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## **Thornburg Core Plus Bond Fund**

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2300 North Ridgetop Road Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506 Thornburg Core Plus Bond Fund ("Core Plus Bond Fund") or the "Fund") is a diversified series of Thornburg Investment Trust (the "Trust"). This Statement of Additional Information relates to the investments made or proposed to be made by the Fund, investment policies governing the Fund, the Fund's management, and other issues of interest to a prospective purchaser of shares offered by the Fund.

This Statement of Additional Information is not a prospectus but should be read in conjunction with the Fund's "Thornburg Core Plus Bond Fund" Prospectus dated October 2, 2023 (the "Prospectus"). A copy of the Prospectus and, when available, the most recent Annual and Semi-Annual Reports for the Fund may be obtained at no charge by going to "Forms and Literature" on the Thornburg website at www.thornburg.com and clicking the appropriate hyperlink to view the current Prospectus or, when available, Financial Reports, by telephoning the Fund Support Representative at 1-800-847-0200, or by writing to the distributor of the Fund's shares, Thornburg Securities Corporation, at 2300 North Ridgetop Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506. This SAI is incorporated by reference into the Fund's Prospectus.

The description of investment policies and limitations that appears in this SAI and the Prospectus does not impose a contractual duty on the Fund or its investment advisor to comply with those policies and limitations, and no express or implied contract is created among the Fund and its shareholders by virtue of those shareholders having made an investment in the Fund or having received this SAI or the Prospectus. Furthermore, while the Trust may enter into contracts with third parties to manage the Fund's assets and provide other services, as described in this SAI and the Prospectus, the Trust and each such third party are the sole intended beneficiaries of those contracts, and the Fund's shareholders are not third party beneficiaries of those contracts.

No financial statements are available for the Fund because the Fund had not yet commenced investment operations as of the date of this SAI.

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### ORGANIZATION OF THE FUND

The Fund is a newly formed, diversified series of Thornburg Investment Trust, a Massachusetts business trust (the "Trust") organized on June 3, 1987 as a diversified, open-end management investment company under a Declaration of Trust (the "Declaration"). The Trust currently has 24 active Funds, one of which is described in this SAI. The Trustees are authorized to divide the Trust's shares into additional series and classes.

The assets received for the issue or sale of shares of the Fund and all income, earnings, profits, and proceeds thereof, subject only to the rights of creditors, are specifically allocated to the Fund, and constitute the underlying assets of the Fund. The underlying assets of the Fund are segregated on the books of account, and are charged with the liabilities with respect to the Fund and with a share of the general expense of the Trust. Expenses with respect to the Trust are allocated in proportion to the asset value of the respective series and classes of the Trust except where allocations of direct expense can otherwise be fairly made. The officers of the Trust, subject to the general supervision of the Trustees, determine which expenses are allocable the Fund, or are generally allocable to all of the series of the Trust (the "Funds"). In the event of the dissolution or liquidation of the Trust, shareholders of the Fund are entitled to receive as a class the underlying assets of the Fund which are available for distribution.

The Fund may in the future, rather than invest in securities generally, seek to achieve its investment objective by pooling its assets with assets of other funds for investment in another investment company having the same investment objective and substantially similar investment policies and restrictions as the Fund. The purpose of such an arrangement is to achieve greater operational efficiencies and to reduce cost. It is expected that any such investment company would be managed by Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. ("Thornburg") in a manner substantially similar to the Fund. Shareholders of the Fund would receive prior written notice of any such investment, but may not be entitled to vote on the action. Such an investment would be made only if at least a majority of the Trustees of the Fund determined it to be in the best interest of the Fund and its shareholders.

The Trust is an entity of the type commonly known as a "Massachusetts business trust." Under Massachusetts law, shareholders of such a trust may, under certain circumstances, be held personally liable for the obligations of the trust. The Declaration of Trust provides that the Trust shall not have any claim against shareholders except for the payment of the purchase price of shares. However, the risk of a shareholder incurring financial loss on account of shareholder liability is limited to circumstances in which the Fund itself would be unable to meet its obligations. Thornburg believes that, in view of the above, the risk of personal liability to shareholders is remote.

The Fund may hold special shareholder meetings and transmit proxy materials. These meetings may be called to elect or remove Trustees, change fundamental investment policies, or for other purposes. Shareholders not attending these meetings are encouraged to vote by proxy. The Fund will transmit proxy materials in advance, including a voting card and information about the proposals to be voted on. The number of votes you are entitled to is based upon the number of shares you own. Shares do not have cumulative rights or preemptive rights.

State Street Bank and Trust Company, Boston, Massachusetts, is custodian of the assets of the Fund. The Custodian is responsible for the safekeeping of the Fund's assets and the appointment of subcustodian banks and clearing agencies. The Custodian takes no part in determining the investment policies of the Fund or in deciding which securities are purchased or sold by the Fund.

### INVESTMENT POLICIES

The Fund's investment goal is to maximize total return, consistent with the long-term preservation of capital. This goal is the Fundamental policy of the Fund and may be changed only with shareholder approval. The Fund may not achieve its investment goal.

Information about the Fund's principal investment strategies and the principal risks associated with those investment strategies is provided in the Prospectus. A "principal investment strategy" of the Fund is a strategy which Thornburg anticipates may be important in pursuing the investment objective stated in the Fund's prospectus and which Thornburg anticipates may have a significant effect on the Fund's performance. In general, a security or investment strategy will not be considered a principal strategy of the Fund if it will not represent more than ten percent of the Fund's assets.

The following discussion supplements the information in the Prospectus by providing additional detail about some of the investments that the Fund is generally permitted, but not required, to make in pursuing the Fund's investment goal and certain risks associated with those investments or to which the Fund may be otherwise subject. Not all of the investments identified below will be used by the Fund, and some investments that may be used by the Fund would not ordinarily be considered a principal investment strategy of the Fund. In general, the Fund may make any investment, including investments which are not identified below, if the investment advisor reasonably believes that the investment is consistent with the Fund's investment goal and policies and the Fund's investment limitations do not expressly prohibit the Fund from doing so.

Under certain circumstances, the Fund is only permitted to invest a certain percentage of its assets in a particular investment strategy. For more information about the specific investment limitations that may be applicable to the Fund, please refer to the Prospectus and to the "Investment Limitations" section of this Statement of Additional Information. For purposes of any such limitation on the percentage of the Fund's assets that could be invested in a particular investment strategy, the term "assets" means net assets of the Fund (determined immediately after and as a result of the Fund's acquisition of a given investment) plus the amount of borrowings for investment purposes.

## **Investing in Debt Obligations**

Bonds and other debt obligations are used by issuers to borrow money from investors. The issuer pays the investor a fixed or variable rate of interest, and must repay the amount borrowed at maturity. The values and yields of debt obligations are dependent upon a variety of factors, including the condition of the general market, general market interest rates, the size of a particular debt offering, the maturity of the debt obligations, and the creditworthiness and rating of the issuer. Variations in the value of a debt obligation held in the Fund's portfolio arising from these or other factors will cause changes in the net asset value of the Fund's shares.

The following discussion contains additional detail about debt obligations, including some of the specific types of debt obligations in which the Fund may invest and certain risks associated with those investments. You should read the Prospectus for more information about the characteristics and risks of debt obligations. You should also read "Investing in Foreign Debt Obligations" below for information about some of the characteristics and risks of foreign debt obligations.

### **Bond Ratings**

Rating

Many bonds and other debt obligations are assigned credit ratings by ratings agencies such as Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's") or S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"). The ratings of Moody's and S&P represent their current opinions as to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debt obligations which the ratings agencies undertake to rate. In determining credit ratings, ratings agencies evaluate each issuer's capacity and willingness to meet its financial commitments as they come due, and may assess terms, such as collateral security and subordination, which could affect payment in the event of the issuer's default.

While credit ratings may be helpful in evaluating the safety of principal and interest payments under debt obligations, credit ratings do not reflect the risk that market values of debt obligations will fluctuate with changes in interest rates, general economic trends or other factors. Accordingly, even the highest rated debt obligation may experience wide price movements. Credit rating agencies may also fail to change credit ratings in a timely fashion to reflect events occurring subsequent to the initial ratings. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that credit ratings are general and are not absolute standards of quality. Debt obligations with the same maturity, coupon and rating may have different yields, while debt obligations of the same maturity and coupon with different ratings may have the same yield.

In addition to using information provided by ratings agencies, Thornburg will subject each debt obligation under consideration for investment to its own credit analysis in an effort to assess each issuer's financial soundness. This analysis is performed by Thornburg for a particular debt obligation at the time that the Fund purchases that obligation and will be reviewed by Thornburg from time to time thereafter.

Each ratings agency uses its own rating classification system to indicate the credit rating assigned to a particular debt obligation. In general, the ratings agencies classify debt obligations into two categories for purposes of the ratings process – long term and short term. The ratings agencies typically assign short term ratings to debt obligations that are considered short term in the relevant market. In the United States, for example, the ratings agencies deem short term debt obligations to include commercial paper and other obligations with an original maturity of no more than 365 days. The following is a brief description of the applicable ratings symbols and their meanings for each of Moody's and S&P.

Description

Ratings for Long Term Debt Obligations

Rating	Description
Aaa (Moody's) AAA (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be of the highest quality, with minimal credit risk. The issuer is determined to have an extremely strong capacity to pay principal and interest on the obligation.
Aa (Moody's) AA (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be of high quality, with very low credit risk. The issuer is determined to have a very strong capacity to pay principal and interest on the obligation.
A (Moody's and S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be of upper-medium grade quality, with low credit risk. The issuer is determined to have a strong capacity to pay principal and interest on the obligation.
Baa (Moody's) BBB (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be of medium grade quality, with moderate credit risk and certain speculative characteristics. Adverse economic conditions may weaken the ability of the issuer to pay principal and interest on the obligation. This is the last of the ratings categories commonly referred to as "investment grade."
Ba (Moody's) BB (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to have speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk. The issuer may face major ongoing uncertainties, and adverse economic conditions may weaken the ability of the issuer to pay principal and interest on the obligation. This is the first of the ratings categories commonly referred to as "below investment grade," "non-investment grade" or "speculative grade."
B (Moody's and S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be speculative and subject to high credit risk. Although the issuer currently has the capacity to make principal and interest payments on the obligation, adverse economic conditions will likely impair the ability of the issuer to meet those financial commitments.
Caa (Moody's) CCC (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be of poor standing and subject to very high credit risk. Such obligations are currently vulnerable to nonpayment by the issuer, particularly in the event of adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances.
Ca (Moody's) CC (S&P)	Debt obligations judged to be highly speculative. These obligations are likely in, or very near, default, with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest.
C (Moody's and S&P)	Debt obligations that are currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment, debt obligations that permit payment arrearages, or debt obligations of an issuer that is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or similar action but has not yet experienced a payment default. These obligations have little prospect for recovery of principal and interest.
D (Moody's and S&P)	Debt obligations that are currently in payment default.

Moody's may append the numerical modifiers 1, 2 or 3 to any debt obligation rated Aa through Caa to indicate the relative standing of that obligation within its principal rating category. Similarly, S&P may append a "+" or "-" to any debt obligation rated AA through CCC to indicate the relative standing of that obligation within its principal rating category. The foregoing ratings are sometimes presented in parentheses preceded with "Con." (Moody's) or "p" (S&P), indicating that the obligations are rated conditionally/provisionally. Bonds for which the security depends upon the completion of some act or the fulfillment of some condition may be rated in this fashion. The parenthetical rating denotes the probable credit status upon completion of construction or elimination of the basis of the condition.

Rating	Description
P-1 (Moody's)	Issuer has a superior ability to repay its short term debt obligations. S&P may also designate this type of obligation
A-1 (S&P)	with a "+" to indicate that the issuer's capacity to repay the obligation is extremely strong.
P-2 (Moody's)	Issuer has a strong ability to repay its short term debt obligations, though repayment of these obligations is somewhat
A-2 (S&P)	more susceptible to adverse economic conditions than obligations in the higher rated category.
P-3 (Moody's)	Issuer has an acceptable ability to repay its short term debt obligations. Adverse economic conditions are more likely
A-3 (S&P)	to weaken the ability of the issuer to meet its financial commitments on these types of obligations.
NP (Moody's)	To the extent a short term debt obligation does not fall into one of the three previous categories, Moody's identifies that obligation as NP or Not Prime.
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B (S&P)	The short term debt obligation is judged to have significant speculative characteristics. Although the issuer currently has the capacity to meet financial commitments on these obligations, the issuer faces ongoing uncertainties which could affect the issuer's ability to meet those commitments. S&P may further delineate this ratings category into "B-1," "B-2" or "B-3 to indicate the relative standing of an obligation within the category.
C (S&P)	The short term debt obligation is currently vulnerable to nonpayment, and the issuer is dependent on favorable economic conditions to continue to meet its commitments on the obligation.
D (S&P)	The short term debt obligation is in payment default.

Ratings of Municipal Notes. In addition to the foregoing, the ratings agencies may separately categorize municipal notes. Municipal notes are debt obligations issued by states, cities and local authorities and which mature in one year or less. When rating municipal notes, Moody's uses ratings symbols MIG 1, MIG 2, MIG 3, MIG 4 and SG, and S&P uses ratings symbols SP-1+, SP-1, SP-2 and SP-3. As with the ratings systems used for other debt obligations, the rating agencies' categorization of municipal notes reflects a decreasing judgment of the ability of the issuer to meet its financial obligations under the note.

Dual Ratings. The rating agencies may assign dual ratings to all long term debt obligations that have a demand or multiple redemption feature. The first rating addresses the likelihood of repayment of principal and interest as due and the second rating addresses only the demand feature. The long term debt rating symbols are used to denote the long term maturity and the short term debt rating symbols are used to denote the put option (for example, "AAA/A-1+"). For certain "demand notes" maturing in 3 years or less, the respective municipal note rating symbols, combined with the short term debt obligation symbols, are used (for example, "SP-1/A-1").

## Determining a Portfolio's Average Maturity

As discussed in the Prospectus, the Fund may seek to reduce changes in the value of its shares by maintaining a portfolio of investments with a certain dollar-weighted average maturity. A debt obligation's maturity generally represents the time remaining until the principal amount of that obligation becomes due and payable.

For purposes of determining an investment's maturity, Thornburg will treat a debt obligation as having a maturity earlier than its stated maturity date if the instrument has technical features (such as put or demand features) or a variable rate of interest which, in the judgment of Thornburg, will result in the instrument being valued in the market as though it has an earlier maturity.

In addition, the Fund may estimate the expected maturities of certain securities it purchases in connection with achieving its investment objectives. Certain obligations, such as United States Treasury Bills and United States Treasury Notes, have stated maturities. However, other obligations the Fund may acquire are interests in pools of mortgages or other loans having varying maturities. Due to prepayments of the underlying mortgage instruments or other loans, such securities do not have a known actual maturity (the stated maturity date of collateralized mortgage obligations is, in effect, the maximum maturity date). In order to determine whether such a security is a suitable and permissible investment for the Fund (and assuming the security otherwise qualifies for purchase by the Fund), the security's remaining term will be deemed equivalent to the estimated average life of the underlying mortgages at the time of purchase of the security by the Fund. Average life will be estimated by the Fund based on Thornburg's evaluation of likely prepayment rates after taking into account current interest rates, current conditions in the relevant housing markets and such other factors as it deems appropriate. There can be no assurance that the average life as estimated will be the actual average life. For example, the mortgage instruments in the pools underlying mortgage-backed securities may have a range of different original maturities. The average life of such a security at the time of purchase by the Fund is likely to be substantially less than the maximum original maturity of the mortgage instruments underlying the security because of prepayments of the mortgage instruments, the passage of time from the issuance of the security until its purchase by the Fund and, in some cases, the wide dispersion of the original maturity dates of the underlying mortgage instruments.

Certain securities which have variable or floating interest rates or demand or put features may be deemed by Thornburg to have remaining actual lives which are less than their stated nominal lives. In addition, certain asset-backed securities which have variable or floating interest rates may be deemed by Thornburg to have remaining lives which are less than the stated maturity dates of the underlying mortgages.

### Determining a Debt Obligation's Duration

The Fund seeks to reduce changes in the value of its shares by maintaining a maintain a portfolio of investments with a dollar-weighted average duration that falls within two years of the dollar-weighted average duration of the Fund's benchmark index, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. Duration is an estimate of the sensitivity of a debt obligation to changes in interest rates, and is consequently a measure of interest rate risk. The duration of a given debt obligation represents an approximation of the expected percentage change in a debt obligation's value in response to a change in interest rates. Duration is commonly expressed as a number of years, and the value of an obligation or a portfolio of obligations with a higher number—a longer duration—will be more volatile in response to changes in interest rates.

Computations of duration for a specific debt obligation or for a portfolio of debt obligations will vary depending upon various factors, including the assumptions employed in performing the computations. Because duration figures are estimates, the actual changes in market values of specific debt obligations or portfolios of obligations may be different from the estimated changes in valuations based upon durations computed for the obligations or portfolios of obligations.

#### **Lower-Quality Debt Obligations**

The Fund may purchase debt obligations which are of lower-quality at the time of purchase or which, due to issuer default or credit ratings downgrades, are determined subsequent to purchase to be of lower-quality. Under normal conditions, the Fund may invest up to twenty-five percent of its portfolio in such lower-quality debt obligations.

For these purposes, "lower-quality" debt obligations include debt obligations rated below Baa by Moody's or BBB by S&P, and unrated securities judged by Thornburg to be of equivalent quality. Lower-quality debt obligations typically have poor protection with respect to the payment of interest and repayment of principal, and may be in default. These obligations are often considered to be speculative and involve greater risk of loss or price changes due to changes in the issuer's capacity to pay. The market prices of lower-quality debt obligations may fluctuate more than those of higher-quality debt obligations and may decline significantly in periods of general economic difficulty, which may follow periods of rising interest rates.

The market for lower-quality debt obligations may be thinner and less active than that for higher-quality debt obligations, which can adversely affect the prices at which the former are sold. If the Fund experiences unexpected net redemptions, it could be forced to sell lower-quality debt obligations in its portfolio at disadvantageous prices without regard to those obligations' investment merits, which could depress the Fund's net asset value and reduce the Fund's overall investment performance. If market quotations are not available, lower-quality debt obligations will be valued in accordance with procedures established by Thornburg, subject to the oversight of the Trustees, including the use of outside pricing services. Judgment plays a greater role in valuing lower-quality debt obligations than is the case for securities for which more external sources for quotations and last-sale information are available. Adverse publicity and changing investor perceptions may affect the ability of outside pricing services to value lower-quality debt obligations and the Fund's ability to sell these securities. Since the risk of default is higher for lower-quality debt obligations, Thornburg's research and credit analysis are an especially important part of managing securities of this type held by the Fund. In considering investments for the Fund, Thornburg will attempt to identify those issuers of high-yielding securities whose financial condition is adequate to meet future obligations, has improved, or is expected to improve in the future. Thornburg's analysis focuses on relative values based on such factors as interest or dividend coverage, asset coverage, earnings prospects, and the experience and managerial strength of the issuer.

The Fund may choose, for example in the event of a default by the issuer of a debt obligation, at the Fund's expense or in conjunction with others, to pursue litigation or otherwise to exercise its rights as a security holder to seek to protect the interests of security holders if it determines this to be in the best interest of the Fund's shareholders.

The Fund may also invest from time to time in unrated obligations in municipal obligations that are unrated. Unrated obligations may be less liquid than comparable rated obligations and may be more difficult to value. Moreover, unrated obligations may be more difficult for Thornburg to evaluate and there is the risk that Thornburg may not accurately evaluate an investment's actual credit quality. In particular, an unrated obligation that Thornburg believes is equivalent to an investment grade obligation could ultimately exhibit characteristics associated with lesser rated obligations.

## Mortgage-Backed Securities, Mortgage Pass-Through Securities and Asset-Backed Securities

Mortgage-Backed Securities. The Fund may invest in mortgage-backed securities, in debt obligations which are secured with collateral consisting of mortgage-backed securities (see "Structured Finance Arrangements - Collateralized Mortgage Obligations" below), and in other types of mortgage-related securities.

Mortgage-backed securities are interests in pools of mortgage loans, including mortgage loans made by savings and loan institutions, mortgage bankers, commercial banks and others. Pools of mortgage loans are assembled as securities for sale to investors by various governmental, government-related and private organizations. A decline in interest rates may lead to a faster rate of repayment of the underlying mortgages, which may expose the Fund to a lower rate of return upon reinvestment of the prepayments. Additionally, the potential for prepayments in a declining interest rate environment might tend to limit to some degree the increase in net asset value of the Fund because the value of some mortgage-backed securities held by the Fund may not appreciate as rapidly as the price of non-callable debt obligations. During periods of increasing interest rates, prepayments likely will be reduced, and the value of the mortgage-backed securities will decline.

