If a significant portion of the investors in our larger strategies decided to withdraw their investments or terminate their investment management agreements for any reason, including poor investment performance or adverse market conditions, our revenues from those strategies would decline, which would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

***A significant portion of our assets under management are or may be derived from a small number of clients, the loss of which could significantly reduce our management fees and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.***

Certain of our strategies are or may derive a significant portion of their total assets under management from assets of a single client or a small number of clients. If any such clients withdraw all or a portion of their assets under management, our business would be significantly affected, which would negatively impact our management fees and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

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***We may not be able to maintain our current fee structure as a result of poor investment performance, competitive pressures or as a result of changes in our business mix, which could have a material adverse effect on our profit margins and results of operations.***

We may not be able to maintain our current fee structure for any number of reasons, including as a result of poor investment performance, competitive pressures or changes in our business mix. In recent years, there has been a general trend toward lower fees in the investment management industry, and some of our investment strategies, because they tend to invest in larger-capitalization companies and were designed to have larger capacity and to appeal to larger clients, have lower fee schedules. In order to maintain our fee structure in a competitive environment, we must be able to continue to provide clients with investment returns and service that our clients believe justify our fees. We may not succeed in providing the investment returns and service that will allow us to maintain our current fee structure. If our investment strategies perform poorly, we may be forced to lower our fees in order to retain current, and attract additional, assets to manage. Furthermore, if a larger part of our assets under management are invested in our larger capacity, lower fee strategies, our revenue could be adversely affected.

***We derive most of our revenues from assets under management that may be reduced at any time by our clients.***

We derive our revenues principally from our assets under management, which may be reduced by our clients, or investors in the mutual funds we sub-advise, at any time. A client may reduce his assets under management with us by re-allocating all or any portion of the assets that we manage away from us at any time with little or no notice. In addition, investors in the mutual funds we advise can redeem their investments in those funds at any time without prior notice. A client may also reduce his assets under management with us through the termination of his investment advisory agreement with us. Our investment advisory agreements are terminable by our clients upon short notice or no notice. These investment management agreements and client relationships may be terminated or not renewed for any number of reasons. The decrease in revenues that could result from a reduction in assets under management or the termination of a material client relationship or group of client relationships could have a material adverse effect on our business.

***The long-only, equity investment focus of the majority of our strategies exposes us to greater risk than certain of our competitors whose investment strategies may also include non-equity securities or hedged positions.***

Our largest equity investment strategies hold long positions in publicly-traded equity securities of companies across a wide range of market capitalizations, geographies and industries. Accordingly, under market conditions in which there is a general decline in the value of equity securities, each of our equity strategies is likely to perform poorly on an absolute basis. Aside from our privately managed funds and funds of funds, we do not have strategies that invest in privately-held companies or take short positions in equity securities, which could offset some of the poor performance of our long-only, equity strategies under such market conditions. Even if our investment performance remains strong during such market conditions relative to other long-only, equity strategies, investors may choose to withdraw assets from our management or allocate a larger portion of their assets to non-long-only or non-equity strategies. In addition, the prices of equity securities may fluctuate more widely than the prices of other types of securities, making the level of our assets under management and related revenues more volatile.

***The performance of our investment strategies or the growth of our assets under management may be constrained by the unavailability of appropriate investment opportunities or if we close certain of our investment strategies.***

The ability of our investment teams to deliver strong investment performance depends in large part on their ability to identify appropriate investment opportunities in which to invest client assets. If the investment team for any of our strategies is unable to identify sufficiently appropriate investment opportunities for existing and new

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client assets on a timely basis, the investment performance of the strategy could be adversely affected. In addition, if we determine that there are insufficient investment opportunities available for a strategy, we may choose to limit the growth of the strategy by limiting the rate at which we accept additional client assets for management under the strategy, closing the strategy to all or substantially all new investors or otherwise taking action to limit the flow of assets into the strategy. If we misjudge the point at which it would be optimal to limit access to or close a strategy, the investment performance of the strategy could be negatively impacted. The risk that sufficiently appropriate investment opportunities may be unavailable is influenced by a number of factors, including general market conditions, but is particularly acute with respect to our Small Cap and SMID Cap strategies that focus on small-cap investments, and is likely to increase as our assets under management increase, particularly if these increases occur very rapidly. If we are unable to identify appropriate investment opportunities in which to invest client assets, our growth and results of operations may be negatively affected.

***Our investment strategies may not obtain attractive returns in the short-term or during certain market periods.***

Our products are best suited for investors with long-term investment horizons. In order for our classic value investment approach to yield attractive returns, we must typically hold securities for an average of over three years. Therefore, our investment strategies may not perform well during short periods of time. In addition, our strategies may not perform well during points in the economic cycle when value-oriented stocks are relatively less attractive. For instance, during the late stages of an economic cycle, investors may purchase relatively expensive stocks in order to obtain access to above average growth, as was the case in the late 1990s. Value-oriented strategies may also experience weakness during periods when the markets are focused on one investment thesis or sector. For example, in the past two years, the markets have deemed many businesses producing commodities and basic materials to be sound investments, regardless of their prices, based on the thesis that the rapid growth of such large economies as China and India means that there will be constant shortfalls in the supply of the goods produced by these companies. We would not invest in these companies if their stocks were not inexpensively priced, thus foregoing potentially attractive returns during the periods when these companies' stock prices are continuing to advance.

***Our investment approach may underperform other investment approaches, which may result in significant withdrawals of client assets or client departures or a reduction in our assets under management.***

Even when securities prices are rising generally, portfolio performance may be affected by our investment approach. We employ a long-term investment approach in all of our investment strategies. This investment approach has outperformed the market in some economic and market environments and underperformed it in others. In particular, a prolonged period in which the growth style of investing outperforms the value style may cause our investment strategy to go out of favor with some clients, consultants or third-party intermediaries. Poor performance relative to peers, coupled with changes in personnel, extensive periods in particular market environments or other difficulties may result in significant withdrawals of client assets, client departures or a reduction in our assets under management.

***Our investment process requires us to conduct extensive fundamental research on any company before investing in it, which may result in missed investment opportunities and reduce the performance of our investment strategies.***

We take a considerable amount of time to complete the in-depth research projects that our investment process requires before adding any security to our portfolio. Our process requires that we take this time in order to understand the company and the business well enough to make an informed decision whether we are willing to own a significant position in a company whose current earnings are below its historic norms and that does not yet have earnings visibility. However, the time we take to make this judgment may cause us to miss the opportunity to invest in a company that has a sharp and rapid earnings recovery. Any such missed investment opportunities could adversely impact the performance of our investment strategies.

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***Our Core International Equity Strategy invests principally in the securities of non-U.S. companies, which involve foreign currency exchange, tax, political, social and economic uncertainties and risks.***

As of March 31, 2013, our Core International Equity Strategy, which invests in companies domiciled outside of the United States, accounted for approximately 0.6% of our assets under management. In addition, some of our other strategies also invest on a more limited basis in securities of non-U.S. companies. Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could negatively affect the returns of our clients who are invested in these strategies. In addition, an increase in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to non-U.S. currencies is likely to result in a decrease in the U.S. dollar value of our assets under management, which, in turn, could result in lower revenue since we report our financial results in U.S. dollars.

Investments in non-U.S. issuers may also be affected by tax positions taken in countries or regions in which we are invested, as well as political, social and economic uncertainty, particularly as a result of the recent decline in economic conditions. Declining tax revenues may cause governments to assert their ability to tax the local gains and/or income of foreign investors (including our clients), which could adversely affect clients' interests in investing outside the United States. Many financial markets are not as developed, or as efficient, as the U.S. financial markets, and, as a result, those markets may have limited liquidity and higher price volatility. Liquidity also may be adversely affected by political or economic events within a particular country, and our ability to dispose of an investment also may be adversely affected if we increase the size of our investments in smaller non-U.S. issuers. Non-U.S. legal and regulatory environments, including financial accounting standards and practices, also may be different, and there may be less publicly available information about such companies. These risks could adversely affect the performance of our Core International Equity Strategy and may be particularly acute in the emerging or less developed markets in which we invest.

**Risks Related to our Key Professionals**

***The loss of key investment professionals or members of our senior management team could have a material adverse effect on our business.***

We depend on the skills and expertise of our investment professionals and our success depends on our ability to retain the key members of our senior management and investment teams, who possess substantial experience in investing and have been primarily responsible for the historically strong investment performance we have achieved. In particular, we depend on the portfolio managers. As of March 31, 2013, \$3.9 billion, representing 29% of our assets under management, were managed using one of our proprietary equity strategies. Our five largest strategies as of March 31, 2013 were Large Cap, Small Cap, Multi Cap, Equity Income and Focused Value which represented 10%, 6%, 6%, 5% and 1% of assets under management, respectively. Each of these five strategies has been managed by its current portfolio manager since its inception at Silvercrest.

Because of the long tenure and stable track record of our portfolio managers, our clients may attribute the investment performance we have achieved to these individuals. While we have generally experienced very few departures among our portfolio managers, there can be no assurance that this stability will continue in the future. The departure of one of a strategy's portfolio managers could cause clients to withdraw funds from the strategy, which would reduce our assets under management, our investment management and other fees and, if we were not able to reduce our expenses sufficiently, our net income, and these reductions could be material to our business. The departure of one of a strategy's portfolio managers also could cause clients to refrain from allocating additional funds to the strategy or delay such allocation of additional funds until a sufficient track record under a new portfolio manager or managers has been established. This would have a negative effect on the future growth of our assets under management and, therefore, our results of operations.

We also depend on the contributions of our senior management team led by G. Moffett Cochran, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, who co-founded our company and has been the primary architect of our business strategy, as well as other members of our senior management team. Mr. Cochran is 62 years old and has no current plans to retire. In 2002, he had an islet cell tumor removed from his pancreas and in 2005, he was

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found to have neuroendocrine tumors on his liver. Since 2005, Mr. Cochran has been under the treatment of a physician and has continuously performed his duties as Chief Executive Officer of our company on a full-time basis. There can be no assurance, however, that Mr. Cochran will not reduce his responsibilities or retire earlier than expected if his health condition were to worsen in the future. In addition, our senior marketing and client service personnel have direct contact with our clients and their consultants and advisors and other key individuals within each of our distribution channels. The loss of any of these key professionals could limit our ability to successfully execute our business strategy, prevent us from sustaining the historically strong investment performance and adversely affect our ability to retain or attract client assets.

***If any member of our senior management or a key investment professional were to join a competitor or form a competing company, some of our current clients or other prominent members of the investing community could choose to invest with that competitor rather than us.***

Any of our investment or management professionals may resign at any time, join our competitors or form a competing company. Although the unvested shares of Class A common stock and Class B units held by our principals are subject to forfeiture, and the vested shares of Class A common stock and Class B units held by our principals are subject to repurchase, if the principal voluntarily resigns or retires and competes with us while employed or during the 12-month period following termination of employment, these forfeiture and repurchase provisions may not be enforceable or may not be enforceable to their full extent. We do not carry key man insurance on any of our key investment professionals (other than an immaterial key-man policy on Mr. Cochran) that would provide us with proceeds in the event of the death or disability of any of the key members of our investment or management teams.

The professional reputations, expertise in investing and client relationships of our senior management and key investment professionals are critical elements to executing our business strategy and attracting and retaining clients. Accordingly, the retention of our senior management and key investment professionals is crucial to our future success. There is no guarantee that they will not resign, join our competitors or form a competing company. The terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. restrict each of the principals of Silvercrest L.P. from soliciting our clients or other employees during the term of their employment with us and for 18 months thereafter. In addition to the legal rights and remedies available to us to enforce these restrictive covenants, the penalty for a breach of these restrictive covenants or, if a principal voluntarily resigns or retires from our company, for competing with us during the 12-month period following termination of employment, will be the forfeiture of all of the unvested shares of Class A common stock and Class B units of the offending party and his or her permitted transferees and, at the option of Silvercrest L.P., the required sale to Silvercrest L.P. of all of the vested Class B units of the offending party and his or her permitted transferees at a purchase price equal to the lesser of (i) the aggregate capital account balance of the offending party and his or her permitted transferees in Silvercrest L.P. and (ii) the purchase price paid by the offending party to first acquire the Class B units, and, at our option, the required sale to us of all of the Class A common stock collectively held by the offending party and his or her permitted transferees at a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the offending party to first acquire the Class B units for which such shares of Class A common stock had been exchanged. Although we also would likely seek specific performance of these restrictive covenants, there can be no assurance that we would be successful in obtaining this relief. Further, after this post-employment restrictive period, we will not be able to prohibit a departed professional from soliciting our clients or employees. If any of our principals were to join a competitor or form a competing company, some of our current clients or other prominent members of the investing community could choose to invest with that competitor rather than us or otherwise withdraw assets from our company which could have a negative impact on our results of operations.

***Competition for qualified investment, management and marketing and client service professionals is intense and we may fail to successfully attract and retain qualified personnel in the future.***

Our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel will depend heavily on the amount and structure of compensation and opportunities for equity ownership we offer. Historically we have offered key employees

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equity ownership through interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC. Those key employees who are currently limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC will hold these interests in the form of Class B units immediately following this offering. In connection with our transition to a public company, we expect to implement a new compensation structure that uses a combination of cash and equity-based incentives as appropriate. Although we intend for overall compensation levels to remain commensurate with amounts paid to our key employees in the past, we may not be successful in designing and implementing an attractive compensation model. Any cost-reduction initiative or adjustments or reductions to compensation could negatively impact our ability to retain key personnel. In addition, changes to our management structure, corporate culture and corporate governance arrangements, including the changes associated with, and resulting from, our reorganization and becoming a public company, could negatively impact our ability to retain key personnel. If we are unable to retain key personnel, our results of operations may be negatively affected.

### **Risks Related to the Regulatory Environment in which We Operate**

*We are subject to extensive regulation that imposes numerous obligations on our business.*

We are subject to extensive regulation in the United States, primarily at the federal level, including regulation by the SEC under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, or the Advisers Act, by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or CFTC, under the Commodity Exchange Act, by the U.S. Department of Labor under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, or ERISA, and Nasdaq. The Advisers Act and the Commodity Exchange Act impose numerous obligations on us including advertising, recordkeeping and operating requirements, disclosure obligations and prohibitions on fraudulent activities. In addition, we regularly rely on exemptions from various requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or the Investment Company Act, and ERISA. These exemptions are sometimes highly complex and may in certain circumstances depend on compliance by third parties whom we do not control. If for any reason these exemptions were to be revoked or challenged or otherwise become unavailable to us, we could be subject to regulatory action or third-party claims, and our business could be materially and adversely affected.

In the future, we may further expand our business outside of the United States in such a way or to such an extent that we may be required to register with additional foreign regulatory agencies or otherwise comply with additional non-U.S. laws and regulations that do not currently apply to us and with respect to which we do not have compliance experience. Our lack of experience in complying with any such non-U.S. laws and regulations may increase our risk of becoming party to litigation and subject to regulatory actions.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, or the Dodd-Frank Act, was signed into law on July 21, 2010. While we do not at this time believe that the Dodd-Frank Act will cause us to reconsider our business model, it does appear that certain provisions will, and other provisions may, increase regulatory burdens and reporting and related compliance costs. In addition, the scope of many provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act will be determined by implementing regulations, some of which will require lengthy proposal and promulgation periods. Moreover, the Dodd-Frank Act mandates many regulatory studies, some of which pertain directly to the investment management industry, which could lead to additional legislation or regulation. The SEC and the CFTC, as a result of authority provided to these agencies in Section 404 of the Dodd-Frank Act, issued final rules that require investment advisers registered with the SEC that advise one or more private funds, as well as commodity pool operators and commodity trading advisors registered with the CFTC, to provide certain information on Form PF about their funds and assets under management, including the amount of borrowings, concentration of ownership and other performance information, which will be used by the Financial Stability Oversight Council for purposes of assessing the systemic risk posed by private funds and by the SEC and CFTC for other purposes. In light of this rulemaking, we will be required to file a Form PF. Likewise, as a result of the issuance by the CFTC of certain other rules pursuant to authority granted under Sections 404 and 406 of the Dodd-Frank Act, we will be required to file a Form CPO-PQR and Form CTA-PR providing all



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necessary information. The Dodd-Frank Act will affect a broad range of market participants with whom we interact or may interact, including banks, non-bank financial institutions, rating agencies, mortgage brokers, credit unions, insurance companies and broker-dealers. Regulatory changes that will affect other market participants are likely to change the way in which we conduct business with our counterparties. The uncertainty regarding implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act and its impact on the investment management industry and us cannot be predicted at this time but will continue to be a risk for our business.

Accordingly, we face the risk of significant intervention by regulatory authorities, including extended investigation and surveillance activity, adoption of costly or restrictive new regulations and judicial or administrative proceedings that may result in substantial penalties. Among other things, we could be fined or be prohibited from engaging in some of our business activities. The requirements imposed by our regulators, other than the Exchange Act and the Nasdaq rules, are generally designed to ensure the integrity of the financial markets and to protect clients and other third parties who deal with us, and are generally not designed to protect our stockholders. Consequently, these regulations often serve to limit our activities, including through net capital, customer protection and market conduct requirements. Moreover, recent extreme volatility events in the U.S. equities markets have led to heightened scrutiny of sophisticated trading technology and execution methods.

***The regulatory environment in which we operate is subject to continuous change, and regulatory developments designed to increase oversight may adversely affect our business.***

The legislative and regulatory environment in which we operate has undergone significant changes in the recent past, including additional filings with the SEC and the CFTC required by investment advisors, which have resulted in increased costs to the Company. We believe that significant regulatory changes in our industry are likely to continue, which is likely to subject industry participants to additional, more costly and generally more detailed regulation. New laws or regulations, or changes in the enforcement of existing laws or regulations, applicable to us and our clients may adversely affect our business. Our ability to function in this environment will depend on our ability to monitor and promptly react to legislative and regulatory changes. There have been a number of highly publicized regulatory inquiries that have focused on the investment management industry. These inquiries already have resulted in increased scrutiny of the industry and new rules and regulations for investment advisers. This regulatory scrutiny may limit our ability to engage in certain activities that might be beneficial to our stockholders.

In addition, as a result of the recent economic downturn, acts of serious fraud in the investment management industry and perceived lapses in regulatory oversight, U.S. and non-U.S. governmental and regulatory authorities may increase regulatory oversight of our businesses. We may be adversely affected as a result of new or revised legislation or regulations imposed by the SEC, the CFTC, other U.S. or non-U.S. governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations that supervise the financial markets. We also may be adversely affected by changes in the interpretation or enforcement of existing laws and rules by these governmental authorities and self-regulatory organizations, as well as by U.S. and non-U.S. courts. It is impossible to determine the extent of the impact of any new laws, regulations or initiatives that may be proposed on us or the markets in which we trade, or whether any of the proposals will become law. Compliance with any new laws or regulations could add to our compliance burden and costs and affect the manner in which we conduct business.

***We could be subject to regulatory investigations, which could harm our reputation and cause our funds to lose existing investors or us to lose existing accounts or fail to attract new investors or accounts.***

The failure by us to comply with applicable laws or regulations could result in fines, suspensions of individual employees or other sanctions. Even if an investigation or proceeding did not result in a fine or sanction or the fine or sanction imposed against us or our employees by a regulator were small in monetary amount, the adverse publicity relating to an investigation, proceeding or imposition of these fines or sanctions could harm our reputation and cause our funds to lose existing investors or us to lose existing accounts or fail to attract new investors or accounts.

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***Failure to comply with pay to play regulations implemented by the SEC and certain states, and changes to the pay to play regulatory regimes, could adversely affect our business.***

The SEC and several states have initiated investigations alleging that certain private equity firms and hedge funds or agents acting on their behalf have paid money to current or former government officials or their associates in exchange for improperly soliciting contracts with state pension funds. The SEC has also recently initiated a similar investigation into contracts awarded by sovereign wealth funds. The SEC approved Rule 206(4)-5 under the Advisers Act regarding pay to play practices by investment advisers involving campaign contributions and other payments to government officials able to exert influence on potential government entity clients. Among other restrictions, the rule prohibits investment advisers from providing advisory services for compensation to a government entity for two years, subject to very limited exceptions, after the investment adviser, its senior executives or its personnel involved in soliciting investments from government entities have made contributions to certain candidates and officials in a position to influence the hiring of an investment adviser by such government entity. Advisers are required to implement compliance policies designed, among other matters, to track contributions by certain of the adviser's employees and engagements of third parties that solicit government entities (and political action committees controlled by such persons) and to keep certain records in order to enable the SEC to determine compliance with the rule. Additionally, California enacted legislation that requires placement agents (including in certain cases employees of investment managers) who solicit funds from California state retirement systems, such as the California Public Employees Retirement System and the California State Teachers Retirement System, to register as lobbyists, thereby becoming subject to increased reporting requirements and prohibited from receiving contingent compensation for soliciting investments from California state retirement systems. There also has been similar rulemaking in New York and other states. Such additional regulations may require the attention of senior management and may result in fines if any of our funds are deemed to have violated any regulations, thereby imposing additional expenses on us. Any failure on our part to comply with these rules could cause us to lose compensation for our advisory services or expose us to significant penalties and reputational damage.

## **Risks Related to Our Growth**

***Our efforts to establish new investment teams and strategies may be unsuccessful and could negatively impact our results of operations and our reputation.***

As part of our growth strategy, we may seek to take advantage of opportunities to add new investment teams that invest in a way that is consistent with our philosophy of offering high value-added investment strategies. To the extent we are unable to recruit and retain investment teams that will complement our existing business model, we may not be successful in further diversifying our investment strategies and client assets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and future prospects. In addition, the costs associated with establishing a new team and investment strategy initially will exceed the revenues they generate. If any such new strategies perform poorly and fail to attract sufficient assets to manage, our results of operations will be negatively impacted. A new strategy's poor performance also may negatively impact our reputation and the reputation of our other investment strategies within the investment community.

***We may enter into new lines of business, make strategic investments or acquisitions or enter into joint ventures, each of which may result in additional risks and uncertainties for our business.***

The second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. permits us to enter into new lines of business, make future strategic investments or acquisitions and enter into joint ventures. As we have in the past, and subject to market conditions, we may grow our business through increasing assets under management in existing investment strategies, pursue new investment strategies, which may be similar or complementary to our existing strategies or be wholly new initiatives, consummating acquisitions of other investment advisers or entering into joint ventures.

To the extent we make strategic investments or acquisitions, enter into strategic relationships or joint ventures or enter into new lines of business, we will face numerous risks and uncertainties, including risks

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associated with the required investment of capital and other resources and with combining or integrating operational and management systems and controls and managing potential conflicts. Entry into certain lines of business may subject us to new laws and regulations with which we are not familiar, or from which we are currently exempt, and may lead to increased litigation and regulatory risk. If a new business generates insufficient revenues, or produces investment losses, or if we are unable to efficiently manage our expanded operations, our results of operations will be adversely affected, and our reputation and business may be harmed. In the case of joint ventures, we are subject to additional risks and uncertainties in that we may be dependent upon, and subject to liability, losses or reputational damage relating to, systems, controls and personnel that are not under our control.

*We may be unable to successfully execute strategic investments or acquisitions or enter into joint ventures, and we may fail to successfully integrate and operate new investment teams, which could limit our ability to grow assets under management and adversely affect our results of operations.*

We have not at this time entered into any binding agreements with respect to any strategic investments or acquisitions or any strategic relationships or joint ventures and we cannot assure you that we will actually make any additional acquisitions. Our ability to execute our acquisition strategy will depend on our ability to identify new lines of businesses or new investment teams that meet our investment criteria and to successfully negotiate with the owners/managers who may not wish to give up control of the target fund general partner or managing member, as the case may be. We cannot be certain that we will be successful in finding new investment teams or investing in new lines of business or that they will have favorable operating results following our acquisitions.

Moreover, our future acquisition strategies may focus on privately-held asset managers that pursue single strategy specialized investments. This approach presents challenges, including the lack of publicly available information, and greater risks than are generally associated with transactions with more traditional asset managers. The asset managers that we may acquire and their financial information may not be subject to the reporting requirements and other rules that govern public companies, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or Sarbanes-Oxley. Moreover, such asset managers may not be subject to regulation under the Advisers Act and/or the Commodity Exchange Act at the time we acquire them. As a result, such asset managers could be more susceptible to irregular accounting or fraudulent practices. The targets we seek to acquire in the future may have shorter operating histories than us on which to estimate future performance and may not have significant or any operating revenues. They also may have a lower capitalization and fewer resources (including cash) and be more vulnerable to failure than traditional asset managers. We will be required to rely on the ability of the professionals employed by us to obtain adequate information to evaluate the manager affiliates we seek to acquire.

In addition, our ability to acquire asset managers on favorable terms and successfully integrate and operate them is subject to the following significant risks:

we may acquire asset managers that are not accretive to our financial results upon acquisition, and we may not successfully manage acquired funds to meet our expectations;

we may be unable to generate sufficient management fees from operations or obtain the necessary debt or equity financing to consummate an acquisition on favorable terms or at all;

agreements for the acquisition of such asset managers will typically be subject to customary conditions to closing, including satisfactory completion of due diligence investigations and negotiation of ancillary documentation, and we may spend significant time and money on potential acquisitions that we do not consummate;

the process of acquiring or pursuing the acquisition of such asset managers may divert the attention of our management team from the operations of our business and our initial funds;

we will need to attract, hire, train, supervise and manage new employees as a result of the acquisitions of asset managers;



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we may acquire such asset managers without any recourse, or with only limited recourse, for liabilities, whether known or unknown, such as claims against the former owners of the asset managers and claims for indemnification by the asset managers, limited partners and others indemnified by the former owners of the managers of the funds; and

we may be unable to quickly and efficiently integrate new acquisitions into our existing operations.

If we cannot complete acquisitions of such asset managers on favorable terms, or integrate or operate new investment teams to meet our goals or expectations, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, trading price of our common stock and ability to satisfy any debt service obligations and to pay distributions could be adversely affected. Additionally, any acquisitions that we make generally will not be subject to our stockholders' consent. These factors increase the risk of investing in our Class A common stock.

***The due diligence process that we undertake in connection with strategic investments or acquisitions or entry into joint ventures may not reveal all facts that may be relevant in connection with an investment, which could subject us to unknown liabilities.***

In connection with strategic investments, acquisitions or entry into joint ventures, we conduct due diligence that we deem reasonable and appropriate based on the facts and circumstances applicable to such investments, acquisitions or joint ventures and expect to use our resources and oversight to enhance the risk management functions and diligence of our business and any investments going forward. When conducting due diligence, we have been required and will be required to evaluate important and complex business, financial, tax, accounting and legal issues. Outside consultants, legal advisers, accountants and investment banks may be involved in the due diligence process in the future in varying degrees depending on the type of investment. When conducting due diligence and making an assessment regarding a strategic investment, acquisition or joint venture, we have and will continue to rely on the resources available to us, including information provided by the target of the strategic investment, acquisition or joint venture, in some circumstances, third-party investigations. The due diligence investigations that we have carried out or will carry out with respect to any strategic investment, acquisition or joint venture may not reveal or highlight all relevant facts that may be necessary or helpful in evaluating the strategic investment, acquisition or joint venture, which could subject us to unknown liabilities that could adversely affect our profitability, financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, such investigations will not necessarily result in the strategic investment, acquisition or joint venture being successful.

### **Risk Related Generally to our Business**

***Our failure to comply with investment guidelines set by our clients and limitations imposed by applicable law could result in damage awards against us and a loss of our assets under management, either of which could adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.***

Certain clients who retain us to manage assets on their behalf specify guidelines regarding investment allocation and strategy that we are required to follow in managing their portfolios. In addition, the boards of mutual funds we sub-advise generally establish similar guidelines regarding the investment of assets in those funds. We are also required to invest the mutual funds' assets in accordance with limitations under the Investment Company Act, and applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Internal Revenue Code. Our failure to comply with any of these guidelines and other limitations could result in losses to clients which, depending on the circumstances, could result in our obligation to make clients whole for such losses. If we believed that the circumstances did not justify a reimbursement, or clients believed the reimbursement we offered was insufficient, they could seek to recover damages from us, withdraw assets from our management or terminate their investment advisory agreement with us. Any of these events could harm our reputation and adversely affect our business.

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***Operational risks, including the threat of cyber attacks, may disrupt our business, breach our clients' security, result in losses or limit our growth.***

We are heavily dependent on the capacity and reliability of the communications, information and technology systems supporting our operations, whether developed, owned and operated by us or by third parties. Operational risks, such as trading or operational errors or interruption of our financial, accounting, trading, compliance and other data processing systems, whether caused by the failure to prevent or mitigate data loss or other security breaches, or other cyber security threats or attacks, including breaches of our vendors' technology and systems, fire or other natural disaster, power or telecommunications failure, act of terrorism or war or otherwise, could result in a disruption of our business, liability to clients, regulatory intervention or reputational damage, and thus have a material adverse effect on our business. Some types of operational risks, including, for example, trading errors, may be increased in periods of increased volatility, which can magnify the cost of an error. Cyber security risks relating to our business primarily involve the potential security breaches of our clients' personal and financial information and illegal use thereof through system-wide hacking or other means. While we have never had any cyber security threat or attack on our technology systems, this may occur in the future.

Although we have back-up systems and cyber security and consumer protection measures in place, our back-up procedures, cyber defenses and capabilities in the event of a failure, interruption, or breach of security may not be adequate. Insurance and other safeguards we use may not be available or may only partially reimburse us for our losses related to operational failures or cyber attacks. In addition, we may choose to reimburse a client in the event of a trading error or under other circumstances, even if we are not legally required to do so, and any such reimbursements could adversely affect our results of operations.

After we become a public company and as our client base, number of investment strategies and/or physical locations increase, developing and maintaining our operational systems and infrastructure and protecting our systems from cyber security attacks and threats may become increasingly challenging and costly, which could constrain our ability to expand our businesses. Any upgrades or expansions to our operations and/or technology to accommodate increased volumes of transactions or otherwise may require significant expenditures and may increase the probability that we will suffer system interruptions and failures. We also depend substantially on our New York office where a majority of our employees, administration and technology resources are located, for the continued operation of our business. Any significant disruption to that office could have a material adverse effect on us.

***Employee misconduct could expose us to significant legal liability and reputational harm.***

We are vulnerable to reputational harm because we operate in an industry in which personal relationships, integrity and the confidence of our clients are of critical importance. Our employees could engage in misconduct that adversely affects our business. For example, if an employee were to engage in illegal or suspicious activities, we could be subject to regulatory sanctions and suffer serious harm to our reputation (as a consequence of the negative perception resulting from such activities), financial position, client relationships and ability to attract new clients.

Our business often requires that we deal with confidential information. If our employees were to improperly use or disclose this information, even if inadvertently, we could be subject to legal action and suffer serious harm to our reputation, financial position and current and future business relationships. It is not always possible to deter employee misconduct, and the precautions we take to detect and prevent this activity may not always be effective. In addition, the SEC has increased its scrutiny of the use of non-public information obtained from corporate insiders by professional investors. Misconduct by our employees, or even unsubstantiated allegations of misconduct, could result in an adverse effect on our reputation and our business.

***Improper disclosure of personal data could result in liability and harm our reputation.***

We and our service providers store and process personal client information. It is possible that the security controls, training and other processes with respect to personal data may not prevent the improper disclosure of

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client information. Such disclosure could harm our reputation as well and subject us to liability, resulting in increased costs or loss of revenue.

### ***Failure to properly address conflicts of interest could harm our reputation, business and results of operations.***

As we expand the scope of our business and our client base, we must continue to monitor and address any conflicts between our interests and those of our clients. The SEC and other regulators have increased their scrutiny of potential conflicts of interest, and we have implemented procedures and controls that we believe are reasonably designed to address these issues. However, appropriately dealing with conflicts of interest is complex, and if we fail, or appear to fail, to deal appropriately with conflicts of interest, we could face reputational damage, litigation or regulatory proceedings or penalties, any of which may adversely affect our results of operations.

### ***We provide a broad range of services to Silvercrest Funds and family office services, which may expose us to liability.***

We provide a broad range of administrative services to the management of certain of our company's funds of funds and other investment funds, or collectively, the Silvercrest Funds, including preparation or supervision of the preparation of some of the Silvercrest Funds' regulatory filings, provision of shareholder services and communications, accounting services including the supervision of the activities of Silvercrest Funds' accounting services providers in the calculation of the funds' net asset values, supervision of the preparation of Silvercrest Funds' financial statements and coordination of the audits of those financial statements, tax services, including supervision of tax return preparation and supervision of the work of Silvercrest Funds' other service providers. If it were determined that the Silvercrest Funds failed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements as a result of action or failure to act by our employees, we could be responsible for losses suffered or penalties imposed.

We also provide a range of family office services, in addition to investment management services, to some of our clients, including philanthropic, estate and wealth planning services, tax planning and preparation, financial statement, bill paying and record keeping services, bank loan arrangement and payment services and property and casualty insurance review. If we fail to perform these services properly, we could incur costs and reputational harm for which we might be liable. Further, we could have penalties imposed on us, be required to pay fines or be subject to private litigation, any of which could decrease our future income, or negatively affect our current business or our future growth prospects.

### ***The investment management industry faces substantial litigation risks which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations or cause significant reputational harm to us.***

We depend to a large extent on our network of relationships and on our reputation in order to attract and retain client assets. We make investment decisions on behalf of our clients that could result in substantial losses to them. If our clients suffer significant losses, or are otherwise dissatisfied with our services, we could be subject to the risk of legal liabilities or actions alleging negligent misconduct, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, unjust enrichment and/or fraud. These risks are often difficult to assess or quantify and their existence and magnitude often remain unknown for substantial periods of time, even after an action has been commenced. We may incur significant legal expenses in defending against litigation commenced by a client or regulatory authority. Substantial legal liability or significant regulatory action against us could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations or cause significant reputational harm to us.

### ***The investment management industry is intensely competitive.***

The investment management industry is intensely competitive, with competition based on a variety of factors, including investment performance, investment management fee rates, continuity of investment

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professionals and client relationships, the quality of services provided to clients, reputation, continuity of selling arrangements with intermediaries and differentiated products. A number of factors, including the following, serve to increase our competitive risks:

a number of our competitors have greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources, more comprehensive name recognition and more personnel than we do;

potential competitors have a relatively low cost of entering the investment management industry;

the recent trend toward consolidation in the investment management industry and the securities business in general, has served to increase the size and strength of a number of our competitors;

some investors may prefer to invest with an investment manager that is not publicly traded based on the perception that a publicly traded asset manager may focus on the manager's own growth to the detriment of investment performance for clients;

some competitors may invest according to different investment styles or in alternative asset classes that the markets may perceive as more attractive than the investment strategies we offer;

other industry participants, hedge funds and alternative asset managers may seek to recruit our investment professionals; and

some competitors charge lower fees for their investment services than we do.

If we are unable to compete effectively, our results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

***Reductions in business sourced through third-party distribution channels, or their poor reviews of us or our products, could materially reduce our revenue and ability to attract new clients.***

New accounts sourced through consultant-led searches may be a major component of our future growth. We also have accessed the high-net-worth segment of the investing community through relationships with well-respected wealth advisers who use our investment strategies in investment programs they construct for their clients. As of March 31, 2013 we had approximately \$1.0 billion in assets under management as a result of third party distribution channels, which constituted approximately 7.0% of our total assets under management. If we fail to successfully maintain these third-party distribution channels, our business could be materially adversely affected. In addition, many of these parties review and evaluate our products and our organization. Poor reviews or evaluations of either the particular product or of us may result in client withdrawals or may impact our ability to attract new assets through such intermediaries.

***The significant growth we have experienced may be difficult to sustain.***

Our assets under management have increased from \$7.8 billion as of December 31, 2006 to \$13.6 billion as of March 31, 2013. The absolute measure of our assets under management represents a significant rate of growth that may be difficult to sustain. The growth of our business will depend on, among other things, our ability to retain key investment professionals, to devote sufficient resources to maintaining existing investment strategies and to selectively develop new investment strategies. Our business growth also will depend on our success in achieving superior investment performance from our investment strategies, as well as our ability to maintain and extend our distribution capabilities, to deal with changing market conditions, to maintain adequate financial and business controls and to comply with new legal and regulatory requirements arising in response to both the increased sophistication of the investment management industry and the significant market and economic events of the last few years. If we believe that in order to continue to produce attractive returns from some or all of our investment strategies we should limit the growth of those strategies, we have in the past chosen, and in the future may choose, to limit or close access to those strategies to some or most categories of new investors or otherwise take action to slow the flow of assets into those strategies.





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In addition, we expect there to be significant demand on our infrastructure and investment teams and we may not be able to manage our growing business effectively or be able to sustain the level of growth we have achieved historically, and any failure to do so could adversely affect our ability to generate revenue and control our expenses.

### ***A change of control could result in termination of our sub-investment advisory and investment advisory agreements.***

Pursuant to the Advisers Act, each of our investment advisory agreements for the separate accounts we manage may not be assigned without the consent of the client. In addition, under the Investment Company Act, each of the investment advisory agreements with SEC registered mutual funds that we sub-advise automatically terminates in the event of its assignment. A sale of a controlling block of our voting securities and certain other transactions would be deemed an assignment pursuant to the Advisers Act and the Investment Company Act. Such an assignment may be deemed to occur in the event that the holders of the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. exchange enough of their Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock and dispose of such shares of Class A common stock such that they no longer own a controlling interest in us, even if no other person or group acquires a controlling interest. If such a deemed assignment occurs, there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain the necessary consents from our clients and, unless the necessary approvals and consents are obtained, the deemed assignment could adversely affect our ability to continue managing client accounts, resulting in the loss of assets under management and a corresponding loss of revenue.

### ***If our techniques for managing risk are ineffective, we may be exposed to material unanticipated losses.***

In order to manage the significant risks inherent in our business, we must maintain effective policies, procedures and systems that enable us to identify, monitor and control our exposure to operational, legal and reputational risks. Our risk management methods may prove to be ineffective due to their design, implementation or insufficient scope, or as a result of the lack of adequate, accurate or timely information or otherwise. If our risk management efforts are ineffective, we could suffer losses that could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or operating results. Additionally, we could be subject to litigation, particularly from our clients, and sanctions or fines from regulators or self-regulatory organizations. Our techniques for managing risks in client portfolios may not fully mitigate the risk exposure in all economic or market environments, or against all types of risk, including risks that we might fail to identify or anticipate.

### ***Our reliance on prime brokers, custodians, administrators and other agents subjects us to certain risks relating to their execution of transactions and their solvency, and the failure by or insolvency of, any such person could adversely affect our business and financial performance.***

Our business generally depends on the services of prime brokers, custodians, administrators and other agents to carry out securities transactions. For example, in the event of the insolvency of a prime broker and/or custodian, our funds might not be able to recover equivalent assets in full as they will rank among the prime broker's and custodian's unsecured creditors in relation to assets which the prime broker or a custodian borrows, lends or otherwise uses. In addition, our funds' cash held with a prime broker or a custodian will not be segregated from the prime broker's or custodian's own cash, and our funds will therefore rank as unsecured creditors in relation thereto.

### ***The historical consolidated and unaudited pro forma financial information included in this prospectus is not necessarily indicative of our future financial results after the reorganization and as a public company.***

The historical consolidated financial information included in this prospectus may not be indicative of our future financial results after the reorganization and as a public company. Our assets under management have increased 70% in the six-year period ended March 31, 2013. We do not expect our assets under management or revenue to grow at the same rate as they have grown in the past five years. In addition, the historical consolidated

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financial information included in this prospectus does not reflect the added costs that we expect to incur as a public company or the changes that will occur in our capital structure and operations in connection with our reorganization. For example, because we operated through a limited liability company prior to this offering and paid little or no taxes on our profits, our historical consolidated financial information does not reflect the tax impact of our adoption of a corporate holding company structure.

In preparing our unaudited pro forma financial information for the periods prior to this offering, we adjusted our historical financial information for the transactions described in The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure. The estimates we used in this unaudited pro forma financial information are not intended to approximate our actual experience as a public company or be indicative in any way of our future performance. The results of future periods may be materially different than those of the past as a result of:

the impact of the reorganization, in relation to our size, during the pro forma periods;

future performance of our investment strategies, which differs from the historical performance reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information;

the pace of growth of our business in the future, including the formation of new investment strategies, which differs from the historical growth reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information; and

the additional costs of being a public company including compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley.

***If we incur indebtedness or issue senior equity securities, we will be exposed to additional risks, including the typical risks associated with leverage.***

The amount of leverage that we employ will depend on our board of directors' assessment of market and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing. We may also use leverage to make certain investments. There is no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful. Leverage involves risks and special considerations that include the following:

there is a likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value of our business and market price of our common stock than a comparable business without leverage;

we will be exposed to increased risk of loss if we incur debt or issue senior equity securities to finance acquisitions or investments because a decrease in the value of our investments would have a greater negative impact on our returns, and therefore the value of our Class A common stock than if we did not use leverage;

it is likely that such debt or equity securities will be governed by instruments containing covenants restricting our operating flexibility. These covenants may impose asset coverage or investment composition requirements that are more stringent than those of our business plan and could require our business to liquidate investments at an inopportune time;

if we are required to pledge a substantial portion of our assets in order to obtain debt financing, it may limit our ability to enter into subsequent financings at attractive terms;

we, and indirectly our investors, will bear the cost of leverage, including issuance and servicing costs; and

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any preferred, convertible or exchangeable securities that we issue may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common stock.

Any requirement that we sell assets at a loss to redeem or pay interest on any leverage or for other reasons would reduce our net asset value and also make it difficult for our net asset value to recover. Our board of directors, in its best judgment, nevertheless may determine to use leverage if it expects that the benefits to our common stockholders of maintaining the leveraged position will outweigh the risks. General interest rate fluctuations may have a substantial negative impact on our investments and investment opportunities. In addition, an increase in interest rates would make it more expensive for us to use debt to finance these investments.

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*Future financings could adversely affect us and our common stockholders by diluting existing stockholders or by placing restrictions on our ability to run our business, including making distributions to unitholders.*

Although we believe that the proceeds from this offering and future cash flow from operations will be sufficient to meet our working capital needs for normal operations pursuant to our business plan, these sources of capital may not fully fund our growth strategy in the immediate future. If we decide to pursue future acquisitions, we may use proceeds remaining from this offering and then raise additional capital through the incurrence of long-term or short-term indebtedness or the issuance of additional equity securities in private or public transactions. This could result in dilution of existing common stockholders' equity positions, increased interest expense and decreased net income. In addition, significant capital requirements associated with such investments may impair our ability to make distributions to our Class A common stockholders.

## **Risks Related to Our Structure**

*Control by our principals of % of the combined voting power of our capital stock and the rights of holders of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. may give rise to conflicts of interest.*

Immediately after the completion of this offering, our employee stockholders will collectively hold approximately % of the combined voting power of our capital stock (or approximately %, if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of our Class A common stock). Concurrently with the completion of this offering, each of our principals (including directors who are principals) who hold shares of our common stock will enter into a stockholders' agreement with respect to all shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock then held by them and any shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock they may acquire in the future. Pursuant to the stockholders' agreement, the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our employees will be voted in accordance with the determination of the Executive Committee until the termination of employment of such employee. The votes of the members of the Executive Committee will be weighted based upon their relative holdings of Silvercrest L.P. Class B units. As a result of his equity ownership and position on the Executive Committee, Mr. Cochran, our Chief Executive Officer, will initially control the vote of the Executive Committee and, as a result, all of the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our principals.

In connection with this offering, we plan to adopt the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, pursuant to which we intend to grant equity awards of or with respect to shares of our Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. To the extent that we cause Silvercrest L.P. to issue additional Class B units to our principals, these employees would be entitled to receive a corresponding number of shares of our Class B common stock (including if the Class B units awarded are subject to vesting). All of the shares of our common stock issued to principals under this plan will be subject to the stockholders' agreement.

For so long as our principals who remain employed by us collectively hold at least 50% of the number of outstanding shares of our common stock, the parties to the stockholders' agreement will be able to elect all of the members of our board of directors and thereby control our management and affairs, including determinations with respect to acquisitions, dispositions, borrowings, issuances of securities and the declaration and payment of dividends. In addition, the parties to the stockholders' agreement will be able to determine the outcome of all matters requiring the approval of stockholders to cause or prevent a change of control of our company or a change in the composition of our board of directors and could preclude any unsolicited acquisition of our company. The parties to the stockholders' agreement will have the ability to prevent the consummation of mergers, takeovers or other transactions that may be in the best interests of our Class A stockholders. In particular, this concentration of voting power could deprive Class A stockholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their shares of Class A common stock as part of a sale of our company, and could ultimately affect the market price of our Class A common stock.

In addition, because our principals will hold all or a portion of their ownership interests in our business through Silvercrest L.P., rather than through Silvercrest, these existing owners may have other conflicting

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interests with holders of our Class A common stock. For example, our existing owners may have different tax positions from holders of our Class A common stock which could influence their decisions regarding whether and when we should dispose of assets, whether and when we should incur new or refinance existing indebtedness, especially in light of the existence of the tax receivable agreement that we will enter into in connection with this offering, and whether and when our company should terminate the tax receivable agreement and accelerate its obligations thereunder. Also, the structuring of future transactions may take into consideration these existing owners' tax or other considerations even where no similar benefit would accrue to us. See "The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure - Tax Receivable Agreement" for more information.

***Our ability to pay regular dividends to our stockholders is subject to the discretion of our board of directors and may be limited by our structure and applicable provisions of Delaware law.***

Following completion of this offering, we intend to declare cash dividends on our Class A common stock as described in "Dividend Policy." However, our board of directors may, in its sole discretion, change the amount or frequency of dividends or discontinue the payment of dividends entirely. In addition, because of our structure, we will be dependent upon the ability of our subsidiaries to generate earnings and cash flows and distribute them to us so that we may pay dividends to our stockholders. We expect to cause Silvercrest L.P., which is a Delaware limited partnership, to make distributions to its partners, including us, in an amount sufficient for us to pay dividends. However, its ability to make such distributions will be subject to its subsidiaries' operating results, cash requirements and financial condition, the applicable provisions of Delaware law that may limit the amount of funds available for distribution to its partners, its compliance with covenants and financial ratios related to future indebtedness, its other agreements with third parties, as well as its obligation to make tax distributions under the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement (which distributions would reduce the cash available for distributions by Silvercrest L.P. to us). As a Delaware corporation, our ability to pay cash dividends to our Class A common stockholders with the distributions received by us as general partner of Silvercrest L.P. also will be subject to the applicable provisions of Delaware law. Also, each of the companies in the corporate chain must manage its assets, liabilities and working capital in order to meet all of its cash obligations, including the payment of dividends or distributions. As a consequence of these various limitations and restrictions, we may not be able to make, or may have to reduce or eliminate, the payment of dividends on our Class A common stock. Any change in the level of our dividends or the suspension of the payment thereof could adversely affect the market price of our Class A common stock.

***Our ability to pay taxes and expenses, including payments under the tax receivable agreement, may be limited by our structure.***

Upon the consummation of this offering, we will have no material assets other than our ownership of Class A units of Silvercrest L.P. and will have no independent means of generating revenue. Silvercrest L.P. will be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes and, as such, will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax. Instead, taxable income will be allocated to holders of its partnership units, including us. Accordingly, we will incur income taxes on our proportionate share of any net taxable income of Silvercrest L.P. and also will incur expenses related to our operations. Under the terms of its second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, Silvercrest L.P. will be obligated to make tax distributions to holders of its partnership units, including us. In addition to tax expenses, we also will incur expenses related to our operations, including expenses under the tax receivable agreement, which we expect will be significant. We intend to cause Silvercrest L.P. to make distributions in an amount sufficient to allow us to pay our taxes and operating expenses, including any payments due under the tax receivable agreement. However, its ability to make such distributions will be subject to various limitations and restrictions as set forth in the preceding risk factor. If, as a consequence of these various limitations and restrictions, we do not have sufficient funds to pay tax or other liabilities to fund our operations, we may need to borrow funds and thus this could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and financial condition. To the extent we are unable to make payments under the tax receivable agreement for any reason, such payments will be deferred and will accrue interest at LIBOR plus 300 basis points until paid.

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*We will be required to pay principals for certain tax benefits we may claim, and the amounts we may pay could be significant.*

The reorganization described under *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure* will result in favorable tax attributes for us. In addition, future exchanges of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals for shares of our Class A common stock are expected to produce additional favorable tax attributes for us. When we acquire Class B units from existing partners, both the existing basis and the anticipated basis adjustments are likely to increase (for tax purposes) depreciation and amortization deductions allocable to us from Silvercrest L.P. and therefore reduce the amount of income tax we would otherwise be required to pay in the future. This increase in tax basis also may decrease gain (or increase loss) on future dispositions of certain capital assets to the extent the increased tax basis is allocated to those capital assets.

The tax receivable agreement, which we will enter into with our principals, will generally provide for the payment by us to each of them of 85% of the amount of the cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal and state income tax that we actually realize (or are deemed to realize in certain circumstances) in periods after this offering as a result of (i) any step-up in tax basis in Silvercrest L.P.'s assets resulting from (a) the purchases or exchanges of Class B units (along with the corresponding shares of our Class B common stock) for shares of our Class A common stock and (b) payments under this tax receivable agreement; (ii) certain prior distributions by Silvercrest L.P. and prior transfers or exchanges of Class B units which resulted in tax basis adjustments to the assets of Silvercrest L.P.; and (iii) tax benefits related to imputed interest deemed to be paid by us as a result of this tax receivable agreement.

We expect that the payments we will be required to make under the tax receivable agreement will be substantial. Assuming no material changes in the relevant tax law and that we earn sufficient taxable income to realize all tax benefits that are subject to the tax receivable agreement, we expect that the reduction in tax payments for us associated with (i) the purchase of Class B units from certain of the limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. with a portion of the net proceeds of this offering and (ii) future exchanges of Class B units as described above would aggregate approximately \$ million over 15 years from the date of this offering based on an assumed price of \$ per share of our Class A common stock (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus) and assuming all future exchanges or purchases, other than the purchases in connection with this offering, would occur one year after this offering. Under such scenario we would be required to pay the holders of limited partnership units 85% of such amount, or approximately \$ million, over the 15-year period from the date of this offering. The actual amounts may materially differ from these hypothetical amounts, as potential future reductions in tax payments for us and tax receivable agreement payments by us will be calculated using the market value of our Class A common stock and the prevailing tax rates at the time of the exchange and will be dependent on us generating sufficient future taxable income to realize the benefit. See *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Tax Receivable Agreement*.

The actual increase in tax basis, as well as the amount and timing of any payments under this agreement, will vary depending upon a number of factors, including the timing of exchanges by principals, the price of our Class A common stock at the time of the exchange, the extent to which such exchanges are taxable, the amount and timing of the taxable income we generate in the future and the tax rate then applicable, as well as the portion of our payments under the tax receivable agreement constituting imputed interest or depreciable or amortizable basis.

Payments under the tax receivable agreement will be based on the tax reporting positions that we determine. Although we are not aware of any issue that would cause the Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS, to challenge a tax basis increase or other tax attributes subject to the tax receivable agreement, we will not be reimbursed for any payments previously made under the tax receivable agreement. As a result, in certain circumstances, payments could be made under the tax receivable agreement in excess of the benefits that we actually realize in respect of the attributes to which the tax receivable agreement relates.

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*In certain cases, payments under the tax receivable agreement to our principals may be accelerated and/or significantly exceed the actual benefits we realize in respect of the tax attributes subject to the tax receivable agreement.*

The tax receivable agreement provides that upon certain mergers, asset sales, other forms of business combinations or other changes of control, or if, at any time, we elect an early termination of the tax receivable agreement, our (or our successor's) obligations under the tax receivable agreement (with respect to all Class B units held by our principals, whether or not Class B units have been exchanged or acquired before or after such transaction) would be based on certain assumptions, including that we would have sufficient taxable income to fully avail ourselves of the deductions arising from the increased tax deductions and tax basis and other benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement. As a result, (i) we could be required to make payments under the tax receivable agreement that are greater than or less than the specified percentage of the actual benefits we realize in respect of the tax attributes subject to the tax receivable agreement, and (ii) if we elect to terminate the tax receivable agreement early, we would be required to make an immediate payment equal to the present value of the anticipated future tax benefits, which payment may be made significantly in advance of the actual realization of such future benefits. In these situations, our obligations under the tax receivable agreement could have a substantial negative impact on our liquidity and could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing certain mergers, asset sales, other forms of business combinations or other changes of control. There can be no assurance that we will be able to finance our obligations under the tax receivable agreement. If we were to elect to terminate the tax receivable agreement immediately after this offering, based on an assumed price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share of our Class A common stock (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus), we estimate that we would be required to pay approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million in the aggregate under the tax receivable agreement.

*If we were deemed an investment company under the Investment Company Act as a result of our ownership of Silvercrest L.P., applicable restrictions could make it impractical for us to continue our business as contemplated and could have a material adverse effect on our business.*

We do not believe that we are an investment company under the Investment Company Act. Because we, as the sole general partner of Silvercrest L.P., control and operate Silvercrest L.P., we believe that our interest in Silvercrest L.P. is not an investment security as that term is used in the Investment Company Act. If we were to cease participation in the management of Silvercrest L.P., our interest in Silvercrest L.P. could be deemed an investment security for purposes of the Investment Company Act. A person may be an investment company if it owns investment securities having a value exceeding 40% of the value of its total assets (exclusive of U.S. government securities and cash items). Upon consummation of this offering, our sole asset will be our general partner interest in Silvercrest L.P. A determination that such investment was an investment security could cause us to be deemed an investment company under the Investment Company Act and to become subject to the registration and other requirements of the Investment Company Act. In addition, we do not believe that we are an investment company under Section 3(b)(1) of the Investment Company Act because we are not primarily engaged in a business that causes us to fall within the definition of investment company. We and Silvercrest L.P. intend to conduct our operations so that we will not be deemed an investment company. However, if we were to be deemed an investment company, restrictions imposed by the Investment Company Act, including limitations on our capital structure and our ability to transact with affiliates, could make it impractical for us to continue our business as contemplated and could have a material adverse effect on our business.

**Risks Related to this Offering**

*There is no existing market for our Class A common stock, and we do not know if one will develop, which may cause our Class A common stock to trade at a discount from its initial offering price and make it difficult to sell the shares you purchase.*

Prior to this offering, there has not been a public market for our Class A common stock and we cannot predict the extent to which investor interest in us will lead to the development of an active trading market on



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Nasdaq, or otherwise, or how liquid that market might become. If an active trading market does not develop, you may have difficulty selling your shares of Class A common stock at an attractive price, or at all. The initial public offering price for our Class A common stock will be determined by negotiations between us and the representatives of the underwriters and may not be indicative of prices that will prevail in the open market following this offering. Consequently, you may not be able to sell shares of our Class A common stock at prices equal to or greater than the price you paid in this offering and you may suffer a loss on your investment.

***The market price and trading volume of our Class A common stock may be volatile, which could result in rapid and substantial losses for our stockholders.***

Even if an active trading market develops, the market price of our Class A common stock may be highly volatile and could be subject to wide fluctuations. Moreover, the trading volume of our Class A common stock may fluctuate and cause significant price variations to occur. If the market price of our Class A common stock declines significantly, you may be unable to sell your shares of Class A common stock at or above the price at which you purchased it, if at all. The market price of our Class A common stock may fluctuate or decline significantly in the future. Some of the factors that could negatively affect the price of our Class A common stock, or result in fluctuations in the price or trading volume of our Class A common stock, include:

variations in our quarterly or annual operating results;

failure to meet the market's earnings expectations;

publication of research reports about us or the investment management industry, or the failure of securities analysts to cover our Class A common stock after this offering;

the public's reactions to our press releases, other public announcements and filings with the SEC;

departures of any of our portfolio managers or members of our senior management team or additions or departures of other key personnel;

adverse market reaction to any indebtedness we may incur or securities we may issue in the future;

market and industry perception of our success, or lack thereof, in pursuing our growth strategies;

actions by stockholders;

strategic actions by us or our competitors such as acquisitions or restructurings;

changes in market valuations of similar companies;

changes in our capital structure;

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actual or anticipated poor performance in one or more of the investment strategies we offer;

changes or proposed changes in laws or regulations, or differing interpretations thereof, affecting our business, or enforcement of these laws and regulations, or announcements relating to these matters;

changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretations or principles;

adverse publicity about the investment management industry generally or as a result of specific events;

sales of shares of our Class A common stock by us or members of our management team;

litigation and governmental investigations;

the expiration of contractual lockup agreements; and

changes in general market, economic and political conditions in the United States and global economies or financial markets, including those resulting from natural disasters, terrorist attacks, acts of war, and responses to such.

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***Future issuances and sales of our Class A common stock in the public market could lower our stock price, and any additional capital raised by us through the sale of equity or convertible securities may dilute your ownership in us.***

The market price of our Class A common stock could decline as a result of sales of a large number of shares of our Class A common stock available for sale after completion of this offering, or the perception that such sales could occur. These sales, or the possibility that these sales may occur, also may make it more difficult for us to raise additional capital by selling equity securities in the future, at a time and price that we deem appropriate.

We will agree with the underwriters not to issue, sell, or otherwise dispose of or hedge any shares of our Class A common stock, subject to certain exceptions, for the 180-day period following the date of this prospectus, without the prior consent of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc. Prior to the consummation of this offering, our executive officers and directors and our employees who participate in the directed share program will enter into similar lock-up agreements with the underwriters. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc. may, at any time, release us and/or any of our officers and directors from this lock-up agreement and allow us to sell shares of our Class A common stock within this 180-day period. For more information, see Underwriting. In addition, pursuant to the terms of an exchange agreement that we will enter into with our principals, such Class B units will not be exchangeable for shares of our Class A common stock until the six-month anniversary of the consummation of this offering. Pursuant to our lock-up agreement with the underwriters, we will not be permitted to waive these restrictions pursuant to the exchange agreement without the prior consent of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

Upon completion of this offering, there will be \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock outstanding (or shares if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock) of which shares will be freely transferable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act. The shares of Class A common stock that will be issuable upon exchange of Class B units held by our principals may only be sold in the manner at the times described under The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement. For so long as a principal remains employed by us, during every 12-month period beginning on the six-month anniversary of this offering, each principal and his permitted transferees (e.g., family trusts) may collectively exchange vested Class B units that equal 20% of the Class B units such persons collectively held at the beginning of such 12-month period, subject to certain exceptions described under The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights. Upon a termination of employment other than due to retirement or for cause, all Class B units held by a principal, other than those Class B units forfeited under certain circumstances, will be exchanged automatically for shares of Class A common stock. The shares of Class A common stock received upon exchange for Class B units held by our principals may be sold (i) at any time and in any manner by retired employees and employees or estates of employees terminated due to death or disability, (ii) for any principal whose employment is terminated by us without cause, in an amount equal to 50% of the total shares of Class A common stock held by the principal at the time of termination of employment less any amounts sold for taxes in each 12-month period following the 18-month anniversary of the date of termination of employment, and (iii) for any principal who voluntarily resigns his employment, in an amount equal to one-third of the total shares of Class A common stock held by the principal at the time of termination of employment less any amounts sold for taxes in each 12-month period following the 18-month anniversary of the date of resignation of employment subject to manner of sale restrictions described in The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights.

After this offering, we intend initially to register \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock for issuance pursuant to, upon the exercise of options or other equity awards granted under, or upon exchange of Class B units granted under, our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. We may increase the number of shares registered for this purpose from time to time. Once we register these shares, they will be able to be sold in the public market upon issuance.

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We cannot predict the size of future issuances of our Class A common stock or the effect, if any, that future issuances and sales of shares of our Class A common stock may have on the market price of our Class A common stock. Sales or distributions of substantial amounts of our Class A common stock (including shares issued in connection with an acquisition), or the perception that such sales could occur, may cause the market price of our Class A common stock to decline.

***Participants in our directed share program who have executed a lock-up agreement with the underwriters must hold their shares for a minimum of 180 days following the date of this prospectus and accordingly will be subject to market risks not imposed on other investors in this offering.***

At our request, the underwriters have reserved up to \_\_\_\_\_ shares of the Class A common stock offered hereby for sale to our directors, officers, employees and certain other parties who are otherwise associated with us. Purchasers of these shares who have entered into a lock-up agreement with the underwriters will not, subject to exceptions, be able to offer, sell, contract to sell, or otherwise dispose of or hedge any such shares for a period of 180 days after the date of the final prospectus relating to this offering, subject to certain specified extensions. As a result of such restriction, such purchasers may face risks not faced by other investors who have the right to sell their shares at any time following this offering (including other participants in the directed share program who have not executed a lock-up agreement with the underwriters). These risks include the market risk of holding our shares of Class A common stock during the period that such restrictions are in effect.

***We are an emerging growth company, and any decision on our part to comply only with certain reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies could make our Class A common stock less attractive to investors.***

We are an emerging growth company, as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act, or the JOBS Act, enacted in April 2012, and, for as long as we continue to be an emerging growth company, we may choose to take advantage of exemptions from various reporting requirements applicable to other public companies but not to emerging growth companies, including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of Sarbanes-Oxley, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. We could remain an emerging growth company for up to five years, or until the earliest of (i) the last day of the first fiscal year in which our annual gross revenues exceed \$1 billion, (ii) the date that we become a large accelerated filer as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act, which would occur if the market value of our Class A common stock that is held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700 million as of the last business day of an issuer's most recently completed second fiscal quarter before the end of that five-year period, or (iii) the date on which we have issued more than \$1 billion in nonconvertible debt during the preceding three-year period. We cannot predict whether investors will find our Class A common stock less attractive if we choose to rely on these exemptions. If some investors find our Class A common stock less attractive as a result of any decisions to reduce future disclosure, there may be a less active trading market for our Class A common stock and our stock price may be more volatile.

In addition, Section 107 of the JOBS Act also provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. In other words, an emerging growth company can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We are, however, choosing to opt out of such extended transition period, and as a result, we will comply with new or revised accounting standards on the relevant dates on which adoption of such standards is required for non-emerging growth companies. Section 107 of the JOBS Act provides that our decision to opt out of the extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards is irrevocable.

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***The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources and distract our management, which could make it difficult to manage our business, particularly after we are no longer an emerging growth company.***

Following the completion of this offering, we will be required to comply with various regulatory and reporting requirements, including those required by the SEC. Complying with these reporting and other regulatory requirements will be time-consuming and will result in increased costs to us and could have a negative effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. As a public company, we will be subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and requirements of Sarbanes Oxley. These requirements may place a strain on our systems and resources. The Exchange Act requires that we file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and financial condition. Sarbanes Oxley requires that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting. To maintain and improve the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, we will need to commit significant resources, hire additional staff and provide additional management oversight. We will be implementing additional procedures and processes for the purpose of addressing the standards and requirements applicable to public companies, including consideration of an upgrade to our financial reporting systems. Sustaining our growth also will require us to commit additional management, operational and financial resources to identify new professionals to join our company and to maintain appropriate operational and financial systems to adequately support expansion. In addition, as a public company, we must also enhance our investor relations, legal and corporate communications functions. All of these activities and additional efforts may increase our costs, strain our resources and divert management's attention from other business concerns, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

As an emerging growth company as defined in the JOBS Act, we may take advantage of certain temporary exemptions from various reporting requirements including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of Sarbanes Oxley (and rules and regulations of the SEC thereunder, which we refer to as Section 404) and reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements. When these exemptions cease to apply, we expect to incur additional expenses and devote increased management effort toward ensuring compliance with them. We cannot predict or estimate the amount of additional costs we may incur as a result of becoming a public company or the timing of such costs.

***You will suffer immediate and substantial dilution and may experience additional dilution in the future.***

We expect that the initial public offering price per share of our Class A common stock will be substantially higher than the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our Class A common stock immediately after this offering, and after giving effect to the exchange of all outstanding Class B units held by our principals for shares of our Class A common stock. As a result, you will pay a price per share that substantially exceeds the per share book value of our assets after subtracting our liabilities. At an offering price of \$ (the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover of this prospectus), you will incur immediate and substantial dilution in an amount of \$ per share of our Class A common stock. In addition, you will experience further dilution upon the issuance of restricted Class B units or restricted shares of our Class A common stock, or upon the grant of options or other equity awards to purchase Class B units or shares of our Class A common stock, in each case under our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

***We have broad discretion in the use of the net proceeds to us from this offering and may not use them in a manner in which our stockholders would consider appropriate.***

We cannot specify with certainty the particular uses of the net proceeds remaining after the repurchase of Class B units from existing limited partners that we will receive from this offering. Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds, including for any of the purposes described under the heading Use of Proceeds included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our stockholders may not agree with the

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manner in which our management chooses to allocate and spend the net proceeds. The failure by our management to apply these funds effectively could have an adverse effect on our business. Pending their use, we may invest the net proceeds from this offering in a manner that does not produce income or that loses value.

***Anti-takeover provisions in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could discourage a change of control that our stockholders may favor, which also could adversely affect the market price of our Class A common stock.***

Provisions in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may make it more difficult and expensive for a third party to acquire control of us, even if a change of control would be beneficial to our stockholders. For example, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation, which will be in effect at the time this offering is consummated, will authorize our board of directors to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of our preferred stock and to designate the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions of unissued series of our preferred stock, each without any vote or action by our stockholders. We could issue a series of preferred stock to impede the consummation of a merger, tender offer or other takeover attempt. In addition, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation will provide that our board of directors is classified into three classes of directors. The anti-takeover provisions in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws may impede takeover attempts, or other transactions, that may be in the best interests of our stockholders and, in particular, our Class A stockholders.

For example, our stockholders are unable to take any action by written consent, call a special meeting or require our board to call a special meeting, each of which each impedes stockholders' ability to take certain actions related to takeovers. In addition, the advance notice requirements in our amended and restated bylaws hinder a stockholder's ability to bring matters before the board, in particular matters relating to a change in control, due to the 90-day notice period required before any action may be requested in some circumstances.

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws also grant the board the power to increase the authorized number of directors without stockholder consent, by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire board, thus preventing a stockholder from being able to control the board and its decisions. Similarly, the board has the sole ability to fill newly created directorships. Further, while any director or the whole board may only be removed for cause by the vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock and preferred stock, there is no power of stockholders to remove a director without cause. Our board also has the power to adopt, amend or repeal the bylaws, subject only to such limitation, if any, as may from time to time be imposed by law or by the bylaws, while stockholder action to adopt, amend or repeal the bylaws requires a vote of 66 2/3% of the outstanding common stock. Many of these provisions could hinder stockholders' ability to consummate certain transactions that may benefit our business and the price of our common stock.

Moreover, the market price of our Class A common stock could be adversely affected to the extent that provisions of our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws discourage potential takeover attempts, or other transactions, that our stockholders may favor.

***We will be a controlled company within the meaning of the Nasdaq rules and, as a result, will qualify for, exemptions from certain corporate governance requirements.***

Upon the closing of this offering, our principals will continue to control a majority of our Class A common stock. As a result, we will be a controlled company within the meaning of the Nasdaq corporate governance standards. Under the Nasdaq rules, a company of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by an individual, group or another company is a controlled company and may elect not to comply with certain Nasdaq corporate governance requirements, including:

the requirement that a majority of the board consists of independent directors;

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the requirement that we have a nominating/corporate governance committee that is composed entirely of independent directors;

the requirement that we have a compensation committee that is composed entirely of independent directors; and

the requirement for an annual performance evaluation of the nominating/corporate governance and compensation committees. Following this offering, we do not intend to utilize these exemptions. As a result, we will have a majority of independent directors and our Nominating/Corporate Governance and Compensation Committees will consist entirely of independent directors and we will have an annual performance evaluation of the Nominating/Corporate Governance and Compensation Committees. See Management section. However, if we decide to utilize these exemptions in the future, you will not have the same protections afforded to stockholders of companies that are subject to all of the Nasdaq corporate governance requirements.

***If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.***

The trading market for our Class A common stock will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our business. We do not currently have and may never obtain research coverage by securities and industry analysts. If no securities or industry analysts commence coverage of our company, the trading price for our Class A common stock would be negatively impacted. If we obtain securities or industry analyst coverage and if one or more of the analysts who covers us downgrades our stock or publishes inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts ceases coverage of us or fails to publish reports on us regularly, demand for our stock could decrease, which could cause our stock price and trading volume to decline.

