

At a Glance:

Firm Assets:	\$1.1B
Strategy Assets:	\$170.0mm
Investment Style:	U.S. Large Cap Value
Investment Approach:	Bottom Up, Fundamental
Benchmark:	Russell 1000 Value (Effective 1/1/19)
Inception Date:	January 1, 2011

Portfolio Guidelines*:

Number of Positions:	40 - 60
Position Sizes:	1% - 5%
Sector Weights:	± 15% of Benchmark
Portfolio Turnover:	15% - 35%
Cash Exposure:	≤ 5%
Non-U.S. Exposure:	≤ 10%

*Typical ranges under normal market conditions

Performance Comparison

Periods Ended 12/31/25 (%)	QTR	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception*
DCM Equity Income (gross)	-1.19	6.89	6.89	7.35	9.50	10.00	10.78
DCM Equity Income (net)	-1.33	6.26	6.26	6.71	8.85	9.33	10.07
Russell 1000 Value	3.81	15.91	15.91	13.90	11.33	10.55	10.69

*Inception date 1/1/2011

Distinguishing Characteristics

- **Value Driven** - Search for leading dividend paying companies selling at a discount to their fair value.
- **Quality Focused** - Emphasize companies with solid balance sheets and strong free cash flow capabilities.
- **Style Pure** - Strictly adhere to buy and sell discipline to ensure consistent value-oriented portfolio.
- **Lower Volatility** - Identify and buy companies with a higher probability of modest outperformance rather than a lower probability of high outperformance.
- **Yield Emphasis** - Seek companies with the most desirable combination of high, safe and growing dividends.

Investment Team

- **Kevin E. Laub, CFA** *Founding Member/Lead Portfolio Manager*
26 years industry experience | 18 years at DCM
- **Douglas A. Leach, CFA** *Founding Member/Portfolio Manager*
35 years industry experience | 18 years at DCM
- **Steven D. Roth, CFA** *Founding Member/Portfolio Manager*
26 years industry experience | 18 years at DCM
- **Jason E. Solomon, CFA** *Portfolio Manager*
9 years industry experience | 7 years at DCM

About Dean Capital Management, LLC (“DCM”)

DCM is an employee-owned registered investment advisor founded in March 2008. DCM is a long-only, fundamental U.S. Value equity manager, offering portfolios across the capitalization spectrum. All partners and investment team maintain significant personal investments in DCM managed products, aligning the investment team with our clients.

Sector Weights ^{1,2}	DCM Equity Income	Russell 1000 Value	Russell 1000
Communication Services	5.8%	8.5%	10.4%
Consumer Discretionary	3.2	7.4	10.5
Consumer Staples	13.5	7.2	4.6
Energy	6.9	5.7	2.9
Financials	17.3	22.3	13.7
Health Care	10.5	12.2	9.7
Industrials	9.7	13.0	9.1
Information Technology	6.2	11.3	32.7
Materials	4.4	4.0	2.1
Real Estate	9.8	4.0	2.1
Utilities	12.7	4.4	2.2

Portfolio Statistics ^{1,2}	DCM Equity Income	Russell 1000 Value	Russell 1000
Number of Holdings	50	870	1,010
Cash & Equivalents	3.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Non-U.S.	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Active Share	84.2%	N/A	N/A
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap	\$129.8B	\$402.3B	\$1,322.0B
Median Mkt. Cap	\$62.3B	\$14.8B	\$16.5B
P/E (excluding negative earnings)	16.0x	20.8x	27.3x
P/E (estimated next 12 months)	15.7x	18.4x	23.1x
Price/Book	4.9x	3.0x	5.2x
Price/Cash Flow	13.8x	15.9x	21.2x
Return on Equity	26.7%	14.6%	18.9%
Dividend Yield	3.7%	1.9%	1.2%

Risk/Return Statistics ^{2,3}	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception*
DCM Return (Gross)	9.50%	10.00%	10.78%
DCM Return (Net)	8.85%	9.33%	10.07%
Benchmark Return	11.33%	10.55%	10.69%
DCM Std. Dev	13.49%	13.63%	12.40%
Benchmark Std. Dev	14.67%	15.42%	14.37%
DCM Sharpe Ratio	0.46	0.57	0.75
Benchmark Sharpe Ratio	0.55	0.54	0.65
Alpha	-0.37%	0.97%	1.84%
Beta	0.87	0.85	0.81
R Squared	90.39%	91.72%	89.22%
Upside Capture	81.53%	85.57%	84.17%
Downside Capture	87.26%	86.17%	80.51%