Interests in pools of mortgage-backed securities differ from other forms of debt obligations. Whereas other forms of debt obligations normally provide for periodic payment of interest in fixed amounts with principal payments at maturity or specified call dates, mortgage-backed securities provide a monthly payment which consists of both interest and principal payments. In effect, these payments are a "pass-through" of the monthly payments made by the individual borrowers on their mortgage loans, net of any fees paid to the issuer or insurer of such securities. Additional payments are caused by repayments of principal resulting from the sale of the underlying property, or upon refinancing or foreclosure, net of fees or costs which may be incurred. Some mortgage-related securities (such as securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association) are described as "modified pass-through." These securities entitle the holder to receive all interest and principal payments owed on the mortgage pool, net of certain fees, on the scheduled payment dates regardless of whether or not the mortgagor actually makes the payment.

The principal governmental guarantor of mortgage-related securities is the Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae"). Ginnie Mae is a whollyowned United States Government corporation within the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Ginnie Mae is authorized to guarantee, with the full faith and credit of the United States government, the timely payment of principal and interest on securities issued by institutions approved by Ginnie Mae (such as savings and loan institutions, commercial banks and mortgage bankers) and backed by pools of mortgages insured or guaranteed by the Federal Housing Administration, the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs or the Farmers Home Administration. These guarantees, however, do not apply to the market value or yield of mortgage-backed securities or to the value of Fund shares. Also, Ginnie Mae securities often are purchased at a premium over the maturity value of the underlying mortgages. This premium is not guaranteed and will be lost if prepayment occurs.

Government-related guarantors (i.e., not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government) include the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac"). Fannie Mae is a government-sponsored corporation subject to general regulation by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Fannie Mae purchases conventional (i.e., not insured or guaranteed by any government agency) mortgages from a list of approved seller/servicers which include state and federally-chartered savings loan associations, mutual savings banks, commercial banks and credit unions and mortgage bankers. Pass-through securities issued by Fannie Mae are guaranteed as to timely payment of principal and interest by Fannie Mae but are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government. Freddie Mac is a corporate instrumentality of the United States Government and was created by Congress in 1970 for the purpose of increasing the availability of mortgage credit for residential housing. Its stock is owned by the twelve Federal Home Loan Banks. Freddie Mac issues Participation Certificates ("PCs"), which represent interests in conventional mortgages from Freddie Mac's national portfolio. Freddie Mac guarantees the timely payment of interest and ultimate collection of principal, but PCs are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government.

In September 2008, the U.S. Government placed Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac into conservatorship overseen by the Federal Housing Finance Authority. That arrangement is intended to provide additional financial support to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Since 2009, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have also each received significant capital support through the purchase of United States Treasury stock, and the United States Treasury has announced its expectation that it would continue providing such support in order to prevent either Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac from having negative net worth. Despite these measures, there can be no assurance that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac will remain successful in meeting their financial commitments under the debt obligations that they issue or guarantee. There is also an ongoing debate among federal policy makers regarding whether Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac should be nationalized, privatized, restructured, or eliminated altogether.

Mortgage Pass-Through Securities. The Fund may also purchase pass-through pools of conventional mortgage loans that have been created by commercial banks, savings and loan institutions, private mortgage insurance companies, mortgage bankers and other secondary market issuers. Such issuers may, in addition, be the originators and/or servicers of the underlying mortgage loans as well as the guarantors of the mortgage-related securities. Pools created by such non-governmental issuers generally offer a higher rate of interest than government and government-related pools because there are no direct or indirect government or agency guarantees of payments. Timely payment of interest and principal of these pools may be supported by various forms of insurance or guarantees, including individual loan, title, pool and hazard insurance and letters of credit. The insurance and guarantees are issued by governmental entities, private insurers and the mortgage poolers. Such insurance and guarantees and the creditworthiness of the issuers thereof will be considered in determining whether a mortgage-related security meets the Fund's investment quality standards, if any. There can be no assurance that the private insurer or guarantors can meet their obligations under the insurance policies or guarantee arrangements. The Fund may buy mortgage-related securities without insurance or guarantees if, through an examination of the loan experience and practices of the originators/servicers and poolers, Thornburg determines that the securities meet the Fund's quality standards. Although the market for such securities is becoming increasingly liquid, securities issued by certain private organizations may not be readily marketable.

Asset-Backed Securities. The Fund may invest in asset-backed securities.

The securitization techniques used to develop mortgage-backed securities (see "Mortgage-Backed Securities" and "Mortgage Pass-Through Securities" above) are also applied to a broad range of assets. Through the use of trusts and special purpose corporations, various types of assets, including automobile loans, computer leases and credit card receivables, are securitized in pass-through structures similar to the mortgage pass-through structures described below or in structures similar to the CMO pattern (see "Structured Finance Arrangements -- Collateralized Mortgage Obligations" below). In general, the collateral supporting these securities is of shorter maturity than mortgage loans and is less likely to experience substantial prepayments with interest rate fluctuations.

One example of this type of asset-backed security is a Certificate of Automobile Receivables ("CARS"). CARS represent undivided fractional interests in a trust whose assets consist of a pool of motor vehicle retail installment sales contracts and security interests in the vehicles securing the contracts. Payments of principal and interests on CARS are passed through monthly to certificate holders, and are guaranteed up to certain amounts and for a certain time period by a letter of credit issued by a financial institution unaffiliated with the trustee or originator of the trust. An investor's return on CARS may be affected by early prepayment of principal on the underlying vehicle sales contracts. If the letter of credit is exhausted, the trust may be prevented from realizing the full amount due on a sales contract because of state law requirements and restrictions relating to foreclosure sales of vehicles and the obtaining of deficiency judgments following such sales or because of depreciation, damage or loss of a vehicle, the application of federal and state bankruptcy and insolvency laws, or other factors. As a result, certificate holders may experience delays in payments or losses if the letter of credit is exhausted.

Asset-backed securities may present certain risks that are not presented by mortgage-backed securities. Primarily, these securities may not have the benefit of any security interest in the related assets. Credit card receivables are generally unsecured and the debtors are entitled to the protection of bankruptcy laws and of a number of state and federal consumer credit laws, many of which give such debtors the right to set off certain amounts owed on the credit cards, thereby reducing the balance due. There is the possibility that recoveries on repossessed collateral may not, in some cases, be available to support payments on these securities.

Asset-backed securities are often backed by a pool of assets representing the obligations of a number of different parties. To lessen the effect of failures by obligors on underlying assets to make payments, the securities may contain elements of credit support which fall into two categories: (i) liquidity protection; and (ii) protection against losses resulting from ultimate default by an obligor on the underlying assets. Liquidity protection refers to the provision of advances, generally by the entity administering the pool assets, to ensure that the receipt of payment on the underlying pool occurs in a timely fashion. Protection against losses results from payment of the insurance obligations on at least a portion of the assets in the pool by the issuer or sponsor from third parties, through various means of structuring the transaction or through a combination of such approaches. The Fund, as a possible purchaser of such securities, will not pay any additional or separate fees for credit support. The degree of credit support provided for each issue is generally based on historical information respecting the level of credit risk associated with the underlying assets. Delinquency or loss in excess of that anticipated or failure of the credit support could adversely affect the return on an investment in such a security.

The Fund may also invest in residual interests in asset-backed securities. In the case of asset-backed securities issued in a pass-through structure, the cash flow generated by the underlying assets is applied to make required payments on the securities and to pay related administrative expenses. The residual in an asset-backed security pass-through structure represents the interest in any excess cash flow remaining after making the foregoing payments. The amount of the residual will depend on, among other things, the characteristics of the underlying assets, the coupon rates on the securities, prevailing interest rates, the amount of administrative expenses and the actual prepayment experience on the underlying assets. Asset-backed security residuals not registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "1933 Act") may be subject to certain restrictions on transferability. In addition, there may be no liquid market for such securities.

The availability of asset-backed securities may be affected by legislative or regulatory developments. It is possible that such developments may require the Fund holding these securities to dispose of the securities.

Thornburg expects that governmental, government-related or private entities may create mortgage-backed, mortgage pass-through and asset-backed securities in addition to those described above. If otherwise consistent with the Fund's investment objectives, policies and quality standards, Thornburg may consider investing on behalf of the Fund in such new types of investments.

## **Municipal Obligations**

The Fund may invest in municipal obligations.

Municipal obligations include debt and lease obligations issued by states, cities and local authorities to obtain funds for various public purposes, including the construction of a wide range of public facilities such as airports, bridges, highways, housing, hospitals, mass transportation, schools, streets and water and sewer works. Other public purposes for which municipal obligations may be issued include the refunding of outstanding obligations, the procurement of funds for general operating expenses and the procurement of funds to lend to other public institutions and facilities. In addition, certain types of industrial development bonds are issued by or on behalf of public authorities to obtain funds to provide privately-operated housing facilities, sports facilities, convention or trade show facilities, airport, mass transit, port or parking facilities, air or water pollution control facilities and certain local facilities for water supply, gas, electricity or sewage or solid waste disposal. Municipal obligations have also been issued to finance single-family mortgage loans and to finance student loans. Such obligations are included within the term "municipal obligations" for this discussion if the interest paid thereon is exempt from federal income tax.

Municipal obligations are generally classified as municipal bonds or municipal notes. A municipal bond typically has a maturity of more than one year and is issued by a state, city or local authority to meet longer-term capital needs. The two principal classifications of municipal bonds are "general obligation" and "revenue" bonds. General obligation bonds are secured by the issuer's pledge of its faith, credit and taxing power for the payment of principal and interest. Revenue bonds are payable only from the revenues derived from a particular facility or class of facilities or, in some cases, from the proceeds of a specific revenue source. Industrial development bonds are in most cases revenue bonds and are generally not secured by the pledge of the credit or taxing power of the issuer of such bonds. There are, of course, variations in the security of municipal bonds, both within a particular classification and between classifications, depending on numerous factors. In contrast to municipal bonds, municipal notes typically have a maturity of one year or less and are issued by states, cities and local authorities to provide for short-term capital needs, often as an interim step in anticipation of the municipality receiving future revenue.

From time to time, proposals have been introduced before Congress for the purpose of restricting or eliminating the federal income tax exemption for interest on municipal securities. Similar proposals may be introduced in the future. These proposals, if enacted, may have the effect of reducing the availability of investments in municipal obligations and may adversely affect the value of the Fund's portfolio.

Auction Rate Securities. An auction rate security is a municipal obligation with a long-term nominal maturity for which the interest rate is reset at specific shorter frequencies (typically every seven to 35 days) through an auction process. The auction is a competitive bidding process used to determine interest rates on each auction date. In the auction, broker dealers submit bids to the auction agent on behalf of investors. The winning bid rate is the rate at which the auction clears, meaning the lowest possible interest rate at which the specific issue of municipal obligations can be sold at par. The clearing rate of interest established in the auction is paid on the entire issue of the municipal obligations for the upcoming period to the holders of those obligations. Investors who bid an interest rate above the clearing rate of interest receive no portion of the issue of municipal obligations, while those whose bids were at or below the clearing rate receive the clearing rate for the next period. Although the auction rate process is intended to permit the holders of a given issue of municipal obligations to sell their holdings at par in the auction at specified intervals, there is the risk that an auction will fail due to an insufficient demand for the obligations that are the subject of the auction, preventing the holders of the obligations from disposing of their holdings, potentially for an indeterminate period of time. In addition, auction rate securities may be subject to changes in interest rates, including decreased interest rates, thereby reducing the yields to holders of the obligations.

Fixed Rate Demand Obligations. The Fund may purchase fixed rate municipal demand obligations or instruments either in the public market or privately. Such instruments may provide for periodic adjustment of the interest rate paid to the holder. The "demand" feature permits the holder to demand payment of principal and interest prior to the instrument's final stated maturity, either from the issuer or by drawing on a bank letter of credit, a guarantee or insurance issued with respect to the instrument. In some cases these demand instruments may be in the form of units, each of which consists of (i) a municipal obligation and (ii) a separate put option entitling the holder to sell to the issuer of such option the municipal obligation in the unit, or an equal aggregate principal amount of another municipal obligation of the same issuer, issue and maturity as the municipal obligation, at a fixed price on specified dates during the term of the put option. In those cases, each unit taken as a whole will be considered a municipal obligation, based upon an accompanying opinion of counsel.

Floating Rate and Variable Rate Demand Obligations. Floating rate and variable rate demand notes, obligations or instruments are municipal obligations or participations therein, either publicly underwritten and traded or privately purchased, that provide for a periodic adjustment of the interest rate paid on the instrument and may permit the holder to demand payment of the unpaid principal amount and accrued interest upon not more than seven days' notice either from the issuer or by drawing on a bank letter of credit, a guarantee or insurance issued with respect to such instrument. Such letters of credit, guarantees or insurance will be considered in determining whether a municipal obligation meets the Fund's investment criteria. The issuer of a variable rate demand instrument may have the corresponding right to prepay the principal amount prior to maturity.

Mortgage-Backed Municipal Obligations. Some municipal obligations the Fund may purchase are backed by mortgage loans made by financial institutions or governmental agencies to finance single and multi-family housing projects or other real estate-related projects. Repayment of these municipal obligations may be secured by the revenues from a single housing project, or may be secured by a number of housing units. Interests in securities backed by a pool of mortgages on multiple housing units differ from other forms of debt obligation, which normally provide for periodic payment of interest in fixed amounts with principal payments at maturity or specified payment dates. Instead, these securities provide for a periodic (typically monthly) payment which consists of both interest and principal payments. For more information about the characteristics and risks of mortgage-backed securities, see "Mortgage-Backed Securities, Mortgage Pass-Through Securities and Asset-Backed Securities" above.

Municipal Leases. The Fund may at times invest in municipal obligations, including lease revenue bonds and certificates of participation, which provide the Fund with a proportionate interest in payments made by the governmental issuer on an underlying municipal lease. Although municipal lease obligations do not constitute general obligations of the governmental issuer for which the issuer's taxing power is pledged, these lease obligations are typically backed by the issuer's covenant to budget for, appropriate and make the payments due on the underlying lease. However, certain municipal lease obligations may include "non-appropriation" clauses, which provide that the governmental issuer has no obligation to make lease payments unless money is appropriated each year for that purpose. While the lease obligation might be secured by the leased property, it might be difficult for the Fund to dispose of the leased property in case of a default by the governmental lessee. In addition, some municipal lease obligations may be less liquid than other debt obligations, making it difficult for the Fund to sell the obligation at an acceptable price. In seeking to reduce the special risks associated with investment by the Fund in municipal lease obligations, Thornburg will consider: (i) whether the underlying lease can be canceled; (ii) whether the nature of the leased equipment or property is such that its ownership or use is deemed essential to a governmental function of the governmental lessee (e.g., the potential for an "event of nonappropriation"); (iii) in cases where the obligation gives the Fund a secured interest in the underlying equipment, whether that equipment has elements of portability or use that enhance its marketability in the event of a default by the governmental lessee; (iv) whether the governmental issuer's general credit is adequate; and (v) such other factors concerning credit quality or the Fund's legal recourse in the event of a default by the governmental issuer as Thornburg may deem relevant. Thornburg will also evaluate the liquidity of each municipal lease obligation upon its acquisition and periodically while it is held based upon various factors, including: (a) the frequency of trades and quotes for the obligation; (b) the number of dealers who will buy or sell the obligation and the potential buyers for the obligation; (c) the willingness of dealers to make a market for the obligation; (d) the nature and timing of marketplace trades; and (e) such other factors concerning the trading market as Thornburg may deem relevant.

Tender Option Bonds. The Fund may invest in tender option bonds. Tender option bonds are created when the owner or owners of one or more fixed rate municipal obligations sell or transfer those obligations to a trust that is sponsored by a broker-dealer or other third party. The trust then issues two new securities, each of which represents a beneficial interest in the trust. One of these securities is a short-term, floating-rate security, sometimes referred to as a "senior certificate" or a "floater." The interest rate on the senior certificate is initially set at a level that is lower than the interest rate on the underlying municipal obligation(s), and resets periodically based on the movement of a short-term benchmark interest rate. The senior certificates also have a demand feature which permits the security holder to put the security back to the trust after a specified notice period. In that event the security holder is entitled to receive the principal amount of the senior certificate plus accrued interest. Those amounts are paid by either the sponsor of the trust or by a third party that acts as a liquidity provider for the trust. The other security issued by the trust is a long-term, floating-rate security, sometimes referred to as a "residual interest" or an "inverse floater." The residual interests pay an interest rate equal to the interest that is paid on the underlying municipal obligation(s) less the interest that was paid to the holders of the senior certificates and less any expenses of the trust. Unlike the senior certificates, the residual interest securities do not have a put feature. Upon maturity of the underlying municipal obligation(s) or another event which causes the termination or liquidation of the trust, holders of the senior certificates are generally entitled to receive whatever amounts remain in trust after payment to the senior certificate holders and payment of trust expenses.

The senior certificates are sold to third parties, which may include the Fund, in a private placement transaction. Because the senior certificates have first priority to the cash flows from the underlying municipal obligation(s), and because the holders of senior certificates have a right to put those securities back to the trustee or to a third party liquidity facility, investments in senior securities are generally perceived as involving less interest rate, credit, and market risk than investments in the residual interests. Investors in senior certificates are, however, exposed to the risk that the trust sponsor or third party liquidity facility fails to meet its contractual obligation to buy back the security when the investor exercises its put option.

The residual interests are issued to the person(s) that transferred the municipal obligation(s) to the trust. The residual interest holders also receive the proceeds from the sale of the senior certificates, less certain transaction costs and trustee fees. Risks associated with an investment in residual interests include the risks associated with an investment in the underlying municipal obligations, and the risk that increases in short-term interest rates will increase interest payments to the senior certificate holders and therefore reduce interest payments to the residual interest holders. Investments in residual interests also typically involve leverage, which may magnify an investor's losses.

## Structured Finance Arrangements

Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ("CMOs"). The Fund may invest in CMOs.

A CMO is a hybrid between a mortgage-backed bond and a mortgage pass-through security (see discussion of those instruments under "Mortgage-Backed Securities, Mortgage Pass-Through Securities and Asset-Backed Securities" above). Similar to a bond, interest and prepaid principal are paid, in most cases, semiannually. CMOs may be collateralized by whole mortgage loans but are more typically collateralized by portfolios of mortgage pass-through securities guaranteed by Ginnie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Fannie Mae, and their income streams.

CMOs are structured into multiple classes, each bearing a different stated maturity. Actual maturity and average life will depend upon the prepayment experience of the collateral. CMOs provide for a modified form of call protection through a de facto breakdown of the underlying pool of mortgages according to how quickly the loans are repaid. Monthly payment of principal received from the pool of underlying mortgages, including prepayments, is first returned to investors holding the shortest maturity class. Investors holding the longer maturity classes receive principal only after the first class has been retired. An investor is partially guarded against unanticipated early return of principal because of the sequential payments.

In a typical CMO transaction, a corporation issues multiple series, (e.g., A, B, C, Z) of CMO bonds. Proceeds of the offering are used to purchase mortgage pass-through certificates (the "collateral"). The collateral is pledged to a third party trustee as security for the CMO bonds. Principal and interest payments from the collateral are used to pay principal on the CMO bonds in the order A, B, C, Z. The Series A, B, and C bonds all bear current interest. Interest on the Series Z bond is accrued and added to principal and a like amount is paid as principal on the Series A, B, or C bond currently being paid off. Once the Series A, B, and C bonds are paid in full, interest and principal on the Series Z Bond begins to be paid currently. With some CMOs, the issuer serves as a conduit to allow loan originators (primarily builders or savings and loan associations) to borrow against their loan portfolios.

The market for some CMOs may be less liquid than other debt obligations, making it difficult for the Fund to value its investment in the CMO or sell the CMO at an acceptable price.

The Fund may also invest in CMOs issued by Freddie Mac. Like other CMOs, Freddie Mac CMOs are issued in multiple classes having different maturity dates. Freddie Mac CMOs are secured by the pledge of a pool of conventional mortgage loans purchased by Freddie Mac. Payments of principal and interest on the CMOs are typically made semiannually, as opposed to monthly. The amount of principal payable on each semiannual payment date is determined in accordance with Freddie Mac's mandatory sinking fund schedule, which, in turn, is equal to approximately 100% of the Federal Housing Administration prepayment experience applied to the mortgage collateral pool. All sinking fund payments in the CMOs are allocated to the retirement of the individual classes of bonds in the order of their stated maturities. Payment of principal on the mortgage loans in the collateral pool in excess of the amount of Freddie Mac's minimum sinking fund obligation for any payment date are paid to the holders of the CMOs as additional sinking fund payments. Because of the "pass-through" nature of all principal payments received on the collateral pool in excess of Freddie Mac's minimum sinking fund requirement, the rate at which principal of the CMOs is actually repaid is likely to be such that each class of bonds will be retired in advance of its scheduled date. If collection of principal (including prepayments) on the mortgage loans during any semiannual payment period is not sufficient to meet Freddie Mac's minimum sinking fund obligation on the next sinking fund payment date, Freddie Mac agrees to make up the deficiency from its general funds. Criteria for the mortgage loans in the pool backing the CMOs are identical to those of Freddie Mac PCs. Freddie Mac has the right to substitute collateral in the event of delinquencies or defaults.

Other Structured Finance Arrangements. The Fund may also invest in other types of structured finance arrangements besides CMOs.