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**SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This prospectus includes forward-looking statements. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as anticipate, believe, continue, could, estimate, expect, intend, may, might, plan, potential, predict, should, or will, variations thereon or comparable terminology. In particular, statements about our expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance relating to our growth, expansion into new markets, sales trends of particular lines of products and other statements contained in this prospectus, including certain statements under the headings Prospectus Summary, Risk Factors, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Business and Regulatory Environment, are forward-looking statements.

We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections. While we believe these expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections are reasonable, these forward-looking statements are only predictions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. These and other important factors, including those discussed in this prospectus under the headings Prospectus Summary, Risk Factors, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Business and Regulatory Environment may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Some of the key factors that could cause actual results to differ from our expectations are:

our business strategies and investment policies;

our intention to pay quarterly dividends;

our financing plans;

our competitive position and the effects of competition on our business;

potential growth opportunities available to us;

our status as an emerging growth company;

the recruitment and retention of our employees;

our expected levels of compensation of our employees and the impact of compensation on our ability to attract and retain employees;

our potential operating performance and efficiency;

our expected tax rate;

our expectation with respect to the economy, capital markets, the market for asset management services and other industry trends;



the benefits to our business resulting from the effects of the reorganization;

our belief as to the adequacy of our facilities; and

the impact of future legislation and regulation, and changes in existing legislation and regulation, on our business.

Other factors that could cause actual results to differ from those implied by the forward-looking statements in this prospectus are more fully described in the Risk Factors section and elsewhere in this prospectus. Given these risks and uncertainties, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included in this prospectus are made only as of the date hereof.

We do not undertake and specifically decline any obligation to update any of these statements or to publicly announce the results of any revisions to any of these statements to reflect future events or developments.

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**THE REORGANIZATION AND OUR HOLDING COMPANY STRUCTURE**

**Overview**

On July 11, 2011, Silvercrest was incorporated as a Delaware corporation. Silvercrest GP LLC is currently the general partner of Silvercrest L.P., which is the managing member of the operating subsidiary, Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC.

Set forth below is our holding company structure and ownership immediately prior to the reorganization described below:

- (1) Prior to the reorganization and this offering, Vulcan Wealth Management LLC held approximately % of the limited partner interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC. We will use a portion of the proceeds from this offering to purchase all such interests in Silvercrest L.P. from Vulcan Wealth Management LLC.
- (2) Silvercrest GP LLC is the general partner of Silvercrest L.P.
- (3) Silvercrest L.P. is the managing member of the operating subsidiaries.

Prior to the consummation of this offering but after the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, the members of Silvercrest GP LLC will receive a distribution of the general partner

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interests of Silvercrest L.P. owned by Silvercrest GP LLC as part of the reorganization. Once acquired, these interests that were distributed to the members of Silvercrest GP LLC will be automatically converted into limited partnership interests. Subsequent to the distribution of the general partner interests of Silvercrest L.P. to its members and the conversion of those interests into limited partnership interests, Silvercrest GP LLC will transfer its rights as general partner to Silvercrest and will be dissolved. Silvercrest will become the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. As part of the reorganization, the partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. will be amended to provide that the limited partnership interests will be converted to Class B units and the general partnership interests will consist of Class A units.

Immediately following the reorganization, our only material asset will be our general partner interests in Silvercrest L.P. We will use approximately \$ million of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its existing limited partners, including all Class B units held by Vulcan, and such Class B units acquired by us will be immediately converted into Class A units. This third-party investor will therefore no longer hold any portion of Silvercrest L.P.'s Class B units or any of our Class B common stock subsequent to the reorganization. Following the reorganization and this offering, we will own all of the Class A units, which represent the general partnership interest in Silvercrest L.P., or approximately % of the partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. (or % of the partnership units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The remaining approximately % of the partnership units in Silvercrest L.P. (or % of the partnership units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock) will be held by 37 of our principals and two non-employee partners. Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its limited partners of previously undistributed earnings in the aggregate amount of approximately \$ million. Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. Purchasers in this offering will not be entitled to receive any portion of this distribution and such distribution may not be indicative of the amount of any future distributions.

The Class A units and Class B units will have the same economic rights. In addition, Silvercrest L.P. has issued non-voting deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units, which entitle the holders thereof to distributions from Silvercrest L.P. as if the underlying Class B units were outstanding. Accordingly, immediately after the consummation of this offering and the purchase of Class B units from certain limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. including Vulcan, the holders of the Class B units and deferred equity units in Silvercrest L.P. will hold approximately % and %, respectively, of the economic interests in our business (or approximately % and %, respectively, if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). For a discussion of the deferred equity units issued by Silvercrest L.P., see Compensation Discussion and Analysis Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control Deferred Equity Units and Performance Units and note 16 to the audited financial statements of Silvercrest L.P.

As part of the reorganization, we will issue to the holders of Class B units, for each Class B unit, one share of Class B common stock in exchange for the payment by the holder of the Class B unit of its par value. We will not issue Class B common stock in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. until the underlying Class B units are issued with respect thereto. Each share of our Class B common stock will entitle its holder to one vote. Initially, the holders of the Class B common stock will have % of the combined voting power of our common stock (or % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). When a Class B unit is purchased by us, exchanged for a share of our Class A common stock, forfeited as a result of applicable vesting provisions, or forfeited or redeemed as a result of a breach of any restrictive covenants contained in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., a corresponding number of shares of our Class B common stock automatically will be redeemed at par value and cancelled by us. Conversely, to the extent we cause Silvercrest L.P. to issue additional Class B units (including awards of Class B units subject to vesting) to our employees pursuant to our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan or Class B units are issued upon the vesting of outstanding deferred equity units in Silvercrest L.P., these employees will be entitled to receive an equal number of shares of our Class B common stock.

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Concurrently with the reorganization, our principals will enter into a stockholders' agreement pursuant to which they will agree to vote while they are employed by us all shares of Class B common stock and Class A common stock then held by them, and acquired in the future, on all matters submitted to a vote of our common stockholders in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee. Therefore, upon the closing of this offering, the Executive Committee will be able to exercise control over all matters requiring the approval of our stockholders, including the election of our directors and the approval of significant corporate transactions. Since Mr. Cochran, our Chief Executive Officer, owns a greater percentage of equity than the rest of the members of the Executive Committee collectively, he will initially control the vote of such committee, and as a result, all of the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our principals.

The Class A common stock will represent 100% of the rights of the holders of all classes of our capital stock to share in all distributions, except for the right of holders of our Class B common stock to receive the par value of each share of our Class B common stock upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.

Pursuant to the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., each vested Class B unit held by a principal will be exchangeable for a share of our Class A common stock, subject to the exchange timing and volume limitations described under Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights. Unvested Class B units held by our principals will not be exchangeable until they have vested other than upon a termination of employment of a principal, at which time all vested and unvested Class B units will be automatically exchanged for shares of our Class A common stock, subject to certain exceptions, including in the case of retirement and termination for cause, as described under Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights.

Pursuant to a resale and registration rights agreement that we will enter into with our principals, we intend to file a registration statement on Form S-3 to register the resale of shares of our Class A common stock that are issuable upon exchange of these Class B units and to maintain such registration in effect for no less than five years. We expect to become eligible to file a registration statement on Form S-3 one year after the consummation of this offering. See Resale and Registration Rights Agreement for a description of the timing and manner limitations on resales of these shares.

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Set forth below is our holding company structure and anticipated ownership immediately after the consummation of this offering and the use of a portion of the net proceeds to purchase Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its existing limited partners including all of the interests held by Vulcan (assuming no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares and without taking into account any outstanding deferred equity units).

- (1) Each share of Class B common stock is entitled to one vote per share. Class B stockholders will have the right to receive the par value of the Class B common stock upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.
- (2) Each share of Class A common stock is entitled to one vote per share. Class A common stockholders will have 100% of the rights of all classes of our capital stock to receive distributions, except that Class B common stockholders will have the right to receive the par value of the Class B common stock upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.
- (3) Each Class B unit held by a principal is exchangeable for one share of Class A common stock. The principals will collectively hold Class B units, which will represent the right to receive approximately % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. and deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units, which will represent the right to receive approximately % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % and %, respectively, of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The deferred equity units which have been issued to our principals entitle the holders thereof to participate in distributions from Silvercrest L.P. as if the underlying Class B units are outstanding and thus are taken into account to determine the economic interest of each holder of units in Silvercrest L.P. However, because the Class B units underlying the deferred equity units have not been issued and are not deemed outstanding, the holders of deferred equity units have no voting rights with

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respect to those Class B units. We will not issue shares of Class B common stock in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. until such time that the underlying Class B units are issued.

- (4) We will hold \_\_\_\_\_ Class A units (or \_\_\_\_\_ Class A units if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock), which will represent the right to receive approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of the distributions made by Silvercrest L.P. if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). The \_\_\_\_\_ deferred equity units which have been issued to our principals entitle the holders thereof to participate in distributions from Silvercrest L.P. as if the underlying Class B units are outstanding and thus are taken into account to determine the economic interest of each holder of units in Silvercrest L.P. However, because the Class B units underlying the deferred equity units have not been issued and are not deemed outstanding, the holders of deferred equity units have no voting rights with respect to those Class B units. We will not issue shares of Class B common stock in respect of deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. until such time that the underlying Class B units are issued.

**Holding Company Structure**

Our only business following this offering will be to act as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. and, as such, we will operate and control all of its business and affairs and consolidate its financial results into our financial statements. The ownership interests of holders of limited partnership interests of Silvercrest L.P. will be accounted for as a non-controlling interest in our consolidated financial statements after this offering.

Net profits, net losses and distributions of Silvercrest L.P. will be allocated and made to each of its partners pro rata in accordance with the number of partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. held by each of them. In addition, Silvercrest L.P. has issued deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units which entitle the holders thereof to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to the same extent as if the underlying Class B units were outstanding. Accordingly, net profits and net losses of Silvercrest L.P. will initially be allocated, and distributions will be made, approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % to us and approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % to the initial holders of Class B units and holders of deferred equity units (or \_\_\_\_\_ % and \_\_\_\_\_ %, respectively, if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock).

**Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P.**

As a result of the reorganization, we will operate our business through Silvercrest L.P. and its consolidated subsidiaries. The operations of Silvercrest L.P., and the rights and obligations of its partners, are set forth in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., a form of which is being filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. The following is a description of the material terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement.

***Governance***

We will serve as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. As such, we will control its business and affairs and will be responsible for the management of its business. We also will have the power to delegate some of our management responsibilities as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. to an Executive Committee consisting of our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Cochran, and the individuals appointed by us to serve as members of the Executive Committee. As of the date hereof, Mr. Cochran and each of Richard R. Hough III, Scott A. Gerard, David J. Campbell and Albert S. Messina will serve as members of the Executive Committee. No limited partners of Silvercrest L.P., in their capacity as such, will have any authority or right to control the management of Silvercrest L.P. or to bind it in connection with any matter.

***Voting and Economic Rights***

Silvercrest L.P. will issue Class A units, which may only be issued to us, as general partner, and Class B units. Each Class A unit and Class B unit will entitle holders to equal economic rights. Holders of Class B units

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will have no voting rights, except for the right to approve amendments to the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. that adversely affect the rights of the holders of Class B units and to approve certain material corporate transactions. See Amendments and Material Corporate Transactions.

We intend to cause Silvercrest L.P. to issue additional Class B units in the future pursuant to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, which Class B units may be subject to vesting periods set forth in the relevant award agreements.

Net profits, net losses and distributions of Silvercrest L.P. will be allocated and made to each of its partners pro rata in accordance with the number of partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. held by each of them (whether or not vested). In addition, Silvercrest L.P. has issued deferred equity units which entitle the holders thereof to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to the same extent as if the underlying Class B units were outstanding. Silvercrest L.P. will agree to make distributions to the holders of its partnership units, including Silvercrest, for the purpose of funding their tax obligations in respect of Silvercrest L.P. See Tax Consequences. Additional distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to us will be made at the discretion of our board of directors, acting on our behalf as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. Silvercrest L.P. may not make any distributions to its partners if doing so would violate any agreement to which it is then a party or any law then applicable to it, have the effect of rendering it insolvent or result in it having net capital lower than that required by applicable law.

Assuming Silvercrest L.P. makes distributions to its partners in any given year, the determination to pay dividends, if any, to our Class A common stockholders will be made by our board of directors. Because our board of directors may or may not decide to pay dividends to our Class A stockholders, our Class A stockholders may not necessarily receive dividend distributions relating to our pro rata share of the income earned by Silvercrest L.P. even if Silvercrest L.P. makes such distributions to us.

***Coordination of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. and Silvercrest L.P.***

At any time Silvercrest issues a share of our Class A common stock for cash, assets or other consideration, the net proceeds received by Silvercrest will be promptly transferred to Silvercrest L.P., and Silvercrest L.P. will issue to Silvercrest one of its Class A units. Alternatively, if otherwise agreed by us and any holder of Class B units, we may use the proceeds from the sale of a share of Class A common stock to purchase a Class B unit from such limited partner of Silvercrest L.P. Upon the purchase of a Class B unit by Silvercrest, the Class B unit will automatically be converted into a Class A unit. If at any time we issue a share of our Class A common stock pursuant to our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, we will be deemed to have contributed to Silvercrest L.P. all of the proceeds we receive (if any), and Silvercrest L.P. will be deemed to have purchased from us the Class A common stock for the amount of the contribution and will issue to us one of its Class A units, having the same restrictions, if any, attached to the shares of Class A common stock issued under this plan. If we issue other classes or series of our equity securities, (i) Silvercrest L.P. will issue, and (ii) Class B units (if any) transferred to us by its limited partners in exchange for our newly issued equity securities will be converted automatically into, an equal number of equity securities of Silvercrest L.P. with designations, preferences and other rights and terms that are substantially the same as our newly issued equity securities. Conversely, if we redeem any shares of our Class A common stock (or our equity securities of other classes or series) for cash, Silvercrest L.P. will, immediately prior to our redemption, redeem an equal number of Class A units (or its equity securities of the corresponding classes or series) held by us, upon the same terms and for the same price, as the shares of our Class A common stock (or our equity securities of such other classes or series) are redeemed.

The Compensation Committee of our board of directors, as the administrator of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, in its sole discretion, may cause Silvercrest L.P. to grant equity-based awards to its employees exercisable for, or awarded in, Class B units or shares of Class A common stock. If Class B units are issued at any time after this offering, the holder will be entitled to receive a corresponding number of shares of our Class B common stock in exchange for the payment of their par value, as long as the holder agrees to be bound by the terms of the

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stockholders agreement described under Stockholders Agreement Among Class B Stockholders. Silvercrest L.P. may also, from time to time, issue other classes or series of partnership units having such relative rights, powers and preferences in profits, losses, allocations and distributions of Silvercrest L.P. as may be designated by us.

Pursuant to the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., we will agree, as general partner, that we will not conduct any business other than the management and ownership of Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries, or own (other than on a temporary basis) any other assets, other than certain cash accounts, although we may incur indebtedness and may take other actions if we determine in good faith that such indebtedness or other actions are in the best interest of Silvercrest L.P. In addition, partnership units of Silvercrest L.P., as well as our common stock, will be subject to equivalent stock splits, dividends and reclassifications.

### ***Issuances and Transfer of Units***

Class A units may only be issued to us, the general partner of Silvercrest L.P., and are non-transferable. Class B units may be issued only to persons or entities to which we agree to permit the issuance of units in exchange for cash or other consideration, including the services of Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries employees. Class B units may not be transferred except, with our consent, to certain permitted transferees or a permitted charitable institution, subject to conditions we may specify, or as described below under Exchange Rights. If a Class B unitholder is permitted to transfer its Class B units, the holder of Class B units may not transfer any Class B units to any person unless he or she transfers an equal number of shares of our Class B common stock to the same transferee.

### ***Extraordinary Corporate Transactions***

If Silvercrest L.P. proposes to engage in certain extraordinary corporate transactions, including a merger, consolidation, or conversion to another business entity, we, in our capacity as the general partner, along with a majority in interest of the holders of the Class B units, will have the power and authority to approve such a transaction. If Silvercrest L.P. proposes to dissolve, we, in our capacity as general partner, along with 75% in interest of the holders of our Class B units, will have the power and authority to approve a dissolution by vote.

### ***Exchange Rights***

We have reserved for issuance \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock, which is the aggregate number of shares of our Class A common stock expected to be issued over time upon exchanges pursuant to an exchange agreement to be entered into with each of our principals and the provisions of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. by:

all principals who hold Class B units outstanding immediately after this offering;

recipients of grants that may be made, or have been made at the consummation of this offering, under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, pursuant to which Silvercrest L.P. will have reserved a number of Class B units equal to 15% of the total number of units of Silvercrest L.P. outstanding immediately after the consummation of this offering, assuming no anti-dilution adjustments based on share splits, dividends or reclassifications; and

all holders of the deferred equity units and performance units to acquire up to \_\_\_\_\_ Class B units that have been granted prior to the consummation of this offering.

Principals may exchange their vested Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock at the times and in the amounts described below.



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Pursuant to the exchange agreement, so long as a principal is employed by us, each year in the period beginning on the six-month anniversary of the consummation of this offering, a principal and his permitted transferees may collectively exchange up to the number of vested Class B units that equals 20% of all Class B units such principal and his or her permitted transferees collectively hold as of the first day of that year, in accordance with the timing restrictions described under Resale and Registration Rights Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each principal shall commit to retain at least 25% of the number of Class B units held by the principal on the date of the consummation of this offering or on the date of such principal's initial employment if such principal was hired after the consummation of this offering (as adjusted for any stock splits, dividends and reclassifications occurring after this offering). Any principal who is hired by our company after the consummation of this offering may not exchange any Class B units during his or her first year of employment with our company. In addition, unless otherwise determined by the Executive Committee, in its sole discretion, upon a termination of employment for any reason other than retirement, all of the Class B units held by a principal shall be exchanged automatically for shares of our Class A common stock, subject to the forfeiture of any Class B units as described under Restrictive Covenants Forfeiture or Repurchase of Class B units and Class A Common Stock below.

Pursuant to the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., if the amount of income taxes that principals are required to pay due to the grant or vesting of their Class B units, the exercise of their options to acquire Class B units and/or the exchange of their Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock upon termination of employment (whether or not they are employees at the time that the tax payment obligation arises) exceeds the net proceeds they would receive upon the sale of all of the shares of our Class A common stock issued to them in exchange for 20% of Class B units that they hold as of the first day of the year with respect to which the tax is payable, then they will instead be entitled to exchange an amount of vested Class B units, subject to any applicable securities law limitations, and resell an equal number of shares of our Class A common stock issued in exchange for such Class B units such that the net proceeds from the sale of this amount of shares would enable them to pay all such taxes due. In addition, we may allow principals to make exchanges in amounts exceeding those described above at any time following the effective date of the shelf registration statement (as described in Resale and Registration Rights Agreement), which determination may be withheld, delayed, or granted on such terms and conditions as our Executive Committee may determine, in its sole discretion.

Any principal who has acquired a corresponding number of shares of Class B common stock in connection with the original issuance of Class B units, which includes all holders of the Class B units to be issued to the 37 principals in Silvercrest L.P. in connection with the reorganization, must deliver a corresponding number of shares of Class B common stock to us for redemption in connection with exercising his, her or its right to exchange Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock.

## **Restrictive Covenants**

### *Non-Solicitation*

Pursuant to the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, each of the principals of Silvercrest L.P. will agree not to solicit our clients or any other employees of Silvercrest L.P. during the term of his or her employment and for 18 months thereafter.

### *Confidential Information*

Pursuant to the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, each of the principals of Silvercrest L.P. will agree to protect the confidential information of Silvercrest L.P. This covenant will survive the termination of his or her employment.

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*Forfeiture or Repurchase of Class B Units and Class A Common Stock*

Unless otherwise determined by our board of directors, in its sole discretion, or previously agreed to by the principal and his or her permitted transferees and us, if a principal of Silvercrest L.P. breaches any of the non-solicitation or confidentiality covenants described above while employed, then, pursuant to the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, the principal, and, to the extent of any Class B units transferred after the date of the consummation of this offering, his or her permitted transferees, would forfeit all of his, her or their unvested Class B units and 80% of the number of vested Class B units collectively held by the principal and his or her permitted transferees. Unless otherwise determined by our board of directors, in its sole discretion, or previously agreed to by the principal and his or her permitted transferees and us, if a principal of Silvercrest L.P. breaches any of the non-solicitation or confidentiality covenants described above, after the termination of his or her employment, or, if a principal voluntarily resigns or retires and competes with our company during the 12 months following his or her termination of employment, then, in addition to any legal rights and remedies available to us, the principal (and to the extent of any Class B units transferred after the date of the consummation of this offering, his or her permitted transferees) would forfeit all of his, her or their unvested Class B units and/or shares of Class A common stock, if any, and, at the option of Silvercrest L.P., would be required to sell to Silvercrest L.P. all of the vested Class B units collectively held by the principal and his or her permitted transferees for a purchase price equal to the lesser of (i) the capital account balance of the principal and his or her permitted transferees in Silvercrest L.P. and (ii) the purchase price paid by the terminated principal to first acquire the Class B units, and, at our option, would be required to sell to us all of the Class A common stock collectively held by the principal and his or her permitted transferees for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the principal to first acquire the Class B units for which such shares of Class A common stock had been exchanged. To the extent a retired principal violates these restrictive covenants or competes with our company during the 12 months following his or her termination of employment and the retired principal or his or her permitted transferees sold more than 20% of the Class B units and/or shares of Class A common stock held by the retired principal and his or her permitted transferees on the date of the principal's retirement, then, in addition to the repurchase of Class B units and shares of Class A common stock described above, we will have the right to recover from the retired principal the purchase price received for the shares of Class A common stock and/or Class B units sold less the purchase price originally paid to acquire the securities above an amount equal to 20% of the securities held on the date of retirement. In addition to the forfeiture, repurchase and recovery provisions described above, if a principal violates the non-solicitation or confidentiality covenants or competes with our company within the 12-month period following a voluntary resignation of employment or retirement, then the principal will cease to receive any payments required to be made to the principal under the tax receivable agreement. See Tax Receivable Agreement.

*Repurchase of Class B Units Upon Termination for Cause*

Unless otherwise determined by our board of directors, in its sole discretion, or previously agreed to by the principal, his or her permitted transferees and us, if a principal of Silvercrest L.P. is terminated for cause, the principal (and, to the extent of any Class B units transferred after the date of the consummation of this offering, his or her permitted transferees) would forfeit all of his, her or their unvested Class B units, if any, and, at our option, Silvercrest L.P. would have the right to redeem all of the vested Class B units collectively held by the principal and his or her permitted transferees for a purchase price equal to the lesser of (i) the aggregate capital account balance in Silvercrest L.P. of the principal and his or her permitted transferees and (ii) the purchase price paid by the terminated principal to first acquire the Class B units. In addition to the redemption described above, any principal terminated for cause will cease to receive any payments required to be made to the principal under the tax receivable agreement. See Tax Receivable Agreement.

*Indemnification and Exculpation*

To the extent permitted by applicable law, Silvercrest L.P. will indemnify us, as its general partner, its authorized officers, its other employees and its agents from and against any losses, liabilities, damages, costs,

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expenses, fees or penalties incurred by any acts or omissions of these persons, provided that the acts or omissions of these indemnified persons are not the result of fraud, intentional misconduct or a violation of the implied contractual duty of good faith and fair dealing, or any lesser standard of conduct permitted under applicable law.

We, as the general partner, and the authorized officers, other employees and agents of Silvercrest L.P., will not be liable to Silvercrest L.P., its partners or their affiliates for damages incurred by any acts or omissions of these persons, provided that the acts or omissions of these exculpated persons are not the result of fraud, intentional misconduct or a violation of the implied contractual duty of good faith and fair dealing, or any lesser standard of conduct permitted under applicable law.

### ***Amendments***

The second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. may be amended with the consent of the general partner and the holders of at least 60% of the Class B units, provided that the general partner may, without the consent of the holders of at least 60% of the Class B units, make amendments that, generally, are not expected to adversely affect the holders of Class B units.

### **Resale and Registration Rights Agreement**

Pursuant to a resale and registration rights agreement that we will enter into with our principals, the shares of Class A common stock issued upon exchange will be eligible for resale pursuant to a shelf registration statement, or otherwise, subject to the resale timing and manner limitations described below. Pursuant to this agreement, when Silvercrest L.P. issues any Class B units to its employees, partners or other consultants pursuant to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, the recipient will be entitled to the same resale and registration rights, and will be subject to the same restrictions, as the principals holding Class B units outstanding immediately following this offering.

Pursuant to the resale and registration rights agreement, we will commit to use our best efforts to:

file a shelf registration statement in order to register the resale of these shares of Class A common stock as soon as practicable after the date that we become eligible to use Form S-3 under the Securities Act, which is expected to be one year after the consummation of this offering; and

cause the SEC to declare the shelf registration statement effective as soon as practicable thereafter.

From the first effective date of the shelf registration statement until the fifth anniversary of the consummation of this offering, principals holding Class B units, subject to the exchange timing and volume limitations described above under **Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights**, will be able to sell the shares of Class A common stock issued upon exchange pursuant to the shelf registration statement. Prior to the first effective date of the shelf registration statement, principals holding Class B units may, subject to securities law limitations, sell their shares in any manner, but only at times determined by us in our sole discretion and subject to the timing and volume limitations described above under **Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights**. Principals who hold Class B units will be permitted to sell shares of Class A common stock issued upon exchange of Class B units during the first 10-day period of the open trading window of each quarter by submitting a request to the Executive Committee to sell a specified number of shares. The Executive Committee may, in its discretion, deny the request of any principal to sell his or her underlying shares of Class A common stock. If a sale request by a principal is denied, the denied holder will be given the first opportunity to sell shares of Class A common stock in the next available open window. Thereafter, principals holding Class B units will be able to exchange their Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock, subject to the exchange timing and volume limitations described above under **Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights** and will be permitted to sell their shares in any manner, but only at times determined by us, in our sole discretion.

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Notwithstanding the restrictions described above and below, subject to securities law limitations, (i) holders of shares of Class A common stock issued upon exchange of Class B units after the consummation of this offering may always sell a number of shares of Class A common stock sufficient to cover any taxes due on the exchange, using an assumed tax rate equal to the applicable prevailing capital gains rate at the time of the exchange, and (ii) the estate of any deceased holder, or the beneficiaries thereof, and any principal who has retired or whose employment has been terminated due to death or disability may sell any or all shares of Class A common stock he or she holds without regard to the restrictions described above.

Following the termination of a principal's employment other than in the case of retirement or termination for cause, the Class B units held by the terminated principal will be automatically exchanged, and the corresponding number of shares of Class B common stock redeemed, for shares of our Class A common stock, subject to any required forfeiture or repurchase of Class B units as described under Restrictive Covenants Forfeiture or Repurchase of Class B Units and Class A Common Stock above. If the principal's employment was terminated for any reason other than retirement, death, disability or voluntarily resignation, the principal may, subject to securities law limitations, (i) at the time of termination of employment, sell a number of shares of Class A common stock sufficient to cover any taxes due on the exchange of Class B units, and (ii) in each 12-month period following the 18-month anniversary of the termination, sell a number of shares of our Class A common stock equal to one-half of the difference between the aggregate number of vested shares of Class A common stock received upon exchange of the Class B units held as of the date of termination of his or her employment and the number of shares, if any, of Class A common stock the principal sold to cover taxes to the exchange subsequent to the principal's termination. If a principal voluntarily terminates his or her employment, then the principal may, subject to securities law limitations, (i) at the time of termination of employment, sell a number of shares of Class A common stock sufficient to cover taxes due on the exchange of Class B units and (ii) in each 12-month period following the 18-month anniversary of the termination, sell a number of shares of our Class A common stock equal to one-third of the difference between the aggregate number of vested shares of Class A common stock received upon exchange of the Class B units held as of the date of termination of his or her employment and the number of shares, if any, of Class A common stock the principal sold to cover taxes to the exchange subsequent to the principal's termination. If the principal has retired, died or become disabled, he or she (or his or her estate) may sell any and all shares of Class A common stock or Class B units held by such retired, deceased or disabled principal, subject to any applicable securities law limitations. If the amount of income taxes that principals are required to pay due to the exchange of their Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock (whether or not they are employees at the time that the tax payment obligations arises) exceeds the net proceeds they would receive upon the sale of all shares they are permitted to sell pursuant to the immediately preceding paragraph during the year with respect to which the tax is payable, then they will instead be entitled to sell a number of shares of our Class A common stock sufficient to provide net proceeds that would enable them to pay the taxes due.

We have agreed to indemnify the principals who hold the Class B units against any losses or damages resulting from any untrue statement or omission of material fact in any registration statement or prospectus pursuant to which they may sell the shares of our Class A common stock they receive upon exchange of their Class B units, unless such liability arose from the selling stockholder's misstatement or omission, and the principals who hold Class B units have agreed to indemnify us against all losses caused by their misstatements or omissions. We will pay all expenses incident to our performance under the resale and registration rights agreement, and the selling stockholders will pay their respective portions of all transfer taxes and selling expenses relating to the sale of their shares of Class A common stock pursuant to the registration rights agreement.

**Voting Rights of Class A and Class B Stockholders**

Each share of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock will entitle its holder to one vote. Immediately after this offering, our Class B common stockholders will hold approximately % of the combined voting power of our common stock (or % if the underwriters exercise their option in full to purchase additional

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shares of our Class A common stock). We intend to cause Silvercrest L.P. to issue additional Class B units to our employees in various forms of equity compensation, such as restricted Class B units and options to acquire Class B units. Silvercrest L.P. will initially be authorized to issue additional Class B units in an amount not exceeding 15% of all partnership units outstanding as of the consummation of this offering pursuant to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The holders of any vested or unvested Class B units issued after this offering will be entitled to receive a corresponding number of shares of our Class B common stock in exchange for the payment of their par value and, therefore, the voting power of our Class B common stockholders will increase to the extent that we grant Class B unit awards pursuant to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, to our employees, partners or other consultants. Conversely, when any principal who holds vested Class B units exchanges them for the corresponding number of shares of our Class A common stock, any principal who holds unvested Class B units forfeits a Class B unit or has it repurchased due to applicable vesting provisions, or any principal who holds vested or unvested Class B units forfeits a Class B unit due to a breach of restrictive covenants contained in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. or the holder voluntarily resigns or retires and competes with our company in the 12-month period following termination of employment, it will result in the automatic redemption of the corresponding number of shares of our Class B common stock and, therefore, will decrease the aggregate voting power of our Class B stockholders.

**Stockholders Agreement Among Class B Stockholders**

Concurrently with the consummation of this offering and the reorganization, our principals will enter into a stockholders agreement with respect to all shares of Class B common stock then held by them and any additional shares of Class B common stock they may acquire in the future. Pursuant to this stockholders agreement, our principals will agree to vote all their shares of Class B common stock together on any matter submitted to our common stockholders for a vote. Upon a termination of employment, including a retirement, the terminated principal will cease to be a party to the stockholders agreement and will no longer be subject to the voting obligation contained in the agreement.

Prior to any vote of our common stockholders, the Executive Committee will convene to determine how the principals should vote their shares of Class B common stock and Class A common stock on each matter upon which a vote of all common stockholders is proposed to be taken. The vote of each member of the Executive Committee shall be weighted based on the number of Class B units owned by the member relative to the number of Class B units held by all members of the Executive Committee. Since Mr. Cochran, our Chief Executive Officer, owns a greater percentage of equity than the rest of the members of the Executive Committee collectively, he will initially control the vote of such committee, and as a result, all of the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our principals. Each principal must then vote all of his or her shares of Class B common stock in accordance with the determination of the Executive Committee. In order to give effect to these voting provisions, each principal will grant to each member of the Executive Committee an irrevocable proxy to vote all his or her shares of Class B common stock in accordance with the determination of the Executive Committee.

In addition, pursuant to this stockholders agreement, each principal will agree that:

the principal will not transfer any shares of Class B common stock to any person unless the principal transfers an equal number of Class B units to the same person; and

in the event the principal transfers any Class B units to any person, the principal will transfer an equal number of shares of Class B common stock to the same person.

This stockholders agreement may only be amended with the consent of the holders of a majority of the shares of Class B common stock that are party to this agreement.

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### **Tax Consequences**

The holders of partnership units of Silvercrest L.P., including us, generally will incur U.S. federal, state and local income taxes on their proportionate share of any net taxable income of Silvercrest L.P. Net profits and net losses of Silvercrest L.P. generally will be allocated to its partners pro rata in proportion to their respective partnership units. The second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P. will provide for cash distributions to its partners if the taxable income of Silvercrest L.P. gives rise to taxable income for its partners. In accordance with this agreement, Silvercrest L.P. will make distributions to the existing holders of its partnership units for the purpose of funding their tax obligations in respect of the income of Silvercrest L.P. that is allocated to them. Generally, these tax distributions will be computed based on our estimate of the net taxable income of Silvercrest L.P. allocable per partnership unit multiplied by an assumed tax rate equal to the highest combined U.S. federal and applicable state and local tax rate applicable to any partner (taking into account the deductibility of state and local taxes for U.S. federal income tax purposes).

Silvercrest L.P. has made a Section 754 of the Internal Revenue Code election. As a result of this election any future exchanges of Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock, are expected to result in increases in our share of the tax basis in the tangible and intangible assets of Silvercrest L.P. at the time of our acquisition of partnership units, which will increase the tax depreciation and amortization deductions available to us. These increases in tax basis and tax depreciation and amortization deductions are expected to reduce the amount of tax that we would otherwise be required to pay in the future.

### **Tax Receivable Agreement**

We will enter into a tax receivable agreement with our principals, and any future employee holders of Class B units, that will require us to pay them 85% of the amount of cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal, state and local income tax that we actually realize (or are deemed to realize in the case of an early termination payment by us, or a change in control, as discussed below) as a result of the increases in tax basis described above and certain other tax benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement, including tax benefits attributable to payments under the tax receivable agreement. This will be our obligation and not the obligation of Silvercrest L.P. We expect to benefit from the remaining 15% of cash savings, if any, realized. For purposes of the tax receivable agreement, cash savings in income tax will be computed by comparing our actual income tax liability to the amount of such taxes that we would have been required to pay had there been no increase in our share of the tax basis of the tangible and intangible assets of Silvercrest L.P. The term of the tax receivable agreement will commence upon consummation of this offering and will continue until all such tax benefits have been utilized or expired, unless we exercise our right to terminate the tax receivable agreement for an amount based on an agreed-upon value of payments remaining to be made under the agreement. Our obligation to make payments to a principal pursuant to the tax receivable agreement will automatically terminate if such principal (i) is terminated for cause, (ii) breaches his or her non-solicitation covenants with our company or (iii) voluntarily resigns or retires and competes with our company in the 12-month period following resignation of employment or retirement.

Estimating the amount of payments that we may be required to make under the tax receivable agreement is imprecise by its nature, because the actual increase in our share of the tax basis, as well as the amount and timing of any payments under the tax receivable agreement, will vary depending upon a number of factors, including:

the timing of exchanges of Class B units for shares of our Class A common stock for instance, the increase in any tax deductions will vary depending on the fair market value, which may fluctuate over time, of the depreciable and amortizable assets of Silvercrest L.P. at the time of the exchanges;

the price of our Class A common stock at the time of exchanges of Class B units the increase in our share of the basis in the assets of Silvercrest L.P., as well as the increase in any tax deductions, will be related to the price of our Class A common stock at the time of these exchanges;

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the extent to which these exchanges are taxable if an exchange is not taxable for any reason (for instance, if a principal who holds Class B units exchanges units in order to make a charitable contribution), increased deductions will not be available;

the tax rates in effect at the time we utilize the increased amortization and depreciation deductions; and

the amount and timing of our income we will be required to pay 85% of the tax savings, as and when realized, if any. If we do not have taxable income, we generally will not be required to make payments under the tax receivable agreement for that taxable year because no tax savings will have been actually realized.

We expect that, as a result of the size of the increases in our share of the tax basis of the tangible and intangible assets of Silvercrest L.P. attributable to our interest therein, the payments that we make under the tax receivable agreement will likely be substantial. Assuming that there are no material changes in the relevant tax law, and that we earn sufficient taxable income to realize the full tax benefit of the increased depreciation and amortization of our assets, we expect that future payments under the tax receivable agreement in respect of our initial purchase of partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. will aggregate approximately \$ million, or \$ million per year over the next 15 years. A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share of Class A common stock (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus) would increase (decrease) the aggregate amount of future payments to holders of Class B units in respect of the purchase by approximately \$ million. Future payments under the tax receivable agreement in respect of subsequent exchanges will be in addition to these amounts and are expected to be substantial.

In addition, the tax receivable agreement provides that, upon certain mergers, asset sales, other forms of business combinations or other changes of control, our (or our successors') obligations with respect to exchanged or acquired Class B units (whether exchanged or acquired before or after such transaction) would be based on certain assumptions, including that we would have sufficient taxable income to fully utilize the deductions arising from the increased tax deductions and tax basis and other benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement.

Decisions made by the continuing partners of Silvercrest L.P. in the course of running our business, such as with respect to mergers, asset sales, other forms of business combinations or other changes in control, may influence the timing and amount of payments that are received by an exchanging or selling principal under the tax receivable agreement. For example, the earlier disposition of assets following an exchange or acquisition transaction will generally accelerate payments under the tax receivable agreement and increase the present value of such payments, and the disposition of assets before an exchange or acquisition transaction will increase an existing owner's tax liability without giving rise to any rights of a principal to receive payments under the tax receivable agreement.

Were the IRS to successfully challenge the tax basis increases described above, we would not be reimbursed for any payments previously made under the tax receivable agreement. As a result, in certain circumstances, we could make payments under the tax receivable agreement in excess of our actual cash savings in income tax.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds from the sale of shares of our Class A common stock by us in this offering will be approximately \$       million (or approximately \$       million if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$       per share (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus), in each case after deducting assumed underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

We intend to use approximately \$       million of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase an aggregate of       Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from existing limited partners including Vulcan will not retain any of these proceeds. The purchase price for the Class B units will be determined by the public offering price of our Class A common stock in this offering less the per share amount of offering expenses incurred by us. We intend to use the remaining net proceeds of this offering, including any proceeds from the exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares, to purchase additional Class A units from Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest L.P. will use such proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include business operations, investments in our business and new investment strategies and strategic acquisitions for which no targets have been identified.

A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$       per share of our Class A common stock would increase (decrease) the amount of net proceeds to us from this offering available to purchase Class B units from our existing limited partners by approximately \$       million, and, as a result, the amount of proceeds available to us for general corporate purposes by approximately \$       million, assuming the number of shares of our Class A common stock offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same, and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.



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**DIVIDEND POLICY**

**Our Dividend Policy**

Following this offering, we intend to pay quarterly cash dividends. We expect that our first dividend will be paid in the \_\_\_\_\_ quarter of 2013 and will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share of our Class A common stock. Only holders of our Class A common stock will be entitled to any dividend declared by us on our capital stock. We will be a holding company and will have no material assets other than our ownership of the general partnership interest of Silvercrest L.P. As a result, we intend to fund our initial dividend, as well as any future dividend, from our \_\_\_\_\_ % portion of the distributions from Silvercrest L.P. (or \_\_\_\_\_ % portion if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). If Silvercrest L.P. makes distributions to its partners, holders of Class B units will be entitled to receive equivalent distributions on a pro rata basis.

All of the foregoing is subject to the qualification that the declaration and payment of any distributions by Silvercrest L.P. are at our sole discretion, as general partner, and we may change our distribution policy at any time.

In addition, the declaration and payment of any dividends to our stockholders will be at the sole discretion of our board of directors. Our board or directors may decide not to declare a dividend on our Class A common stock even if Silvercrest L.P. makes a distribution to its partners, including Silvercrest. In determining whether to make a dividend payment to our Class A stockholders, our board of directors will take into account:

our financial results as well as the financial results of Silvercrest L.P.;

our available cash and anticipated cash needs;

the capital requirements of our company and our direct and indirect subsidiaries (including Silvercrest L.P.);

contractual, legal, tax and regulatory restrictions on, and implications of, the payment of dividends by us to our stockholders or by our direct and indirect subsidiaries (including Silvercrest L.P.) to us;

general economic and business conditions; and

such other factors as our board of directors may deem relevant.

Neither we nor any of our direct or indirect subsidiaries has any debt obligations that limit our or its ability to pay dividends or distributions. However, pursuant to its second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, Silvercrest L.P. may not make any distributions to its partners, including us, if doing so would violate any agreement to which it is then a party or any law then applicable to it, have the effect of rendering it insolvent or result in it having net capital lower than that required by applicable law.

Our dividend policy has certain risks and limitations, particularly with respect to liquidity. Although we expect to pay dividends according to our dividend policy, we may not pay dividends according to our policy, or at all, if, among other things, we do not have the cash necessary to pay our intended dividends. By paying cash dividends rather than saving or investing that cash, we risk, among other things, slowing the pace of our growth and having insufficient cash to fund our operations or unanticipated capital expenditures.

**Silvercrest L.P.'s Historical Distributions**

Prior to the completion of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. was owned by 37 of its current employees, two former employees and one outside investor. All decisions regarding the amount and timing of distributions were made by Silvercrest GP LLC as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. prior to this offering, based on an assessment of appropriate amounts of distributions, taking into account Silvercrest L.P.'s capital needs, as

well as actual and potential earnings.

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Silvercrest L.P. made distributions to its partners of \$13.7 million and \$7.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$14.8 million, \$10.0 million, \$5.9 million, \$7.4 million, and \$12.9 million during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its existing partners in the aggregate amount of approximately \$        million representing its undistributed earnings generated prior to the date of this offering. Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. and will not be funded by any of the proceeds of this offering. Purchasers in this offering will not be entitled to receive any portion of this distribution and such distribution may not be indicative of the amount of any future distributions.

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The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of March 31, 2013 (1) on an actual basis for Silvercrest L.P. and (2) on a pro forma basis for Silvercrest after giving effect to the transactions described under Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information, including the reorganization and the application of the net proceeds from this offering (assuming no exercise of the underwriters option to purchase additional shares). The table below should be read in conjunction with Use of Proceeds, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and the historical consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	As of March 31, 2013	
	Silvercrest L.P. Actual	Silvercrest Pro Forma (unaudited)
	(dollars in thousands)	
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	\$ 4,355	\$
Total long-term debt, including current portion	4,350	
Total redeemable equity	111,048	
Total (deficit) equity	(79,204)	
Total capitalization	\$ 36,194	\$

- (1) Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its existing limited partners of previously undistributed earnings in the aggregate amount of approximately \$ million. Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. at the time of the reorganization but before the consummation of this offering and will not be funded by any of the proceeds of this offering. The pro forma effect of the reorganization and the offering on Cash and cash equivalents does not reflect the undistributed earnings and cash which we have accumulated subsequent to March 31, 2013. The \$ million distribution will be paid from cash on hand at March 31, 2013 and cash and undistributed earnings that have been generated subsequent to March 31, 2013. This distribution is reflected in the Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. Consolidated Pro Forma column of the Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition as of March 31, 2013 included in Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information included elsewhere in this prospectus.

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**DILUTION**

If you invest in our Class A common stock, your interest will be diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per share of our Class A common stock and the pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share of our Class A common stock upon completion of this offering.

Our pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value (deficit) as of March 31, 2013 was approximately \$( ) million, or approximately \$( ) per share of our Class A common stock. Pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share represents the amount of total tangible assets less total liabilities, after giving effect to the reorganization and the distribution by Silvercrest L.P. to its pre-offering partners of some of its retained profits as of the date of the closing of this offering.

After giving effect to the sale by us of shares of Class A common stock in this offering at the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus) after deducting assumed underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us and the assumed exchange of all Class B units held by our principals that will be outstanding immediately after the reorganization for the corresponding number of shares of our Class A common stock, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value at March 31, 2013 was \$ million, or \$ per share of our Class A common stock. This represents an immediate increase in net tangible book value of \$ per share to our existing stockholders and an immediate dilution of \$ per share to the new investors purchasing shares in this offering. The following table illustrates this per share dilution:

Assumed initial public offering price per share of Class A common stock	\$
Pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share of Class A common stock at March 31, 2013	\$
Increase in pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share of Class A common stock attributable to new investors	\$
Pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share after this offering	\$
Dilution in pro forma, as adjusted net tangible book value per share of Class A common stock to new investors	\$

The following table sets forth, on the same pro forma, as adjusted basis at March 31, 2013, the number of shares of Class A common stock purchased from us and the total consideration and the average price per share paid by existing equity holders, which consist of the principals, and by new investors purchasing Class A common stock in this offering, assuming that all principals who hold Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. immediately after the consummation of the reorganization have exchanged all their Class B units for the corresponding number of shares of our Class A common stock:

	Shares Purchased		Total Consideration		Average Price
	Number	Percent	Amount	Percent	Per Share
Existing equity holders		%	\$	%	\$
New investors					
<b>Total</b>		<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>

A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share would increase (decrease) total consideration paid by new investors by \$ million, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

If the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value will increase to \$ per share, representing an increase to existing holders of \$ per share, and there will be an immediate dilution of \$ per share to new investors.



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**SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA**

The following tables set forth selected historical combined consolidated financial and other data of Silvercrest L.P., which is deemed to be our predecessor for accounting purposes, as of the dates and for the periods indicated. As discussed elsewhere in this prospectus, Silvercrest L.P. was formed on December 10, 2008 and commenced operations on January 1, 2009. For reporting purposes, all balances of Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC, the accounting predecessor to Silvercrest L.P., were carried over to Silvercrest L.P. at their carrying values on December 31, 2008. The selected consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and the consolidated statements of financial position data as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 have been derived from the Silvercrest L.P. and subsidiaries audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The consolidated statement of operations data for the year ended December 31, 2009 and the consolidated statement of financial position data as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 has been derived from consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. and subsidiaries not included in this prospectus. The selected consolidated statements of operations data for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the consolidated statement of financial position data as of December 31, 2008 have been derived from the unaudited consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC and subsidiaries not included in this prospectus.

The selected consolidated statements of operations data for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the selected consolidated statements of financial condition data as of March 31, 2013 have been derived from the Silvercrest L.P. unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary selected consolidated statement of financial condition data as of March 31, 2012 have been derived from the Silvercrest L.P. unaudited condensed consolidated statement of financial condition as of March 31, 2012, not included in this prospectus. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on substantially the same basis as our annual consolidated financial statements and include all adjustments that we consider necessary for a fair presentation of our consolidated results of operations and financial condition for the periods and as of the date presented. Our results for the three months ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of our results for a full fiscal year.

You should read the following selected historical consolidated financial data together with The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the historical combined consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. In the following table, dollars are in thousands, except assets under management which is in billions.

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	Historical Silvercrest L.P.					Pro Forma Silvercrest			
	2012	Years Ended December 31,			2008 (1)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Year Ended December 31,	Three Months Ended March 31,
	2011	2010	2009		2013	2012	2012	2013	
<b>Statements of operations data:</b>									
<b>Revenue:</b>									
Management and advisory fees	\$ 46,069	\$ 37,869	\$ 32,442	\$ 29,341	\$ 40,987	\$ 12,457	\$ 10,682		
Performance fees and allocations	714	85	548	96	75	3			
Family office services	4,907	4,833	3,841	3,097	2,019	1,225	1,198		
Total revenue	51,690	42,787	36,831	32,534	43,081	13,685	11,880		
<b>Expenses:</b>									
Compensation and benefits	19,108	17,492	16,528	15,630	18,399	5,201	4,768		
General and administrative	13,680	10,849	9,459	13,006	11,943	2,710	2,566		
Impairment charges				1,691	9,599				
Total expenses	32,788	28,341	25,987	30,327	39,941	7,911	7,334		
<b>Income before other income (expense), net</b>	18,902	14,446	10,844	2,207	3,140	5,774	4,546		
<b>Other income (expense), net:</b>									
Gain on extinguishment of debt				3,934					
Gain on settlement with former Long Champ shareholders				1,470					
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable		(34)	(508)						
Other income (expense)	123	(210)	32			29	32		
Interest income	145	187	231	213	358	27	45		
Interest expense	(304)	(164)	(241)	(467)	(613)	(37)	(64)		
Change in value of options granted to equity holders				134	796				
Equity income (loss) from investments	1,911	950	1,241	274	(247)				
Total other income (expense), net	1,875	729	755	5,558	294	19	13		
<b>Income before (provision) benefit for income taxes</b>	20,777	15,175	11,599	7,765	3,434	5,793	4,559		
(Provision) benefit for income taxes	(1,057)	(566)	(657)	321	(1,062)	(329)	(270)		
<b>Net income</b>	\$ 19,720	\$ 14,609	\$ 10,942	\$ 8,086	\$ 2,372	\$ 5,464	\$ 4,289		
<b>Selected statements of financial position data:</b>									
Total assets	\$ 52,454	\$ 45,262	\$ 33,079	\$ 29,964	\$ 37,719	\$ 45,037	\$ 40,454		
Notes payable	3,315	4,809	2,957	7,120	8,855	4,350	4,362		
Total liabilities	14,317	15,751	12,490	14,893	23,282	13,193	12,645		
Redeemable partners /members capital	98,607	85,177	45,619	34,219	83,377	111,048	80,919		
Partners /members deficit/Stockholders equity	(60,470)	(55,666)	(25,030)	(19,148)	(68,940)	(79,204)	(53,110)		
Non-controlling interests									



**Selected unaudited  
operating data:**

Assets under management (in billions) (2)	\$ 11.2	\$ 10.1	\$ 9.2	\$ 8.8	\$ 7.8	\$ 13.6	\$ 11.1
Adjusted EBITDA (3)	\$ 14,702	\$ 10,839	\$ 9,068	\$ 6,499	\$ 7,107	\$ 4,137	\$ 3,447
Adjusted EBITDA margin (4)	28.4%	25.3%	24.6%	20.0%	16.5%	30.2%	29.0%

- (1) Effective January 1, 2009, each of the members of Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC, or SAMG LLC, contributed their limited liability company interests in SAMG LLC to Silvercrest L.P. in return for limited partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P., and membership interests in Silvercrest GP LLC. As a result of the reorganization SAMG LLC became a wholly owned subsidiary of Silvercrest L.P. The reorganization was accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control.
- (2) As of the last day of the period.
- (3) To provide investors with additional insight, promote transparency and allow for a more comprehensive understanding of the information used by management in its financial and operational decision-making, we supplement our consolidated financial statements presented on a GAAP basis with Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure of earnings. EBITDA represents net income before income tax expense, interest income, interest expense, depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA without giving effect to professional fees associated with acquisitions or financing transactions, losses on forgiveness of notes receivable from our principals, gains on extinguishment of debt or other obligations related to acquisitions, impairment charges and losses on disposals or abandonment of assets and leaseholds, client reimbursements and fund redemption costs, severance and other similar expenses, but including partner incentive allocations as an expense. Our management uses Adjusted EBITDA as a financial measure to evaluate the profitability and efficiency of our business model. We use this non-GAAP financial measure to assess the strength of the underlying operations of our business. These adjustments, and the non-GAAP financial measure that is derived from them, provide supplemental information to analyze our operations between periods and over time. Investors should consider our non-GAAP financial measure in addition to, and not as a substitute for, financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.
- (4) Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by total revenue.

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The following table contains a reconciliation of net income to Adjusted EBITDA (amounts in thousands).

	Historical Silvercrest L.P.					Pro Forma Silvercrest		
	2012	Years Ended December 31,			2008 (1)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Year Ended
		2011	2010	2009		2013	2012	December 31,
							2012	2013
<b>Reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measure:</b>								
Net income	\$ 19,720	\$ 14,609	\$ 10,942	\$ 8,086	\$ 2,372	\$ 5,464	\$ 4,289	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1,057	566	657	(321)	1,062	329	270	
Interest expense	304	164	241	467	613	37	64	
Interest income	(145)	(187)	(231)	(213)	(358)	(27)	(45)	
Partner/member incentive allocations (A)	(12,129)	(8,775)	(5,173)	(2,591)	(7,171)	(2,880)	(2,027)	
Non-performance fee related equity method (gains) losses					247			
Depreciation and amortization	1,918	1,469	1,379	1,531	1,539	449	475	
Equity-based compensation	1,416	1,060	583			628	431	
Other adjustments (B)	2,561	1,933	670	(460)	8,803	137	(10)	
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 14,702</b>	<b>\$ 10,839</b>	<b>\$ 9,068</b>	<b>\$ 6,499</b>	<b>\$ 7,107</b>	<b>\$ 4,137</b>	<b>\$ 3,447</b>	

- (A) Partner/member incentive allocations have historically been treated as distributions of net income and recorded when paid. Upon the completion of the reorganization and this offering, we will account for partner incentive payments as an expense in our statement of operations and have reflected the related adjustments in our pro forma financial information. Accordingly, this will have the effect of increasing compensation expense relative to the amounts that have been recorded historically in our financial statements. See Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information.
- (B) Other adjustments consist of the following:

	Years Ended December 31,					Three Months Ended	
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	March 31,	2012
						2013	
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable (a)	\$	\$ 34	\$ 508	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gain on extinguishment of debt (b)				(3,934)			
Gain on settlement with former LongChamp shareholders (b)				(926)			
Write-off of LongChamp revenue (b)			64	557			
Loss on sub-lease (c)	(85)	150				(21)	(21)
Lease abandonment (reversal)/charge (d)	(662)			1,154			
Goodwill, intangible, and fixed asset impairment charge (e)				1,691	9,599		
Client reimbursement	12			1,132			
Fund redemption costs (f)	(4)	827					9
IPO professional fees	2,892	578				8	2
Acquisition costs (g)	121	222				51	
Severance	79	69	100				
Change in value of options granted to equity holders (h)				(134)	(796)		
Other (i)	208	53	(2)			99	
<b>Total other adjustments</b>	<b>\$ 2,561</b>	<b>\$ 1,933</b>	<b>\$ 670</b>	<b>\$ (460)</b>	<b>\$ 8,803</b>	<b>\$ 137</b>	<b>\$ (10)</b>

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- (a) Represents remaining balance on notes originally issued in connection with the issuance of equity that were forgiven in connection with the termination of employee-partners.
- (b) In 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the former owners of LGI to close the business of LGI, which was acquired by us in 2007. All agreements between our company and the former owners of LGI were terminated. LGI was ultimately wound down in 2009.
- (c) Reflects the subsequent amortization and an initial charge taken for the difference, on a present value basis, between the per square foot rental rate for our company's primary lease and a sub-lease that we signed in 2011 with a sub-tenant for our headquarters in New York.

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- (d) Reflects a charge and subsequent reversal for the remaining rent expense on a portion of our unutilized space at our headquarters that we abandoned in 2009 and reoccupied in May 2012. A portion of this space is subleased through September 29, 2017.
- (e) Includes goodwill and intangibles impairment charges related to the closing of our LGI business. Also reflects an impairment charge related to the write-off of leasehold improvements in the abandoned space in 2009.
- (f) Includes the costs associated with the reimbursement to one of our funds for the difference between the value of certain investor redemptions and the actual proceeds of the underlying securities in 2012 and 2011.
- (g) Reflects the legal and accounting fees associated with the closing of the Ten-Sixty acquisition in 2013, the Commodity Advisors acquisition in 2012 and the Milbank acquisition that were expensed in 2011. Also reflects expenses related to relocating Milbank personnel and operations to our headquarters that were incurred during the year ended December 31, 2012.
- (h) Reflects the change in fair value of options that were granted to previous equity holders to purchase membership in SAMG LLC. The options expired on April 30, 2010.
- (i) For the three months ended March 31, 2013, represents the accrual of Quarterly Income Payments, as defined in the purchase agreement related to the Commodity Advisors acquisition. For the year ended December 31, 2012, represents a fair value adjustment to the Milbank contingent consideration of (\$42), a non-recurring catch-up operating escalation from our landlord of \$97, and \$153 of expenses incurred related to our 10th anniversary client event. In 2011, professional fees related to the Milbank acquisition and a Silvercrest fund.

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**UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The following unaudited consolidated pro forma financial statements present the consolidated results of operations and financial condition of Silvercrest and its predecessor, Silvercrest L.P., assuming that all of the transactions described in the three bullet points below had been completed as of January 1, 2012 with respect to the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of operations data for the year ended December 31, 2012, and for the three months ended March 31, 2013, respectively, and as of March 31, 2013, with respect to the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of financial condition data as of March 31, 2013. The pro forma adjustments are based on available information and upon assumptions that our management believes are reasonable in order to reflect, on a pro forma basis, the impact of these transactions and this offering on the historical financial information of Silvercrest L.P.

The pro forma adjustments principally give effect to the following transactions:

the reorganization described in The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure, which will occur prior to the consummation of this offering, including our agreement to return 85% of the tax benefits that we receive as a result of our ability to step up our tax basis in the partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. that we acquire from our partners and including the distribution by Silvercrest L.P. of approximately \$ million to its existing partners prior to the consummation of this offering;

the amendment of the partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., effective as of the consummation of this offering, to eliminate the call and put rights of Silvercrest L.P. and its partners, respectively upon a partner's death, or, if applicable, termination of employment, which required all partnership units to be classified as temporary equity in Silvercrest L.P.'s consolidated financial statements; and

the sale of shares of our Class A common stock in this offering at an assumed offering price of \$ per share (the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus) and the application of the proceeds therefrom, after payment of assumed underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us (assuming no exercise of the underwriters option to purchase additional shares).

The unaudited consolidated pro forma financial information of Silvercrest and its predecessor should be read together with The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the historical consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The unaudited consolidated pro forma financial information is included for informational purposes only and does not purport to reflect our results of operations or financial condition that would have occurred had we operated as a public company during the periods presented. The unaudited consolidated pro forma financial information should not be relied upon as being indicative of our results of operations or financial condition had the transactions contemplated in connection with the reorganization and this offering been completed on the dates assumed. The unaudited consolidated pro forma financial information also does not project the results of operations or financial condition for any future period or date.

All dollar amounts in the following unaudited consolidated pro forma financial information are presented in thousands, except for per share amounts and except as otherwise indicated.

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	Silvercrest L.P. Historical	Reorganization Adjustments (1)	Reorganization Adjustment Pro Forma Note	As Adjusted Before Offering	Offering Adjustments (2)	Offering Adjustments Pro Forma Note	Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. Consolidated Pro Forma
<b>Revenue:</b>							
Management and advisory fees	\$ 46,069	\$		\$	\$		\$
Performance fees and allocations	714						
Family office services	4,907						
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>51,690</b>						
<b>Expenses:</b>							
Compensation and benefits	19,108						
General and administrative	13,680						
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>32,788</b>						
Income before other income (expenses)	18,902						
<b>Other income (expense):</b>							
Other income	123						
Interest income	145						
Interest expense	(304)						
Equity income from investments	1,911						
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>1,875</b>						
Income before provision for income taxes	20,777						
Provision for income taxes	(1,057)						
Net income (excluding non-recurring charges)	19,720						
Less: net income attributable to non-controlling interests							
<b>Net income attributable to Silvercrest</b>	<b>\$ 19,720</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>
<b>Net income per share:</b>							
Basic							\$

Diluted	\$
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding:</b>	
Basic	\$
Diluted	\$

**(1) Reorganization Adjustments:**

(A) Reflects the adjustment to treat our historical partner incentive payments of \$ , which were recorded as distributions when paid prior to this offering, as compensation expense.

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(B) Reflects an adjustment to eliminate interest income earned on the partner notes receivable from named executive officers as if such notes had been repaid January 1, 2012. Such notes were repaid on September 18, 2012 and April 17, 2013.

**(2) Offering Adjustments:**

(A) Reflects the impact of federal, state and local income taxes on the income of Silvercrest. The pro forma effective income tax rate is estimated to be approximately % and was determined by combining the projected federal, state and local income taxes.

Historically, as a flow through entity, Silvercrest L.P. has not been subject to U.S. federal and certain state income taxes, however it has been subject to the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax. As a result of our reorganization, we will become subject to U.S. federal and certain state income taxes applicable to C-Corporations. The provision for income taxes differs from the amount of income tax computed by applying the applicable U.S. statutory federal income tax rate to income before provision for income taxes as follows:

	<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands)</b>
Provision at federal statutory rate	
State and local income taxes, net of federal	
Other permanent items	
Rate benefit from the flow through entity (1)	
Provision for income taxes	

(1) Rate benefit from the flow through entity is calculated principally by multiplying the consolidated pro forma income before tax by the percentage of non-controlling interests (%) represented by the Class B units and deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. and the federal and state statutory rates. The pro forma income before tax attributable to the non-controlling interests would be subject to New York City Unincorporated Business tax at the consolidated level at a statutory rate of 4.0%. The federal and state income taxes on the earnings attributable to the Class B units and deferred equity units will be payable directly by the principals of Silvercrest L.P. who hold such units. The table above includes certain book to tax differences such as losses recorded on sub-leases and meals and entertainment which represent permanent differences. These differences are recognized at the level of the flow through entity, Silvercrest L.P., which indirectly benefit Silvercrest by reducing the effective income tax rate.

(B) Represents the non-controlling interest allocation of % (assuming no exercise of the underwriters option to purchase additional shares) of the net income of Silvercrest to Silvercrest L.P. The percentage is based on the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. to be outstanding after the offering and the unvested deferred equity units (which share in Silvercrest L.P. s earnings as if vested). All unit amounts set forth below give effect to the unit distribution to be made to the existing limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. subsequent to the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part in connection with the reorganization. The percentage of ownership interests (including deferred equity units) held by each existing limited partner will not be changed by the unit distribution. The pro forma effect of the unit distribution if it had occurred as of December 31, 2012 would result in units being outstanding after the distribution for each one unit outstanding prior to the distribution (including deferred equity units).

The elimination of the put and call rights associated with the existing limited partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. that will occur as part of the reorganization result in a modification of the terms of the deferred equity units.



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Such modification will not result in an increase in the fair value of the deferred equity units and therefore no incremental compensation charge is required to be reflected in the pro forma consolidated statement of operations.

(dollars in thousands)	Units Outstanding Excluding Deferred Equity Units	Units Outstanding Including Deferred Equity Units
Class B units to be outstanding		
Outstanding deferred equity units at December 31, 2012		
<b>Total units attributable to non-controlling interest</b>		
Total units to be outstanding		
Non-controlling interest allocation	%	%
Income before provision for income taxes		\$
Non-controlling interest allocation		%
Non-controlling interest income before provision for income taxes		
Non-controlling portion of provision for income taxes (1)		
<b>Net income attributable to non-controlling interests</b>		<b>\$</b>

(1) The non-controlling portion of provision for income taxes of (\$ ) for the period ended December 31, 2012, is calculated by multiplying the pro forma provision for income taxes for Silvercrest L.P. of (\$ ) by the non-controlling interest allocation percentage of %.

(C) Calculation of Earnings per Class A Share

For purposes of calculating the pro forma net income per Class A share, the number of Class A shares of Silvercrest outstanding are calculated as follows:

Incremental shares of Class A common stock (1)
Shares of Class A common stock outstanding immediately after this offering
<b>Total pro forma Class A shares of Silvercrest for purposes of calculating pro forma net income per Class A share</b>

(1) Represents incremental Class A shares whose proceeds are assumed to fund the cash distribution to our existing principals as such distribution exceeds current year pro forma earnings.

Distribution prior to offering	\$
Pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest	\$
<b>Distribution in excess of pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest</b>	<b>\$</b>
Initial public offering price per share	\$
<b>Incremental shares of Class A common stock</b>	
Shares of Class A common stock outstanding immediately after this offering	

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Total pro forma Class A shares of Silvercrest for purposes of calculating pro forma net income per Class A share

The pro forma basic and diluted net income per Class A share is calculated as follows (Dollars in thousands, except per share data):

	<b>Basic</b>	<b>Diluted</b>
Pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest (2)	\$	\$
Weighted average common shares outstanding		
Pro forma net income per Class A share	\$	\$

- (2) Our shares of Class B common stock do not share in our earnings and are therefore not included in the weighted average shares outstanding or net income per share. Furthermore, no pro forma effect was given to

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the future potential exchanges of the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals that will be outstanding immediately after the consummation of the reorganization and the offering for a corresponding number of shares of our Class A common stock because the issuance of shares of Class A common stock upon these exchanges would not be dilutive.

Employee bonuses and related payroll taxes of \$ are expected to be paid in conjunction with the completion of this offering but have not been reflected in the unaudited pro forma statement of operations given the non-recurring nature of these payments.

**Table of Contents****UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**

AS OF MARCH 31, 2013

	Silvercrest L.P. Historical	Reorganization Adjustments (1)	Reorganization Adjustment Pro Forma Note	As Adjusted Before Offering	Offering Adjustments (2)	Offering Adjustments Pro Forma Note	Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. Consolidated Pro Forma
<b>Assets:</b>							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,355	\$		\$	\$		\$
Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow	1,275						
Investments	84						
Receivables, net	3,307						
Due from Silvercrest Funds	1,220						
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	1,990						
Goodwill	18,124						
Intangible assets, net	13,759						
Prepaid expenses and other assets	923						
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 45,037</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>
<b>Liabilities, Redeemable Partners Capital and Partners Deficit:</b>							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 4,752	\$		\$	\$		\$
Accrued compensation	1,438						
Notes payable	4,350						
Deferred rent	2,139						
Deferred tax and other liabilities	514						
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>13,193</b>						
Redeemable partners capital	113,764						
Notes receivable from partners	(2,716)						
<b>Total redeemable partners capital</b>	<b>111,048</b>						
<b>Partners Capital/Stockholders Equity:</b>							
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01, 10,000,000 shares authorized; and zero shares issued and outstanding, as adjusted							
Class A Common stock, par value \$0.01, 50,000,000 shares authorized; and shares issued and outstanding, as adjusted							
Class B Common stock, par value \$0.01, 25,000,000 shares authorized; and shares issued and outstanding, as adjusted							
Additional paid-in capital							
Partners capital	48,915						

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Excess of liabilities, redeemable  
 partners capital and partners capital  
 over assets (128,119)

Total partners deficit/ stockholders  
 equity (79,204)  
 Non-controlling interests

**Total liabilities, redeemable  
 partners capital and partners  
 deficit/stockholders equity** \$ 45,037 \$ \$ \$ \$

**Table of Contents****UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS****FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2013**

	Silvercrest L.P. Historical	Reorganization Adjustments (1)	Reorganization Adjustment Pro Forma Note	As Adjusted Before Offering	Offering Adjustments (2)	Offering Adjustments Pro Forma Note	Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. Consolidated Pro Forma
<b>Revenue:</b>							
Management and advisory fees	\$ 12,457	\$		\$	\$		\$
Performance fees and allocations	3						
Family office services	1,225						
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>13,685</b>						
<b>Expenses:</b>							
Compensation and benefits	5,201						
General and administrative	2,710						
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>7,911</b>						
Income before other income (expenses)	5,774						
<b>Other income (expense):</b>							
Other income	29						
Interest income	27						
Interest expense	(37)						
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>19</b>						
Income before provision for income taxes	5,793						
Provision for income taxes	(329)						
Net income (excluding non-recurring charges)	5,464						
Less: net income attributable to non-controlling interests							
<b>Net income attributable to Silvercrest</b>	<b>\$ 5,464</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>
<b>Net income per share:</b>							
Basic							\$
Diluted							\$
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding:</b>							
Basic							\$

Diluted

\$

**(1) Reorganization Adjustments:**

(A) Represents the reclassification of notes receivable from partners of \$ from redeemable partners capital to partners capital. Also reflects an adjustment of \$ to eliminate interest income earned on the partner notes receivable of \$167 from named executive officers, which were repaid on April 17, 2013.

(B) Represents an accrual for the cash distribution to be paid to our existing principals prior to the consummation of this offering.

(C) In the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of financial condition, the adjustment reflects the treatment of our historical partner incentive payments of \$ , that were recorded as distributions when paid

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prior to the reorganization and this offering, as compensation expense. An adjustment of \$        is reflected to reclassify to partners' capital, the liability related to deferred equity units that will no longer be considered liability awards upon completion of the reorganization. This treatment results from the amendment to the Silvercrest L.P. limited partnership agreement prior to the completion of this offering to remove the call and put rights of Silvercrest L.P. and its partners, respectively.

(D) Represents the elimination of redeemable partners' capital of \$       , partners' capital of \$        and excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partners' capital over assets of \$       , as the Silvercrest L.P. limited partnership agreement will be amended prior to the completion of this offering to remove the call and put rights of Silvercrest L.P. and its partners, respectively.

(E) Reflects the adjustment to treat our historical partner incentive payments of \$       , which were recorded as distributions when paid prior to this offering, as compensation expense.