Top Ten Holdings ⁴	Sector	Total %
PepsiCo Inc	Consumer Staples	3.6%
Amgen Inc	Health Care	3.4
Chevron Corp	Energy	3.2
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	2.9
JPMorgan Chase & Co	Financials	2.8
Xcel Energy Inc	Utilities	2.7
Illinois Tool Works Inc	Industrials	2.7
Principal Financial Group Inc	Financials	2.7
Essex Property Trust Inc	Real Estate	2.6
EOG Resources Inc	Energy	2.6

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GIPS Performance Disclosures and Footnotes

Year Ended December 31	Gross Composite Rate of Return (%)	Net Composite Rate of Return (%)	Benchmark Return (%)†	Standard Deviation (%)	Gross Composite 3-Yr Std Dev (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Std Deviation (%)	Number of Portfolios	Composite Assets End of Period (in 000's)	Total Firm Assets (in 000's)
2025	6.89	6.26	15.91	0.05	11.11	12.42	35	\$114,379	\$1,149,855
2024	12.05	11.38	14.37	0.07	14.86	16.66	39	122,949	1,133,638
2023	3.29	2.67	11.46	0.07	15.16	16.51	45	114,139	1,056,707
2022	0.33	-0.28	-7.54	0.09	18.53	21.25	51	82,879	845,914
2021	26.82	26.08	25.16	0.25	16.14	19.06	46	49,369	864,430
2020	1.02	0.41	2.80	0.22	16.38	19.65	67	58,659	815,823
2019	23.96	23.23	26.54	0.19	10.76	11.92	67	58,157	915,184
2018	-6.22	-6.78	-8.58	0.14	10.33	11.05	57	32,808	919,103
2017	13.09	12.42	13.19	0.33	8.95	10.33	60	33,815	1,037,141
2016	24.03	23.15	18.40	0.28	9.38	10.97	46	26,440	857,897

†Not examined by the Independent Verifiers.

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The composite calculations include all investment advisory accounts of the Equity Income Composite (the Composite) managed by DCM on a fully discretionary basis. The objective of the Equity Income Composite is capital appreciation with an income focus. The Equity Income style is a fully invested style of large, mid, and small cap stocks which ranges from 90%-100% equity, and the number of holdings typically ranges between 40 and 60. The remainder of the portfolios is typically invested in short term U.S. Treasury Bills or other cash equivalents. A portfolio must have a minimum of \$80,000 for inclusion in the Composite. The inception and creation of the Composite was January 1, 2011. A list of all composite and pooled fund investment strategies offered by the firm, with a description of each strategy, is available upon request. The type of portfolios in which each strategy is available (segregated account, limited distribution pooled fund, or broad distribution pooled fund) is indicated in the description of each strategy.

The investment performance statistics were calculated without provision for income taxes, present results with all dividend and interest income reinvested and are stated in U.S. Dollar terms. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request. The dispersion of annual returns is measured by the standard deviation across asset-weighted gross of fee returns represented within the Composite for a full year. Leverage is not used in any portfolio in this composite.

Gross of fee returns are presented before management and certain custodial fees, but after all trading expenses except where commissions have been waived. Net returns are presented net of any investment management fees and custody fees and reflect the deduction of a model fee equivalent to the highest applicable advisory fee. All returns are net of execution costs and exclude the effect of any income taxes. A representative asset based annual investment management fee schedule for this Composite is as follows: 0.60% on the first \$10,000,000; 0.50% on the next \$15,000,000; 0.40% over \$25,000,000.

The Russell 1000® Value Index measures the performance of the large-cap value segment of the US equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000 companies with relatively lower price-to-book ratios, lower I/B/E/S forecast medium term (2 year) growth, and lower sales per share historical growth (5 years). The Russell 1000® Value Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer for the large-cap value segment. The index is completely reconstituted annually to ensure new and growing equities are included and that the represented companies continue to reflect value characteristics. The index is representative of a broader market and range of securities than are found in the portfolio. Index returns assume reinvestment of all distributions and do not reflect the deduction of taxes and fees. An individual cannot invest directly in an index; however, an individual can invest in exchange-traded funds or other investment vehicles that attempt to track the performance of a benchmark index. Prior to January 1, 2019 the benchmark was the 3000® Value Index. The Russell 3000® Value Index measures the performance of the broad value segment of the US equity value universe. It includes those Russell 3000 companies with relatively lower price-to-book ratios, lower I/B/E/S forecast medium term (2 year) growth and lower sales per share historical growth (5 years). The change provides a benchmark that better reflects the objective of the Composite.

†Information is based on a representative account and is supplemental to the GIPS Report. The information of the representative portfolio shown may differ from that of the composite and of the other accounts in the composite.

²Source: Russell and Dean Capital Management, LLC

³Source: Zephyr StyleADVISOR

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