Other types of structured finance arrangements that are currently available for investment include collateralized bond obligations ("CBOs"), collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") and similarly structured securities. A CBO is a trust or other special purpose entity ("SPE") which is typically backed by a diversified pool of fixed income securities (which may include high risk, below investment grade securities). A CLO is a trust or other SPE that is typically collateralized by a pool of loans, which may include, among others, domestic and non-U.S. senior secured loans, senior unstructured loans, and subordinate corporate loans, including loans rated below investment grade or equivalent unrated loans. CMOs, CBOs, CLOs and other similarly structured securities are sometimes referred to generally as collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs").

The cashflows from a CDO's trust or SPE are split into two or more portions, called tranches, varying in risk and yield. The riskiest portion is the "equity" tranche, which bears the first loss from defaults from the bonds or loans in the trust or SPE and serves to protect the other, more senior tranches from defaults (though such protection is not complete). Since it is partially protected from defaults, a senior tranche from a CBO or CLO typically has higher ratings and lower yields than its underlying securities, and may be rated investment grade. Despite the protection from the equity tranche, CBO or CLO tranches can experience substantial losses due to actual defaults, increased sensitivity to defaults due to collateral default and the disappearance of protecting tranches, market anticipation of defaults, and/or investor aversion to CBO or CLO securities as a class. Interest on certain tranches of a CDO may be paid in kind (i.e., in the form of obligations of the same type, rather than cash), which involves continued exposure to default risk with respect to such payments.

Although certain CDOs may receive credit enhancement in the form of a senior-subordinate structure, over-collateralization or bond insurance, such enhancement may not always be present and may fail to protect the Fund against the risk of loss on default of the collateral. Certain CDOs may use derivative contracts, such as credit default swaps, to create "synthetic" exposure to assets rather than holding such assets directly, which entails the risk of derivative instruments described elsewhere in this Statement of Additional Information. See, e.g., "Investing in Derivative Instruments - Swap Agreements, Caps, Floors and Collars" below. CDOs may charge management fees and administrative expenses, which are in addition to those of the Fund. The Fund will not invest in CDOs that are managed by Thornburg or its affiliates.

The risks of investment in a CDO depend largely on the type of collateral securities and the class of the CDO in which the Fund invests. Normally, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs are privately offered and sold, and thus, are not registered under the securities laws. As a result, investments in CDOs may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid investments. However, an active dealer market may exist for CDOs, which may allow a CDO to qualify for resale to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the 1933 Act. In addition to the normal risks associated with fixed income securities described elsewhere in this Statement of Additional Information and the Prospectus (e.g., interest rate risk and credit risk), CDOs carry additional risks including, but not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default; (iii) the Fund may invest in tranches of CDOs that are subordinate to other tranches; (iv) the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results; and (v) the CDO's manager may perform poorly.

### U.S. Government Obligations

The Fund may invest in obligations of the U.S. Government.

U.S. Government Obligations include bills, certificates of indebtedness, notes and bonds issued or guaranteed as to principal or interest by the United States or by agencies or authorities controlled or supervised by, and acting as instrumentalities of, the U.S. government and established under the authority granted by Congress, including, but not limited to, Ginnie Mae, the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Bank for Cooperatives, the Farmers Home Administration, Federal Home Loan Banks, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, Federal Land Banks, Farm Credit Banks and Fannie Mae. Some obligations of U.S. government agencies, authorities and other instrumentalities are supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury; others by the right of the issuer to borrow from the Treasury; others only by the credit of the issuing agency, authority or other instrumentality. In the case of securities not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, the investor must look principally to the agency issuing or guaranteeing the obligation for ultimate repayment, and may not be able to assert a claim against the United States itself in the event the agency or instrumentality does not meet its commitments. All U.S. Government Obligations are subject to the same risks affecting other debt obligations. Even if a U.S. Government Obligation is backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury, it is possible that the U.S. government may be unable or unwilling to repay principal and interest when due, and may require that the terms for payment be renegotiated.

One specific type of U.S. Government Obligation is a Treasury Inflation Protected Security ("TIPS"). TIPS are debt obligations issued by the U.S. Treasury which are intended to protect investors from the negative effects of inflation. The principal value of the TIPS is periodically adjusted according to the rate of inflation, as measured by changes in the Consumer Price Index. Interest on TIPS is paid semi-annually as a fixed percentage of the inflation-adjusted principal amount. Typically, the interest rate on TIPS is lower than the interest rate paid on other U.S. Government Obligations of the same maturity.

## Zero Coupon Bonds and "Stripped" Securities

The Fund may purchase zero coupon bonds, including stripped securities.

Zero coupon bonds are corporate or government-issued debt obligations which do not require the periodic payment of interest and are issued at a significant discount from face value. The discount approximates the total amount of interest the bonds will accrue and compound over the period until maturity at a rate of interest reflecting the market rate of the obligation at the time of issuance.

A "stripped" security is a zero coupon bond created by separating the principal and interest cash flows from another debt obligation, typically a U.S. Treasury security. The principal component is often referred to as a "principal only" or "P/O" security, while the interest component is often referred to as an "income only" or "I/O" security.

Because zero coupon bonds pay no interest and compound semi-annually at the rate fixed at the time of their issuance, their market value is generally more volatile than the market value of comparable, interest-paying bonds, particularly during periods of changing interest rates. The Fund is required to accrue income from zero coupon bonds on a current basis even though it does not receive the income currently in cash, and the Fund is required to distribute that income for each taxable year. To generate the cash necessary to satisfy such distributions, the Fund invested in zero coupon bonds may have to sell portfolio securities that it otherwise might have continued to hold or use cash flows from other sources, including the sale of Fund shares.

## **Investing in Foreign Debt Obligations**

The Fund may make investments in foreign debt obligations.

The Fund's investment in a foreign debt obligation security typically involves all of the risks inherent in the same type of debt obligation issued by a domestic issuer. In addition, foreign investments can involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments. The following discussion contains additional detail about the types of foreign investments which the Fund may make and certain risks associated with those investments. You should read the Prospectus for more information about these investments and their risks.

## Foreign Investments

Foreign investments can involve significant risks in addition to the risks inherent in U.S. investments. The value of securities denominated in or indexed to foreign currencies, and of dividends and interest from such securities, can change significantly when foreign currencies strengthen or weaken relative to the U.S. dollar. Foreign securities markets generally have less trading volume and less liquidity than U.S. markets, and prices on some foreign markets can be highly volatile. Many foreign countries lack uniform accounting and disclosure standards comparable to those applicable to U.S. companies, and it may be more difficult to obtain reliable information regarding an issuer's financial condition and operations. Some foreign countries impose conditions and restrictions on foreigners' ownership of interests in local issuers, including restricting ownership to certain classes of investment in an issuer, which may reduce potential investment returns and impair disposition of those investments. In addition, the costs of foreign investing, including withholding taxes, brokerage commissions, and custodial costs, are generally higher than for U.S. investments.

Foreign markets may offer less protection to investors than U.S. markets. Foreign issuers, brokers, and securities markets may be subject to less government supervision. Foreign securities trading practices, including those involving the release of assets in advance of payment, may involve increased risks in the event of a failed trade or the insolvency of a broker-dealer, and may involve substantial delays. It may also be difficult to enforce legal rights in foreign countries, because of inconsistent legal interpretations or less defined legal and regulatory provisions, or because of corruption or influence on local courts.

Investing abroad also involves different political and economic risks. Foreign investments may be affected by actions of foreign governments adverse to the interests of U.S. investors, including the possibility of expropriation or nationalization of assets, confiscatory taxation, restrictions on U.S. investment or on the ability to repatriate assets or convert currency into U.S. dollars, or other government intervention. There may be a greater possibility of default by foreign governments or foreign government-sponsored enterprises, and securities issued or guaranteed by foreign governments, their agencies, instrumentalities, or political subdivisions, may or may not be supported by the full faith and credit and taxing power of the foreign government. Investments in foreign countries also involve a risk of local political, economic, or social instability, military action or unrest, or adverse diplomatic developments. There is no assurance that Thornburg will be able to anticipate these potential events or counter their effects.

## **Emerging Market Countries**

The considerations noted above generally are intensified for investments in emerging markets, potentially including investments in issuers which are not domiciled in an emerging market but which have reference to a significant percentage of their business in emerging markets. Emerging markets may have relatively unstable governments, economies based on only a few industries, and securities markets that trade a small number of securities.

### Foreign Currency Transactions

The Fund may conduct foreign currency transactions on a spot (i.e., cash) basis or by entering into forward contracts and futures contracts to purchase or sell foreign currencies at a future date and price. Additional detail about foreign currency transactions is provided below in the sections entitled "Investing in Derivative Instruments - Foreign Currency Transactions," "Investing in Derivative Instruments - Futures Contracts - Futures Relating to Foreign Currencies," "Investing in Derivative Instruments - Options - Options Relating to Foreign Currencies," and "Investing in Derivative Instruments - Swap Agreements, Caps, Floors and Collars - Currency Swaps."

#### **Investing in Derivative Instruments**

A derivative instrument or derivatives transaction is a financial contract the value of which depends on, or is derived from, the value of some other underlying asset, reference rate, or index, such as equity securities, bonds, commodities, currencies, or interest rates. The use of derivative instruments may involve risks different from, or potentially greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying reference asset. In particular, the use by the Fund of privately negotiated, over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives contracts exposes the Fund to the risk that the counterparty to the OTC derivatives contract will be unable or unwilling to make timely payments under the contract or otherwise honor its obligations. Although Thornburg intends to monitor the creditworthiness of counterparties, there can be no assurance that a counterparty will meet its obligations, especially during periods of adverse market conditions. The market for certain types of derivative instruments may also be less liquid than the market for the underlying reference asset, making it difficult for the Fund to value its derivative investments or sell those investments at an acceptable price. Derivative instruments may also involve the risk that changes in their value may not correlate perfectly with the assets, rates or indices they are designed to track.

The Fund's investment in derivative instruments may be limited by the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code for qualification as a regulated investment company. See "Taxes." The Fund's investment in derivative instruments may also be limited to the extent Thornburg intends to continue to claim exclusion from the definition of "commodity pool operator" under the Commodity Exchange Act. See "Commodity Exchange Act Registration Exemption."

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") has adopted rule 18f-4 of the 1940 Act related to the use of derivatives, short sales, reverse repurchase agreements and certain other transactions by registered investment companies, and in connection with the adoption of that rule, the SEC rescinded and withdrew certain previous guidance of the SEC and its staff regarding the use of asset segregation and cover transactions as a means to reduce the potential that a fund's use of derivatives may constitute the issuance of "senior securities" by the fund. Rule 18f-4 requires a fund that enters into derivatives and certain other transactions which create future payment or delivery obligations (except reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions) to be subject to a value-at-risk ("VaR") leverage limit and certain derivatives risk management program and reporting requirements. Generally, these requirements apply unless the fund qualifies as a "limited derivatives user," as defined in the rule. Under rule 18f-4, when the Fund trades reverse repurchase agreements or similar financing transactions it needs to aggregate the amount of indebtedness associated with those investments with the aggregate amount of any other senior securities representing indebtedness when calculating the Fund's asset coverage ratio or treat all such transactions as derivatives transactions. Reverse repurchase agreements or similar financing transactions, including certain tender option bonds, aggregated with other indebtedness do not need to be included in the calculation of whether a fund is a limited derivatives user, but for funds subject to the VaR testing, reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions or not.

The Trust has adopted written policies and procedures to manage the derivatives risks of the Fund and comply with the requirements of rule 18f-4. The Fund is currently classified as a limited derivatives user under rule 18f-4. As a limited derivatives user, the Fund's derivatives exposure, excluding certain currency and interest rate hedging transactions, may not exceed 10% of its net assets. The Funds may exclude from treating as a derivative certain currency or interest rate derivatives that are not used for investment purposes but are instead are entered into and maintained by the fund for hedging purposes; and the notional amounts of such derivatives do not exceed the value of the hedged investments by more than 10%. The Fund's limit on its derivatives exposure of 10% of its net assets is not fundamental and may be changed by the Fund without a shareholder vote. If the Fund were to no longer be classified as a limited derivatives user, the more extensive requirements of rule 18f-4 which would then apply to the Fund may limit the ability of the Fund to use derivatives and reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions as part of its investment strategies, and may also increase the cost of the Fund's investments and cost of doing business, which could adversely affect investors.

The following discussion contains additional detail about the types of derivative instruments in which the Fund may invest and certain risks associated with those investments. You should also read the Prospectus for more information about derivative instruments and their risks.

## Combined Positions

The Fund, which is permitted to purchase or sell forward contracts, futures contracts and options (see "Forward Contracts", "Futures Contracts" and "Options" below) and may also purchase and sell such forward contracts, futures contracts and options in combination with one another in order to adjust the risk and return characteristics of the overall position. For example, the Fund may purchase a put option and write a call option on the same underlying instrument, in order to construct a combined position whose risk and return characteristics are similar to selling a futures contract. Another possible combined position would involve writing a call option at one strike price and buying a call option at a lower price, in order to reduce the risk of the written call option in the event of a substantial price increase. Because combined options positions involve multiple trades, they result in higher transaction costs and may be more difficult to open and close out. A combined transaction will usually contain elements of risk that are present in each of its component transactions. Although combined transactions are normally entered into based on Thornburg's judgment that the combined strategies will reduce risk or otherwise more effectively achieve the desired portfolio management goal, it is possible that the combination will instead increase such risks or hinder achievement of the goal.

## Eurodollar Instruments

The Fund may make investments in Eurodollar instruments.

Eurodollar instruments are U.S. dollar-denominated futures contracts or options thereon which are linked to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), although foreign currency-denominated instruments are available from time to time. Eurodollar futures contracts enable purchasers to obtain a fixed rate for the lending of funds and sellers to obtain a fixed rate for borrowings. The Fund might use Eurodollar futures contracts and options thereon to hedge against changes in the LIBOR, to which many interest rate swaps and fixed income instruments are linked.

The U.K.'s Financial Conduct Authority, which regulates LIBOR, has announced that it intends to stop compelling or inducing banks to submit LIBOR rates after 2021. The ICE Benchmark Administration Limited, the administrator of LIBOR, has ceased publishing certain LIBOR rates on December 31, 2021, and is expected to cease publishing the remaining LIBOR rates on June 30, 2023. While there remains uncertainty regarding the future use of LIBOR and the nature of any replacement rate, alternatives to LIBOR are established or in development in most major currencies, including the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR), which is intended to replace U.S. dollar LIBOR. SOFR is secured (collateralized by U.S. Treasuries), calculated by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and transactions based. Although the transition process away from LIBOR for most instruments has been completed, some LIBOR use is continuing and the Fund may invest in instruments that reference LIBOR. The transition process away from LIBOR may involve, among other things, increased volatility or illiquidity in markets for instruments that currently rely on LIBOR. The transition process may also result in a reduction in the value of certain instruments held by the Fund or reduce the effectiveness of related Fund transactions such as hedges. Volatility, the potential reduction in value, and/or the hedge effectiveness of financial instruments may be heightened for financial instruments that do not include fallback provisions that address the cessation of LIBOR. Any potential effects of the transition away from LIBOR on the Fund or on financial instruments in which the Fund invests, as well as other unforeseen effects, could result in losses to the Fund.

### Foreign Currency Transactions

The Fund may conduct foreign currency transactions on a spot (i.e., cash) basis or by entering into forward contracts to purchase or sell foreign currencies at a future date and price.

Conversions on a Spot Basis. The Fund may convert currency on a spot basis from time to time. Although foreign exchange dealers generally do not charge a fee for conversion, they do realize a profit based on the difference between the prices at which they are buying and selling various currencies. Thus, a dealer may offer to sell a foreign currency to the Fund at one rate, while offering a lesser rate of exchange should the Fund desire to resell that currency to the dealer.

Currency Forward Contracts. A currency forward contract is a privately negotiated obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a specific future date, at a price set at the time of the contract. The parties to a forward contract may agree to offset or terminate the contract before its maturity, or may hold the contract to maturity and complete the contemplated currency exchange. The Fund may use currency forward contracts for any purpose consistent with its investment objectives. The following discussion summarizes the principal currency management strategies involving forward contracts that could be used by the Fund. The Fund may also use swap agreements, indexed securities, and options and futures contracts relating to foreign currencies for the same purposes.

In those instances when the Fund enters into a forward currency contract, it typically does so for portfolio hedging purposes. In that regard, the Fund may enter into a forward contract to sell a foreign currency in which certain of its portfolio investments are denominated as a strategy to reduce the risk that a decline in the value of the foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar will diminish the value of the portfolio investments denominated in that foreign currency. For example, if the Fund owned securities denominated in pounds sterling, it could enter into a forward contract to sell pounds sterling in return for U.S. dollars to hedge against possible declines in the pound's value. Such a hedge, sometimes referred to as a "position hedge," would tend to offset both positive and negative currency fluctuations, but would not offset changes in security values caused by other factors. The Fund could also hedge the position by selling another currency expected to perform similarly to the pound sterling. This type of hedge, sometimes referred to as a "proxy hedge," could offer advantages in terms of cost, yield, or efficiency, but generally would not hedge currency exposure as effectively as a direct hedge into U.S. dollars. Proxy hedges may result in losses if the currency used to hedge does not perform similarly to the currency in which the hedged securities are denominated. The Fund could use a similar hedging strategy in an "indirect hedge" with respect to securities holdings that are denominated in U.S. dollars or another currency, but which conduct a substantial amount of business in a given foreign currency and are consequently exposed to a risk that the value of that foreign currency will decline relative to the U.S. dollar or other currency risk some or most of the time without any hedging position for purposes of reducing that risk.

The Fund may also enter into forward contracts to shift investment exposure from one currency into another. This may include shifting exposure from U.S. dollars to a foreign currency, or from one foreign currency to another foreign currency. For example, if the Fund held investments denominated in pounds sterling, the Fund could enter into forward contracts to sell pounds sterling and purchase Swiss francs. This type of strategy, sometimes known as a "cross hedge," will tend to reduce or eliminate exposure to the currency that is sold, and increase exposure to the currency that is purchased, much as if the Fund had sold a security denominated in one currency and purchased an equivalent security denominated in another. Cross-hedges protect against losses resulting from a decline in the hedged currency, but will cause the Fund to assume the risk of fluctuations in the value of the currency it purchases.

In another circumstance, the Fund that has agreed to buy or sell a security denominated in a foreign currency may seek to "lock in" the U.S. dollar price of the security by entering into a forward contract to buy or sell the relevant foreign currency for a fixed amount of U.S. dollars. This technique, sometimes referred to as a "settlement hedge" or "transaction hedge," is intended to protect the Fund against an adverse change in foreign currency values between the date the security is purchased or sold and the date on which payment is made or received. The Fund also may enter into forward contracts to purchase or sell a foreign currency in anticipation of future purchases or sales of securities denominated in foreign currency, even if the specific investments have not yet been selected by Thornburg.

Currency transactions can result in losses to the Fund if the currency being hedged fluctuates in value to a degree or in a direction that is not anticipated. Further, there is the risk that the perceived linkage between various currencies may not be present or may not be present during the particular time that the Fund is engaged in a currency hedging transaction.

Because currency control is of great importance to the issuing governments and influences economic planning and policy, purchases and sales of currency and related instruments can be negatively affected by government exchange controls, blockages, and manipulations or exchange restrictions imposed by governments. Those can result in losses to the Fund if it is unable to deliver or receive currency in settlement of obligations and could also cause hedges it has entered into to be rendered ineffective, resulting in full currency exposure as well as incurring transaction costs. Currency futures are also subject to risks pertaining to futures contracts generally. See "Futures Contracts," below. Options trading on currency futures is subject to market liquidity, and establishing and closing positions may be difficult. Currency exchange rates may fluctuate based on factors extrinsic to the issuing country's own economy.

Successful use of currency management strategies will depend on Thornburg's skill in analyzing and predicting currency values. Currency management strategies may substantially change the Fund's investment exposure to changes in currency exchange rates, and could result in losses to the Fund if currencies do not perform as Thornburg anticipates. For example, if a currency's value rose at a time when Thornburg had hedged the Fund's exposure by selling that currency in exchange for dollars, the Fund would be unable to participate in the currency's appreciation. If Thornburg hedges currency exposure through proxy hedges, the Fund could realize currency losses from the hedge and the security position at the same time if the two currencies do not move in tandem. Similarly, if Thornburg increases the Fund's exposure to a foreign currency, and that currency's value declines, the Fund will realize a loss. There is no assurance that Thornburg's use of currency management strategies will be advantageous to the Fund or that it will hedge at an appropriate time.

### **Futures Contracts**

The Fund may purchase or sell futures contracts to hedge against anticipated interest rate, currency or market changes, for duration management or risk management purposes, or to enhance potential income and gains.

When the Fund purchases a futures contract, it agrees to purchase a specified underlying instrument at a specified future date at a specified price. When the Fund sells a futures contract, it agrees to sell the underlying instrument at a specified future date at a specified price. Futures contracts are typically bought and sold on exchanges or boards of trade where the contracts are listed. Some currently available futures contracts are based on specific securities, such as U.S. Treasury bonds or notes, and some are based on indices of securities prices, such as the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index ("S&P 500"). Futures can be held until their delivery dates, or can be closed out before then if a liquid secondary market is available. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of its underlying instrument. Therefore, purchasing futures contracts will tend to increase the Fund's exposure to positive and negative price fluctuations in the underlying instrument, much as if it had purchased the underlying instrument directly. When the Fund sells a futures contract, by contrast, the value of its futures position will tend to move in a direction contrary to the market. Selling futures contracts, therefore will tend to offset both positive and negative market price changes, much as if the underlying instrument had been sold.