**(2) Offering Adjustments:**

(A) From this offering, we expect to receive net proceeds from our sale of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of approximately \$       , including (i) the par value of Class A and Class B common stock of \$        and \$       , respectively, (ii) the additional paid-in capital representing the gross proceeds of \$        less the amount attributable to the par value of Class A and Class B common stock of \$        and \$       , respectively, and (iii) the deduction from additional paid-in capital of \$        related to the underwriting discount and \$        of estimated expenses, of which \$        have been previously incurred that we had deferred and included in prepaid expenses and other assets on our Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition. The gross proceeds are based on the initial public offering price of \$        per share (the midpoint in the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus), after deducting assumed underwriting discounts of \$        and estimated offering expenses payable by us of \$       , of which (assuming no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares) \$        have been previously incurred that we had deferred and included in, prepaid expenses and other assets in our Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition. We intend to use approximately \$        of the net proceeds from this offering to purchase        Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from certain of its existing limited partners. The purchase price for the Class B units will be determined by the public offering price of our Class A common stock in this offering, less the underwriting discounts of \$        and offering expenses of \$        incurred by us on a per share basis. We intend to use the remaining net proceeds of this offering, including any proceeds from the exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional Class A units from Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest L.P. will use such proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include business operations, investments in our business, the development of new investment strategies and strategic acquisitions. The purchase of additional Class A units from Silvercrest L.P. will dilute the ownership interest of the holders of Class B units in Silvercrest L.P.

Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its existing limited partners of previously undistributed earnings in the aggregate amount of approximately \$       . Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. at March 31, 2013 and undistributed earnings and cash accumulated by Silvercrest L.P. subsequent to March 31, 2013, and will not be funded by any of the proceeds of this offering. Purchasers in this offering will not be entitled to receive any portion of this distribution and such distribution may not be indicative of the amount of any future distributions.



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The non-controlling interests in the equity of Silvercrest L.P. consist of the following components:

<b>(dollars in thousands)</b>	
Purchase of Class B units	\$
Partner distribution of undistributed earnings just prior to the reorganization	
Partner incentive compensation expense	
Deferred equity units and performance units	
Notes receivable from partners	
Redeemable partners' capital before the reorganization	
Partners' capital before the reorganization	
Excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partners' capital over assets before the reorganization	\$

(B) We will enter into a tax receivable agreement with the principals of Silvercrest L.P., and any future holders of Class B units, that will require us to pay them 85% of the amount of cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal, state and local income tax that we actually realize (or are deemed to realize in the case of an early termination payment by us, or a change in control, as discussed below) as a result of the increases in tax basis and certain other tax benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement, including tax benefits attributable to payments under the tax receivable agreement. This will be our obligation and not the obligation of Silvercrest L.P. Not all current partners who are selling units pursuant to the offering will participate in the tax receivable agreement. Those partners who sell their entire interests are not party to the tax receivable agreement. The portion of the deferred tax asset of \$ resulting from the offering, attributable to those partners who are part of the tax receivable agreement is \$. This amount was calculated by giving consideration to several different basis layers which exist within the units offered (and thus being inherited) as well as giving consideration to deferred tax benefits generated from the tax benefits attributable to payments under the tax receivable agreement. The liability to be recognized for the tax receivable agreement is \$ or % of the deferred tax asset which has been recognized from the increase in tax basis and certain other tax benefits related to those partners entering into the tax receivable agreement. This liability is included in pro forma other liabilities. We expect to benefit from the remaining 15% of cash savings, if any, realized. The term of the tax

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receivable agreement will commence upon consummation of this offering and will continue until (i) all such tax benefits have been utilized or expired, (ii) the tax receivable agreement with a principal automatically terminates due to a breach by such principal of his or her non-solicitation covenants with our company, or (iii) the termination by our company of a principal with cause, unless we exercise our right to terminate the tax receivable agreement for an amount based on an agreed-upon value of payments remaining to be made under the agreement.

The total deferred tax asset and tax receivable agreement liability pro forma adjustments are \$        and \$       , respectively. The excess of the deferred tax asset pro forma adjustment over the tax receivable agreement liability pro forma adjustment of \$        is recorded as additional paid-in capital.

(C) Reflects the impact of federal, state and local income taxes on the income of Silvercrest. The pro forma effective income tax rate is estimated to be approximately   % and was determined by combining the projected federal, state and local income taxes.

Historically, as a flow through entity, Silvercrest L.P. has not been subject to U.S. federal and certain state income taxes, however it has been subject to the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax. As a result of our reorganization, we will become subject to U.S. federal and certain state income taxes applicable to C-Corporations. The provision for income taxes differs from the amount of income tax computed by applying the applicable U.S. statutory federal income tax rate to income before provision for income taxes as follows:

<b>For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 (dollars in thousands)</b>
Provision at federal statutory rate
State and local income taxes, net of federal
Other permanent items
Rate benefit from the flow through entity (1)
Provision for income taxes

(1) Rate benefit from the flow through entity is calculated principally by multiplying the consolidated pro forma income before tax by the percentage of non-controlling interests (%) represented by the Class B units and deferred equity units of Silvercrest L.P. and the federal and state statutory rates. The pro forma income before tax attributable to the non-controlling interests would be subject to New York City Unincorporated Business tax at the consolidated level at a statutory rate of 4.0%. The federal and state income taxes on the earnings attributable to the Class B units and deferred equity units will be payable directly by the principals of Silvercrest L.P. who hold such units. The table above includes certain book to tax differences such as losses recorded on sub-leases and meals and entertainment which represent permanent differences. These differences are recognized at the level of the flow through entity, Silvercrest L.P., which indirectly benefit Silvercrest by reducing the effective income tax rate.

(D) Represents the non-controlling interest allocation of   % (assuming no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares) of the net income of Silvercrest to Silvercrest L.P. The percentage is based on the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. to be outstanding after the offering and the unvested deferred equity units (which share in Silvercrest L.P.'s earnings as if vested). All unit amounts set forth below give effect to the unit distribution to be made to the existing limited partners of Silvercrest L.P. subsequent to the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part in connection with the reorganization. The percentage of ownership interests (including deferred equity units) held by each existing limited partner will not be changed by the unit distribution. The pro forma effect of the unit distribution if it had occurred as of March 31, 2013 would result in        units being outstanding after the distribution for each one unit outstanding prior to the distribution (including deferred equity units).

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The elimination of the put and call rights associated with the existing limited partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. that will occur as part of the reorganization result in a modification of the terms of the deferred equity units. Such modification will not result in an increase in the fair value of the deferred equity units and therefore no incremental compensation charge is required to be reflected in the pro forma consolidated statement of operations.

(dollars in thousands)	Units Outstanding Excluding Deferred Equity Units	Units Outstanding Including Deferred Equity Units
Class B units to be outstanding		
Outstanding deferred equity units at March 31, 2013		
Total units attributable to non-controlling interest		
Total units to be outstanding		
Non-controlling interest allocation	%	%
Income before provision for income taxes		\$
Non-controlling interest allocation		%
Non-controlling interest income before provision for income taxes		
Non-controlling portion of provision for income taxes (1)		
<b>Net income attributable to non-controlling interests</b>		<b>\$</b>

(1) The non-controlling portion of provision for income taxes of (\$ ) for the period ended March 31, 2013, is calculated by multiplying the pro forma provision for income taxes for Silvercrest L.P. of (\$ ) by the non-controlling interest allocation percentage of %.

(E) Calculation of Earnings per Class A Share

For purposes of calculating the pro forma net income per Class A share, the number of Class A shares of Silvercrest outstanding are calculated as follows:

Incremental shares of Class A common stock (1)

Shares of Class A common stock outstanding immediately after this offering

Total pro forma Class A shares of Silvercrest for purposes of calculating pro forma net income per Class A share

(1) Represents incremental Class A shares whose proceeds are assumed to fund the cash distribution to our existing principals as such distribution exceeds current year pro forma earnings.

Distribution prior to offering	\$
Pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest	\$
Distribution in excess of pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest	\$
Initial public offering price per share	\$
Incremental shares of Class A common stock	
Shares of Class A common stock outstanding immediately after this offering	

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Total pro forma Class A shares of Silvercrest for purposes of calculating pro forma net income per Class A share

The pro forma basic and diluted net income per Class A share is calculated as follows (Dollars in thousands, except per share data):

	<b>Basic</b>	<b>Diluted</b>
Pro forma net income attributable to Silvercrest (2)	\$	\$
Weighted average common shares outstanding		
Pro forma net income per Class A share	\$	\$

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(2) Our shares of Class B common stock do not share in our earnings and are therefore not included in the weighted average shares outstanding or net income per share. Furthermore, no pro forma effect was given to the future potential exchanges of the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals that will be outstanding immediately after the consummation of the reorganization and the offering for a corresponding number of shares of our Class A common stock because the issuance of shares of Class A common stock upon these exchanges would not be dilutive.

Employee bonuses and related payroll taxes of \$ are expected to be paid in conjunction with the completion of this offering but have not been reflected in the unaudited pro forma statement of operations given the non-recurring nature of these payments.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF  
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

*You should read this discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operation in conjunction with our Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data and our historical financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The information in this section contains forward-looking statements (see Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements). Our actual results may differ significantly from the results suggested by these forward-looking statements and from our historical results. Some factors that may cause our results to differ are described in the Risk Factors section of this prospectus. The historical financial data discussed below reflect the historical results of operations and financial condition of Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries and do not give effect to our reorganization. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure and Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information, included elsewhere in this prospectus, for a description of our reorganization and its effect on our historical results of operations.*

**Overview**

We are a premier, full-service wealth management firm focused on providing financial advisory and related family office services to ultra-high net worth individuals and endowments, foundations and other institutional investors. In addition to a wide range of investment capabilities, we offer a full suite of complementary and customized family office services for families seeking a comprehensive oversight of their financial affairs. During the three months ended March 31, 2013, our assets under management grew 21.4% from \$11.2 billion to \$13.6 billion. During the year ended December 31, 2012, our assets under management grew 10.9%, from \$10.1 billion to \$11.2 billion.

As part of the reorganization of our company occurring in connection with this offering, Silvercrest will become the general partner of Silvercrest, L.P., our operating company. In addition, the partnership units of all continuing partners of Silvercrest L.P. will be reclassified as Class B units that have equal economic rights to our shares of Class A common stock. After giving effect to the reorganization described above, we will hold approximately % of the partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares). The partners in Silvercrest L.P. following this offering, consisting of 37 of our current employees and two non-employee partners, will collectively hold the remaining approximately % of the partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % if the underwriters in full exercise their option to purchase additional shares). In addition, Silvercrest L.P. has issued deferred equity units exercisable for Class B units which entitle the holders thereof to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to the same extent as if the underlying Class B units were outstanding. Net profits and net losses of Silvercrest L.P. will be allocated, and distributions from Silvercrest L.P. will be made, to its current partners pro rata in accordance with their respective partnership units (and assuming the Class B units underlying all deferred equity units are outstanding). For more information on our reorganization, see The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure.

The historical results of operations discussed in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations are those of Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries. After the completion of the reorganization, as the general partner of Silvercrest L.P., we will control its business and affairs and, therefore, consolidate its financial results with ours. In light of our employees' collective % partnership interest in Silvercrest L.P. immediately after the reorganization and this offering (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), we will reflect the interests of these employees as a non-controlling interest in our consolidated financial statements. As a result, our net income, after amounts attributable to non-controlling interests, will represent % of Silvercrest L.P.'s net income (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), and similarly, outstanding shares of our Class A common stock will represent % of the outstanding partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares). For more

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information on the pro forma impact of our reorganization, see Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information.

**Key Performance Indicators**

When we review our performance, we focus on the indicators described below:

(in thousands except as indicated)	For the Years Ended December 31,			For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2013	2012
Revenue	\$ 51,690	\$ 42,787	\$ 36,831	\$ 13,685	\$ 11,880
Income before other income (expense), net	\$ 18,902	\$ 14,446	\$ 10,844	\$ 5,774	\$ 4,546
Net income	\$ 19,720	\$ 14,609	\$ 10,942	\$ 5,464	\$ 4,289
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	\$ 14,702	\$ 10,839	\$ 9,068	\$ 4,137	\$ 3,447
Adjusted EBITDA margin (2)	28.4%	25.3%	24.6%	30.2%	29.0%
Assets under management at period end (billions)	\$ 11.2	\$ 10.1	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.6	\$ 11.1
Average assets under management (billions) (3)	\$ 10.7	\$ 9.7	\$ 9.0	\$ 12.4	\$ 10.6

- (1) EBITDA represents net income before income tax expense, interest income, interest expense, depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA without giving effect to professional fees associated with acquisitions or financing transactions, losses on forgiveness of notes receivable from our principals, gains on extinguishment of debt or other obligations related to acquisitions, impairment charges and losses on disposals or abandonment of assets and leaseholds, client reimbursements and fund redemption costs, severance and other similar expenses, but including partner incentive allocations as an expense. See Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data for a further explanation of Adjusted EBITDA and its reconciliation to net income on a basis consistent with GAAP.
- (2) Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by total revenue.
- (3) We have computed average assets under management by averaging assets under management at the beginning of the applicable period and assets under management at the end of the applicable period.

**Revenue**

We generate revenue from management and advisory fees, performance fees, and family office services fees. Our management and advisory fees are generated by managing assets on behalf of separate accounts and acting as investment adviser for various investment funds. Our performance fees relate to assets managed in external investment strategies in which we have a revenue sharing arrangement and in funds in which we have no partnership interest. Our management and advisory fees and family office services fees income is recognized through the course of the period in which these services are provided. Income from performance fees is recorded at the conclusion of the contractual performance period when all contingencies are resolved. In certain arrangements, we are only entitled to receive performance fees and allocations when the return on assets under management exceeds certain benchmark returns or other performance targets.

The discretionary investment management agreements for our separately managed accounts do not have a specified term. Rather, each agreement may be terminated by either party at any time upon written notice of termination to the other party. The investment management agreements for our private funds are generally in effect from year to year, and may be terminated at the end of any year (or, in certain cases, on the anniversary of execution of the agreement) (i) by us upon 30 or 90 days prior written notice and (ii) after receiving the affirmative vote of a specified percentage of the investors in the private fund that are not affiliated with us, by the private fund on 60 or 90 days prior written notice. The investment management agreements for our private funds may also generally be terminated effective immediately by either party where the non-terminating party

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(i) commits a material breach of the terms subject, in certain cases, to a cure period, (ii) is found to have committed fraud, gross negligence or willful misconduct or (iii) terminates, become bankrupt, becomes insolvent or dissolves. Each of our investment management agreements contains customary indemnification obligations from us to our clients. The tables below set forth the amount of assets under management, the percentage of management and advisory fees revenues, the amount of revenue recognized, and the average assets under management for discretionary managed accounts and for private funds for each period presented.

**Discretionary Managed Accounts**

(in billions)	As of and for the Years Ended December 31,			As of and for the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2013	2012
AUM concentrated in Discretionary Managed Accounts (\$)	\$ 7.1	\$ 6.2	\$ 5.7	\$ 7.8	\$ 6.9
Average AUM For Discretionary Managed Accounts	\$ 6.7	\$ 6.0	\$ 5.5	\$ 7.5	\$ 6.6
Discretionary Managed Accounts Revenue (\$) (in millions)	\$ 37.6	\$ 32.5	\$ 27.5	\$ 10.3	\$ 8.7
Percentage of management and advisory fees revenue (%)	82%	86%	85%	83%	81%

**Private Funds**

(in billions)	As of and for the Years Ended December 31,			As of and for the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2013	2012
AUM concentrated in Private Funds (\$)	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.9
Average AUM For Private Funds	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.9
Private Funds Revenue (\$) (in millions)	\$ 8.5	\$ 5.4	\$ 4.9	\$ 2.2	\$ 2.0
Percentage of management and advisory fees revenue (%)	18%	14%	15%	17%	19%

Our advisory fees are primarily driven by the level of our assets under management. Our assets under management increase or decrease based on the net inflows or outflows of funds into our various investment strategies and the investment performance of our clients' accounts. In order to increase our assets under management and expand our business, we must develop and market investment strategies that suit the investment needs of our target clients and provide attractive returns over the long term. Our ability to continue to attract clients will depend on a variety of factors including, among others:

our ability to educate our target clients about our classic value investment strategies and provide them with exceptional client service;

the relative investment performance of our investment strategies, as compared to competing products and market indices;

competitive conditions in the investment management and broader financial services sectors;

investor sentiment and confidence; and

our decision to close strategies when we deem it to be in the best interests of our clients.



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The majority of advisory fees that we earn on separately-managed accounts are based on the value of assets under management on the last day of each calendar quarter. Most of our advisory fees are billed quarterly in advance on the first day of each calendar quarter. Our basic annual fee schedule for management of clients' assets in separately managed accounts is: (i) for managed equity or balanced portfolios, 1% of the first

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\$10 million and 0.60% on the balance, (ii) for managed fixed income only portfolios, 0.40% on the first \$10 million and 0.30% on the balance and (iii) for the municipal value strategy, 0.65%. Our fee for monitoring non-discretionary assets can range from 0.05% to 0.01%, but can also be incorporated into an agreed-upon fixed family office service fee. The majority of our client relationships pay a blended fee rate since they are invested in multiple strategies.

Management fees earned on investment funds that we advise are calculated primarily based on the net assets of the funds. Some funds calculate investment fees based on the net assets of the funds as of the last business day of each calendar quarter, whereas other funds calculate investment fees based on the value of net assets on the first business day of the month. Depending on the investment fund, fees are paid either quarterly in advance or quarterly in arrears. For our private funds, the fees range from 0.25% to 1.5% annually. Certain management fees earned on investment funds for which we perform risk management and due diligence services are based on flat fee agreements customized for each engagement.

Average management fee is calculated by dividing our actual revenue earned over a period by our average assets under management during the same period (which is calculated by averaging quarter-end assets under management for the applicable period). Our average management fee was 0.44% and 0.40% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and was 0.43%, 0.39% and 0.36% for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Increases in our total average management fee rates are primarily the result of a change in the mix of our assets under management and increased concentration in our equities strategies whose fee rates are higher than those of other investment strategies. Advisory fees are also adjusted for any cash flows into or out of a portfolio, where the cash flow represents greater than 10% of the value of the portfolio. Silvercrest L.P. has authority to take fees directly from external custodian accounts of its separately managed accounts.

Our advisory fees may fluctuate based on a number of factors, including the following:

changes in assets under management due to appreciation or depreciation of our investment portfolios, and the levels of the contribution and withdrawal of assets by new and existing clients;

allocation of assets under management among our investment strategies, which have different fee schedules;

allocation of assets under management between separately managed accounts and advised funds, for which we generally earn lower overall advisory fees; and

the level of our performance with respect to accounts and funds on which we are paid incentive fees.

Our family office services capabilities enable us to provide comprehensive and integrated services to our clients. Our dedicated group of tax and financial planning professionals provide financial planning, tax planning and preparation, partnership accounting and fund administration and consolidated wealth reporting among other services. Family office services income fluctuates based on both the number of clients for whom we perform these services and the level of agreed-upon fees, most of which are flat fees. Therefore, non-discretionary assets under management, which are associated with family office services, do not typically serve as the basis for the amount of family office services revenue that is recognized. We have experienced a steady increase in family office services fees over the past few years as more of our separately managed accounts relationships have taken advantage of these services. We have also been successful in attracting new clients who have engaged us primarily for our family office services.

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Our expenses consist primarily of compensation and benefits expenses, as well as general and administrative expense including rent, professional services fees, data-related costs and sub-advisory fees. These expenses may fluctuate due to a number of factors, including the following:

variations in the level of total compensation expense due to, among other things, bonuses, awards of equity to our employees and partners of Silvercrest L.P., changes in our employee count and mix, and competitive factors; and

the level of management fees from funds that utilize sub-advisors will affect the amount of sub-advisory fees. We expect our professional services fees to increase after this offering as a result of being a public company.

**Compensation and Benefits Expense**

Our largest expense is compensation and benefits, which includes the salaries, bonuses, equity-based compensation and related benefits and payroll costs attributable to our principals and employees. Our compensation methodology is intended to meet the following objectives: (i) support our overall business strategy; (ii) attract, retain and motivate top-tier professionals within the investment management industry; and (iii) align our employees' interests with those of our equity owners. We have experienced, and expect to continue to experience, a general rise in compensation and benefits expense commensurate with growth in headcount and with the need to maintain competitive compensation levels.

Upon the completion of the reorganization and this offering, we will account for partner incentive payments as an expense in our statement of operations and have reflected the related adjustments in our pro forma financial statements. Accordingly, this will have the effect of increasing compensation expense relative to the amounts that have been recorded historically in our financial statements. See Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information.

The components of our compensation expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and three years ended December 31, 2012 are as follows:

(in thousands)	For the Year Ended December 31,			For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2013	2012
Cash compensation and benefits	\$ 17,726	\$ 16,495	\$ 15,936	\$ 4,574	\$ 4,331
Distributions on liability awards (1)	28	20	9	7	6
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense	1,354	977	583	620	431
Total compensation expense	\$ 19,108	\$ 17,492	\$ 16,528	\$ 5,201	\$ 4,768

(1) Cash distributions on the portion of unvested deferred equity units that are subject to forfeiture are expensed when paid. Unvested deferred equity units are classified as liability awards.

On February 29, 2012, February 28, 2011 and February 24, 2010, Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, our predecessor, granted equity-based compensation awards to certain of their principals based on the fair value of the equity interests of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC. Each grant includes a deferred equity unit and performance unit, subject to forfeiture and acceleration of vesting. Each 100 deferred equity units represent the unsecured right to receive one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC and 99 units of Silvercrest L.P., subject to vesting over a four-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. Each deferred equity unit, whether vested or unvested, entitles the holder to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC as if such holder held such unit. Upon each vesting date, a holder may receive the number of units vested or the equivalent cash value and units, but in no event may the holder receive more than 50% of the aggregate value in



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cash. To the extent that holders elect to receive up to 50% of the aggregate value in cash, we could have less cash to utilize. We have accounted for the distributions on the portion of the deferred equity units that are subject to forfeiture as compensation expense. Equity-based compensation expense will be recognized on the February 29, 2012, February 28, 2011 and February 24, 2010 deferred equity unit and performance unit awards through February 29, 2016, February 28, 2015 and February 24, 2014, respectively.

Each performance unit represents the right to receive one unit of Silvercrest L.P. and one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC for each two units of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, respectively, issued upon vesting of the deferred equity units awarded to the employee, in each case subject to the achievement of defined performance goals. Although performance units will only vest upon the achievement of the performance goals, they are expensed over the same vesting period as the deferred equity units with which they are associated because there is an explicit service period. For more information on the terms of the deferred equity units and performance units, see Compensation Discussion and Analysis Deferred Equity Units and Performance Units.

### *General and Administrative Expenses*

General and administrative expenses include occupancy-related costs, professional and outside services fees, office expenses, depreciation and amortization, sub-advisory fees and the costs associated with operating and maintaining our research, trading and portfolio accounting systems. Our costs associated with operating and maintaining our research, trading and portfolio accounting systems and professional services expenses generally increase or decrease in relative proportion to the number of employees retained by us and the overall size and scale of our business operations. Sub-advisory fees will fluctuate based on the level of management fees from funds that utilize sub-advisors.

Following this offering, we expect that we will incur additional expenses as a result of becoming a public company for, among other things, directors and officers insurance, director fees, SEC reporting and compliance, including Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, transfer agent fees, professional fees and other similar expenses. These additional expenses will reduce our net income.

### *Other Income*

Other income is derived primarily from investment income arising from our investments in various private investment funds that were established as part of our investment strategies. We expect the investment components of other income, in the aggregate, to fluctuate based on market conditions and the success of our investment strategies. Performance fees earned from those investment funds in which we have a partnership interest have been earned over the past few years as a result of the achievement of various high water marks depending on the investment fund. These performance fees are recorded based on the equity method of accounting. The majority of our performance fees over the past few years have been earned from our fixed income-related funds.

### *Minority and Non-Controlling Interests*

After our reorganization, we will be the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. and will control its business and affairs and, therefore, consolidate its financial results with ours. In light of our employees' expected % interest in Silvercrest L.P. (or % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares) immediately after the consummation of the reorganization and this offering, we will reflect their partnership interests as non-controlling interests in our consolidated financial statements. As a result, immediately after the consummation of this offering, our net income, after income attributable to non-controlling interests, will represent % of Silvercrest L.P.'s net income (or % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares), and similarly, outstanding shares of our Class A common stock will represent % of the outstanding partnership units of Silvercrest L.P. (or % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares).

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While Silvercrest L.P. has historically not been subject to U.S. federal and certain state income taxes, it has been subject to the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax. As a result of our reorganization, we will become subject to taxes applicable to C-corporations. We expect our effective tax rate, and the absolute dollar amount of our tax expense, to increase as a result of this reorganization offset by the benefits of the tax receivable agreement. For more information on the pro forma income taxes applicable to us under C-corporation status, see [The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure](#) and [Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial Information](#).

**Acquisition**

On March 28, 2013, we acquired certain assets of Ten-Sixty. Ten-Sixty is a registered investment adviser that advises on approximately \$1.9 billion of assets primarily on behalf of institutional clients. This strategic acquisition expands our hedge fund due diligence capabilities and continues the growth of our institutional business. Under the terms of the asset purchase agreement, we paid cash consideration at closing of \$2.5 million and issued a promissory note to Ten-Sixty for \$1.5 million subject to adjustment. The aggregate principal amount of the promissory note is payable in two initial installments of \$0.2 million each on April 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013 and then quarterly installments from June 30, 2014 through March 31, 2017 of \$0.1 million each. The principal amount outstanding under this note bears interest at the rate of five percent per annum.

**Operating Results****Revenue**

Our revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 are set forth below:

(in thousands)	2013	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		
		2012	2013 vs. 2012 (\$)	2013 vs. 2012 (%)
Management and advisory fees	\$ 12,457	\$ 10,682	\$ 1,775	16.6%
Performance fees and allocations	3		3	
Family office services	1,225	1,198	27	2.3%
Total revenue	\$ 13,685	\$ 11,880	\$ 1,805	15.2%

(in thousands)	2012	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2011	2012 vs. 2011 (\$)	2012 vs. 2011 (%)
Management and advisory fees	\$ 46,069	\$ 37,869	\$ 8,200	21.7%
Performance fees and allocations	714	85	629	740.0%
Family office services	4,907	4,833	74	1.5%
Total revenue	\$ 51,690	\$ 42,787	\$ 8,903	20.8%

(in thousands)	2011	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2010	2011 vs. 2010 (\$)	2011 vs. 2010 (%)
Management and advisory fees	\$ 37,869	\$ 32,442	\$ 5,427	16.7%
Performance fees and allocations	85	548	(463)	-84.5%
Family office services	4,833	3,841	992	25.8%
Total revenue	\$ 42,787	\$ 36,831	\$ 5,956	16.2%



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The growth in our assets under management during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2012 is described below:

(in billions)	Assets Under Management		
	Discretionary	Non-Discretionary	Total
As of December 31, 2011	\$ 7.0	\$ 3.1	\$ 10.1
Gross client additions	1.6	0.1	1.7
Gross client withdrawals	(1.3)	(0.1)	(1.4)
Market appreciation	0.4	0.3	0.6
<b>As of March 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$ 7.7</b>	<b>\$ 3.4</b>	<b>\$ 11.1(2)</b>
As of December 31, 2012	\$ 8.0	\$ 3.1	\$ 11.2
Gross client additions	1.6	2.0	3.6
Gross client withdrawals	(1.5)	(0.2)	(1.7)
Market appreciation	0.5	0.1	0.6
<b>As of March 31, 2013</b>	<b>\$ 8.6</b>	<b>\$ 5.0</b>	<b>\$ 13.6(2)</b>
As of January 1, 2010	\$ 6.1	\$ 2.7	\$ 8.8
Gross client inflows	1.5	1.0	2.5
Gross client outflows	(1.7)	(0.8)	(2.5)
Market appreciation (depreciation) (1)	0.5	(0.1)	0.4
As of December 31, 2010	6.3	2.9	9.2
Gross client inflows	3.8	1.5	5.3
Gross client outflows	(3.1)	(1.2)	(4.3)
Market appreciation (depreciation) (1)	0.1	(0.1)	
As of December 31, 2011	7.0	3.1	10.1
Gross client inflows	6.7	0.6	7.3
Gross client outflows	(6.3)	(0.6)	(6.9)
Market appreciation (1)	0.5	0.1	0.6
<b>As of December 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$ 8.0</b>	<b>\$ 3.1</b>	<b>\$ 11.2 (2)</b>

(1) For additional investment strategy performance information disclosed elsewhere in this prospectus, please see the Business section.

(2) Less than 5% of assets under management generate performance fees.

*Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

Our total revenue increased by \$1.8 million, or 15.2%, to \$13.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, from \$11.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This increase was driven primarily by growth in our management and advisory fees as a result of increased assets under management.

Assets under management increased by \$2.4 billion, or 21.4%, to \$13.6 billion at March 31, 2013 from \$11.2 billion at December 31, 2012. Contributing to the growth in assets under management was \$1.9 billion of assets under management related to the Ten-Sixty acquisition, \$1.6 billion of client inflows and \$0.6 billion in market appreciation, partially offset by client outflows of \$1.7 billion. Our market appreciation during the three months ended March 31, 2013 constituted a 5.4% rate of increase in our total assets under management compared to the year



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ended December 31, 2012. Our growth in assets under management for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was attributable to an increase of \$0.6 billion and \$1.9 billion in discretionary and non-discretionary assets under management, respectively, primarily related to the Ten-Sixty acquisition. The growth in our discretionary assets under management was primarily driven by an increase in separately managed

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accounts. An increase in the concentration of equity securities, which are included in discretionary assets under management and whose fee rates are higher than those of other investments, was the primary driver of increased management and advisory fees revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to the prior year. Sub-advised fund management revenue remained flat for the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to the same period in the prior year. Proprietary fund management revenue increased by \$0.2 million to \$1.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$1.7 million for the same period in the prior year. This increase in proprietary fund management revenue was primarily attributable to market appreciation. With respect to our discretionary assets under management, equity assets experienced growth of 11.7% during the three months ended March 31, 2013 while fixed income assets experienced growth of 1.9% during the same period. Most of our growth came from our small cap value, equity income and large cap value strategies with composite returns of 12.7%, 11.8% and 12.2%, respectively. As of March 31, 2013, the composition of our assets under management was 63% in discretionary assets, which includes both separately managed accounts and proprietary and sub-advised funds, and 37% in non-discretionary assets which represent assets on which we provide portfolio reporting but do not have investment discretion.

*Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

Our total revenue increased by \$8.9 million, or 20.8%, to \$51.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, from \$42.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was driven primarily by growth in our management and advisory fees as a result of increased assets under management.

Assets under management increased by \$1.1 billion, or 10.9%, to \$11.2 billion at December 31, 2012 from \$10.1 billion at December 31, 2011. Contributing to the growth in assets under management was \$7.3 billion of client inflows and \$0.7 billion in market appreciation, partially offset by client outflows of \$6.9 billion. Our market appreciation during the year ended December 31, 2012 constituted a 6.9% rate of increase in our total assets under management compared to the year ended December 31, 2011. Our growth in assets under management for the year ended December 31, 2012 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$0.9 billion in separately managed accounts, which are included in discretionary assets under management. An increase in the concentration of equity securities, which are included in discretionary assets under management and whose fee rates are higher than those of other investments, was the primary driver of increased management and advisory fees revenue for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to the prior year. Sub-advised fund management revenue decreased by \$0.4 million to \$1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$1.6 million in the prior year. While sub-advised fund assets under management remained flat as of December 31, 2012 as compared to December 31, 2011, client redemptions primarily contributed to the decrease in sub-advised fund management revenue. Proprietary fund management revenue increased by \$3.5 million to \$7.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$3.8 million for the same period in the prior year. This increase in proprietary fund management revenue was attributable to the acquisition of Milbank in November 2011. With respect to our discretionary assets under management, equity assets experienced growth of 30.5% during the year ended December 31, 2012 while fixed income assets were flat during the same period. Most of our growth came from our SMID cap, multi cap and small cap value strategies with composite returns of 16.7%, 16.5% and 16.0%, respectively. As of December 31, 2012, the composition of our assets under management was 72% in discretionary assets, which includes both separately managed accounts and proprietary and sub-advised funds, and 28% in non-discretionary assets which represent assets on which we provide portfolio reporting but do not have investment discretion.

Performance fee revenue increased by \$629 thousand to \$714 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$85 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011. These performance fees are primarily related to external investment strategies in which we have a revenue sharing arrangement. The increase in performance fee revenue is directly attributable to higher returns achieved at our external investment strategies. The balance of our performance fees are earned from proprietary funds and are included in equity income from investments, which is discussed below in Other Income (Expense).

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Family office services income increased by \$0.1 million or 1.5%, from \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 to \$4.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, primarily as a result of increased fees from existing clients because of increased rates in certain cases and a greater amount of services provided in other cases.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Our total revenue increased by \$6.0 million, or 16.2%, to \$42.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, from \$36.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was driven primarily by growth in our management and advisory fees as a result of increased assets under management.

Assets under management increased by \$0.9 billion, or 9.8%, to \$10.1 billion at December 31, 2011 from \$9.2 billion at December 31, 2010. Contributing to the growth in assets under management was \$5.1 billion of net client inflows partially offset by \$4.2 billion of client outflows. Our growth in assets under management in 2011 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$0.5 billion in separately managed accounts and \$0.2 billion in proprietary and sub-advised funds, which are included in discretionary assets under management. An increase in the concentration of equity securities, which are included in discretionary assets under management and whose fee rates are higher than those of other investments, was the primary driver of increased management and advisory fees revenue for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. Sub-advised fund management revenue increased by \$0.2 million to \$1.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 while sub-advised fund assets under management remained flat. Proprietary fund management revenue increased by \$0.3 million to \$3.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$3.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase in proprietary fund management revenue was attributable to a \$0.2 billion increase in proprietary fund assets under management from \$0.5 billion as of December 31, 2010 to \$0.7 billion as of December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily the result of the addition of \$0.3 billion of Milbank fund assets under management in November 2011, partially offset by \$0.1 billion of client fund redemptions. With respect to our discretionary assets under management, equities experienced growth of 9.4% while fixed income assets declined 3.0% for the year ended December 31, 2011. Most of our growth came from our equity income, multi cap value and small cap value strategies with composite returns of 4.4%, 0.5%, and 1.5%, respectively. As of December 31, 2011, the composition of our assets under management was 70% in discretionary assets, which includes both separately managed accounts and proprietary and sub-advised funds, and 30% in non-discretionary assets, which represent assets on which we provide portfolio reporting but do not have investment discretion.

Performance fee revenue decreased by \$463 thousand to \$85 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$548 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010. These performance fees are primarily related to external investment strategies in which we have a revenue sharing arrangement. The decrease in performance fee revenue is directly attributable to lower returns achieved at our external investment strategies. The balance of our performance fees are earned from proprietary funds and are included in equity income from investments, which is discussed below in Other Income (Expense), Net.

Family office services income increased by \$1.0 million or 25.8%, from \$3.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 to \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, primarily as a result of the addition of significant family relationships in 2011 and increased fees from existing clients because of increased rates in certain cases and a greater amount of services provided in other cases.

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Our expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 are set forth below:

(in thousands)	2013	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		
		2012	2013 vs. 2012 (\$)	2013 vs. 2012 (%)
Compensation and benefits	\$ 5,201	\$ 4,768	\$ 433	9.1%
General, administrative and other	2,710	2,566	144	5.6%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 7,911</b>	<b>\$ 7,334</b>	<b>\$ 577</b>	<b>7.9%</b>

(in thousands)	2012	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2011	2012 vs. 2011 (\$)	2012 vs. 2011 (%)
Compensation and benefits	\$ 19,108	\$ 17,492	\$ 1,616	9.2%
General, administrative and other	13,680	10,849	2,831	26.1%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 32,788</b>	<b>\$ 28,341</b>	<b>\$ 4,447</b>	<b>15.7%</b>

(in thousands)	2011	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2010	2011 vs. 2010 (\$)	2011 vs. 2010 (%)
Compensation and benefits	\$ 17,492	\$ 16,528	\$ 964	5.8%
General and administrative	10,849	9,459	1,390	14.7%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 28,341</b>	<b>\$ 25,987</b>	<b>\$ 2,354</b>	<b>9.1%</b>

Our expenses are driven primarily by our compensation costs. The table included in Expenses Compensation and Benefits Expense describes the components of our compensation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and for the three years ended December 31, 2012. Other expenses, such as rent, professional service fees, data-related costs, and sub-advisory fees incurred are included in our general and administrative expenses.

*Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

Total expenses increased by \$0.6 million, or 7.9%, to \$7.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$7.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This increase was primarily attributable to increases in compensation and benefits expense and general and administrative expenses of \$0.4 million and \$0.2 million, respectively.

Compensation and benefits expense increased by \$0.4 million, or 9.1%, to \$5.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$4.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in salaries of \$0.2 million as a result of both merit increases and increased headcount, and increased equity-based compensation expense of \$0.2 million primarily due to an increase in the fair value of the deferred equity units.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$0.1 million, or 5.6%, to \$2.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$2.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This increase was primarily due to an increase in professional fees of \$64 thousand for legal fees related to the Ten-Sixty acquisition, higher operating escalation charges of \$20 thousand at our corporate headquarters, and increased sub-advisory fees of \$34 thousand related to increased services received in addition to increased fund management revenue.

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*Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

Total expenses increased by \$4.5 million, or 15.7%, to \$32.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$28.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily attributable to increases in compensation and benefits expense and general and administrative expenses of \$1.6 million and \$2.8 million, respectively.

Compensation and benefits expense increased by \$1.6 million, or 9.2%, to \$19.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$17.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in salaries of \$0.9 million as a result of both merit increases and increased headcount primarily as a result of the Milbank acquisition, increased incentive compensation expense of \$0.3 million, and increased equity-based compensation expense of \$0.3 million due to the grant of additional deferred equity units to employees and an increase in the fair value of the deferred equity units.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$2.8 million, or 26.1%, to \$13.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$10.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily due to an increase in professional fees of \$2.3 million for services rendered in connection with a planned initial public offering that was withdrawn in November 2012 and acquisition transactions and depreciation and amortization expense of \$0.4 million primarily related to amortization of intangible assets as part of the Milbank transaction.

On May 1, 2012, we reoccupied space at our headquarters that we had previously abandoned in 2009. As a result, this released the remaining abandonment-related liability of \$0.7 million. This reversal was partially offset by increased operating cost escalations of \$0.2 million and lower sub-tenant rent of \$0.2 million.

*Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Total expenses increased by \$2.4 million, or 9.1%, to \$28.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$26.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily attributable to increases in compensation and benefits expense and general and administrative expenses of \$1.0 million and \$1.4 million, respectively.

Compensation and benefits expense increased by \$1.0 million, or 5.8%, to \$17.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$16.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in equity-based compensation expense of \$0.5 million due to the grant of deferred equity units to employees, increased salaries of \$0.8 million as a result of both merit increases and increased headcount, and increased benefits and payroll taxes expense of \$0.1 million, partially offset by lower employee bonus expense of \$0.4 million.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$1.4 million, or 14.7%, to \$10.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$9.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to an increase in professional fees of \$0.8 million for services rendered in connection with this offering and acquisition transactions, \$0.7 million in reimbursements to clients and a \$0.2 million increase in costs related to the development of our portfolio management system and investment research and pricing subscriptions, offset by decreased occupancy costs of \$0.3 million due to increased sub-tenant rent.

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(in thousands)	2013	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		
		2012	2013 vs. 2012 (\$)	2013 vs. 2012 (%)
Other income (expense), net	\$ 29	\$ 32	\$ (3)	-9.4%
Interest income	27	45	(18)	-40.0%
Interest expense	(37)	(64)	27	-42.2%
Total other income (expense), net	\$ 19	\$ 13	\$ 6	46.2%

(in thousands)	2012	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2011	2012 vs. 2011 (\$)	2012 vs. 2011 (%)
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable	\$	\$ (34)	\$ 34	-100.0%
Other	123	(210)	333	-41.4%
Interest income	145	187	(42)	-22.5%
Interest expense	(304)	(164)	(140)	85.4%
Equity income from investments	1,911	950	961	-158.6%
Total other income (expense), net	\$ 1,875	\$ 729	\$ 1,146	157.2%

(in thousands)	2011	For the Years Ended December 31,		
		2010	2011 vs. 2010 (\$)	2011 vs. 2010 (%)
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable	\$ (34)	\$ (508)	\$ 474	-93.3%
Other	(210)	32	(242)	-756.3%
Interest income	187	231	(44)	-19.0%
Interest expense	(164)	(241)	77	-32.0%
Equity income from investments	950	1,241	(291)	-23.4%
Total other income (expense), net	\$ 729	\$ 755	\$ (26)	-3.4%

*Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

Other income (expense), net increased by \$6 thousand to \$19 thousand of other income for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$13 thousand of other income for the three months ended March 31, 2012.

*Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

Other income (expense), net increased by \$1.1 million to \$1.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 from \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The increase in other income (expense), net is attributable to a \$1.0 million increase in equity income from investments resulting from performance fee allocations partially offset by net interest expense of \$0.2 million as a result of a write off prepaid interest expense related to the reversal of a lease abandonment liability in addition to an increase in notes payable issued in connection with the acquisition of Milbank.

*Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Other income (expense), net decreased by \$26 thousand, or 3.4%, to \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. In 2011 and 2010, we recorded losses on the forgiveness of notes receivable of \$34 thousand and \$508 thousand, respectively, in connection with the termination of employee-partners and the related termination of existing notes in exchange for the repurchase of units of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC. Interest income decreased by \$44 thousand or



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19.0% to \$187 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$231 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010. Interest expense decreased by \$77 thousand or 32.0% to \$164 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2011 from \$241 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010. Equity income from investments decreased by \$0.3 million primarily as a result of decreased performance fee allocations from some of our funds. Other income (expense) decreased by \$0.2 million as a result of a \$0.1 million loss on sub-lease charge related to a new sub-tenant on our leased space in January 2011 and \$0.1 million of unrealized and realized losses related to an investment in marketable securities.

**Provision for Income Taxes**

*Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

The provision for income taxes was \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. Our provision for income taxes as a percentage of income before provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 was 5.7% and 5.9%, respectively.

*Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

The provision for income taxes was \$1.1 million and \$0.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. The change was a result of an increase in taxable income. Our provision for income taxes as a percentage of income before provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2012 was 5.1% compared to 3.7% for the year ended December 31, 2011.

*Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

The provision for income taxes was \$0.6 million and \$0.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, representing a decrease of \$0.1 million, or 14.3%. The change was a result of a decrease in taxable income due to increased deferred rent, contingent consideration in the Milbank acquisition, and increased amortization of intangible assets. Our provision for income taxes as a percentage of income before provision for income taxes in 2011 was 3.7% compared to 5.7% in 2010.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Historically, the working capital needs of our business have primarily been met through cash generated by our operations. We expect that our cash and liquidity requirements in the twelve months following the consummation of this offering will be met primarily through cash generated by our operations.

Our ongoing sources of cash primarily consist of management fees and family office services fees, which are principally collected quarterly. We primarily use cash flow from operations to pay compensation and related expenses, general and administrative expenses, income taxes, debt service, capital expenditures and distributions.

Seasonality typically affects cash flow since the first quarter of each year includes as a source of cash, the prior year's annual performance fee payments, if any, from our various funds and external investment strategies and, as a use of cash, the prior fiscal year's incentive compensation. We believe that we have sufficient cash from our operations to fund our operations and commitments for the next twelve months.

The following table set forth certain key financial data relating to our liquidity and capital resources as of March 31, 2013 and 2012 and December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

(in thousands)	Years Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2012	2012
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,443	\$ 7,354	\$ 7,025	\$ 4,355	\$ 4,095
Accounts receivable	\$ 3,675	\$ 2,238	\$ 2,247	\$ 3,307	\$ 2,148
Due from Silvercrest Funds	\$ 1,622	\$ 2,043	\$ 1,255	\$ 1,220	\$ 1,918



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Prior to the consummation of this offering, Silvercrest L.P. intends to make a distribution to its existing limited partners of previously undistributed earnings in the aggregate amount of approximately \$        million. Such distribution will be funded from the existing cash balances of Silvercrest L.P. at the time of the reorganization but before the consummation of this offering and will not be funded by any of the proceeds of this offering. Purchasers in this offering will not be entitled to receive any portion of this distribution and such distribution may not be indicative of the amount of any future distributions.

We anticipate that distributions to the limited partners of Silvercrest L.P., which, immediately following this offering, will consist of 37 of our current employees, two non-employee partners and us will continue to be a material use of our cash resources and will vary in amount and timing based on our operating results and dividend policy. As discussed under Dividend Policy, we currently intend to declare quarterly cash dividends to our Class A common stockholders. We are a holding company and have no material assets other than our ownership of interests in Silvercrest L.P. As a result, we will depend upon distributions from Silvercrest L.P. to pay any dividends to our Class A stockholders. We expect to cause Silvercrest L.P. to make distributions to us in an amount sufficient to cover dividends, if any, declared by us. Our dividend policy has certain risks and limitations, particularly with respect to liquidity. Although we expect to pay dividends according to our dividend policy, we may not pay dividends according to our policy, or at all, if, among other things, we do not have the cash necessary to pay our intended dividends. To the extent we do not have cash on hand sufficient to pay dividends, we may decide not to pay dividends. By paying cash dividends rather than investing that cash in our future growth, we risk slowing the pace of our growth, or not having a sufficient amount of cash to fund our operations or unanticipated capital expenditures, should the need arise.

Our purchase of Class B units in Silvercrest L.P. concurrently with this offering, and the future exchanges of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P., are expected to result in increases in our share of the tax basis of the tangible and intangible assets of Silvercrest L.P. at the time of our acquisition and these future exchanges, which will increase the tax depreciation and amortization deductions that otherwise would not have been available to us. These increases in tax basis and tax depreciation and amortization deductions are expected to reduce the amount of tax that we would otherwise be required to pay in the future. We will enter into a tax receivable agreement with the current principals of Silvercrest L.P. and any future employee holders of Class B units pursuant to which we will agree to pay them 85% of the amount of cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal, state and local income tax that we actually realize as a result of these increases in tax basis and certain other tax benefits related to entering into the tax receivable agreement, including tax benefits attributable to payments thereunder. The timing of these payments is currently unknown. The payments to be made pursuant to the tax receivable agreement will be a liability of Silvercrest and not Silvercrest L.P. This liability will be recorded as an other liability on our statement of financial condition. For purposes of the tax receivable agreement, cash savings in income tax will be computed by comparing our actual income tax liability to the amount of such taxes that we would have been required to pay had there been no increase in our share of the tax basis of the tangible and intangible assets of Silvercrest L.P.

While the actual increase in tax basis, as well as the amount and timing of any payments under this agreement, will vary depending upon a number of factors, including the timing of exchanges, the price of shares of our Class A common stock at the time of the exchange, the extent to which such exchanges are taxable, the amount and timing of our income and the tax rates then applicable, we expect that as a result of the size of the increases in the tax basis of our tangible and intangible assets, the payments that we may make under the tax receivable agreement likely will be substantial. Assuming no material changes in the relevant tax law and that we earn sufficient taxable income to realize the full tax benefit of the increased depreciation and amortization of our assets, we expect that future payments to the selling principals of Silvercrest L.P. in respect of our purchase of Class B units from them will aggregate approximately \$        million. Future payments to current principals of Silvercrest L.P. and future holders of Class B units in respect of subsequent exchanges would be in addition to these amounts and are expected to be substantial. We intend to fund required payments pursuant to the tax receivable agreement from the distributions received from Silvercrest L.P.

**Table of Contents****Cash Flows**

The following table sets forth our cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010. Operating activities consist of net income subject to adjustments for changes in operating assets and liabilities, depreciation, and equity-based compensation expense. Investing activities consist primarily of acquiring and selling property and equipment, distributions received from investments in investment funds, and cash paid as part of business acquisitions. Financing activities consist primarily of contributions from partners, distributions to partners, the issuance and payments on partner notes and earnout payments related to business acquisitions.

(in thousands)	Years Ended December 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2012	2011	2010	2013	2012
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 20,756	\$ 15,401	\$ 11,419	\$ 7,384	\$ 4,502
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(770)	(4,476)	365	\$ (2,782)	\$ (214)
Net cash used in financing activities	(13,897)	(10,596)	(10,086)	\$ (13,690)	\$ (7,547)
Net change in cash	\$ 6,089	\$ 329	\$ 1,698	\$ (9,088)	\$ (3,259)

**Operating Activities***Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

Operating activities provided \$7.4 million and \$4.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. This difference primarily is the result of an increase in net income of \$1.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, and increased working capital resulting from an increase in the changes to receivables and due from Silvercrest Funds of \$0.6 million resulting from increased collections due to greater revenue, accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$0.5 million primarily due to the timing and level of payments in the ordinary course of our business, and accrued compensation of \$0.2 million due to increased incentive compensation expense in 2013.

*Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

Operating activities provided \$20.8 million and \$15.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. This difference primarily is the result of an increase in net income of \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, and increased working capital resulting from an increase in the change to accrued compensation of \$0.8 million due to increased incentive compensation expense in 2012 which was paid in 2013.

*Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Operating activities provided \$15.4 million and \$11.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. This difference primarily is the result of an increase in net income of \$3.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 and increased working capital resulting from an increase of \$0.7 million in the collection of accounts receivable during the year ended December 31, 2011. The increase in Due from Silvercrest Funds is the result of a change in payment terms from monthly to quarterly in addition to increased fund management fee revenue.

**Investing Activities***Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, investing activities used \$2.8 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. The increase in the use of cash was primarily the result of \$2.5 million of cash paid at the closing of the Ten-Sixty acquisition.

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### *Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

For the year ended December 31, 2012, investing activities used \$0.8 million primarily as a result of a \$0.7 million earnout payment related to the Marathon acquisition.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Investing activities consist primarily of investments in investment funds as well as capital expenditures. For the year ended December 31, 2011, investing activities used \$4.5 million whereas for the year ended December 31, 2010, investing activities provided \$0.4 million. The increase in cash used in investing activities from 2010 to 2011 was primarily the result of the cash payment of \$3.3 million related to the Milbank acquisition in addition to a \$0.4 million increase in earnout payments related to the Marathon acquisition.

## ***Financing Activities***

### *Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2012*

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, financing activities used \$13.7 million and \$7.5 million, respectively. The increase in net cash used in financing activities from 2012 to 2013 was primarily the result of higher partner incentive allocations paid in 2013 in addition to higher tax distributions paid during the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. Incentive allocations and tax distributions increased directly as a result of increased profitability and operating cash flow.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2012 versus Year Ended December 31, 2011*

For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, financing activities used \$13.9 million and \$10.6 million, respectively. The increase in net cash used in financing activities from 2011 to 2012 was primarily the result of higher partner incentive allocations paid in 2012 in addition to higher tax distributions paid during the year ended December 31, 2012 as compared to the same period in 2011 partially offset by increased payments from partners on notes receivable. Incentive allocations and tax distributions increased directly as a result of increased profitability and operating cash flow.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2011 versus Year Ended December 31, 2010*

Financing activities consist primarily of contributions from partners, distributions to partners, the issuance and payments on partner notes, and earnout payments related to business acquisitions completed on or subsequent to January 1, 2009. For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, financing activities used \$10.6 million, and \$10.1 million, respectively. The increase in net cash used in financing activities from 2010 to 2011 was the result of increased distributions of \$4.1 million made to principals as a result of higher partner incentive allocations paid in 2011 in addition to higher tax distributions paid in the first quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in 2010. Incentive allocations and tax distributions increased directly as a result of increased profitability and operating cash flow. These increases were partially offset by lower payments of \$2.9 million on notes payable due to the payment in full in 2011 of the note issued in connection with the Marathon acquisition, and the payment in full during 2010 of notes issued to former partners by us for the redemption of units under which we exercised our call right upon their termination of employment. In addition, cash received from principals on notes receivable was \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010.

We anticipate that distributions to principals of Silvercrest L.P. will continue to be a material use of our cash resources, and will vary in amount and timing based on our operating results and dividend policy.

We have outstanding fixed rate notes payable to Ten-Sixty and Milbank related to the Ten-Sixty and Milbank acquisitions, and variable rate notes issued to former principals to redeem units held by them under which we exercised our call right upon their termination.

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As of March 31, 2013, the aggregate principal amount of the Ten-Sixty promissory note is \$1.5 million which is payable in two initial installments of \$0.2 million each on April 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013 and then quarterly installments from June 30, 2014 through March 31, 2017 of \$0.1 million each. The principal amount outstanding under this note bears interest at the rate of five percent per annum.

The aggregate principal amount of the notes related to the Milbank acquisition matures after four annual principal installments payable on each of November 1, 2013, 2014, and 2015 in the amounts of \$0.9 million, \$1.0 million, and \$0.6 million, respectively, together with all accrued and unpaid interest. If specified conditions are not met by Milbank prior to November 1, 2014, then the principal payment due on November 1, 2015 will be reduced to \$0.1 million. The principal amount outstanding under this note bears interest at the rate of five percent per annum.

As of March 31, 2013, \$2.4 million remains outstanding on the notes payable related to the Milbank acquisition. Accrued but unpaid interest on the notes payable related to the Milbank acquisition was approximately \$50 thousand as of March 31, 2013.

As of December 31, 2012, \$2.4 million remains outstanding on the notes payable related to the Milbank acquisition. Accrued but unpaid interest on the notes payable related to the Milbank acquisition was approximately \$20 thousand as of December 31, 2012.

As of March 31, 2013, \$0.4 million remains outstanding on the notes issued to former principals. Accrued but unpaid interest on these notes issued to former principals was approximately \$4 thousand as of March 31, 2013. The principal amounts outstanding under these notes bear interest at the U.S. Prime Rate plus one percent in effect at the time payments are due.

As of December 31, 2012, \$0.9 million remains outstanding on the notes issued to former principals. Accrued but unpaid interest on these notes issued to former principals was approximately \$26 thousand as of December 31, 2012. The principal amounts outstanding under these notes bear interest at the U.S. Prime Rate plus one percent in effect at the time payments are due.

**Contractual Obligations**

The following table sets forth information regarding our consolidated contractual obligations as of December 31, 2012.

	Total	Payments Due by Period			More Than 5 Years
		1 Year	1-3 Years (in thousands)	3-5 Years	
Operating leases	\$ 17,352	\$ 3,675	\$ 7,307	\$ 6,370	\$
Capital leases	33	20	13		
Notes payable (1)	3,270	1,556	1,714		
Total	\$ 20,655	\$ 5,251	\$ 9,034	\$ 6,370	\$

(1) Excludes \$1.5 million promissory note related to the Ten-Sixty acquisition on March 28, 2013.

**Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We entered into a guaranty arrangement in October 2011. We act as investment advisor to Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund. In October 2011, Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund entered into a \$5,000,000 revolving credit agreement with Pershing LLC for client redemptions. Simultaneously with the execution of the credit agreement, we entered into an indemnification agreement with Pershing whereby we agreed to indemnify Pershing from claims arising out of the non-performance of Silvercrest Strategic

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Opportunities Fund's obligations under the related credit agreement. The credit agreement matured on January 15, 2012. See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 included elsewhere in this prospectus for further disclosure regarding this off-balance sheet arrangement.

We did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as of March 31, 2013, December 31, 2012 or December 31, 2010.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and other income reported in the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under current circumstances, our results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily available from other sources. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates and assumptions made by management include the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities, impairment of goodwill and intangible assets, revenue recognition, equity based compensation, accounting for income taxes, and other matters that affect the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. Accounting policies are an integral part of our financial statements. An understanding of these accounting policies is essential when reviewing our reported results of operations and our financial condition. Management believes that the critical accounting policies and estimates discussed below involve additional management judgment due to the sensitivity of the methods and assumptions used.

## ***Business Combinations***

We account for business combinations using the acquisition method of accounting. The acquisition method of accounting requires that purchase price, including the fair value of contingent consideration, of the acquisition be allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed using the estimated fair values determined by management as of the acquisition date.

For acquisitions completed subsequent to January 1, 2009, we measure the fair value of contingent consideration at each reporting period using a probability-adjusted discounted cash flow method based on significant inputs not observable in the market and any change in the fair value from either the passage of time or events occurring after the acquisition date, is recorded in earnings. In relation to our acquisition of Milbank, the fair value of the contingent consideration was based on discounted cash flow models using projected EBITDA for each earnout period. The discount rate applied to the projected EBITDA was determined based on the weighted average cost of capital for the Company and considered that the overall risk associated with the payments was similar to the overall risks of our business as there is no target, floor or cap associated with the contingent payments.

## ***Goodwill and Intangible Assets***

Goodwill consists of the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is not amortized and is evaluated for impairment using a two-step process that is performed at least annually, or whenever events or circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-08, "Testing Goodwill for Impairment", which provided new accounting guidance on testing goodwill for impairment. The enhanced guidance provides an entity the option to first perform a qualitative assessment of whether a reporting unit's fair value is more likely than not

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less than its carrying value, including goodwill. In performing its qualitative assessment, an entity considers the extent to which adverse events or circumstances identified, such as changes in economic conditions, industry and market conditions or entity specific events, could affect the comparison of the reporting unit's fair value with its carrying amount. If an entity concludes that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not less than its carrying amount, the entity is required to perform the currently prescribed two-step goodwill impairment test to identify potential goodwill impairment and, accordingly, measure the amount, if any, of goodwill impairment loss to be recognized for that reporting unit. The guidance was effective for us as of January 1, 2012. We did not utilize this option and assessed goodwill using the two-step process when performing our annual impairment assessment in 2012.

The first step is a comparison of the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill of the reporting unit is not considered impaired and the second step is unnecessary. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, a second step is performed to measure the amount of impairment by comparing the carrying amount of the goodwill to a determination of the implied fair value of the goodwill. If the carrying amount of the goodwill is greater than the implied value, an impairment loss is recognized for the difference. The implied value of the goodwill is determined as of the test date by performing a purchase price allocation, as if the reporting unit had just been acquired, using currently estimated fair values of the individual assets and liabilities of the reporting unit, together with an estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit taken as a whole. The estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit is based upon information available regarding prices of similar groups of assets, or other valuation techniques including present value techniques based upon estimates of future cash flows. In order to determine the fair value of our reporting unit, we first determined the market value of our invested capital, or MVIC. Our MVIC was estimated using a combination of generally accepted valuation methods: the income approach using the discounted cash flow method, or DCF, and a market-based approach using the comparable company method. The DCF method estimates enterprise value based on the estimated present value of the future net cash flows the business is expected to generate over a forecasted period and an estimate of the present value of cash flows beyond that period, which is referred to as terminal value. The estimated present value is calculated using our weighted average cost of capital, which accounts for the time value of money and the appropriate degree of risks inherent in our business. The market-based approach considers multiples of financial metrics based trading multiples of a selected peer group of companies. These multiples are then applied to our financial metrics to derive a range of indicated values. Once calculated, the discounted cash flow and comparable company methods are then weighted. Our reporting unit is not at risk of failing step one as its estimated fair value determined during our annual goodwill impairment test for 2012 exceeded its carrying amount by over 380%.

During 2011, we changed our annual impairment test date from December 31 to October 1, effective October 1, 2011. The change was made in anticipation of our company having a requirement to issue its annual financial statements on an accelerated basis as compared to prior years. The change had no impact on our results of operations or any other financial statement line item.

Identifiable finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives ranging from three to 20 years. The method of amortization is based on the pattern over which the economic benefits, generally expected undiscounted cash flows, of the intangible asset are consumed. Intangible assets for which no pattern can be reliably determined are amortized using the straight-line method. Intangible assets consist primarily of the contractual right to future management, advisory and performance fees from customer contracts or relationships. Indefinite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. In connection with such review, we also re-evaluate the periods of amortization for these assets. Recoverability of these assets is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of these assets to undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by these assets. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value.

**Table of Contents****Revenue Recognition**

Investment advisory fees are typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter, based on a contractual percentage of the assets managed. Family office services fees are also typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter based on a contractual percentage of the assets managed or upon a contractually agreed-upon flat fee arrangement. Revenue is recognized on a ratable basis over the period in which services are performed.

We account for performance based revenue in accordance with ASC 605-20-S99, Accounting for Management Fees Based on a Formula, by recognizing performance fees and allocations as revenue only when it is certain that the fee income is earned and payable pursuant to the relevant agreements. In certain arrangements, we are only entitled to receive performance fees and allocations when the return on assets under management exceeds certain benchmark returns or other performance targets. We record performance fees and allocations as a component of revenue.

Because the majority of our revenues are earned based on assets under management that have been determined using fair value methods and since market appreciation/depreciation has a significant impact on our revenue, we have presented our assets under management using the U.S. GAAP framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a three-level fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs based on company assumptions (Level 3). A financial instrument's categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the instrument's fair value measurement. The three levels within the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 includes quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical instruments at the measurement date. The types of financial instruments included in Level 1 include unrestricted securities, including equities listed in active markets.

Level 2 includes inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the instruments, including quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the instruments. The type of financial instruments in this category include less liquid and restricted securities listed in active markets, securities traded in other than active markets, government and agency securities, and managed funds whose net asset value is based on observable inputs.

Level 3 includes one or more significant unobservable inputs. Financial instruments that are included in this category include assets under management primarily comprised of investments in privately-held entities, limited partnerships, and other instruments where the fair value is based on unobservable inputs.

The table below summarizes the approximate amount of assets under management for the periods indicated for which fair value is measured based on Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 inputs.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	(in billions)			
December 31, 2012 AUM	\$ 8.4	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.4	\$ 11.2
March 31, 2013 AUM	\$ 9.4	\$ 1.8	\$ 2.4	\$ 13.6

As substantially all our assets under management are valued by independent pricing services based upon observable market prices or inputs, we believe market risk is the most significant risk underlying valuation of our assets under management, as discussed under the heading Risk Factors and Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk.

The average value of our assets under management for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was approximately \$12.4 billion. Assuming a 10% increase or decrease in our average assets under management and





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the change being proportionately distributed over all our products, the value would increase or decrease by approximately \$1.2 billion, which would cause an annualized increase or decrease in revenues of approximately \$5.5 million, at a weighted average fee rate as of March 31, 2013 of 0.44%.

The average value of our assets under management for the year ended December 31, 2012 was approximately \$10.7 billion. Assuming a 10% increase or decrease in our average assets under management and the change being proportionately distributed over all our products, the value would increase or decrease by approximately \$1.1 billion, which would cause an annualized increase or decrease in revenues of approximately \$4.6 million, at the 2012 weighted average fee rate of 0.43%.

***Equity-Based Compensation***

Equity-based compensation cost relating to the issuance of share-based awards to principals is based on the fair value of the award at the date of grant, which is expensed ratably over the requisite service period, net of estimated forfeitures. The fair value of the award is based upon the calculation of a per unit limited partnership interest of our company utilizing both discounted cash flow and guideline company valuation methodologies. The forfeiture assumption is ultimately adjusted to the actual forfeiture rate. Therefore, changes in the forfeiture assumptions may affect the timing of the total amount of expense recognized over the vesting period. The service period is the period over which the employee performs the related services, which is normally the same as the vesting period. Equity-based awards that do not require future service are expensed immediately. Equity-based awards that have the potential to be settled in cash at the election of the employee or that pertain to redeemable partnership units are classified as liabilities, or Liability Awards, and are adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period. Distributions associated with Liability Awards not expected to vest are accounted for as part of compensation expense in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In order to determine the fair value of our limited partnership interests underlying equity-based compensation awards issued prior to the offering described in this prospectus, we first determined the market value of our invested capital, or MVIC. Our MVIC was estimated using a combination of two generally accepted approaches: the income approach using the discounted cash flow method, or DCF, and the market-based approach using the comparable company method. The DCF method estimates enterprise value based on the estimated present value of future net cash flows the business is expected to generate over a forecasted period and an estimate of the present value of cash flows beyond that period, which is referred to as terminal value. The estimated present value is calculated using our weighted average cost of capital, which accounts for the time value of money and the appropriate degree of risks inherent in the business. The market-based approach considers multiples of financial metrics based trading multiples of a selected peer group of companies. These multiples are then applied to our financial metrics to derive a range of indicated values. Once calculated, the discounted cash flow and comparable company methods are then weighted. Estimates of the volatility of our limited partnership interests were based on available information regarding the volatility of common stock of comparable, publicly traded companies.

Prior to this offering, the fair value of the limited partnership interests underlying equity-based compensation awards were determined in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Practice Aid, Valuation of Privately-Held-Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation. The assumptions we used in the valuation model were based on future expectations combined with management judgment. Because there had been no public market for our limited partnership units, management exercised significant judgment and considered numerous objective and subjective factors to determine the fair value of our limited partnership interests as of the date of each equity-based compensation award grant, including the following factors:

the provisions of our limited partnership agreement;

our operating and financial performance;

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current business conditions and projections;

lack of control discount;

lack of marketability discount;

the likelihood of achieving a liquidity event for the limited partnership interests underlying these equity-based compensation awards, such as an initial public offering or sale of our company, given prevailing market conditions;

historical trading activity of comparable publicly traded companies;

the market performance of comparable publicly traded companies; and

the U.S. and global capital market conditions.

In February 2010, we granted 15,808 units with fair value at grant date of \$68.36 per unit. By February 2011, U.S. markets improved which resulted in an increase in our valuation and the market value of comparable companies. As a result of these factors in addition to organic growth, we projected increases in our budget for 2011 as compared to our actual performance in 2010. In February 2011, we granted 10,802 units with fair value at grant date of \$148.35 per unit. Our valuation determined a MVIC by weighting the DCF approach at 50% and the market-based approach at 50%. Our MVIC reflected a discount for lack of control of 13% based on the existence of a non-managing partnership interest and a discount for lack of marketability of 20% based on a liquidity event expected to occur within approximately twelve months. In February 2012, we granted 1,000 units with fair value at grant date of \$207.71 per unit. U.S. markets continued to improve into the first quarter of 2012 as compared to the end of 2011. As a result, we projected increases in our 2012 budget as compared to actual performance in 2011. Our valuation for the February 2012 grants was determined using a market-based approach.

***Income Taxes***

Our operating company is not subject to federal and state income taxes, since all income, gains and losses are passed through to our partners. Our operating company is subject to New York City Unincorporated Business Tax. We, including our affiliated incorporated entities, are subject to federal and state corporate income tax, which requires an asset and liability approach to the financial accounting and reporting of income taxes. With respect to our incorporated entity, the annual tax rate is based on the income, statutory tax rates and tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. Tax laws are complex and subject to different interpretations by the taxpayer and respective governmental taxing authorities. Judgment is required in determining the tax expense and in evaluating tax positions. The tax effects of an uncertain tax position, or UTP, taken or expected to be taken in income tax returns are recognized only if it is more likely-than-not to be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on its technical merits as of the reporting date. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. We recognize estimated interest and penalties related to UTPs in income tax expense.

We recognize the benefit of a UTP in the period when it is effectively settled. Previously recognized tax positions are derecognized in the first period in which it is no longer more likely than not that the tax position would be sustained upon examination.

***Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements***

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards, or IFRS, which amended guidance on fair value measurements to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements in GAAP and IFRS. The amended guidance specifies that the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise in a fair value measurement are relevant only when



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measuring the fair value of nonfinancial assets and are not relevant when measuring the fair value of financial assets or of liabilities. The amendments include requirements specific to measuring the fair value of those instruments, such as equity interests used as consideration in a business combination. An entity should measure the fair value of its own equity instrument from the perspective of a market participant that holds the instrument as an asset. With respect to financial instruments that are managed as part of a portfolio, an exception to fair value requirements is provided. That exception permits a reporting entity to measure the fair value of such financial assets and financial liabilities at the price that would be received to sell a net asset position for a particular risk or to transfer a net liability position for a particular risk in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The amendments also clarify that premiums and discounts should only be applied if market participants would do so when pricing the asset or liability. Premiums and discounts related to the size of an entity's holding (*e.g.*, a blockage factor) rather than as a characteristic of the asset or liability (*e.g.*, a control premium) are not permitted in a fair value measurement.

The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements, including, among other things, (a) for fair value measurements categorized within Level III of the fair value hierarchy, (1) a quantitative disclosure of the unobservable inputs and assumptions used in the measurement, (2) the valuation process used by the reporting entity and (3) a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, if any, and (b) the categorization by level of the fair value hierarchy for items that are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position but for which the fair value is required to be disclosed (for example, a financial instrument that is measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial position but for which fair value is disclosed). The guidance also amends disclosure requirements for significant transfers between Level I and Level II and now requires disclosure of all transfers between Levels I and II in the fair value hierarchy.

