

# **SHORT DURATION INCOME FUND**

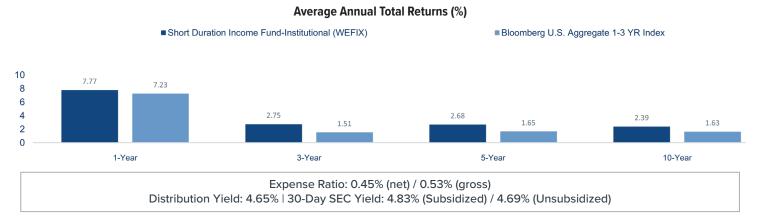
Focused on current income, with a history of strong performance.

### **Overall Morningstar Rating**<sup>™</sup>

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Morningstar rated WEFIX 5, 4 and 4 stars, among 522, 486, and 366 Short-Term Bond funds for the 3-, 5- and 10-year periods ended 9/30/2024, respectively.

# Strong Performance History



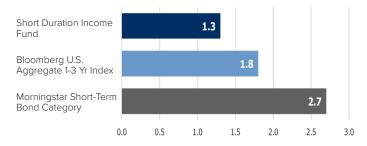
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# Positioned for Shifts in Interest Rates

### **Low Duration**

With its low-duration profile, the Fund is less sensitive to shifts in interest rates compared to the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (the Agg) and the Morningstar Short-Term Bond Category.

#### **Average Effective Duration**



### **Invests in Floating-Rate Securities**

Unlike the Agg, the Fund takes advantage of floating-rate securities – which are built with variable interest rates that change as benchmark rates change – thereby allowing investors to benefit if interest rates reprice materially higher. The Fund's floating rate securities include middle market CLOs and commercial real estate CLOs and carry credit risk.

#### Floating-Rate Security Allocation

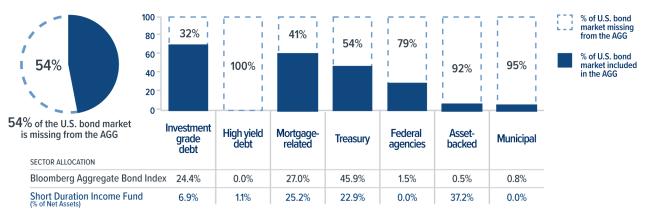




Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate 1-3 YR Index

### **Actively Opportunistic**

About half of the U.S. bond market isn't represented in the Agg – and structured credit is notably underexplored. We hunt these areas for opportunities to improve the portfolio's risk/reward profile, while limiting exposure to high-yield debt.

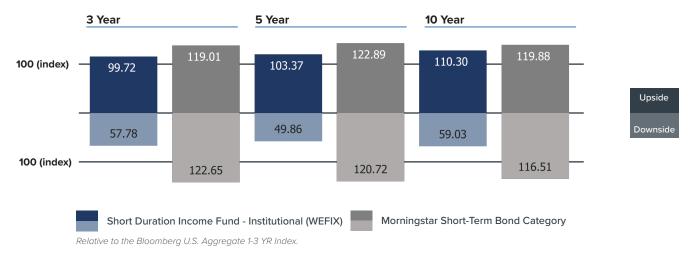


Source: SIFMA, Bloomberg. Market value of U.S. bond market relative to the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index is as of 09/30/2023. Fund and Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index sector allocation is as of 9/30/2024. \*High Yield Debt includes High Yield Corporates, Corporate Convertible Bonds and Non-Convertible Preferred Stocks. The Funds total high yield exposure as of 9/30/2024 is 1.2%.

# Durable in Up and Down Markets

### Strong upside/downside capture

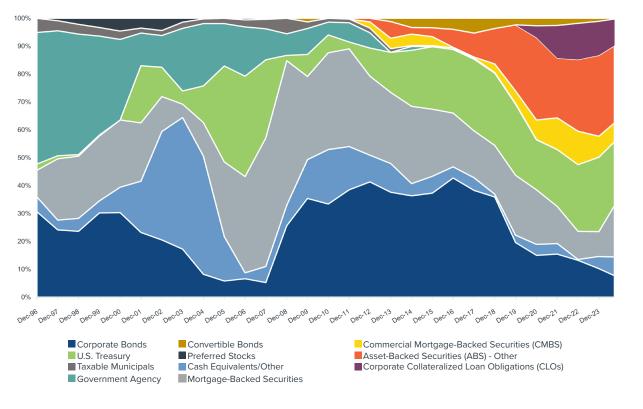
The Fund has participated in up markets while remaining durable in down markets, resulting in a favorable upside/downside capture ratio spread. (An upside capture ratio over 100 occurs when the Fund has outperformed the index during periods of positive index returns, and a downside capture of less than 100 occurs when the Fund has outperformed the index during periods of negative index returns. Upside/downside capture ratio spread is the difference between those two numbers.)



## **Flexibility Across Multiple Sectors**

The Fund invests in securities across multiple bond market sectors that we believe offer the best risk-adjusted returns at the time. This flexibility has allowed us to stay focused on the Fund's objectives resulting in allocations that we believe can benefit investors.