Distributions to shareholders associated with income or net gains realized by the Fund from transactions in futures contracts (or options on futures contracts) may be subject to federal income tax.

Liquidity of Futures Contracts. Some futures contracts may become illiquid under adverse market conditions, and there is no assurance that a liquid market will exist for any particular futures contract at any particular time. Exchanges and boards of trade may establish daily price fluctuation limits for options and futures contracts, and may halt trading if a contract's price moves upward or downward more than the limit in a given day. On volatile trading days when the price fluctuation limit is reached or a trading halt is imposed, it may not be possible for the Fund to enter into new positions or to close out existing positions. If the market for a contract is not liquid because of price fluctuation limits or otherwise, it could prevent prompt liquidation of unfavorable positions, and potentially could require the Fund to continue to hold a position until expiration regardless of unfavorable changes in its value. In that instance, the Fund's access to other assets that it has deposited to cover its futures positions also could be impaired.

Margin Payments. The purchaser or seller of a futures contract is not required to deliver or pay for the underlying instrument unless the contract is held until the delivery date. However, in any instance when the Fund enters into a futures contract, either as purchaser or as seller, the Fund will segregate with its custodian or with a futures commission merchant ("FCM") as initial margin assets sufficient to meet its obligations under the contract. The Fund will also deposit daily "variation margin" payments as required during the term of the contract in order settle the change in the contract's value on a daily basis (a process known as "marking to market"). Segregated assets may consist of cash, cash equivalents, high grade liquid debt obligations, or other assets agreed to by the parties to the futures contract. Initial and variation margin payments do not constitute purchasing securities on margin for purposes of the Fund's investment limitations. In the event of the bankruptcy of a FCM that holds margin on behalf of the Fund, the Fund may be entitled to return of margin owed to it only in proportion to the amount received by the FCM's other customers, potentially resulting in losses to the Fund.

Correlation of Price Changes. Because there are a limited number of types of futures contracts, it is likely that the standardized contracts available will not match the Fund's current or anticipated investments exactly. The Fund may invest in futures contracts based on securities with different issuers, maturities, or other characteristics from the securities in which it typically invests, which involves a risk that the futures position will not track the performance of the Fund's other investments. Futures prices can also diverge from the prices of their underlying instruments, even if the underlying instruments match the Fund's investments well. Futures prices are affected by such factors as current and anticipated short-term interest rates, changes in volatility of the underlying instrument, and the time remaining until expiration of the contract, which may not affect security prices the same way. Imperfect correlation may also result from differing levels of demand in futures markets and the securities markets, from structural differences in how futures and securities are traded, or from imposition of daily price fluctuation limits or trading halts. The Fund may purchase or sell futures contracts with a greater or lesser value than the securities it wishes to hedge or intends to purchase in order to attempt to compensate for differences in volatility between the contract and the securities, although this may not be successful in all cases. If price changes in the Fund's futures positions are poorly correlated with its other investments, the positions may fail to produce anticipated gains or result in losses that are not offset by gains in other investments.

Futures Relating to Foreign Currencies. Currency futures contracts are similar to forward currency exchange contracts (see "Currency Forward Contracts" above), except that they are traded on exchanges (and have margin requirements) and are standardized as to contract size and delivery date. Most currency futures contracts call for payment or delivery in U.S. dollars.

The uses and risks of currency futures are similar to futures relating to other securities or indices. The Fund may purchase and sell currency futures to increase or decrease its exposure to different foreign currencies. The Fund also may purchase and write currency futures in conjunction with each other or with currency options or forward contracts. Currency futures values can be expected to correlate with exchange rates, but may not reflect other factors that affect the value of the Fund's investments. A currency hedge, for example, should protect a Yen-denominated security from a decline in the Yen, but will not protect the Fund against a price decline resulting from deterioration in the issuer's creditworthiness. Because the value of the Fund's foreign-denominated investments changes in response to many factors other than exchange rates, it may not be possible to match the amount of currency futures to the value of the Fund's investments exactly over time. See "Foreign Currency Transactions" above.

#### Indexed Securities

The Fund may purchase securities whose prices are indexed to the prices of other securities, securities indices, currencies, precious metals or other commodities or other financial indicators.

Indexed securities typically, but not always, are debt obligations or deposits whose value at maturity or coupon rate is determined by reference to a specific instrument or statistic. Gold-indexed securities, for example, typically provide for a maturity value that depends on the price of gold, resulting in a security whose price tends to rise and fall together with gold prices. Currency indexed securities typically are short-term to intermediate-term debt obligations whose maturity values or interest rates are determined by reference to the values of one or more specified foreign currencies, and may offer higher yields than U.S. dollar-denominated securities of equivalent issuers. Currency-indexed securities may be positively or negatively indexed; that is, their maturity value may increase when the specified currency value increases, resulting in a security that performs similarly to a foreign-denominated instrument, or their maturity value may decline when foreign currencies increases, resulting in a security whose price characteristics are similar to a put on the underlying currency. Currency-indexed securities may also have prices that depend on the values of a number of different foreign currencies relative to each other.

The performance of indexed securities depends to a great extent on the performance of the security, currency or other instrument to which they are indexed, and may also be influenced by interest rate changes in the U.S. and abroad. At the same time, indexed securities are subject to the credit risks associated with the issuer of the security, and their values may decline substantially if the issuer's creditworthiness deteriorates. Recent issuers of indexed securities have included banks, corporations, and certain U.S. government agencies. Indexed securities may be more volatile than their underlying instruments.

## **Options**

The Fund may purchase or write put and call options to hedge against anticipated interest rate or market changes, for duration management or risk management purposes, or to enhance potential income and gains.

Purchasing Put and Call Options. By purchasing a put option, the Fund obtains the right (but not the obligation) to sell the option's underlying instrument at a fixed exercise or "strike" price. In return for this right, the Fund pays the current market price for the option (known as the option premium). Options have various types of underlying instruments, including specific equity securities or debt obligations, indices of securities prices, and futures contracts. The Fund may terminate its position in a put option it has purchased by allowing it to expire or by exercising the option. If the option is allowed to expire, the Fund will lose the entire premium it paid. If the Fund exercises the option, it completes the sale of the underlying instrument at the strike price. The Fund may also terminate a put option position by closing it out in the secondary market at its current price, if a liquid secondary market exists.

The buyer of a typical put option can expect to realize a gain if security prices fall substantially. However, if the underlying instrument's price does not fall enough to offset the cost of purchasing the option, the owner of the put option will experience a loss measured by the premium paid to buy the option, plus related transaction costs.

The features of call options are similar to those of put options, except that the purchaser of a call option obtains the right to purchase, rather than sell, the underlying instrument at the option's strike price. A call buyer typically attempts to participate in potential price increases of the underlying instrument with risk limited to the cost of the option if security prices fall. At the same time, the buyer will experience a loss if the underlying instrument's price does not rise sufficiently to offset the buyer's cost of purchasing the option and transaction costs.

The purchase of options increases the Fund's costs because it must pay premiums to purchase the options, and the exercise of put and call options by the Fund will increase portfolio turnover and associated transaction costs. Because premiums for the purchase of options are typically much smaller than the prices to purchase the underlying instruments, the use of options creates leverage, which might result in the Fund's net asset value being more sensitive to changes in the instruments underlying the options.

An American-style put or call option may be exercised at any time during the option period while a European-style put or call options may be exercised only upon expiration of the option period or during a fixed period prior thereto.

Writing Put and Call Options. When the Fund sells or "writes" a put option, it takes the opposite side of the transaction from the option's purchaser. In return for receipt of the premium, the Fund, as writer of such an option, would be obligated to pay the strike price for the option's underlying instrument if the other party to the option chooses to exercise it. When writing an option on a futures contract, the Fund would be required to make margin payments to cover the Fund's potential obligation to pay the strike price if the other party chooses to exercise the option. The Fund may seek to terminate its position in a put option it writes before it is exercised by closing out the option in the secondary market at its then current price. If, however, the secondary market is not sufficiently liquid, the Fund may not be able to close out its position and would, therefore, remain obligated to purchase the underlying instrument at the strike price if the option is exercised. If the price of the underlying instrument rises, the writer of a put ordinarily will profit by the amount of the premium received on writing the option. If the price of the instrument declines, the writer may experience a loss, although the amount of the loss is offset to some degree by the amount of the premium received.

Writing a call option obligates the writer to sell or deliver the option's underlying instrument, in return for the strike price, upon exercise of the option by the holder. The characteristics of writing call options are similar to those of writing put options, except that writing calls generally is a profitable strategy if prices remain the same or decline. Through receipt of the option premium, the Fund as the writer of such an option would seek to mitigate the effects of a decline in the price of the underlying instrument. At the same time, the Fund which writes an option must be prepared to deliver the underlying instrument in return for the strike price, even if the current value of the instrument is higher than the strike price. In that event, the Fund will experience a loss to the extent that the value of the underlying instrument exceeds the total of the strike price and the premium that it received when it wrote the option.

Exchange-Traded Options. Options may be traded on exchanges, or may be traded "over-the-counter" (see discussion of "OTC Options" below). Exchange-traded options are issued by a regulated intermediary, which guarantees the performance of the obligations of the parties to such options. With certain exceptions, exchange-traded options generally settle by physical delivery of the underlying security or currency, although in the future cash settlement may become available. Frequently, rather than taking or making delivery of the underlying instrument through the process of exercising the option, exchange-traded options are closed by entering into offsetting purchase or sale transactions that do not result in ownership of the new option.

The Fund's ability to close out its position as a purchaser or seller of an exchange-traded option is dependent, in part, upon the liquidity of the option market. Among the possible reasons for the absence of a liquid option market on an exchange are: (i) insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions on transactions imposed by an exchange; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options or underlying securities including reaching daily price limits; (iv) interruption of the normal operations of the exchange; (v) inadequacy of the facilities of an exchange to handle current trading volume; or (vi) a decision by one or more exchanges to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options), in which event the relevant market for that option on that exchange would cease to exist, although outstanding options on that exchange would generally continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms.

The hours of trading for listed options may not coincide with the hours during which the underlying financial instruments are traded. To the extent that the option markets close before the markets for the underlying financial instruments, significant price and rate movements can take place in the underlying markets that cannot be reflected in the option markets.

OTC Options. Unlike exchange-traded options, which are standardized with respect to the underlying instrument, expiration date, contract size, and strike price, the terms of over-the-counter options generally are established through negotiation with the other party to the contract. While such arrangements allow greater flexibility to the Fund to tailor an option to its needs, "OTC" options generally involve greater credit risk than exchange-traded options, which are backed by the clearing organization of the exchange where they are traded. Accordingly, Thornburg must assess the creditworthiness of each counterparty or any guarantor or credit enhancement of the counterparty's credit to determine the likelihood that the terms of the OTC option will be satisfied.

The staff of the SEC currently takes the position that OTC options are illiquid, and investments by the Fund in those instruments will be subject to the Fund's limitation on investments in illiquid instruments. See "Illiquid Investments" below.

Liquidity of Options. Some options become illiquid under adverse market conditions, and there is no assurance a liquid secondary market will exist for any particular options contract at any particular time. Options may have relatively low trading volume and liquidity if their strike prices are not close to the underlying instrument's current price. In addition, exchanges may establish daily price fluctuation limits for options, and may halt trading if a contract's price moves upward or downward more than the limit in a given day. On volatile trading days when the price fluctuation limit is reached or a trading halt is imposed, it may be impossible for the Fund to enter into new positions or close out existing positions. If the secondary market for a contract is not liquid because of price fluctuation limits or otherwise, it could prevent prompt liquidation of unfavorable positions, and potentially could require the Fund to continue to hold a position until delivery or expiration regardless of changes in its value. As a result, the Fund's access to other assets held to cover its options positions could also be impaired.

Correlation of Price Changes. Because there are a limited number of types of exchange-traded options, it is likely that the standardized contracts available will not match the Fund's current or anticipated investments exactly. The Fund may invest in options based on securities with different issuers, maturities, or other characteristics from the securities in which it typically invests, which involves a risk that the options position will not track the performance of the Fund's other investments. Options prices can also diverge from the prices of their underlying instruments, even if the underlying instruments match the Fund's investments well. Options prices are affected by such factors as current and anticipated short-term interest rates, changes in volatility of the underlying instrument, and the time remaining until expiration of the contract, which may not affect security prices the same way. Imperfect correlation may also result from differing levels of demand in the options markets and the securities markets, from structural differences in how options and securities are traded, or from imposition of daily price fluctuation limits or trading halts. The Fund may purchase or sell options contracts with a greater or lesser value than the securities it wishes to hedge or intends to purchase in order to attempt to compensate for differences in volatility between the contract and the securities, although this may not be successful in all cases. If price changes in the Fund's options positions are poorly correlated with its other investments, the positions may fail to produce anticipated gains or result in losses that are not offset by gains in other investments.

Credit Options. Credit options are options whereby the purchaser has the right, but not the obligation, to enter into a transaction involving either an asset with inherent credit risk or a credit derivative, at terms specified at the inception of the option.

Options Relating to Foreign Currencies. The underlying instrument of a currency option may be a foreign currency, which generally is purchased or delivered in exchange for U.S. dollars, or may be a futures contract. The purchaser of a currency call obtains the right to purchase the underlying currency, and the purchaser of a currency put obtains the right to sell the underlying currency.

The uses and risks of currency options are similar to options relating to other securities or indices. The Fund may purchase and write currency options to increase or decrease its exposure to different foreign currencies. The Fund also may purchase and write currency options in conjunction with each other or with currency futures or forward contracts. Currency options values can be expected to correlate with exchange rates, but may not reflect other factors that affect the value of the Fund's investments. A currency hedge, for example, should protect a Yen-denominated security from a decline in the Yen, but will not protect the Fund against a price decline resulting from deterioration in the issuer's creditworthiness. Because the value of the Fund's foreign-denominated investments changes in response to many factors other than exchange rates, it may not be possible to match the amount of currency options to the value of the Fund's investments exactly over time. See "Foreign Currency Transactions" above.

Options on Futures Contracts. Options on futures contracts are similar to options on securities, except that an option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right in return for the premium paid to assume a position in the underlying futures contract. If the Fund exercises an option on a futures contract it will be obligated to deposit initial margin (and potential subsequent variation margin) for the resulting futures position just as it would for any other futures contract position.

Options on Indices. Options on securities indices and other financial indices are similar to options on a security or other instrument except that, rather than settling by physical delivery of the underlying instrument, they settle by cash settlement (i.e., an option on an index gives the holder the right to receive, upon exercise of the option, an amount of cash if the closing level of the index upon which the option is based exceeds, in the case of a call, or is less than, in the case of a put, the exercise price of the option except if, in the case of an OTC option, physical delivery is specified). This amount of cash is equal to the excess of the closing price of the index over the exercise price of the option, which also may be multiplied by a formula value. The seller of the option is obligated, in return for the premium received, to make delivery of this amount. The gain or loss on an option on an index depends on price movements in the instruments making up the market, market segment, industry or other composite on which the underlying index is based rather than price movements in individual securities, as is the case with respect to options on securities.

#### Structured Notes

The Fund may invest in structured notes.

Structured notes are derivative debt obligations, the interest rate or principal of which is determined by reference to changes in the value of a specific asset, reference rate or index, or the relative change in two or more reference assets. The interest rate or the principal amount payable upon maturity or redemption may increase or decrease, depending upon changes in the value of the reference asset. The terms of a structured note may provide that, in certain circumstances, no principal is due at maturity and, therefore, may result in a loss of invested capital by the Fund. Structured notes may be indexed positively or negatively, so that appreciation of the reference asset may produce an increase or decrease in the interest rate or value of the principal at maturity. In addition, changes in the interest rate or the value of the principal at maturity may be fixed at a specified multiple of the change in the value of the reference asset, making the value of the note particularly volatile.

Structured notes may entail a greater degree of market risk than other types of debt obligations because the investor bears the risk of the reference asset. As noted above, the value of structured notes also may be more volatile than other debt obligations.

## Swap Agreements, Caps, Floors, and Collars

The Fund may enter into swap agreements and related caps, floors and collars. The Fund is not limited to any particular form of swap agreement, provided that Thornburg determines that the agreement it is consistent with the Fund's investment objective and policies.

Swap agreements involve the exchange by the Fund and another party of their respective commitments to pay or receive cash flows. Although swaps can take a variety of forms, typically one party pays fixed and receives floating rate payments and the other party receives fixed and pays floating rate payments. Swap agreements can be individually negotiated and structured to include exposure to a variety of different types of investments or market factors. Swap agreements will tend to shift the Fund's investment exposure from one type of investment to another. For example, if the Fund agreed to exchange payments in dollars for payments in foreign currency, the swap agreement would tend to decrease the Fund's exposure to U.S. interest rates and increase its exposure to foreign currency and interest rates. Caps and floors have an effect similar to buying or writing options. Depending on how they are used, swap agreements may increase or decrease the overall volatility of the Fund's investments and its share price and yield. The most significant factor in the performance of swap agreements is the change in the specific interest rate, currency, or other factors that determine the amounts of payments due to and from the Fund. If a swap agreement calls for payments by the Fund, the Fund must be prepared to make such payments when due. In addition, if the counterparty's credit worthiness declined or if the counterparty defaults, the Fund will likely have contractual remedies available to it, but the value of the swap or other agreement would be likely to decline, potentially resulting in losses. The Fund expects to be able to eliminate its exposure under swap agreements either by assignment or other disposition, or by entering into an offsetting swap agreement with the same party or a similarly creditworthy party.

Credit Default Swaps. A credit default swap is a credit derivative in which two parties enter into an agreement to transfer the credit exposure of fixed income securities. The buyer of credit protection (or seller of credit risk) agrees to pay the counterparty a fixed, periodic premium for a specified term. In return, the counterparty agrees to pay a contingent payment to the buyer in the event of an agreed upon credit occurrence which is typically a default by the issuer of a debt obligation.

Currency Swaps. A currency swap is an agreement to exchange cash flows on a notional amount of two or more currencies based on the relative value differential among them. Typically, the interest rates that determine the currency swap payments are fixed, although occasionally one or both parties may pay a floating rate of interest. Changes in foreign exchange rates and changes in interest rates may negatively affect the value of a currency swap.

Equity Swaps. In a typical equity swap, one party agrees to pay another party the return on a stock, stock index or basket of stocks in exchange for a specified interest rate. By entering into an equity index swap, for example, the index receiver can gain exposure to stocks making up the index of securities without actually purchasing those stocks. Equity index swaps involve not only the risks associated the investment in the securities represented in the index, but also the risk that the performance of such securities, including dividends, will not exceed the return on the interest rate that the Fund is committed to pay to the counterparty.

Interest Rate Swaps and Forward Rate Contracts. Interest rate swaps involve the exchange by the Fund with another party of their respective commitments to pay or receive interest, e.g., an exchange of fixed rate payments for floating rate payments. The Fund may also enter forward rate contracts. Under these contracts, the buyer locks in an interest rate at a future settlement date. If the interest rate on the settlement date exceeds the lock rate, the buyer pays the seller the difference between the two rates. Any such gain received by the Fund would be taxable. If the other party to an interest rate swap or forward rate contract defaults, the Fund's risk of loss consists of the net amount of payments that the Fund is contractually entitled to receive. The net amount of the excess, if any, of the Fund's obligations over its entitlements will be maintained in a segregated account by the Fund's custodian. The Fund will not enter into any interest rate swap or forward rate contract unless the claims-paying ability of the other party thereto is considered satisfactory by Thornburg. If there is a default by the other party to such a transaction, the Fund will have contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction. These instruments are traded in the over-the-counter market.

Total Return Swaps. A total return swap is a credit derivative in which the buyer receives a periodic return equal to the total economic return of a specified security, securities or index, for a specified period of time. In return, the buyer pays the counterparty a variable stream of payments, typically based upon short-term interest rates, possibly plus or minus an agreed upon spread.

Caps, Floors and Collars. The purchase of a cap entitles the purchaser to receive payments on a notional principal amount from the party selling the cap to the extent that a specified index exceeds a predetermined interest rate or amount. For example, an interest rate cap is an agreement between two parties over a specified period of time where one party makes payments to the other party equal to the difference between the current level of an interest rate index and the level of the cap, if the specified interest rate index increases above the level of the cap. The purchase of a floor entitles the purchaser to receive payments on a notional principal amount from the party selling the floor to the extent that a specified index falls below a predetermined interest rate or amount. For example, an interest rate floor is similar except the payments are the difference between the current level of an interest rate index and the level of the floor if the specified interest rate index decreases below the level of the floor. A collar is a combination of a cap and a floor that preserves a certain return within a predetermined range of interest rates or values. For example, an interest rate collar is the simultaneous execution of a cap and floor agreement on a particular interest rate index.

#### Other Investments, Investment Techniques and Other Risks

The following contains additional detail about certain other investments the Fund may make and certain other risks to which the Fund may be subject.