The amended guidance was effective for us on January 1, 2012 and did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

## **Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures Regarding Market Risk**

Our exposure to market risk is directly related to our role as investment adviser for the separate accounts we manage and the funds for which we act as sub-investment adviser. Most of our revenue for the year ended December 31, 2012 and the three months ended March 31, 2013 was derived from advisory fees, which are typically based on the market value of assets under management. Accordingly, a decline in the prices of securities would cause our revenue and income to decline due to a decrease in the value of the assets we manage. In addition, such a decline could cause our clients to withdraw their funds in favor of investments offering higher returns or lower risk, which would cause our revenue and income to decline further. Please see our discussion of market risks in [Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates](#) [Revenue Recognition](#).

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### **BUSINESS**

#### **Our Guiding Principles**

We will create, build and maintain an environment that encourages innovation and original thought and apply this fresh thinking to the needs of our clients and firm.

We will attract, motivate and retain unusually talented and ambitious professionals who share a passion for the investment business and an antipathy for corporate bureaucracy and office politics.

We will conduct ourselves in all our dealings as highly ethical, responsible and competent professionals who always place our clients financial interests ahead of our own.

We will encourage and nurture an entrepreneurial, collegial and action-oriented business culture in which fun is inevitable and decisions are generally consensual.

#### **Our Company**

We are a premier, full-service wealth management firm focused on providing financial advisory and related family office services to ultra-high net worth individuals and institutional investors. In addition to a wide range of investment capabilities, we offer a full suite of complementary and customized family office services for families seeking comprehensive oversight of their financial affairs. As of March 31, 2013, our assets under management were \$13.6 billion.

We were founded 11 years ago on the premise that if we staffed and organized our business to deliver a combination of excellent investment performance together with high-touch client service, we would quickly differentiate our business from a crowded field of firms nominally in the wealth management business. We seek to attract and serve a base of individuals and families with \$10 million or more of investable assets, and we believe we are particularly well-positioned to offer comprehensive investment and family office service solutions to families with over \$25 million of investable assets. As of March 31, 2013, our top 419 client relationships had an average size of \$32 million and represented approximately 98% of our assets under management. Our top 50 relationships averaged \$196 million in size as of March 31, 2013. As a boutique, we are large enough to provide an array of comprehensive capabilities, yet agile enough to coordinate and deliver highly personalized client service.

We consider these to be our competitive strengths:

We are a company offering independent, unconflicted advice, which is principally employee-owned.

We have a strong record of organic and acquired growth and we have a scalable platform.

We have a long-term track record of superior investment performance.

We have a diverse and highly loyal clientele.

We have proven senior management which has successfully executed our growth strategy.

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We have grown during a time of extraordinary financial turmoil during which the value of a full-service, independent, client-focused firm has become ever-more apparent. Our growth and success at attracting ultra-high net worth clients, primarily by taking market share from our competitors, validates our original premise. Our annual client retention rate has averaged 98% since 2006 and, as shown below, the compound annual growth rate, or CAGR, in assets under management since inception is 48%. We believe our record of growth is a direct result of our demonstrated record of delivering excellent performance together with highly personalized service to our clients.

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Our organic growth has been complemented by selective hiring and by five successfully completed strategic acquisitions which have expanded not only assets under management, but also our professional ranks, geographic footprint and service capabilities. We believe additional acquisitions will allow us to extend our geographic presence nationally. As we grow, we will maintain our value proposition to continue to deliver to our clients excellent investment performance together with excellent client service, the essence of what differentiates us from our competitors.

Our clients engage us to advise them on traditional investment strategies focused on equities, fixed income and cash as well as non-traditional investment strategies including hedge funds, private equity funds, real estate and commodities. Our clients receive a full menu of proprietary investment capabilities together with a focused array of complementary non-proprietary capabilities offered by unaffiliated firms selected by us. In addition to our investment capabilities, we also provide our clients with family office services and related administrative services, which include financial planning, tax planning and preparation, partnership accounting and fund administration, and consolidated wealth reporting. Our fees for our investment advisory services, non-proprietary services, and family office and related administrative services are structured to align our financial incentives with those of our clients to ensure they receive unconflicted advice. The vast majority of our fees are for discretionary asset management, and are based on the value of the assets we manage for our clients. These fee revenues increase if our clients' assets grow in value; these revenues decrease if our clients' assets decline in value. We charge a management fee based on assets under management for our investment advisory services. Unlike our management fees, our fees for family office services and related administrative services are generally not based on or correlated to market values. For these services, we generally charge our clients a negotiated fee based on the scope of work. These services create strong client relationships and contribute meaningfully to our record of client retention.

As of March 31, 2013, approximately 89% of our discretionary assets under management were held for individual clients and 11% for institutional clients. Based on the strong results we have achieved in a number of our equity strategies, we are attracting a significant amount of institutional investor interest. After five years of dedicated effort, our equity capabilities are now on the approved lists of several prominent institutional consultants and, as a result, we believe significant institutional growth is likely in future years.

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### ***History, Organization and Philosophy***

When forming our company, our founders had the objective of creating a large full-service boutique operation focused on managing portfolios and delivering financial advice to wealthy individuals and select institutions. We commenced operations in April of 2002. Our first partners and employees came almost entirely from Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette (DLJ) Asset Management Group which had been acquired by Credit Suisse Asset Management in late 2000. In 2002, we carefully recruited and hired the same equity, fixed income and client service teams with whom our clients had worked at DLJ Asset Management Group. As of May 15, 2013, approximately a quarter of our 95 employees are veterans of DLJ. Many of our principals, therefore, have worked together for 20 years and, in some cases, even longer.

Our headquarters are located in New York City with additional offices in Boston, Massachusetts and Charlottesville, Virginia. From 2004 to 2012, we successfully acquired four separate registered investment advisers and integrated and rebranded their operations into our company. In April 2013, we began integrating and rebranding the acquired operations of Ten-Sixty Asset Management, LLC. The following is a summary of these acquisitions:

James C. Edwards Asset Management Inc., acquired in March 2004 with \$889 million in assets under management, helped build out our New York presence;

Heritage Financial Management LLC, acquired in March 2005 with \$330 million in assets under management, created an office in Charlottesville, VA and enhanced our family office and tax planning and preparation capabilities;

Marathon Capital Group LLC, acquired in October 2008 with \$552 million in assets under management, established a Boston office for our company; and

Milbank Winthrop & Co., acquired in November 2011 with approximately \$478 million in assets under management, strengthened our presence in the New York market and allowed us to add commodity and new funds of funds investment capabilities.

Ten-Sixty Asset Management, LLC, acquired in March 2013 with approximately \$1.9 billion in assets under management, expanded our hedge fund due diligence capabilities and continued to grow our institutional business.

In structuring our business we anticipated that we would quickly become a large boutique operation. Accordingly, from inception we have embraced an organizational structure in which the primary functions of client service, investments, technology and operations and business administration were organized and staffed with professionals who specialize in each of those functions. This structure permits each professional to focus on his or her area of expertise without the distraction of other business responsibilities. At many other firms the senior professionals are expected to serve multiple roles simultaneously, which we believe dilutes the value to clients and makes scaling the business effectively unachievable. We firmly believe that our business structure represents a better approach and will permit us to greatly expand our business on our existing platform.

In meeting our primary objective to deliver strong investment results, we seek to add value through our asset allocation advice, as well as through our proprietary equity and fixed income strategies and outsourced investment capabilities. We recruited and hired a team of seasoned securities analysts who have an institutional caliber approach to security selection and a long record of success in implementing their strategies. We encourage them to focus 100% of their professional time on the task of securities selection. Our in-house equity analysts are focused on U.S. large cap, small cap, smid cap, multi cap, equity income and focused value equity strategies. On the fixed income side, our analysts are focused on high-grade municipals, high-yield municipals and high-grade taxables.

In order to deliver excellent client service, our portfolio managers are charged with the responsibility of working individually with each client to help define investment objectives, risk tolerance, cash flow requirements



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and other financial needs. The portfolio manager is responsible for developing a portfolio strategy designed to meet these predetermined client goals. Thereafter, the portfolio manager becomes the client's primary point of contact with our company in all matters, including assessing the client's need for family office services, and then introducing and overseeing the family office services professionals engaged for that work. Client-facing portfolio managers, their support staffs and the family office services group account for 45% of our total employees, a reflection of our high commitment to excellent client service. The ratio of our total client relationships to client-facing professionals is, therefore, approximately nine to one. We are staffed to assure that each client receives senior level personal attention.

We have a staff of 10 professionals who work with our portfolio managers to deliver family office services to interested clients. The fees for family office services are negotiated with the client and generally are not asset-based. For this reason, the revenues generated by our family office services are non-correlated to market movements and provide us with a diversified source of earnings. We believe these family office services have been an attractive component of our overall value proposition and engender a stronger relationship with the client, leading to greater client retention and the institutionalization of client relationships.

Our compound annual growth rate for assets under management growth from inception through March 31, 2013 is 48%. Prior to the financial crisis of 2008, we enjoyed a compound annual growth rate in assets under management of approximately 85% from inception through August 2008. Subsequent to the onset of the financial crisis in 2008, we have recovered more rapidly than many of our large, independent competitors, according to RIA Data Center, and our assets under management now exceed our pre-financial crisis high. Importantly, we remained profitable throughout the downturn. As a result, our compound annual growth rate from August 2008 through March 31, 2013 is 8%. We expect to continue our pattern of complementing our organic growth in assets through selective hiring and acquisitions. We expect our growth to further accelerate as a direct result of growing client referrals and increasing our presence in the institutional marketplace.

## **Our Market Opportunity**

### ***Overview***

Our client relationships with ultra-high net worth individuals currently represent less than 1% of U.S. families with investable assets over \$25 million. Our assets represent less than 5% of the \$498 billion multi-family office (MFO)/registered investment adviser (RIA) channel, which, according to data from Cerulli Associates, itself represents 10% of the estimated \$4.8 trillion high net worth market. Even modest improvements in our penetration of this market will lead to significant further growth.

### ***Domestic High Net Worth Market***

The Spectrem Group estimates there were 1.1 million households in the United States with a net worth of over \$5 million in 2012 and 117,000 with a net worth in excess of \$25 million. Over the last 15 years, the number of households with over \$5 million in net worth has grown at an annual rate of 11% per year. Cerulli Associates estimates that 90% of the \$4.8 trillion high net worth market is at firms outside the MFO/RIA channel. With our focus on taking market share from these firms, we believe that there is a significant growth opportunity for us.

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Source: The Spectrem Group

The Spectrem Group found that high net worth clients and families, in selecting an adviser, valued qualities such as honesty, trustworthiness, transparency and responsive service ahead of an adviser's investment performance track record. When these highly valued characteristics are coupled with superior performance, the result can be an unusually loyal client base. During one of the most turbulent periods of U.S. financial history our clients proved to be highly loyal: our annual client retention rate for the years 2006 through 2012 was 98%.

***The Wealth Management Industry***

The wealth management industry is highly competitive and comprised of many players. We compete directly with some of the largest financial service companies, as well as some of the smallest. Substantially all of our new business to date has resulted from our success in taking market share from these firms. In general, these competitors fall into one of the following categories:

***Diversified Financial Institutions*** have divisions aimed at providing wealth management solutions to the high net worth segment that are usually staffed by brokers with many sources of compensation.

***Asset Management Firms*** offer proprietary institutional and retail asset management services catering to the high net worth segment largely with off-the-shelf products.

***Trust Companies*** combine fiduciary and investment services as well as ancillary financial services with little emphasis on performance.

***MFO/RIAs*** focus exclusively on the high net worth segment and, in the case of MFOs, are frequently dominated by one or two families.

Cerulli Associates estimates that MFO/RIAs are the fastest growing firms in the wealth management industry. Assets have doubled over the last five years as they have taken greater market share, primarily from large financial institutions. Assets managed by MFO/RIAs grew from 2006-2011 at a CAGR of 13.6% as compared with a 0.9% CAGR for all high net worth providers. Cerulli Associates further estimates that high net worth managed assets will grow at a 15.7% CAGR from 2011 through 2015. We are an RIA which is also regarded as an MFO, and thus we are well positioned to benefit from the growth Cerulli Associates foresees.

The 2008 financial crisis created an ongoing opportunity for independent smaller firms to attract assets from their larger competitors. The press has documented the erosion of client trust that has occurred at large financial

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institutions due to inherent conflicts of interest and lack of transparency. In delivering conflict-free advice within a completely transparent fee relationship, we are well-positioned to achieve further market share gains.

### ***Institutional Market***

The asset management industry has experienced significant growth in worldwide assets under management during the past 15 years, fueled in significant respects by aging populations in both developed and emerging markets around the world, which have increased the pools of savings and particularly pension assets. For example, total pension assets in the United States grew from \$6.8 trillion at the end of 1996 to \$16.1 trillion at the end of 2011, according to Towers Watson. Furthermore, Towers Watson estimates that U.S. pension funds allocate 44% of year-end total assets to equities or \$7.1 trillion at the end of 2011. As of March 31, 2013, institutional assets represented approximately 11% of our discretionary assets under management or \$950 million and 7% of total assets under management. After a focused multi-year investment effort to make our capabilities known to institutional investment consultants, we continue to believe we are well positioned to attract meaningful institutional assets. As a result, we expect this percentage to increase significantly.

### **Competitive Strengths**

Our key competitive strengths are as follows:

#### ***Independent, Unconflicted Advice***

We are an independent registered investment adviser and are not affiliated with a broker/dealer or a commercial bank. As a result, our financial incentives are directly aligned with those of our clients. The vast majority of our fees are for discretionary asset management, and are based on the value of the assets we manage for our clients. These fee revenues increase if our clients' assets grow in value; these revenues decrease if our clients' assets decline in value. We do not receive commissions, rebates, spreads or any other indirect or undisclosed forms of compensation. We are not controlled by any client or family and all of our investment decisions are made in the best interests of our clients. All of our fees are fully disclosed and transparent to our clients who have an unrestricted right to accept or reject them.

We employ a partnership culture and mindset fostered through widespread employee equity ownership. As of May 15, 2013, 37 of our employees owned equity in our company. Each of our principals purchased this equity by making a substantial personal investment in our company. We believe that employee equity aligns our employees' interests both with our company's and our clients' interests. It further motivates and dedicates employees to the task of satisfying our clients' objectives. We believe that this partnership approach maximizes teamwork and collegiality and when issues and opportunities arise, all of our principals take an active interest in them.

#### ***Demonstrated Track Record of Growing Assets Under Management***

We have expanded our business through a combination of organic growth and acquired growth, which combined with strong investment returns, have produced a CAGR in total client assets of 48% since our inception.

Our organic growth in our individual client business has been fueled by client referrals and through the hiring of portfolio managers with substantial client relationships. Our institutional client business has resulted from a multi-year effort to make our equity capabilities known to institutional investment consultants. Our acquired growth is the result of five successfully completed strategic acquisitions we have consummated in New York, Boston and Charlottesville. Following this offering, we expect the number and frequency of acquisitions to increase.

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We have adopted a scalable structure in which the primary functions of client service, investments, technology and operations and business administration are organized and staffed with professionals who specialize in each of those functions. Our organization not only permits the efficient and scalable growth of our business but fosters the integration of acquired firms. Our ultra-high net worth business is scalable and our institutional business is even more so. We can add significant institutional assets without any further significant investment in infrastructure.

**Long-Term Track Record of Superior Investment Performance**

We have a proven ability to deliver excellent investment performance through both our asset allocation work on behalf of clients as well as through security selection. We believe that the superior investment returns we have generated for investors over many years and through all types of economic conditions are a key reason for our success in growing assets. The following chart summarizes the performance of each of our principal equity strategies relative to their appropriate benchmarks.

PROPRIETARY EQUITY PERFORMANCE AS OF 03/31/13	INCEPTION	ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE				INCEPTION
		1-YEAR	3-YEAR	5-YEAR	7-YEAR	
<b>Large Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Russell 1000 Value Index		18.8	12.7	4.9	4.2	5.8
<b>Small Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.8</b>
Russell 2000 Value Index		18.1	12.1	7.3	3.9	7.6
<b>Smid Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>10/1/05</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.7</b>
Russell 2500 Value Index		21.2	14.2	8.8	5.2	6.4
<b>Multi Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>7/1/02</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>8.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Equity Income Composite</b>	<b>12/1/03</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Focused Value Composite</b>	<b>9/1/04</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>9.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.4

**Loyal, Diverse Base of Clients**

As a result of our focus on delivering outstanding investment performance combined with highly personalized client service, we have developed significant long-term relationships with a large majority of our clients. Many of our client relationships pre-date the formation of our company. Since 2006, our annual client retention rate has averaged 98% and was 99% and 100% in 2011 and 2012, respectively.

Our suite of family office services has been an important component to building a strong relationship with our clients, leading to greater client retention. Nine out of our ten largest relationships use one or more components of our family office services. In addition to assisting in client retention, these capabilities have been instrumental in attracting new clients from families which seek a comprehensive and efficient approach to overseeing their wealth beyond investment management.

Our assets under management are highly diversified among clients. As of March 31, 2013, approximately 98% of our business was comprised of clients whose average relationship size is \$32 million and our top 50 relationships averaged \$196 million. As of March 31, 2013, our clients were represented in 43 states, the District of Columbia, Europe and Latin America and no single client represented more than 5% of our revenue or 6% of discretionary assets under management.

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### ***Dedicated, Proven Senior Management***

Our entire business is overseen by an Executive Committee comprising our Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel and a Managing Director from our Portfolio Management Group. This group meets weekly to discuss our overall business. In particular, the Executive Committee focuses on developing and implementing our strategy as well as solving problems and seizing opportunities effectively and efficiently. At present, except for Mr. Albert S. Messina, no one on the Executive Committee has direct client or investment responsibility and, as a result, the members of the Executive Committee commit significant resources to managing the business and executing our growth strategy.

### **Our Growth Strategy**

We built our company to take market share from financial services firms whose wealth management models we believe are flawed. To date, we attracted substantially all of our new client relationships from our competitors due to client dissatisfaction with service and/or investment performance. Our growth strategy has been and will continue to be to grow our business organically, to complement our organic growth with strategic hires and acquisitions and to expand our presence in the institutional market. In support of each of these initiatives we plan to continue to invest in establishing our brand through continued selective advertising and public relations.

### ***Organic Growth***

We have a proven ability to identify, attract and retain ultra-high net worth clients who seek a firm designed to deliver excellent investment performance and excellent client service. Our organizational model of separate and distinct business functions has proven scalable and our company's assets under management have grown to \$13.6 billion as of March 31, 2013 without a commensurate increase in headcount. Importantly, we have achieved our growth while maintaining our profitability during one of the most challenging periods in the history of the U.S. financial markets. Going forward, we will continue to execute our proven business plan for attracting ultra-high net worth clients.

The business of attracting ultra-high net worth clients is the business of obtaining referrals and gaining trust. At our company these responsibilities reside principally with our portfolio managers. Our senior portfolio managers have on average nearly 30 years of experience and they have a wealth of contacts and professional referral sources as a result of that experience. In spearheading the effort to deliver excellent performance and service to their clients, these portfolio managers develop very close relationships with their clients and in many cases these relationships are much older than our company itself. Much of our new business results from referrals from existing clients. In this regard, it is critical that our portfolio managers work closely with each of their clients to establish the trust that is at the heart of the relationship.

Where appropriate, our portfolio managers are also encouraged to introduce our clients to our family office services capabilities and we expect to see growth in client utilization of these services in the future. Nine of our ten largest clients use our family office services and some of these have closed their own family offices to consolidate those activities with us. This is a profitable business for us and it serves to tighten our ties to those clients who avail themselves of the services we offer. It is also extremely useful to us in new business competitions where we use these services as a differentiator from our competitors. We expect much greater penetration with our current clients in future years and we expect that many of our new clients will use these services extensively.

Complementing the efforts of our senior portfolio managers to cultivate client referrals, our recently created business development team is charged with identifying newly formed wealth (resulting from merger, acquisition or corporate finance) and then creating customized solicitations. Our objective is two-fold: we will expand awareness of our company and its capabilities by distributing our marketing materials to this new audience and we will attract a certain amount of new business. The basis of this effort is careful research designed to ascertain if the prospect has any relationship with us-or any of our clients or friends-and then our solicitation is tailored to those circumstances.

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In all of our business development efforts we devote a great deal of time and effort to developing highly customized and detailed proposals for our prospects. In order to do so, we spend as much time as is required to thoroughly understand the prospect's circumstances and goals as well as the sources of its dissatisfaction with its existing adviser. Where appropriate our proposals include the integration of our entire suite of family office services. We believe very few of our competitors invest the time and labor to create comparable proposals and we believe these customized proposals have underpinned much of our new business success. We believe our customized new business presentations distinguish us from both our much larger competitors, which have substantial resources, but whose size, we believe, may impede them from easily tailoring solutions to suit clients' needs, as well as from our smaller competitors whom, we believe, do not have our depth of resources or capabilities. Simultaneously, our customized new business presentations distinguish us from both our much larger competitors who have major resources but cannot easily tailor solutions to suit clients' needs as well as from our smaller competitors who do not have our depth of resources or capabilities.

### *Acquired Growth*

From our inception, our organic growth has been complemented by selective hiring and strategic acquisitions which have served to enlarge our client base, expand our professional ranks, increase our geographic presence and broaden our service capabilities. We therefore expect to continue to recruit and hire senior portfolio managers with significant client relationships as well as successful investment professionals with capabilities currently not available internally to us. We have used acquisitions to extend our presence into new geographies (Boston, Charlottesville) and to gain new investment expertise. The five strategic acquisitions we have successfully completed have allowed us to benefit from economies of scale and scope.

In making acquisitions, we look for compatible professionals of the highest integrity who believe in our high service-high performance model for the business. It is important that their clientele be principally clients of high net worth and it is helpful if they have a similar value-based investment methodology. These firms are attracted to our company by the strength of our brand, the breadth of our services and the integrity of our people. Often these firms are extremely limited in the investment products and client services they can offer their clients and it is not uncommon that they have succession or other management issues to resolve. In addition, the high and growing cost of compliance with federal and state laws governing their business is often an added inducement. Following this offering, we believe we will become the partner of choice for many such firms.

Continuing our short-term growth strategy, we intend to establish offices in major wealth centers on the West Coast, in the Southwest and in the Midwest in order to be closer to both our clients and to prospective clients. The following chart identifies those U.S. cities which contain the greatest number of families with net worth of \$30 million or more:

RANK	CITY	RESIDENTS WITH A NET WORTH > \$30 MILLION
1	New York, NY	7,535
2	San Francisco, CA	4,580
3	Los Angeles, CA	4,525
4	Chicago, IL	2,610
5	Washington, DC	2,395
6	Houston, TX	2,285
7	Dallas, TX	2,015
8	Atlanta, GA	970
9	Seattle, WA	950
10-Tie	Boston, MA	915
10-Tie	Philadelphia, PA	915

Source: Cerulli Associates/Wealth-X

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While we have been able to consummate acquisitions largely on the strength of our brand and culture without the benefit of publicly traded stock, we believe additional cash and a publicly traded stock will greatly enhance our acquisition prospects. Our past acquisitions have sharpened our ability to integrate acquired businesses, and we believe that once we identify an acquisition target we will be able to complete the acquisition and the integration of the acquired business expeditiously.

We have a strong brand and trusted reputation. Unlike pure roll up firms, we believe we appeal to like-minded professionals who wish to remain independent, autonomous and focused on their clients. In-line with our previous acquisitions, we envision future targets will be rebranded as Silvercrest.

### ***Institutional Growth***

After five years of effort focused on cultivating relationships with institutional investment consultants, we continue to regularly make new business presentations to institutional investors, including public and corporate pension funds, endowments, foundations, and their consultants.

We are now on the approved lists of certain prominent institutional investment consultants, which means that these consultants would be prepared to recommend our firm to clients in search of a particular investment strategy for its clients. This has significantly enhanced our ability to win mandates these consultants seek for their institutional clients and as a result we have begun to win institutional mandates in our equity strategies. This trend was recently highlighted by our selection by a very large state retirement fund to manage an equity mandate of up to \$400 million. In addition, in December 2011, we were hired to manage, and have begun providing services to, a new equity mutual fund which is being actively marketed throughout the nation. We expect this trend to continue once it is publicly known that these and other institutions have engaged us to manage significant portfolios for them. The importance of institutional growth to our company is noteworthy: institutional assets will likely expand not only our assets under management but also our profit margins; and the painstaking due diligence conducted by these institutions before selecting us will ratify and confirm the decisions to hire us made by our individual clients.

### ***Brand Management***

We have invested heavily to build, maintain and extend our brand. We have done so in the belief that creating awareness of our company and its differentiated characteristics would support all aspects of our business but most notably our growth.

With limited resources, we have created a focused national advertising campaign, which has drawn praise from clients, prospects and competitors alike. We have carefully chosen media outlets that reach our target audience efficiently and we estimate that the new business, which we get directly as a result of our advertising, now finances its cost.

Complementing our advertising strategy and again with limited resources, we have also invested in an effort to get media coverage of our company in some of the nation's most prestigious national publications as well as in industry journals and newsletters. This effort has resulted in press coverage by the *Wall Street Journal*, *Barron's*, *Bloomberg*, the *Financial Times* and *The New York Times* as well as various trade publications distributed within our industry. This public relations effort has very proven helpful in establishing our company as a leader in our industry.

Following this offering we expect to increase our spending in both advertising and public relations as part of our effort to further build our brand and to increase the market's awareness of our company, particularly in the geographic markets which we expect to enter.

### ***Our Business Model***

We were founded in 2002 to provide independent investment advisory and related family office services to ultra-high net worth individuals and endowments, foundations and other institutional investors. To this end, we

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are structured to provide our clients with institutional-quality investment management with the superior level of service expected by wealthy individuals.

To provide this high level of service, we rely on portfolio management teams and our family office services team to provide objective, conflict-free investment management selection and a fully integrated, customized family-centric approach to wealth management. We believe the combination of comprehensive family office service, excellent investment capabilities and a high level of personal service allows us to take advantage of economies of scale to service the needs of our ultra-high net worth clients.

We have dedicated investment management teams tasked with successfully implementing their respective investment strategies. To increase the probability of success in meeting this objective, our analysts are not responsible for client interaction, management of our business, marketing or compliance oversight. This enables us to effectively serve ultra-high net worth clients as well as institutions which typically perform in-depth due diligence before selecting a manager.

***Delivering Investment Performance***

The Investment Policy & Strategy Committee, or IPSC, which is comprised of our chief strategist and several of our senior portfolio managers, is charged with the responsibility of adding value through asset allocation and manager selection. This is done through the use of our proprietary investment management by internal analysts, and by whom we believe are best-of-breed external managers.

The IPSC develops model asset allocations assuming differing levels of risk, liquidity and income tolerance as well as conducting outside manager due diligence. Our proprietary model portfolio structures are not merely a backward-looking, mechanical exercise based on the past performance of different asset classes. Instead, our IPSC overlays our judgment on the likely future performance of different asset classes in arriving at optimal portfolio structures. None of our dedicated investment analysts serves on this committee, which safeguards the independence of the IPSC's recommendations.

Our portfolio managers are responsible for creating a customized investment program for each client based upon the IPSC's work. An interactive dialogue ensures that each portfolio plan is based upon each client's defined written objectives. Each client's portfolio strategy takes into account that client's risk tolerance, income and liquidity requirements as well as the effect of diversifying out of low-basis and/or sentimental holdings.

Historically, the IPSC has added value to our clients' portfolios through asset allocation weightings and manager selection. The chart below shows the performance results of our company's basic asset allocation model portfolios developed by the IPSC using our proprietary and outsourced investment capabilities.

MODEL PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AS OF 3/31/2013	ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE					
	INCEPTION	1-YEAR	3-YEAR	5-YEAR	7-YEAR	INCEPTION
<b>Income Portfolio</b>	<b>5/1/03</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>
U.S. Stock/Bond Mix (50/50) <sup>1</sup>		8.9	9.1	5.6	5.5	6.4
<b>Balanced Portfolio</b>	<b>5/1/03</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>7.4</b>
U.S. Stock/Bond Mix (60/40) <sup>1</sup>		9.9	9.8	5.7	5.4	6.6
<b>Growth Portfolio</b>	<b>5/1/03</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>8.4</b>
U.S. Stock/Bond Mix (90/10) <sup>1</sup>		12.9	12.0	5.8	5.1	7.5

<sup>1</sup> The equity benchmark is the S&P 500 Index and the fixed income benchmark is the Barclays Aggregate Bond Index.



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From inception, we have employed a system of peer group reviews to ensure that client portfolios have been constructed in a manner consistent with our best collective thinking. In annual peer group reviews, the asset allocation within client portfolios is compared with the portfolios defined objectives and portfolios which are not fully aligned with the investment objective, which are then singled out for further review and discussion. Our objective is for all clients to receive our best thinking and that portfolio managers are managing portfolios consistently with our policy. As a combination of these various factors, the client relationship is with us and not merely with an individual at our company.

We believe that it is impossible for a single manager to perform all forms of investing equally well. Thus, our core proprietary investment capabilities are focused on a narrow range of highly disciplined U.S. equity and fixed income management strategies. Our investment teams have exhibited strong performance records. With respect to these strategies, roughly 50% of our total assets under management are managed in our proprietary investment strategies.

Our outsourced investment capabilities include alternative investments as well as traditional investment approaches in the categories of domestic large, mid and small cap growth equity, international equities and high yield bonds.

*Proprietary Equity Strategies*

Our equity strategies rely on a team-based investment approach and a rigorous investment process. This approach has resulted in returns that exceed relevant market benchmarks. We believe this team approach has provided and will continue to provide consistency to our investment process and results over the long-term. Our investment analysts are generalists who employ a bottom-up value oriented equity selecting methodology. Our analysts collectively monitor a universe of approximately 100 stocks which are deemed to be attractively valued relative to their business outlook and management's history of adding value. Each proprietary equity strategy is built from the same body of research. Below is an illustration of the equity team's investment process:

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Once stocks have been approved for investment from this body of research, they become part of one or more model equity portfolios. These are generally large cap, small cap, smid cap, multi-cap, equity income and focused value. Each stock position is continually monitored against its investment thesis to ensure investment discipline, and we employ a strict discipline to trim or sell securities in the following circumstances:

When a stock is excessively valued in our models or the best case scenario is reflected in the stock price;

Due to a stock's outperformance, which can adversely affect a portfolio's diversification;

Due to underperformance, when a stock trails relevant benchmarks by more than 10%;

When the investment thesis changes, due to a loss of confidence in management, a change in business prospects, or the deterioration in earnings quality.

Below is a breakdown of assets among the various proprietary equity strategies as of March 31, 2013:

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Each of our equity strategies has outperformed its benchmark as illustrated by the following chart:

PROPRIETARY EQUITY PERFORMANCE AS OF 03/31/13	ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE					
	INCEPTION	1-YEAR	3-YEAR	5-YEAR	7-YEAR	INCEPTION
<b>Large Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Russell 1000 Value Index		18.8	12.7	4.9	4.2	5.8
<b>Small Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>4/1/02</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.8</b>
Russell 2000 Value Index		18.1	12.1	7.3	3.9	7.6
<b>Smid Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>10/1/05</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.7</b>
Russell 2500 Value Index		21.2	14.2	8.8	5.2	6.4
<b>Multi Cap Value Composite</b>	<b>7/1/02</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>8.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Equity Income Composite</b>	<b>12/1/03</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.9
<b>Focused Value Composite</b>	<b>9/1/04</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>9.3</b>
Russell 3000 Value Index		18.7	12.7	5.1	4.2	6.4
<i>Proprietary Fixed Income Strategies</i>						

In the management of fixed income investments, clients typically give us the mandate to produce stable returns to dampen the volatility of their portfolios as a counter-weight to equities as part of their complete asset allocation. For those investors who can take advantage of the tax exemption of municipal bonds, we have developed two high-yield municipal bond products designed to add value to the returns possible from high-grade bonds in a low interest rate environment. Below is the breakdown of assets under management by strategy as of March 31, 2013:

Our fixed income strategy employs a bottom-up fundamental value approach designed to minimize the risk of loss. Almost all of our bond portfolios are highly customized and focused on income and liquidity generation as opposed to capital appreciation.

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### ***Outsourced Manager Selection***

Recognizing the value of diversification to our clients, we offer a variety of outsourced investment capabilities designed to complement our proprietary capabilities. These outsourced capabilities include managers who have long records of success in managing growth equities, international equities, taxable high yield bonds, hedge funds and other strategies not offered on a proprietary basis by us. In selecting these managers, we utilize an investment manager database for initial screening and then a dedicated staff conducts on-site due diligence. Potential managers are reviewed and selected by our IPSC. Our selection criteria include the following:

*Highly Consistent Returns.* We emphasize consistency of performance over strong performance marked by high volatility.

*Tax Sensitivity.* We seek managers with a low turnover style of management designed to achieve attractive after-tax rates of return.

*Solid Operations, Technology.* We require each manager to produce evidence that it has strong technology and operations capabilities as well as vigorous compliance adherence.

*Alignment of Interest.* We require evidence that the strategy's key people have significant equity in their company and are motivated to stay in place.

*Will Negotiate Fees.* We require our traditional managers to accept a significant discount in their management fees because we expect to manage all aspects of the client relationship. Their only responsibility is to manage the capital entrusted to them. No manager has refused to offer the discounts we seek.

For large clients with significant hedge fund exposure, we offer a hedge fund advisory service to create customized hedge fund portfolios. Each of our funds of funds capabilities appears below:

*Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund* is designed to complement and diversify long-only equity portfolios through investments with managers who employ long and short strategies;

*Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund* provides international and non-dollar exposure and diversification focused on long, short, credit and other managers who invest in emerging markets;

*Silvercrest Commodity Strategies Fund* seeks to give investors comprehensive commodity exposure; and

*Silvercrest Special Situations Fund* is designed to outperform traditional benchmarks with less volatility.

We have two types of fee arrangements with outsourced managers. With respect to separately managed accounts, clients pay a discounted fee, negotiated by us, directly to the manager. With respect to outsourced fund consultants, clients pay a discounted fee negotiated by us, directly to the manager and the manager distributes a portion of the fee to us. Clients are informed of this arrangement and have signed a written acknowledgement.

### ***Delivering Client Service***

We take a holistic approach to client service, whereby a senior portfolio manager spearheads the coordination of the IPSC recommendations, family office services work and the investment management team in order to deliver the full range of our capabilities to the client. The portfolio

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manager helps the client define his or her portfolio needs, develop a portfolio plan designed to achieve them and execute an agreed upon plan to accomplish our client's financial objectives. The portfolio manager has regular contact with our clients to make sure our clients thoroughly understand the decisions that are made.

Portfolio managers are supported by junior portfolio managers and portfolio assistants who are thoroughly knowledgeable about a client's portfolio, investment strategy and relationship with us. Junior portfolio managers are young professionals whom we seek to train and develop as portfolio managers. This approach frees senior

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managers to handle more client business, without compromising service, while developing the next generation of portfolio managers to develop and handle new client accounts. The majority of our organic growth is due to client referrals and we believe the structure of our portfolio management teams, investments in technology and integrated portfolio trading programs enable us to scale future growth.

Nine out of our ten largest high net worth clients use one or more components of our family office services. We believe that this is an attractive growth area for our company and we have initiated plans to increase the provision of these services to both broaden relationships with existing clients and to attract potential clients. Our family office services are profitable and are not used as a loss-leader for attracting clients. Our family office capabilities include the following:

Financial Planning;

Tax Planning and Preparation;

Partnership Accounting and Fund Administration;

Consolidated Wealth Reporting;

Estate or Trust Agency; and

Art Consultancy, Management.

For institutional client relationships, contact with our clients is handled by a dedicated institutional client service team headed by a Managing Director who also maintains our relationships with institutional investment consultants. This structure permits our investment professionals to maintain their focus on achieving superior investment results without the distraction of client demands. For the regularly scheduled portfolio review sessions with a client, generally a senior investment professional attends the face-to-face meetings with the head of institutional client services. The result is an efficient client-oriented service approach that is significantly scalable in size.

## **Competition**

The wealth management industry is highly competitive and is comprised of many players. We compete directly with some of the largest financial service companies, as well as some of the smallest. Substantially all of our new business is gained from our success in taking market share from these firms. We primarily compete on the basis of several factors, including our level of service, the quality of our advice, independence, stability, performance results, breadth of our capabilities and fees. In general, these competitors fall into one of the following categories:

***Diversified Financial Institutions*** have divisions aimed at providing wealth management solutions to the high net worth segment that are usually staffed by brokers.

***Asset Management Firms*** offer proprietary institutional and retail asset management services catering to the high net worth segment largely with off-the-shelf products.

***Trust Companies*** combine fiduciary and investment services as well as ancillary financial services.

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*MFO/RIAs* focus exclusively on the high net worth segment and are frequently dominated by one or two families.

As a registered investment adviser that is not affiliated with other financial firms, we are free from the conflicts associated with brokerage or investment banking firms. In advising our clients on portfolio strategies, we are motivated to meet our clients' investment objectives, not to generate commissions or placement fees, and to focus solely on providing excellent service and investment performance.

We have the size and resources to compete with larger organizations, and unlike many smaller firms, to provide our clients with fully customized, full-service wealth management and integrated family office solutions.

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While many competitors outsource investment management, we have chosen to compete with excellent proprietary investment capabilities coupled with a focused array of complementary non-proprietary capabilities offered by unaffiliated firms. This combination enables us to compete for and win the business of wealthy investors. We believe this is a key to our past and future success.

### **Employees**

As of March 31, 2013, we had 93 full-time employees and three part-time employees.

### **Facilities**

Our corporate headquarters are located at 1330 Avenue of the Americas, 38th Floor, New York, New York 10019, where we occupy approximately 41,000 square feet of space under a lease, the terms of which expire on September 30, 2017. We believe our current facilities are adequate for our current needs and that suitable additional space will be available as and when needed.

### **Legal Proceedings**

In the normal course of business, we may be subject to various legal and administrative proceedings. Currently, there are no legal proceedings pending or threatened against us.



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**REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT**

Our business is subject to extensive regulation in the United States at the federal level and, to a lesser extent, the state level. Under these laws and regulations, agencies that regulate investment advisers have broad administrative powers, including the power to limit, restrict or prohibit an investment adviser from carrying on its business in the event that it fails to comply with such laws and regulations. Possible sanctions that may be imposed include the suspension of individual employees, limitations on engaging in certain lines of business for specified periods of time, revocation of investment adviser and other registrations, censures and fines.

The legislative and regulatory environment in which we operate has undergone significant changes in the recent past. New laws or regulations, or changes in the enforcement of existing laws or regulations, applicable to us and our clients may adversely affect our business. Our ability to function in this environment will depend on our ability to monitor and promptly react to legislative and regulatory changes. There have been a number of highly publicized regulatory inquiries that have focused on the investment management industry. These inquiries have resulted in increased scrutiny of the industry and new rules and regulations for investment advisers. This regulatory scrutiny may limit our ability to engage in certain activities that might be beneficial to our stockholders.

In addition, as a result of recent market events, acts of serious fraud in the investment management industry and perceived lapses in regulatory oversight, U.S. and non-U.S. governmental and regulatory authorities may increase regulatory oversight of our businesses. We may be adversely affected as a result of new or revised legislation or regulations imposed by the SEC, the CFTC, other U.S. or non-U.S. regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations that supervise the financial markets. We also may be adversely affected by changes in the interpretation or enforcement of existing laws and rules by these governmental authorities and self-regulatory organizations, as well as by U.S. and non-U.S. courts. It is impossible to determine the extent of the impact of any new laws, regulations or initiatives that may be proposed on us or the markets in which we trade, or whether any of the proposals will become law. Compliance with any new laws or regulations could add to our compliance burden and costs and affect the manner in which we conduct our business.

**SEC Regulation**

SAMG LLC is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act. The Advisers Act, together with the SEC's regulations and interpretations thereunder, imposes substantive and material restrictions and requirements on the operations of investment advisers. The SEC is authorized to institute proceedings and impose sanctions for violations of the Advisers Act, ranging from fines and censures to termination of an adviser's registration.

The Advisers Act imposes substantive regulation on virtually all aspects of our business and relationships with our clients. As a registered investment adviser, we are subject to many requirements that cover, among other things, disclosure of information about our business to clients; maintenance of written policies and procedures; maintenance of extensive books and records; restrictions on the types of fees we may charge, including performance fees; solicitation arrangements; engaging in transactions with clients; maintaining an effective compliance program; custody of client assets; client privacy; advertising; and proxy voting. The SEC has authority to inspect any registered investment adviser and typically inspects a registered investment adviser periodically to determine whether the adviser is conducting its activities (i) in accordance with applicable laws, (ii) consistent with disclosures made to clients and (iii) with adequate systems and procedures to ensure compliance.

As an investment adviser, we have a fiduciary duty to our clients. The SEC has interpreted this duty to impose standards, requirements and limitations on, among other things: trading for proprietary, personal and client accounts; allocations of investment opportunities among clients; use of soft dollars; execution of transactions; and recommendations to clients. We manage 63% of our accounts on a discretionary basis, with

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authority to buy and sell securities for each portfolio, select broker-dealers to execute trades and negotiate brokerage commission rates. In connection with these transactions, we receive soft dollar credits from broker-dealers that have the effect of reducing certain of our expenses. Section 28(e) of the Exchange Act provides a safe harbor to an investment adviser against claims that it breached its fiduciary duty under state or federal law (including ERISA) solely because the adviser caused its clients' accounts to pay more than the lowest available commission for executing a securities trade in return for brokerage and research services. To rely on the safe harbor offered by Section 28(e), (i) we must make a good-faith determination that the amount of commissions is reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and research services being received and (ii) the brokerage and research services must provide lawful and appropriate assistance to us in carrying out our investment decision-making responsibilities. In permissible circumstances, we may receive technology-based research, market quotation and/or market survey services which are paid for in whole or in part by soft dollar brokerage arrangements. If our ability to use soft dollars were reduced or eliminated as a result of the implementation of statutory amendments or new regulations, our operating expenses would increase.

Under the Advisers Act, our investment management agreements may not be assigned without the client's consent. The term "assignment" is broadly defined and includes direct assignments as well as assignments that may be deemed to occur upon the transfer, directly or indirectly, of a controlling interest in an investment adviser.

The failure of SAMG LLC to comply with the requirements of the Advisers Act, and the regulations and interpretations thereunder, could have a material adverse effect on us.

## **CFTC Regulation**

Due to recent rule amendments by the CFTC, SAMG LLC is registered with the CFTC and the National Futures Association, or the NFA, as a commodity pool operator and/or commodity trading advisor. Registration subjects us and our affiliates to substantive and material restrictions and requirements, including, among other things, reporting, recordkeeping, disclosure, self-examination and training requirements. Registration also subjects us to periodic on-site audits, and the CFTC is authorized to institute proceedings and impose sanctions for violations of the Commodity Exchange Act and/or CFTC rules.

## **Dodd-Frank**

While the Dodd-Frank Act has not yet caused us to reconsider our business model, certain provisions will, and other provisions may, increase regulatory burdens and reporting and related compliance costs. In addition, the scope of many provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act are being determined by implementing regulations, some of which will require lengthy proposal and promulgation periods. Moreover, the Dodd-Frank Act mandates many regulatory studies, some of which pertain directly to the investment management industry, which could lead to additional legislation or regulation. The SEC and the CFTC, as a result of authority provided to these agencies in Section 404 of the Dodd-Frank Act, issued final rules that require investment advisers registered with the SEC that advise one or more private funds, as well as commodity pool operators and commodity trading advisors registered with the CFTC, to provide certain information on Form PF about their funds and assets under management, including the amount of borrowings, concentration of ownership and other performance information, which will be used by the Financial Stability Oversight Council for purposes of assessing the systemic risk posed by private funds and by the SEC and CFTC for other purposes. We are subject to these rules and will have to file a Form PF. Likewise, as a result of the issuance by the CFTC of certain other rules, pursuant to authority granted under Sections 404 and 406 of the Dodd-Frank Act, we will be required to file a Form CPO-PQR and Form CTA-PR. The Dodd-Frank Act will affect a broad range of market participants with whom we interact or may interact, including banks, non-bank financial institutions, rating agencies, mortgage brokers, credit unions, insurance companies and broker-dealers. Regulatory changes that will affect other market participants are likely to change the way in which we conduct business with our counterparties. The uncertainty regarding further implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act and its impact on the investment management industry and us cannot be predicted at this time but will continue to be a risk for our business.

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**ERISA-Related Regulation**

To the extent that SAMG LLC or any other of our affiliates is a fiduciary under ERISA with respect to benefit plan clients, it is subject to ERISA and to regulations promulgated thereunder. Among other things, ERISA and applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code impose certain duties on persons who are fiduciaries under ERISA, prohibit certain transactions involving benefit plan clients and provide monetary penalties for violations of these prohibitions. Our failure to comply with these requirements could have a material adverse effect on our business.

**Compliance**

Our legal and compliance functions are integrated into a team of professionals. This group is responsible for all legal and regulatory compliance matters, as well as monitoring adherence to client investment guidelines. Senior management is involved at various levels in all of these functions.

For information about our regulatory environment, see [Risk Factors](#) [Risks Related to the Regulatory Environment in which We Operate](#). The regulatory environment in which we operate is subject to continual change and regulatory developments designed to increase oversight may adversely affect our business.

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The following table provides information regarding our directors, nominees to our board of directors and executive officers.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Position</b>
G. Moffett Cochran	62	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Richard R. Hough III	43	President, Chief Operating Officer and Director
Scott A. Gerard	45	Chief Financial Officer
David J. Campbell	44	General Counsel and Secretary
Albert S. Messina	65	Managing Director and Portfolio Manager
Winthrop B. Conrad, Jr.	67	Director
Wilmot H. Kidd III	71	Director
Richard S. Pechter	68	Director

**G. Moffett Cochran** is our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of our board of directors. As our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Cochran is responsible for the oversight and management of our company. Mr. Cochran has been the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of SAMG LLC, since he co-founded it in 2001. Prior to forming SAMG LLC, Mr. Cochran served as Chairman of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette (DLJ) Asset Management Group and then as President of Credit Suisse Asset Management LLC following the acquisition of DLJ by Credit Suisse in 2000. He also currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Jefferson Scholars Foundation and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Mr. Cochran holds a B.A. from the University of Virginia and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

As co-founder of SAMG LLC, Mr. Cochran has been involved in guiding our business since its inception. Mr. Cochran has over 25 years of experience in senior management positions in the investment management industry and has dealt with a wide range of issues that face the industry and us in particular. These two facets provide him with strong insights into all aspects of our business and the types of management issues that face companies in our sector. Based on his experience and qualifications, Mr. Cochran was elected as a member of our board.

**Richard R. Hough III** is our President and Chief Operating Officer and a member of our board of directors. Mr. Hough has served as President of SAMG LLC since January 2012 and as its Chief Operating Officer since July 2010. He has been a member of the Executive Committee since 2007. Mr. Hough, who joined us in 2003, has responsibility for all aspects of our operations, including corporate strategy and development. Previously, Mr. Hough served as the founding national program director of Children's Scholarship Fund. Mr. Hough also worked in Washington, DC, as a managing editor and policy analyst. Mr. Hough is a member of the Board of Governors of the Investment Adviser Association, a not-for-profit organization that represents the interests of SEC-registered investment adviser firms. He serves on the advisory board of the *New Criterion*, a monthly review of the arts and intellectual life and on the executive board of Monmouth Council, Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Hough graduated with a degree in politics from Princeton University.

Mr. Hough has been involved in the strategy of our company for almost ten years. His various leadership roles enable him to provide valuable insight on the strategic direction of the Company. Based on his experience and qualifications, Mr. Hough was elected as a member of our board.

**Scott A. Gerard** is our Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Gerard has served as Chief Financial Officer of SAMG LLC since 2010. Prior to joining Silvercrest, Mr. Gerard was Chief Financial Officer of Brand Connections, LLC, a private equity-backed marketing and media company from December 2008 through November 2009. Previously, he was Chief Financial Officer of Guideline, Inc., a publicly-held business research firm. Prior to

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Guideline, Mr. Gerard was a Division Controller with Citigroup Inc. and began his career with KPMG LLP. Mr. Gerard is a Certified Public Accountant and received a B.S. in accounting from the University of Buffalo.

**David J. Campbell** is our General Counsel and Secretary. Mr. Campbell has served as the General Counsel of SAMG LLC since 2009. Prior to joining Silvercrest, Mr. Campbell served as a Managing Director and Associate General Counsel at Jefferies & Company, Inc. from 2006 to 2009. Mr. Campbell began his career at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation, where as a Senior Vice President he provided advice and counsel to DLJ's Pershing Division, Investment Services Group and DLJdirect. In 2001, he joined the law firm of Bressler, Amery & Ross, P.C., where he was a partner. He graduated with a B.A. from The George Washington University and a J.D. from Villanova University School of Law.

**Albert S. Messina** joined Silvercrest Asset Management in April 2002 as a Managing Director and Portfolio Manager of equity and fixed income portfolios. Prior to that, Mr. Messina was a Managing Director at Credit Suisse Asset Management (CSAM), where he served in a similar capacity. He arrived at CSAM as a result of that firm's merger with DLJ, where he had worked since 1983. Previously, he spent 14 years with Bankers Trust Company, where he advised private clients and oversaw the fiduciary department's Tax Services Division. Mr. Messina holds a B.A. in Economics from Brooklyn College.

**Winthrop B. Conrad, Jr.** is a member of our board of directors. Winthrop B. Conrad, Jr. is Senior Counsel, retired, of Davis Polk & Wardwell, LLP, a New York based global law firm. Prior to July 2007, Mr. Conrad was a senior partner at Davis Polk, specializing in capital markets transactions, mergers and acquisitions and general corporate matters. Mr. Conrad is a graduate of Yale College and received his J.D. from Harvard Law School. Davis Polk has not performed and does not perform legal services for us.

Mr. Conrad has extensive experience with corporate transactions, as well as finance, which provides us with important perspectives in those areas. With his broad experience in corporate legal matters, Mr. Conrad is uniquely equipped to provide the board with insight into capitalization strategies, fiduciary matters, capital markets mechanics and strategic expansion opportunities. Based on his experience and qualifications, Mr. Conrad was elected as a member of our board.

**Wilnot H. Kidd III** is a member of our board of directors. Mr. Kidd is Chairman of the Board and President of Central Securities Corporation, a non-diversified, publicly traded, investment company. Mr. Kidd has served as its President since 1973 and became Chairman of its Board of Directors in 2010. Mr. Kidd graduated from Washington & Lee University with a B.S. and from Northwestern University with an M.B.A.

Mr. Kidd has been involved in the financial services industry generally and the financial aspects of the investment company environment specifically for many years. He has extensive financial expertise through his various roles in publicly traded investment companies. In addition, Mr. Kidd's service as chairman of the board of another public company provides our company with valuable insights on corporate governance issues that face the board and our company. Based on his experience and qualifications, Mr. Kidd was elected as a member of our board.

**Richard S. Pechter** is a member of our board of directors. Mr. Pechter joined Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, or DLJ, in 1969 and spent his career there, retiring in 2000 as a Director of the parent and Chairman of DLJ's Financial Services Group and DLJdirect. He is currently a Director of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or FINRA and was previously a Director of the New York Stock Exchange Regulatory Authority. Mr. Pechter graduated from Yale and received his M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School, where he was a Baker Scholar.

Mr. Pechter has 42 years of experience in the investment management sector in various business, finance and strategic leadership roles. He has broad expertise and knowledge of the investment management business. Through his experience, Mr. Pechter has gained and developed extensive business, finance, distribution,

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marketing and leadership skills. Further, Mr. Pechter possesses an understanding of the regulatory aspects affecting our business through his relationships with FINRA and the New York Stock Exchange Regulatory Authority. These unique characteristics make him an important asset to our board, providing insight into the regulatory developments within our sector. Based on his experience and qualifications, Mr. Pechter was elected as a member of our board.

### **Board Composition**

Our board of directors currently consists of five directors. Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter qualify as independent directors under the corporate governance standards of Nasdaq. Our board of directors consists of a majority of independent directors within the meaning of the applicable rules of the SEC and Nasdaq and at least one member, Mr. Kidd, who is an Audit Committee financial expert within the meaning of the applicable rules of the SEC and Nasdaq.

As described under *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure* *Stockholders Agreement Among Class B Stockholders*, the principals and our employees who are granted restricted shares of our Class A common stock will enter into a stockholders agreement pursuant to which they will agree to vote their shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock they hold at such time, or may acquire in the future, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee. The votes of the members of the Executive Committee will be weighted based upon their relative holdings of Class B units. As a result of his equity ownership and position on the Executive Committee, following this offering, G. Moffett Cochran will initially control the vote of the Executive Committee, and therefore, the vote of all of the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock held by our principals. The parties to the stockholders agreement collectively will hold % of the combined voting power of our capital stock immediately after this offering (or approximately % if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares).

### ***Staggered Board***

Effective upon the consummation of this offering, our board of directors will be divided into three staggered classes of directors of the same or nearly the same number and each director will be assigned to one of the three classes. At each annual meeting of the stockholders, a class of directors will be elected for a three-year term to succeed the directors of the same class whose terms are then expiring. The terms of the directors will expire upon the election and qualification of successor directors at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held during the years 2014 for Class I directors, 2015 for Class II directors and 2016 for Class III directors.

Our Class I directors will be Mr. Kidd and Mr. Pechter;

Our Class II directors will be Mr. Conrad and Mr. Hough; and

Our Class III director will be Mr. Cochran.

Our board of directors is set at five directors. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide that the number of our board of directors shall be fixed from time to time by a resolution of a majority of our board of directors. Any additional directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors will be distributed among the three classes so that, as nearly as possible, each class shall consist of one-third of the board of directors.

The division of our board of directors into three classes with staggered three-year terms may delay or prevent stockholder efforts to effect a change of our management or a change in control. See *Description of Capital Stock* *Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law* and *Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation* *Classified Board of Directors* and *Risk Factors* *Risks Related to this Offering* *Anti-takeover provisions* in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could discourage a change of control that our stockholders may favor, which also could adversely affect the market price of our Class A common stock.

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Our board of directors currently consists of five directors. Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter qualify as independent directors under the corporate governance standards of Nasdaq. Silvercrest was incorporated on July 11, 2011. As such, we have had only one annual meeting during the most recent fiscal year in which all directors attended. Upon being registered as a public company, we will have required annual meetings.

### ***Board Leadership Structure***

Our board of directors includes our Chief Executive Officer who also serves as Chairman of the board. Our board understands that there is no single, generally accepted approach to providing board leadership and that given the dynamic and competitive environment in which we operate, the right board leadership structure may vary as circumstances warrant. To this end, our board of directors has no policy mandating the combination or separation of the roles of Chairman of the board and Chief Executive Officer and believes the matter should be discussed and considered from time to time as circumstances change. Mr. Cochran will serve as both our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman, which we believe provides strong leadership for us and promotes a close relationship between management and our board of directors and assists in the development and implementation of corporate strategy.

### ***Board Oversight of Risk Management***

Our board of directors is responsible for overseeing management in the execution of its responsibilities and for assessing our general approach to risk management. In addition, an overall review of risk is inherent in our board's consideration of our long-term strategies and other matters presented to our board. Our board exercises its responsibilities periodically as part of its meetings and also through our board's three committees, which will be established prior to the consummation of this offering, each of which will examine various components of enterprise risk as part of their responsibilities. For example, the Audit Committee has primary responsibility for addressing risks relating to financial matters, particularly financial reporting, accounting practices and policies, disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. The Audit Committee has primary responsibility for reviewing and discussing our practices regarding risk assessment and management, including any guidelines or policies that govern the process by which we identify, monitor and handle major risks. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee oversees risks associated with the independence of our board and potential conflicts of interest. The Compensation Committee has primary responsibility for risks and exposures associated with our compensation policies, plans and practices, regarding both executive compensation and the compensation structure generally, including whether it provides appropriate incentives that do not encourage excessive risk-taking. Senior management is responsible for assessing and managing our various exposures to risk on a day-to-day basis, including the creation of appropriate risk management programs and policies.

Our board's role in risk oversight of our company is consistent with our leadership structure, with the Chief Executive Officer and other members of senior management having responsibility for assessing and managing our risk exposure, with our board and its committees providing oversight in connection with those efforts. We believe this division of risk management responsibilities presents a consistent, systematic and effective approach for identifying, managing and mitigating risks throughout our company.

### **Board Committees**

Prior to the consummation of this offering, we will establish an Audit Committee, a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and a Compensation Committee, each consisting only of independent directors.

#### ***Audit Committee***

Our Audit Committee will assist our board of directors in its oversight of our internal audit function, the integrity of our financial statements, our independent registered public accounting firm's qualifications and independence and the performance of our independent registered public accounting firm.

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Our Audit Committee's responsibilities will include, among others:

reviewing the audit plans and findings of our independent registered public accounting firm and our internal audit and risk review staff, as well as the results of regulatory examinations, and tracking management's corrective action plans where necessary;

reviewing our financial statements, including any significant financial items and/or changes in accounting policies, with our senior management and independent registered public accounting firm;

reviewing our financial risk and control procedures, compliance programs regarding risk assessment and management and significant tax, legal and regulatory matters; and

appointing annually our independent registered public accounting firm, evaluating its independence and performance, determining its compensation and setting clear hiring policies for employees or former employees of the independent registered public accounting firm.

We anticipate that Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter will serve on the Audit Committee and that Mr. Kidd will serve as its chairman. Each of Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter is independent under Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act. Mr. Kidd serves as our Audit Committee financial expert, as that term is defined under the SEC rules implementing Section 407 of Sarbanes-Oxley, and has experience that results in his financial sophistication as defined under Nasdaq rules.

### ***Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee***

Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee's responsibilities will include, among others:

making recommendations to the board regarding the selection of candidates, qualification and competency requirements for service on the board and the suitability of proposed nominees as directors;

advising the board with respect to the corporate governance principles applicable to us;

overseeing the evaluation of the board and management;

reviewing and approving in advance any related party transaction, other than those that are pre-approved pursuant to pre-approval guidelines or rules established by the committee;

reviewing periodically the form and amounts of director compensation and making recommendations to the board with respect thereto; and

establishing guidelines or rules to cover specific categories of transactions.

We anticipate that Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter will serve on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, each of whom qualifies as an independent director as defined under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, Nasdaq and the IRS. Mr. Conrad will serve as the chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.



*Compensation Committee*

Our Compensation Committee will assist our board of directors in the discharge of its responsibilities relating to the compensation of our executive officers.

Our Compensation Committee's responsibilities will include, among others:

reviewing and approving, or making recommendations to our board of directors with respect to, the compensation of our executive officers;

overseeing and administering, and making recommendations to our board of directors with respect to, our cash and equity incentive plans; and

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reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to director compensation.

We anticipate that Messrs. Conrad, Kidd and Pechter will serve on the Compensation Committee, each of whom qualifies as an independent director as defined under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, Nasdaq and the IRS. Mr. Pechter will serve as the chairman of the Compensation Committee.

***Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation***

Upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, our board of directors will form a Compensation Committee as described above. Prior to this offering, the compensation of our executive officers was determined by our Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Committee. Following this offering, the Compensation Committee of our board of directors will have responsibility for establishing and administering compensation programs and practices with respect to our executive officers, including the named executive officers. None of our executive officers serves as a member of the board of directors or Compensation Committee, or other committee serving an equivalent function, of any entity that has one or more of its executive officers serving as a member of our board of directors or our Compensation Committee.

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**COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

*The following discussion and analysis of compensation arrangements of our named executive officers for 2012 should be read together with the compensation tables and related disclosures set forth below. This discussion contains certain forward-looking statements that are based on our current plans, considerations, expectations and determinations regarding future compensation programs. Actual compensation programs that we adopt in the future may differ materially from currently planned programs as summarized in this discussion.*

This section summarizes the material elements and principles underlying our compensation policies, including those relating to our named executive officers. It generally describes the manner and context in which compensation is earned by, and awarded and paid to, our management and senior executives, who we refer to as our principals, and provides perspective on the tables and narratives that follow. The named executive officers of Silvercrest are G. Moffett Cochran, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Richard R. Hough III, President and Chief Operating Officer, Scott A. Gerard, Chief Financial Officer, David J. Campbell, General Counsel and Secretary and Albert S. Messina, Managing Director and Portfolio Manager. During 2012 and through the consummation of this offering, we were a private company. We expect that some of our policies and practices with respect to compensation will change when we are a public company. This section also highlights some of those expected changes.

References to we, our or company in this Compensation Discussion and Analysis section that describe our historical compensation practices refer to Silvercrest L.P. and our predecessor Silvercrest GP LLC, and references to we, our or company in this Compensation Discussion and Analysis section that describe our compensation practices following the consummation of this offering refer to Silvercrest and its subsidiaries.

***Philosophy and Objectives of Compensation Program***

Our compensation program is designed to reward past performance on an individual, team, and company level, and encourages future contributions to achieving our strategic goals and enhancing stockholder value. Our method of compensating our principals is intended to meet the following objectives: (i) support our overall business strategy; (ii) attract, retain and motivate top-tier professionals within the investment management industry; and (iii) align the interests of our principals with those of our stockholders.

We believe that to create long-term value for our stockholders, we need a skilled and experienced management team focused on achieving profitable and sustainable financial results, expanding our investment capabilities through disciplined growth, continuing to diversify sources of revenue and delivering superior client service. We depend on our management team to execute the strategic direction of our company and maintain our standards for ethical, responsible and professional conduct. We also rely on our management team to manage our professionals and distribution channels and provide the operational infrastructure that allows our investment professionals to focus on achieving attractive investment returns and superior client service. In addition, we depend on our management team to encourage an entrepreneurial and collegial business culture.

The elements of our compensation and equity participation programs have contributed to our ability to attract and retain a highly qualified team of professionals. For our principals, we use, and expect to continue to use, cash and equity compensation programs and equity participation in a combination that has been successful for us in the past and that we believe will continue to be successful for us as a public company. In addition to cash compensation for our principals, we have recognized performance and value, which enhance our overall compensation objectives, by (i) offering interests in Silvercrest L.P. and its general partner and our predecessor, Silvercrest GP LLC, for purchase by employees at fair market value and (ii) awarding deferred equity units in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC which vest over time. In some cases, these deferred equity units are complemented by performance units of additional equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC that vest upon the achievement of defined, long-term company performance hurdles. By doing so, we have enabled our principals to share in the future profits, growth and success of our business.

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Our cash compensation and equity participation programs align the interests of our principals with those of our stockholders and create long-term stockholder value. After becoming a public company, we intend to maintain overall compensation at highly competitive levels. In addition, we expect to award equity-based compensation as part of our compensation programs for our principals.

As a public company, we intend to focus compensation programs on rewarding performance that increases long-term stockholder value, including growing revenues, retaining clients, developing new client relationships, developing new products, improving operational efficiency and managing risks. We intend to periodically evaluate the success of our compensation and equity participation programs in achieving these objectives and adapt these programs as our company grows in order to enable us to better achieve these, and future, objectives.

### ***Determination of Compensation and Role of Directors and Principals in Compensation Decisions***

Our executive compensation and equity participation programs were developed and implemented while we were a private company. We have not identified a specific peer group of companies for comparative purposes and have not engaged in formal competitive benchmarking of compensation against specific peer companies. In addition, we have not engaged a compensation consultant to assist in the annual review of our compensation practices or the development of compensation or equity participation programs for our principals.

Compensation of our employees is not determined using rigid metrics or formulae and all compensation decisions are subject to the discretion of the Executive Committee and, ultimately, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Historically, base salaries, annual bonuses and incentive compensation of our employees are reviewed by the Executive Committee and adjusted as deemed necessary after taking into account both individual and company performance. In addition, pursuant to the terms of our governing documents, aggregate compensation levels historically have been subject to the approval of our independent board member and independent investor when they exceeded a specified percentage of annual revenue.

In connection with this offering, our board of directors will form a Compensation Committee comprised solely of independent directors to assist our board of directors in the discharge of its responsibilities relating to the compensation of our named executive officers. For a discussion of the Compensation Committee's role and responsibilities, see Management Board Committees Compensation Committee included in this prospectus. In making its decisions, the Compensation Committee will be guided by the recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Committee.

We have not adopted policies with respect to cash versus non-cash compensation (or among different forms of non-cash compensation), although we have determined that it is important to encourage or provide a meaningful opportunity to acquire an amount of equity ownership by our principals to help align their interests with those of our company. The allocation between cash and non-cash compensation has historically been based on a number of factors, including individual performance, company performance and company liquidity. These determinations vary from year to year. We may decide in future years to pay some or all of short-term and long-term incentives in equity depending upon the facts and circumstances existing at that time.

We have also not adopted policies with respect to current versus long-term compensation, but believe that both elements are necessary for achieving our compensation objectives for all employees. As a public company, we expect that base salaries and performance bonuses will remain competitive for all employees. Equity awards for principals will reward achievement of strategic long-term objectives and we believe will contribute toward overall stockholder value.

In the future, we also expect that our Chief Executive Officer will continue to have discretion to determine the compensation of the named executive officers (other than himself), which he will do in consultation with our Compensation Committee. Our Compensation Committee is also expected to assume overall oversight

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responsibility for our compensation policies, plans and programs, by reviewing our company's achievements and the achievements of our employees, and providing input and guidance to our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in the determination of the specific type and level of compensation of our other named executive officers. Our Compensation Committee will also set the compensation of our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

### ***Principal Components of Compensation***

We have established compensation practices that directly link compensation with individual and company performance, as described below. These practices apply to all of our principals, including our named executive officers. Ultimately, ownership in our company has been the primary tool we have used to attract and retain senior professionals. As of, on a pro forma basis to take into account the reorganization and the consummation of this offering, our principals indirectly held approximately % of the interests in Silvercrest L.P. The substantial majority of employee-owned interests are held by Mr. Cochran. In connection with the reorganization, all units in Silvercrest GP LLC, our predecessor, held by our principals will be converted into interests in Silvercrest L.P. The interests in Silvercrest L.P. currently held by our principals will continue to be held by them and will entitle them to continue to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. after the consummation of this offering.

In 2012, we provided the following elements of compensation to our principals, the relative value of each of these components for individual principals varying based on job role and performance: (i) base salary; (ii) annual cash bonus; (iii) deferred equity-based compensation; and (iv) other benefits and perquisites, each of which is described below.

*Base Salary.* Base salaries are intended to provide the named executive officers with a degree of financial certainty and stability that does not depend entirely upon company or individual performance. The intent behind all salaries is to provide a source of stable and predictable cash flow for each of our principals. The base salaries of our named executive officers for 2012 are set forth below in our Summary Compensation Table.

*Annual Cash Bonus.* Annual cash bonus is determined at or after the end of each fiscal year and is based on a number of variables that are linked to individual and company-wide performance for that year and over the longer term. Our principals' annual bonus awards have been granted in the sole and absolute discretion of our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Historically, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer has determined his own bonus, if any, based upon the performance of our company. As a public company, we anticipate that our Compensation Committee will assume oversight for all of our compensation programs, including the approval of compensation of our Chief Executive Officer. The annual cash incentive compensation awarded to our named executive officers for fiscal 2012 is set forth below in our Summary Compensation Table.

*Deferred Equity-Based Compensation.* All of our named executive officers and all of our principals own equity interests in our company. As part of our annual incentive compensation for some of our named executive officers and other principals, we awarded deferred equity units which vest over a four-year period and performance units in 2011 and 2012 for performance in the prior year. Each performance unit represents the unsecured right to receive additional interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, but only if: (i) the recipient continues to hold the underlying deferred equity units at the time the performance units vest, which is four years from the date of issuance; and (ii) interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC have increased in value from date of issuance by at least 15% in year four. The value of the deferred equity and performance units when awarded is set forth below in our Summary Compensation Table.

*Other Benefits and Perquisites.* Each of our employees participates in the employee health benefit programs we maintain, including medical, group life and long-term disability insurance, on the same basis as all other employees, subject to satisfying any eligibility requirements and applicable law. We also provide other perquisites such as an automobile program, by which our present and former Management Committee members are provided \$500 per month toward auto lease or financing

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payments. In addition, we offer each of our employees our investment management services, if they place their funds in a separately-managed account with us, at a discounted advisory fee typically associated with these services. Currently we do not have plans to change the levels of perquisites received, but continue to monitor them and may make adjustments from time to time. The perquisites provided to our named executive officers in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012 are described below in our Summary Compensation Table.