#### Fund Sector Allocation Over Time

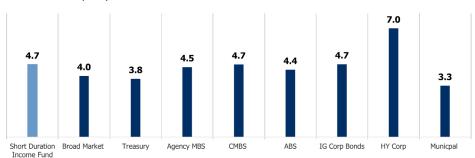


### Favorable Yield to Worst (YTW) Profile

The Fund's YTW is well above that of the Agg.

A bond's YTW is a measure that helps investors assess the lowest potential yield they could receive from a bond and provides insight into potential downside risks. A bond fund's YTW is the weighted average YTW of the underlying bonds in the portfolio.

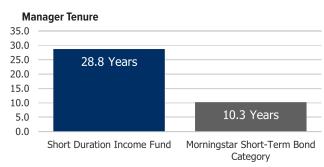
#### Yield To Worst (YTW)



## Experienced Hands at the Wheel

Tom Carney, CFA, is an industry veteran with four decades of experience. He has been managing fixed income portfolios at Weitz since 1996, giving him a deep background in managing through multiple full market cycles.

Nolan Anderson's industry experience dates back to 2004, having previously served in the Wells Fargo Financial Sponsors Group and as a commercial real estate analyst for WoodmenLife. He has been part of the Weitz fixed income team since 2011.







Tom Carney, CFA

Nolan Anderson

### Why Short Duration Income Fund?

- Active, flexible, high-conviction investment approach
- Diversified portfolio of high-quality bonds with an average duration of 1.0 to 3.5 years
- Benchmark agnostic, casting a wider net in search of the best risk/reward opportunities
- Led by one of the longest-tenured portfolio managers in the Morningstar Short-Term Bond category

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This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus or summary prospectus.

Fund expenses, as stated in the most recent Prospectus. Investment results reflect applicable fees and expenses and assume all distributions are reinvested but do not reflect the deduction of taxes an investor would pay on distributions or share redemptions. The Fund has entered into a fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement arrangement with the Investment Advisor by which the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive a portion of the Advisor's fee and reimburse certain expenses (excluding taxes, interest, brokerage costs, acquired fund fees and expenses and extraordinary expenses) to limit the total annual fund operating expenses of the Fund's average daily net assets through 7/31/2025.

Net and Gross Expense Ratios are as of the Fund's most recent prospectus. The **gross expense ratio** reflects the total annual operating expenses of the fund, before any fee waivers or reimbursements. The **net expense ratio** reflects the total annual operating expenses of the fund after taking into account any fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement. The net expense ratio represents what investors are ultimately charged to be invested in a mutual fund.

Holdings are subject to change and may not be representative of the Fund's current or future investments. Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Index performance is hypothetical and is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index. The **Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate 1-3 Year index** is generally representative of the market for investment grade, U.S. dollar denominated, fixed-rate taxable bonds with maturities from one to three years. **Morningstar Short-Term Bond Category** portfolios invest primarily in corporate and other investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues and have durations of one to 3.5 years (or, if duration is unavailable, average effective maturities of one to four years). These portfolios are attractive to fairly conservative investors, because they are less sensitive to interest rates than portfolios with longer durations.

Definitions: 30-Day SEC Yield represents net investment income earned by a fund over a 30-day period, expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the fund's share price at the end of the 30-day period. Average Effective Duration provides a measure of a fund's interest-rate sensitivity. The longer a fund's duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates. Collateralized loan obligations (CLOs) are a type of security backed by a pool of debt and structured as a series of fixed income tranches and a small portion of equity. Distribution Yield is the measurement of cash flow paid by a fund over a year. This rate does not represent the total return of a fund. Distributions may include income, short-term capital gains and long-term capital gains. The distribution yield is calculated by dividing the sum of all distributions paid by the fund over the trailing 12 months by the fund's NAV as of the date of the period presented. This calculation is based on distributions made in the past and is therefore not reflective of the fund's current portfolio. Downside Capture Ratio measures performance in down markets relative to the benchmark. Investment Grade Bonds are those securities rated at least BBB-. Middle market CLOs refer to collateralized loan obligations backed by loans made to smaller companies, which companies generally have earnings before interest, taxes, and amortization of less than \$75 million. Non-Investment Grade Bonds are those securities rated to as "high yield" or "junk" bonds) rated BB+ and below. Subsidized yield reflects fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, if any; yields would have been lower. Upside Capture Ratio measures performance in up markets relative to the benchmark. Unsubsidized yield does not adjust for any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements in effect. Yield to Worst (YTW) is the lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond portfolio without the issuers actually defaulting.

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**Consider these risks before investing:** All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Market risk includes political, regulatory, economic, social and health risks (including the risks presented by the spread of infectious diseases). Changing interest rates may have sudden and unpredictable effects in the markets and on the Fund's investments. The Fund may purchase lower-rated and unrated fixed-income securities, which involve an increased possibility that the issuers of these may not be able to make payments of interest and principal. **Credit risk** refers to the risk that the issuer of a debt security will fail to pay interest or principal in a timely manner or that negative perceptions of the issuers ability to make such payments will cause the price of that security to fall. See the Fund's prospectus for a further discussion of risks.

# Investors should consider carefully the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses of a fund before investing. This and other important information is contained in the prospectus and summary prospectus, which may be obtained at weitzinvestments.com or from a financial advisor. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

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