### Consideration of Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") Characteristics

When evaluating a potential investment opportunity, the Fund may consider the issuer's ESG characteristics. Thomburg defines a significant ESG characteristic as one which may materially affect an issuer's risk and return profile and, accordingly, the issuer's long-term investment performance. In this way, Thomburg's consideration of ESG characteristics is no different than its consideration of more traditional financial metrics or other factors which may affect the risks and returns of the Fund's investments. The specific ESG characteristics which Thomburg determines to be significant will vary over time and among different financial sectors and industries, but will generally include environmental, social capital, human capital, business model and innovation, and leadership and governance characteristics. Examples of potentially significant environmental characteristics include: greenhouse gas emissions; air quality; energy management; water and wastewater management; waste and hazardous materials management; and ecological impacts. Examples of potentially significant social capital characteristics include: human rights and community relations; customer privacy; data security; access &affordability; product quality and safety; customer welfare; and selling practice and product labeling. Examples of potentially significant human capital characteristics include: labor practices; employee health & safety; and employee engagement, diversity and inclusion. Examples of potentially significant business model and innovation characteristics include: product design and lifecycle management; business model resilience; supply chain management; materials sourcing and efficiency; and the physical impacts of climate change. Examples of potentially significant leadership and governance characteristics include: business ethics; competitive behavior; management of the legal and regulatory environment; critical risk management; and systemic risk management.

While Thornburg makes its own judgments about the ESG characteristics of the Fund's investments, Thornburg's approach may be informed by third party data and other research tools, including consideration of the list of material ESG factors established by the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board.

There are no universally agreed upon objective standards for assessing ESG characteristics, and they can vary over different periods and evolve overtime. Certain ESG characteristics are subjective and can be difficult to analyze, and the evaluation of ESG characteristics frequently involves assessing various risks relating to the financial stability and sustainability of an investment, and ESG characteristics may not always be reflected in third party data. ESG characteristics may also be difficult to apply consistently across regions, countries, industries, or sectors. Given the absence of generally accepted criteria, investors and others may disagree as what constitutes a significant ESG characteristic, or may otherwise assign a greater or lesser emphasis than Thornburg to a particular ESG characteristic. In addition, there may be situations where Thornburg determines that an issuer has been identified by Thornburg as having both positive and negative ESG characteristics. For example, an issuer may extract or use fossil fuels in a manner which may contribute to negative environmental outcomes, but that same issuer is making investments to prepare for a transition to cleaner sources of energy. In those instances, Thornburg may consider as part of its investment analysis how both the positive and negative ESG characteristics are likely to affect the issuer's long-term investment performance.

## Cash Management

The Fund may also invest a portion or all of the Fund's daily cash balance in Thornburg Capital Management Fund, a separate series of the Trust (the "Capital Management Fund"). The Capital Management Fund's shares are not publicly available. The Capital Management Fund is not a money market fund and does not seek to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1.00. The Capital Management Fund seeks current income consistent with liquidity management and safety of capital. To pursue that investment objective, the Capital Management Fund invests principally in short-term obligations which are determined by Thornburg to be of high quality including, but not limited to, obligations issued by U.S. and foreign companies, U.S. and foreign banks, U.S. and foreign governments, U.S. agencies, states, and municipalities, and international organizations such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, and repurchase agreements based on those obligations. The Capital Management Fund does not currently pay a separate investment advisory fee or administrative services fee to Thornburg, but Funds which invest in the Capital Management Fund would indirectly bear the other operating expenses of the Capital Management Fund. Those indirect expenses are similar to the expenses paid by other businesses owned by the Fund, are not direct costs paid by Fund shareholders, are not used to calculate the Fund's net asset value, and have no impact on the costs associated with Fund operations.

## Certificates of Deposit

The Fund may under certain circumstances purchase bank certificates of deposit. The Fund may invest in certificates of deposit issued by domestic and foreign banks, including foreign branches of domestic banks.

Investments in certificates of deposit issued by foreign banks or foreign branches of domestic banks involves investment risks that are different in some respects from those associated with investment in certificates of deposit issued by domestic banks. (See "Foreign Investments" above).

## Cyber Security Risks

As the use of technology has become more prevalent, the Fund and its service providers have become potentially more susceptible to intentional and unintentional cyber events including, but not limited to: computer processing errors; malfunctions, disruptions, or failures in computer systems or other technologies; computer viruses; the theft or corruption of electronic data; unauthorized access to digital systems; and cyber attacks that shut down, disable or otherwise disrupt business operations. These events may adversely affect the Fund or its shareholders, causing disruptions in business operations and potentially resulting in financial losses. For example, a cyber attack against the computer systems of the Fund or its service providers may interfere with the ability to process Fund shareholder transactions or to calculate the Fund's net asset value, impede trading activity by the Fund, result in the release or misappropriation of confidential information about the Fund or its shareholders, or subject the Funds to regulatory fines or penalties and to other, additional costs (including increased costs to remediate the effects of the attack or to develop additional systems to prevent other similar attacks). While the Fund and Thornburg have established procedures and systems to seek to prevent and mitigate the risks associated with cyber events, and while Thornburg seeks to determine that other third party service providers for the Funds have established such procedures and systems, there are inherent limitations in the ability of such procedures and systems to identify all potential cyber events or to completely prevent or mitigate the occurrence or effects of those events. Additionally, cyber events affecting the electronic systems of the Fund's trading counterparties, issuers in which the Funds invest, or securities markets and exchanges may also result in financial losses for the Fund or its shareholders.

#### **Dollar Roll Transactions**

The Fund may enter into "dollar roll" transactions.

Dollar roll transactions consist of the sale by the Fund to a bank or broker-dealer (the "counterparty") of Ginnie Mae certificates or other mortgage-backed securities together with a commitment to purchase from the counterparty similar, but not identical, securities at a future date at the same price. The counterparty receives all principal and interest payments, including prepayments, made on the security while it is the holder. The selling Fund receives a fee from the counterparty as consideration for entering into the commitment to purchase. Dollar rolls may be renewed over a period of several months with a new purchase and repurchase price fixed and a cash settlement made at each renewal without physical delivery of securities. Moreover, the transaction may be preceded by a firm commitment agreement pursuant to which the Fund agrees to buy a security on a future date.

Dollar rolls are currently treated for purposes of the 1940 Act as borrowings of the Fund entering into the transaction because they involve the sale of a security coupled with an agreement to repurchase, and are, therefore, deemed by the Trust to be subject to the investment restrictions applicable to any borrowings made by the Fund. Like all borrowings, a dollar roll involves costs to the borrowing Fund. For example, while the borrowing Fund receives a fee as consideration for agreeing to repurchase the security, the Fund forgoes the right to receive all principal and interest payments while the counterparty holds the security. These payments to the counterparty may exceed the fee received by the Fund, thereby effectively charging the Fund interest on its borrowing. Further, although the Fund can estimate the amount of expected principal prepayment over the term of the dollar roll, a variation in the actual amount of prepayment could increase or decrease the cost of the Fund's borrowing.

Dollar rolls involve potential risks of loss to the selling Fund which are different from those related to the securities underlying the transactions. For example, if the counterparty becomes insolvent, the Fund's right to purchase from the counterparty may be restricted. Additionally, the value of such securities may change adversely before the Fund is able to purchase them. Similarly, the selling Fund may be required to purchase securities in connection with a dollar roll at a higher price than may otherwise be available on the open market. Since, as noted above, the counterparty is required to deliver a similar, but not identical security to the Fund, the security which the Fund is required to buy under the dollar roll may be worth less than an identical security. Finally, there can be no assurance that the Fund's use of the cash that it receives from a dollar roll will provide a return that exceeds borrowing costs.

## **Illiquid Investments**

Illiquid investments are investments that cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the prices at which they are valued. Under the supervision of the Trustees, Thornburg determines the liquidity of investments by the Funds. In determining the liquidity of the Fund's investments, Thornburg may consider various factors, including (1) the frequency of trades and quotations, (2) the number of dealers and prospective purchasers in the marketplace, (3) dealer undertakings to make a market, (4) the nature of the security (including any demand or lender features), and (5) the nature of the market place for trades (including the ability to assign or offset the Fund's rights and obligations relating to the investment).

Investments currently considered by Thornburg to be illiquid include repurchase agreements not entitling the holder to payment of principal and interest within seven days, over-the-counter options, and municipal lease obligations subject to non-appropriation risk where the underlying lease is not rated (at the time the obligation is purchased by the Fund) within the four highest grades of Moody's or S&P and is not subject to a remarketing agreement (or not currently subject to remarketing, pursuant to the conditions of any such agreement then in effect, with a responsible remarketing party, deemed by Thornburg to be capable of performing its obligations) except that Thornburg also may determine an unrated lease obligation to be readily marketable because it is backed by an irrevocable bank letter of credit or an insurance policy. Based on its ongoing review of the trading markets and other factors affecting the Fund's investments, Thornburg may determine from time to time that other investments are illiquid, including certain types of restricted securities, mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities, developing country securities, or derivative instruments. With respect to any over-the-counter options that the Fund writes, all or a portion of the value of the underlying instrument may be illiquid depending on the assets held to cover the option and the nature and terms of any agreement the Fund any have to close out the option before expiration. In the absence of market quotations, illiquid investments are priced at fair value as determined utilizing procedures approved by the Trustees.

The Fund is limited from investing more than a certain percentage of its net assets in illiquid investments. Please see "Investment Restrictions" below for a discussion of the specific limitations applicable to the Fund's investment in illiquid investments. If through a change in values, net assets, or other circumstances, the Fund were in a position where the percentage of its portfolio comprised of illiquid investments exceeded that Fund's percentage investment restriction on investment in illiquid investments, the Fund would seek to take appropriate steps to protect liquidity.

## Repurchase Agreements

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements.

In a repurchase agreement, the Fund purchases a security and simultaneously commits to resell that security to the seller at an agreed upon price on an agreed upon date within a number of days from the date of purchase. The resale price reflects the purchase price plus an agreed upon incremental amount which is unrelated to the coupon rate or maturity of the purchased security. A repurchase agreement involves the obligation of the seller to pay the agreed upon price, which obligation is in effect secured by the value (at least equal to the amount of the agreed upon resale price and marked to market daily) of the underlying security. The Fund may engage in repurchase agreements with respect to any security in which it is authorized to invest.

The Fund may enter into these arrangements with member banks of the Federal Reserve System or any domestic broker-dealer if the creditworthiness of the bank or broker-dealer has been determined by Thornburg to be satisfactory. These transactions may not provide the Fund with collateral marked-to-market during the term of the commitment.

A repurchase agreement may be viewed as a loan from the Fund to the seller of the security subject to the repurchase agreement. It is not clear whether a court would consider the security purchased by the Fund subject to a repurchase agreement as being owned by the Fund or as being collateral for a loan by the Fund to the seller. In the event of the commencement of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings with respect to the seller of the security before repurchase of the security under a repurchase agreement, the Fund may encounter delay and incur costs before being able to sell the security. Delays may involve loss of interest or decline in the price of the underlying security. If the court characterized the transaction as a loan and the Fund has not perfected a security interest in the underlying security, the Fund may be required to return the security to the seller's estate and be treated as an unsecured creditor of principal and income involved in the transaction. As with any unsecured debt obligation purchased for the Fund, Thornburg seeks to minimize the risk of loss through repurchase agreements by analyzing the creditworthiness of the obligor, in this case the seller of the security. Apart from the risk of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings, there is also the risk that the seller may fail to repurchase the security, in which case the Fund may incur a loss if the proceeds to the Fund of the sale to a third party are less than the repurchase price. However, if the market value (including interest) of the security subject to the repurchase agreement becomes less than the repurchase agreement will direct the seller of the security to deliver additional securities so that the market value (including interest) of all securities subject to the repurchase agreement will equal or exceed the repurchase price. It is possible that the Fund will be unsuccessful in seeking to impose on the seller a contractual obligation to deliver additional securities.

## Restricted Securities

Restricted securities generally can be sold in privately negotiated transactions, pursuant to an exemption from registration under the 1933 Act, or in a registered public offering. Where registration is required, the Fund could be obligated to pay all or part of the registration expense and a considerable period may elapse between the time it decides to seek registration and the time it is permitted to sell a security under an effective registration statement. If, during such a period, adverse market conditions were to develop, the Fund might obtain a less favorable price than prevailed when it decided to seek registration of the security. A restricted security may be liquid or illiquid, depending on whether it satisfies relevant liquidity requirements, as determined by Thornburg. See "Illiquid Investments" above.

## Reverse Repurchase Agreements

The Fund may enter into reverse repurchase agreements.

In a reverse repurchase agreement, the Fund sells a portfolio instrument to another party, such as a bank or broker-dealer, in return for cash and agrees to repurchase the instrument at a particular price and time. While a reverse repurchase agreement is outstanding, the Fund will maintain appropriate liquid assets in a segregated custodial account to cover its obligation under the agreement. The Fund will enter into reverse repurchase agreements only with parties whose creditworthiness has been found satisfactory by Thornburg. Such transactions may increase fluctuations in the market value of the Fund's assets and may be viewed as a form of leverage.

## Securities Lending

The Fund may lend securities to parties such as broker-dealers or institutional investors. Securities lending allows the Fund to retain ownership of the securities loaned and, at the same time, to earn additional income. Since there may be delays in the recovery of loaned securities, or even a loss of rights in collateral supplied should the borrower fail financially, loans will be made only to parties deemed by Thornburg to be of good standing. Furthermore, they will only be made if, in Thornburg's judgment, the consideration to be earned from such loans would justify the risk.

Thornburg understands that it is the current view of the SEC Staff that the Fund may engage in loan transactions only under the following conditions: (1) the Fund must receive 100% collateral in the form of cash or cash equivalents (e.g., U.S. Treasury bills or notes) from the borrower; (2) the borrower must increase the collateral whenever the market value of the securities loaned (determined on a daily basis) rises above the value of the collateral; (3) after giving notice, the Fund must be able to terminate the loan at any time; (4) the Fund must receive reasonable interest on the loan or a flat fee from the borrower, as well as amounts equivalent to any dividends, interest, or other distributions on the securities loaned and to any increase in market value; (5) the Fund may pay only reasonable custodian fees in connection with the loan; and (6) the Trustees must be able to vote proxies on the securities loaned, either by terminating the loan or by entering into an alternative arrangement with the borrower.

Cash received through loan transactions may be invested in any security in which the Fund is authorized to invest. Investing this cash subjects that investment, as well as the security loaned, to market forces (i.e., capital appreciation).

### Temporary Investments

The Fund may from time to time invest a keep a portion of its portfolio in cash or other short-term, fixed income securities. Such investments may be made due to market conditions, pending investment of idle funds, or to afford liquidity.

### When-Issued Securities

The Fund may purchase securities offered on a "when-issued" or "delayed delivery" basis. When-issued and delayed delivery transactions arise when securities are purchased or sold with payment and delivery beyond the regular settlement date. When-issued transactions normally settle within 30-45 days, though the settlement cycles for some when-issued transactions are longer. On such transactions the payment obligation and the interest rate are fixed at the time the buyer enters into the commitment. The commitment to purchase securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis may involve an element of risk because the value of the securities is subject to market fluctuation, no interest accrues to the purchaser prior to settlement of the transaction, and at the time of delivery the market value may be less than the purchase price. Additionally, purchasing securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis involves the risks that the security will never be issued or that the other party to the transaction will not meet its obligation, in which events the Fund may lose any gain in that security's price. At the time the Fund makes the commitment to purchase a security on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis, it will record the transaction and reflect the value of the security in determining its net asset value. Pursuant to current SEC guidance, a transaction involving a when-issued security will not be deemed to involve a senior security as long as the Fund intends to settle the transaction physically and the transaction settles within 35 days. While when-issued or delayed delivery securities may be sold prior to the settlement date, it is intended that the Fund will purchase such securities with the purpose of actually acquiring them unless sale appears desirable for investment reasons. If a when-issued security is sold before delivery any gain or loss would not be tax-exempt.

### COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT REGISTRATION EXEMPTION

In connection with its management of the Trust, Thornburg has filed a notice of eligibility for exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator" in accordance with Rule 4.5 under the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "CEA") and, therefore, neither Thornburg nor the Trust is currently subject to registration or regulation as a commodity pool operator under the CEA. The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") recently adopted amendments to Rule 4.5 under the CEA that reduce the ability of certain regulated entities, including registered investment companies and their investment advisors, to claim the exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator." Among other requirements, the CFTC's amendments impose limitations on the use of certain derivative instruments, including certain types of commodity futures contracts, commodity options contracts, and swaps, by entities seeking to rely on Rule 4.5. Thornburg currently intends to manage the Fund's assets in a manner which is consistent with the limitations imposed by Rule 4.5. To the extent Thornburg or the Fund became no longer eligible to claim an exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator," then Thornburg or the Fund may become subject to registration and regulation under the CEA. Such regulation may have an adverse effect on Thornburg's ability to manage the Fund, may impair the ability of the Fund to achieve its investment objective(s), and may result in higher operating expenses for the Fund and reduced investment returns to Fund investors.

### INVESTMENT LIMITATIONS

The following policies and limitations supplement those set forth in the Prospectus. Unless otherwise noted, whenever an investment policy or limitation states a maximum percentage of the Fund's assets that may be invested in any security or other asset, that percentage limitation will be determined immediately after and as a result of the Fund's acquisition of such security or other asset. Accordingly, any subsequent change in values, net assets, or other circumstances will not be considered when determining whether the investment complies with the Fund's investment policies and limitations. For those policies and limitations which can only be changed by a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting shares, the term "majority" means the lesser of (i) 67% of the shares of the Fund present in person or by proxy at a meeting of the holders of more than 50% of the Fund's outstanding shares, or (ii) more than 50% of the outstanding shares of the Fund.

### **Core Plus Bond Fund**

Thornburg Investment Trust has adopted the following fundamental investment policies applicable to Core Plus Bond Fund which may not be changed by any Fund unless approved by a majority of the outstanding shares of the Fund. The Fund may not:

- (1) with respect to 75% of the Fund's total assets, purchase the securities of any issuer (other than securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or any of its agencies or instrumentalities) if, as a result, (a) more than 5% of the Fund's total assets would be invested in the securities of that issuer, or (b) the Fund would hold more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of that issuer;
  - (2) senior securities, except as permitted under the 1940 Act;
- (3) borrow money, except in an amount not exceeding 33 1/3% of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) less liabilities (other than borrowings). Any borrowings that come to exceed this amount will be reduced within three days (not including Sundays and holidays) to the extent necessary to comply with the 33 1/3% limitation;
- (4) underwrite any issue of securities (except to the extent that the Fund may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the 1933 Act in the disposition of restricted securities);
- (5) purchase or sell real estate unless acquired as a result or ownership of securities or other instruments (but this shall not prevent the Fund from investing in securities or other instruments backed by real estate or securities of companies engaged in the real estate business, nor shall it prevent the Fund from holding real estate as a result of the Fund's efforts to restructure a bond or other loan obligation that was secured by real estate);
- (6) purchase or sell physical commodities unless acquired as a result of ownership of securities or other instruments (but this shall not prevent the Fund from purchasing or selling options and futures contracts or from investing in securities or other instruments backed by physical commodities);
- (7) lend any security or make any other loan if, as a result, more than 33 1/3% of its total assets would be lent to other parties, but this limitation does not apply to lending of portfolio securities, purchases of debt obligations or other instruments purchases of debt securities or to repurchase agreements; or
  - (8) invest more than 25% of its total assets in any one industry.

For the purposes of applying the limitation set forth in paragraph (5) above, the Fund is permitted to hold real estate if doing so is the result of the Fund's efforts to restructure a bond or other loan obligation that was secured by real estate. For purposes of applying the limitation described in item 8 above, issuers of the following securities will not be considered to be members of any industry: securities of the U.S. Government and its agencies and instrumentalities; except as set forth in the following sentence, municipal obligations the income from which is exempt from the regular federal income tax; and repurchase agreements collateralized by such obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that the income from a municipal obligation is derived principally from the assets and revenues of nongovernmental users, the obligation will be deemed to have been issued from the industry of that non-governmental user. The limitation described in item 8 above only applies to investments in a particular industry, and would not apply to an investment by the Fund in a group of industries, in obligations issued by any one state, or in a particular economic sector, such as the utilities, hospital and healthcare facilities, or industrial development sectors. The views and interpretations by the Fund stated in this paragraph may change due to changes in the law or interpretations of the law, including laws pertaining to municipal obligations and the taxability of interest paid on those obligations, and due to other factors.