***Stock Ownership Guidelines***

While the compensation of our principals has primarily included a set salary and a discretionary bonus, virtually all of our principals own equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC. As stated, we believe that equity ownership in our company causes principals to have a long-term view of our success, and a healthy concern for the entire company, rather than merely improving their own compensation. Principals are incentivized to grow and increase the value of their equity interests by adding to our overall revenue and guarding our expenses in a way that a non-equity owner would not. All of our principals have been offered multiple opportunities to acquire ownership interests in our company value based on a multiple of earnings that serves as a proxy for fair market value, and in many cases, have received annual incentive compensation awards which include such interests.

To date, only those employees who attained the title of Senior Vice President, Managing Director or higher were invited to purchase equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC or receive them as annual incentive compensation awards. These transactions have taken a variety of forms. Some equity owners received equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC upon the acquisition by our company of their prior firm. We have successfully completed five of these acquisitions. Some equity owners were invited to purchase equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC upon commencement of employment at our company or upon achieving a specified seniority level at our company. On other occasions, we offered the opportunity to existing principals to purchase equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC that were redeemed by departing principals or issued new equity interests. In these cases, the principals purchased the equity interests by issuing promissory notes to us in the amount of the value of the equity interests purchased, some of which notes provided for annual amortization and others of which provided for a balloon payment. In addition, in 2012, some principals received additional equity interests as annual incentive compensation awards.

Our principals have not historically been subject to mandated equity ownership or retention guidelines. It is our belief that the equity component of our compensation program ensures that our principals are also owners whose incentives are directly aligned with those of our company and our clients. As a public company, we intend to continue to promote broad and substantial equity ownership by our principals by using both equity-based compensation awards which may be granted on an annual basis, and performance awards that will be granted in appropriate circumstances. We may expand our equity ownership by creating opportunities for all employees, and not only our principals, to acquire equity interests in our company. In addition, following this offering, while an employee of Silvercrest L.P., our principals will be required to retain at least 25% of the Class B units in Silvercrest L.P. owned by the principal on the date of consummation of this offering.

Each holder's profits percentage is fixed at the date of acquisition of the equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, subject to dilution when additional equity interests in these entities are issued or accretion if existing equity interests in their entities are redeemed and not resold. Under the terms of its limited partnership agreement, Silvercrest L.P. may retain profits for future needs of the partnership.

An equity interest in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC also allows the holder to participate in the appreciation or depreciation in the value of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, respectively, from and after the date of the grant of the equity interest, by participating in defined capital or liquidity events (as defined in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement and amended and restated limited liability company agreement) or by redemption following termination of employment. The redemption of these equity interests is described in detail below under Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control.

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In connection with the reorganization, the terms of the equity interests held by our named executive officers will change in several significant respects, described in greater detail under *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure* in this prospectus. As part of our reorganization, interests in Silvercrest L.P. will be exchanged for Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. and shares of our Class B common stock. Class A units in Silvercrest L.P. will be held by Silvercrest, the new general partner of Silvercrest L.P. Each Class A unit and Class B unit gives its holder the right to a percentage of the current profits of Silvercrest L.P. (as defined in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement). Following this offering, a substantial portion of the economic return of our principals will continue to be obtained through their equity ownership in Silvercrest L.P. We believe that the continued link between the economic return they realize and our performance will encourage their continued exceptional performance. In addition, we believe that the restrictions on transfer and the ownership requirements to which they will be subject will align their interests with those of our stockholders. See *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure* for a more detailed description of the ownership structure and the rights of the limited partners in Silvercrest L.P. after this offering.

Following this offering, as an element of compensation we intend to grant equity-based awards to those individuals considered to be critical to our company's future success, primarily, (i) those professionals responsible for the investment performance of our strategies; (ii) those professionals principally responsible for servicing our existing clients and increasing our client base; and (iii) our executive officers.

As of December 31, 2012, our named executive officers held deferred equity units with profits percentages and equity balances in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, as follows:

	<b>Profits Percentage (1)</b>	<b>2012 Earned Profits (2)</b>	<b>Equity Balance as of December 31, 2012 (3)</b>
G. Moffett Cochran	0.31%	\$ 15,308	\$ 447,661
Richard R. Hough	0.32%	\$ 16,419	\$ 456,705
Scott A. Gerard	0.09%	\$ 4,717	\$ 133,527
David J. Campbell	0.13%	\$ 7,431	\$ 192,311
Albert S. Messina	0.34%	\$ 19,556	\$ 483,836

- (1) The amounts in this column represent the respective combined vested and unvested deferred equity unit percentages of our named executive officers.
- (2) The amounts in this column represent allocations of 2012 profits to our named executive officers pursuant to their respective equity interests related to both vested and unvested deferred equity units. Profits allocations related to the vested and unvested deferred equity units were determined based on the net income of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC.
- (3) The amounts in this column represent the respective combined vested and unvested deferred equity unit account balances of our named executive officers that would be paid to the holder of following termination of employment under certain circumstances. The amounts in this table assume that the holder's employment was terminated by death or disability.

**Tax Considerations**

Our Compensation Committee is expected to consider the anticipated tax and accounting treatment of various payments and benefits to us and, when relevant, to our principals, although these considerations are not dispositive. Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code generally disallows a tax deduction to a publicly-traded corporation that pays compensation in excess of \$1 million to any of its named executive officers (other than the chief financial officer) in any taxable year, unless the compensation plan and awards meet certain requirements. As a private company, Section 162(m) does not currently apply to our compensation program. To the extent Section 162(m) becomes applicable to us, we will endeavor to structure compensation to qualify as performance-

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based under Section 162(m), where it is reasonable to do so while meeting our compensation objectives. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we reserve the right to pay amounts that are not deductible under Section 162(m) during any period when Section 162(m) is applicable to us.

### ***Risk Considerations in our Compensation Program***

In evaluating our compensation program, we have identified two primary risks relating to compensation: (i) the risk that compensation will not be sufficient to retain talent and (ii) the risk that compensation may provide unintended incentives. To combat the risk that our compensation might not be sufficient, we strive to use a compensation structure and set compensation levels for all employees in a way that we believe contributes to low rates of employee attrition. We do not use compensation consultants, but we receive regular and ongoing input from industry representatives and other market sources through our (1) participation on the Pershing Advisor Solutions, a service which provides a customized approach to understanding the RIA business and a range of solutions to help meet demand, with MFO/RIA peers; (2) participation in other custodian advisor forums and industry events; (3) review of compensation surveys by companies such as The Bower Group, which provides international consulting services to a range of clients; (4) review of industry publications featuring stories on compensation practices and metrics; and (5) reviewing the Moss Adams Adviser Compensation and Staffing Study, which is prepared by Pershing Advisor Solutions, Moss Adams LLP and IN Advisor Solutions and includes data on hundreds of advisory firms. We also make equity awards subject to multi-year vesting schedules to provide a long-term component to our compensation program and impose ongoing restrictions on the ability of our principals to dispose of their equity holdings acquired through equity awards. We believe that both the structure and levels of compensation have aided us in retaining key personnel as evidenced by the long-term tenure of our principals.

To address the risk that our compensation programs might provide unintended incentives, we keep our compensation programs simple and we tie the long-term component of equity-based compensation to our company-wide results. We have not seen any employee behaviors motivated by our compensation policies and practices that create increased risks for our stockholders or our clients.

Based on the foregoing, we do not believe that our compensation policies and practices motivate imprudent risk taking. Consequently, we are satisfied that any potential risks arising from our employee compensation policies and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us. As mentioned, our Compensation Committee, which will be comprised entirely of independent directors upon the consummation of this offering, will review our compensation plans and policies periodically to ensure proper alignment with overall company goals and objectives. Our Compensation Committee is also expected to review the risks arising from our compensation policies and practices and assesses whether any such risks are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us.



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The following table shows the annual compensation of our principal executive officer, principal financial officer and the two most highly compensated executive officers other than our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, who were serving as executive officers on December 31, 2012. These officers are referred to in this prospectus as the named executive officers.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Bonus (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	Stock Awards (\$) <sup>(5)</sup>	Cash Distributions (6)	All Other Compensation Earnings (\$) (7)	Total (\$)
G. Moffett Cochran, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	2012	\$ 708,333	\$	\$	\$ 16,680	\$ 248,352	\$ 973,365
	2011	\$ 500,000	\$	\$ 396,750	\$ 11,191	\$ 230,523	\$ 1,138,464
Richard R. Hough, President and Chief Operating Officer (1)	2012	\$ 455,691	\$ 425,000	\$ 207,814	\$ 16,453	\$	\$ 1,104,958
	2011	\$ 400,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 74,494	\$ 8,607	\$	\$ 708,101
Scott A. Gerard, Chief Financial Officer	2012	\$ 339,095	\$ 350,000	\$ 69,167	\$ 4,759	\$	\$ 763,021
	2011	\$ 325,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 66,007	\$ 1,974	\$	\$ 592,981
David J. Campbell, General Counsel and Secretary	2012	\$ 339,095	\$ 275,000	\$ 34,584	\$ 7,457	\$	\$ 656,136
	2011	\$ 325,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 57,756	\$ 5,152	\$	\$ 562,908
Albert S. Messina, Managing Director and Portfolio Manager (2)	2012	\$ 300,000	\$ 381,489	\$	\$ 19,562	\$	\$ 701,051
	2011	\$ 300,000	\$ 391,000	\$ 125,649	\$ 15,791	\$	\$ 832,440

- (1) Mr. Hough was named our Chief Operating Officer in July 2010 and was named President in February 2012.
- (2) Mr. Messina was appointed to the Executive Committee and became a named executive officer in April 2013.
- (3) Amounts represent guaranteed payments made to our named executive officers.
- (4) Amounts represent cash bonuses earned at December 31, 2012 and paid in February 2013.
- (5) Reflects the grant date fair value computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, or ASC 718, associated with deferred equity units in Silvercrest L.P., including distributions in respect of such units, calculated pursuant to ASC 718. Pursuant to ASC 718, Silvercrest L.P. recognizes compensation expense associated with the granting of equity-based compensation based on the grant-date fair value of the award if it is classified as an equity instrument, and on the changes in settlement amount for awards that are classified as liabilities. Silvercrest L.P.'s deferred equity unit-based awards have redemption features that necessitate their classification as liabilities and, accordingly, changes to their redemption values subsequent to the grant date have been included as a component of compensation expense. See Note 16 to the audited consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. included elsewhere in this prospectus.
- (6) Amounts showing in this column represent the amount of cash distributed to each of the named executive officers on account of his vested and unvested deferred equity units for the respective year.
- (7) Amounts in this column represent the aggregate dollar amount of all other compensation received by Mr. Cochran, consisting of employer-paid car allowances equal to \$6,000, insurance premiums for life and disability insurance benefiting Mr. Cochran equal to \$6,370 and the savings of \$235,652, to Mr. Cochran for the discounted advisory fee for investment management services on his funds placed in a separately managed account with our company. None of the perquisites received by our other named executive officers exceeded \$10,000 in 2012.

**Table of Contents****Employment Agreements**

During fiscal 2011 SAMG LLC was a party to employment agreements with each of Messrs. Gerard and Campbell that provided for at-will employment. These agreements did not provide for duration of employment. They did include restrictive covenants concerning the protection of our confidential information and solicitation of our employees and clients. Both employment agreements were terminated in 2012 and we do not have employment agreements with Mr. Hough or Mr. Cochran. As limited partners of Silvercrest L.P., each of our named executive officers (other than Mr. Cochran) may not, while employed and during the one-year period following termination of employment by the employee, without good reason, (i) contact any of our clients or vendors or otherwise solicit any of our clients or vendors to terminate their relationship with us; (ii) accept any business from any of our clients with whom the employee dealt while at our company; or (iii) hire any of our employees. As a founding partner of our company, Mr. Cochran is bound by more restrictive covenants that prevent him during his employment and for two years following termination of employment from (i) contacting any of our clients or vendors or otherwise soliciting any of our clients or vendors to terminate their relationship with us; (ii) accepting any business from any of our clients with whom he dealt with while at our company; (iii) competing with us; or (iv) hiring any of our employees.

**Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End 2012**

The following table sets forth information relating to equity interests in Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC issued to our named executive officers subject to vesting provisions.

Name	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (as of 12/31/2012) (\$) (1)	Stock Awards	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (\$)
			Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (#)	
G. Moffett Cochran (2)	2,104	\$ 559,576		\$
Richard R. Hough (3)	2,130	\$ 566,426		\$
Scott A. Gerard (4)	683	\$ 181,671		\$
David J. Campbell (5)	840	\$ 223,299		\$
Albert S. Messina (6)	1,872	\$ 497,933		\$

- (1) Represents (i) \$265.99 per unit, which is the effective per unit value as of December 31, 2012, multiplied by (ii) the number of unvested units.
- (2) 420.75 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 842 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2015 if performance targets are met.
- (3) 183.50 shares vest on each of February 24, 2013 and 2014. 367 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 24, 2014 if performance targets are met. 79 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 158 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2015 if performance targets are met. 166.75 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016. 334 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2016 if performance targets are met.
- (4) 70 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 140 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2015 if performance targets are met. 55.50 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016. 111 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2016 if performance targets are met.
- (5) 91.75 shares vest on each of February 24, 2013 and 2014. 183.50 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 24, 2014 if performance targets are met. 61.25 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 122.50 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2015 if performance



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targets are met. 27.75 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016. 55.50 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2016 if performance targets are met.

- (6) 321.50 shares vest on each of February 24, 2013 and 2014. 562.75 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 24, 2014 if performance targets are met. 133.25 shares vest on each of February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 266.50 shares, which represent performance units, may vest on February 28, 2015 if performance targets are met.

**Option Exercises and Stock Vested During the Year Ended December 31, 2012**

The following table sets forth information concerning interests in Silvercrest L.P. acquired upon the vesting of deferred equity units by the named executive officers during the year ended December 31, 2012.

Name	Equity Awards	
	Number of L.P. Interests Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$) (1)
G. Moffett Cochran	421	\$ 87,394
Richard R. Hough	262	\$ 54,420
Scott A. Gerard	70	\$ 14,540
David J. Campbell	153	\$ 31,780
Albert S. Messina	455	\$ 94,456

- (1) Reflects the vesting date fair value computed in accordance with ASC 718 associated with deferred equity units in Silvercrest L.P.

**Pension Benefits**

We do not sponsor or maintain any benefit pension or retirement benefits for the benefit of our employees.

**Nonqualified Defined Contribution and Other Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plans**

We do not sponsor or maintain any nonqualified defined contribution or other nonqualified deferred compensation plans for the benefit of our employees.

**Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**

The following summarizes the potential payments and benefits that we would provide to our named executive officers in connection with a termination of employment and/or a change in control. In determining amounts payable, we have assumed in all cases that the termination of employment occurred on December 31, 2012 and prior to this offering.

**Severance Benefits**

We do not offer or have in place any formal retirement, severance, or similar compensation programs providing for additional benefits or payments in connection with a termination of employment, change in job responsibility or change in control. Our named executive officers, therefore, do not have employment, severance, change in control or other agreements with us that would require any payments to them in the event of a termination of employment and/or a change in control. Our named executive officers are all employed on an at will basis, which enables us to terminate their employment at any time. Under certain circumstances, a named executive officer may be offered severance benefits to be negotiated at the time of termination.

**Deferred Equity Units and Performance Units**

As part of bonus compensation for performance during 2009, SAMG LLC awarded to its principals 50% of the annual bonus earned by them in deferred equity units and performance units. For performance during 2010, the



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percentage was 25%, except in the case of Mr. Cochran, for whom the percentage in 2010 was 100%. For performance during 2011, discretionary awards were made in 2012 to all members of the Executive Committee except for Mr. Cochran and Mr. Messina. As of December 31, 2012, there were 16,788 deferred equity units and 13,124 performance units outstanding. The deferred equity units and performance units were not issued pursuant to a plan.

### ***Deferred Equity Units***

Each deferred equity unit represents the right to receive one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC and 99 units of Silvercrest L.P. All deferred equity units receive distributions to the same extent as if underlying units exercisable therefore were deemed outstanding. As part of the reorganization, all deferred equity units outstanding immediately prior to the consummation of this offering will represent the right to receive an equal number of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. Each deferred equity unit vests in four annual increments of 25% beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. On each vesting date, each deferred equity unit will entitle the holder thereof to receive 100 Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. On each vesting date, the holder of a deferred equity unit will have the right to require SAMG LLC to pay the holder cash for a specified percentage of the deferred equity units in lieu of issuing Class B units to the holder for that percentage. The Executive Committee sets the specified percentage that may be paid in cash at the option of the holder of the deferred equity units each year.

### ***Performance Units***

SAMG LLC also granted to each employee who received an award of deferred equity units, a number of performance units which represent the right to receive (i) one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC for every two units of Silvercrest GP LLC issued upon vesting of the deferred equity units awarded to the employee and (ii) one unit of Silvercrest L.P. for every two units of Silvercrest L.P. issued upon vesting of the deferred equity units awarded to the employee. Prior to the consummation of this offering, as part of the reorganization, each performance unit will become exercisable for one Class B unit for every two Class B units issued upon vesting of the deferred equity units awarded to the employee. Each performance unit is subject to forfeiture if (i) the Class B units granted to the employee pursuant to the corresponding deferred equity unit are not held by such employee on the earlier of (A) February 29, 2016 for the fiscal 2011 performance units, February 28, 2015 for the fiscal 2010 performance units, and February 24, 2014 for the fiscal 2009 performance units and (B) the consummation of a change of control transaction or (ii) the value per Class B unit did not increase at least 15% per annum based on the Adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the unit award agreement) of Silvercrest L.P. calculated as of December 31, 2014. Performance units are not entitled to any distributions from Silvercrest L.P. until the underlying Class B units are issued.

### ***Dividend Equivalents***

Each deferred equity unit also entitles the holder to receive distributions from Silvercrest L.P. in the same amounts and at the same times as the holder would have received the distributions had the Class B units underlying the deferred equity units been awarded on the date of grant.

### ***Treatment upon Termination of Employment***

#### ***Voluntary Resignation and Termination with Cause***

All deferred equity units and performance units are automatically forfeited upon a voluntary resignation or termination with cause. The right to receive dividend equivalents on the deferred equity units also terminates upon a termination of employment for the reasons stated above.

#### ***Involuntary Termination without Cause, Death, Disability and Retirement***

Upon an employee's involuntary termination by us, the disability of the employee, the retirement by the employee or an employee's death, all deferred equity units become fully and immediately vested. The Executive

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Committee may determine as of the date of termination of employment the percentage of the deferred equity units held by the terminated employee that may be settled in cash. If an employee is terminated for any of the reasons set forth above, the terminated employee will receive a prorated number of Class B units based on the period of time employed between the date of grant and the settlement of the performance units when the performance target is achieved. The performance units will not be settled until the achievement of the performance target, if at all. In addition, the right to receive dividend equivalents on the deferred equity units will continue until the deferred equity units are settled.

### *Change in Control*

All of the deferred equity units automatically vest in full upon the consummation of a change in control transaction. The Executive Committee will determine whether the performance target for the performance units was achieved as of the closing date of the change in control transaction. If the performance target is achieved, the holder will receive settlement in full of the performance units upon the closing of the change in control transaction.

### *Vesting and Redemption of Silvercrest L.P. Interests*

Under the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, which governs the rights and liabilities of our named executive officers with respect to the ownership of their interests in Silvercrest L.P., those interests are subject to redemption at the option of the employee or Silvercrest L.P. upon the termination of their employment. The terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement governing the redemption of interests held by Mr. Cochran are different from those governing Messrs. Hough, Gerard, Campbell, and Messina as set forth below.

Upon the termination of employment of any of Messrs. Hough, Gerard, Campbell, or Messina, the terminated employee and Silvercrest L.P. each have a right to require the redemption of the terminated employee's interests in Silvercrest L.P. Redemption is typically effected on a date that is at least sixty, but not more than ninety, days after of the date of termination of employment. Payment for the interests is made by issuance of a promissory note by Silvercrest L.P. to the terminated employee and payments under that note are scheduled over a four or five-year period beginning with a payment immediately after the termination date or on the one-year anniversary of the termination date, depending on the circumstances of the termination. The payment amount also differs based on the circumstances of the termination. Payments on the note may be reduced in the event of a violation of non-solicitation or confidentiality covenants applicable to the terminated employee in the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement. Redemption is also triggered upon termination of employment due to death or disability.

Pursuant to the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, in the event of a termination of employment of Mr. Cochran prior to April 30, 2013, other than due to his death or disability, neither Silvercrest L.P. nor Mr. Cochran has the right to redeem his interests in Silvercrest L.P. In the event of a termination of his employment after April 30, 2013, both Mr. Cochran and Silvercrest L.P. will have the right to redeem Mr. Cochran's interests. In such event, redemption of Mr. Cochran's interests will be made by issuance of a note by Silvercrest L.P. to Mr. Cochran which will be payable in either two or three annual installments, depending on the circumstances of his termination.

In the event of termination of employment of a named executive officer due to death or disability on December 31, 2012, the payment upon redemption of his interest in Silvercrest L.P. would be approximately as follows: \$30,098,098 for Mr. Cochran; \$2,333,530 for Mr. Hough; \$864,999 for Mr. Gerard; \$1,269,570 for Mr. Campbell; and \$2,875,884 for Mr. Messina. Those redemption payments may be made over a period of two through five years and, in the case of Mr. Cochran, the first payment may be withheld through April 30, 2013. Those payments would vary in the event of termination of employment of any of the named executive officers for any reason other than death or disability.

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### **Director Compensation**

We paid \$12,500 to each of our non-employee directors for their service as directors during the year ended December 31, 2012. Upon completion of this offering, we do not expect to pay our directors who are also our employees any compensation for their services as directors. We anticipate that our independent, non-employee directors will initially be compensated with an annual retainer of \$50,000 and an additional \$5,000 annually per committee on which the director serves. In addition, all directors will be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with attending board of directors, committee and stockholder meetings, including those for travel, meals and lodging. We reserve the right to change the manner and amount of compensation to our directors at any time.

### **2012 Equity Incentive Plan**

Our board of directors adopted, and our stockholders will approve, the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan prior to the consummation of this offering.

The purposes of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan are to (i) align the long-term financial interests of our employees, directors, consultants and advisers with those of our stockholders; (ii) attract and retain those individuals by providing compensation opportunities that are consistent with our compensation philosophy; and (iii) provide incentives to those individuals who contribute significantly to our long-term performance and growth. To accomplish these purposes, the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will provide for the grant of units of Silvercrest L.P. (All references to units or interests of Silvercrest L.P. refer to Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. and accompanying shares of Class B common stock of our company). The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will also provide for the grant of stock options (both stock options intended to be incentive stock options under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code and non-qualified stock options), stock appreciation rights, or SARs, restricted stock awards, restricted stock units, performance-based stock awards and other stock-based awards (collectively, stock awards) based on our Class A common stock. Incentive stock options may be granted only to employees; all other awards may be granted to employees, including officers, members, limited partners or partners who are engaged in the business of one or more of our subsidiaries, as well as non-employee directors and consultants.

It is initially anticipated that awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan granted to our employees will be in the form of units of Silvercrest L.P. that will not vest until a specified period of time has elapsed, or other vesting conditions have been satisfied as determined by the Compensation Committee, and which may be forfeited if the vesting conditions are not met. During the period that any vesting restrictions apply, unless otherwise determined by the Compensation Committee, the recipient of the award will be eligible to participate in distributions of income from Silvercrest L.P. In addition, before the vesting conditions have been satisfied, the transferability of such units is generally prohibited and such units will not be eligible to be exchanged for cash or shares of our Class A common stock pursuant to the exchange agreement.

Awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will be structured to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

### ***Shares Subject to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan***

A total of \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our Class A common stock, representing 15% of the shares of our Class A common stock and our Class B common stock outstanding as of the closing of this offering, will be reserved and available for issuance under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The equity interests may be issued in the form of shares of our Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P.

If an equity award granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan expires or otherwise terminates without being exercised in full, or is settled in cash, the equity interests not acquired pursuant to the award will again



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become available for subsequent issuance under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. In addition, equity awards that are forfeited, cancelled, exchanged or surrendered prior to becoming fully vested, may become available for the grant of new equity awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

The aggregate number of equity interests that may be granted to any single individual during a calendar year in the form of stock awards may not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock and/or Class B units.

### ***Administration of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan***

The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will be administered by our Compensation Committee. Subject to the terms of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, the Compensation Committee will determine which employees, directors, consultants and advisers will receive grants under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, the dates of grant, the numbers and types of stock awards to be granted, the exercise or purchase price of each award, and the terms and conditions of the stock awards, including the period of their exercisability and vesting and, in certain instances, the fair market value applicable to a stock award. In addition, the Compensation Committee will interpret the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and may adopt any administrative rules, regulations, procedures and guidelines governing the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan or any awards granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan as it deems appropriate.

The Compensation Committee may cancel, with the consent of the affected participants, any or all of the outstanding stock options or SARs in exchange for (i) new stock options or SARs covering the same or a different number of shares of our Class A common stock, but with an exercise price or base amount per share not less than the fair market value per share of our Class A common stock on the new grant date; or (ii) cash or shares of our Class A common stock, whether vested or unvested, equal in value to the value of the cancelled stock options or SARs.

### ***Types of Equity-Based Awards***

The types of awards that may be made under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan are described below. These awards may be made singly or in combination, as part of compensation awards or ownership awards, or both. All of the awards described below are subject to the conditions, limitations, restrictions, vesting and forfeiture provisions determined by the Compensation Committee, in its sole discretion, subject to certain limitations provided in the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. Awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan may be granted without any vesting or forfeiture conditions, as determined by the Compensation Committee. Each award granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will be evidenced by an award agreement, which will govern that award's terms and conditions.

#### ***Non-qualified Stock Options***

A non-qualified stock option is an option that does not meet the qualifications of an incentive stock option as described below. An award of a non-qualified stock option grants a participant the right to purchase a certain number of shares of our Class A common stock during a specified term in the future, after a vesting period, at an exercise price equal to at least 100% of the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the grant date. The term of a non-qualified stock option may not exceed ten years from the date of grant. Except as provided in the award agreement or as otherwise determined by the Compensation Committee, an option may only be exercised while the participant is employed by, or providing services to, us or our subsidiaries, or during an applicable period after termination of employment or service.

#### ***Incentive Stock Options***

An incentive stock option is a stock option that meets the requirements of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code. Incentive stock options may be granted only to our employees and must have an exercise price of \_\_\_\_\_

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no less than 100% of fair market value on the grant date, a term of no more than ten years, and be granted from a plan that has been approved by our stockholders. No incentive stock option may be granted to any person who, at the time of the grant, owns or is deemed to own stock possessing more than 10% of our total combined voting power or that of any of our affiliates, or more than 10% of the value of all classes of our stock, unless (i) the option exercise price is at least 110% of the fair market value of the stock subject to the option on the date of grant and (ii) the term of the incentive stock option does not exceed five years from the date of grant.

### *SARs*

A SAR entitles the participant to receive an amount equal to the difference between the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the exercise date and the exercise price of the SAR (which may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of our Class A common stock on the grant date), multiplied by the number of shares subject to the SAR. The term of a SAR may not exceed ten years from the date of grant. Payment to a participant upon the exercise of a SAR may be either in cash, shares of our Class A common stock or a combination of the two as determined by the Compensation Committee. Except as provided in the award agreement or as otherwise determined by the Compensation Committee, a SAR may only be exercised while the participant is employed by, or providing services to, us or our subsidiaries, or during an applicable period after termination of employment or service.

### *Restricted Stock*

A restricted stock award is an award of outstanding shares of our Class A common stock that does not vest until a specified period of time has elapsed, or other vesting conditions have been satisfied as determined by the Compensation Committee, and which may be forfeited if the conditions to vesting are not met. During the period that any restrictions apply, the transferability of stock awards is generally prohibited. Participants generally have all of the rights of a stockholder as to those shares, including the right to receive dividend payments on the shares subject to their award during the vesting period (unless the awards are subject to performance-vesting criteria) and the right to vote those shares. Dividends will be subject to the same restrictions as the underlying restricted stock unless otherwise provided by the Compensation Committee. All unvested restricted stock awards are forfeited if the participant's employment or service is terminated for any reason, unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise.

### *Restricted Stock Units*

A restricted stock unit is a phantom unit that represents shares of our Class A common stock. Restricted stock units become payable on terms and conditions determined by the Compensation Committee and will be settled either in cash, shares of our Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. or a combination of any of the three as determined by the Compensation Committee. All unvested restricted stock units are forfeited if the participant's employment or service is terminated for any reason, unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise.

### *Performance Awards*

The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan permits the grant of performance-based stock that may qualify as performance-based compensation, not subject to the \$1 million limitation on the income tax deductibility of compensation paid per covered principal imposed by Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, to the extent Section 162(m) is applicable to us. To assure that the compensation attributable to performance-based stock will so qualify, our Compensation Committee can, but will not be required to, structure these awards so that stock will be issued or paid pursuant to the award only upon the achievement of certain pre-established performance goals during a designated performance period.

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The performance goals, to the extent designed to meet the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, will be based on one or more of the following criteria: (i) earnings including operating income, economic income, economic net income, earnings before or after taxes, earnings before or after interest, depreciation, amortization, or extraordinary or special items or book value per share (which may exclude nonrecurring items); (ii) pre-tax income or after-tax income; (iii) earnings per common share (basic or diluted); (iv) operating profit; (v) revenue, revenue growth or rate of revenue growth; (vi) return on assets (gross or net), return on investment, return on capital, or return on equity; (vii) return on sales or revenues; (viii) operating expenses; (ix) stock price appreciation; (x) cash flow, free cash flow, cash flow return on investment (discounted or otherwise), net cash provided by operations, or cash flow in excess of cost of capital; (xi) implementation or completion of critical projects or processes; (xii) economic value created; (xiii) cumulative earnings per share growth; (xiv) operating margin or profit margin; (xv) common stock price or total stockholder return; (xvi) cost targets, reductions and savings, productivity and efficiencies; (xvii) strategic business criteria, consisting of one or more objectives based on meeting specified market penetration, geographic business expansion, customer satisfaction, employee satisfaction, human resources management, supervision of litigation, information technology and goals relating to acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures and similar transactions and budget comparisons; (xviii) personal professional objectives, including any of the foregoing performance goals, implementation of policies and plans, negotiation of transactions, development of long-term business goals, formation of joint ventures, research or development collaborations, and completion of other corporate transactions; and (xix) any combination of any of the foregoing.

*Dividend Equivalents*

Dividend equivalents entitle the participant to receive amounts equal to ordinary dividends that are paid on the shares underlying a grant while the grant is outstanding and may be awarded in connection with grants other than stock options or SARs. The Compensation Committee will determine whether dividend equivalents will be paid currently or credited to a bookkeeping account as a dollar amount or in the form of restricted stock units. Dividend equivalents may be paid in cash, in shares of our Class A common stock or in a combination of the two. The Compensation Committee will determine whether dividend equivalents will be conditioned upon the exercise, vesting or payment of the grant to which they relate and the other terms and conditions of the grant.

*Class B Units*

Under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, the Compensation Committee may also grant equity-based incentives related to Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. to encourage ownership in our operating partnership. The Compensation Committee may grant the same types of awards available under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan related to our Class A common stock as awards related to the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P., including options to purchase Class B units. Any award granted covering units will reduce the overall limit with respect to the number of shares of Class A common stock that may be granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan on a one-for-one basis.

*LTIP Awards*

The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan allows for the grant of LTIP units that may, upon the occurrence of certain events or the participant's achievement of certain performance goals, convert into Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. To the extent provided in an award agreement, LTIP units, whether or not vested, would entitle the participant to receive, currently or on a deferred or contingent basis, distributions or distribution equivalent payments with respect to the number of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. corresponding to the LTIP units. The Compensation Committee may award LTIP units as free-standing awards or in tandem with other awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. Any award granted covering LTIP units will reduce the overall limit with respect to the number of shares of Class A common stock that may be granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan on a one-for-one basis.

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### *Other Equity-Based Awards*

Under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, the Compensation Committee may grant other types of awards that are based on, or measured by reference to, shares of our Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. The Compensation Committee will determine the terms and conditions of such awards. Other stock-based awards may be settled in either cash or equity, as determined by the Compensation Committee.

### *Adjustments*

In connection with stock splits, stock dividends, recapitalizations and certain other events affecting our Class A common stock, the Compensation Committee will make adjustments as it deems appropriate in (i) the number and kind of shares covered by outstanding grants and (ii) the exercise price of all outstanding stock awards, if applicable.

### *Change of Control*

If we experience a change of control, unless otherwise determined by our Compensation Committee or evidenced in the applicable award or other agreement, our Compensation Committee will have discretion to provide, among other things, (i) for the continuation of outstanding awards after the change in control without change; (ii) the cash-out of outstanding options as of the time of the change in control transaction as part of the transaction; (iii) a requirement that the buyer assume or substitute outstanding awards; and (iv) the acceleration of outstanding options and awards. In the event of a change in control in which the consideration paid to the holders of shares of Class A common stock and Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. is solely cash, our Compensation Committee may, in its discretion, provide that each award shall, upon the occurrence of a change in control, be cancelled in exchange for a payment, in cash or Class A common stock, in an amount equal to (x) the excess of the consideration paid per share of Class A common stock and Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. in the change of control over the exercise or purchase price (if any) per share of Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. subject to the award, multiplied by (y) the number of shares of Class A common stock or Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. granted under the award.

In general terms, a change of control under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan occurs:

if a person, entity or affiliated group (with certain exceptions) acquires more than 50% of our then outstanding voting securities;

if we merge into another entity, unless the holders of our voting shares immediately prior to the merger have at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities in the merged entity or its parent;

if we sell or dispose of all or substantially all of our assets;

if we are liquidated or dissolved;

if a majority of the members of our board of directors is replaced during any 12-month or shorter period by directors whose appointment or election is not endorsed by a majority of the incumbent directors; or

We cease to be the general partner of Silvercrest L.P.

### ***Section 162(m) Stockholder Approval Requirements***

In compliance with the transition rules under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, and after this offering, to the extent Section 162(m) is applicable to us, our stockholders will approve the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan no later than the first occurrence of: (i) the expiration of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan; (ii) a material modification of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (in accordance with Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code); (iii) the issuance of all our Class A common stock authorized for issuance under the 2012 Equity



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Incentive Plan; or (iv) our first stockholders meeting (during which our directors are elected) that occurs after the end of the third calendar year following the year in which this offering occurs.

***Amendment; Termination***

Our board of directors may amend or terminate the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan at any time. Our stockholders must approve any amendment if their approval is required in order to comply with the Internal Revenue Code, applicable laws, or applicable stock exchange requirements. Unless terminated sooner by our board of directors or extended with stockholder approval, awards may be granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan at any time in the period commencing on the date of approval of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan by the board of directors and ending on the issuance of all of the shares of Class A common stock subject to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. Awards granted pursuant to the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan within that period shall not expire solely by reason of the termination of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

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**CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**Reorganization**

Prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, we entered into a series of transactions to reorganize our capital structure. We also entered into agreements with certain related persons in connection with the reorganization. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure.

In addition, we entered into an indemnification agreement with each of our executive officers and directors that provides, in general, that we will indemnify them to the fullest extent permitted by law in connection with their service to us or on our behalf. Due to the nature of the indemnification agreements, they are not the type of agreements that are typically entered into with or available to unaffiliated third parties.

**Purchase of Class B Units**

Immediately following the consummation of this offering, we intend to purchase an aggregate of \_\_\_\_\_ Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. from existing limited partners of Silvercrest L.P., including Vulcan Wealth Management LLC and Martin Jaffe, for approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million. The purchase price for the Class B units will be determined by the public offering price of our Class A common stock in this offering less the per share amount of underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses incurred by us.

**Promissory Notes**

On September 18, 2012, Mr. Hough repaid in full the principal amount and all accrued interest on five promissory notes issued by Mr. Hough in favor of Silvercrest L.P. The principal amounts at the time of repayment were \$542,220.00, \$122,812.50, \$44,544.00, \$77,520.00, and \$222,837.51 with interest accruing at 3.53%, 2.77%, 4.40%, 2.64% and 2.42%, per annum, respectively.

On September 18, 2012, Mr. Gerard repaid in full the principal amount and all accrued interest on two promissory notes issued by Mr. Gerard in favor of Silvercrest L.P. The principal amounts at the time of repayment were \$261,513.54 and \$133,640.17 with interest accruing at 1.62% and 2.66%, per annum, respectively.

On September 18, 2012, Mr. Campbell repaid in full the principal amount and all accrued interest on two promissory notes issued by Mr. Campbell in favor of Silvercrest L.P. The principal amounts at the time of repayment were \$77,520.00 and \$270,187.51 with interest accruing at 2.64% and 2.84%, per annum, respectively.

On April 17, 2013, Mr. Messina repaid in full the principal amount and all accrued interest on two promissory notes issued by Mr. Messina in favor of Silvercrest L.P. The principal amounts at the time of repayment were \$98,250.00 and \$58,140.00 with interest accruing at 2.77% and 2.64%, per annum, respectively.

**Shares Subject to Redemption**

Under the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement, governing the rights and liabilities of our named executive officers with respect to the ownership of their interests in Silvercrest L.P., those interests are subject to redemption at the option of the employee or Silvercrest L.P. upon the termination of their employment. See Compensation Discussion and Analysis Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control Vesting and Redemption of Silvercrest L.P. Interests for further discussion of these redemption obligations.

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### **Management Fees**

SAMG LLC manages the personal funds of many of its employees and members of the families of those employees, including Messrs. Cochran, Hough, Gerard, Campbell and Messina pursuant to investment management agreements in which it has agreed to reduce the advisory fees it charges its employees and members of their families. The value of the discount to the investment advisory services provided to Mr. Cochran by our company in 2012 was approximately \$236,000. The value of services provided to other executives by our company was not significant.

### **Policies and Procedures Regarding Transactions with Related Persons**

Upon the consummation of this offering, our board of directors will adopt written policies and procedures for transactions with related persons. As a general matter, the policy will require our Audit Committee to review and approve or disapprove the entry by us into certain transactions with related persons. The policy will contain transactions which are pre-approved transactions. The policy will only apply to transactions, arrangements and relationships where the aggregate amount involved could reasonably be expected to exceed \$120,000 in any calendar year and in which a related person has a direct or indirect interest. A related person is (i) any of our directors, nominees for director or executive officers, (ii) any immediate family member of any of our directors, nominees for director or executive officers and (iii) any person, and his or her immediate family members, or entity, including affiliates, that was a beneficial owner of 5% or more of any of our outstanding equity securities at the time the transaction occurred or existed.

The policy will provide that if advance approval of a transaction subject to the policy is not obtained, it must be promptly submitted to the Audit Committee for possible ratification, approval, amendment, termination or rescission. In reviewing any transaction, the Audit Committee will take into account, among other factors the Audit Committee deems appropriate, recommendations from senior management, whether the transaction is on terms no less favorable than the terms generally available to a third party in similar circumstances and the extent of the related person's interest in the transaction. Any related person transaction must be conducted at arm's length. Any member of the Audit Committee who is a related person with respect to a transaction under review may not participate in the deliberations or vote on the approval or ratification of the transaction. However, such a director may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Audit Committee that considers a transaction.



**Table of Contents****SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT**

A beneficial owner of a security includes any person who directly or indirectly has or shares voting power and/or investment power with respect to that security or has the right to obtain voting power and/or investment power within 60 days. Except as otherwise noted, each beneficial owner in the table below has sole voting power with respect to the shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock listed. The following table sets forth beneficial ownership of our common stock by:

each person who beneficially owns more than 5% of the shares;

each of our named executive officers listed in the summary compensation table

each member of our board of directors; and

all executive officers and directors as a group.

Unless otherwise indicated in the footnotes below, the persons and entities named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock beneficially owned, subject to community property laws where applicable. Unless otherwise indicated in the footnotes below, the address of each stockholder is *c/o Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc., 1330 Avenue of the Americas, 38th Floor, New York, New York 10019.*

This beneficial ownership information is presented on the following basis:

after giving effect to the issuance of an aggregate of \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class B common stock to the members of Silvercrest L.P. in connection with the reorganization; and

after giving effect to the issuance of \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock in this offering.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage of ownership held by that person, shares of common stock subject to equity awards held by that person that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days after April 1, 2013 are deemed outstanding, while these shares are not deemed outstanding for computing percentage ownership of any other person.

Beneficial Owner	Class A		Class B	
	No. of Shares Before Offering	No. of Shares After Offering (3)	No. of Shares Before Offering	No. of Shares After Offering
	Percentage	Percentage (3)	Percentage	Percentage (4)
<b>Officers and Directors</b>				
G. Moffett Cochran (1)	10	10	2,135,969	21.12%
Richard R. Hough III			150,836	1.64%
Scott A. Gerard			56,017	*
David J. Campbell			85,115	*
Albert S. Messina			190,115	1.90%
Winthrop B. Conrad, Jr.				
Wilmot H. Kidd III				
Richard S. Pechter				

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All directors and executive officers as a group (8 people).	10	10	2,618,052	26.15%
<b>5% Security Holders</b>				
Martin Jaffe			1,341,107	13.21%
Vulcan Wealth Management LLC (2)			2,593,359	25.45%

\* Less than 1%.

(1) Includes amount of Class B units owned by The Moffett Cochran GRAT 2010 of which Mr. Cochran is the trustee.

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- (2) Vulcan is wholly-owned by Vulcan Capital Private Equity I LLC. Vulcan Capital Private Equity Inc. is the managing member of Vulcan Capital Private Equity Management I LLC, which is the manager of Vulcan Capital Private Equity I LLC. Paul Allen is the sole stockholder of Vulcan Capital Private Equity Inc., and, as such, possesses sole voting and investment power over the shares held by Vulcan. Mr. Allen disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by Vulcan except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. The address for Vulcan is 505 5th Avenue S, Suite 900, Seattle, Washington 98104.
- (3) The number of Class A shares and the corresponding percentages will not be altered in the event the underwriters exercise their right to purchase additional shares.
- (4) If the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock, the number of Class A Shares will not be altered; however the corresponding percentages will change as follows: Mr. Cochran   %; Mr. Hough   %; Mr. Messina   %; Mr. Jaffe   %; and all named executive officers and directors as a group   %.

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**DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK**

The following is a description of the material terms of our capital stock and provisions of our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, each of which will be in effect immediately prior to this offering. Copies of the second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and the amended and restated bylaws have been filed with the SEC as exhibits to our registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Immediately prior to this offering, our authorized capital stock will consist of 50 million shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 25 million shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share and 10 million shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. Upon the consummation of this offering, \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock, \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class B common stock and no shares of preferred stock will be outstanding.

**Common Stock**

*Class A Common Stock*

*Voting Rights*

Our Class A stockholders will be entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of our stockholders. Our Class A stockholders will not be entitled to cumulate their votes in the election of directors. Generally, all matters to be voted on by stockholders must be approved by a majority (or, in the case of election of directors, by a plurality) of the votes entitled to be cast by all holders of Class A common stock and Class B common stock present in person or represented by proxy, voting together as a single class. Except as otherwise provided by law or as described in *Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws*, amendments to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation must be approved by a majority of the combined voting power of all shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock, voting together as a single class. However, amendments to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation that would alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Class A common stock, so as to affect them adversely, also must be approved by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the shares affected by the amendment, voting as a separate class. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any amendment to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation to increase or decrease the authorized shares of Class A common stock must be approved by the vote of the holders of a majority of our shares of Class A common stock.

*Dividend Rights*

Class A stockholders are entitled to receive dividends, when and if declared by our board of directors, out of funds legally available therefor, subject to any statutory or contractual restrictions on the payment of dividends and to any restrictions on the payment of dividends imposed by the terms of any outstanding preferred stock. Dividends consisting of shares of Class A common stock may be paid only as follows: (i) shares of Class A common stock may be paid only to holders of shares of Class A common stock and (ii) shares will be paid proportionately with respect to each outstanding share of our Class A common stock. See *Dividend Policy*.

*Liquidation Rights*

Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up, or the sale of all, or substantially all, of our assets, after payment in full of all amounts required to be paid to creditors and to holders of preferred stock having a liquidation preference, if any, the Class A stockholders will be entitled to share ratably in our remaining assets available for distribution to Class A stockholders.

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### *Other Matters*

In the event of our merger or consolidation with or into another company in connection with which shares of common stock are converted into, or exchangeable for, shares of stock, other securities or property (including cash), common stockholders, regardless of class, will be entitled to receive the same kind and amount of shares of stock and other securities and property (including cash); provided that, if shares of Class A common stock are exchanged for or converted into shares of capital stock, the shares for which they are exchanged, or converted into, may differ to the extent that the shares of Class A common stock and the Class B common stock differ.

No shares of Class A common stock will be subject to redemption or have preemptive rights to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock.

Upon consummation of this offering, all the outstanding shares of Class A common stock will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

### *Exchanges of Class B units for Class A Common Stock and Registration Rights*

Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. held by our principals will be exchangeable for shares of our Class A common stock, on a one-for-one basis, subject to customary adjustments for share splits, dividends and reclassifications. See *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights* for a description of the timing and circumstances under which Class B units may be exchanged for shares of our Class A common stock. Also, see *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement* for a description of circumstances in which these shares may be resold.

### ***Class B Common Stock***

#### *Issuance of Class B Common Stock with Class B units*

Shares of our Class B common stock are issuable only in connection with the issuance of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. When a vested or unvested Class B unit is issued by Silvercrest L.P., we will issue the holder one share of our Class B common stock in exchange for the payment of its par value, subject to the holder's agreement to be bound by the terms of the stockholders' agreement described in *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Stockholders' Agreement Among Class B Stockholders*. Each share of our Class B common stock will be redeemed for its par value and cancelled by us if the holder of the corresponding Class B unit exchanges or forfeits its Class B unit pursuant to the terms of the second amended and restated limited partnership agreement of Silvercrest L.P., the terms of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, or otherwise.

#### *Voting Rights*

Our Class B stockholders will be entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of our stockholders. Class B stockholders will not be entitled to cumulate their votes in the election of directors. Generally, all matters to be voted on by stockholders must be approved by a majority (or, in the case of election of directors, by a plurality) of the votes entitled to be cast by all Class B stockholders and Class A stockholders present in person or represented by proxy, voting together as a single class. Except as otherwise provided by law or as described in *Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws*, amendments to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation must be approved by a majority of the combined voting power of all shares of Class B common stock and Class A common stock, voting together as a single class. However, amendments to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation that would alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the shares of Class B common stock so as to affect them adversely also must be approved by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the shares affected by the amendment, voting as a separate class. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any amendment to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation to increase or decrease the authorized shares of Class B common stock must be approved by the vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of Class B common stock.

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See *The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure* *Stockholders' Agreement Among Class B Stockholders* for a description of the terms of the stockholders' agreement that the principals who hold shares of Class B common stock outstanding immediately after this offering will enter into simultaneously with this offering. Any employee who is issued shares of Class B common stock after this offering will be required to become a party to the stockholders' agreement.

### *Dividend Rights*

Our Class B stockholders will not participate in any dividends declared by our board of directors.

### *Liquidation Rights*

Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up, or the sale of all, or substantially all, of our assets, Class B stockholders only will be entitled to receive the par value of our Class B common stock.

### *Other Matters*

In the event of our merger or consolidation with or into another company in connection with which shares of Class B common stock are converted into, or exchangeable for, shares of stock, other securities or property (including cash), all common stockholders will be entitled to receive the same kind and amount of shares of stock and other securities and property (including cash); provided that, if shares of Class B common stock are exchanged for, or converted into, shares of capital stock, the shares for which they are exchanged, or converted into, may differ to the extent that the shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock differ.

No shares of Class B common stock will have preemptive rights to purchase additional shares of Class B common stock.

Upon consummation of this offering, all outstanding shares of Class B common stock will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

## **Preferred Stock**

Our board of directors has the authority to issue preferred stock in one or more classes or series and to fix the rights, preferences, privileges and related restrictions, including dividend rights, dividend rates, conversion rights, voting rights, terms of redemption, redemption prices, liquidation preferences and the number of shares constituting any class or series, or the designation of the class or series, without the approval of our stockholders.

The authority of our board of directors to issue preferred stock without approval of our stockholders may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of our company and may adversely affect the voting and other rights of the holders of our common stock. The issuance of preferred stock with voting and conversion rights may adversely affect the voting power of the holders of our common stock, including the loss of voting control to others.

## **Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation**

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws, contain provisions which may have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a future takeover or change in control of our company. These provisions include the following:

### *Issuance of Preferred Stock*

Our board of directors is authorized to issue million shares of preferred stock and determine the powers, preferences and special rights of any unissued series of preferred stock, including voting rights, dividend rights, and terms of redemption, conversion rights and the designation of any such series, without the approval of our

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stockholders. As a result, our board of directors could issue preferred stock quickly and easily, which could adversely affect the rights of holders of our common stock. Our board of directors could issue the preferred stock with terms calculated to delay or prevent a change in control or make removal of management more difficult.

### ***Elimination of Stockholder Action by Written Consent***

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that stockholder action can be taken only at an annual or special meeting of stockholders and cannot be taken by written consent in lieu of a meeting.

### ***Elimination of the Ability to Call Special Meetings***

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, except as otherwise required by law, special meetings of our stockholders can only be called pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of our board of directors, a committee of the board of directors that has been duly designated by the board of directors and whose powers and authority include the power to call such meetings, or by the Chairman of our board of directors. Stockholders are not permitted to call a special meeting or to require our board to call a special meeting.

### ***Advance Notice Procedures for Stockholder Proposals***

Our amended and restated bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for stockholder proposals to be brought before an annual meeting of our stockholders, including proposed nominations of persons for election to our board. Stockholders at our annual meeting may only consider proposals or nominations specified in the notice of meeting, or brought before the meeting by, or at the direction of, our board of directors, or by a stockholder who was a stockholder of record on the record date for the meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has given to our secretary timely written notice, in proper form, of the stockholder's intention to bring that business before the meeting.

### ***Classified Board of Directors***

Our board of directors is divided into three classes, Class I, Class II and Class III, with members of each class serving staggered three-year terms. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that the authorized number of directors may be changed only by resolution of the board. Any additional directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors will be distributed among the three classes so that, as nearly as possible, each class will consist of one-third of the directors.

### ***Removal of Directors; Board of Directors Vacancies***

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide that members of our board of directors may not be removed without cause. Our amended and restated bylaws further provide that only our board of directors may fill vacant directorships, except in limited circumstances. These provisions would prevent a stockholder from gaining control of our board of directors by removing incumbent directors and filling the resulting vacancies with such stockholder's own nominees.

### ***Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws***

The General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, or DGCL, provides generally that the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote is required to amend or repeal a corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, unless the certificate of incorporation requires a greater percentage. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation generally requires the approval of the holders of at least two-thirds of the voting power of the issued and outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote in connection with the election of directors, to amend any provisions of our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation described in Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and

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amended and restated bylaws provide that the holders of at least two-thirds of the voting power of the issued and outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote in connection with the election of directors have the power to amend or repeal our amended and restated bylaws. In addition, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation grants our board of directors the authority to amend and repeal our amended and restated bylaws without a stockholder vote in any manner not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Delaware or our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation.

The foregoing provisions of our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could discourage potential acquisition proposals and could delay or prevent a change in control. These provisions are intended to enhance the likelihood of continuity and stability in the policies formulated by our board of directors and to discourage certain types of transactions that may involve an actual or threatened change of control. These provisions are designed to reduce our vulnerability to an unsolicited acquisition proposal. The provisions also are intended to discourage certain tactics that may be used in proxy fights. However, such provisions could have the effect of discouraging others from making tender offers for our equity securities and, as a consequence, they also may inhibit fluctuations in the market price of our Class A common stock that could result from actual or rumored takeover attempts. Such provisions also may have the effect of preventing changes in our management, or delaying or preventing a transaction that might benefit you or other minority stockholders.

### **Section 203 of the DGCL**

We are subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, an anti-takeover law. In general, Section 203 prohibits a publicly-held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date the person became an interested stockholder, unless (with certain exceptions) the business combination or the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder is approved in a prescribed manner. Generally, a business combination includes a merger, asset or stock sale, or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested stockholder. Generally, an interested stockholder is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns (or within three years prior to the determination of interested stockholder status, did own) 15% or more of a corporation's voting stock. The existence of this provision could have anti-takeover effects with respect to transactions not approved in advance by our board of directors, such as discouraging takeover attempts that might result in a premium over the market price of our common stock.

### **Limitations on Liability and Indemnification of Officers and Directors**

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide indemnification for our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL. Prior to the completion of this offering, we intend to enter into indemnification agreements with each of our directors that may, in some cases, be broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained under Delaware law. In addition, as permitted by the DGCL, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation includes provisions that eliminate the personal liability of our directors for monetary damages resulting from breaches of certain fiduciary duties as a director. The effect of this provision is to restrict our rights and the rights of our stockholders in derivative suits to recover monetary damages against a director for breach of fiduciary duties as a director, except that a director will be personally liable for:

any breach of his duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;

acts or omissions not in good faith, or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;

any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit; or

improper distributions to stockholders.



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If the DGCL is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors or officers, then the liability of our directors or officers shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, as so amended.

This provision regarding indemnification of our directors and officers in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation generally does not limit liability under state or federal securities laws.

Delaware law and our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws provide that we will, in certain situations, indemnify any person made or threatened to be made a party to a proceeding by reason of that person's former or present official capacity with our company against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees. A person is also entitled, subject to certain limitations, to payment or reimbursement of reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. Your investment may be adversely affected to the extent that, in a class action or direct suit, we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and officers pursuant to these indemnification provisions.

## **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

The transfer agent and registrar for our Class A common stock will be American Stock Transfer.

## **Listing**

We intend to apply to list our Class A common stock on Nasdaq under the symbol SAMG.

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**SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE**

We cannot predict the effect, if any, that market sales of shares of our Class A common stock or the availability of shares of our Class A common stock for sale will have on the market price of our Class A common stock prevailing from time to time. Nevertheless, sales of substantial amounts of our Class A common stock in the public market, including shares issued and sold upon exchange of Class B units, could adversely affect the market price of our Class A common stock and could impair our future ability to raise capital through the sale of our equity securities.

**Class A Common Stock Outstanding Upon Closing**

\_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock will be outstanding immediately after this offering (or \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock). Subject to certain restrictions, following the six-month anniversary of the consummation of this offering, each principal and certain permitted transferees will have the right to exchange their Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. for shares of our Class A common stock on a one-for-one basis pursuant to the terms of our second amended and restated limited partnership agreement. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P. Exchange Rights. These shares of our Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of Class B units would be restricted securities, as defined in Rule 144. However, we will enter into a resale and registration rights agreement with the holders of the Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. that will require us to register under the Securities Act these shares of Class A common stock. See The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement.

Of the shares of Class A common stock outstanding following this offering, \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock (or \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Class A common stock if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock) sold in this offering will be freely tradable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act, except for any shares of Class A common stock held by our affiliates, as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act, which would be subject to the limitations and restrictions described below under Rule 144.

The shares of our Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. may be sold only as part of an annual underwritten offering pursuant to the resale and registration rights agreement until the fifth anniversary of the consummation of this offering, subject to the following exceptions:

\_\_\_\_\_ holders at any time may sell a number of shares sufficient to cover taxes due upon exchange of Class B units in any manner of sale permitted under the securities laws; and

\_\_\_\_\_ the estate of any deceased holder or the beneficiaries thereof, at any time, may sell a number of shares sufficient to cover applicable estate and inheritance taxes.

Shares of Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of Class B units held by a principal of Silvercrest L.P. are subject to additional restrictions on transfer as described under The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement.

In addition, our board of directors may at any time waive any restrictions on sale of our Class A common stock.

**Lock-Up Agreements**

We will agree with the underwriters not to issue, sell, or otherwise dispose of or hedge any shares of our Class A common stock, subject to certain exceptions, for the 180-day period following the date of this prospectus, without the prior consent of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

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Prior to the consummation of this offering, our executive officers and directors and our employees who participate in the directed share program will enter into similar lock-up agreements with the underwriters. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc. may, at any time, release us and/or any of our officers and directors from this lock-up agreement and allow us to sell shares of our Class A common stock within this 180-day period. See Underwriting. Pursuant to our lock-up agreement with the underwriters, we will not be permitted to waive these restrictions pursuant to the exchange agreement without the prior consent of Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

### **Rule 144**

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, our affiliates who own shares for at least six months or own shares purchased in the open market are entitled to sell these shares as follows. Within any three-month period, each person may sell a number of shares that does not exceed the greater of 1% of our then-outstanding shares of Class A common stock, which will equal approximately shares immediately after this offering (based on the number of shares of our Class A common stock outstanding upon completion of this offering), or the average weekly trading volume of our Class A common stock on Nasdaq during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing of a notice of the sale on Form 144. Sales under Rule 144 by affiliates also will be subject to manner of sale provisions, notice requirements and the availability of current public information about us.

A person who is not deemed to have been one of our affiliates at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and who owns shares of Class A common stock within the definition of restricted securities under Rule 144 that were acquired from us or any affiliate at least six months previously, would also be entitled to sell shares under Rule 144. Such sales would be permitted without regard to the volume limitations, manner of sale provisions or notice requirements described above and, after one year, without any limits, including the public information requirement.

### **Rule 701**

In general, and subject to lock-up agreements, any of our employees, consultants or advisers, other than affiliates, who purchased shares of Class A common stock from us under our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, or other written agreements in accordance with Rule 701 of the Securities Act, are eligible to resell their shares under Rule 144.

### **Registration of Shares Under 2012 Equity Incentive Plan**

We intend to file a registration statement on Form S-8 covering all of the shares of Class A common stock issuable or reserved for issuance under our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. When issued, these shares of Class A common stock will be freely tradable in the public market, subject to Rule 144 volume limitations applicable to affiliates and, in some cases, the expiration of the lock-up agreements described in Underwriting.

### **Resale and Registration Rights Agreement**

In connection with this offering, we will enter into a resale and registration rights agreement with our principals who hold Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. pursuant to which the shares of our Class A common stock issued upon exchange or conversion of their Class B units will be eligible for resale, subject to the resale timing and manner limitations described under The Reorganization and Our Holding Company Structure Resale and Registration Rights Agreement.

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**MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR  
NON-U.S. HOLDERS OF CLASS A COMMON STOCK**

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax and estate tax consequences applicable to non-U.S. holders (as defined below) with respect to the acquisition, ownership and disposition of shares of our Class A common stock. This summary is based on current provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, administrative rulings and judicial opinions, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. We have not sought any ruling from the IRS, with respect to the statements made and the conclusions reached in the following summary, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statements and conclusions.

This summary is limited to non-U.S. holders (as defined below) who purchase shares of our Class A common stock pursuant to this offering and who hold those shares as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code.

This discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income or estate taxation that may be relevant to a particular non-U.S. holder in light of that non-U.S. holder's individual circumstances, any consequences under the unearned income Medicare contribution tax pursuant to the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, or any consequences under other U.S. federal tax laws, nor does it address any aspects of tax considerations arising under the laws of any non-U.S., state or local jurisdiction. This discussion also does not address tax considerations applicable to a non-U.S. holder subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax or estate tax laws, including without limitation:

banks, insurance companies or other financial institutions;

partnerships or other pass-through entities;

tax-exempt organizations;

tax-qualified retirement plans;

traders, brokers, or dealers in securities, commodities or currencies;

U.S. expatriates and certain former citizens or long-term residents of the U.S.;

controlled foreign corporations;

passive foreign investment companies;

corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid U.S. federal income tax;

persons that own, or have owned, actually or constructively, more than 5% of our Class A common stock;

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persons that will hold common stock as a position treated as a hedging transaction, straddle or conversion transaction or other risk-reduction transaction for tax purposes; and

persons deemed to sell our Class A common stock under the constructive sale provisions of the Code.

Accordingly, we urge prospective investors to consult with their own tax advisers regarding the state, local and other tax considerations of acquiring, holding and disposing of shares of our Class A common stock.

In addition, this discussion does not address the tax treatment of partnerships (or entities or arrangements that are treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes) or persons who hold their Class A common stock through partnerships or other pass-through entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a partnership (or other entity treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of Class A common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership (or member in such other entity) will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Any partner in a partnership holding shares of Class A common stock should consult its own tax advisers.

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**PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISERS WITH RESPECT TO THE APPLICATION OF THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS TO THEIR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS, AS WELL AS ANY INCOME OR OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP OR DISPOSITION OF OUR CLASS A COMMON STOCK ARISING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE U.S., ANY STATE, LOCAL, NON-U.S. OR OTHER TAXING JURISDICTION OR UNDER ANY APPLICABLE TAX TREATY.**

**Definition of Non-U.S. Holder**

In general, a non-U.S. holder is any beneficial owner of our Class A common stock (other than an entity treated as a partnership or disregarded as separate from its owner for U.S. federal income tax purposes) that is not a U.S. person. A U.S. person is any of the following:

an individual citizen or resident of the U.S. as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes;

a corporation (or any entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the U.S., any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate, the income of which is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or

a trust if (a) a court within the U.S. is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons (as defined in the Internal Revenue Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (b) it has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

**Distributions on Class A Common Stock**

If we make cash or other property distributions on our Class A common stock, or effect a redemption that is treated as a distribution with respect to our Class A common stock, then any such distribution or redemption will constitute a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent paid from our current and accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. Amounts not treated as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes will constitute a tax-free return of capital to the extent of the non-U.S. holder's adjusted tax basis in our Class A common stock and will be applied against and reduce that basis, but not below zero. Any excess will be treated as gain realized on the sale or other disposition of the Class A common stock and will be treated as described under the section titled **Gain on Sale or Other Disposition of Class A Common Stock** below.

Except as described in the next paragraph, dividends paid to a non-U.S. holder of our Class A common stock generally will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30% of the gross amount of the dividends, or a lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty. To receive the benefit of a reduced treaty rate, a non-U.S. holder must furnish to us or our paying agent or withholding agent a properly completed and valid IRS Form W-8BEN (or applicable successor form) certifying, under penalties of perjury, such holder's qualification for the reduced rate. This certification must be provided to us or our paying agent or other withholding agent prior to the payment of dividends and may be required to be updated periodically. Special certification and other requirements apply if our Class A common stock is held through a non-U.S. intermediary including non-U.S. pass-through entities. Non-U.S. holders that do not timely provide us or our paying agent or other withholding agent with the required certification, but that qualify for a reduced treaty rate, may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld by timely filing an appropriate claim for refund with the IRS. If we are not able to determine whether or not a distribution will exceed current and accumulated earnings and profits at the time the distribution is made, we may withhold tax on the entire amount of any distribution at the same rate as we would withhold on a dividend. However, a non-U.S. holder may obtain a refund of amounts that we withhold to the extent the distribution in fact exceeded our current and accumulated earnings and profits.

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If a non-U.S. holder holds our Class A common stock in connection with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S., and dividends paid on the Class A common stock are effectively connected with such holder's U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a permanent establishment or fixed base maintained by the non-U.S. holder in the U.S.), the non-U.S. holder will be exempt from U.S. federal withholding tax, but will be subject to tax as provided below. To claim the exemption, the non-U.S. holder must furnish to us or our paying agent or other withholding agent the required forms, including a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI (or applicable successor form).

Any dividends paid on our Class A common stock that are effectively connected with a non-U.S. holder's U.S. trade or business (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a permanent establishment or fixed base maintained by the non-U.S. holder in the U.S.) generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at the regular graduated U.S. federal income tax rates in the same manner as if such holder were a U.S. holder. A non-U.S. holder that is a non-U.S. corporation (or non-U.S. entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) also may be subject to an additional branch profits tax equal to 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) of a portion of its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year. Non-U.S. holders should consult any applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

A non-U.S. holder who provides us with an IRS Form W-8BEN or Form W-8ECI must update the form or submit a new form, as applicable, if there is a change in circumstances that makes any information on such form incorrect. A non-U.S. holder that claims the benefit of an applicable income tax treaty generally will be required to satisfy applicable certification and other requirements prior to the distribution date. Non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisers regarding their entitlement to benefits under a relevant income tax treaty.

### **Gain on Sale or Other Taxable Disposition of Class A Common Stock**

Subject to the discussion below regarding backup withholding, a non-U.S. holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain realized on a sale or other taxable disposition of our Class A common stock unless:

the gain is effectively connected with the non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business in the U.S., and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, the gain is attributable to a permanent establishment or fixed base that the non-U.S. holder maintains in the U.S.,

the non-U.S. holder is an individual, holds the Class A common stock as a capital asset, is present in the U.S. for 183 or more days in the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions exist, or

we are or have been a U.S. real property holding corporation, or aUSRPHC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding the disposition and the non-U.S. holder's holding period for our Class A common stock, and such non-U.S. holder has actually or constructively held (at any time during the shorter of the five-year period preceding the date of the disposition or the holder's holding period) 5% or more of our Class A common stock.

We believe we currently are not, and we do not anticipate becoming, aUSRPHC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. However, no assurance can be offered in this regard.

Gain described in the first or third bullet point above will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at regular graduated U.S. federal income tax rates generally in the same manner as if such holder were a U.S. holder. A non-U.S. holder that is a non-U.S. corporation (or non-U.S. entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) also may be subject to an additional branch profits tax equal to 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) of a portion of its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year. The gross proceeds from transactions to which the third bullet point above applies will generally be subject to a 10% withholding tax, which may be claimed as a credit against the non-U.S. holder's federal income tax liability. Non-U.S. holders should consult any applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

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Gain described in the second bullet point above will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at a flat 30% rate (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty), but may be offset by U.S. source capital losses (even though the individual is not considered a resident of the U.S.), provided that the non-U.S. holder has timely filed U.S. federal income tax returns with respect to such losses.

### **Federal Estate Taxes**

An individual non-U.S. holder who is treated as the owner of, or has made certain lifetime transfers of, an interest in our Class A common stock will be required to include the value thereof in his or her gross estate for U.S. federal estate tax purposes, and may be subject to U.S. federal estate tax unless an applicable estate tax treaty provides otherwise, even though such individual was not a citizen or resident of the U.S. at the time of his or her death.

### **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

In general (except as described below), backup withholding and information reporting will not apply to a distribution of dividends on our Class A common stock paid to you or to proceeds from the disposition of the Class A common stock by you, in each case, if you certify under penalties of perjury that you are a non-U.S. person, and neither we nor our paying agent (or other payor) have actual knowledge or reason to know to the contrary. In general, if the Class A common stock is not held through a qualified intermediary, the amount of dividends, the name and address of the beneficial owner and the amount, if any, of tax withheld may be reported to the IRS.

Information reporting and backup withholding generally are not required with respect to the amount of any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of our Class A common stock by a non-U.S. holder outside the U.S. through a foreign office of a foreign broker that does not have certain specified connections to the U.S. However, if a non-U.S. holder sells or otherwise disposes of its shares of our Class A common stock through a U.S. broker or the U.S. offices of a foreign broker, the broker will generally be required to report the amount of proceeds paid to the non-U.S. holder to the IRS and also backup withhold on that amount unless such non-U.S. holder provides appropriate certification to the broker of its status as a non-U.S. person (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person as defined under the Internal Revenue Code) or otherwise establishes an exemption. Information reporting will also apply if a non-U.S. holder sells its shares of our Class A common stock through a foreign broker deriving more than a specified percentage of its income from U.S. sources or having certain other connections to the U.S., unless such broker has documentary evidence in its records that such non-U.S. holder is a non-U.S. person (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person as defined under the Internal Revenue Code) and certain other conditions are met, or such non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Copies of information returns may be made available to the tax authorities of the country in which the non-U.S. holder resides or is incorporated under the provisions of a specific treaty or agreement.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld from a payment to a non-U.S. holder under the backup withholding rules generally can be credited against any U.S. federal income tax liability of the non-U.S. holder, provided that you timely furnish the required information to the IRS.

