

# SUMMARY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND F.I.A.C. MANAGER UPDATE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

City of Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund 1 West Adams Street Suite 100, Jacksonville, FL 32202 Richard "Dick" Cohee Board Room

#### **Board of Trustees**

Chief Chris Brown, Chair \*Mia Jones Captain Michael E. Lynch Financial Investment and Advisory Committee

(F.I.A.C.) \*Steve Glenn

#### Guests

Donald Cleven, WEDGE Capital Management Richard Wells, WEDGE Capital Management

Staff Timothy H. Johnson, Executive Director – Plan Administrator Steve Lundy, Deputy Director Kevin Grant, Finance Manager

\*Asterisk denotes virtual meeting attendance via the ZOOM application.

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## Agenda

I. Public Speaking

None.

## II. Manager Update

a. Donald Cleven & Richard Wells, WEDGE Capital Management

Richard Wells, representing WEDGE Capital Management, introduced the firm and its management of the Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Fund's Small Cap Value investment, currently valued at \$91.9 million as of March 31, 2024. The presentation covered key aspects:

WEDGE Capital Management Overview:

- Manages \$8.2 billion in assets
- Established in 1984
- Ownership comprises 12 general partners
- Includes 5 client portfolio managers, 12 research and quantitative analysts, and 3 trading professionals
- Investment team boasts an average experience of 21 years
- Offers traditional equity, quantitative equity, and fixed income strategies

Small Cap Value Fund Performance as of March 31, 2024:

- Initial contribution: \$63.8 million
- Current account balance: \$91.9 million
- Achieved an average annual return of 8.88% since Fund Inception on 07/29/2016

Richard Wells also presented the small cap value performance update, comparing WEDGE's performance net of fees to the Russell 2000 Value benchmark.

Donald Cleven delved into various topics:

- Market environment analysis for the quarter ending March 31, 2024
- Market environment analysis for the one-year period ending March 31, 2024
- Market environment analysis for the three-year period ending March 31, 2024
- Small Cap Value Performance Attribution versus the Russell Small Cap Value Index for the First Quarter 2024

Performance Attribution Analysis by Economic Sector was presented, along with WEDGE Long Term Return on Equity versus Russell 2000 Indices. The presentation also highlighted that Small Cap Valuation spreads remain wide and discussed the widest valuation spreads in Small Cap. Small Cap Value Portfolio Changes were also outlined.

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III. Adjournment 1:00 P.M.

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