The following investment limitations are not fundamental and may be changed without shareholder approval as to the Fund:

- (i) The Fund does not currently intend to sell securities short, unless it owns or has the right to obtain securities equivalent in kind and amount to the securities sold short, and provided that transactions in futures contracts and options are not deemed to constitute selling securities short.
- (ii) The Fund may borrow money only (a) from a bank (as defined in Section 2(a)(5) of the 1940 Act) or (b) by engaging in reverse repurchase agreements to the extent such agreements may be deemed to be a borrowing under the 1940 Act. The Fund will not purchase any security while borrowings representing more than 5% of its total assets are outstanding.
- (iii) The Fund does not currently intend to purchase any security if, as a result, more than 15% of its net assets would be invested in investments that are deemed to be illiquid because they are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale or because they cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the prices at which they are valued.
- (iv) The Fund will not (a) sell futures contracts, purchase put options, or write call options if, as a result, more than 25% of the Fund's total assets would be hedged with futures and options under normal conditions; (b) purchase futures contracts or write put options if, as a result, the Fund's total obligations upon settlement or exercise of purchased futures contracts and written put options would exceed 25% of its total assets; or (c) purchase call options if, as a result, the current value of option premiums for call options purchased by the Fund would exceed 5% of the Fund's total assets. These limitations do not apply to options attached to or acquired or traded together with their underlying securities, and do not apply to securities that incorporate features similar to options.

### CALCULATION OF PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

The Fund will from time to time display performance information, including yield, dividend returns, total return, and average annual total return, in advertising, sales literature, and reports to shareholders. Yield is computed by dividing the Fund's net interest and dividend income for a given 30 days or one month period by the maximum share offering price at the end of the period. The result is "annualized" to arrive at an annual percentage rate. In addition, the Fund may use the same method for 90 day or quarterly periods. Total return is the change in share value over time, assuming reinvestment of any dividends and capital gains. "Cumulative total return" describes total return over a stated period, while "average annual total return" is a hypothetical rate of return which, if achieved annually, would have produced the same cumulative total return if performance had been constant for the period shown. Average annual return tends to reduce variations in return over the period, and investors should recognize that the average figures are not the same as actual annual returns. The Fund may display return information for differing periods without annualizing the results and without taking sales charges into effect.

All performance figures are calculated separately for each class of shares of the Fund. The figures are historical, and do not predict future returns. Actual performance will depend upon the specific investments held by the Fund, and upon the Fund's expenses for the period.

Yield quotations include a standardized calculation which computes yield for a 30-day or one month period by dividing net investment income per share during the period by the maximum offering price on the last day of the period. The standardized calculation will include the effect of semiannual compounding and will reflect amortization of premiums for those bonds which have a market value in excess of par. New schedules based on market value will be computed each month for amortizing premiums. With respect to mortgage-backed securities or other receivables-backed obligations, the Fund will amortize the discount or premium on the outstanding principal balance, based upon the cost of the security, over the remaining term of the security. Gains or losses attributable to actual monthly paydowns on mortgagebacked obligations will be reflected as increases or decreases to interest income during the period when such gains or losses are realized. Provided that any such quotation is also accompanied by the standardized calculation referred to above, the Fund may also quote non-standardized performance data for a specified period by dividing the net investment income per share for that period by either the Fund's average public offering price per share for that same period or the offering price per share on the first or last day of the period, and multiplying the result by 365 divided by the number of days in the specified period. For purposes of this non-standardized calculation, net investment income will include accrued interest income plus or minus any amortized purchase discount or premium less all accrued expenses. The primary differences between the results obtained using the standardized performance measure and any non-standardized performance measure will be caused by the following factors: (1) The non-standardized calculation may cover periods other than the 30-day or one month period required by the standardized calculation; (2) The non-standardized calculation may reflect amortization of premium based upon historical cost rather than market value; (3) The non-standardized calculation may reflect the average offering price per share for the period or the beginning offering price per share for the period, whereas the standardized calculation always will reflect the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period; (4) The non-standardized calculation may reflect an offering price per share other than the maximum offering price, provided that any time the Fund's return is quoted in reports, sales literature or advertisements using a public offering price which is less than the Fund's maximum public offering price, the return computed by using the Fund's maximum public offering price also will be quoted in the same piece; (5) The non-standardized return quotation may include the effective return obtained by compounding the monthly dividends.

For the Fund's investments denominated in foreign currencies, income and expenses are calculated first in their respective currencies, and are then converted to U.S. dollars, either when they are actually converted or at the end of the 30-day or one month period, whichever is earlier. Capital gains and losses generally are excluded from the calculation as are gains and losses from currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Income calculated for the purposes of calculating the Fund's yields differs from income as determined for other accounting purposes. Because of the different accounting methods used, and because of the compounding of income assumed in yield calculations, the Fund's yield may not equal its distribution rate, the income paid to a shareholder's account, or the income reported in the Fund's financial statements.

Yield information may be useful in reviewing the Fund's performance and in providing a basis for comparison with other investment alternatives. However, the Fund's yield fluctuates, unlike investments that pay a fixed interest rate over a stated period of time. When comparing investment alternatives, investors should also note the quality and maturity of the portfolio securities of respective investment companies they have chosen to consider.

Total returns quoted in advertising reflect all aspects of the Fund's return, including the effect of reinvesting dividends and capital gain distributions, and any change in the Fund's net asset value ("NAV") over a stated period. Average annual total returns are calculated by determining the growth or decline in value of a hypothetical historical investment in the Fund over a stated period, and then calculating the annually compounded percentage rate that would have produced the same result if the rate of growth or decline in value had been constant over the period. For example, a cumulative total return of 100% over ten years would produce an average annual return of 7.18%, which is the steady annual rate of return that would equal 100% growth on a compounded basis in ten years. While average annual returns are a convenient means of comparing investment alternatives, investors should realize that the Fund's performance is not constant over time, but changes from year to year, and the average annual returns represent averaged figures as opposed to the actual year-to-year performance of the Fund. In addition to average annual total returns, the Fund may quote unaveraged or cumulative total returns reflecting the simple change in value an investment over a stated period. Average annual and cumulative total returns may be quoted as a percentage or as a dollar amount, and may be calculated for a single investment, a series of investments, or a series of redemptions, over any time period. Total returns may be broken down into their components of income and capital (including capital gains and changes to share price) in order to illustrate the relationship of these factors and their contributions to total return. Total returns may be quoted on a before-tax or after-tax basis and may be quoted with or without taking the Fund's maximum sales charge into account. Excluding the Fund's sales charge from a total return calculation produces a higher total return figure. Total returns, yields, and other performance informat

The Fund also may illustrate performance or the characteristics of its investment portfolio through graphs, tabular data or other displays which describe (i) the average portfolio maturity or average duration of the Fund's portfolio securities relative to the maturities or durations of other investments, (ii) the relationship of yield and maturity of the Fund to the yield and maturity of other investments (either as a comparison or through use of standard bench marks or indices such as the Treasury yield curve), (iii) changes in the Fund's share price or net asset value in some cases relative to changes in the value of other investments, and (iv) the relationship over time of changes in the Fund's (or other investments') net asset value or price and the Fund's (or other investment return.

Charts and graphs using the Fund's net asset values, adjusted net asset values, and benchmark indices may be used to exhibit performance. An adjusted NAV includes any distributions paid by the Fund and reflects all elements of its return. Unless otherwise indicated, the Fund's adjusted NAVs are not adjusted for sales charges, if any.

The Fund may illustrate performance using moving averages. A long-term moving average is the average of each week's adjusted closing NAV or total return for a specified period. A short-term moving average NAV is the average of each day's adjusted closing NAV for a specified period. Moving average activity indicators combine adjusted closing NAVs from the last business day of each week with moving averages for a specified period the produce indicators showing when an NAV has crossed, stayed above, or stayed below its moving average.

The Fund's performance may be compared to the performance of other mutual funds in general, or to the performance of particular types of mutual funds. These comparisons may be expressed as mutual fund ranking prepared by Lipper Analytical Services, Inc. ("Lipper"), an independent service that monitors the performance of mutual funds. Lipper generally ranks funds on the basis of total return, assuming reinvestment of distributions, but does not take sales charges or redemption fees into consideration, and is prepared without regard to tax consequences. In addition to the mutual fund rankings the Fund's performance may be compared to stock, bond, and money market mutual fund performance indices prepared by Lipper or other organizations. When comparing these indices, it is important to remember the risk and return characteristics of each type of investment. For example, while stock mutual funds may offer higher potential returns, they also carry the highest degree of share price volatility. Likewise, money market funds may offer greater stability of principal, but generally do not offer the higher potential returns from stock mutual funds. From time to time, the Fund's performance may also be compared to other mutual funds tracked by financial or business publications and periodicals. For example, the Fund may quote Morningstar, Inc. in its advertising materials. Morningstar, Inc. is a mutual fund rating service that rates mutual funds on the basis of risk-adjusted performance. Rankings that compare the performance of Thornburg Funds to one another in appropriate categories over specific periods of time may also be quoted in advertising. Performance rankings and ratings reported periodically in financial publications also may be used. These performance analyses ordinarily do not take sales charges into consideration and are prepared without regard to tax consequences.

The Fund may be compared in advertising to Certificates of Deposit ("CDs") or other investments issued by banks or other depository institutions. Mutual funds differ from bank investments in several respects. For example, while the Fund may offer greater liquidity or higher potential returns than CDs, the Fund does not guarantee a shareholder's principal or return, and Fund shares are not FDIC insured.

Thornburg may provide information designed to help individuals understand their investment goals and explore various financial strategies. Such information may include information about current economic and political conditions; materials that describe general principles of investing, such as asset allocation, diversification, risk tolerance, and goal setting; questionnaires designed to help create a personal financial profile; worksheets used to project savings needs bases on assumed rates of inflation and hypothetical rates of return; and action plans offering investment alternatives. Materials may also include discussions of other Thornburg mutual funds.

Ibbotson Associates, a wholly owned subsidiary of Morningstar, Inc. ("Ibbotson"), provides historical returns of the capital markets in the United States, including common stocks, small capitalization stocks, long-term corporate bonds, intermediate-term government bonds, long-term government bonds, Treasury bills, the U.S. rate of inflation (based on the CPI), and combinations of various capital markets. The performance of these capital markets is based on the returns of differed indices.

The Fund may use the performance of these capital markets in order to demonstrate general risk-versus-reward investment scenarios. Performance comparisons may also include the value of a hypothetical investment in any of these capital markets. The risks associated with the security types in the capital market may or may not correspond directly to those of the Fund. The Fund may also compare performance to that of other compilations or indices that may be developed and made available in the future, and advertising, sales literature and shareholder reports also may discuss aspects of periodic investment plans, dollar cost averaging and other techniques for investing to pay for education, retirement and other goals. In addition, the Fund may quote or reprint financial or business publications and periodicals, including model portfolios or allocations, as they relate to current economic and political conditions, fund management, portfolio composition, investment philosophy, investment techniques and the desirability of owning a particular mutual fund. The Fund may present its fund number and CUSIP number, and discuss or quote its current portfolio manager.

The Fund may quote various measures of volatility and benchmark correlation in advertising. In addition, the Fund may compare these measures to those of other funds. Measures of volatility seek to compare the Fund's historical share price fluctuations or total returns to those of a benchmark. Measures of benchmark correlation indicate how valid a comparative benchmark may be. All measures of volatility and correlation are calculated using averages of historical data. In advertising, the Fund may also discuss or illustrate examples of interest rate sensitivity.

Momentum indicators show the Fund's price movements over specific periods of time. Each point on the momentum indicator represents the Fund's percentage change in price movements over that period. The Fund may advertise examples of the effects of periodic investment plans, including the principle of dollar cost averaging. In such a program, an investor invests a fixed dollar amount in the Fund at periodic intervals, thereby purchasing fewer shares when prices are high and more shares when prices are low. While such a strategy does not assure a profit or guard against loss in a declining market, the investor's average cost per share can be lower than if fixed numbers of shares are purchased at the same intervals. In evaluating such a plan, investors should consider their ability to continue purchasing shares during periods of low price levels. The Fund may be available for purchase through retirement plans or other programs offering deferral of, or exemption from, income taxes, which may produce superior after-tax returns over time. For example, a \$1,000 investment earning a taxable return of 10% annually would have an after-tax value of \$1,949 after ten years, assuming tax was deducted from the return each year at a 31% rate. An equivalent tax-deferred investment would have an after-tax value of \$2,100 after ten years, assuming tax was deducted at a 31% rate from the tax-deferred earnings at the end of the ten-year period.

## Market Indices Information

The benchmark indices described in the Prospectus are products of third party index providers. Data respecting those benchmark indices are the property of those third party providers and have been licensed for use by the Fund. The Fund accept no liability for any errors or omissions relating to the benchmark index data, and the third party providers accept no liability for the use of those data by the Fund. The following additional disclaimers relate to certain of the benchmark indices.

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## ADDITIONAL MATTERS RESPECTING TAXES

The following discussion summarizes certain federal tax considerations generally affecting the Fund and shareholders. This discussion does not provide a detailed explanation of all tax consequences, and shareholders are advised to consult their own tax advisors with respect to the particular federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences to them of an investment in the Fund. In particular, this discussion addresses aspects of investment by persons who are not individuals only in a very limited manner.

This discussion is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), Treasury Regulations issued thereunder, the laws of certain specified states and judicial and administrative authorities as in effect on the date of this Statement of Additional Information, all of which are subject to changes, which changes may be retroactive.

### Elections by the Fund - Subchapter M

The Fund has elected and intends to qualify for treatment as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. In each taxable year when the Fund qualifies for treatment as a regulated investment company, it will not be subject to federal income tax on net investment income and net capital gains which are timely distributed to its shareholders.

If in any year the Fund fails to qualify for the treatment afforded by Subchapter M of the Code, the Fund would be taxed as a corporation on its income. Distributions to the shareholders would be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the Fund's earnings and profits, and would be treated as nontaxable returns of capital to the extent of the shareholders' respective bases in their shares. Further distributions would be treated as amounts received on a sale or exchange or property. In any year the Fund qualifies as a regulated investment company but fails to distribute all of its net investment income and net capital gains, the Fund is subject to taxes on the undistributed portion of its net income and capital gains. Although the Fund intends to distribute all of its net income currently and any capital gains annually, it could have undistributed net income if, for example, expenses of the Fund were reduced or disallowed on audit.

### **Backup Withholding**

Each shareholder will be notified annually by their Fund as to the amount and characterization of distributions paid to or reinvested by the shareholder for the preceding taxable year. The Fund may be required to withhold federal income tax from distributions otherwise payable to a shareholder if (i) the shareholder has failed to furnish the Fund with his taxpayer identification number, (ii) the Fund is notified that the shareholder's number is incorrect, (iii) the Internal Revenue Service notifies the Fund that the shareholder has failed properly to report certain income, or (iv) when required to do so, the shareholder fails to certify under penalty of perjury that he is not subject to this withholding. The backup withholding tax rate on distributions is currently 28%.

Certain shareholders specified in the Code are exempt from the backup withholding noted in the preceding paragraph. The Fund may be required to obtain certain information from a shareholder to identify that shareholder's status as a person exempt from backup withholding. Persons exempt from the backup withholding noted in the preceding paragraph may under certain circumstances still be subject to other types of federal income tax withholding. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors for more information.

## Distributions by Investment Companies - In General

Distributions of investment company taxable income (including net short-term capital gains) are taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. Distributions of investment company taxable income may be eligible for the corporate dividends-received deduction to the extent attributable to the Fund's dividend income from U.S. corporations, and if other applicable requirements are met. However, the alternative minimum tax applicable to corporations may reduce the benefit of the dividends-received deduction. Distributions of net capital gains (the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital losses) designated by the Fund as capital gain dividends are not eligible for the dividends-received deduction and will generally be taxable to shareholders as long-term capital gains, regardless of the length of time the Fund's shares have been held by a shareholder. Generally, dividends and distributions are taxable to shareholders, whether received in cash or reinvested in shares of the Fund. Any distributions that are not from the Fund's investment company taxable income or net capital gain may be characterized as a return of capital to shareholders or, in some cases, as capital gain. Shareholders will be notified annually as to the federal tax status of dividends and distributions they receive and any tax withheld thereon.

A person seeking to invest in shares of the Fund through a taxable account should consider the Fund's unrealized gains and losses, and any capital loss carryforwards, which are disclosed in the annual and semiannual reports to shareholders issued by the Fund. Embedded, unrealized gains, if realized by the Fund upon a sale or other disposition of the investments to which the gains relate, and not offset by realized losses, result in capital gains distributions to all shareholders, including persons who just purchased Fund shares, which may be subject to income tax. Unrealized losses, if realized by the Fund through sales of investments, and capital loss carryforwards from previously realized losses, may offset gains realized by the Fund on sales of appreciated investments, so offsetting the capital gains distributions that otherwise would be made to shareholders.

Pursuant to the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, the maximum federal tax rate for individual taxpayers on long-term capital gains from sales of securities and on certain qualifying dividends on corporate stock issued by domestic corporations and certain "qualified foreign corporations" is 20%. Qualified foreign corporations are corporations incorporated in a U.S. possession, corporations whose stock is readily tradable on an established securities market in the U.S. and corporations eligible for the benefits of a comprehensive income tax treaty with the United States and which satisfy certain other requirements. Foreign personal holding companies, foreign investment companies and passive foreign investment companies are not treated as qualified foreign corporations. These rates do not apply to corporate taxpayers. The Fund will separately designate distributions of any qualifying long-term capital gains or qualifying dividends earned by the Fund. A shareholder must also satisfy a 60-day holding period requirement with respect to any distributions of qualifying dividends in order to obtain the benefit of the lower tax rates imposed on those distributions. Distributions attributable to the Fund's income from bonds and other debt obligations, dividends from most foreign companies, and distributions by real estate investment trusts or regulated investment companies will not generally qualify for the lower rates. Some hedging activities may cause a dividend that would otherwise be subject to the lower tax rate applicable to a qualifying dividend to be taxed at the rate of tax applicable to ordinary income.

The Fund's investments in certain derivatives, foreign currency transactions, options, futures contracts, hedging transactions, forward contracts, investments in passive foreign investment companies, and certain other transactions will be subject to special tax rules, the effect of which may be to accelerate income to the Fund, defer Fund losses, convert capital gain into taxable ordinary income or convert short-term capital losses into long-term capital losses. Engaging in swap transactions also may result in distributions of taxable income or gain to shareholders, and also may cause the Fund to currently recognize income with respect to payments to be received in the future. Certain Fund transactions, including investments in derivative instruments, transactions in foreign currencies or foreign currency-denominated instruments, and hedging activities may produce differences between the Fund's book and taxable income, and distributions by the Fund may consequently be treated in some instances as returns of capital.

The Fund's distributions of realized capital gains may be reduced if the Fund has capital loss carryforwards available. The Fund's net capital losses are not deductible against the Fund's net investment income.

Distributions by the Fund result in a reduction in the net asset value of the Fund's shares. Should distributions reduce the net asset value below a shareholder's cost basis, the distribution would nevertheless be taxable to the shareholder as ordinary income or capital gain as described above, even though, from an investment standpoint, it may constitute a partial return of capital. In particular, investors should consider the tax implications of buying shares just prior to a distribution. The price of shares purchased at that time includes the amount of the forthcoming distribution. Persons purchasing just prior to a distribution will then receive a partial return of capital upon the distribution, which will nevertheless be taxable to them.

A 3.8% Medicare contribution tax is imposed on the "net investment income" of individuals, estates, and trusts whose income exceeds certain threshold amounts. Net investment income generally includes for this purpose distributions of income dividends and capital gains paid by the Fund and otherwise includible in adjusted gross income, and capital gains recognized on the sale, redemption or exchange of Fund shares. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this additional tax on their investment in the Fund.

#### **Foreign Currency Transactions**

Under the Code, gains or losses attributable to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates which occur between the time the Fund accrues income or other receivable or accrues expenses or other liabilities denominated in a foreign currency and the time the Fund actually collects such receivable or pays such liabilities generally are treated as ordinary income or ordinary loss. Similarly, on disposition of debt obligations denominated in a foreign currency and on disposition of certain financial contracts and options, gains or losses attributable to fluctuations in the value of foreign currency between the date of acquisition of the security or contract and the date of disposition also are treated as ordinary gain or loss. These gains and losses, referred to under the Code as "Section 988" gains and losses, may increase or decrease the amount of the Fund's net investment income to be distributed to its shareholders as ordinary income.

### Foreign Withholding Taxes

Income received by the Fund from sources within foreign countries may be subject to withholding and other income or similar taxes imposed by such countries. If more than 50% of the value of the Fund's total assets at the close of its taxable year consists of securities of foreign corporations, that Fund will be eligible and may elect to "pass through" to the Fund's shareholders the amount of foreign income and similar taxes paid by that Fund. Pursuant to this election, a shareholder will be required to include in gross income (in addition to taxable dividends actually received) his pro rata share of the foreign taxes paid by the Fund, and will be entitled either to deduct (as an itemized deduction) his pro rata share of foreign income and similar taxes in computing his taxable income or to use it as a foreign tax credit against his U.S. federal income tax liability, subject to limitations. No deduction for foreign taxes may be claimed by a shareholder who does not itemize deductions, but such a shareholder may be eligible to claim the foreign tax credit (see below). Each shareholder will be notified within 60 days after the close of the relevant Fund's taxable year whether the foreign taxes paid by the Fund will "pass through" for that year. Furthermore, the amount of the foreign tax credit that is available may be limited to the extent that dividends from a foreign corporation qualify for the lower tax rate on "qualifying dividends."