### **Foreign Accounts**

Pursuant to the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, or FATCA, foreign financial institutions (which term includes most foreign hedge funds, private equity funds, mutual funds, securitization vehicles and other investment vehicles) and certain other foreign entities must comply with certain new information reporting rules with respect to their U.S. account holders and investors or confront a new withholding tax on U.S.-source payments made to them (whether received as a beneficial owner or as an intermediary for another party). More



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specifically, a foreign financial institution or other foreign entity that does not comply with the FATCA reporting requirements will generally be subject to a new 30% withholding tax with respect to any withholdable payments. For this purpose, withholdable payments include generally U.S.-source payments otherwise subject to nonresident withholding tax (e.g., U.S.-source dividends) and also include the entire gross proceeds from the sale of any equity or debt instruments of U.S. issuers, even if the payment would otherwise not be subject to U.S. nonresident withholding tax (e.g., because it is capital gain). Final Treasury regulations defer this withholding obligation until January 1, 2014 for payments of U.S.-source dividends and until January 1, 2017 for gross proceeds from dispositions of stock in a U.S. corporation.

We will not pay any additional amounts to non-U.S. holders in respect of any amounts withheld pursuant to FATCA. Under certain circumstances, a non-U.S. holder might be eligible for refunds or credits of such taxes. Non-U.S. holders are urged to consult with their own tax advisors regarding the effect, if any, of the FATCA provisions to them based on their particular circumstances.

**The preceding discussion is not tax advice. Each prospective investor should consult the prospective investor's own tax adviser regarding the particular U.S. federal, state and local and non-U.S. tax consequences of purchasing, holding and disposing of our Class A common stock, including the consequences of any proposed change in applicable laws.**

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**UNDERWRITING**

We are offering the shares of our Class A common stock described in this prospectus in an underwritten offering in which we and Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., as representative of the underwriters for the offering, will enter into an underwriting agreement with respect to the common stock being offered. Subject to the terms and conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, each underwriter named below has severally agreed to purchase the respective number of shares of our common stock set forth opposite its name below:

Name	Number of Shares of Class A common stock
Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P.	
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.	
<b>Total</b>	

The underwriting agreement provides that the underwriters' obligation to purchase shares of our Class A common stock depends on the satisfaction of the conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, including:

the representations and warranties made by us are true and agreements have been performed;

there is no material adverse change in their determination in the financial markets or in our business; and

we deliver customary closing documents.

Subject to these conditions, the underwriters are committed to purchase and pay for all of the shares of our Class A common stock offered by this prospectus, if any such shares are purchased. However, the underwriters are not obligated to take or pay for the shares of our Class A common stock covered by the underwriters' over-allotment option described below, unless and until that option is exercised.

**Over-Allotment Option**

We have granted the underwriters an option, exercisable no later than 30 days after the date of the underwriting agreement, to purchase up to an aggregate of \_\_\_\_\_ additional shares of Class A common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discounts and commissions set forth on the cover page of this prospectus.

**Commissions and Expenses**

The underwriters propose to offer our Class A common stock directly to the public at the offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus and to dealers at the public offering price less a concession not in excess of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share. The underwriters may allow, and the dealers may re-allow, a concession not in excess of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share on sales to other brokers and dealers. After the public offering of our Class A common stock, the underwriters may change the offering price, concessions and other selling terms.

The following table shows the per share and total underwriting discounts and commissions that we will pay to the underwriters and the proceeds we will receive before expenses. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option.

Per Share	Total without over-allotment exercise	Total with over- allotment exercise

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Public offering price	\$	\$	\$
Underwriting discount	\$	\$	\$
Proceeds to us (before expenses)	\$	\$	\$

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In addition to the underwriting discount, we will reimburse the underwriters for their reasonable out-of-pocket non-legal expenses up to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ incurred in connection with their engagement as underwriters, in the event this offering is consummated, including, without limitation, marketing, syndication and travel expenses. Further, we will reimburse the underwriters for their legal fees of up to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ incurred in connection with their engagement as underwriters, in the event that this offering is not consummated. We will also pay for filing fees incident to, and the fees and disbursements (up to an aggregate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) of blue sky counsel for the underwriters in connection with, securing any required review of the terms of this offering. We estimate that the total expenses of this offering, exclusive of the underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million, and are payable by us.

We have agreed to grant Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. the right of first refusal to act as a financial advisor to us, in any transaction involving (i) a public offering of our or any of our subsidiaries' securities and (ii) the sale in one or more transaction of series of related transactions by the existing holders of our or our subsidiaries' outstanding securities representing at least 30% of our or any of our subsidiaries' outstanding securities (other than any internal reorganization), in each case for a period of six months following the commencement of the sale of shares of our Class A common stock.

### **Offering Price Determination**

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our Class A common stock. The initial public offering price will be negotiated between the representative and us. In determining the initial public offering price of our Class A common stock, the representative will consider:

the history and prospects for the industry in which we compete;

our financial information;

our earning prospects;

the prevailing securities markets at the time of this offering; and

the recent market prices of and the demand for publicly traded stock of comparable companies.

### **Indemnification**

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters, and persons who control the underwriters, against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to contribute to payments that the underwriters may be required to make in respect of these liabilities.

### **Lock-Up Agreement**

Prior to the consummation of this offering, our directors and executive officers and our employees who participate in the directed share program will enter into lock-up agreements with the underwriters. Under these agreements, for a period of 180 days after the date of the underwriting agreement, we and each of these persons may not, without the prior written approval of the underwriters, subject to limited exceptions:

offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any of our Class A common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for our Class A common stock, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or with respect to which such person has or hereafter acquires the power of disposition, or file any registration statement under the Securities Act, with respect to any of the foregoing, or

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enter into any swap or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of our common stock, whether any such swap or transaction is to be settled by delivery of our Class A common stock or other securities, in cash or otherwise.

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The 180-day restricted period described in the preceding paragraph will be extended if:

during the period that begins on the date that is 15 calendar days plus 3 business days before the last day of the 180-day restricted period and ends on the last day of the 180-day restricted period, we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to us occurs, or

prior to the expiration of the 180-day restricted period, we announce that we will release earnings results during the 17-day period beginning on the last day of the 180-day restricted period, in which case the restrictions described in the preceding paragraph will continue to apply until the expiration of the date that is 15 calendar days plus three business days after the date on which the earnings release is issued or the material news or material event relating to us occurs.

### **Listing on The Nasdaq Global Market**

We intend to apply to list our Class A common stock on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SAMG.

### **Stabilization**

In connection with this offering, the underwriters may, but are not obligated to, engage in stabilizing transactions, over-allotment transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids.

Stabilizing transactions permit bids to purchase shares of Class A common stock so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum, and are engaged in for the purpose of preventing or mitigating a decline in the market price of the Class A common stock while the offering is in progress.

Over-allotment transactions involve sales by the underwriters of shares of Class A common stock in excess of the number of shares the underwriters are obligated to purchase. This creates a syndicate short position that may be either a covered short position or a naked short position. In a covered short position, the number of shares of Class A common stock over-allotted by the underwriters is not greater than the number of shares that they may purchase in the over-allotment option. In a naked short position, the number of shares involved is greater than the number of shares in the over-allotment option. The underwriters may close out any short position by exercising their over-allotment option and/or purchasing shares in the open market.

Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of Class A common stock in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. In determining the source of shares to close out the short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared with the price at which they may purchase shares through exercise of the over-allotment option. If the underwriters sell more shares than could be covered by exercise of the over-allotment option and, therefore, have a naked short position, the position can be closed out only by buying shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that after pricing there could be downward pressure on the price of the shares in the open market that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering.

Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the common stock originally sold by that syndicate member is purchased in stabilizing or syndicate covering transactions to cover syndicate short positions. These stabilizing transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of our Class A common stock or preventing or mitigating a decline in the market price of our Class A common stock. As a result, the price of our Class A common stock in the open market may be higher than it would otherwise be in the absence of these transactions. Neither we nor the



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underwriters make any representation or prediction as to the effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our Class A common stock. These transactions may be effected on The Nasdaq Global Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

### **Directed Share Program**

We have directed the underwriters to reserve up to % of the shares of Class A common stock to be issued in this offering for sale to our directors, officers and certain other persons at the initial public offering price through a directed share program. The number of shares Class A common stock available for sale to the public in the offering will be reduced to the extent these persons purchase any reserved shares. Any shares of Class A common stock not so purchased will be offered by the underwriters to the public on the same basis as other shares offered hereby.

### **Our Relationship with the Underwriters**

Certain of the underwriters and/or their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in commercial and investment banking transactions with us in the ordinary course of their business. They have received, and expect to receive, customary compensation and expense reimbursement for these commercial and investment banking transactions.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in Switzerland**

This document does not constitute a prospectus within the meaning of Article 652a of the Swiss Code of Obligations. The shares of our Class A common stock may not be sold directly or indirectly in or into Switzerland except in a manner which will not result in a public offering within the meaning of the Swiss Code of Obligations. Neither this document nor any other offering materials relating to the Class A common stock may be distributed, published or otherwise made available in Switzerland except in a manner which will not constitute a public offer of our Class A common stock in Switzerland.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in the United Kingdom**

This document does not constitute a prospectus for the purposes of the prospectus rules issued by the UK Financial Services Authorities, or the FSA, pursuant to section 84 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, or the FSMA, and has not been filed with the FSA. The shares of Class A common stock to be issued in this offering may not be offered or sold and will not be offered or sold to the public in the United Kingdom (within the meaning of section 102B of the FSMA) save in the circumstances where it is lawful to do so without an approved prospectus (with the meaning of the section 85 of the FSMA) being made available to the public before the offer is made. In addition, no person may communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any shares of Class A common stock except in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to Silvercrest. This prospectus is directed only at (i) persons who are outside the United Kingdom and (ii) persons having professional experience in matters relating to investments who fall within the definition of investment professionals in Article 19 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended, the FPO, or (iii) high net worth bodies corporate, unincorporated associations and partnerships and trustees of high value trusts as described in Article 49 of the FPO.

Any investment or investment activity to which this prospectus relates is only available to and will only be engaged in with such persons and persons who do not fall within (ii) or (iii) above should not rely on or act upon this communication.



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**LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters with respect to the common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Bingham McCutchen LLP. Certain legal matters with respect to this offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP.

**EXPERTS**

The balance sheet of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. as of December 31, 2012, included in this prospectus, has been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report appearing herein. Such balance sheet has been so included in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012, included in this prospectus, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report appearing herein, which report expresses an unqualified opinion on the consolidated financial statements and includes an explanatory paragraph referring to a change in Silvercrest L.P.'s annual goodwill impairment testing date. Such financial statements have been so included in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2010, and the consolidated financial statements of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2011, have been included herein in reliance upon the reports of Fulvio & Associates, L.L.P., an independent registered public accounting firm, appearing elsewhere herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act with respect to our Class A common stock. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules to the registration statement. For further information with respect to us and our Class A common stock, we refer you to the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules filed as a part of the registration statement. Each statement in this prospectus relating to a contract or document filed as an exhibit is qualified in all respects by the filed exhibit.

You may read and copy any document we have filed or may file in the future at the SEC's public reference facility in Room 1580, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Upon completion of this offering, we will be subject to the information and periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and, accordingly, file periodic reports and other information, including proxy statements, with the SEC.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Stockholder of Silvercrest Asset Management Group, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. (the Company ) as of December 31, 2012. This balance sheet is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this balance sheet based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the balance sheet is free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the balance sheet, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall balance sheet presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the balance sheet presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial condition of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. as of December 3, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

New York, New York

April 18, 2013

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Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.

Balance Sheet

December 31, 2012

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 100
<b>Stockholder s Equity</b>	
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value-10,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	\$
Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value-50,000,000 shares authorized, 10 shares issued and outstanding	
Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value-25,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	
Additional paid-in capital	100
Total stockholder s equity	\$ 100

See accompanying notes to balance sheet.

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Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.

Notes to Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2012

**1. ORGANIZATION**

Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. (the Company) was formed as a Delaware corporation on July 11, 2011. The Company's fiscal year end is December 31. The Company was formed for the purpose of completing a public offering and related transactions in order to carry on the business of Silvercrest L.P. The Company will be the sole general partner in Silvercrest L.P. and will operate and control all of the businesses and affairs of Silvercrest L.P. and, through Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries, continue to conduct the business now conducted by these subsidiaries.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting** The Balance Sheet has been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Separate Statements of Operations, Stockholder's Equity and of Cash Flows have not been presented as there have been no activities by this entity. The Company's initial issuance of Class A common stock was on May 10, 2012.

**3. STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY**

G. Moffett Cochran, the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of the Company is the sole stockholder of the Company, and contributed \$100 to the Company on May 10, 2012 to purchase 10 shares of Class A common stock.

On November 13, 2012, the Company amended its certificate of incorporation to increase the total number of shares the Company shall have the authority to issue to 85,000,000 shares, consisting of 50,000,000 shares of Class A voting common stock and 25,000,000 shares of Class B voting common stock and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock. All authorized shares have a par value of \$0.01 per share. Holders of Class A common stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share of Class A common stock held on all matters submitted to stockholders for vote, consent or approval. Holders of Class B common stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share of Class B common stock held. Dividends are payable only to holders of Class A common stock.

**4. EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN**

On November 2, 2012, our board of directors adopted the Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, or the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

A total of 15% of the shares of the Company's Class A common stock and its Class B common stock outstanding as of the closing of the Company's initial public offering, if consummated, will be reserved and available for issuance under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The equity interests may be issued in the form of shares of the Company's Class A common stock and Class B units of Silvercrest L.P.

The purposes of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan are to (i) align the long-term financial interests of our employees, directors, consultants and advisers with those of our stockholders; (ii) attract and retain those individuals by providing compensation opportunities that are consistent with our compensation philosophy; and (iii) provide incentives to those individuals who contribute significantly to our long-term performance and growth. To accomplish these purposes, the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will provide for the grant of units of Silvercrest L.P. (All references to units or interests of Silvercrest L.P. refer to Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. and accompanying shares of Class B common stock of our Company). The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will also provide for the grant of stock options, stock appreciation rights, or SARs, restricted stock awards, restricted stock units, performance-based stock awards and other stock-based awards (collectively, stock awards) based on our Class A common stock. Awards may be granted to employees, including officers, members, limited partners or partners who are engaged in the business of one or more of our subsidiaries, as well as non-employee directors and consultants.



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It is initially anticipated that awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan granted to our employees will be in the form of units of Silvercrest L.P. that will not vest until a specified period of time has elapsed, or other vesting conditions have been satisfied as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, and which may be forfeited if the vesting conditions are not met. During the period that any vesting restrictions apply, unless otherwise determined by the Compensation Committee, the recipient of the award will be eligible to participate in distributions of income from Silvercrest L.P. In addition, before the vesting conditions have been satisfied, the transferability of such units is generally prohibited and such units will not be eligible to be exchanged for cash or shares of our Class A common stock.

**5. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On February 28, 2013, the Company amended its Amended and Restated Certification of Incorporation to reduce the total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Company shall have authority to issue to 4,000 shares. The total number of shares of all classes of common stock which the Company shall have authority was reduced to 3,000 shares, consisting of 2,000 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share; and 1,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share and, together with the Class A common stock. The total number of shares of all classes of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, which the Company shall have authority to issue is 1,000 shares.

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through April 18, 2013, which is the date the balance sheet was available to be issued.



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Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.

Balance Sheet

(Unaudited)

March 31, 2013

**Assets**

Cash	\$ 100
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**Stockholder s Equity**

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value-1,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	\$
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Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value-2,000 shares authorized, 10 shares issued and outstanding	100
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Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value-1,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	100
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Additional paid-in capital	100
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Total stockholder s equity	\$ 100
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See accompanying notes to balance sheet.

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Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.

Notes to Balance Sheet

(Unaudited)

As of March 31, 2013

**1. ORGANIZATION**

Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. (the Company) was formed as a Delaware corporation on July 11, 2011. The Company's fiscal year end is December 31. The Company was formed for the purpose of completing a public offering and related transactions in order to carry on the business of Silvercrest L.P. The Company will be the sole general partner in Silvercrest L.P. and will operate and control all of the businesses and affairs of Silvercrest L.P. and, through Silvercrest L.P. and its subsidiaries, continue to conduct the business now conducted by these subsidiaries.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting** The Balance Sheet has been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Separate Statements of Operations, Stockholder's Equity and of Cash Flows have not been presented as there have been no activities by this entity. The Company's initial issuance of Class A common stock was on May 10, 2012.

**3. STOCKHOLDER S EQUITY**

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**4. EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN**

On November 2, 2012, our board of directors adopted the Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, or the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

A total of 15% of the shares of the Company's Class A common stock and its Class B common stock outstanding as of the closing of the Company's initial public offering, if consummated, will be reserved and available for issuance under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The equity interests may be issued in the form of shares of the Company's Class A common stock and Class B units of Silvercrest L.P.

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The purposes of the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan are to (i) align the long-term financial interests of our employees, directors, consultants and advisers with those of our stockholders; (ii) attract and retain those individuals by providing compensation opportunities that are consistent with our compensation philosophy; and (iii) provide incentives to those individuals who contribute significantly to our long-term performance and growth. To accomplish these purposes, the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will provide for the grant of units of Silvercrest L.P. (All references to units or interests of Silvercrest L.P. refer to Class B units of Silvercrest L.P. and accompanying shares of Class B common stock of our Company). The 2012 Equity Incentive Plan will also provide for the grant of stock options, stock appreciation rights, or SARs, restricted stock awards, restricted stock units, performance-based stock awards and other stock-based awards (collectively, stock awards) based on our Class A common stock. Awards may be granted to employees, including officers, members, limited partners or partners who are engaged in the business of one or more of our subsidiaries, as well as non-employee directors and consultants.

It is initially anticipated that awards under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan granted to our employees will be in the form of units of Silvercrest L.P. that will not vest until a specified period of time has elapsed, or other vesting conditions have been satisfied as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, and which may be forfeited if the vesting conditions are not met. During the period that any vesting restrictions apply, unless otherwise determined by the Compensation Committee, the recipient of the award will be eligible to participate in distributions of income from Silvercrest L.P. In addition, before the vesting conditions have been satisfied, the transferability of such units is generally prohibited and such units will not be eligible to be exchanged for cash or shares of our Class A common stock.

### **5. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through May , 2013, which is the date the balance sheet was available to be issued.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Partners of Silvercrest L.P. and Subsidiaries:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition of Silvercrest, L.P. and Subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, partners' deficit, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Silvercrest, L.P. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its annual goodwill impairment testing date from December 31 to October 1, effective October 1, 2011.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

New York, New York

April 18, 2013

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## Silvercrest L.P. And Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

(In thousands)

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,443	\$ 7,354
Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow	1,020	1,130
Investments	1,980	1,128
Receivables, net	3,675	2,238
Due from Silvercrest Funds	1,622	2,043
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	2,061	2,275
Goodwill	15,891	14,683
Intangible assets, net	12,363	13,810
Prepaid expenses and other assets	399	601
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 52,454</b>	<b>\$ 45,262</b>
<b>Liabilities, Redeemable Partners Capital and Partners Deficit</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 4,513	\$ 4,365
Accrued compensation	3,656	2,915
Notes payable	3,315	4,809
Deferred rent	2,268	3,287
Deferred tax and other liabilities	565	375
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>14,317</b>	<b>15,751</b>
Redeemable partners capital	102,017	91,201
Notes receivable from partners	(3,410)	(6,024)
<b>Total redeemable partners capital</b>	<b>98,607</b>	<b>85,177</b>
<b>Commitments and Contingencies (Note 10)</b>		
<b>Partners Deficit</b>		
Partners capital	47,904	44,359
Excess of liabilities, redeemable partners capital and partners capital over assets	(108,374)	(100,025)
<b>Total partners deficit</b>	<b>(60,470)</b>	<b>(55,666)</b>
<b>Total liabilities, redeemable partners capital and partners deficit</b>	<b>\$ 52,454</b>	<b>\$ 45,262</b>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Silvercrest L.P.

And Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(In thousands)

	For the year ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
<b>Revenue</b>			
Management and advisory fees	\$ 46,069	\$ 37,869	\$ 32,442
Performance fees and allocations	714	85	548
Family office services	4,907	4,833	3,841
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>51,690</b>	<b>42,787</b>	<b>36,831</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Compensation and benefits	19,108	17,492	16,528
General and administrative	13,680	10,849	9,459
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>32,788</b>	<b>28,341</b>	<b>25,987</b>
<b>Income before other income (expense), net</b>	<b>18,902</b>	<b>14,446</b>	<b>10,844</b>
<b>Other income (expense), net</b>			
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable		(34)	(508)
Other income (expense), net	123	(210)	32
Interest income	145	187	231
Interest expense	(304)	(164)	(241)
Equity income from investments	1,911	950	1,241
<b>Total other income (expense), net</b>	<b>1,875</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>755</b>
<b>Income before provision for income taxes</b>	<b>20,777</b>	<b>15,175</b>	<b>11,599</b>
Provision for income taxes	(1,057)	(566)	(657)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 19,720</b>	<b>\$ 14,609</b>	<b>\$ 10,942</b>

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Consolidated Statements of Partners' Deficit

(In thousands)

	<b>Partners Capital</b>	<b>Excess of Liabilities, Redeemable Partners Capital and Partners Capital over Assets</b>	<b>Total Partners Deficit</b>
<b>January 1, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 39,760</b>	<b>\$ (58,908)</b>	<b>\$ (19,148)</b>
Contributions from partners		1,090	1,090
Distributions to partners	(823)	(5,050)	(5,873)
Equity-based compensation		9	9
Accretion to redemption value of redeemable partnership units		(12,050)	(12,050)
Net income	2,972	7,970	10,942
<b>December 31, 2010</b>	<b>41,909</b>	<b>(66,939)</b>	<b>(25,030)</b>
Contributions from partners		849	849
Distributions to partners	(1,271)	(8,723)	(9,994)
Equity-based compensation		489	489
Accretion to redemption value of redeemable partnership units		(36,589)	(36,589)
Net income	3,721	10,888	14,609
<b>December 31, 2011</b>	<b>44,359</b>	<b>(100,025)</b>	<b>(55,666)</b>
Contributions from partners		112	112
Distributions to partners	(1,466)	(13,283)	(14,749)
Equity-based compensation		1,019	1,019
Accretion to redemption value of redeemable partnership units		(10,906)	(10,906)
Net income	5,011	14,709	19,720
<b>December 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$ 47,904</b>	<b>\$ (108,374)</b>	<b>\$ (60,470)</b>

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## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(In thousands)

	For the year ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>			
Net income	\$ 19,720	\$ 14,609	\$ 10,942
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Equity-based compensation	1,354	977	583
Depreciation and amortization	1,918	1,469	1,379
Amortization of acquired deferred revenue		(870)	
Deferred rent	(336)	(265)	(418)
Reversal of lease abandonment charge	(576)		
Deferred income taxes	22	(275)	(174)
Change in fair value of options granted			(2)
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable		34	508
Non-cash interest on notes receivable from partners	(138)	(180)	(207)
Distributions received from investment funds	965	1,231	274
Equity income from investments	(1,911)	(950)	(1,241)
Provision for doubtful receivables			104
Other	(6)	92	
Cash flows due to changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables and due from Silvercrest funds	(1,016)	(780)	(1,438)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	117	192	422
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(76)	644	(261)
Accrued compensation	406	(360)	113
Other liabilities	154	(282)	646
Interest payable on notes payable	201	115	189
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>20,756</b>	<b>15,401</b>	<b>11,419</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>			
Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow	\$ 110	\$ 335	\$ 689
Acquisition of furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements	(257)	(606)	(79)
Earn-outs paid related to acquisitions completed before January 1, 2009	(720)	(663)	(245)
Acquisition of Milbank, net of cash acquired		(3,357)	
Purchase of investments	(42)	(419)	
Proceeds from sale of investments	139	234	
<b>Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities</b>	<b>(770)</b>	<b>(4,476)</b>	<b>365</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities</b>			
Proceeds from issuance of partner interests	\$	\$ 13	\$ 180
Earn-outs paid related to acquisitions completed on or after January 1, 2009	(75)		
Redemptions of partners' interests	(222)	(237)	(225)
Repayments of notes payable	(1,695)	(1,445)	(4,373)
Payments on capital leases	(20)	(16)	(2)
Distributions to partners	(14,749)	(9,994)	(5,873)
Payments from partners on notes receivable	2,864	1,083	207



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<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(13,897)</b>	<b>(10,596)</b>	<b>(10,086)</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>1,698</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	7,354	7,025	5,327
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 13,443</b>	<b>\$ 7,354</b>	<b>\$ 7,025</b>

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	For the year ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
<b>Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information</b>			
Net cash paid (refunded) during the year for:			
Income taxes	\$ 995	\$ 855	\$ (539)
Interest	225	114	252
<b>Supplemental Disclosures of Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities</b>			
Notes receivable:			
From partners for capital contributions	\$ 112	\$ 836	\$ 187
Satisfied as part of share redemptions			734
Loss on forgiveness of notes receivable		34	508
Earnout accrual for acquisition of Marathon Capital Group, LLC	1,061	419	685
Earnout accrual for acquisition of Milbank		1,726	
Issuance of notes payable for redemption of partner interests			745
Issuance of notes payable for acquisition of Milbank		3,181	
Issuance of partner interests as satisfaction of notes payable to partners			724
Issuance of shares for acquisition of Milbank		3,105	
Issuance of shares and call rights option for acquisition of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC	147		

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(Dollars in thousands)

**1. ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS**

Silvercrest L.P. ( Silvercrest ), together with its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively the Company ), provides investment management and family office services to individuals and families and their trusts, and to endowments, foundations and other institutional investors primarily located in the United States of America. The business includes the management of funds of funds, and other investment funds, collectively referred to as the Silvercrest Funds.

Silvercrest was formed on December 10, 2008 and commenced operations on January 1, 2009 along with its general partner, Silvercrest GP LLC ( GP LLC ) as part of a restructuring that was completed to organize the Company more in line with industry standards and to increase tax efficiency. Pursuant to the reorganization each of the members of Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC ( SAMG LLC ) contributed their limited liability company interests in SAMG LLC to Silvercrest L.P. in return for limited partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P. and member interests in Silvercrest GP LLC, such that immediately after giving effect to such issuances each member s percentage ownership of, and voting interest in, the aggregate limited partnership interests was equal to its ownership and voting interests immediately prior to such issuance, but reduced pro rata to take into account the 1% interest in Silvercrest L.P. owned by Silvercrest GP LLC, the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. As a result of the restructuring, SAMG LLC became a wholly owned subsidiary as of January 1, 2009. The reorganization was accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control and all balances of SAMG LLC were carried over to Silvercrest at their carrying values as of December 31, 2008.

On March 11, 2004, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of James C. Edwards Asset Management, Inc. ( JCE ) and subsequently changed JCE s name to Silvercrest Financial Services, Inc. ( SFS ). On December 31, 2004, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of The LongChamp Group, Inc. now SAM Alternative Solutions, Inc. ( LGI ). Effective March 31, 2005, the Company entered into an Asset Contribution Agreement to acquire all of the assets, properties, rights and certain liabilities of Heritage Financial Management, LLC ( HFM ). Effective October 3, 2008, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding limited liability company interests of Marathon Capital Group, LLC ( MCG ) through a limited liability company interest purchase agreement dated September 22, 2008. On November 1, 2011, the Company acquired certain assets of Milbank Winthrop & Co. ( Milbank ). On April 1, 2012, the Company acquired the LLC interests of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC ( Commodity Advisors ). See Notes 3, 7 and 8 for additional information related to goodwill and intangible assets related to these acquisitions.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Silvercrest and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, SAMG LLC, SFS, LGI, MCG, Silvercrest Investors LLC and Silvercrest Investors II LLC as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

In addition, the Company evaluates for consolidation those entities it controls through a majority voting interest or otherwise, including those Silvercrest Funds in which the general partner or equivalent is presumed to have control over the fund. The initial step in our determination of whether a fund for which Silvercrest is the general partner is required to be consolidated is assessing whether the fund meets the definition of a variable interest entity (VIE). None of funds for which Silvercrest is the general partner met the definition of a VIE during the

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three years ended December 31, 2012, as the total equity at risk of each fund is sufficient for the fund to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support provided by any parties, including the equity holders.

Silvercrest then considers whether the fund is a voting interest entities (VoIE) in which the unaffiliated limited partners have substantive kick-out rights that provide the ability to dissolve (liquidate) the limited partnership or otherwise remove the general partner without cause. Silvercrest considers the kick-out rights to be substantive if the general partner for the fund can be removed by the vote of a simple majority of the unaffiliated limited partners and there are no significant barriers to the unaffiliated limited partners' ability to exercise these rights in that among other things (1) there are no conditions or timing limits on when the rights can be exercised, (2) there are no financial or operational barriers associated with replacing the general partner, (3) there are a number of qualified replacement investment advisors that would accept appointment at the same fee level, (4) each fund's documents provide for the ability to call and conduct a vote, and (5) the information necessary to exercise the kick-out rights and related vote are available from the fund and its administrator.

As of and for the years ended December 2012, 2011 and 2010, all of the funds for which Silvercrest was the general partner have substantive kick-out rights and therefore Silvercrest did not consolidate any of the Silvercrest Funds.

## **Segment Reporting**

The Company views its operations as comprising one operating segment. Each of the Company's acquired businesses have similar economic characteristics and have been fully integrated upon acquisition. Furthermore, our Chief Operating Decision Maker, which is the Company's Chief Executive Officer, monitors and reviews financial information at a consolidated level for assessing operating results and the allocation of resources.

## **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and other income reported in the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates and assumptions made by management include the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities, equity based compensation, the fair value of our reporting unit utilized in assessing goodwill for impairment, accounting for income taxes, the useful lives of long lived assets and other matters that affect the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company considers all highly liquid securities with original maturities of 90 days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

## **Restricted Certificates of Deposit**

Certain certificates of deposit held at a major financial institution are restricted and serve as collateral for letters of credit for the Company's lease obligations as described in Note 10.

## **Equity Method Investments**

Entities and investments over which the Company exercises significant influence over the activities of the entity but which do not meet the requirements for consolidation are accounted for using the equity method of accounting, whereby the Company records its share of the underlying income or losses of these entities. Intercompany profit arising from transactions with affiliates is eliminated to the extent of its beneficial interest. Equity in losses of equity method investments is not recognized after the carrying value of an investment, including advances and loans, has been reduced to zero, unless guarantees or other funding obligations exist.

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The Company evaluates its equity method investments for impairment, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of such investments may not be recoverable. The difference between the carrying value of the equity method investment and its estimated fair value is recognized as impairment when the loss in value is deemed other than temporary. The Company's equity method investments approximate their fair value at December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010. The fair value of the equity method investments is estimated based on the Company's share of the fair value of net assets of the equity method investee which consist of Level I and Level II securities. No impairment charges related to equity method investments were recorded during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

### **Receivables and Due from Silvercrest Funds**

Receivables consist primarily of amounts for advisory fees due from clients and management fees, and are stated at net realizable value. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful receivables based on estimates of expected losses and specific identification of uncollectible accounts. The Company charges actual losses to the allowance when incurred.

### **Furniture, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements**

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements consist primarily of furniture, fixtures and equipment, computer hardware and software and leasehold improvements and are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives, which for leasehold improvements is the lesser of the lease term or the life of the asset, generally 10 years, and 3 to 7 years for other fixed assets.

### **Business Combinations**

The Company accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method of accounting. The acquisition method of accounting requires that purchase price, including the fair value of contingent consideration, of the acquisition be allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed using the fair values determined by management as of the acquisition date. Contingent consideration is recorded as part of the purchase price when such contingent consideration is not based on continuing employment of the selling shareholders. Contingent consideration that is related to continuing employment is recorded as compensation expense. Payments made for contingent consideration recorded as part of an acquisition's purchase price are reflected as financing activities in the Company's statements of cash flows.

For acquisitions completed subsequent to January 1, 2009, the Company remeasures the fair value of contingent consideration at each reporting period using a probability-adjusted discounted cash flow method based on significant inputs not observable in the market and any change in the fair value from either the passage of time or events occurring after the acquisition date, is recorded in earnings. Contingent consideration payments that exceed the acquisition date fair value of the contingent consideration are reflected as an operating activity in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

### **Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

Goodwill consists of the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is not amortized and is evaluated for impairment using a two-step process that is performed at least annually, or whenever events or circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. During 2011, the Company changed its annual impairment test date from December 31 to October 1, effective October 1, 2011. The change in the impairment testing date was not made with the intent of accelerating or delaying an impairment charge. The change was made in anticipation of the Company having a requirement to issue its annual financial statements on an accelerated basis as compared to prior years. The change had no impact on the Company's results of operations or any other financial statement line item.

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In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-08, "Testing Goodwill for Impairment", which provided new accounting guidance on testing goodwill for impairment. The enhanced guidance provides an entity the option to first perform a qualitative assessment of whether a reporting unit's fair value is more likely than not less than its carrying value, including goodwill. In performing its qualitative assessment, an entity considers the extent to which adverse events or circumstances identified, such as changes in economic conditions, industry and market conditions or entity specific events, could affect the comparison of the reporting unit's fair value with its carrying amount. If an entity concludes that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not less than its carrying amount, the entity is required to perform the currently prescribed two-step goodwill impairment test to identify potential goodwill impairment and, accordingly, measure the amount, if any, of goodwill impairment loss to be recognized for that reporting unit. The guidance was effective for the Company as of January 1, 2012. The Company did not utilize this option and assessed goodwill using the two-step process when performing its annual impairment assessment in 2012.

The first step is a comparison of the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill of the reporting unit is not considered impaired and the second step is unnecessary. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, a second step is performed to measure the amount of impairment by comparing the carrying amount of the goodwill to a determination of the implied fair value of the goodwill. If the carrying amount of the goodwill is greater than the implied value, an impairment loss is recognized for the difference. The implied value of the goodwill is determined as of the test date by performing a purchase price allocation, as if the reporting unit had just been acquired, using currently estimated fair values of the individual assets and liabilities of the reporting unit, together with an estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit taken as a whole. The estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit is based upon information available regarding prices of similar groups of assets, or other valuation techniques including present value techniques based upon estimates of future cash flows.

The Company has one reporting unit at December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010. No goodwill impairment charges were recorded during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

During 2011, the Company changed its annual impairment test date from December 31 to October 1, effective October 1, 2011. The change was made in anticipation of the Company having a requirement to issue its annual financial statements on an accelerated basis as compared to prior years. The change had no impact on the Company's results of operations or any other financial statement line item.

Identifiable finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives ranging from 3 to 20 years. The method of amortization is based on the pattern over which the economic benefits, generally expected undiscounted cash flows, of the intangible asset are consumed. Intangible assets for which no pattern can be reliably determined are amortized using the straight-line method. Intangible assets consist primarily of the contractual right to future management, advisory and performance fees from customer contracts or relationships.

### **Long-lived Assets**

Long-lived assets of the Company are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. In connection with such review, the Company also re-evaluates the periods of depreciation and amortization for these assets. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value.

### **Initial Public Offering Costs**

During 2012, the Company incurred \$2,816 of professional fees and other costs associated with its planned initial public offering. These costs are included in general, administrative and other in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. These costs were expensed upon the withdrawal of the Company's registration statement in November 2012.

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### **Derivative Instruments**

Derivative instruments are recorded at fair value as either assets or liabilities in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. The Company's derivatives are not designated as hedging instruments and are used as economic hedges to manage certain risks in the Company's business.

As a result of the use of derivative instruments, the Company is exposed to the risk that counterparties to derivative contracts will fail to meet their contractual obligations. The Company does not hold collateral or other security from its counterparties supporting its derivative instruments. In addition, there are no netting arrangements in place with the counterparties. To mitigate the counterparty credit risk, the Company has a policy of entering into contracts only with carefully selected major financial institutions based upon their credit ratings and other factors.

The Company records the changes in fair value of derivative instruments in Other income (expenses), net in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company does not purchase, hold or sell derivative financial instruments for trading and speculative purposes.

### **Partner Distributions**

Partner incentive allocations, which are determined by the general partner and approved by a vote of the partners, can be formula based or discretionary. Incentive allocations are considered distributions of net income as stipulated by Silvercrest's Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement and are recognized in the period in which they are paid. In the event there is insufficient distributable cash flow to make incentive distributions, the general partner in its sole and absolute discretion may determine not to make any distributions called for under the partnership agreement. The remaining net income or loss after partner incentive allocations is generally allocated to the partners based on their pro rata ownership.

### **Redeemable Partnership Units**

Redeemable partnership units in our Company consist of units issued to our founders and those purchased by certain of our employees. These capital units entitle the holder to a share of the distributions of our Company. Units are subject to certain redemption features. Upon the termination of employment of the Terminated Employee, as defined, the Company has a right to call the units. In addition, the terminated employee has a right to put the units to the Company upon termination or death, provided the terminated employee has complied with certain restrictions as described in the partnership agreement. In accordance with the provisions of our partnership and operating agreements, the put described above expires with the consummation of an IPO or Sale Transaction, as defined in our partnership and operating agreements.

As the units are redeemable at the option of the holder and are not mandatorily redeemable, the redeemable partnership units have been classified outside of permanent partner's capital. The units are adjusted to their current redemption value at the end of each reporting period with the increase or decrease in redemption value being charged to excess of liabilities, redeemable partner's capital and partner's capital over assets.

The Company also makes distributions to its partners of various nature including incentive payments, profit distributions and tax distributions.

### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognized ratably over the period in which services are performed. Revenue consists primarily of investment advisory fees, family office services fees and fund management fees. Investment advisory fees are typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter.

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based on a contractually specified percentage of the assets managed. For investment advisory fees billed in advance, the value of assets managed is determined based on the value of the customer's account as of the last trading day of the preceding quarter. For investment advisory fees billed in arrears the value of assets managed is determined based on the value of the customer's account on the last day of the quarter being billed. Family office services fees are typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter based on a contractual percentage of the assets managed or based on a fixed fee arrangement. Management fees from proprietary and non-proprietary funds are calculated as a percentage of net asset values measured at the beginning of a month or quarter or at the end of a quarter, depending on the fund.

The Company accounts for performance based revenue in accordance with ASC 605-20-S99, *Accounting for Management Fees Based on a Formula*, by recognizing performance fees and allocations as revenue only when it is certain that the fee income is earned and payable pursuant to the relevant agreements, and no contingencies remain. Performance fee contingencies are typically resolved at the end of each annual period. In certain arrangements, the Company is only entitled to receive performance fees and allocations when the return on assets under management exceeds certain benchmark returns or other performance targets. The Company records performance fees and allocations as a component of revenue.

## **Equity-Based Compensation**

Equity-based compensation cost relating to the issuance of share-based awards to partners is based on the fair value of the award at the date of grant, which is expensed ratably over the requisite service period, net of estimated forfeitures. The forfeiture assumption is ultimately adjusted to the actual forfeiture rate. Therefore, changes in the forfeiture assumptions may affect the timing of the total amount of expense recognized over the vesting period. The service period is the period over which the employee performs the related services, which is normally the same as the vesting period. Equity-based awards that do not require future service are expensed immediately. Equity-based awards that have the potential to be settled in cash at the election of the employee or which relate to redeemable partnership units are classified as liabilities ( *Liability Awards* ) and are adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period. Distributions associated with *Liability Awards* not expected to vest are accounted for as compensation expense in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

## **Leases**

The Company expenses the net lease payments associated with operating leases on a straight-line basis over the respective leases' term including any rent-free periods. Leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and are depreciated using the straight-line method over the lesser of the estimated useful lives of the improvements (generally 10 years) or the remaining lease term.

## **Income Taxes**

Silvercrest is not subject to federal and state income taxes, since all income, gains and losses are passed through to its partners. Silvercrest is subject to New York City unincorporated business tax. SFS is subject to federal and state corporate income tax, which requires an asset and liability approach to the financial accounting and reporting of income taxes. With respect to the Company's incorporated entity, the annual tax rate is based on the income, statutory tax rates and tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates. Tax laws are complex and subject to different interpretations by the taxpayer and respective governmental taxing authorities. Judgment is required in determining the tax expense and in evaluating tax positions. The tax effects of an uncertain tax position ( *UTP* ) taken or expected to be taken in income tax returns are recognized only if it is more likely-than-not to be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on its technical merits as of the reporting date. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. The Company recognizes estimated accrued interest and penalties related to *UTPs* in income tax expense.



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The Company recognizes the benefit of a UTP in the period when it is effectively settled. Previously recognized tax positions are derecognized in the first period in which it is no longer more likely than not that the tax position would be sustained upon examination.

### **Recent Accounting Developments**

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), which amended guidance on fair value measurements to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements in GAAP and IFRS. The amended guidance specifies that the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise in a fair value measurement are relevant only when measuring the fair value of nonfinancial assets and are not relevant when measuring the fair value of financial assets or of liabilities. The amendments include requirements specific to measuring the fair value of those instruments, such as equity interests used as consideration in a business combination. An entity should measure the fair value of its own equity instrument from the perspective of a market participant that holds the instrument as an asset. With respect to financial instruments that are managed as part of a portfolio, an exception to fair value requirements is provided. That exception permits a reporting entity to measure the fair value of such financial assets and financial liabilities at the price that would be received to sell a net asset position for a particular risk or to transfer a net liability position for a particular risk in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The amendments also clarify that premiums and discounts should only be applied if market participants would do so when pricing the asset or liability. Premiums and discounts related to the size of an entity's holding (e.g., a blockage factor) rather than as a characteristic of the asset or liability (e.g., a control premium) is not permitted in a fair value measurement.

The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements, including, among other things, (a) for fair value measurements categorized within Level III of the fair value hierarchy, (1) a quantitative disclosure of the unobservable inputs and assumptions used in the measurement, (2) the valuation process used by the reporting entity, and (3) a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, if any, and (b) the categorization by level of the fair value hierarchy for items that are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position but for which the fair value is required to be disclosed (for example, a financial instrument that is measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial position but for which fair value is disclosed). The guidance also amends disclosure requirements for significant transfers between Level I and Level II and now requires disclosure of all transfers between Levels I and II in the fair value hierarchy.

The amended guidance was effective for the Company on January 1, 2012 and did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### **3. ACQUISITIONS**

#### **Milbank:**

On November 1, 2011, the Company acquired certain assets of Milbank, a registered investment advisor that oversees approximately \$500 million of assets primarily on behalf of high-net-worth families. The strategic acquisition of Milbank, a long-standing and highly regarded investment boutique, strengthens the Company's presence in the New York market and the Company obtains investment managers that have significant experience and knowledge of the industry. Milbank's clients will gain access to the Company's complete investment management, wealth planning and reporting capabilities, including proprietary value equity and fixed income disciplines and alternative investment advisory services. Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, the Company paid cash consideration of \$3,357 (net of cash acquired of \$813), issued units of the Company with a fair value of \$3,105, and issued a promissory note to Milbank for \$3,181. The promissory note bears interest at a rate of 5% per annum and is payable in four annual installments (see Note 9). The purchase price allocation includes an estimate of the fair value of the 19,757 units issued to the former owners of Milbank.

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which was determined by calculating a per unit limited partnership interest fair value in the Company utilizing both discounted cash flow and guideline company valuation methodologies. Furthermore, as part of the Asset Purchase Agreement, the Company is obligated to make future earnout payments to Milbank. The Company determined that the acquisition-date fair value of the contingent consideration was \$1,726 based on the likelihood that the financial and performance targets will be achieved. Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, Milbank is entitled to receive six earnout payments. The earnout periods are as follows: November 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, full calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015, and January 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016. Each earnout payment is equal to 20% of annual EBITDA, as defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement. There is no required EBITDA milestone that needs to be achieved in order for an earnout payment to be made. The amount of the earnout payments will vary depending on the level of EBITDA that is generated in each respective earnout period. As the acquisition was completed after January 1, 2009, the estimated fair value of contingent consideration is recognized at the date of acquisition, and adjusted for changes in facts and circumstances until the ultimate resolution of the contingency. Changes in the fair value of contingent consideration are reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The fair value of the contingent consideration was based on discounted cash flow models using projected EBITDA for each earnout period. The discount rate applied to the to the projected EBITDA was determined based on the weighted average cost of capital for the Company and took into account that the overall risk associated with the payments was similar to the overall risks of the Company as there is no target, floor or cap associated the contingent payments. A fair value adjustment of \$42 was recorded at December 31, 2012, and is included in general, administrative and other expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2012. The Company has a liability of \$1,609 related to Milbank included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2012 for contingent consideration.

During 2011, the Company incurred \$222 in costs related to the acquisition of Milbank, and has included these in general, administrative and other in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Units issued	\$ 3,105
Note payable due to Milbank	3,181
Cash paid on date of acquisition	4,170
Contingent consideration	1,726
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 12,182</b>

The following table summarizes the final amounts allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities. The excess of the purchase price over the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was allocated to goodwill and intangible assets.

Cash	\$ 813
Prepaid expenses	57
Furniture and equipment	20
Deferred revenue	(871)
Net deferred tax liability	(107)
Capital lease	(17)
<b>Total fair value of net tangible assets acquired</b>	<b>(105)</b>
Goodwill	3,271
Customer relationships (20 years)	8,200
Non-compete agreements (3-5 years)	816
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 12,182</b>

The Company believes the recorded goodwill is supported by the anticipated revenues and expected synergies of integrating the operations of Milbank into the Company. Furthermore, there are expected synergies with respect

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to compensation and benefits and general and administrative costs. The goodwill that is expected to be deductible for tax purposes is goodwill that originates from contingent consideration.

**Commodity Advisors:**

On April 1, 2012, the Company acquired Commodity Advisors. Commodity Advisors is the general partner of MW Commodity Strategies, L.P. (the MW Commodity Fund LLC), a fund whose investment objective is to seek superior risk adjusted returns through strategic, sector-based investments with commodity and macro trading investment managers. The acquisition of Commodity Advisors adds another strategy to the Company's investment management, wealth planning and reporting capabilities, including proprietary value equity and fixed income disciplines and alternative investment advisory services. On April 1, 2012, the Company, in exchange for the member interests of Commodity Advisors, issued 631 and 6 units of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, respectively, at closing, with a fair value of \$132. Furthermore, the Company is obligated to make quarterly contingent payments if incremental income, as defined in the purchase agreement, exceeds various thresholds. As these contingent payments are tied to the continued employment by the Company of the former member of Commodity Advisors, they will be considered compensation expense in the period in which such contingent payments are earned. The Company is obligated to make a future one-time earnout payment in units equal to the difference between \$800 and the redemption value of the units issued at closing, if incremental revenue, as defined, reaches an amount equal to \$400 prior to March 31, 2014.

Units issued	\$ 132
Call rights option issued	15
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 147</b>

The following table summarizes the final amounts allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities. The excess of the purchase price over the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was allocated to goodwill and intangible assets.

Receivables	\$ 7
Liabilities	(7)
<b>Total fair value of net tangible assets acquired</b>	
Goodwill	147
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 147</b>

The pro forma information below represents consolidated results of operations as if the acquisitions of Milbank occurred on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011 and the acquisition of Commodity Advisors occurred on January 1, 2011 and on January 1, 2012. The pro forma information has been included for comparative purposes and is not indicative of results of operations of the consolidated Company had the acquisitions occurred as of January 1, 2012, 2011 and 2010, nor is it necessarily indicative of future results.

	<b>Pro Forma Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2012</b>	<b>Pro Forma Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2011</b>	<b>Pro Forma Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2010</b>
Total Revenue	\$ 51,728	\$ 47,680	\$ 41,617
Net Income	\$ 19,748	\$ 16,013	\$ 12,122

Milbank revenue and income before provision for income taxes for the two months ended December 31, 2011 that are included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations are \$871 and \$367, respectively.

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Commodity Advisors revenue and income before provision for income taxes for the nine months ended December 31, 2012 that are included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations are \$74 and \$43, respectively.

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Investments include \$1,968, \$1,034, and \$1,316 as of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, representing the Company's equity method investments in affiliated investment funds which have been established and managed by the Company and its affiliates. The Company's financial interest in these funds can range up to 2%. Despite the Company's insignificant financial interest, the Company exerts significant influence over these funds as the Company typically serves as the general partner, managing member or equivalent for these funds. During 2007, the Silvercrest Funds granted rights to the unaffiliated investors in each respective fund to provide that a simple majority of the fund's unaffiliated investors will have the right, without cause, to remove the general partner or equivalent of that fund or to accelerate the liquidation date of that fund in accordance with certain procedures. At December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company determined none of the Silvercrest Funds were required to be consolidated. The Company's involvement with these entities began on the dates that they were formed, which range from July 2003 to July 2008.

Summarized financial information for investments accounted for under the equity method as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

	As of and for the Years Ended		
	December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Total assets	\$ 273,797	\$ 257,349	\$ 266,979
Total liabilities	\$ 2,962	\$ 20,412	\$ 1,712
Income	\$ 16,627	\$ 17,398	\$ 18,771
Operating expenses	2,342	2,161	2,236
Realized and unrealized net gain on investments	17,461	5,675	6,533
Net increase in members capital resulting from operations	\$ 31,747	\$ 20,913	\$ 23,068

In 2011, the Company entered into derivative contracts that were not designated as accounting hedges. The fair value of these derivative assets is recorded within Investments in the 2011 Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition. The Company entered into these derivative instruments in order to mitigate the risk of any exposure during the fourth quarter between the values of certain investor redemptions and the actual proceeds received by one of our funds when the underlying securities to these redemptions were sold. As of December 31, 2011, Investments include put options with notional and fair values of \$795 and \$94, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2011, realized gains and (losses) for options and other derivative contracts were \$2 and (\$81), respectively. The net change in unrealized gains and (losses) on the put options was (\$13) for the year ended December 31, 2011. As of December 31, 2012, all derivative contracts had been settled. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2012, realized gains for put options and other derivative contracts were \$8 and realized (losses) were (\$17).

**Fair Value Measurements**

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ) establishes a hierarchical disclosure framework which prioritizes and ranks the level of market price observability used in measuring investments at fair value. Market price observability is affected by a number of factors, including the type of investment, the characteristics specific to the investment and the state of the marketplace including the existence and transparency of transactions between market participants. Investments with readily available active quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices in an orderly market generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value.

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Investments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories.

Level I: Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical investments as of the reporting date. The type of investments in Level I include listed equities and listed derivatives.

Level II: Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Investments which are generally included in Level II include corporate bonds and loans, less liquid and restricted equity securities, certain over-the counter derivatives, and certain fund of hedge funds investments in which the Company has the ability to redeem its investment at net asset value at, or within three months of, the reporting date.

Level III: Pricing inputs are unobservable for the investment and includes situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. Investments that are included in Level III generally include general and limited partnership interests in private equity and real estate funds, credit-oriented funds, certain over-the counter derivatives, funds of hedge funds which use net asset value per share to determine fair value in which the Company may not have the ability to redeem its investment at net asset value at, or within three months of, the reporting date, distressed debt and non-investment grade residual interests in securitizations and collateralized debt obligations.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the determination of which category within the fair value hierarchy is appropriate for any given investment is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's financial assets by the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2012:

	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash equivalents - Money Market Funds	\$ 1,020	\$	\$	\$ 1,020

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's financial assets by the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2011:

	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash equivalents - Money Market Funds	\$ 1,037	\$	\$	\$ 1,037
Free Standing Derivatives - Put Options	94			94
	\$ 1,131	\$	\$	\$ 1,131

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At December 31, 2012 and 2011, financial instruments that are not held at fair value are categorized in the table below:

	2012		2011		Fair Value Hierarchy
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	
<i>Financial Assets:</i>					
Cash	\$ 12,392	\$ 12,392	\$ 6,317	\$ 6,317	
Restricted Certificates of Deposit and Escrow	\$ 1,020	\$ 1,020	\$ 1,130	\$ 1,130	Level 1(1)
<i>Financial liabilities:</i>					
Notes Payable	\$ 3,315	\$ 3,315	\$ 4,809	\$ 4,809	Level 2(2)

- (1) Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow consists of money market funds that are carried at either cost or amortized cost that approximates fair value due to their short-term maturities. The money market funds are valued through the use of quoted market prices, or \$1.00, which is generally the NAV of the funds.
- (2) The carrying value of notes payable approximates fair value, which is determined based on interest rates currently available to the Company for similar debt.

**5. RECEIVABLES, NET**

The following is a summary of receivables as of December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012	2011
Management and advisory fees receivable	\$ 1,815	\$ 1,433
Unbilled receivables	1,787	1,134
Other receivables	435	57
<b>Receivables</b>	<b>4,037</b>	<b>2,624</b>
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(362)	(386)
<b>Receivables, net</b>	<b>\$ 3,675</b>	<b>\$ 2,238</b>

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The following is a summary of furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net as of December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012	2011
Leasehold improvements	\$ 3,557	\$ 3,466
Furniture and equipment	3,526	3,360
Artwork	338	338
<b>Total cost</b>	<b>7,421</b>	<b>7,164</b>
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(5,360)	(4,889)
<b>Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net</b>	<b>\$ 2,061</b>	<b>\$ 2,275</b>

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$471, \$492, and \$463, respectively.

**7. GOODWILL**

The following is a summary of the changes to the carrying amount of goodwill as of December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012	2011
January 1,		
Gross balance	\$ 32,098	\$ 28,408
Accumulated impairment losses	(17,415)	(17,415)
Net balance	14,683	10,993
Purchase price adjustments from earnouts	1,061	419
Acquisition of Milbank		3,271
Acquisition of Commodity Advisors	147	
December 31,		
Gross balance	33,436	32,098
Accumulated impairment losses	(17,415)	(17,415)
<b>Net balance</b>	<b>\$ 15,891</b>	<b>\$ 14,683</b>



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The following is a summary of intangible assets as of December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Customer Relationships	Other Intangible Assets	Total
<b>Cost</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 15,910	\$ 1,566	\$ 17,476
<b>Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>15,910</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>17,476</b>
<b>Useful lives</b>	<b>15-20 years</b>	<b>3-5 years</b>	
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2012	(3,144)	(522)	(3,666)
Amortization expense	(1,094)	(353)	(1,447)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>(4,238)</b>	<b>(875)</b>	<b>(5,113)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>\$ 11,672</b>	<b>\$ 691</b>	<b>\$ 12,363</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2011	\$ 7,710	\$ 750	\$ 8,460
Acquisition of certain assets of Milbank	8,200	816	9,016
<b>Balance, December 31, 2011</b>	<b>15,910</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>17,476</b>
<b>Useful lives</b>	<b>15-20 years</b>	<b>3-5 years</b>	
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2011	(2,351)	(338)	(2,689)
Amortization expense	(793)	(184)	(977)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2011</b>	<b>(3,144)</b>	<b>(522)</b>	<b>(3,666)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>\$ 12,766</b>	<b>\$ 1,044</b>	<b>\$ 13,810</b>

Amortization expense related to the intangible assets was \$916 for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Amortization related to the Company's finite life intangible assets is scheduled to be expensed over the next five years and thereafter as follows:

2013	\$ 1,370
2014	1,229
2015	1,100
2016	1,044
2017	947
Thereafter	6,673
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,363</b>

**9. NOTES PAYABLE**

The following is a summary of notes payable:

	December 31, 2012	
	Interest Rate	Amount
Principal on fixed rate notes	5.0%	\$ 2,397
Variable rate notes issued for redemption of partners interests (see Note 16)	Prime plus 1%	872
Interest payable		46
<b>Total, December 31, 2012</b>		<b>\$ 3,315</b>

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	December 31, 2011	
	Interest Rate	Amount
Principal on fixed rate notes	5.0%	\$ 3,181
Variable rate notes issued for redemption of partners interest (see Note 16)	Prime plus 1%	1,558
Interest payable		70
<b>Total, December 31, 2011</b>		<b>\$ 4,809</b>

The carrying value of notes payable approximates fair value. The fixed rate note, which is related to the Milbank acquisition, approximates fair value based on interest rates currently available to the Company for similar debt. The variable rate notes are based on a multiple of the U.S. Prime Rate.

Future principal amounts payable under the notes payable are as follows:

2013	\$ 1,555
2014	1,150
2015	564
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,269</b>

**10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES****Lease Commitments**

The Company leases office space pursuant to operating leases that are subject to specific escalation clauses. Rent expense charged to operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 amounted to \$3,588, \$3,304, and \$3,273, respectively. The Company received sub-lease income from subtenants during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 of \$764, \$1,006, and \$682, respectively. Therefore, for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, net rent expense amounted to \$2,824, \$2,298, and \$2,591, respectively, and is included in general, administrative and other expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

During 2006, the Company entered into a lease agreement for office space for its headquarters. The lease commenced on January 1, 2007 and expires September 30, 2017. The lease is subject to escalation clauses and provides for rent free periods of 6 to 9 months and a leasehold improvement allowance of \$1,538 provided the Company spends at least an additional \$513 on improvements. The Company spent \$3,284 on leasehold improvements and received \$1,499 of the allowance during 2007; the remaining \$39 of the allowance was received in 2008. As security for performance under the leases, the Company is required to maintain letters of credit in favor of the landlord totaling \$2,023 that were reduced to \$1,013 on August 31, 2010 and can be further reduced to \$506 on August 31, 2014. The letter of credit is collateralized by a certificate of deposit in an equal amount.

Future minimum lease payments and rentals under lease agreements which expire through 2017 are as follows:

	Minimum Lease Commitments	Non-cancellable Subleases	Minimum Net Rentals
2013	\$ 3,675	\$ (727)	\$ 2,948
2014	3,675	(444)	3,231
2015	3,632	(458)	3,174
2016	3,590	(458)	3,132
2017	2,780	(354)	2,426
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,352</b>	<b>\$ (2,441)</b>	<b>\$ 14,911</b>



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In 2009, the Company abandoned a portion of its unutilized space at its headquarters and subleased the space through September 29, 2017. The Company recorded a lease abandonment charge in 2009 in the amount of \$1,154 (on a net present value basis). The balance of the related liability at January 1, 2011 was \$894, which was reduced by lease payments during 2011 of \$174, resulting in an ending balance at December 31, 2011 of \$720. The liability is included in Deferred Rent on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition at December 31, 2011. This liability was further reduced by lease payments during the year ended December 31, 2012 of \$58. On May 1, 2012, the Company reoccupied space at its headquarters that it had previously abandoned in 2009. As a result, the Company released the remaining abandonment-related liability of \$662 and wrote off prepaid interest expense of \$86, resulting in a net lease abandonment reversal of \$576. This reversal was recorded in general and administrative expense in the consolidated statement of operations.

In 2010, an escrow account was funded by a sub-tenant whose sub-lease with the Company commenced on January 1, 2011. Pursuant to the sub-lease, the tenant was required to deposit the first 16 months of rent into the escrow account totaling \$452. The initial deposit was depleted as of April 2012, and an additional deposit of \$99 was made by the sub-tenant. This account has been recorded as restricted certificates of deposit and escrow on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the remaining balance in the escrow account was \$1 and \$114, respectively.

The Company recorded a loss on this sub-lease in 2011 of \$150 (on a net present value basis). The related unamortized liability that was established in January 2011 was \$247 and was reduced by lease payments during the year of \$85, resulting in an ending balance at December 31, 2011 of \$162. This liability was further reduced by lease payments during the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 of \$85, resulting in an ending balance at December 31, 2012 of \$77. This liability is included in deferred rent on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition.

The Company has capital leases for certain office equipment. The principal balance of these leases was \$33 and \$55 as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

## **Contingent Consideration**

In connection with its acquisition of MCG in October 2008, the Company entered into a contingent consideration agreement whereby the former members of MCG were entitled to contingent consideration equal to 22% of adjusted annual EBITDA for each of the five years subsequent to the date of acquisition. As the acquisition was completed prior to January 1, 2009, contingent consideration is recognized when the contingency is resolved pursuant to the authoritative guidance on business combinations in effect at the date of the closing of the acquisition. The contingent consideration related to the MCG acquisition is recorded on the date when the contingency is resolved. Contingent consideration payments of \$720, \$663 and \$245 were made during the three years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 related to MCG and are reflected in investing activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

## **Indemnification Agreement**

On October 13, 2011, Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund ( SSOF ) entered into a \$5,000,000 revolving credit agreement (the SSOF Credit Agreement ) with Pershing LLC ( Pershing ). Simultaneously with the execution of the SSOF Credit Agreement, SAMG LLC, the investment advisor to SSOF, entered into an indemnification agreement (the Indemnification Agreement ) with Pershing whereby SAMG LLC agreed to indemnify Pershing from claims arising out of the exercise by Pershing of any rights and remedies under the security agreement related to the obligations of SSOF under the SSOF Credit Agreement. The SSOF Credit Agreement matured and was repaid on January 15, 2012 and as of December 31, 2011, \$3,224 inclusive of interest was outstanding on the revolving credit line.

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Pursuant to Silvercrest's Operating Agreement, as amended and restated, partner incentive allocations are treated as distributions of net income. The remaining net income or loss after partner incentive allocations is generally allocated to the partners based on their pro rata ownership. Net income allocation is subject to the recovery of the allocated losses of prior periods. Distributions of partner incentive allocations of net income for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 amounted to \$8,775, \$5,073, and \$2,691, respectively, and are included in excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partners' capital over assets in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition.

**12. NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTNERS**

Partner contributions are made in cash, in the form of five or six year interest-bearing promissory notes and/or in the form of nine year interest-bearing limited recourse promissory notes. Limited recourse promissory notes were issued in January 2008, August 2009 and September 2009 with interest rates of 3.53%, 2.77% and 2.84%, respectively. The recourse limitation includes a stated percentage of the initial principal amount of the limited recourse note plus a stated percentage of the accreted principal amount as of the date upon which all amounts due are paid in full plus all costs and expenses required to be paid by the borrower and all amounts required to be paid pursuant to a pledge agreement associated with each note issued. Certain notes receivable are payable in annual installments and are collateralized by the Company's shares that are purchased with the note.

Notes receivable from partners are as follows:

	2012	2011
Balance, January 1,	\$ 6,024	\$ 6,125
Repayment of notes	(2,864)	(1,083)
Forgiveness of notes receivable		(34)
Interest accrued and capitalized on notes receivable	138	180
New notes receivable issued to partners	112	836
<b>Balance, December 31,</b>	<b>\$ 3,410</b>	<b>\$ 6,024</b>

Full recourse and limited recourse notes receivable from partners as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 are \$1,953 and \$3,549 and \$1,457 and \$3,707, respectively. There is no allowance for credit losses on notes receivable from partners as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. During 2011 and 2010, the Company forgave \$34 and \$508, respectively, of notes receivable in connection with the termination of partners whose corresponding capital was forfeited.

**13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company provided services to the domesticated Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund), Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund (International), Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund Ltd (formed in 2011 and includes ERISA investors of Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP), the domesticated Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund), Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund (International), Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund Ltd (formed in 2011 and includes ERISA investors of Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP), Silvercrest Market Neutral Fund (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Market Neutral Fund (International) (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Municipal Advantage Portfolio A LLC, Silvercrest Municipal Advantage Portfolio P LLC, the domesticated Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund), and Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund (International) (terminated in 2011). These entities operate as feeder funds investing through master-feeder structures except for Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP, Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund Ltd, Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP, Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund Ltd, and Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund LP which operate and invest as stand-alone funds.

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Silvercrest also provides services for the Silvercrest Global Opportunities Fund, L.P. (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Global Opportunities Fund (International), Ltd. (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Capital Appreciation Fund LLC (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest International Equity Fund, L.P., Silvercrest Municipal Special Situations Fund LLC, Silvercrest Municipal Special Situations Fund II LLC, Silvercrest Select Growth Equity Fund, L.P., Silvercrest Global Partners, L.P., Silvercrest Small Cap, L.P. Silvercrest Special Situations, L.P., and Silvercrest Commodity Strategies Fund, LP which operate and invest separately as stand-alone funds.

Pursuant to agreements with the above entities, the Company provides investment advisory services and receives an annual management fee of 0% to 1.75% of assets under management and a performance fee or allocation of 0% to 10% of the above entities' net appreciation over a high-water mark.

For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company earned from the above activities management fee income, which is included in Management and advisory fees in the Consolidated Statement of Operations, of \$8,484, \$5,403, and \$4,890, respectively, and performance fees and allocations of \$2,615, \$1,046, and \$1,379, respectively, of which \$1,901, \$950, and \$1,241, respectively, is included in equity income from investments and \$714, \$85, and \$138, respectively, is included in performance fees in the Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company was owed \$1,622 and \$2,043, respectively, from its various funds.

For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company earned advisory fees of \$408, \$427, and \$683, respectively, from assets managed on behalf of certain of its partners. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company is owed approximately \$17 and \$19, respectively, from certain of its partners.

**14. INCOME TAXES**

For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the current tax expense was \$1,035, \$841, and \$974, respectively, and the deferred tax expense (benefit) for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 was \$22, (\$275), and (\$317), respectively, which resulted in an income tax provision for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 of \$1,057, \$566, and \$657, respectively, recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
<b>Current (Benefit) Provision:</b>			
Federal	\$ 6	\$ 6	\$ (9)
State and local	1,029	835	983
Total Current Provision	1,035	841	974
<b>Deferred (Benefit) Provision:</b>			
Federal	(14)	(281)	(224)
State and local	36	6	(93)
Total Deferred Provision (Benefit)	22	(275)	(317)
<b>Total Provision for Income Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 1,057</b>	<b>\$ 566</b>	<b>\$ 657</b>

Deferred taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and their bases for income tax purposes.

As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company had a net deferred tax liability of \$130 and \$109, respectively. Temporary differences giving rise to the net deferred tax liability include deferred tax assets associated with deferred rent offset by deferred tax liabilities, primarily intangible assets.





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A summary of deferred tax assets and liabilities as follows:

	As of December 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Deferred tax assets</b>		
Deferred rent	\$ 112	\$ 120
Equity-based compensation of partners	32	33
Other	2	
<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	<b>\$ 146</b>	<b>\$ 153</b>
<b>Deferred tax liabilities</b>		
Intangible assets	\$ 238	\$ 251
Other	38	11
<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 276</b>	<b>\$ 262</b>
<b>Net deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>\$ (130)</b>	<b>\$ (109)</b>

The following table reconciles the provision for income taxes to the U.S. Federal statutory tax rate:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Statutory U.S. federal income tax rate	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%
Income passed through to Partners	(35.00)%	(35.00)%	(35.00)%
State and local income taxes	5.26%	5.72%	5.68%
Other	-0.17%	-1.99%	-0.02%
<b>Effective income tax rate</b>	<b>5.09%</b>	<b>3.73%</b>	<b>5.66%</b>

As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company had taxes payable of \$356 and \$318, respectively, primarily consisting of NYC UBT liability of \$354 and \$306, respectively.

The Company files U.S. Federal, state and local tax returns. The 2009, 2010, and 2011 tax years of the Company remain subject to examination by U.S. Federal and most state and local tax authorities.

The guidance for accounting for uncertainty in income taxes prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company does not have any material uncertain tax positions.

**15. REDEEMABLE PARTNERSHIP UNITS**

Upon the termination of employment, the Company has a right to call the terminated employee's partnership units. In addition, the terminated employee also has a right to put the partnership units back to the Company upon termination or death, provided the terminated employee has complied with certain restrictions as described in the partnership agreement. With respect to the two founders of the Company, their estate, heirs or other permitted related parties cannot require the Company to redeem their units prior to April 1, 2013. In accordance with the provisions of the Company's partnership and operating agreements, the put described above expires with the consummation of an IPO or Sale Transaction, as defined in our partnership and operating agreements. The redemption value per share is based on a multiple of historical EBITDA, pursuant to the Company's partnership agreement. Once units are called or put back to the Company, the redemption results in the issuance of a



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promissory note by the Company which is typically paid in installments over four years. The Company has recognized redeemable partners capital of \$102,017 and \$91,201 as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively, which represents the amount of partners capital subject to both put and call rights.

**16. EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION**

Determining the appropriate fair value model and calculating the fair value of equity compensation awards requires the input of complex and subjective assumptions, including the expected life of the equity compensation awards and the stock price volatility. In addition, determining the appropriate amount of associated periodic expense requires management to estimate the amount of employee forfeitures and the likelihood of the achievement of certain performance targets. The assumptions used in calculating the fair value of equity compensation awards and the associated periodic expense represent management's best estimates, but these estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of judgment. As a result, if factors change and the Company deems it necessary in the future to modify the assumptions it made or to use different assumptions, or if the quantity and nature of the Company's equity-based compensation awards changes, then the amount of expense may need to be adjusted and future equity compensation expense could be materially different from what has been recorded in the current period.

The Company has granted equity-based compensation awards to certain partners under the Company's 2010, 2011 and 2012 Deferred Equity programs (the Equity Programs). The Equity Programs allow for the granting of deferred equity units based on the fair value of the Company's units. These deferred equity units contain both service and performance requirements.