Generally, a credit for foreign taxes is subject to the limitations that it may not exceed the shareholder's U.S. tax attributable to his foreign source taxable income. For this purpose, if the pass-through election is made, the source of the Fund's income flows through to its shareholders. With respect to the Fund, gains from the sale of securities will be treated as derived from U.S. sources and certain currency fluctuations gains, including fluctuation gains from foreign currency denominated debt obligations, receivables and payables, will be treated as ordinary income derived from U.S. sources. The limitation on the foreign tax credit is applied separately to foreign source passive income (as defined for purposes of the foreign tax credit), including the foreign source passive income passed through by the Fund. Shareholders may be unable to claim a credit for the full amount of their proportionate share of the foreign taxes paid by the Fund. The foreign tax credit limitation rules do not apply to certain electing individual taxpayers who have limited creditable foreign taxes and no foreign source income other than passive investment-type income. The foreign tax credit is eliminated with respect to foreign taxes withheld on dividends if the dividend-paying shares or the shares of the Fund are not held by the Fund or the shareholders, as the case may be, for periods specified in the Code. If the Fund is not eligible to make the election to "pass through" to its shareholders its foreign taxes, the foreign income taxes it pays generally will reduce investment company taxable income and the distributions by the Fund will be treated as United States source income.

## Redemption or Other Disposition of Shares

Upon the sale or exchange of his shares, a shareholder realizes a taxable gain or loss depending upon his basis in the shares. The gain or loss will be treated as capital gain or loss if the shares are capital assets in the shareholder's hands, which generally may be eligible for reduced federal tax rates, depending on the shareholder's holding period for the shares. Any loss realized on a sale or exchange will be disallowed to the extent that the shares disposed of are replaced (including replacement through the reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions in the Fund) within a period of 61 days beginning 30 days before and ending 30 days after the disposition of the shares. In such a case, the basis of the shares acquired will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss. Any loss realized by a shareholder on the sale of the Fund's shares held by the shareholder for six months or less will be treated for federal income tax purposes as a long-term capital loss to the extent of any distributions of capital gains dividends received by the shareholder with respect to such shares.

In some cases, shareholders will not be permitted to take sales charges into account for purposes of determining the amount of gain or loss realized on the disposition of their shares. This prohibition generally applies where (1) the shareholder incurs a sales charge in acquiring the shares of a regulated investment company, (2) the shares are disposed of before the 91st day after the date on which they were acquired, and (3) the shareholder subsequently acquires shares of the same or another regulated investment company and the otherwise applicable sales charge is reduced or eliminated under a "reinvestment right" received upon the initial purchase of the shares. In that case, the gain or loss recognized will be determined by excluding from the tax basis of the shares exchanged all or a portion of the sales charge incurred in acquiring those shares. This exclusion applies to the extent that the otherwise applicable sales charge with respect to the newly acquired shares is reduced as a result of having incurred a sales charge initially. Sales charges affected by this rule are treated as if they were incurred with respect to the shares acquired under the reinvestment. This provision may be applied to successive acquisitions of shares.

## **State and Local Taxes**

The laws of the several states and local taxing authorities vary with respect to the taxation of distributions, and shareholders of the Fund are advised to consult their own tax advisors in that regard. In particular, investors who are not individuals are advised that the preceding discussion relates primarily to tax consequences affecting individuals, and the tax consequences of an investment by a person which is not an individual may be very different. The Fund will advise shareholders within 60 days of the end of each calendar year as to the percentage of income derived from each state in which the Fund has any municipal obligations in order to assist shareholders in the preparation of their state and local tax returns.

## Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA") generally requires the Fund to obtain information sufficient to identify the status of each of its shareholders under FATCA, as described more fully below. If a shareholder fails to provide this information or otherwise fails to comply with FATCA, the Fund may be required to withhold under FATCA at a rate of 30% with respect to that shareholder, depending on the type of payment and shareholder account, on certain payments made from the Fund, including distributions characterized by the Fund as capital gain dividends and the proceeds of the sale, redemption or exchange of Fund shares. If a payment by the Fund is subject to FATCA withholding, the Fund or its agent is required to withhold even if such payment would otherwise be exempt from withholding.

Payments to the Fund shareholder will generally not be subject to FATCA withholding, provided the shareholder provides the Fund with such certifications, waivers or other documentation or information as the Fund requires, including, to the extent required, documentation or information respecting such shareholder's direct and indirect owners, to establish the shareholder's FATCA status and otherwise to comply with these rules. In order to avoid withholding, a shareholder that is a "foreign financial institution" ("FFI") must either (i) become a "participating FFI" by entering into a valid U.S. tax compliance agreement with the IRS, (ii) qualify for an exception from the requirement to enter into such an agreement, for example by becoming a "deemed compliant FFI," or (iii) be covered by an applicable intergovernmental agreement between the United States and a non-U.S. government to implement FATCA. In any of these cases, the investing FFI generally will be required to provide the Fund with appropriate identifiers, certifications or documentation concerning its status.

The Fund will disclose the information that it receives from (or concerning) its shareholders to the IRS, non-U.S. taxing authorities or other parties as necessary to comply with FATCA, related intergovernmental agreements or other applicable law or regulation.

Each investor and prospective investor is urged to consult its tax adviser regarding the applicability of FATCA and any other reporting requirements with respect to the investor's own situation.

### DISTRIBUTIONS AND SHAREHOLDER ACCOUNTS

When an investor or the investor's financial intermediary makes an initial investment in shares of the Fund, the Fund's transfer agent will open an account on the books of the Fund, and the investor or financial intermediary will receive a confirmation of the opening of the account. Thereafter, whenever a transaction, other than the reinvestment of interest income, takes place in the account - such as a purchase of additional shares or redemption of shares or a withdrawal of shares represented by certificates - the investor or the financial intermediary will receive a confirmation statement giving complete details of the transaction. Shareholders also will receive at least quarterly statements setting forth all distributions of income and other transactions in the account during the period and the balance of full and fractional shares. The final statement for the year will provide information for income tax purposes.

Any distributions of investment income, net of expenses, and the annual distributions of net realized capital gains, if any, will be credited to the accounts of shareholders in full and fractional shares of the Fund at net asset value on the payment or distribution date, as the case may be. Upon written notice to the Fund's transfer agent, a shareholder may elect to receive periodic distributions of net investment income in cash. Such an election will remain in effect until changed by written notice to the transfer agent, which change may be made at any time in the sole discretion of the shareholder.

### INVESTMENT ADVISOR, INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENTS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENTS

## **Investment Advisory Agreement**

Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement in respect of the Fund, Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. ("Thornburg" or the "advisor"), 2300 North Ridgetop Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506, acts as investment advisor for, and will manage the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the Fund in accordance with the Fund's investment objective and policies, subject to the general supervision and control of the Trustees of Thornburg Investment Trust.

Thornburg is paid a fee by the Fund, in the percentage amounts set forth in the Prospectus. The fee paid by the Fund is allocated among the different classes of shares offered by the Fund based upon the average daily net assets of each class of shares of the Fund. All fees and expenses are accrued daily and deducted before payment of dividends. In addition to the fees of Thornburg, the Fund will pay all other costs and expenses of its operations. The Fund also will bear the expenses of registering and qualifying the Fund and its shares for distribution under federal and state securities laws, including legal fees.

The Trust's Trustees (including a majority of the Trustees who are not "interested persons" within the meaning of the 1940 Act) have approved the Investment Advisory Agreement applicable to the Fund, and will annually consider the renewal of the agreement applicable to the Fund. In connection with their general supervision of Thornburg, and as an important element of their annual consideration of a renewal of the Investment Advisory Agreement applicable to the Fund, the Trustees will receive and consider reports from Thornburg throughout the year. These reports are expected to address a wide variety of topics, including particularly Thornburg's services to the Fund and its selection of investments of pursuit of the Fund's investment objective.

The Trustees have considered the responsibilities of mutual fund trustees generally and the Trustees' understandings of shareholders' expectations about the management of the mutual funds in which they have invested. The Trustees have concluded, based upon these discussions and a consideration of applicable law, that the principal obligation of mutual fund trustees is to assess the nature and quality of an investment advisor's services, and to confirm that the advisor actively and competently pursues the mutual fund's objectives. The Trustees have further concluded that while mutual fund trustees should determine that a fund's fees and costs are reasonable in relation to the services rendered and generally in line with those charged by other investment advisors, putting an investment advisory agreement "out to bid" as a matter of course would be inconsistent with shareholder interests and contrary to shareholder expectations when they invested in a fund, and that mutual fund trustees should not do so unless an advisor materially failed to pursue a fund's objectives in accordance with its policies or for other equally important reasons. The Trustees also observed in their deliberations that Fund shareholders appear to invest with a long-term perspective, and that in reviewing the Fund's performance, the Trustees should focus on the longer-term perspective rather than current fashions or short-term performance.

The Investment Advisory Agreement applicable to the Fund may be terminated by either party, at any time without penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, and will terminate automatically in the event of its assignment. Termination will not affect the right of Thornburg to receive payments on any unpaid balance of the compensation earned prior to termination. The Agreement further provides that in the absence of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence on the part of Thornburg, or of reckless disregard of its obligations and duties under the Agreement, Thornburg will not be liable for any action or failure to act in accordance with its duties thereunder.

A discussion regarding the basis for the approval of the Fund's Investment Advisory Agreement by the Trustees will be contained in the Fund's Semi-Annual Report to Shareholders for the period ended March 31, 2024.

Thornburg may (but is not obligated to) waive its rights to any portion of its fees in the future, and may use any portion of its fees for purposes of shareholder and administrative services and distribution of Fund shares.

No information is provided respecting fees earned by Thornburg under the Investment Advisory Agreement for the Fund, or the amounts reimbursed to Thornburg by the Fund in respect of the accounting services that Thornburg renders for the Fund, because investment operations for the Fund had not yet commenced as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information, and no fees have been earned by Thornburg, or reimbursements made to Thornburg, as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information.

Garrett Thornburg, Chairman and Trustee of Thornburg Investment Trust, is also a director and controlling shareholder of Thornburg, and Brian McMahon, Vice Chairman and Trustee of Thornburg Investment Trust, is also a director of Thornburg. In addition, various individuals who are officers of the Trust also serve as officers of Thornburg, as described below under the caption "Management."

### **Proxy Voting Policies**

Thornburg is authorized by the Trust to vote proxies respecting voting securities held by the Fund. In those cases, Thornburg votes proxies in accordance with written Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures (the "Policy") adopted by Thornburg. The Policy states that the objective of voting a security is to enhance the value of the security, or to reduce potential for a decline in the security's value. The Policy prescribes procedures for assembling voting information and applying the informed expertise and judgment of Thornburg on a timely basis in pursuit of this voting objective.

The Policy also prescribes a procedure for voting proxies when a vote presents a conflict between the interests of the Fund and Thornburg. If the vote relates to the election of a director in an uncontested election or ratification or selection of independent accountants, the investment advisor will vote the proxy in accordance with the recommendation of any proxy voting service engaged by Thornburg. If no such recommendation is available, or if the vote involves other matters, Thornburg will refer the vote to the Trust's operations risk oversight committee for direction on the vote or consent to vote on Thornburg's recommendation.

The Policy authorizes Thornburg to utilize various sources of information in considering votes, including the engagement of service providers who provide analysis and information on the subjects of votes and who may recommend voting positions. Thornburg has engaged Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS") to provide these services to Thornburg in connection with voting proxies for the Fund. Thornburg also may decline to vote in various situations, including cases where an issue is not relevant to the Policy's voting objective or where it is not possible to ascertain what effect a vote may have on the value of an investment. Thornburg may not be able to vote proxies in cases where proxy voting materials are not delivered to Thornburg in sufficient time for evaluation and voting.

Information regarding how proxies were voted is available on or before August 31 of each year for the twelve months ending the preceding June 30. This information is available (i) without charge, upon request by calling the Advisor toll-free at 1-800-847-0200, (ii) on the Thornburg website at www.thornburg.com, and (iii) on the U.S Securities and Exchange Commission's website at www.sec.gov.

## **Administrative Services Agreement**

Administrative services are provided to the Fund under the Fourth Restated Administrative Services Agreement between the Trust and Thornburg dated September 19, 2023 (the "Administrative Services Agreement") which requires Thornburg to perform certain administrative services and engage in activities beyond those specifically required by the Investment Advisory Agreement, and to provide related services. The activities and services to be provided by Thornburg under the Administrative Services Agreement include the administration, monitoring, supervision, performance or direction of certain administrative functions necessary or desirable for the operation of the Fund, generally including: monitoring, supervision and direction of fund accounting and administration, tax accounting and reporting, custodial and transfer agent services, account administration, information technology services, legal services, and other services provided by third parties to the Fund; coordination and management of financial audits; monitoring of financial intermediaries in connection with their provision of non-distribution services to the Fund; supervision and direction of and assistance in the preparation of registration statements and other governmental filings, income and other tax returns, and reports and other communications to shareholders; coordination and supervision of certain portfolio valuation functions; monitoring, supervision and conduct of legal compliance functions; providing personnel necessary to furnish the services required by the Administrative Services Agreement together with the office space and other support necessary for those services; and such other services and activities as the parties may agree from time to time.

Under the Administrative Services Agreement, Thornburg earns a fee for the services that Thornburg provides pursuant to the Administrative Services Agreement. That fee is computed as an annual percentage of the aggregate average daily net assets of all share classes of the Fund described in this Statement of Additional Information, paid monthly, as follows:

Net Assets	Percentage Rate
0 to \$20 billion	0.100%
\$20 billion to \$40 billion	0.075%
\$40 billion to \$60 billion	0.040%
Over \$60 billion	0.030%

together with any applicable sales or similar tax.

No information is provided respecting fees earned by Thornburg under the Administrative Services Agreement for the Fund because investment operations for the Fund had not yet commenced as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information, and no fees have been earned by Thornburg as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information.

The Administrative Services Agreement may be terminated by either party, at any time without penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, and will terminate automatically upon assignment. Termination will not affect the service provider's right to receive fees earned before termination. The agreements further provide that in the absence of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence on the part of the service provider, or reckless disregard of its duties thereunder, the provider will not be liable for any action or failure to act in accordance with its duties thereunder.

### SERVICE AND DISTRIBUTION PLANS

### Service Plan - All Classes

The Fund has adopted a plan of distribution pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act ("Service Plan"), which is applicable to the Fund's Class A shares and Class I shares. The Service Plan authorizes the Fund to pay to Thornburg Securities Corporation ("TSC"), or to such persons as TSC may direct, out of the assets of the Fund, an annual amount not exceeding 0.25% of the Fund's average annual assets, together with any applicable gross receipts tax, sales tax, value added tax, compensating tax or similar exaction imposed by any federal, state or local government, though the aggregate of those taxes shall not exceed 10%. The Fund has also entered into a distribution agreement with TSC, pursuant to which TSC agrees to provide or obtain from other persons the services described in the Service Plan, and the Fund agrees to pay TSC or other persons as TSC directs for providing or obtaining those services.

Payments by the Fund under the Service Plan and the related distribution agreement with TSC may be made for: (a) expenses incurred by TSC, or by other persons at the request or direction of TSC or the Trust, for the promotion and distribution of the shares of the Fund, including but not limited to, printing of prospectuses and reports used for sales purposes, advertisements, expenses of preparation and printing of sales literature and other distribution-related expenses, and further including any compensation paid to securities dealers and other financial intermediaries which have executed selling agreements with TSC; and (b) expenses incurred by TSC, or by other persons at the request or direction of the Trust or TSC, in connection with the provision of services to the shareholders of the Fund pursuant to selling agreements with TSC or other service agreements or similar arrangements with TSC, Thornburg or the Trust, which services include providing personal services to shareholders and maintaining shareholder accounts, including, but not limited to, administrative, transactional, distribution and redemption, and accounting and reporting services with respect to Fund shareholders and accounts, and providing information to shareholders and responding to shareholder inquiries; and (c) such other services and activities as may from time to time be agreed upon by Trustees of the Trust and TSC. Payments by the Fund pursuant to the Service Plan and the related distribution agreement with TSC shall be in addition to any payments made outside of the Service Plan, as authorized by the Trustees of the Trust as not being primarily intended to result in the sale of Fund shares.

TSC has no current intention to request or receive any payment under the Service Plan in respect of the Fund's Class I shares.

## Class C Distribution Plan

The Fund has adopted a plan of distribution pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, applicable only to the Class C ("Distribution Plan"). The Distribution Plan authorizes the Fund to pay to TSC, or to such persons as TSC may direct, out of the assets of each share class of the Fund to which the Distribution Plan is applicable, an annual amount of: up to 0.75% of the average daily net assets attributable to Class C shares of the Fund, together with any applicable gross receipts tax, sales tax, value added tax, compensating tax or similar exaction imposed by any federal, state or local government, though the aggregate of those taxes shall not exceed 10%. The Fund has also entered into a distribution agreement with TSC, pursuant to which TSC agrees to provide or obtain from other persons the services described in the Distribution Plan, and the Fund agrees to pay TSC or other persons as TSC directs for providing or obtaining those services.

Payments by the Fund under the Distribution Plan and the related distribution agreement with TSC may be made for: (a) compensation and ongoing commissions (including incentive compensation) to securities dealers, financial institutions and other organizations which render distribution and administrative services in connection with the distribution of the share classes of the Fund; (b) the printing and distribution of reports and prospectuses for the use of potential investors; (c) preparing and distributing sales literature; (d) providing advertising and engaging in other promotional activities, including direct mail solicitation, and television, radio newspaper and other media advertisements; and (e) such other services and activities as may from time to time be agreed upon by Trustees of the Trust and TSC. The Trust and TSC are authorized under the Distribution Plan to instruct the Fund's transfer agent or other agents of the Fund to pay these amounts directly to financial services firms or other persons engaged to provide the foregoing services.

## Amounts Paid Under Rule 12b-1 Plans and Agreements

No information on the amounts paid under the Distribution Plan are provided because the Fund had not yet commenced investment operations as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information.

## FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY COMPENSATION

Financial advisors and financial intermediaries who sell shares and hold shares for investors ("intermediaries") charge compensation in connection with the sale of Fund shares and the servicing of shareholder accounts. Intermediaries receiving this compensation may include securities brokers and dealers, registered investment advisors, banks, trust companies, insurance companies, employee benefit plan and retirement plan administrators, and other institutions that have entered into arrangements with Thornburg or TSC under which they are paid compensation for the sale of Fund shares or the servicing of accounts for their customers. Intermediaries may categorize and disclose these payments to their customers and to members of the public differently than the disclosures in the Prospectus and this SAI.

Thornburg or TSC may pay compensation charged by intermediaries out of amounts that Thornburg or TSC receive from the Fund. Examples of such payments include, but are not limited to: (i) share sales commissions and ongoing asset-based compensation paid by Thornburg or TSC out of sales charges received or expected to be received from the Fund; (ii) amounts paid out of the Rule 12b-1 service and distribution fees that TSC receive from the Fund; and (iii) amounts paid by the Fund to compensate intermediaries who perform services, including subaccounting and subtransfer agency services, that would otherwise need to be provided by the Fund's transfer agent or other persons hired directly by the Fund.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, including applicable rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"), Thornburg or TSC may also compensate intermediaries out of Thornburg's or TSC's own resources. This compensation may be in the form of commissions, finder's fees or similar cash incentives, "revenue sharing," and marketing and advertising support. An intermediary may receive this compensation in addition to the Rule 12b-1 or other compensation that the intermediary receives out of the assets of the Fund. This compensation from Thornburg or TSC may provide an incentive to financial intermediaries to actively market the sale of shares of the Fund or to support the marketing efforts of Thornburg or TSC. Examples of the types of services which an intermediary may provide (or may arrange to have a third party provide) in exchange for receiving this compensation from Thornburg or TSC include, but are not limited to: Fund due diligence and business planning assistance; marketing programs and support; operations and systems support; and training for the intermediary's personnel respecting the Fund and the financial needs of Fund shareholders. Each of Thornburg or TSC may also make payments out of its own resources to compensate an intermediary for costs associated with the intermediary's marketing efforts (including the cost of attendance at training and educational conferences), and for costs associated with the intermediary's shareholder support and account maintenance services for its customers or transaction processing (including the payment of certain ticket charges).

During the fiscal year which ended September 30, 2023, Thornburg or TSC paid amounts from its own resources to the following member firms of FINRA, or to the affiliates of such firms, pursuant to written agreements with such firms:

American Enterprise Investment Services, Inc. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Commonwealth Financial Network Financial Data Services, Inc. Goldman Sachs & Co. **GWFS** Empower Lincoln Financial Advisors Corp. Lincoln Financial Securities Corp. LPL Financial Corporation Morgan Stanley Smith Barney National Financial Services, LLC Principal Life Insurance Raymond James & Associates, Inc. RBC Wealth Management UBS Financial Services, Inc. Vova Financial Advisors Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC

Each of Thornburg and TSC may also make payments out of its own resources to institutions that are not member firms of FINRA and that are not included among, or affiliated with, the institutions listed above.

## PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS

All orders for the purchase or sale of portfolio securities are placed on behalf of the Fund by Thornburg pursuant to its authority under the Fund's investment advisory agreement. Thornburg also is responsible for the placement of transaction orders for other clients for whom it acts as investment advisor.