Each grant includes a deferred equity unit (Deferred Equity Unit) and performance unit (Performance Unit) subject to various terms including terms of forfeiture and acceleration of vesting. Each 100 Deferred Equity Units represent the unsecured right to receive one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC and 99 units of Silvercrest L.P. The Deferred Equity Unit represents the unsecured right to receive one unit of the Company or the equivalent cash value of up to fifty percent (50%) (or such other percentage as may be determined by the Company's Executive Committee) of the Company's units issuable upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units and the remaining fifty percent (50%) in units upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units. Such cash amount is to be calculated using the redemption price of such units as of the applicable vesting date. The Performance Unit represents the unsecured right to receive one unit of the Company for every two units of the Company issuable upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units.

Twenty-five percent of the Deferred Equity Units shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the grant date until the Deferred Equity Units are fully vested. The Performance Units shall be subject to forfeiture and subject to the satisfaction of a predetermined performance target at the end of the four year vesting period. If the performance target is achieved, then the Performance Units shall vest at the end of the four year vesting period. The rights of the partners with respect to the Performance Units shall remain subject to forfeiture at all times prior to the date on which such rights become vested and will be forfeited if the performance target is not achieved.

Distributions related to Deferred Equity Units that are paid to partners are charged to excess of liabilities, redeemable partners capital and partners capital over assets. Distributions related to the unvested portion of Deferred Equity Units that are assumed to be forfeited are recognized as compensation expense because these distributions are not required to be returned by partners to the Company upon forfeiture.

The Company utilized both discounted cash flow and guideline company valuation methods to determine the grant date fair value of the Deferred Equity Units. The grant date fair values of Performance Units were determined by applying a performance probability factor to the Deferred Equity Unit Value. These methodologies included the use of third party data and discounts for lack of control and marketability. All Deferred Equity Units are considered to be liability awards and are adjusted to fair value at the end of each

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reporting period. For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company recorded compensation expense related to such units of \$1,388, \$1,060 and \$669, respectively, of which \$147, \$128 and \$123, respectively, relates to the Performance Units given that there is an explicit service period associated with the Deferred Equity Units, and the likelihood that the performance target will be met is considered probable. Distributions include cash distributions paid on Liability Awards. Cash distributions paid on awards expected to be forfeited were \$17, \$20 and \$9 for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and are part of total compensation expense for the years then ended. During the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, \$63 and \$82, respectively, of vested Deferred Equity Units were settled in cash. As of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, there was \$1,428, \$2,260 and \$2,114, respectively, of estimated unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested awards. As of December 31, 2012, the unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested awards is expected to be recognized over a period of 2.16 years.

A summary of these equity grants by the Company as of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 during the periods then ended is presented below:

	Deferred Equity Units		Performance Units	
	Units	Fair Value per unit	Units	Fair Value per unit
Deferred equity unit awards outstanding at January 1, 2010				
Granted	15,808		7,904	
Vested				
Forfeited				
Deferred equity unit awards outstanding at December 31, 2010	15,808	\$ 148.35	7,904	\$ 81.19
Granted	10,802	\$ 157.16	5,401	\$ 60.24
Vested	(4,257)	\$ (157.16)		\$ (60.24)
Forfeited			(541)	
Deferred equity unit awards outstanding at December 31, 2011	22,353	\$ 157.16	12,764	\$ 60.24
Granted	1,000	\$ 205.70	500	\$ 64.24
Vested	(6,565)	\$ (205.70)		\$ (64.24)
Forfeited			(140)	
Deferred equity unit awards outstanding at December 31, 2012	16,788	\$ 205.70	13,124	\$ 64.24

The Company expects 10% of all awards to be forfeited and the related service period is four years.

**17. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION AND DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS**

SAMG LLC has a defined contribution 401(k) savings plan (the Plan) for all eligible employees who meet the minimum age and service requirements as defined in the Plan. The Plan is designed to be a qualified plan under sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. For employees who qualify under the terms of the Plan, on an annual basis Silvercrest matches dollar for dollar an employee's contributions up to the first four percent of compensation. For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, Silvercrest made matching contributions of \$63, \$71, and \$46, respectively, for the benefit of employees.

LGI had an annual bonus and deferred compensation plan (the Deferred Plan). The amount of a Participant's Award (as defined) for any Plan Year (as defined) shall equal the product of the Net Revenues (as defined) for such Plan Year multiplied by a percentage, the numerator of which shall be the number of Units (as defined) allocated to such Participant for such Plan Year, and the denominator of which shall be the aggregate number of Units allocated under the Plan (as defined) for such Plan Year; provided, however, that (i) the Award for any Participant in any Plan Year shall, in no event, exceed \$10 per Unit and (ii) the aggregate number of Units is

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subject to increase or decrease, by the Administrator (as defined) in his sole discretion, during such Plan Year to reflect the addition of new employees becoming Participants or to reflect the termination of employment of any Participant. Each Participant may elect to receive their Award in cash, on a deferred basis, or a combination of both subject to various provisions in the Deferred Plan. The Deferred Plan was discontinued as of December 31, 2009. During the year ended December 31, 2010, \$154 of payments were made to participants under the plan. The remaining liability at December 31, 2010 was \$70, which was paid in full in March 2011.

**18. SOFT DOLLAR ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company obtains research and other services through soft dollar arrangements. The Company receives credits from broker-dealers whereby technology-based research, market quotation and/or market survey services are effectively paid for in whole or in part by soft dollar brokerage arrangements. Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, provides a safe harbor to an investment adviser against claims that it breached its fiduciary duty under state or federal law (including ERISA) solely because the adviser caused its clients' accounts to pay more than the lowest available commission for executing a securities trade in return for brokerage and research services. To rely on the safe harbor offered by Section 28(e), (i) the Company must make a good-faith determination that the amount of commissions is reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and research services being received and (ii) the brokerage and research services must provide lawful and appropriate assistance to the Company in carrying out its investment decision-making responsibilities. If the use of soft dollars is limited or prohibited in the future by regulation, the Company may have to bear the costs of such research and other services. For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the Company utilized soft dollar credits of \$320, \$861, and \$812, respectively.

**19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS  
ACQUISITION**

On March 28, 2013, the Company signed an Asset Purchase Agreement and closed the related transaction to acquire certain assets of Ten-Sixty Asset Management, LLC ( Ten-Sixty ). Ten-Sixty is a registered investment adviser that oversees approximately \$1.9 billion of assets primarily on behalf of institutional clients. This strategic acquisition expands the Company's hedge fund due diligence capabilities and continues the growth of its institutional business. Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, the Company paid cash consideration at closing of \$2,500 and issued a promissory note to Ten-Sixty for \$1,479 subject to adjustment. The principal amount of the promissory note is payable in two installments of \$218 each on April 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013 and then quarterly installments from June 30, 2014 through March 31, 2017 of \$87 each. The principal amount outstanding under this note bears interest at the rate of five percent per annum. As the acquisition was completed shortly before the issuance of these financial statements, the Company is just commencing its process to account for this business combination, and therefore, the disclosure of acquired assets and liabilities and pro forma financial results are not presented.

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through April 18, 2013, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

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## Silvercrest L.P. And Subsidiaries

## Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,355	\$ 13,443
Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow	1,275	1,020
Investments	84	1,980
Receivables, net	3,307	3,675
Due from Silvercrest Funds	1,220	1,622
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	1,990	2,061
Goodwill	18,124	15,891
Intangible assets, net	13,759	12,363
Prepaid expenses and other assets	923	399
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 45,037</b>	<b>\$ 52,454</b>
<b>Liabilities, Redeemable Partners Capital and Partners Deficit</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 4,752	\$ 4,513
Accrued compensation	1,438	3,656
Notes payable	4,350	3,315
Deferred rent	2,139	2,268
Deferred tax and other liabilities	514	565
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>13,193</b>	<b>14,317</b>
Redeemable partners capital	113,764	102,017
Notes receivable from partners	(2,716)	(3,410)
<b>Total redeemable partners capital</b>	<b>111,048</b>	<b>98,607</b>
<b>Commitments and Contingencies (Note 10)</b>		
<b>Partners Deficit</b>		
Partners capital	48,915	47,904
Excess of liabilities, redeemable partners capital and partners capital over assets	(128,119)	(108,374)
<b>Total partners deficit</b>	<b>(79,204)</b>	<b>(60,470)</b>
<b>Total liabilities, redeemable partners capital and partners deficit</b>	<b>\$ 45,037</b>	<b>\$ 52,454</b>

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Silvercrest L.P.

And Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
<b>Revenue</b>		
Management and advisory fees	\$ 12,457	\$ 10,682
Performance fees and allocations	3	
Family office services	1,225	1,198
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>13,685</b>	<b>11,880</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Compensation and benefits	5,201	4,768
General and administrative	2,710	2,566
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>7,911</b>	<b>7,334</b>
<b>Income before other income (expense), net</b>	<b>5,774</b>	<b>4,546</b>
<b>Other income (expense), net</b>		
Other income (expense), net	29	32
Interest income	27	45
Interest expense	(37)	(64)
<b>Total other income (expense), net</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Income before provision for income taxes</b>	<b>5,793</b>	<b>4,559</b>
Provision for income taxes	329	270
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 5,464</b>	<b>\$ 4,289</b>

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Silvercrest L.P.

And Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Partners Deficit

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Partners Capital	Excess of Liabilities, Redeemable Partners Capital and Partners Capital over Assets	Total Partners Deficit
<b>January 1, 2012</b>	<b>\$ 44,359</b>	<b>\$ (100,025)</b>	<b>\$ (55,666)</b>
Contributions from partners		112	112
Distributions to partners	(323)	(7,532)	(7,855)
Equity-based compensation		1,014	1,014
Accretion to redemption value of redeemable partnership units		4,994	4,994
Net income	1,090	3,199	4,289
<b>March 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$ 45,127</b>	<b>\$ (98,237)</b>	<b>\$ 53,110</b>
<b>January 1, 2013</b>	<b>\$ 47,904</b>	<b>\$ (108,374)</b>	<b>\$ (60,470)</b>
Contributions from partners			
Distributions to partners	(380)	(13,289)	(13,669)
Equity-based compensation		1,479	1,479
Accretion to redemption value of redeemable partnership units		(12,008)	(12,008)
Net income	1,391	4,073	5,464
<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>\$ 48,915</b>	<b>\$ (128,119)</b>	<b>\$ (79,204)</b>

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2013	2012
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>		
Net income	\$ 5,464	\$ 4,289
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Equity-based compensation	359	431
Depreciation and amortization	449	475
Deferred rent	(108)	(121)
Deferred income taxes	44	22
Non-cash interest on notes receivable from partners	(25)	(43)
Distributions received from investment funds	1,900	961
Other	(4)	(4)
Cash flows due to changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Receivables and due from Silvercrest funds	770	215
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(545)	(273)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	237	(232)
Accrued compensation	(1,098)	(1,152)
Other liabilities	(95)	(118)
Interest payable on notes payable	36	52
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>7,384</b>	<b>4,502</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>		
Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow	\$ (255)	\$ 84
Acquisition of furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements	(27)	(5)
Earn-outs paid related to acquisitions completed before January 1, 2009		(390)
Acquisition of Ten-Sixty	(2,500)	
Purchase of investments		(42)
Proceeds from sale of investments		139
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(2,782)</b>	<b>(214)</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities</b>		
Earn-outs paid related to acquisitions completed on or after January 1, 2009	\$	\$ (75)
Redemptions of partners' interests	(261)	(63)
Repayments of notes payable	(480)	(499)
Payments on capital leases		(5)
Distributions to partners	(13,669)	(7,855)
Payments from partners on notes receivable	720	950
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(13,690)</b>	<b>(7,547)</b>

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<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(9,088)</b>	<b>(3,259)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	13,443	7,354
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 4,355</b>	<b>\$ 4,095</b>

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	Three months ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
<b>Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information</b>		
Net cash paid during the year for:		
Income taxes	\$ 260	\$ 196
Interest	27	46
<b>Supplemental Disclosures of Non-cash Financing Activities</b>		
Notes receivable:		
From partners for capital contributions	\$	\$ 112
Issuance of notes payable for acquisition of Ten-Sixty	1,479	

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**Silvercrest L.P.**

and Subsidiaries

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

As of and for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 and 2012

(Dollars in thousands)

**1. ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS**

Silvercrest L.P. ( Silvercrest ), together with its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively the Company ), provides investment management and family office services to individuals and families and their trusts, and to endowments, foundations and other institutional investors primarily located in the United States of America. The business includes the management of funds of funds, and other investment funds, collectively referred to as the Silvercrest Funds.

Silvercrest was formed on December 10, 2008 and commenced operations on January 1, 2009 along with its general partner, Silvercrest GP LLC ( GP LLC ) as part of a restructuring that was completed to organize the Company more in line with industry standards and to increase tax efficiency. Pursuant to the reorganization each of the members of Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC ( SAMG LLC ) contributed their limited liability company interests in SAMG LLC to Silvercrest L.P. in return for limited partnership interests in Silvercrest L.P. and member interests in Silvercrest GP LLC, such that immediately after giving effect to such issuances each member s percentage ownership of, and voting interest in, the aggregate limited partnership interests was equal to its ownership and voting interests immediately prior to such issuance, but reduced pro rata to take into account the 1% interest in Silvercrest L.P. owned by Silvercrest GP LLC, the general partner of Silvercrest L.P. As a result of the restructuring, SAMG LLC became a wholly owned subsidiary as of January 1, 2009. The reorganization was accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control and all balances of SAMG LLC were carried over to Silvercrest at their carrying values as of December 31, 2008.

On March 11, 2004, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of James C. Edwards Asset Management, Inc. ( JCE ) and subsequently changed JCE s name to Silvercrest Financial Services, Inc. ( SFS ). On December 31, 2004, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of The LongChamp Group, Inc. now SAM Alternative Solutions, Inc. ( LGI ). Effective March 31, 2005, the Company entered into an Asset Contribution Agreement to acquire all of the assets, properties, rights and certain liabilities of Heritage Financial Management, LLC ( HFM ). Effective October 3, 2008, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding limited liability company interests of Marathon Capital Group, LLC ( MCG ) through a limited liability company interest purchase agreement dated September 22, 2008. On November 1, 2011, the Company acquired certain assets of Milbank Winthrop & Co. ( Milbank ). On April 1, 2012, the Company acquired the LLC interests of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC ( Commodity Advisors ). On March 28, 2013, the Company acquired certain assets of Ten-Sixty Asset Management, LLC ( Ten-Sixty ). See Notes 3, 7 and 8 for additional information related to goodwill and intangible assets related to these acquisitions.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Silvercrest and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, SAMG LLC, SFS, LGI, MCG, Silvercrest Investors LLC and Silvercrest Investors II LLC as of and for the quarter ended March 31, 2013. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

In addition, the Company evaluates for consolidation those entities it controls through a majority voting interest or otherwise, including those Silvercrest Funds in which the general partner or equivalent is presumed to have control over the fund. The initial step in our determination of whether a fund for which Silvercrest is the general partner is required to be consolidated is assessing whether the fund meets the definition of a variable interest entity (VIE). None of funds for which Silvercrest is the general partner met the definition of a VIE during the



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three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the two years ended December 31, 2012, as the total equity at risk of each fund is sufficient for the fund to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support provided by any parties, including the equity holders.

Silvercrest then considers whether the fund is a voting interest entities (VoIE) in which the unaffiliated limited partners have substantive kick-out rights that provide the ability to dissolve (liquidate) the limited partnership or otherwise remove the general partner without cause. Silvercrest considers the kick-out rights to be substantive if the general partner for the fund can be removed by the vote of a simple majority of the unaffiliated limited partners and there are no significant barriers to the unaffiliated limited partners' ability to exercise these rights in that among other things (1) there are no conditions or timing limits on when the rights can be exercised, (2) there are no financial or operational barriers associated with replacing the general partner, (3) there are a number of qualified replacement investment advisors that would accept appointment at the same fee level,

(4) each fund's documents provide for the ability to call and conduct a vote, and (5) the information necessary to exercise the kick-out rights and related vote are available from the fund and its administrator.

As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 and for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, all of the funds for which Silvercrest was the general partner have substantive kick-out rights and therefore Silvercrest did not consolidate any of the Silvercrest Funds.

## **Segment Reporting**

The Company views its operations as comprising one operating segment. Each of the Company's acquired businesses have similar economic characteristics and have been fully integrated upon acquisition. Furthermore, our Chief Operating Decision Maker, which is the Company's Chief Executive Officer, monitors and reviews financial information at a consolidated level for assessing operating results and the allocation of resources.

## **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and other income reported in the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates and assumptions made by management include the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities, equity based compensation, the fair value of our reporting unit utilized in assessing goodwill for impairment, accounting for income taxes, the useful lives of long lived assets and other matters that affect the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company considers all highly liquid securities with original maturities of 90 days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

## **Restricted Certificates of Deposit**

Certain certificates of deposit held at a major financial institution are restricted and serve as collateral for letters of credit for the Company's lease obligations as described in Note 10.

## **Equity Method Investments**

Entities and investments over which the Company exercises significant influence over the activities of the entity but which do not meet the requirements for consolidation are accounted for using the equity method of accounting, whereby the Company records its share of the underlying income or losses of these entities. Intercompany profit arising from transactions with affiliates is eliminated to the extent of its beneficial interest. Equity in losses of equity method investments is not recognized after the carrying value of an investment, including advances and loans, has been reduced to zero, unless guarantees or other funding obligations exist.

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The Company evaluates its equity method investments for impairment, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of such investments may not be recoverable. The difference between the carrying value of the equity method investment and its estimated fair value is recognized as impairment when the loss in value is deemed other than temporary. The Company's equity method investments approximate their fair value at March 31, 2013 and 2012. The fair value of the equity method investments is estimated based on the Company's share of the fair value of the net assets of the equity method investee which consist of Level I and Level II securities. No impairment charges related to equity method investments were recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012.

### **Receivables and Due from Silvercrest Funds**

Receivables consist primarily of amounts for advisory fees due from clients and management fees, and are stated at net realizable value. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful receivables based on estimates of expected losses and specific identification of uncollectible accounts. The Company charges actual losses to the allowance when incurred.

### **Furniture, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements**

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements consist primarily of furniture, fixtures and equipment, computer hardware and software and leasehold improvements and are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives, which for leasehold improvements is the lesser of the lease term or the life of the asset, generally 10 years, and 3 to 7 years for other fixed assets.

### **Business Combinations**

The Company accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method of accounting. The acquisition method of accounting requires that purchase price, including the fair value of contingent consideration, of the acquisition be allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed using the fair values determined by management as of the acquisition date. Contingent consideration is recorded as part of the purchase price when such contingent consideration is not based on continuing employment of the selling shareholders. Contingent consideration that is related to continuing employment is recorded as compensation expense. Payments made for contingent consideration recorded as part of an acquisition's purchase price are reflected as financing activities in the Company's statements of cash flows.

For acquisitions completed subsequent to January 1, 2009, the Company remeasures the fair value of contingent consideration at each reporting period using a probability-adjusted discounted cash flow method based on significant inputs not observable in the market and any change in the fair value from either the passage of time or events occurring after the acquisition date, is recorded in earnings. Contingent consideration payments that exceed the acquisition date fair value of the contingent consideration are reflected as an operating activity in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

### **Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

Goodwill consists of the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is not amortized and is evaluated for impairment using a two-step process that is performed at least annually, or whenever events or circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-08, "Testing Goodwill for Impairment", which provided new accounting guidance on testing goodwill for impairment. The enhanced guidance provides an entity the option to first perform a qualitative assessment of whether a reporting unit's fair value is more likely than not less than its carrying value, including goodwill. In performing its qualitative assessment, an entity considers the extent to

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which adverse events or circumstances identified, such as changes in economic conditions, industry and market conditions or entity specific events, could affect the comparison of the reporting unit's fair value with its carrying amount. If an entity concludes that the fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not less than its carrying amount, the entity is required to perform the currently prescribed two-step goodwill impairment test to identify potential goodwill impairment and, accordingly, measure the amount, if any, of goodwill impairment loss to be recognized for that reporting unit. The guidance was effective for the Company as of January 1, 2012. The Company did not utilize this option and assessed goodwill using the two-step process when performing its annual impairment assessment in 2012.

The first step is a comparison of the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill of the reporting unit is not considered impaired and the second step is unnecessary. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, a second step is performed to measure the amount of impairment by comparing the carrying amount of the goodwill to a determination of the implied fair value of the goodwill. If the carrying amount of the goodwill is greater than the implied value, an impairment loss is recognized for the difference. The implied value of the goodwill is determined as of the test date by performing a purchase price allocation, as if the reporting unit had just been acquired, using currently estimated fair values of the individual assets and liabilities of the reporting unit, together with an estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit taken as a whole. The estimate of the fair value of the reporting unit is based upon information available regarding prices of similar groups of assets, or other valuation techniques including present value techniques based upon estimates of future cash flows.

The Company has one reporting unit at March 31, 2013 and 2012. No goodwill impairment charges were recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012.

Identifiable finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives ranging from 3 to 20 years. The method of amortization is based on the pattern over which the economic benefits, generally expected undiscounted cash flows, of the intangible asset are consumed. Intangible assets for which no pattern can be reliably determined are amortized using the straight-line method. Intangible assets consist primarily of the contractual right to future management, advisory and performance fees from customer contracts or relationships.

### **Long-lived Assets**

Long-lived assets of the Company are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. In connection with such review, the Company also re-evaluates the periods of depreciation and amortization for these assets. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value.

### **Initial Public Offering Costs**

As of March 31, 2013, the Company has incurred and deferred \$30 of professional fees associated with its planned initial public offering. These fees are included in prepaid expenses and other assets in the condensed consolidated statement of financial condition at March 31, 2013. In the event the offering is not consummated, the deferred offering costs will be expensed.

### **Derivative Instruments**

Derivative instruments are recorded at fair value as either assets or liabilities in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. The Company's derivatives are not designated as hedging instruments and are used as economic hedges to manage certain risks in the Company's business.

As a result of the use of derivative instruments, the Company is exposed to the risk that counterparties to derivative contracts will fail to meet their contractual obligations. The Company does not hold collateral or other



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security from its counterparties supporting its derivative instruments. In addition, there are no netting arrangements in place with the counterparties. To mitigate the counterparty credit risk, the Company has a policy of entering into contracts only with carefully selected major financial institutions based upon their credit ratings and other factors.

The Company records the changes in fair value of derivative instruments in Other income (expenses), net in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company does not purchase, hold or sell derivative financial instruments for trading and speculative purposes.

## **Partner Distributions**

Partner incentive allocations, which are determined by the general partner and approved by a vote of the partners, can be formula based or discretionary. Incentive allocations are considered distributions of net income as stipulated by Silvercrest's Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement and are recognized in the period in which they are paid. In the event there is insufficient distributable cash flow to make incentive distributions, the general partner in its sole and absolute discretion may determine not to make any distributions called for under the partnership agreement. The remaining net income or loss after partner incentive allocations is generally allocated to the partners based on their pro rata ownership.

## **Redeemable Partnership Units**

Redeemable partnership units in our Company consist of units issued to our founders and those purchased by certain of our employees. These capital units entitle the holder to a share of the distributions of our Company. Units are subject to certain redemption features. Upon the termination of employment of the Terminated Employee, as defined, the Company has a right to call the units. In addition, the terminated employee has a right to put the units to the Company upon termination or death, provided the terminated employee has complied with certain restrictions as described in the partnership agreement. In accordance with the provisions of our partnership and operating agreements, the put described above expires with the consummation of an IPO or Sale Transaction, as defined in our partnership and operating agreements.

As the units are redeemable at the option of the holder and are not mandatorily redeemable, the redeemable partnership units have been classified outside of permanent partner's capital. The units are adjusted to their current redemption value at the end of each reporting period with the increase or decrease in redemption value being charged to excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partner's capital over assets.

The Company also makes distributions to its partners of various nature including incentive payments, profit distributions and tax distributions.

## **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognized ratably over the period in which services are performed. Revenue consists primarily of investment advisory fees, family office services fees and fund management fees. Investment advisory fees are typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter, based on a contractually specified percentage of the assets managed. For investment advisory fees billed in advance, the value of assets managed is determined based on the value of the customer's account as of the last trading day of the preceding quarter. For investment advisory fees billed in arrears the value of assets managed is determined based on the value of the customer's account on the last day of the quarter being billed. Family office services fees are typically billed quarterly in advance at the beginning of the quarter or in arrears after the end of the quarter based on a contractual percentage of the assets managed or based on a fixed fee arrangement.

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Management fees from proprietary and non-proprietary funds are calculated as a percentage of net asset values measured at the beginning of a month or quarter or at the end of a quarter, depending on the fund.

The Company accounts for performance based revenue in accordance with ASC 605-20-S99, *Accounting for Management Fees Based on a Formula*, by recognizing performance fees and allocations as revenue only when it is certain that the fee income is earned and payable pursuant to the relevant agreements, and no contingencies remain. Performance fee contingencies are typically resolved at the end of each annual period. In certain arrangements, the Company is only entitled to receive performance fees and allocations when the return on assets under management exceeds certain benchmark returns or other performance targets. The Company records performance fees and allocations as a component of revenue.

## **Equity-Based Compensation**

Equity-based compensation cost relating to the issuance of share-based awards to partners is based on the fair value of the award at the date of grant, which is expensed ratably over the requisite service period, net of estimated forfeitures. The forfeiture assumption is ultimately adjusted to the actual forfeiture rate. Therefore, changes in the forfeiture assumptions may affect the timing of the total amount of expense recognized over the vesting period. The service period is the period over which the employee performs the related services, which is normally the same as the vesting period. Equity-based awards that do not require future service are expensed immediately. Equity-based awards that have the potential to be settled in cash at the election of the employee or which relate to redeemable partnership units are classified as liabilities ( *Liability Awards* ) and are adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period. Distributions associated with *Liability Awards* not expected to vest are accounted for as compensation expense in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

## **Leases**

The Company expenses the net lease payments associated with operating leases on a straight-line basis over the respective leases term including any rent-free periods. Leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and are depreciated using the straight-line method over the lesser of the estimated useful lives of the improvements (generally 10 years) or the remaining lease term.

## **Income Taxes**

Silvercrest is not subject to federal and state income taxes, since all income, gains and losses are passed through to its partners. Silvercrest is subject to New York City unincorporated business tax. SFS is subject to federal and state corporate income tax, which requires an asset and liability approach to the financial accounting and reporting of income taxes. With respect to the Company's incorporated entity, the annual tax rate is based on the income, statutory tax rates and tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates. Tax laws are complex and subject to different interpretations by the taxpayer and respective governmental taxing authorities. Judgment is required in determining the tax expense and in evaluating tax positions. The tax effects of an uncertain tax position ( *UTP* ) taken or expected to be taken in income tax returns are recognized only if it is more likely-than-not to be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on its technical merits as of the reporting date. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. The Company recognizes estimated accrued interest and penalties related to *UTPs* in income tax expense.

The Company recognizes the benefit of a *UTP* in the period when it is effectively settled. Previously recognized tax positions are derecognized in the first period in which it is no longer more likely than not that the tax position would be sustained upon examination.

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### **Recent Accounting Developments**

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), which amended guidance on fair value measurements to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements in GAAP and IFRS. The amended guidance specifies that the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise in a fair value measurement are relevant only when measuring the fair value of nonfinancial assets and are not relevant when measuring the fair value of financial assets or of liabilities. The amendments include requirements specific to measuring the fair value of those instruments, such as equity interests used as consideration in a business combination. An entity should measure the fair value of its own equity instrument from the perspective of a market participant that holds the instrument as an asset. With respect to financial instruments that are managed as part of a portfolio, an exception to fair value requirements is provided. That exception permits a reporting entity to measure the fair value of such financial assets and financial liabilities at the price that would be received to sell a net asset position for a particular risk or to transfer a net liability position for a particular risk in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The amendments also clarify that premiums and discounts should only be applied if market participants would do so when pricing the asset or liability. Premiums and discounts related to the size of an entity's holding (e.g., a blockage factor) rather than as a characteristic of the asset or liability (e.g., a control premium) is not permitted in a fair value measurement.

The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements, including, among other things, (a) for fair value measurements categorized within Level III of the fair value hierarchy, (1) a quantitative disclosure of the unobservable inputs and assumptions used in the measurement, (2) the valuation process used by the reporting entity, and (3) a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, if any, and (b) the categorization by level of the fair value hierarchy for items that are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position but for which the fair value is required to be disclosed (for example, a financial instrument that is measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial position but for which fair value is disclosed). The guidance also amends disclosure requirements for significant transfers between Level I and Level II and now requires disclosure of all transfers between Levels I and II in the fair value hierarchy.

The amended guidance was effective for the Company on January 1, 2012 and did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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On April 1, 2012, the Company acquired Commodity Advisors. Commodity Advisors is the general partner of MW Commodity Strategies, L.P. (the MW Commodity Fund LLC), a fund whose investment objective is to seek superior risk adjusted returns through strategic, sector-based investments with commodity and macro trading investment managers. The acquisition of Commodity Advisors adds another strategy to the Company's investment management, wealth planning and reporting capabilities, including proprietary value equity and fixed income disciplines and alternative investment advisory services. On April 1, 2012, the Company, in exchange for the member interests of Commodity Advisors, issued 631 and 6 units of Silvercrest L.P. and Silvercrest GP LLC, respectively, at closing, with a fair value of \$132. Furthermore, the Company is obligated to make quarterly contingent payments if incremental income, as defined in the purchase agreement, exceeds various thresholds. As these contingent payments are tied to the continued employment by the Company of the former member of Commodity Advisors, they will be considered compensation expense in the period in which such contingent payments are earned (See Note 10). The Company is obligated to make a future one-time earnout payment in units equal to the difference between \$800 and the redemption value of the units issued at closing, if incremental revenue, as defined, reaches an amount equal to \$400 prior to March 31, 2014.

Units issued	\$ 132
Call rights option issued	15
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 147</b>

The following table summarizes the final amounts allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities. The excess of the purchase price over the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was allocated to goodwill and intangible assets.

Receivables	\$ 7
Liabilities	(7)
<b>Total fair value of net tangible assets acquired</b>	
Goodwill	147
<b>Total purchase consideration</b>	<b>\$ 147</b>

**Ten-Sixty:**

On March 28, 2013, the Company executed an Asset Purchase Agreement with and closed the related transaction to acquire certain assets of Ten-Sixty. Ten-Sixty is a registered investment adviser that advises on approximately \$1.9 billion of assets primarily on behalf of institutional clients. This strategic acquisition enhances the Company's hedge fund and investment manager due diligence capabilities, risk management analysis and reporting, and enhances its institutional business. Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, the Company paid cash consideration at closing of \$2,500 and issued a promissory note to Ten-Sixty for \$1,479 subject to adjustment. The principal amount of the promissory note is payable in two initial installments of \$218 each on April 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013 and then quarterly installments from June 30, 2014 through March 31, 2017 of \$87 each. The principal amount outstanding under this note bears interest at the rate of five percent per annum. During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the Company incurred \$51 in costs related to the acquisition of Ten-Sixty, and has included these in general, administrative and other in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Cash paid on date of acquisition	\$ 2,500
Note payable due to Ten-Sixty . .	1,479
<b>Total purchase consideration . .</b>	<b>\$ 3,979</b>



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The Company is in the process of evaluating the allocation of the purchase price of the Ten-Sixty acquisition. Based on the preliminary purchase price allocation, the net tangible assets acquired from the Ten-Sixty transaction were determined to have a fair value of \$0.

The following table summarizes the preliminary allocation of the excess of the purchase price over the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was allocated to goodwill and intangible assets.

Goodwill	2,232
Customer relationships (10 years)	1,650
Non-compete agreements (5 years)	97
Total purchase consideration	\$ 3,979

The fair values of the intangibles from the Ten-Sixty acquisition are preliminary and provisional and subject to adjustment if additional information is obtained during the measurement period (a period of up to one year from the closing date) of this transaction that may change the fair value allocation as of the acquisition date.

The Company believes the recorded goodwill is supported by the anticipated revenues and expected synergies of integrating the operations of Ten-Sixty into the Company. Furthermore, there are expected synergies with respect to compensation and benefits and general and administrative costs. All goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

The pro forma information below represents consolidated results of operations as if the acquisition of Commodity Advisors occurred on January 1, 2012 and the acquisition of Ten-Sixty occurred on January 1, 2013 and January 1, 2012. The pro forma information has been included for comparative purposes and is not indicative of results of operations of the consolidated Company had the acquisitions occurred as of January 1, 2013 and 2012, nor is it necessarily indicative of future results.

	<b>Pro Forma Three Months Ended March 31, 2013</b>	<b>Pro Forma Three Months Ended March 31, 2012</b>
Total Revenue	\$ 13,913	\$ 12,095
Net Income	\$ 5,516	\$ 4,301

**4. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Investments include \$84 and \$1,980 as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, representing the Company's equity method investments in affiliated investment funds which have been established and managed by the Company and its affiliates. The Company's financial interest in these funds can range up to 2%. Despite the Company's insignificant financial interest, the Company exercises significant influence over these funds as the Company typically serves as the general partner, managing member or equivalent for these funds. During 2007, the Silvercrest Funds granted rights to the unaffiliated investors in each respective fund to provide that a simple majority of the fund's unaffiliated investors will have the right, without cause, to remove the general partner or equivalent of that fund or to accelerate the liquidation date of that fund in accordance with certain procedures. At March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company determined none of the Silvercrest Funds were required to be consolidated. The Company's involvement with these entities began on the dates that they were formed, which range from July 2003 to July 2008.

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**Fair Value Measurements**

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ) establishes a hierarchal disclosure framework which prioritizes and ranks the level of market price observability used in measuring investments at fair value. Market price observability is affected by a number of factors, including the type of investment, the characteristics specific to the investment and the state of the marketplace including the existence and transparency of transactions between market participants. Investments with readily available active quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices in an orderly market generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value.

Investments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories.

Level I: Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical investments as of the reporting date. The type of investments in Level I include listed equities and listed derivatives.

Level II: Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Investments which are generally included in Level II include corporate bonds and loans, less liquid and restricted equity securities, certain over-the counter derivatives, and certain fund of hedge funds investments in which the Company has the ability to redeem its investment at net asset value at, or within three months of, the reporting date.

Level III: Pricing inputs are unobservable for the investment and includes situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. Investments that are included in Level III generally include general and limited partnership interests in private equity and real estate funds, credit-oriented funds, certain over-the counter derivatives, funds of hedge funds which use net asset value per share to determine fair value in which the Company may not have the ability to redeem its investment at net asset value at, or within three months of, the reporting date, distressed debt and non-investment grade residual interests in securitizations and collateralized debt obligations.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the determination of which category within the fair value hierarchy is appropriate for any given investment is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Company s assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

The following table summarizes the classification of the Company s financial assets in the fair value hierarchy as of March 31, 2013:

	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash equivalents Money Market Funds	\$ 1,041	\$	\$	\$ 1,041

The following table summarizes the classification of the Company s financial assets in the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2012:

	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash equivalents Money Market Funds	\$ 1,020	\$	\$	\$ 1,020

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At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, financial instruments that are not held at fair value are categorized in the table below:

	March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012		Fair Value Hierarchy
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	
<i>Financial Assets:</i>					
Cash	\$ 3,314	\$ 3,314	\$ 12,392	\$ 12,392	
Restricted Certificates of Deposit and Escrow	\$ 1,275	\$ 1,275	\$ 1,020	\$ 1,020	Level 1(1)
<i>Financial liabilities:</i>					
Notes Payable	\$ 4,350	\$ 4,350	\$ 3,315	\$ 3,315	Level 2(2)

- (1) Restricted certificates of deposit and escrow consists of money market funds that are carried at either cost or amortized cost that approximates fair value due to their short-term maturities. The money market funds are valued through the use of quoted market prices, or \$1.00, which is generally the NAV of the funds.
- (2) The carrying value of notes payable approximates fair value, which is determined based on interest rates currently available to the Company for similar debt.

**5. RECEIVABLES, NET**

The following is a summary of receivables as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	2013	2012
Management and advisory fees receivable .	\$ 1,611	\$ 1,815
Unbilled receivables	1,917	1,787
Other receivables	92	435
<b>Receivables</b>	<b>3,620</b>	<b>4,037</b>
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(313)	(362)
<b>Receivables, net</b>	<b>\$ 3,307</b>	<b>\$ 3,675</b>

**6. FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, NET**

The following is a summary of furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	2013	2012
Leasehold improvements	\$ 3,557	\$ 3,557
Furniture and equipment .	3,553	3,526
Artwork . .	338	338
<b>Total cost</b>	<b>7,448</b>	<b>7,421</b>
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(5,458)	(5,360)



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<b>Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net</b>	<b>\$ 1,990</b>	<b>\$ 2,061</b>
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Depreciation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$98 and \$113, respectively.

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The following is a summary of the changes to the carrying amount of goodwill as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	2013	2012
Beginning		
Gross balance	\$ 33,306	\$ 32,098
Accumulated impairment losses .	(17,415)	(17,415)
Net balance . .	15,891	14,683
Purchase price adjustments from earnouts		1,061
Acquisition of Commodity Advisors .		147
Acquisition of Ten-Sixty	2,233	
Ending		
Gross balance	35,539	33,306
Accumulated impairment losses	(17,415)	(17,415)
<b>Net balance</b>	<b>\$ 18,124</b>	<b>\$ 15,891</b>

**8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

The following is a summary of intangible assets as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

	Customer Relationships	Other Intangible Assets	Total
<b>Cost</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2013	\$ 15,910	\$ 1,566	\$ 17,476
Acquisition of certain assets of Ten-Sixty	1,650	97	1,747
<b>Balance, March 31, 2013</b>	<b>17,560</b>	<b>1,663</b>	<b>19,223</b>
<b>Useful lives</b>	<b>10-20 years</b>	<b>3-5 years</b>	
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2013	(4,238)	(875)	(5,113)
Amortization expense	(263)	(88)	(351)
<b>Balance, March 31, 2013</b>	<b>(4,501)</b>	<b>(963)</b>	<b>(5,464)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>\$ 13,057</b>	<b>\$ 705</b>	<b>\$ 13,759</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2012	\$ 15,910	\$ 1,566	\$ 17,476
<b>Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>15,910</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>17,476</b>
<b>Useful lives</b>	<b>15-20 years</b>	<b>3-5 years</b>	
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>			
Balance, January 1, 2012	(3,144)	(522)	(3,666)
Amortization expense	(1,094)	(353)	(1,447)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>(4,238)</b>	<b>(875)</b>	<b>(5,113)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>\$ 11,672</b>	<b>\$ 691</b>	<b>\$ 12,363</b>

Amortization expense related to the intangible assets was \$351 and \$362 for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

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Amortization related to the Company's finite life intangible assets is scheduled to be expensed over the next five years and thereafter as follows:

2013	\$ 1,170
2014	1,422
2015	1,291
2016	1,236
2017	1,135
Thereafter	7,505
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,759</b>

**9. NOTES PAYABLE**

The following is a summary of notes payable:

	<b>March 31, 2013</b>	
	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Principal on fixed rate notes	5.0%	\$ 3,877
Variable rate notes issued for redemption of partners' interests (see Note 16)	Prime plus 1%	418
Interest payable		55
<b>Total, March 31, 2013</b>		<b>\$ 4,350</b>

	<b>December 31, 2012</b>	
	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Principal on fixed rate notes	5.0%	\$ 2,397
Variable rate notes issued for redemption of partners' interest (see Note 16)	Prime plus 1%	872
Interest payable		46
<b>Total, December 31, 2012</b>		<b>\$ 3,315</b>

The carrying value of notes payable approximates fair value. The fixed rate notes, which are related to the Ten-Sixty and Milbank acquisitions, approximate fair value based on interest rates currently available to the Company for similar debt. The variable rate notes are based on a multiple of the U.S. Prime Rate.

Future principal amounts payable under the notes payable are as follows:

2013 .	\$ 1,536
2014 .	1,412
2015 .	912
2016 .	348
2017 .	87

**Total .**

**\$ 4,295**

**10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

**Lease Commitments**

The Company leases office space pursuant to operating leases that are subject to specific escalation clauses. Rent expense charged to operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 amounted to \$901 and \$864,

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respectively. The Company received sub-lease income from subtenants during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 of \$284 and \$255, respectively. Therefore, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, net rent expense amounted to \$617 and \$609, respectively, and is included in general, administrative and other expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

During 2006, the Company entered into a lease agreement for office space for its headquarters. The lease commenced on January 1, 2007 and expires September 30, 2017. The lease is subject to escalation clauses and provides for rent free periods of 6 to 9 months and a leasehold improvement allowance of \$1,538 provided the Company spends at least an additional \$513 on improvements. The Company spent \$3,284 on leasehold improvements and received \$1,499 of the allowance during 2007; the remaining \$39 of the allowance was received in 2008. As security for performance under the leases, the Company is required to maintain letters of credit in favor of the landlord totaling \$2,023 that were reduced to \$1,013 on August 31, 2010 and can be further reduced to \$506 on August 31, 2014. The letter of credit is collateralized by a certificate of deposit in an equal amount.

Future minimum lease payments and rentals under lease agreements which expire through 2017 are as follows:

	Minimum Lease Commitments	Non-cancellable Subleases	Minimum Net Rentals
Remainder of 2013	\$ 2,756	\$ (538)	\$ 2,218
2014	3,675	(444)	3,231
2015	3,632	(458)	3,174
2016	3,590	(458)	3,132
2017	2,780	(354)	2,426
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,433</b>	<b>\$ (2,252)</b>	<b>\$ 14,181</b>

In 2010, an escrow account was funded by a sub-tenant whose sub-lease with the Company commenced on January 1, 2011. Pursuant to the sub-lease, the tenant was required to deposit the first 16 months of rent into the escrow account totaling \$452. The initial deposit was depleted as of April 2012, and additional deposits of \$99 in June 2012 and \$339 in December 2012 were made by the sub-tenant. This account has been recorded as restricted certificates of deposit and escrow on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition. As of March 31, 2013, the remaining balance in the escrow account was \$255.

The Company recorded a loss on this sub-lease in 2011 of \$150 (on a net present value basis). The related unamortized liability that was established in January 2011 was \$247 and was reduced by lease payments during 2011 of \$85, during 2012 of \$85 and during the three months ended March 31, 2013 of \$21, resulting in an ending balance at March 31, 2013 of \$56. This liability is included in deferred rent on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition.

The Company has capital leases for certain office equipment. The principal balance of these leases was \$33 as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

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In connection with its acquisition of MCG in October 2008, the Company entered into a contingent consideration agreement whereby the former members of MCG were entitled to contingent consideration equal to 22% of adjusted annual EBITDA for each of the five years subsequent to the date of acquisition. As the acquisition was completed prior to January 1, 2009, contingent consideration is recognized when the contingency is resolved pursuant to the authoritative guidance on business combinations in effect at the date of the closing of the acquisition. The contingent consideration related to the MCG acquisition is recorded on the date when the contingency is resolved. Contingent consideration payments of \$0 and \$390 were made during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, related to MCG and are reflected in investing activities in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows.

Quarterly contingent payments related to the Commodity Advisors acquisition were accrued when the contingency was resolved. The total of these payments for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$99, and were recorded as compensation expense in the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

**11. PARTNERS INCENTIVE ALLOCATIONS AND ALLOCATION OF INCOME AND LOSSES**

Pursuant to Silvercrest's Operating Agreement, as amended and restated, partner incentive allocations are treated as distributions of net income. The remaining net income or loss after partner incentive allocations is generally allocated to the partners based on their pro rata ownership. Net income allocation is subject to the recovery of the allocated losses of prior periods. Distributions of partner incentive allocations of net income for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 amounted to \$12,104 and \$6,581, respectively, and are included in excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partners' capital over assets in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition.

**12. NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTNERS**

Partner contributions are made in cash, in the form of five or six year interest-bearing promissory notes and/or in the form of nine year interest-bearing limited recourse promissory notes. Limited recourse promissory notes were issued in January 2008, August 2009 and September 2009 with interest rates of 3.53%, 2.77% and 2.84%, respectively. The recourse limitation includes a stated percentage of the initial principal amount of the limited recourse note plus a stated percentage of the accreted principal amount as of the date upon which all amounts due are paid in full plus all costs and expenses required to be paid by the borrower and all amounts required to be paid pursuant to a pledge agreement associated with each note issued. Certain notes receivable are payable in annual installments and are collateralized by the Company's shares that are purchased with the note.

Notes receivable from partners are as follows:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Beginning balance	\$ 3,410	\$ 6,024
Repayment of notes	(720)	(2,864)
Interest accrued and capitalized on notes receivable	26	138
New notes receivable issued to partners		112
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,716</b>	<b>\$ 3,410</b>

Full recourse and limited recourse notes receivable from partners as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are \$1,246 and \$1,953 and \$1,470 and \$1,457, respectively. There is no allowance for credit losses on notes receivable from partners as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. On April 17, 2013, one of the Company's executives repaid outstanding notes payable and accrued interest of \$167 that were initially issued in connection with the acquisition of his partnership interests.

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**13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During 2013 and 2012, the Company provided services to the domesticated Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund), Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund (International), Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund Ltd (formed in 2011 and includes ERISA investors of Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP), the domesticated Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund), Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund (International), Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund Ltd (formed in 2011 and includes ERISA investors of Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP), Silvercrest Market Neutral Fund (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Market Neutral Fund (International) (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Municipal Advantage Portfolio A LLC, Silvercrest Municipal Advantage Portfolio P LLC, the domesticated Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund LP (formed in 2011 and formerly Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund), and Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund (International) (terminated in 2011). These entities operate as feeder funds investing through master-feeder structures except for Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund LP, Silvercrest Hedged Equity Fund Ltd, Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund LP, Silvercrest Emerging Markets Fund Ltd, and Silvercrest Strategic Opportunities Fund LP which operate and invest as stand-alone funds.

Silvercrest also provides services for the Silvercrest Global Opportunities Fund, L.P. (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Global Opportunities Fund (International), Ltd. (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest Capital Appreciation Fund LLC (currently in liquidation), Silvercrest International Equity Fund, L.P., Silvercrest Municipal Special Situations Fund LLC, Silvercrest Municipal Special Situations Fund II LLC, Silvercrest Select Growth Equity Fund, L.P., Silvercrest Global Partners, L.P., Silvercrest Small Cap, L.P. Silvercrest Special Situations, L.P., and Silvercrest Commodity Strategies Fund, LP which operate and invest separately as stand- alone funds.

Pursuant to agreements with the above entities, the Company provides investment advisory services and receives an annual management fee of 0% to 1.75% of assets under management and a performance fee or allocation of 0% to 10% of the above entities net appreciation over a high-water mark.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company earned from the above activities management fee income, which is included in Management and advisory fees in the Consolidated Statement of Operations, of \$2,180, and \$2,030, respectively, and performance fees and allocations of \$3, and \$0, respectively. As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company was owed \$1,220 and \$1,622, respectively, from its various funds.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company earned advisory fees of \$103 and \$98, respectively, from assets managed on behalf of certain of its partners. As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company is owed approximately \$21 and \$17, respectively, from certain of its partners.

**14. INCOME TAXES**

As of March 31, 2013, the Company had net deferred tax liabilities of \$157, which is recorded as a non-current deferred tax liability of \$33 (specific to SLP which consists primarily of liabilities related to temporary differences between the financial statement and tax bases of intangible assets offset in part by amounts for deferred rent expense) and a non-current deferred tax liability of \$124 related to the corporate activity of SFS which is primarily related to temporary differences between the financial statement and tax bases of intangible assets. These amounts are included in the prepaid expenses and other assets and deferred tax and other liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, respectively.

As of March 31, 2012, the Company had net deferred tax liabilities of \$131, which is recorded as a non-current deferred tax asset of \$7 (specific to SLP which consists primarily of assets for deferred rent expense and equity-based compensation offset by a liability for the excess of book over tax basis of intangible assets) and non-current deferred tax liability of \$138 related to the corporate activity of SFS which is primarily related to temporary differences between the financial statement and tax bases of intangible assets. These amounts are



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included in the prepaid expenses and other assets and deferred tax and other liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, respectively. The change in the deferred tax asset for SLP from March 31, 2012 to March 31, 2013 is attributable primarily to the current period reversal of deferred tax accounts.

The current tax expense was \$303 and \$249 for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The deferred tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, was \$26 and \$21, respectively, which when combined with current tax expense, resulted in an income tax provision for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 of \$329 and \$270, respectively, recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations. The current expense increased from the comparable period for 2012 mainly due to increased profitability during 2013. The deferred expense difference is attributable primarily to the increase in price at which deferred equity units vested and the impact on the deferred tax account between 2012 and 2013.

In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by federal, state, and local tax regulators. As of March 31, 2013, the Company's U.S. federal income tax returns for the years 2009 through 2011 are open under the normal three-year statute of limitations and therefore subject to examination.

The Company does not believe that it has any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease within the next twelve months.

### **15. REDEEMABLE PARTNERSHIP UNITS**

Upon the termination of employment, the Company has a right to call the terminated employee's partnership units. In addition, the terminated employee also has a right to put the partnership units back to the Company upon termination or death, provided the terminated employee has complied with certain restrictions as described in the partnership agreement. With respect to the two founders of the Company, their estate, heirs or other permitted related parties cannot require the Company to redeem their units prior to April 1, 2013. In accordance with the provisions of the Company's partnership and operating agreements, the put described above expires with the consummation of an IPO or Sale Transaction, as defined in our partnership and operating agreements. The redemption value per share is based on a multiple of historical EBITDA, pursuant to the Company's partnership agreement. Once units are called or put back to the Company, the redemption results in the issuance of a promissory note by the Company which is typically paid in installments over four years. The Company has recognized redeemable partners' capital of \$113,764 and \$102,017 as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, which represents the amount of partners' capital subject to both put and call rights.

### **16. EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION**

Determining the appropriate fair value model and calculating the fair value of equity compensation awards requires the input of complex and subjective assumptions, including the expected life of the equity compensation awards and the stock price volatility. In addition, determining the appropriate amount of associated periodic expense requires management to estimate the amount of employee forfeitures and the likelihood of the achievement of certain performance targets. The assumptions used in calculating the fair value of equity compensation awards and the associated periodic expense represent management's best estimates, but these estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of judgment. As a result, if factors change and the Company deems it necessary in the future to modify the assumptions it made or to use different assumptions, or if the quantity and nature of the Company's equity-based compensation awards changes, then the amount of expense may need to be adjusted and future equity compensation expense could be materially different from what has been recorded in the current period.

The Company has granted equity-based compensation awards to certain partners under the Company's 2010, 2011 and 2012 Deferred Equity programs (the "Equity Programs"). The Equity Programs allow for the granting of deferred equity units based on the fair value of the Company's units. These deferred equity units contain both service and performance requirements.

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Each grant includes a deferred equity unit ( Deferred Equity Unit ) and performance unit ( Performance Unit ) subject to various terms including terms of forfeiture and acceleration of vesting. Each 100 Deferred Equity Units represent the unsecured right to receive one unit of Silvercrest GP LLC and 99 units of Silvercrest L.P. The Deferred Equity Unit represents the unsecured right to receive one unit of the Company or the equivalent cash value of up to fifty percent (50%) (or such other percentage as may be determined by the Company's Executive Committee) of the Company's units issuable upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units and the remaining fifty percent (50%) in units upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units. Such cash amount is to be calculated using the redemption price of such units as of the applicable vesting date. The Performance Unit represents the unsecured right to receive one unit of the Company for every two units of the Company issuable upon the vesting of any such Deferred Equity Units.

Twenty-five percent of the Deferred Equity Units shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the grant date until the Deferred Equity Units are fully vested. The Performance Units shall be subject to forfeiture and subject to the satisfaction of a predetermined performance target at the end of the four year vesting period. If the performance target is achieved, then the Performance Units shall vest at the end of the four year vesting period. The rights of the partners with respect to the Performance Units shall remain subject to forfeiture at all times prior to the date on which such rights become vested and will be forfeited if the performance target is not achieved.

Distributions related to Deferred Equity Units that are paid to partners are charged to excess of liabilities, redeemable partners' capital and partners' capital over assets. Distributions related to the unvested portion of Deferred Equity Units that are assumed to be forfeited are recognized as compensation expense because these distributions are not required to be returned by partners to the Company upon forfeiture.

The Company utilized both discounted cash flow and guideline company valuation methods to determine the grant date fair value of the Deferred Equity Units. The grant date fair values of Performance Units were determined by applying a performance probability factor to the Deferred Equity Unit Value. These methodologies included the use of third party data and discounts for lack of control and marketability.

All Deferred Equity Units are considered to be liability awards and are adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company recorded compensation expense related to such units of \$620 and \$425, respectively, of which \$54 and \$48, respectively, relates to the Performance Units given that there is an explicit service period associated with the Deferred Equity Units, and the likelihood that the performance target will be met is considered probable. Distributions include cash distributions paid on Liability Awards. Cash distributions paid on awards expected to be forfeited were \$7 and \$6 for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and are part of total compensation expense for the three months then ended. During the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, \$261 and \$63, respectively, of vested Deferred Equity Units were settled in cash. As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, there was \$3,087 and \$1,428, respectively, of estimated unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested awards. As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested awards is expected to be recognized over a period of 1.91 and 2.16 years.

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A summary of these equity grants by the Company as of March 31, 2013 and 2012 during the periods then ended is presented below:

	Deferred Equity Units		Performance Units	
	Units	Fair Value per unit	Units	Fair Value per unit
Balance at January 1, 2013	16,788	\$ 205.70	13,124	\$ 64.24
Granted				
Vested	(6,815)	\$ (300.44)		
Forfeited			(446)	\$ (93.83)
Balance at March 31, 2013	9,973	\$ 300.44	12,678	\$ 93.83
Balance at January 1, 2012	22,353	\$ 157.16	12,764	\$ 60.24
Granted	1,000	\$ 205.70	500	\$ 64.24
Vested	(6,565)	\$ (205.70)		
Forfeited			(140)	\$ (64.24)
Balance at March 31, 2012	16,788	\$ 205.70	13,124	\$ 64.24

The Company expects 10% of all awards to be forfeited and the related service period is four years.

**17. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION AND DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS**

SAMG LLC has a defined contribution 401(k) savings plan (the "Plan") for all eligible employees who meet the minimum age and service requirements as defined in the Plan. The Plan is designed to be a qualified plan under sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. For employees who qualify under the terms of the Plan, on an annual basis Silvercrest matches dollar for dollar an employee's contributions up to the first four percent of compensation. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, Silvercrest made matching contributions of \$16 and \$18, respectively, for the benefit of employees.

**18. SOFT DOLLAR ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company obtains research and other services through "soft dollar" arrangements. The Company receives credits from broker-dealers whereby technology-based research, market quotation and/or market survey services are effectively paid for in whole or in part by "soft dollar" brokerage arrangements. Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, provides a "safe harbor" to an investment adviser against claims that it breached its fiduciary duty under state or federal law (including ERISA) solely because the adviser caused its clients' accounts to pay more than the lowest available commission for executing a securities trade in return for brokerage and research services. To rely on the safe harbor offered by Section 28(e), (i) the Company must make a good-faith determination that the amount of commissions is reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and research services being received and (ii) the brokerage and research services must provide lawful and appropriate assistance to the Company in carrying out its investment decision-making responsibilities. If the use of soft dollars is limited or prohibited in the future by regulation, the Company may have to bear the costs of such research and other services. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company utilized "soft dollar" credits of \$248 and \$223, respectively.

**19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through May[ ], 2013, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 AND DECEMBER 31, 2010

	SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 (unaudited)		DECEMBER 31, 2010	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	339,099	\$	163,256
Investments in securities and partnerships		8,247		7,818
Accounts receivable		710,965		97,148
Prepaid taxes				34,915
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, at cost (net of accumulated depreciation of \$285,068 and \$284,168)		28,426		27,073
Security deposit		15,220		15,220
Prepaid expenses and other		79,552		105,898
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	11,708,030	\$	18,066,684
Investments in securities		102,190,687		123,483,737
Investments in Funds		167,976,499		198,373,114
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds		395,139		9,624,700
Accrued income		101,398		173,463
Due from partner		81,402		
Prepaid expenses and other		119,190		
		282,572,345		153,628
				349,875,326
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		\$ 283,753,854		\$ 350,326,654
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>				
Liabilities:				
Accrued expenses	\$	39,210	\$	21,400
Taxes payable		293,543		
Deferred taxes		53,668		91,122
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:				
Contributions received in advance				500,000
Accrued expenses		287,743		639,584
Redemptions payable		2,211,744		34,305,163
Securities sold short		2,541,031		4,434,420
		5,040,518		39,879,167
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$	5,426,939	\$	39,991,689

Commitments and Contingencies  
(see Note 5)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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MILBANK WINTHROP & CO., INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 AND DECEMBER 31, 2010 (continued)

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	December 31, 2010
Stockholders' Equity:		
Common stock:		
7,000 Class A par \$0.05 shares authorized; 3,922 shares issued and outstanding	\$ 196	\$ 196
7,000 Class B par \$0.05 shares authorized; 2,496 shares issued and outstanding	125	125
Additional paid in capital	454,839	454,839
Retained earnings	1,190,660	867,957
Total Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. Stockholders' Equity	1,645,820	1,323,117
Minority interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	276,681,095	309,011,848
Total Stockholders' Equity	278,326,915	310,334,965
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 283,753,854</b>	<b>\$ 350,326,654</b>

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30:

	2011 (unaudited)		2010 (unaudited)	
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Investment advisory fees		\$ 1,501,604		\$ 1,355,072
Other income		535		1,016
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships				
Dividends	\$ 1,629,197		\$ 1,477,273	
Interest	394,230	2,023,427	521,669	1,998,942
<b>Total revenues</b>		<b>3,525,566</b>		<b>3,355,030</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
Compensation and benefits		3,780,024		3,551,485
Rent		130,348		130,157
Insurance		105,167		99,247
Office and administrative		138,384		152,014
Computer services		80,251		69,574
Professional fees		134,371		27,806
Depreciation		900		900
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:				
Management and advisory fees	1,409,795		1,240,705	
Interest and dividends	232,863		223,503	
Professional fees	266,334		285,558	
Office and administrative	42,694		127,245	
Other expenses	83,436	2,035,122	90,158	1,967,169
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>6,404,567</b>		<b>5,998,352</b>
<b>LOSS BEFORE NET GAIN (LOSS) FROM CONSOLIDATED MILBANK PARTNERSHIPS</b>				
		<b>(2,879,001)</b>		<b>(2,643,322)</b>
Net gain (loss) from investment activities of Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:				
Realized gain on investments in securities, net	4,987,983		6,703,204	
Realized gain on investments in Funds, net	766,884			
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments in securities, net change	(19,574,394)		2,940,362	
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments in Funds, net change	(21,155,552)	(34,975,079)	14,582,651	24,226,217
<b>INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>		<b>(37,854,080)</b>		<b>21,582,895</b>
Income tax expense		330,019		232,567
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>		<b>(38,184,099)</b>		<b>21,350,328</b>
Minority interest in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships		(38,506,802)		21,093,366
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.</b>		<b>\$ 322,703</b>		<b>\$ 256,962</b>

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 (unaudited)

AND THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Number of Class A Shares		Number of Class B Shares		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Minority Interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	Total
	Par Value	Par Value	Par Value	Par Value				
Balance at December 31, 2009	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 800,541	\$ 299,512,994	\$ 300,768,695
Contributions							2,900,000	2,900,000
Redemptions							(37,863,210)	(37,863,210)
Net Income						67,416	44,462,064	44,529,480
Balance at December 31, 2010	3,922	196	2,496	125	454,839	867,957	309,011,848	310,334,965
Contributions							12,539,311	12,539,311
Withdrawals							(6,363,262)	(6,363,262)
Net Income (Loss)						322,703	(38,506,802)	(38,184,099)
Balance at September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 1,190,660	\$ 276,681,095	\$ 278,326,915

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30:

	2011 (unaudited)	2010 (unaudited)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$ 322,703	\$ 256,962
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:		
Net income (loss)	(38,506,802)	21,093,366
Depreciation	900	900
Deferred taxes	(37,454)	26,942
Sales of securities and partnerships		17,130
Unrealized (gain) on investments in securities and partnerships, net change	(429)	(8,076)
Realized loss on investments in securities and partnerships, net		8,119
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:		
Realized (gain) on investments in securities, net	(4,987,983)	(6,703,204)
Realized (gain) on investments in Funds, net	(766,884)	
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments in securities, net change	19,574,394	(2,940,362)
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments in Funds, net change	21,155,552	(14,582,651)
Purchases of investments in securities	(62,909,399)	(146,801,804)
Purchases of investments in Funds	(7,000,000)	
Sales of investments in securities	67,722,649	152,615,257
Sales of investments in Funds	17,007,947	4,060,065
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:		
Accounts receivable	(613,817)	(507,379)
Prepaid taxes	34,915	43,955
Prepaid expenses and other	26,346	(22,391)
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:		
Cash and cash equivalents	6,358,654	6,075,279
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds	9,229,561	82,760,368
Accrued income	72,065	137,334
Prepaid expenses and other	34,438	(22,572)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	17,810	1,731
Taxes payable	293,543	130,337
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:		
Accrued expenses	(351,841)	(1,299,427)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 26,676,868	\$ 94,339,879

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30:

(continued)

	2011 (unaudited)	2010 (unaudited)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchase of fixed assets	\$ (2,253)	\$ (665)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,253)	(665)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Contributions to Milbank Partnerships	11,957,909	775,000
Withdrawals from Milbank Partnerships	(38,456,681)	(95,064,326)
Net cash used in financing activities	(26,498,772)	(94,289,326)
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>175,843</b>	<b>49,888</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period:	163,256	126,858
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period:	\$ 339,099	\$ 176,746
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>		
Cash paid during the period for taxes	\$ 1,561	\$ 31,333
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ 215,690	\$ 200,505

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MILBANK WINTHROP & CO., INC.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

(unaudited)

**NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION**

Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. ( Milbank ) was incorporated in Delaware in 1980. Milbank conducts an investment advisory business in New York City and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

Milbank is the general partner (the General Partner ) of three investment partnerships, MW Global Partners, L.P., MW Small Cap, L.P. and MW Special Situations, L.P. (the Partnerships ) which are consolidated in these financial statements (collectively the Company ).

The Partnerships invest in a mix of securities and independent investment partnerships (the Funds ).

**NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( GAAP ).

**Basis of Accounting**

The Company follows the accrual method of accounting. Income is recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred in the period to which they pertain. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on the trade date basis. Purchases and sales of Funds are recorded on the effective dates as specified in the Funds investment agreements.

**Basis of Consolidation**

Milbank consolidates the Partnerships in which the General Partner is presumed to have control under Accounting Standards Codification ( ASC ) 810-20. Although Milbank holds non-substantive equity-at-risk in the Partnerships, Milbank s related parties, including its de facto agents, hold substantive equity-at-risk. Further, the limited partners do not have the right to dissolve the Partnerships or have substantive kick out rights or participating rights that would overcome the presumption of control by Milbank. Accordingly, Milbank consolidates the assets, liabilities and operating results of the Partnerships and records the minority interests held by the limited partners in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and liquid investments with maturities of less than 90 days. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash in banks and readily available money market funds in investment accounts.

Consolidated Milbank Partnerships Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents held by the Partnerships are not available to fund any of the liquidity needs of Milbank.

Fair Value Measurements

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements, including a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to value techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels explained below:

Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices available in active markets for identical investments.

Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with holding those investments.

Valuation and Revenue Recognition

Investments in securities, option contracts, and securities sold short which are traded on a national securities exchange or listed on NASDAQ are valued at the last reported sales price on the last business day of the year. Investments in securities and securities sold short which are traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last reported bid and ask prices, respectively.

Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under consistently applied procedures established by the General Partner.

Although the General Partner and the Funds administrators use their best judgment in estimating the fair value of the investments in the Funds, there are inherent limitations in any estimation technique. Therefore, the values presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amount that could be realized in a current transaction. Future events will also affect the estimates of fair value, and the effects of such events on the estimates of fair value could be material. The valuation of the Funds has been deemed reasonable based on inquiry and the documentation provided from the Funds general partners or administrators.



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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Valuation and Revenue Recognition (continued)

The Funds may carry investments for which market quotations are not readily available and are valued at their fair values as determined in good faith by their respective general partners or administrators. A change in the estimated values may occur in the near term.

Certain Funds invest in emerging markets. The risks of investments are often increased in developing countries. These risks include repatriation restrictions, foreign exchange fluctuations, low trading volume in securities markets of emerging countries, lack of uniform reporting standards, and political, economic and legal uncertainties.

Milbank investment advisory fees are billed quarterly and recorded as revenue in the period earned. These fees are based on a percentage of assets under management.

Income from Funds is recognized based upon the Company's allocable share of the earnings of the Funds which carry their investments at fair value, which include unrealized gains and losses.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of advisory fees due from clients and Funds.

Redemptions Receivable from Investments in Funds

Redemptions receivable from investments in funds consists of withdrawal requests issued to the Funds, primarily to fund redemption requests of Fund partners.

Furniture, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are capitalized at cost. Depreciation is calculated using accelerated methods applied over the expected lives of the assets. The difference between these accelerated methods and the straight line depreciation required by GAAP is deemed immaterial in comparison to these consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

Leases

The Company expenses payments on operating leases on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Income Taxes

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The Company is subject to federal and state corporate income taxes. The Company calculates both current and deferred taxes based on the difference between the financial statement carrying value of assets and liabilities versus their tax basis. A provision for these taxes has been made and is reflected on the consolidated statement of operations.

Management has determined that the Company has no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement adjustment or disclosure. The tax years that remain subject to examination by taxing authorities are 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Foreign Securities

The value of securities and cash equivalents which are denominated in foreign currencies are stated using the exchange rate in effect on the last business day of the period. Purchases and sales of securities, interest and dividend income and expenses, which are denominated in foreign currencies, are recorded at the exchange rate as of the date of the transactions. For financial statement purposes, the Company does not isolate that portion of the gain or loss on securities resulting from exchange rate fluctuation. Such changes are combined with changes in market prices and shown as realized or unrealized gain or loss.

Accounting Developments

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), which changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity ( VIE ) and requires companies to more frequently assess whether they must consolidate VIEs. This pronouncement is effective for the first annual reporting period beginning after November 15, 2009 and for interim periods within that first annual reporting period. In November 2009, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of this pronouncement for certain types of asset manager funds until the completion of its consolidation project. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements ( ASU 2010-06 ). ASU 2010-06 requires disclosing separately the amount of significant transfers in and out of the Level 1 and Level 2 categories and the reasons for the transfers and it requires that Level 3 purchases, sales, issuances and settlements activity be reported on a gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The Company does not anticipate that the adoption of ASU 2010-06 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance on fair value measurements to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. The amended guidance specifies that the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise in a fair value measurement are relevant only when measuring the fair value of nonfinancial assets and are not relevant when measuring the fair value of financial assets or liabilities. The amendments include requirements specific to measuring the fair value of those instruments, such as equity interests used as consideration in a business combination. An entity should measure the fair value of its own equity instrument from the perspective of a market participant that holds the instrument as an asset. With respect to financial instruments that are managed as part of a portfolio, an exception to fair value requirements is provided. That exception permits a reporting entity to measure the fair value of such financial assets and liabilities at the price that would be received to sell a net asset position for a particular risk or to transfer a net liability position for a particular risk in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The amendments also clarify that premiums and discounts should only be applied if market participants would do so when pricing the asset or liability.





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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## Accounting Developments (continued)

Premiums and discounts related to the size of an entity's holding (e.g., a blockage factor) rather than as a characteristic of the asset or liability (e.g., a control premium) are not permitted in a fair value measurement. The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements, including, among other things, (a) for fair value measurements categorized within Level III of the fair value hierarchy, (1) a quantitative disclosure of the unobservable inputs and assumptions used in the measurement, (2) the valuation process used by the reporting entity, and (3) a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, if any, and (b) the categorization by level of the fair value hierarchy for items that are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial condition but for which the fair value is required to be disclosed (for example, a financial instrument that is measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial condition but for which fair value is disclosed). The guidance also amends disclosure requirements for significant transfers between Level I and Level II and now requires disclosure of all transfers between Levels I and II in the fair value hierarchy. The amended guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. As the impact of the guidance is primarily limited to enhanced disclosures, adoption is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The following table summarizes investments under the fair value hierarchy the valuation of the Company's as of September 30, 2011:

Assets	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Investments in				
Securities and Partnerships	\$ 3,247	\$	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,247
From Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:				
Investments in				
Securities	96,449,023	5,059,848	681,816	102,190,687
Investments in Funds		154,867,659	13,108,840	167,976,499
Total	\$ 96,452,270	\$ 159,927,507	\$ 13,795,656	\$ 270,175,433
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Securities Sold Short	\$ (927,955)	\$ (1,281,162)	\$ (331,914)	\$ (2,541,031)



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NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table discloses a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the nine months ended September 30, 2011:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Investments</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2010	\$ 8,568,283
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	(188,890)
Purchases and sales, net	5,416,263
Ending balance, September 30, 2011	\$ 13,795,656
The amount of gain (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at September 30, 2011	\$ (267,353)

<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Securities Sold Short</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2010	\$ (312,096)
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	17,419
Purchases and sales, net	(37,237)
Ending balance, September 30, 2011	\$ (331,914)
The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to liabilities still held at September 30, 2011	\$ 17,419

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's investments under the fair value hierarchy, as described above, as of December 31, 2010:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Investment in securities and partnerships	\$ 2,818	\$	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,818
From consolidated affiliated Partnerships:				
Investment in securities	114,505,465	7,887,319	1,090,953	123,483,737
Investment in Funds		190,900,784	7,472,330	198,373,114

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Total	\$ 114,508,283	\$ 198,788,103	\$ 8,568,283	\$ 321,864,669
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Securities sold short	\$ 2,143,953	\$ 1,978,371	\$ 312,096	\$ 4,434,420

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NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table discloses a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the year ended December 31, 2010:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Investments</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2009	\$ 168,393,421
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	29,106,390
Purchases and sales, net	2,544,680
Transferred in (out) of Level 3	(191,476,208)
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 8,568,283</b>

The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at December 31, 2010	\$ 1,540,210
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<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Securities Sold Short</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2009	\$ (71,500)
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	271,608
Purchases and sales, net	(526,454)
Transferred in (out) of Level 3	14,250
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$ (312,096)</b>

The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to liabilities still held at December 31, 2010	\$ 214,358
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Gains (losses), realized and unrealized, if any, are included in the net realized gain (loss) on investments or Funds and net change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments or Funds in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company values its Level 2 investments in securities based on the last price in non-active markets. The Company values its Level 2 and 3 investments in Funds based on their proportionate share of the net assets of the Funds. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS

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As of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Partnerships invested in other Funds, none of which were related parties. The investment objectives of the Funds primarily relate to the maximization of appreciation through the investments in equity, debt and related instruments. The Funds utilize one of the following strategies:

- a. **Long Only Strategy** This category includes Funds that invest in long positions only, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift the investments from value to growth strategies and from small to large capitalization stocks,
- b. **Equity Long/Short Strategy** This category includes Funds that invest both long and short, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small to large capitalization stocks, and from a net long position to a net short position.

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**NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS (continued)**

- c. **Multi-strategy Funds** This category includes Funds that pursue multiple strategies to diversify risks and reduce volatility. The Funds composite portfolio for this category includes investments in U.S. common stocks, non-U.S. common stocks, distressed debt, commodities and arbitrage investments. In addition, some of the Funds invest in various special situation investments.
- d. **Global Strategy Funds** This category includes Funds that hold investments in non-U.S. common stocks, primarily in the energy, information technology, utilities, and telecommunications sectors. They also hold investments in emerging markets and real estate sectors as well as investments in diversified currencies.

Cost is determined based on capital contributions to, and withdrawals from, the Funds, plus reinvested realized net income.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest charge management fees at varying rates, principally 0.75% to 2% annually of periodic net asset values.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest provide for a specific allocation or fee to their respective general partner or affiliate, which is calculated at various rates, primarily 20% of appreciation, as defined in their respective partnership agreements.

Some of the Funds permit partial withdrawals during the year on either a monthly, quarterly or semiannual basis; however, substantially all of the Funds permit full withdrawals only at the end of the year.

The activities of certain Funds include the purchase and sale of a variety of derivative financial instruments such as equity options, index options, swap agreements, futures and forward contracts, and other similar instruments. These derivatives are used for trading purposes and for managing risk associated with their portfolio of securities and securities sold short. The use of derivative instruments may involve elements of market risk in excess of the amount recognized in the statement of financial condition of these Funds. In many cases, these Funds limit their risk by holding offsetting security or option positions.

The Partnerships, through their investment in other Funds, are subject to certain inherent risks arising from their investing activities of short selling and entering into forward contracts. The ultimate cost to acquire these securities or settle these contracts may exceed the liability reflected in their financial statements.

**NOTE 5. LEASE COMMITMENT**

The Company is subject to a lease for office space in New York City through April 30, 2012. The base rent is \$149,400 per year and includes electricity. It is also subject to real estate tax and operating cost escalations. Future minimum lease commitments are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2011</b>	<b>December 31, 2010</b>
2011	\$ 37,350	\$ 149,400



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2012		49,800		49,800
Total		\$ 87,150		\$ 199,200

Total rent expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$130,348 and \$130,157, respectively.

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**NOTE 6. PENSION PLAN**

The Company sponsors a 401(k) retirement plan for its employees. The Company contributes 3% of eligible employees' compensation. The plan also permits elective deferrals by employees.

Total Pension costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were \$8,460 and \$10,013, respectively.

**NOTE 7. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER**

The details of Milbank's prepayments at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2011</b>	<b>December 31, 2010</b>
Insurance	\$ 59,091	\$ 86,685
Rent	12,450	12,450
Other	8,011	6,763
	\$ 79,552	\$ 105,898

**NOTE 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Milbank earns advisory fees for client assets invested with the Partnerships. It is also reimbursed for costs incurred in providing administrative services to the Partnerships. For the nine months ending September 30, 2011 and 2010, Milbank earned \$3,251,445 and \$2,737,402, respectively, in advisory fees and \$379,170 and \$356,062, respectively, in administrative fees from the Partnerships.

These intercompany fees have been fully eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

**NOTE 9. INCOME TAXES**

The Company's income tax expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 has been determined as follows:

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Current taxes		
Federal	\$ 257,231	\$ 143,938
State and local	110,242	61,687
	367,473	205,625
Deferred taxes		

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Federal	(37,454)	26,942
	\$ 330,019	\$ 232,567

Current taxes are provided using statutory tax rates as applied to taxable income. Deferred taxes are provided at approximately 35% of unrealized appreciation of investments in excess of tax basis.

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NOTE 10. FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. As discussed in Note 2, the Company applies accelerated methods of depreciation over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

<b>Assets at cost:</b>	<b>September 30, 2011</b>	<b>December 31, 2010</b>
Furniture and equipment	\$ 222,796	\$ 220,543
Leasehold improvements	90,698	90,698
Total cost	313,494	311,241
Less: accumulated depreciation	(285,068)	(284,168)
<b>Net fixed assets</b>	<b>\$ 28,426</b>	<b>\$ 27,073</b>

Depreciation expense for both the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$900.

NOTE 11. SHARES OF STOCK

Under the Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated January 9, 1997 (the Certificate), 7,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, 3,922 shares were issued and outstanding.

Also under the Certificate, 7,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Class B Common Stock is non-voting stock. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, 2,496 shares were issued and outstanding.

NOTE 12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 14, 2012, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued. Milbank was purchased by Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC on November 1, 2011.

A gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. We do not anticipate that the adoption of ASU 2010-06 will have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

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**NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's investments under the fair value hierarchy, as described above, as of December 31, 2010:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Investment in securities and partnerships	\$ 2,818	\$	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,818
From consolidated affiliated Partnerships:				
Investment in securities	114,505,465	7,887,319	1,090,953	123,483,737
Investment in Funds		190,900,784	7,472,330	198,373,114
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 114,508,283</b>	<b>\$ 198,788,103</b>	<b>\$ 8,568,283</b>	<b>\$ 321,864,669</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Securities sold short	\$ 2,143,953	\$ 1,978,371	\$ 312,096	\$ 4,434,420

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Stockholders of

Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of financial condition of Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. (the Company), as of December 31, 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. as of December 31, 2010, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Fulvio & Associates, LLP

New York, New York

September 2, 2011

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MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	163,256
Investments in securities and partnerships			7,818
Accounts receivable			97,148
Prepaid taxes			34,915
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, at cost (net of accumulated depreciation of \$284,168)			27,073
Security deposit			15,220
Prepaid expenses and other			105,898
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,066,684	
Investments in securities		123,483,737	
Investments in Funds		198,373,114	
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds		9,624,700	
Accrued income		173,463	
Prepaid expenses and other		153,628	349,875,326
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$ 350,326,654</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accrued expenses		\$	21,400
Deferred taxes			91,122
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Contributions received in advance	\$	500,000	
Accrued expenses		639,584	
Redemptions payable		34,305,163	
Securities sold short		4,434,420	39,879,167
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			<b>39,991,689</b>
Commitments and Contingencies (see Note 5)			
Stockholders Equity:			
Common stock:			
7,000 Class A par \$0.05 shares authorized; 3,922 shares issued and outstanding			196
7,000 Class B par \$0.05 shares authorized; 2,496 shares issued and outstanding			125
Additional paid in capital			454,839
Retained earnings			867,957
<b>Total Milbank Winthrop &amp; Co., Inc. Stockholders Equity</b>			<b>1,323,117</b>
<b>Minority interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships</b>			<b>309,011,848</b>
<b>Total Stockholders Equity</b>			<b>310,334,965</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>			<b>\$ 350,326,654</b>

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MILBANK WINTHROP & CO., INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Investment advisory fees		\$	1,822,748
Other income			755
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Dividends	\$	1,996,373	
Interest		663,103	2,659,476
<b>Total revenues</b>			<b>4,482,979</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Compensation and benefits			5,505,058
Rent			167,506
Insurance			133,034
Office and administrative			132,650
Computer services			93,653
Professional fees			39,606
Depreciation			6,751
Other			83,703
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Management and advisory fees		1,591,767	
Office and administrative		538,045	
Professional fees		377,634	
Interest and dividends		318,727	2,826,173
<b>Total expenses</b>			<b>8,988,134</b>
<b>LOSS BEFORE NET GAINS FROM CONSOLIDATED MILBANK PARTNERSHIPS</b>			<b>(4,505,155)</b>
Net gains from investment activities of Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Realized gain on investments in securities, net		11,004,979	
Unrealized gain on investments in securities, net change		9,205,034	
Unrealized gain on investments in Funds, net change		28,901,005	49,111,018
<b>INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>			<b>44,605,863</b>
Income tax expense			76,383
<b>NET INCOME</b>			<b>44,529,480</b>
Minority Interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships			(44,462,064)
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>67,416</b>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Number of Class A Shares Par Value		Number of Class B Shares Par Value		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Minority Interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	Total
Balance at December 31, 2009	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 800,541	\$ 299,512,994	\$ 300,768,695
Contributions							2,900,000	2,900,000
Redemptions							(37,863,210)	(37,863,210)
Net Income						67,416	44,462,064	44,529,480
Balance at September 30, 2011	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 867,957	\$ 309,011,848	\$ 310,334,965

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Net income	\$ 67,416
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities Consolidated	
Milbank Partnerships:	
Net income	\$ 44,462,064
Depreciation	6,751
Deferred taxes	34,905
Sales of securities and partnerships	17,173
Unrealized gain on investments in securities and partnerships, net change	(331)
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:	
Realized gain on investments in securities, net	(11,004,979)
Unrealized gain on investments in securities, net change	(9,205,034)
Unrealized gain on investments in funds, net change	(28,901,005)
Purchases of investments in securities	(164,514,871)
Purchases of investments in funds	(13,524)
Sales of investments in securities	174,448,934
Sales of investments in funds	14,502,312
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:	
Accounts receivable	57,783
Prepaid taxes	9,040
Security deposit	(203)
Prepaid expenses and other	1,668
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	
Cash and cash equivalents	(473,962)
Redemption receivable from investments in funds	74,517,538
Prepaid investments	61,430
Accrued income	18,754
Prepaid expenses and other	(36,671)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:	
Accrued expenses	(18,081)
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	
Accrued expenses	(1,009,006)
Total Adjustments	\$ 92,960,685
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 93,028,101

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Purchase of fixed assets	\$ (5,627)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(5,627)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Contributions to Milbank Partnerships	3,375,000
Redemptions from Milbank Partnerships	(96,361,076)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(92,986,076)</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>36,398</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2009	126,858
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2010	\$ 163,256
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>	
Cash paid during the period for taxes	\$ 32,438

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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MILBANK WINTHROP & CO., INC.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2010

**NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION**

Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. ( Milbank ) was incorporated in Delaware in 1980. Milbank conducts an investment advisory business in New York City and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940.

Milbank is the General Partner (the General Partner ) of three investment partnerships, MW Global Partners, L.P., MW Small Cap, L.P. and MW Special Situations, L.P. (the Partnerships ) which are consolidated in these financial statements (collectively the Company ).

The Partnerships invest in a mix of securities and independent investment partnerships (the Funds ).

**NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( GAAP ).

**Basis of Accounting**

The Company follows the accrual method of accounting. Income is recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred in the period to which they pertain. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on the trade date basis.

**Basis of Consolidation**

Milbank consolidates the Partnerships in which the General Partner is presumed to have control under Accounting Standards Codification ( ASC ) 810-20. Although Milbank holds non-substantive equity-at-risk in the Partnerships, Milbank's related parties, including its de facto agents, hold substantive equity-at-risk. Further, the limited partners do not have the right to dissolve the Partnerships or have substantive kick out rights or participating rights that would overcome the presumption of control by Milbank. Accordingly, Milbank consolidates the assets, liabilities and operating results of the Partnerships and records the minority interests held by the limited partners in the accompanying financial statements. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash in banks and readily available money market funds in investment accounts.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Consolidated Milbank Partnerships Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents held by the Partnerships are not available to fund any of the liquidity needs of Milbank.

Fair Value Measurements

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements, including a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to value techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels explained below:

Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices available in active markets for identical investments.

Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those investments.

Valuation and Revenue Recognition

Investments in securities, option contracts, and securities sold short which are traded on a national securities exchange or listed on NASDAQ are valued at the last reported sales price on the last business day of the year. Investments in securities and securities sold short which are traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last reported bid and ask prices, respectively.

Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under consistently applied procedures established by the General Partner.

Although the General Partner and the Funds administrators use their best judgment in estimating the fair value of the investments in the Funds, there are inherent limitations in any estimation technique. Therefore, the values presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amount that could be realized in a current transaction. Future events will also affect the estimates of fair value, and the effects of such events on the estimates of fair value could be material. The valuation of the Funds has been deemed reasonable based on inquiry and the documentation provided from the Funds general partners or administrators.

The Funds may carry investments for which market quotations are not readily available and are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by their respective general partners or administrators. A change in the estimated value may occur in the near term.

Certain Funds invest in emerging markets. The risks of investments are often increased in developing countries. These risks include repatriation restrictions, foreign exchange fluctuations, low trading volume in securities markets of emerging countries, lack of uniform reporting standards, and political, economic and legal uncertainties.



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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Valuation and Revenue Recognition (continued)

Milbank investment advisory fees are billed quarterly and recorded as revenue in the period earned. These fees are based on a percentage of assets under management.

Income from Funds is recognized based upon the Company's allocable share of the earnings of the Funds which carry their investments at fair value, which include unrealized gains and losses.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable consists of advisory fees due from clients and Funds.

Redemptions Receivable from Investments in Funds

Redemptions receivable from investments in funds consists of withdrawal requests issued to the Funds, primarily to fund redemption requests of Fund partners.

Furniture, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are capitalized at cost. Depreciation is calculated using accelerated methods applied over the expected lives of the assets. The difference between these accelerated methods and the straight line depreciation required by GAAP is deemed immaterial in comparison to these financial statements taken as a whole.

Leases

The Company expenses payments on operating leases on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Income Taxes

The Company is subject to federal and state corporate income taxes. The Company calculates both current and deferred taxes based on the difference between the financial statement carrying value of assets and liabilities versus their tax basis. A provision for these taxes has been made and is reflected on the statement of income.

Management has determined that the Company has no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement adjustment or disclosure. The tax years that remain subject to examination by taxing authorities are 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Foreign Securities



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The value of securities and cash equivalents which are denominated in foreign currencies are stated using the exchange rate in effect on the last business day of the year. Purchases and sales of securities, interest and dividend income and expenses, which are denominated in foreign currencies, are recorded at the exchange rate as of date of the transactions. For financial statement purposes, the Company does not isolate that portion of the gain or loss on securities resulting from exchange rate fluctuation. Such changes are combined with changes in market prices and shown as realized or unrealized gain or loss.

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## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## Accounting Developments

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), which changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity ( VIE ) and requires companies to more frequently assess whether they must consolidate VIEs. This pronouncement is effective for the first annual reporting period beginning after November 15, 2009 and for interim periods within that first annual reporting period. In November 2009, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of this pronouncement for certain types of asset manager funds until the completion of its consolidation project. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements ( ASU 2010-06 ). ASU 2010-06 requires disclosing separately the amount of significant transfers in and out of the Level 1 and Level 2 categories and the reasons for the transfers and it requires that Level 3 purchases, sales, issuances and settlements activity be reported on a gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. We do not anticipate that the adoption of ASU 2010-06 will have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's investments under the fair value hierarchy, as described above, as of December 31, 2010:

Assets	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Investment in securities and partnerships	\$ 2,818	\$	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,818
From consolidated affiliated Partnerships:				
Investment in securities	114,505,465	7,887,319	1,090,953	123,483,737
Investment in Funds		190,900,784	7,472,330	198,373,114
Total	\$ 114,508,283	\$ 198,788,103	\$ 8,568,283	\$ 321,864,669
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Securities sold short	\$ 2,143,953	\$ 1,978,371	\$ 312,096	\$ 4,434,420

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

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NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table discloses a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the year ended December 31, 2010:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Investments</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2009	\$ 168,393,421
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	29,106,390
Purchases and sales, net	2,544,680
Transferred in (out) of Level 3	(191,476,208)
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 8,568,283</b>

The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at December 31, 2010	\$ 1,540,210
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<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Securities Sold Short</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2009	\$ (71,500)
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	271,608
Purchases and sales, net	(526,454)
Transferred in (out) of Level 3	14,250
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$ (312,096)</b>

The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to liabilities still held at December 31, 2010	\$ 214,358
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Gains (losses), realized and unrealized, if any, are included in the net realized gain (loss) on investments or Funds and net change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments or Funds in the Statement of Income.

The Company values its Level 2 investments in securities based on the last price in non-active markets. The Company values its Level 2 and 3 investments in Funds based on their proportionate share of the net assets of the Funds. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS

As of December 31, 2010, the Partnerships invested in other Funds, none of which were related parties. The investment objectives of the Funds primarily relate to the maximization of appreciation through the investments in equity, debt and related instruments. The Funds utilize one of the

following strategies:

- a Long Only Strategy This category includes Funds that invest in long positions only, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift the investments from value to growth strategies and from small to large capitalization stocks.
- b Equity Long/Short Strategy This category includes Funds that invest both long and short, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small to large capitalization stocks, and from a net long position to a net short position.
- c Multi-strategy Funds This category includes Funds that pursue multiple strategies to diversify risks and reduce volatility. The Funds composite portfolio for this category includes investments in U.S. common stocks, non-U.S. common stocks, distressed debt, commodities and arbitrage investments. In addition, some of the Funds invest in various special situation investments.

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NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS (continued)

d Global Strategy Funds This category includes Funds that hold investments in non-U.S. common stocks, primarily in the energy, information technology, utilities, and telecommunications sectors. They also hold investments in emerging markets and real estate sectors as well as investments in diversified currencies.

Cost is determined based on capital contributions to, and withdrawals from, the Funds, plus reinvested realized net income.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest are charged management fees at varying rates, principally 0.75% to 2% annually of periodic net asset values.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest provide for a specific allocation or fee to their respective general partner or affiliate, which is calculated at various rates, primarily 20% of appreciation, as defined in their respective partnership agreements.

Some of the Funds permit partial withdrawals during the year on either a monthly, quarterly or semiannual basis; however, substantially all of the Funds permit full withdrawals only at the end of the year.

The activities of certain Funds include the purchase and sale of a variety of derivative financial instruments such as equity options, index options, swap agreements, futures and forward contracts, and other similar instruments. These derivatives are used for trading purposes and for managing risk associated with their portfolio of securities and securities sold short. The use of derivative instruments may involve elements of market risk in excess of the amount recognized in the statement of assets and liabilities of these Funds. In many cases, these Funds limit their risk by holding offsetting security or option positions.

The Partnerships, through their investment in other Funds, is subject to certain inherent risks arising from their investing activities of short selling and entering into forward contracts. The ultimate cost to acquire these securities or settle these contracts may exceed the liability reflecting in their financial statements.

NOTE 5. LEASE COMMITMENT

The Company is subject to a lease for office space in New York City through April 30, 2012. The base rent is \$149,400 per year and includes electricity. It is also subject to real estate tax and operating cost escalations. Future minimum lease commitments for the year ending December 31 are as follows:

2011	\$ 149,400
2012	49,800
	<b>\$ 199,200</b>

Total rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2010 was \$167,506.

NOTE 6. PENSION PLAN

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The Company sponsors a 401(k) retirement plan for its employees. The Company contributes 3% of eligible employee's compensation. The plan also permits elective deferrals by employees.

Total Pension costs for the year ended December 31, 2010 were \$13,350.

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NOTE 7. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER

The details of Milbank's prepayments at December 31, 2010 are as follows:

Insurance	\$ 86,685
Rent	12,450
Other	6,763
	\$ 105,898

NOTE 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Milbank earns advisory fees for client assets invested with the Partnerships. It is also reimbursed for costs incurred in providing administrative services to the Partnerships. During 2010, Milbank earned \$3,829,228 in advisory fees and \$505,200 in administrative fees from the Partnerships.

These intercompany fees have been fully eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 9. INCOME TAXES

The Company's income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2010 has been determined as follows:

Current taxes	
Federal	\$ (11,820)
State and local	53,298
	41,478
Deferred taxes	
Federal	34,905
	\$ 76,383

Current taxes are provided using statutory tax rates as applied to taxable income. Deferred taxes are provided at approximately 35% of unrealized appreciation of investments in excess of tax basis.

NOTE 10. FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS

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Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. As discussed in Note 2, the Company applies accelerated methods of depreciation over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

Asset at cost:	
Furniture and equipment	\$ 220,543
Leasehold improvement	90,698
Total cost	311,241
Less accumulated depreciation	(284,168)
Net fixed assets	\$ 27,073

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2010 was \$6,751.

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NOTE 11. SHARES OF STOCK

Under the Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated January 9, 1997 (the Certificate ), 7,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share. At December 31, 2010, 3,922 shares were issued and outstanding.

Also under the Certificate, 7,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Class B Common Stock is non-voting stock. At December 31, 2010, 2,496 shares were issued and outstanding.

NOTE 12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through September 2, 2011, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Company is engaged in negotiations to merge with an outside entity.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders of

Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of financial condition of Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. (the Company), as of December 31, 2009, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. as of December 31, 2009, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Fulvio & Associates, LLP

New York, New York

August 30, 2011

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2009

<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	126,858
Investments in securities and partnerships			24,660
Accounts receivable			18,173
Prepaid taxes			43,955
Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, at cost (net of accumulated depreciation of \$277,417)			28,197
Security deposit			15,017
Prepaid expenses and other			107,566
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	17,592,722	
Investments in securities		112,117,035	
Investments in Funds		183,960,896	
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds		84,142,238	
Accrued income		253,647	
Prepaid expenses and other		116,957	398,183,495
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$ 398,547,921</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accrued expenses		\$	39,481
Deferred taxes			56,217
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Contributions received in advance	\$	25,000	
Accrued expenses		1,511,832	
Redemptions payable		92,803,029	
Securities sold short		3,343,667	97,683,538
Total Liabilities			97,779,226
Commitments and Contingencies (see Note 5)			
Stockholders Equity:			
Common stock:			
7,000 Class A par \$0.05 shares authorized; 3,922 shares issued and outstanding			196
7,000 Class B par \$0.05 shares authorized; 2,496 shares issued and outstanding			125
Additional paid in capital			454,839
Retained earnings			800,541
Total Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. Stockholders Equity			1,255,701
Minority interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships			299,512,994
Total Stockholders Equity			300,768,695
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>			<b>\$ 398,547,921</b>

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Investment advisory fees		\$	1,732,854
Other income			5,074
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Dividends	\$	1,837,732	
Interest		1,134,922	2,972,654
<b>Total revenues</b>			<b>4,710,582</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Compensation and benefits			5,293,535
Rent			164,251
Insurance			140,120
Office and administrative			134,206
Professional fees			109,482
Depreciation			2,097
Other			156,041
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Management and advisory fees		1,582,597	
Office and administrative		1,226,115	
Professional fees		396,815	
Interest and dividends		295,978	3,501,505
<b>Total expenses</b>			<b>9,501,237</b>
<b>LOSS BEFORE NET GAINS FROM CONSOLIDATED MILBANK PARTNERSHIPS</b>			<b>(4,790,655)</b>
Net gains from investment activities of Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:			
Realized gain on investments in securities, net		2,239,337	
Unrealized gain on investments in securities, net change		36,511,370	
Realized gain on investments in Funds, net		1,861,609	
Unrealized gain on investments in Funds, net change		56,060,996	96,673,312
<b>INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>			<b>91,882,657</b>
Income tax expense			138,669
<b>NET INCOME</b>			<b>91,743,988</b>
Minority Interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships			(91,653,265)
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>90,723</b>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Number of Class A Shares Par Value		Number of Class B Shares Par Value		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Minority Interests in Consolidated Milbank Partnerships	Total
Balance at December 31, 2008	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 709,818	\$ 299,398,031	\$ 300,563,009
Contributions							2,150,000	2,150,000
Redemptions							(93,688,302)	(93,688,302)
Net Income						90,723	91,653,265	91,743,988
Balance at December 31, 2009	3,922	\$ 196	2,496	\$ 125	\$ 454,839	\$ 800,541	\$ 299,512,994	\$ 300,768,695

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## MILBANK WINTHROP &amp; CO., INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Net income	\$ 90,723
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities	
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:	
Net income	\$ 91,653,265
Depreciation	2,097
Deferred taxes	56,217
Purchases of securities and partnerships	(28,808)
Sales of securities and partnerships	103
Unrealized gain on investments in securities and partnerships, net change	(4,514)
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:	
Realized gain on investments in securities, net	(2,239,337)
Unrealized gain on investments in securities, net change	(36,511,370)
Realized gain on investments in funds, net	(1,861,609)
Unrealized gain on investments in funds, net change	(56,060,996)
Purchases of investments in securities	(122,598,527)
Purchases of investments in funds	(10,000,000)
Sales of investments in securities	150,623,210
Sales of investments in funds	84,466,655
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:	
Accounts receivable	16,348
Prepaid taxes	(43,955)
Security deposit	(203)
Prepaid expenses and other	(2,488)
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:	
Cash and cash equivalents	(7,342,804)
Redemption receivable from investments in funds	(52,342,738)
Prepaid investments	7,000,000
Accounts receivable	159,750
Accrued income	215,963
Prepaid expenses and other	10,596
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:	
Accrued expenses	16,792
Consolidated Milbank Partnerships:	
Accrued expenses	805,938
Total Adjustments	45,989,585
Net cash provided by Operating Activities	\$ 46,080,308
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Contributions to Milbank Partnerships	\$ 2,175,000
Redemption from Milbank Partnerships	(48,233,273)
Net cash used in financing activities	(46,058,273)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	22,035
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2008	104,823

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Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2009	\$	126,858
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>		
Cash paid during the period for taxes	\$	88,729

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 1. **ORGANIZATION**

Milbank Winthrop & Co., Inc. ( Milbank ) was incorporated in Delaware in 1980. Milbank conducts an investment advisory business in New York City and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940.

Milbank is the General Partner (the General Partner ) of three investment partnerships, MW Global Partners, L.P., MW Small Cap, L.P. and MW Special Situations, L.P. (the Partnerships ) which are consolidated in these financial statements (collectively the Company ).

The Partnerships invest in a mix of securities and independent investment partnerships (the Funds ).

NOTE 2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( GAAP ).

Basis of Accounting

The Company follows the accrual method of accounting. Income is recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred in the period to which they pertain. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on the trade date basis.

Basis of Consolidation

Milbank consolidates the Partnerships in which the General Partner is presumed to have control under Accounting Standards Codification ( ASC ) 810-20. Although Milbank holds non-substantive equity-at-risk in the Partnerships, Milbank's related parties, including its de facto agents, hold substantive equity-at-risk. Further, the limited partners do not have the right to dissolve the Partnerships or have substantive kick out rights or participating rights that would overcome the presumption of control by Milbank. Accordingly, Milbank consolidates the assets, liabilities and operating results of the Partnerships and records the minority interests held by the limited partners in the accompanying financial statements. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash in banks and readily available money market funds in investment accounts.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Consolidated Milbank Partnerships Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents held by the Partnerships are not available to fund any of the liquidity needs of Milbank.

Fair Value Measurements

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements, including a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to value techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels explained below:

Level 1 Valuations based on quoted prices available in active markets for identical investments.

Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those investments.

Valuation and Revenue Recognition

Investments in securities, option contracts, and securities sold short which are traded on a national securities exchange or listed on NASDAQ are valued at the last reported sales price on the last business day of the year. Investments in securities and securities sold short which are traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last reported bid and ask prices, respectively.

Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under consistently applied procedures established by the General Partner.

Although the General Partner and the Funds administrators use their best judgment in estimating the fair value of the investments in the Funds, there are inherent limitations in any estimation technique. Therefore, the values presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amount that could be realized in a current transaction. Future events will also affect the estimates of fair value, and the effects of such events on the estimates of fair value could be material. The valuation of the Funds has been deemed reasonable based on inquiry and the documentation provided from the Funds general partners or administrators.

The Funds may carry investments for which market quotations are not readily available and are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by their respective general partners or administrators. A change in the estimated value may occur in the near term.

Certain Funds invest in emerging markets. The risks of investments are often increased in developing countries. These risks include repatriation restrictions, foreign exchange fluctuations, low trading volume in securities markets of emerging countries, lack of uniform reporting standards, and political, economic and legal uncertainties.



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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Valuation and Revenue Recognition (continued)

Milbank investment advisory fees are billed quarterly and recorded as revenue in the period earned. These fees are based on a percentage of assets under management.

Income from Funds is recognized based upon the Company's allocable share of the earnings of the Funds which carry their investments at fair value, which include unrealized gains and losses.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable consists of advisory fees due from clients and Funds

Redemptions Receivable from Investments in Funds

Redemptions receivable from investments in funds consists of withdrawal requests issued to the Funds, primarily to fund redemption requests of Fund partners.

Furniture, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are capitalized at cost. Depreciation is calculated using accelerated methods applied over the expected lives of the assets. The difference between these accelerated methods and the straight line depreciation required by GAAP is deemed immaterial in comparison to these financial statements taken as a whole.

Leases

The Company expenses payments on operating leases on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Income Taxes

The Company is subject to federal and state corporate income taxes. The Company calculates both current and deferred taxes based on the difference between the financial statement carrying value of assets and liabilities versus their tax basis. A provision for these taxes has been made and is reflected on the statement of income.

Management has determined that the Company has no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement adjustment or disclosure. The tax years that remain subject to examination by taxing authorities are 2006, 2007 and 2008.

Foreign Securities

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The value of securities and cash equivalents which are denominated in foreign currencies are stated using the exchange rate in effect on the last business day of the year. Purchases and sales of securities, interest and dividend income and expenses, which are denominated in foreign currencies, are recorded at the exchange rate as of date of the transactions. For financial statement purposes, the Company does not isolate that portion of the gain or loss on securities resulting from exchange rate fluctuation. Such changes are combined with changes in market prices and shown as realized or unrealized gain or loss.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Accounting Developments

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued FASB Interpretation Number ( FIN ) 48 which is part of ASC 740, Income Taxes. ASC 740 clarifies the accounting for income taxes recognized in financial statements. This interpretation prescribes a comprehensive model for how an entity should recognize, measure, present and disclose in its financial statements uncertain tax positions that the entity has taken or expects to take on a tax return. In February 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position FIN 48-2, Effective Date of FASB Interpretation No. 48 for Certain Nonpublic Enterprises, deferring the effective date for certain nonpublic enterprises, including the Company, to annual financial statements beginning after December 15, 2007. In January 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position FIN 48-3, Effective Date of FASB Interpretation No. 48 for Certain Nonpublic Enterprises, to provide another one-year delay of the effective date for certain nonpublic entities including the Company. Eligible entities that elect the deferral will be required to apply the uncertain tax position guidance of ASC 740 to annual financial statements for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted the application of uncertain tax positions which did not have a material effect on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2007, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FIN 46(R)-7, Application of FIN 46(R) to Investment Companies (incorporated into ASC 810) ( ASC 810 Interpretation ) which amends ASC 810 to make permanent the temporary deferral of the application of ASC 810 to entities within the scope of the revised audit guide under Statement of Position ( SOP ) 07-1, Clarification of the Scope of the Audit and Accounting Guide Investment Companies and Accounting by Parent Companies and Equity Method Investors for Investments in Investment Companies (formerly SOP 07-1 and now incorporated into ASC 946-10 Financial Services Investment Companies) ( ASC 946-10 ). ASC 810 Interpretation is effective upon adoption of ASC 946-10. In February 2008, the FASB indefinitely deferred the effective date of ASC 946-10. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASC 810 Interpretation to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141(R), Business Combinations, now ASC 805 ( ASC 805 ). ASC 805 requires the acquiring entity in a business combination to recognize the full fair value of assets, liabilities, contractual contingencies and contingent consideration obtained in the transaction (whether for a full or partial acquisition); establishes the acquisition date fair value as the measurement objective for all assets acquired and liabilities assumed; requires expensing of most transaction and restructuring costs; and requires the acquirer to disclose to investors and other users all of the information needed to evaluate and understand the nature and financial effect of the business combination. ASC 805 applies to all transactions or other events in which the Company obtains control of one or more businesses, including those sometimes referred to as true mergers or mergers of equals and combinations achieved without the transfer of consideration, for example, by contract alone or through the lapse of minority veto rights. ASC 805 applies prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after January 1, 2009. The adoption of ASC 805 did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51, now incorporated into ASC 810. This pronouncement requires reporting entities to present non-controlling (minority) interests as equity (as opposed to as a liability or mezzanine equity) and provides guidance on the accounting for transactions between an entity and noncontrolling interests. This pronouncement applies prospectively as of January 1, 2009, except for the presentation and disclosure requirements which will be applied retrospectively for all periods presented. The adoption of this pronouncement did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Accounting Developments (continued)

In April 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position Financial Accounting Standards ( FAS ) 142-3, Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets (incorporated into ASC 350) ( ASC 350 Interpretation ). ASC 350 Interpretation amends the factors an entity should consider in developing renewal or extension assumptions used in determining the useful life of recognized intangible assets under ASC 350, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. ASC 350 Interpretation affects entities with recognized intangible assets and is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is prohibited. The new guidance applies prospectively to (1) intangible assets that are acquired individually or with a group of other assets and (2) both intangible assets acquired in business combinations and asset acquisitions. The adoption of ASC 350 Interpretation by the Company did not have an impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), which changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity ( VIE ) and requires companies to more frequently assess whether they must consolidate VIEs. This pronouncement is effective for the first annual reporting period beginning after November 15, 2009 and for interim periods within that first annual reporting period. In November 2009, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of this pronouncement for certain types of asset manager funds until the completion of its consolidation project. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In July 2009, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (the Codification ) were issued. The Codification is effective for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The Codification combines the previous GAAP hierarchy which included four levels of authoritative accounting literature distributed among a number of different sources. The Codification does not by itself create new accounting standards but instead reorganizes existing GAAP accounting rules into approximately 90 accounting topics. All existing accounting standard documents are superseded by the Codification and all other accounting literature not included in the Codification is now considered nonauthoritative. The Codification is now the single source of authoritative nongovernmental accounting standards in the United States of America.

In 2009, FASB amended ASC 855, Subsequent Events ( ASC 855 ). ASC 855 establishes the period after the balance sheet date during which management of a reporting entity shall evaluate events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements, the circumstances under which an entity shall recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements and the disclosures that an entity shall make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. We have evaluated events that have occurred subsequent to December 31, 2009 as prescribed by the FASB.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements ( ASU 2010-06 ). ASU 2010-06 requires disclosing separately the amount of significant transfers in and out of the Level 1 and Level 2 categories and the reasons for the transfers and it requires that Level 3 purchases, sales, issuances and settlements activity be reported on a gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.





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**NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's investments under the fair value hierarchy, as described above, as of December 31, 2009:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Investments in securities and partnerships	\$ 2,487	\$	\$ 22,173	\$ 24,660
From Consolidated affiliated Partnerships:				
Investments in securities	99,416,010	10,239,480	2,461,545	112,117,035
Investments in Funds		18,051,193	165,909,703	183,960,896
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 99,418,497</b>	<b>\$ 28,290,673</b>	<b>\$ 168,393,421</b>	<b>\$ 296,102,591</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Securities sold short	\$ 1,844,370	\$ 1,427,797	\$ 71,500	\$ 3,343,667

The following table discloses a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the year ended December 31, 2009:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Investments</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2008	\$ 203,148,415
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	51,669,953
Purchases and sales, net	(70,575,571)
Transferred in/out of Level 3	(15,849,376)
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2009</b>	<b>\$ 168,393,421</b>
The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at December 31, 2009	\$ 52,044,937
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Securities Sold Short</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2008	\$ (179,100)
Total gains or (losses), realized and unrealized	52,368
Purchases and sales, net	55,232
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2009</b>	<b>\$ (71,500)</b>
	\$ 7,300

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The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to liabilities still held at December 31, 2009

Gains (losses), realized and unrealized, if any, are included in the net realized gain (loss) on investments or Funds and net change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments or Funds in the Statement of Income.

The Company values its Level 2 investments in securities based on the last price in non-active markets. The Company values its Level 2 and 3 investments in Funds based on their proportionate share of the net assets of the Funds. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

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NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS

As of December 31, 2009, the Partnerships invested in other Funds, none of which were related parties. The investment objectives of the Funds primarily relate to the maximization of appreciation through the investments in equity, debt and related instruments. The Funds utilize one of the following strategies:

- a Long Only Strategy This category includes Funds that invest in long positions only, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift the investments from value to growth strategies and from small to large capitalization stocks.
- b Equity Long/Short Strategy This category includes Funds that invest both long and short, primarily in common stocks. Management of the Funds has the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small to large capitalization stocks, and from a net long position to a net short position.
- c Multi-strategy Funds This category includes Funds that pursue multiple strategies to diversify risks and reduce volatility. The Funds composite portfolio for this category includes investments in U.S. common stocks, non-U.S. common stocks, distressed debt, commodities and arbitrage investments. In addition, some of the Funds invest in various special situation investments.
- d Global Strategy Funds This category includes Funds that hold investments in non-U.S. common stocks, primarily in the energy, information technology, utilities, and telecommunications sectors. They also hold investments in emerging markets and real estate sectors as well as investments in diversified currencies.

Cost is determined based on capital contributions to, and withdrawals from, the Funds, plus reinvested realized net income.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest are charged management fees at varying rates, principally 0.75% to 2% annually of periodic net asset values.

Substantially all of the Funds in which the Partnerships invest provide for a specific allocation or fee to their respective general partner or affiliate, which is calculated at various rates, primarily 20% of appreciation, as defined in their respective partnership agreements.

Some of the Funds permit partial withdrawals during the year on either a monthly, quarterly or semiannual basis; however, substantially all of the Funds permit full withdrawals only at the end of the year.

The activities of certain Funds include the purchase and sale of a variety of derivative financial instruments such as equity options, index options, swap agreements, futures and forward contracts, and other similar instruments. These derivatives are used for trading purposes and for managing risk associated with their portfolio of securities and securities sold short. The use of derivative instruments may involve elements of market risk in excess of the amount recognized in the statement of assets and liabilities of these Funds. In many cases, these Funds limit their risk by holding offsetting security or option positions.

The Partnerships, through their investment in other Funds, are subject to certain inherent risks arising from their investing activities of short selling and entering into forward contracts. The ultimate cost to acquire these securities or settle these contracts may exceed the liability

reflecting in their financial statements.

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**NOTE 5. LEASE COMMITMENT**

The Company is subject to a lease for office space in New York City through April 30, 2012. The base rent is \$149,400 per year and includes electricity. It is also subject to real estate tax and operating cost escalations. Future minimum lease commitments for the year ending December 31 are as follows:

2010	\$ 149,400
2011	149,400
2012	49,800
	\$ 348,600

Total rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$164,251.

**NOTE 6. PENSION PLAN**

The Company sponsors a 401(k) retirement plan for its employees. The Company contributes 3% of eligible employee's compensation. The plan also permits elective deferrals by employees.

Total Pension costs for the year ended December 31, 2009 were \$15,150.

**NOTE 7. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER**

The details of Milbank's prepayments at December 31, 2009 are as follows:

Insurance	\$ 84,116
Rent	12,450
Other	11,000
	\$ 107,566

**NOTE 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Milbank earns advisory fees for client assets invested with the Partnerships. It is also reimbursed for costs incurred in providing administrative services to the Partnerships. During 2009, Milbank earned \$3,807,621 in advisory fees and \$474,750 in administrative fees from the Partnerships.

These intercompany fees have been fully eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.



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**NOTE 9. INCOME TAXES**

The Company's income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 has been determined as follows:

Current taxes	
Federal	\$ 14,347
State and local	68,100
	82,447
Deferred taxes	
Federal	56,222
	\$ 138,669

Current taxes are provided using statutory tax rates as applied to taxable income. Deferred taxes are provided at approximately 35% of unrealized appreciation of investments in excess of tax basis.

**NOTE 10. FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS**

Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. As discussed in Note 2, the Company applies accelerated methods of depreciation over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

Assets at cost:	
Furniture and equipment	\$ 214,916
Leasehold improvement	90,698
Total cost	305,614
Less accumulated depreciation	(277,417)
Net fixed assets	\$ 28,197

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$2,097.

**NOTE 11. SHARES OF STOCK**

Under the Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation dated January 9, 1997 (the Certificate), 7,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share. At December 31, 2009, 3,922 shares were issued and outstanding.

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Also under the Certificate, 7,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, having a par value of \$0.05 per share, were authorized. Class B Common Stock is non-voting stock. At December 31, 2009, 2,496 shares were issued and outstanding.

### NOTE 12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through August 30, 2011, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Company is engaged in negotiations to merge with an outside entity.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Member of

MW Commodity Advisors, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of financial condition of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC (the "Company"), as of December 31, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC as of December 31, 2011, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Fulvio & Associates, LLP

New York, New York

March 15, 2012

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

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<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	2,919
Accounts receivable			4,000
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	141,356	
Investments in Funds		29,919,624	
Other assets		488	30,061,468
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$ 30,068,387</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND MEMBER S EQUITY</b>			
Liabilities:			
Professional fees payable		\$	4,915
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:			
Redemptions payable		194,946	
Professional fees payable		27,325	
Other liabilities		20,614	242,885
Total Liabilities			247,800
Member s Equity:			
Member s Equity			71,811
Minority interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.			29,748,776
Total Member s Equity			29,820,587
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER S EQUITY</b>			<b>\$ 30,068,387</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

<b>REVENUES:</b>		
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Interest		\$ 203
Total revenues		203
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Account fees		27,164
Other		9,703
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Professional fees	\$ 41,138	
Other	17,031	58,169
Total expenses		95,036
<b>LOSS BEFORE NET GAINS (LOSS) FROM</b>		
MW COMMODITY STRATEGIES, L.P.		(94,833)
Net loss from MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Realized loss on investments in Funds, net	(288,915)	
Unrealized loss on investments in Funds, net change	(2,287,676)	(2,576,591)
<b>NET LOSS</b>		<b>(2,671,424)</b>
Minority Interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.		2,793,270
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC</b>		<b>\$ 121,846</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER S EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	<b>MW Commodity Advisors, LLC Sole Member</b>	<b>Minority Interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.</b>	<b>Total</b>
Member s Equity December 31, 2010	\$ 169,965	\$ 27,650,761	\$ 27,820,726
Contributions-		5,650,000	5,650,000
Withdrawals	(220,000)	(758,715)	(978,715)
Net Income (Loss)	121,846	(2,793,270)	(2,671,424)
Member s Equity December 31, 2011	\$ 71,811	\$ 29,748,776	\$ 29,820,587

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Net income	\$ 121,846
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:	
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Net loss	\$ (2,793,270)
Realized loss on investments in Funds, net	288,915
Unrealized loss on investments in Funds, net change	2,287,676
Purchase of investments in Funds	(8,500,000)
Proceeds from investments in Funds	4,273,076
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:	
Accounts receivable	(4,000)
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Cash and cash equivalents	909,153
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds	100,000
Other assets	6,893
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:	
Professional fees payable	4,915
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Professional fees payable	(46,575)
Other liabilities	7,857
<b>Total adjustments</b>	<b>(3,465,360)</b>
<b>Net Cash Used in Operating Activities</b>	<b>(3,343,514)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Withdrawals	(220,000)
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Contributions	5,650,000
Withdrawals	(2,155,810)
<b>Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities</b>	<b>3,274,190</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(69,324)</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2010	72,243
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 2,919</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

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NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION

MW Commodity Advisors, LLC ( *Advisors* ), a single member limited liability company formed in Delaware on June 17, 2005, conducts an investment advisory business in New York City and is an affiliate of Milbank Winthrop & Co., an investment advisor registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

*Advisors* is the general partner (the *General Partner* ) of MW Commodity Strategies, L.P., an investment partnership (the *Partnership* ) which is consolidated in these financial statements (collectively, the *Company* ).

The *Partnership* invests in various independent investment partnerships (the *Funds* ).

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( *GAAP* ).

Basis of Accounting

The *Company* follows the accrual method of accounting. Income is recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred in the period to which they pertain. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on the trade date basis. Purchases and sales of *Funds* are recorded on the effective date as specified in the *Funds* investment agreements.

Use of Estimates

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with *GAAP* may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements, including a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels explained below:

Level 1 - Valuations based on quoted prices available in active markets for identical investments.

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Level 3 - Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

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Investments in securities, option contracts, and securities sold short which are traded on a national securities exchange or listed on NASDAQ are valued at the last reported sales price on the last business day of the year. Investments in securities and securities sold short which are traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last reported bid and ask prices, respectively.

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Interest and Dividends

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Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

### Income Taxes

Advisors and the Partnership themselves are not subject to U.S. Federal income taxes. Each member/partner is individually liable for income taxes, if any, on its share of the entity's net taxable income. Interest, dividends and other income realized by the Partnership from non-U.S. sources and capital gains realized on the sale of securities of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to withholding and other taxes levied by the jurisdiction in which the income is sourced.

The General Partner determined that there are no uncertain tax positions which would require adjustments or disclosures on the financial statements. The tax years that remain subject to examination by taxing authorities are 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Accounting Developments

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard ( SFAS ) No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), which changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity ( VIE ) and requires companies to more frequently assess whether they must consolidate VIEs. This pronouncement is effective for the first annual reporting period beginning after November 15, 2009 and for interim periods within that first annual reporting period. In November 2009, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of this pronouncement for certain types of asset manager funds until the completion of its consolidation project. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 201006, Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements ( ASU 2010-06 ). ASU 2010-06 requires disclosing separately the amount of significant transfers in and out of the Level 1 and Level 2 categories and the reasons for the transfers and it requires that Level 3 purchases, sales, issuances and settlements activity be reported on a gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The Company does not anticipate that the adoption of ASU 2010-06 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance on fair value measurements to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. The amended guidance specifies that the concepts of highest and best use and valuation premise in a fair value measurement are relevant only when measuring the fair value of nonfinancial assets and are not relevant when measuring the fair value of financial assets or liabilities. The amendments include requirements specific to measuring the fair value of those instruments, such as equity interests used as consideration in a business combination. An entity should measure the fair value of its own equity instrument from the perspective of a market participant that holds the instrument as an asset. With respect to financial instruments that are managed as part of a portfolio, an exception to fair value requirements is provided. That exception permits a reporting entity to measure the fair value of such financial assets and liabilities at the price that would be received to sell a net asset position for a particular risk or to transfer a net liability position for a particular risk in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The amendments also clarify that premiums and discounts should only be applied if market participants would do so when pricing the asset or liability. Premiums and discounts related to the size of an entity's holding (e.g., a blockage factor) rather than as a characteristic of the asset or liability (e.g., a control premium) are not permitted in a fair value measurement. The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements, including, among other things, (a) for fair value measurements categorized within Level III of the fair value hierarchy, (1) a quantitative disclosure of the unobservable inputs and assumptions used in the measurement, (2) the valuation process used by the reporting entity, and (3) a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, if any, and (b) the categorization by level of the fair value hierarchy for items that are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial condition but for which the fair value is required to be disclosed (for example, a financial instrument that is measured at amortized cost in the statement of financial condition but for which fair value is disclosed). The guidance also amends disclosure requirements for significant transfers between Level I and Level II and now

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)Accounting Developments (continued)

requires disclosure of all transfers between Levels I and II in the fair value hierarchy. The amended guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. As the impact of the guidance is primarily limited to enhanced disclosures, adoption is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In December 2011, the FASB issued a deferral of the effective date for certain disclosures relating to the comprehensive income, specifically with respect to the presentation of reclassifications of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income. The deferral is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011. As the amendments are limited to presentation only, adoption is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS

As of December 31, 2011, the Company was invested in 13 Funds, none of which are related parties. The Funds employ, to varying degrees, directional, volatility and relative value based strategies for investments in the commodity and macro markets. See detailed descriptions of the Fund strategies below.

The partnership agreements of the Funds provide for compensation to the investment managers in the form of management fees ranging from 0% to 2% annually of net assets and an incentive allocation not exceeding 30% of net new profits earned.

<b>Fund and (Strategy)</b>	<b>Fair Value at December 31, 2011</b>	<b>Capital Liquidity</b>
Covepoint Emerging Markets Macro Fund, L.P. CI. A. (d)	\$ 2,258,119	Quarterly
Covepoint Emerging Markets Macro Fund, L.P. CI. B. (d)	448,619	Quarterly
Dynamic Domestic Fund L.P. (d)	2,898,050	Monthly
Goldfinch Capital Management, L.P. (b)	1,939,801	Monthly
Hard Assets Partners 2X L.P. (d)	2,112,717	Quarterly
Peak Partners, L.P. (d)	1,922,912	Monthly
Tiverton Investments, LLC (d)	4,432,502	Monthly
Vardana Partners, LP (d)	2,728,342	Quarterly
Wexford Catalyst Fund, L.P. (d)	3,180,816	Quarterly
Bocage Global Resource Fund, L.P. (b)	4,257,486	Monthly
Taylor Woods (b)	3,250,111	Quarterly
Other Funds (a), (c)	490,149	
<b>Total Investments in Funds</b>	<b>\$ 29,919,624</b>	

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As of December 31, 2011, the investments in Funds had no remaining significant lockups and all Funds qualified as Level 2 investments. The Partnership values Level 2 investments based on its proportionate share of the net asset value of the Funds. Gains and losses (realized and unrealized), if any, are included in the net realized gain (loss) on investments in Funds and net change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments in Funds in the statement of operations. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

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NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS (continued)

The Fund investment strategies are as follows:

a) Equity Long/Short Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds that invest both long and short primarily in U.S. common stocks. Portfolio managers have the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small to large capitalization stocks, and from a net long position to a net short position. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

b) Futures and Derivatives Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds that invest primarily in commodity futures and derivatives. The Portfolio manager's investment strategy may use fundamental analysis, technical analysis or a combination of the two. Investment decisions target both short and long term price movement in the commodity and associated markets. In certain instances, managers may use relative value based strategies, weighing different time horizons or commodities against each other. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

c) Macro Funds:

The category is similar to Futures and Derivatives Funds above but with a focus on using macro-based strategies, which may include commodity futures and derivatives, currencies (including commodity currencies), fixed income instruments and securities. The economics of the commodity markets may influence the portfolio manager's decisions in this category. The fair value of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

d) Multi-Strategy Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds which utilize a combination of the preceding Equity Long/Short, Futures and Derivatives and Macro Funds approaches. Portfolio managers will determine allocations to such strategies based on their expectations of return and risk. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

NOTE 4. OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK, CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK, AND OTHER RISKS

In the normal course of business, the Funds in which the Partnership invests trade various financial instruments and enter into various investment activities with off-balance sheet risk. These include, but are not limited to, short selling activities, writing option contracts, and equity swaps. To the extent that the Partnership's investment activity is limited to making investments in Funds via limited partnership interests or limited liability company holdings, the Partnership's risk of loss in these Funds is generally limited to the value of these investments reported by the Partnership. To date, the Partnership has only invested in such limited partnership interests and limited liability company holdings.



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**NOTE 4. OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK, CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK, AND OTHER RISKS (continued)**

There are a number of other risks to the Partnership. Three principal types of risk that can adversely affect the Partnership's investment approach are market risk, strategy risk, and manager risk. The Partnership is also subject to multiple manager risks, possible limitations in investment opportunities, allocation risks, illiquidity, lack of diversification, and other risks for the Partnership and potentially for each Fund.

**NOTE 5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

In the normal course of business, the Company may enter into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnifications. The general indemnifications apply not only to the extent such representations and warranties are untrue but also may cover third parties such as the Partnership's Administrator for claims related to the services performed for the Partnership. The Company's maximum exposure under any such arrangements are unknown, as exposure only arises to the extent further claims that have not yet occurred are made against the Company.

**NOTE 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Advisors earned \$158,015 in management fees from the Partnership during 2011. These intercompany fees have been fully eliminated in these consolidated financial statements.

**NOTE 7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 15, 2012, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued. In January, 2012, Advisors signed an agreement to sell its assets to Silvercrest Asset Management Group LLC on March 31, 2012.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Member of

MW Commodity Advisors, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of financial condition of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC (the "Company"), as of December 31, 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of MW Commodity Advisors, LLC as of December 31, 2010, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Fulvio & Associates, LLP

New York, New York

October 28, 2011

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2010

<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents			\$ 72,243
<b>MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,050,509		
Investments in Funds	28,269,291		
Redemptions receivable	100,000		
Other assets	7,381	29,427,181	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$ 29,499,424</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND MEMBER S EQUITY</b>			
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
<b>MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:</b>			
Redemptions payable	\$ 1,592,041		
Professional fees payable	73,900		
Other liabilities	12,757		
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			<b>\$ 1,678,698</b>
<b>Member s Equity:</b>			
<b>Member s Equity</b>			<b>169,965</b>
Minority interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.		27,650,761	
<b>Total Member s Equity</b>		<b>27,820,726</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER S EQUITY</b>			<b>\$ 29,499,424</b>

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

<b>REVENUES:</b>		
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Interest		\$ 679
Total revenues		679
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Account fees		26,384
Liability fees		18,648
Filing fees		783
Other		2,211
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Professional fees	\$ 86,482	
Other	14,510	100,992
Total expenses		149,018
LOSS BEFORE NET GAINS FROM MW COMMODITY STRATEGIES, L.P.		(148,339)
Net gains from investment activities of MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:		
Realized gain on investments in Funds, net	84,434	
Unrealized gain on investments in Funds, net change	1,125,925	1,210,359
NET INCOME		\$ 1,062,020
Minority Interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.		(939,734)
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC		\$ 122,286

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MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER S EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	<b>MW Commodity Advisors, LLC Sole Member</b>	<b>Minority Interests in MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.</b>	<b>Total</b>
Member s Equity December 31, 2009	\$ 167,590	\$ 26,957,046	\$ 27,124,636
Contributions		4,708,688	4,708,688
Withdrawals	(119,911)	(4,954,707)	(5,074,618)
Net Income	122,286	939,734	1,062,020
Member s Equity December 31, 2010	\$ 169,965	\$ 27,650,761	\$ 27,820,726

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## MW COMMODITY ADVISORS, LLC

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Net income	\$ 122,286
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Net income	\$ 939,734
Proceeds from investments	69,911
Realized gain on investments in Funds, net	(84,434)
Unrealized gain on investments in Funds, net change	(1,125,925)
Purchase of investments in Funds	(4,000,000)
Proceeds from investments in Funds	2,018,051
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:	
Accounts receivable	8,669
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Cash and cash equivalents	9,101,694
Redemptions receivable from investments in Funds	1,235,938
Other assets	6,887
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:	
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Professional fees payable	(92,106)
Other liabilities	5,435
<b>Total adjustments</b>	<b>8,083,854</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<b>8,206,140</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Withdrawals	(119,911)
MW Commodity Strategies, L.P.:	
Contributions	2,408,688
Withdrawals	(10,464,144)
<b>Net Cash Used in Financing Activities</b>	<b>(8,175,367)</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>30,773</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2009	41,470
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$ 72,243</b>

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NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION

MW Commodity Advisors, LLC ( Advisors ), a single member limited liability company formed in Delaware on June 17, 2005, conducts an investment advisory business in New York City and is an affiliate of Milbank Winthrop & Co., an investment advisor registered under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended.

Advisors is the general partner (the General Partner ) of MW Commodity Strategies, L.P., an investment partnership (the Partnership ) which is consolidated in these financial statements (collectively, the Company ).

The Partnership invests in various independent investment partnerships (the Funds ).

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under consistently applied procedures established by the General Partner.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Valuation and Revenue Recognition (continued)

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Short-term investments are valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

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Non-marketable securities are carried at estimated fair value as determined by the management of the Funds. Trade debt, bank debt, and warrants for which market quotations are not readily available are generally valued by the management of the Funds at fair value after consideration of a variety of factors including quotations available from dealers who make a market in these financial instruments and model produced valuations. Private equity investments are carried at fair value, which may be estimated using methods such as comparable companies' earnings multiples, cash flow analyses, and review of underlying financial conditions. Loan participations are interests in short-term loans valued at fair value, which generally approximates cost plus accrued interest.

Options for the purchase or sale of securities traded on an exchange are valued at the mean of the last report bid and ask prices. Forward contracts are valued by adjusting the spot market price of the underlying security for the cost of carrying from the trade date to the settlement date.

All other securities are valued initially at cost, with subsequent adjustment to value which reflect either the basis of meaningful third party transactions in the private market or the fair value deemed appropriate by the general partner of each of the Funds. In such instances, consideration is also given to the financial condition and operating results of the issuer, the amount that Funds can reasonably expect to realize upon the sale of the securities and any other factors deemed relevant.

The Funds' general partners' estimate and assumption of fair value of the non-marketable securities may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed, and the differences could be material.

Interest and Dividends

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Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

### Income Taxes

Advisors and the Partnership themselves are not subject to U.S. Federal income taxes. Each member/partner is individually liable for income taxes, if any, on its share of the entity's net taxable income. Interest, dividends and other income realized by the Partnership from non-U.S. sources and capital gains realized on the sale of securities of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to withholding and other taxes levied by the jurisdiction in which the income is sourced.

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NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Income Taxes (continued)

The General Partner determined that there are no uncertain tax positions which would require adjustments or disclosures on the financial statements. The tax years that remain subject to examination by taxing authorities are 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Accounting Developments

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard ( SFAS ) No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), which changes the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a Variable Interest Entity ( VIE ) and requires companies to more frequently assess whether they must consolidate VIEs. This pronouncement is effective for the first annual reporting period beginning after November 15, 2009 and for interim periods within that first annual reporting period. In November 2009, the FASB agreed to defer the effective date of this pronouncement for certain types of asset manager funds until the completion of its consolidation project. The Company is currently assessing the potential impacts, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In January 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2010-06, Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements ( ASU 2010-06 ). ASU 2010-06 requires disclosing separately the amount of significant transfers in and out of the Level 1 and Level 2 categories and the reasons for the transfers and it requires that Level 3 purchases, sales, issuances and settlements activity be reported on a gross rather than a net basis. ASU 2010-06 also requires fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for Level 2 and Level 3 measurements. These disclosures are effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the Level 3 gross reporting which is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010. We do not anticipate that the adoption of ASU 2010-06 will have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

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**NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS**

As of December 31, 2010, the Partnership was invested in 12 Funds, none of which are related parties. The Funds employ to varying degrees directional, volatility and relative value based strategies for investment in the commodity and macro markets. See detailed descriptions of the Fund strategies below.

The partnership agreements of the Funds provide for compensation to the investment managers in the form of management fees ranging from 0% to 2% annually of net assets and an incentive allocation not exceeding 30% of net new profits earned.

<b>Fund and (Strategy)</b>	<b>Fair Value at December 31, 2010</b>	<b>Liquidity Capital</b>
Covepoint Emerging Markets Macro Fund, L.P. (d)	\$ 4,005,911	Quarterly
Dynamic Domestic Fund L.P. (d)	2,711,778	Monthly
Goldfinch Capital Management, L.P. (b)	1,611,218	Monthly
Hard Assets Partners 2X L.P. (d)	2,440,332	Quarterly
Peak Partners, L.P. (d)	2,941,146	Monthly
Quantitative Global 1X Fund LLC (b)	2,795,278	Monthly
Tiverton Investments, LLC (d)	4,606,234	Monthly
Vardana Partners, LP (d)	1,731,625	Quarterly
Wexford Catalyst Fund, L.P. (d)	3,442,623	Quarterly
Other Investments (a), (c)	1,983,146	
	<b>\$ 28,269,291</b>	

As of December 31, 2010, the investments in the Funds had no remaining significant lockups.

The Fund investment strategies are as follows:

## a) Equity Long/Short Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds that invest both long and short primarily in U.S. common stocks. Portfolio managers have the ability to shift investments from value to growth strategies, from small to large capitalization stocks, and from a net long position to a net short position. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Funds associated administrators.

## b) Futures and Derivatives Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds that invest primarily in commodity futures and derivatives. The Portfolio manager's investment strategy may use fundamental analysis, technical analysis or a combination of the two. Investment decisions target both short and long term price movement in the commodity and associated markets. In certain instances, managers may use relative value based strategies, weighing different time horizons or commodities against each other. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Funds associated administrators.

c) Macro Funds:

The category is similar to Futures and Derivatives Funds above but with a focus on using macro-based strategies, which may include commodity futures and derivatives, currencies (including commodity

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NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS IN FUNDS (continued)

currencies), fixed income instruments and securities. The economics of the commodity markets may influence the portfolio manager's decisions in this category. The fair value of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

## d) Multi-Strategy Funds:

This category includes investments in Funds which utilize a combination of the preceding Equity Long/Short, Futures and Derivatives and Macro Funds approaches. Portfolio managers will determine allocations to such strategies based on their expectations of return and risk. The fair values of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the investments which are provided by the Fund's associated administrators.

NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The following table discloses a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the year ended December 31, 2010:

	<b>Investments in Funds</b>
Beginning balance, December 31, 2009	\$ 25,076,983
Total gains or losses (realized and unrealized)	1,210,359
Purchases and sales, net	1,981,949
Transfer in (out) of Level 3	(28,269,291)
<b>Ending balance, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$</b>

The amount of gains (losses) included in income attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at December 31, 2010

\$

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized), if any, are included in the net realized gain on investments in Funds and net change in unrealized gain on investments in Funds in the statement of income.

The Partnership values Level 2 investments based on its proportionate share of the net asset value of the Funds. At December 31, 2010, all investments were valued using Level 2 inputs. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

NOTE 5. OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK, CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK, AND OTHER RISKS

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In the normal course of business, the Funds in which the Partnership invests trade various financial instruments and enter into various investment activities with off-balance sheet risk. These include, but are not limited to, short selling activities, writing option contracts, and equity swaps. To the extent that the Partnership's investment activity is limited to making investments in Funds via limited partnership interests or limited liability company holdings, the Partnership's risk of loss in these Funds is generally limited to the value of these investments reported by the Partnership. To date, the Partnership has only invested in such limited partnership interests and limited liability company holdings.

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**NOTE 5. OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK, CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK, AND OTHER RISKS (continued)**

There are a number of other risks to the Partnership. Three principal types of risk that can adversely affect the Partnership's investment approach are market risk, strategy risk, and manager risk. The Partnership is also subject to multiple manager risks, possible limitations in investment opportunities, allocation risks, illiquidity, lack of diversification, and other risks for the Partnership and potentially for each Fund.

**NOTE 6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

In the normal course of business, the Company may enter into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnifications. The general indemnifications apply not only to the extent such representations and warranties are untrue but also may cover third parties such as the Partnership's Administrator for claims related to the services performed for the Partnership. The Company's maximum exposure under any such arrangements is unknown, as exposure only arises to the extent further claims that have not yet occurred are made against the Company.

**NOTE 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Advisors earned \$132,685 in management fees from the Partnership during 2010. These intercompany fees have been fully eliminated in these consolidated financial statements.

**NOTE 8. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 28, 2011, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Company is in negotiations to merge with an outside entity.

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**Shares**

**Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.**

**PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS**

SANDLER O'NEILL + PARTNERS, L.P.

RAYMOND JAMES

, 2013

Until \_\_\_\_\_, all dealers that effect transactions in these securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to the dealer's obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as an underwriter and with respect to unsold allotments or subscriptions.

**Table of Contents****PART II****INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS****Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.**

The following table sets forth the estimated expenses payable by the registrant in connection with the sale and distribution of the securities registered hereby. All amounts are estimates except for the SEC registration fee, the FINRA filing fee and Nasdaq listing fee.

SEC Registration Fee	\$ 8,184
FINRA Filing Fee	9,500
Nasdaq Listing Fee	25,000
Accounting Fees and Expenses	*
Legal Fees and Expenses	*
Printing Fees and Expenses	*
Miscellaneous	*
Total:	\$ *

\* To be filed by amendment.

**Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we, to the full extent permitted by Section 145 of the DGCL, as amended from time to time, shall indemnify all persons whom it may indemnify pursuant thereto. It further provides that expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by an officer or director in defending any civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative action, suit or proceeding for which such officer or director may be entitled to indemnification hereunder shall be paid by us in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he or she is not entitled to be indemnified by us as authorized thereby.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to our directors, officers, and controlling persons pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, we have been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person in a successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, we will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to the court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

**Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.**

On May 7, 2012, the Registrant issued 10 shares of its Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, to Mr. Cochran in exchange for \$100. The issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act, as a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering.

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**Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statements Schedules.**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Document</b>
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement.
3.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Silvercrest Asset Management Group Inc.
4.1	Specimen stock certificate for shares of Class A common stock.
4.2	Exchange Agreement.
4.3	Resale and Registration Rights Agreement.
4.4	2012 Equity Incentive Plan.
4.5*	Class B Stockholders Agreement.
4.6	Form of February 2010 Deferred Equity Unit Award Agreement.
5.1*	Opinion of Bingham McCutchen LLP.
10.1	Form of Second Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Silvercrest L.P.
10.2	Tax Receivable Agreement.
10.3	Form of Indemnification Agreement with directors.
10.4	Form of Purchase and Sale Agreement.
21.1	List of Subsidiaries.
23.1	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP.
23.2	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP.
23.3	Consent of Fulvio & Associates, LLP.
23.4*	Consent of Bingham McCutchen LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1).
23.5*	Consent of Cerulli Associates.
24.1	Powers of Attorney (included in the Registration Statement filed April 18, 2013 under Signatures ).

\* To be filed by amendment.  
Previously filed.

**Item 17. Undertakings.**

- (1) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriter at the closing specified in the underwriting agreements, certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriter to permit prompt delivery to each person.
- (2) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel, the matter has

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been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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- (3) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:
- (a) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b) (1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
  - (b) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of New York, state of New York on May 22, 2013.

**SILVERCREST ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP INC.**

By: /s/ G. Moffett Cochran  
G. Moffett Cochran  
Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Scott A. Gerard  
Scott A. Gerard  
Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2013:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ G. Moffett Cochran	(Principal Executive Officer) and Director	May 22, 2013
<b>G. Moffett Cochran</b>		
/s/ Scott A. Gerard	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	May 22, 2013
<b>Scott A. Gerard</b>		
/s/ Richard R. Hough III	Director	May 22, 2013
<b>Richard R. Hough III</b>		
*	Director	May 22, 2013
<b>Winthrop B. Conrad, Jr.</b>		
*	Director	May 22, 2013
<b>Wilmot H. Kidd III</b>		
*	Director	May 22, 2013
<b>Richard S. Pechter</b>		
*By: /s/ G. Moffett Cochran G. Moffett Cochran as attorney-in-fact		

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