Thornburg, in effecting purchases and sales of fixed income securities for the account of the Fund, places orders in such a manner as, in the opinion of Thornburg, offers the best available price and most favorable execution of each transaction. Portfolio securities normally will be purchased directly from an underwriter or in the over-the-counter market from the principal dealers in such securities, unless it appears that a better price of execution may be obtained elsewhere. Purchases from underwriters will include a commission or concession paid by the issuer to the underwriter, and purchases from dealers will include the spread between the bid and asked price.

Similarly, Thornburg places orders for transactions in equity securities in such a manner as, in the opinion of Thornburg, will offer the best available price and most favorable execution of these transactions. In selecting broker dealers, subject to applicable legal requirements, Thornburg considers various relevant factors, including, but not limited to: the size and type of the transaction; the nature and character of the markets for the security to be purchased or sold; the execution efficiency, settlement capability, and financial condition of the broker-dealer firm; the broker-dealer's execution services rendered on a continuing basis; and the reasonableness of any commissions; and arrangements for payment of Fund expenses. Generally commissions for foreign investments traded will be higher than for U.S. investments and may not be subject to negotiation.

Thornburg may execute the Fund's portfolio transactions with broker-dealers who provide research and brokerage services to Thornburg. Such services may include, but are not limited to, provision of market information relating to the security, economy, industries or specific companies; order execution systems; technical and quantitative information about the markets; and effecting securities transactions and performing functions incidental thereto (such as clearance and settlement). Research and brokerage services include information and analysis provided electronically through online facilities. The receipt of research from broker-dealers who execute transactions on behalf of the Fund may be useful to Thornburg in rendering investment management services to the Fund.

The receipt of such research may not reduce Thornburg's normal independent research activities; however, it may enable Thornburg to avoid the additional expenses that could be incurred if Thornburg tried to develop comparable information through its own efforts.

Thornburg may pay, or be deemed to pay, to broker-dealers who provide research and brokerage services to Thornburg, commission rates higher than might otherwise be obtainable from other broker-dealers. Thornburg does not attempt to assign a specific dollar value to the research provided in connection with trades for client accounts or to allocate the relative cost or benefit of research or brokerage services. The research and brokerage services may benefit client accounts other than the specific client account(s) for which a trade is effected, and some or all of the research or brokerage services received with respect to a specific trade may not be used in connection with the account(s) for which the trade was executed. Some of the described services may be available for purchase by Thornburg on a cash basis.

It is Thornburg's policy, in circumstances where Thornburg receives research or brokerage services from a broker-dealer, to determine in accordance with federal securities laws that: (i) the research or brokerage services are "brokerage or research services" as that term is defined in Section 28(e) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; (ii) the services provide lawful and appropriate assistance in the performance of Thornburg's investment management decisions; and (iii) the commissions paid are reasonable in relation to the value of the research or brokerage services provided. In circumstances where Thornburg determines that it has received research or brokerage services that fulfill the requirements under Thornburg's policy, Thornburg determines the portion of non-qualifying products or services and pays for those products or services from its own resources.

Increases in brokerage commissions paid by the Fund from year to year are primarily attributable to increases in the number of equity trades placed by the Fund, while decreases in brokerage commissions paid by the Fund from year to year are primarily attributable to decreases in the number of equity trades placed by the Fund. The variance in equity trading activity from year-to-year may reflect a number of factors, including the advisor's identification of investment opportunities for the Fund, the advisor's decision to rebalance the Fund's portfolio in response to actual or anticipated changes in market conditions, equity purchases made in response to shareholder inflows to the Fund, and equity sales made to meet shareholder redemption requests.

Thornburg may use research services provided by and place portfolio transactions with brokerage firms that have provided assistance in the distribution of shares of the Fund to the extent permitted by law. Thornburg may use research services provided by and place agency transactions with TSC if the commissions are fair, reasonable, and comparable to commissions charged by non-affiliated, qualified brokerage firms for similar services. Thornburg may allocate brokerage transactions to broker-dealers who have entered into arrangements with Thornburg under which the broker-dealer allocates a portion of the commissions paid by the Fund toward payment of the Fund's expenses, such as transfer agent fees or custodian fees. The transaction quality must, however, be comparable to those of other qualified broker-dealers.

Thornburg reserves the right to manage other investment companies and investment accounts for other clients which may have investment objectives similar to those of the Fund. Subject to applicable laws and regulations, Thornburg will attempt to allocate equitably portfolio transactions among the Fund and the portfolios of its other clients purchasing securities whenever decisions are made to purchase or sell securities by the Fund and one or more of such other clients simultaneously. In making such allocations the main factors to be considered will be the respective investment objectives of the Fund and the other clients, the size and nature of investment positions then held by the Fund and the other clients, and the strategy, timing and restrictions applicable respectively to the Fund and the other clients. While this procedure could have a detrimental effect on the price or amount of the securities available to the Fund from time to time, it is the opinion of the Fund's Trustees that the benefits available from Thornburg's organization will outweigh any disadvantage that may arise from exposure to simultaneous transactions.

No information on brokerage commissions paid by the Fund or Fund ownership of securities issued by broker dealers is provided because the Fund had not yet commenced investment operations as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information.

### **Portfolio Turnover Rates**

No portfolio turnover figures are provided for the Fund because the Fund had not yet commenced investment operations as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information.

### DISCLOSURE OF PORTFOLIO SECURITIES HOLDINGS INFORMATION

The Trustees have adopted policies and procedures respecting and limiting the circumstances under which nonpublic holdings information respecting the Fund's current portfolio holdings information may be disclosed to persons not associated with the Fund, Thornburg, or TSC. "Nonpublic Holdings Information" means any information respecting portfolio investments of any Fund (including but not limited to, the identity of the issuer, number of shares, denominations, purchase or sale dates, countries of origin, maturities or duration, credit ratings, currency in which investments are denominated or corresponding hedging positions, or options, futures or other derivative positions) which has not been made publicly available. The objective in adopting these policies and procedures is to reduce the exposure of the Fund and their shareholders to harm resulting from trading of Fund shares by persons in possession of material nonpublic information respecting the Fund's portfolio holdings. These policies and procedures are intended to operate in conjunction with Thornburg's policies prohibiting securities transactions using material nonpublic information. Neither the Fund nor Thornburg nor any affiliate thereof receives compensation or other consideration in connection with the disclosure of information about the Fund's portfolio holdings.

## **Selective Disclosure of Nonpublic Holdings Information**

Disclosure of nonpublic information respecting current Fund portfolio holdings information is generally prohibited. However, nonpublic holdings information may be disclosed to specified persons in accordance with the Trust's policy and procedures for the disclosure of such information. Pursuant to the policy and procedures, nonpublic portfolio holdings information may be disclosed under certain circumstances to: the Trust's registered independent public accounting firm, independent accounting firms and legal counsel; the Trust's custodian, subcustodians and securities depositories; valuation and pricing services and agents; financial printing services; mutual fund analysts; securities broker dealers in connection with placing a specific trade in a particular portfolio security; financial consultants to the Fund or investment advisor; certain other specified persons; and persons who are not otherwise specified in the policy in connection with a legitimate business purpose of any Fund and with the approval of the Trust's chief compliance officer or the chief compliance officer's designee, the Trustees, or the Trustees' Governance and Nominating Committee. In any case where nonpublic portfolio holdings information is disclosed to a third party, Thornburg seeks to confirm that the person to whom the disclosure is made is subject to a contractual provision, professional rule or obligation, or undertaking respecting the maintenance of the confidentiality of the nonpublic information. Nonpublic holdings information may also be disclosed to cooperate fully regulatory authorities, subject to laws and regulations respecting disclosure of private or nonpublic information.

As of the date of this Statement of Additional Information, Thornburg has ongoing arrangements that would permit Thornburg to disclose the Fund's nonpublic portfolio holdings information to the persons noted in the following table. Unless otherwise noted in the table below, there will typically be no lag time between the date of the information and the date on which the information is disclosed.

		Time Lag Between Date of
Name of Recipient	Frequency	Information and Date of Disclosure
Bloomberg L.P.	Daily (Pricing)	None
Empire Valuation Consultants, LLC	Quarterly (Pricing)	None
FactSet Research Systems	Daily	None
ICE Data Services	Daily (Pricing)	None
IHS Markit Ltd.	Daily (Pricing)	None
Institutional Shareholder Services, Inc.	Daily	None
J.P Morgan Pricing Direct Inc.	Daily (Pricing)	None
Bank of America Merrill Lynch	Daily (Pricing)	None
Valuation Research Corporation	Quarterly (Pricing)	None
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney	Weekly	One day
PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP	Daily	None
Quality EDGAR Solutions, LLC	Monthly	One month or less, depending on the date of
		request
Refinitiv	Daily (Pricing)	None
Donnelley Financial Solutions (DFIN)	Monthly	One month or less, depending on the date of
		request
State Street Bank and Trust	Daily	None
MSCI	Daily	None
April, Dolan & Koehler, P.C.	As needed in connections with the legal services	None
	provided to the Fund	
Clearwater Analytics	Daily	None

### **Making Holdings Information Publicly Available**

In addition to the ongoing arrangements described above, the Trust's policy and procedures respecting disclosure of portfolio holdings information provide for periodic public disclosure of that, as follows:

- Disclosure of the Fund's nonpublic holdings information on a publicly available website maintained by or for the Trust or the Advisor. The Trust will typically display the monthly top ten holdings of the Fund approximately 30 days after the end of that calendar month (e.g. June 30 information will be displayed on July 31). Approximately 60 days after the end of each calendar quarter, the Trust also typically includes on its website a list of the Fund's holdings as of the last day of that calendar quarter.
- Disclosure of portfolio holdings in publicly available reports and filings filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System (EDGAR).
- Disclosure of portfolio holdings of any Fund in reports and communications mailed and otherwise disseminated to shareholders of the Fund in accordance with the 1940 Act or any regulation thereunder.

In any case where it becomes apparent that nonpublic portfolio holdings information has been disclosed other than in accordance with the Trust's policy and procedures, the trust's chief compliance officer shall determine appropriate action to be taken, which may include making a corrective public disclosure of the relevant nonpublic information

Portfolio holdings information made publicly available in accordance with this section is no longer nonpublic information subject to the disclosure restrictions in the policies and procedures.

## MANAGEMENT

The Fund is a separate "series" or investment portfolios of the Trust. The names of Trustees and officers of the Fund and their principal occupations and affiliations during the past five years are set forth in the table below. Additional information about the particular experiences, qualifications, attributes and skills of each Trustee appears after the table.

#### **Interested Trustees**

Name, Address <sup>(1)</sup> and Age	Position(s) Held with Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	Term of Office and Length of Time Served <sup>(3)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Director <sup>(2)</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Director During Past Five Years
Garrett Thornburg, 77	Chairman of Trustees <sup>(4)</sup>	Trustee Since 1984	Chairman and controlling shareholder of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. (investment advisor); Chairman and controlling shareholder of Thornburg Securities Corporation (securities dealer); Chairman of the Thornburg Foundation (nonprofit).	Twenty Four	None
Brian J. McMahon, 68	Vice Chairman of Trustees, Member of Governance & Nominating Committee and Operations Risk Oversight Committee <sup>(5)</sup>	Trustee since 2001	Vice Chairman, Chief Investment Strategist, Managing Director, and Portfolio Manager and, until 2016, CEO and President, of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.; Vice President of Thornburg Securities Corporation.	Twenty Four	None

## **Independent Trustees**

Name, Address <sup>(1)</sup> and Age	Position(s) Held with Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	Term of Office and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Director <sup>(2)</sup>	Other Directorships Held by Director During Past Five Years
Lisa Black, 64	Trustee	Trustee since 2023	Until 2019, Senior Managing Director, Chief Investment Officer and Head, Taxable Fixed Income, Nuveen LLC, New York, NY; Managing Director, TIAA-CREF, New York, NY (1996-2012).	Twenty Four	None
Sally Corning, 62	Trustee, Member of Audit Committee and Governance & Nominating Committee	Trustee since 2012	Partner in Sun Mountain Capital, Santa Fe, NM (private equity firm with investment programs encompassing venture capital, mezzanine debt, and growth equity).	Twenty Four	None
Susan H. Dubin, 74	Trustee, Member of Audit Committee and Operations Risk Oversight Committee	Trustee since 2004	President of Dubin Investments, Ltd., Greenwich, CT (private investment fund); Director and officer of various charitable organizations.	Twenty Four	None
David L. Gardner, 60	Trustee, Chair of Governance & Nominating Committee, and Member of Operations Risk Oversight Committee	Trustee since 2015	Until 2012, head of EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa) Sales for iShares of Blackrock, Inc., EMEA Executive Committee Member and EMEA Operating Committee Member at Blackrock, Inc.	Twenty Four	None
Patrick J. Talamantes, 59	Trustee, Chair of Audit Committee	Trustee since 2019	President of Talamantes Strategies, a management consulting firm, since 2018. Until 2017, President and Chief Executive Officer of The McClatchy Company, Sacramento, CA (news and media company).	Twenty Four	None
Owen D. Van Essen, 69	Lead Independent Trustee, Member of Audit Committee and Governance & Nominating Committee	Trustee since 2004	President of Dirks, Van Essen & April, Santa Fe, New Mexico (newspaper mergers and acquisitions).	Twenty Four	None
James W. Weyhrauch, 64	Trustee, Chair of Operations Risk Oversight Committee, and Member of Audit Committee	Trustee since 1996	Real estate broker, Santa Fe Properties, Santa Fe, NM; General Partner, Investments of Genext LLC (a family investment partnership); until 2019, Vice Chairman of Nambé LLC, Santa Fe, NM (manufacturing and design company).	Twenty Four	None

# Officers of the Fund (who are not Trustees) (6)

Name, Address <sup>(1)</sup>	Position(s) Held	Term of Office and	Principal Occupation(s)	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex	Directorships Held During Past Five
and Age	with Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	Length of Time Served	During Past 5 Years	Overseen <sup>(2)</sup>	Years
Nimish Bhatt, 60	President	President since 2023, Chief Financial Officer 2019-2023, Treasurer 2016-2019, Secretary 2018-2019 <sup>(6)</sup>	Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. and Thornburg Securities Corporation since 2016, and Secretary of Thornburg Securities Corporation; Senior Vice President (2004-2016), Chief Financial Officer (2011-2016, and Head of Fund Administration (2011-2016) of Calamos Asset Management, Inc., Calamos Investments LLC, Calamos Advisors LLC, and Calamos Wealth Management; Director of Calamos Global Funds plc (2007-2016).	Not applicable	Not applicable
Randy Dry, 49	Vice President	Vice President since 2014	Managing Director, Chief Operating Officer since 2020, Chief Administrative Officer (2016-2020), and Director of Institutional Group (2014- 2016) of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.	Not applicable	Not applicable
John Hackett, 57	Vice President	Vice President since 2020	Chief Marketing Officer, Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. (since 2020); Global Head of Product Marketing, Northern Trust Asset Management (2016-2020); Principal and Head of Marketing and Business Development, The Townsend Group (2013- 2016)	Not applicable	Not applicable
Curtis Holloway, 56	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer	Chief Financial Officer since 2023, Treasurer since 2019 <sup>(6)</sup>	Director of Finance since 2021 and Director of Fund Administration since 2019 of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.; Senior Vice President, Head of Fund Administration (2017-2019) and Vice President, Fund Administration (2010-2017) of Calamos Investments, and Chief Financial Officer (2017-2019) and Treasurer (2010-2019) of Calamos Funds.	Not applicable	Not applicable

Other

Name, Address <sup>(1)</sup> and Age	Position(s) Held with Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	Term of Office and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen <sup>(2)</sup>	Other Directorships Held During Past Five Years
Ben Kirby, 43	Vice President	Vice President since 2014	Head of Investments since 2019, and Portfolio Manager and Managing Director since 2013, of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Jeff Klingelhofer, 42	Vice President	Vice President since 2016	Head of Investments since 2019, Portfolio Manager and Managing Director since 2015, Associate Portfolio Manager from 2012-2015, of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Ponn Lithiluxa, 52	Assistant Treasurer	Assistant Treasurer since 2020; Vice President 2017-2020	Manager, Tax & Fund Administration of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.; Senior Vice President, Citi Fund Services, Inc. from 2014- 2017; Vice President, Citi Fund Services, Inc. from 2007-2014.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Christopher Luckham, 46	Assistant Treasurer	Assistant Treasurer since 2022	Senior Manager, Fund Administration of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. since 2010.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Natasha Rippel, 41	Secretary	Secretary since 2021 <sup>(6)</sup>	Director of Fund Operations since 2021, Supervisor of Fund Operations (2017-2021), and Senior Associate of Fund Operations (2015- 2017) of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Stephen Velie, 55	Chief Compliance Officer	Chief Compliance Officer since 2009	Chief Compliance Officer of Thornburg Investment Trust and Thornburg Investment, Inc.	Not applicable	Not applicable

- (1) Each person's address is 2300 North Ridgetop Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506.
- (2) The Trust is organized as a Massachusetts business trust, and currently comprises a complex of 24 separate investment "Funds" or "series." Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. is the investment advisor to, and manages, the 24 Funds of the Trust. Each Trustee oversees the 24 Funds of the Trust.
- (3) The Bylaws of the Trust currently require that each Independent Trustee shall retire by the end of the calendar year during which the Trustee reached the age of 75 years. Otherwise each Trustee serves in office until the election and qualification of a successor or until the Trustee sooner dies, resigns, retires or is removed.
- (4) Mr. Thornburg is considered an "interested" Trustee under the Investment Company Act of 1940 because he is a director and controlling shareholder of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. the investment advisor to the 24 active Funds of the Trust, and is the sole director and controlling shareholder of Thornburg Securities Corporation, the distributor of shares of the Trust.
- (5) Mr. McMahon is considered an "interested" Trustee under the Investment Company Act of 1940 because he is a director and the chief investment strategist of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.
- (6) The Trust's president, chief financial officer, secretary and treasurer each serves a one-year term or until the election and qualification of a successor; each other officer serves at the pleasure of the Trustees.

#### Additional Information about the Experiences, Qualifications, Attributes and Skills of Each Trustee

The following disclosure is intended to provide additional information about the particular experiences, qualifications, attributes and skills of each Trustee of the Trust. The Trustees believe that each Trustee is qualified to serve on the board of Trustees in view of (i) the particular experiences, qualifications, attributes and skills of that Trustee, as summarized below and in the table above, and (ii) the actual service and commitment of each Trustee during his or her tenure with the Trust, including the demonstrated ability of each Trustee to exercise effective business judgment in the performance of his or her duties.

## Interested Trustees

Garrett Thornburg, Chairman of Trustees since 1984. Garrett Thornburg is the chairman of Trustees for Thornburg Investment Trust. Mr. Thornburg founded Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. in 1982, Thornburg Securities Corporation in 1984, and Thornburg Investment Trust in 1984. Before forming Thornburg, Mr. Thornburg was a limited partner of Bear Stearns & Co. and a founding member of that firm's public finance department. He also was chief financial officer of New York State's Urban Development Corporation, and served as financial advisor to the State of New Mexico's Board of Finance. He is a member of the Board of Governors of the Investment Company Institute and serves on the Board of Directors of the New Mexico School for the Arts – Art Institute. He is also the President of the Thornburg Foundation, and former recipient of the Philanthropist of the Year award from the Journal Santa Fe. He is a former board member of the National Dance Institute of New Mexico, the Santa Fe Institute and the Santa Fe Community Foundation. Mr. Thornburg received his BA from Williams College and his MBA from Harvard University.

Brian J. McMahon, Trustee since 2001, member of Governance & Nominating Committee and Operations Risk Oversight Committee. Brian McMahon is the vice chairman of Thornburg Investment Trust and a managing director, and the chief investment officer of Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. Joining Thornburg in 1984, Mr. McMahon participated in organizing and managing the Fund of the Trust, served as Thornburg's president from 1997 until 2016, as its chief executive officer from 2008 until 2016, as its chief; investment officer from 2016 until 2019, and, as chief investment strategist, he currently serves as a key voice for the investment team and Thornburg clients. Before joining Thornburg, Mr. McMahon held various corporate finance positions at Norwest Bank. Mr. McMahon received his BA in Economics and Russian Studies from the University of Virginia and his MBA from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth College.

## Independent Trustees

Lisa Black, Trustee since 2023. Lisa Black is a retired executive and Chartered Financial Analyst with over 30 years in the investment management industry. Ms. Black brings extensive investment strategy and risk management experience having overseen fixed income assets as well as launching and managing mutual funds at TIAA-CREF and Nuveen, a wholly owned subsidiary of TIAA, one of the world's largest asset managers. Ms. Black has served on the boards of private and nonprofit organizations, including TIAA Life Company and University Liggett School, and is a current member of the board and chair of the audit & risk committee of Smith College. Ms. Black holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from Smith College and an MBA from the University of Michigan Ross School of Business.

Sally Corning, Trustee since 2012, member of Audit Committee and member of Governance & Nominating Committee. Sally Corning is a founding partner of Santa Fe, New Mexico based private equity firm, Sun Mountain Capital. Prior to forming Sun Mountain, Ms. Corning spent 15 years working in private equity and investment banking for Credit Suisse, Morgan Stanley and Dean Witter Reynolds. In addition to sitting on the corporate boards of certain of the private portfolio companies that Sun Mountain Capital has invested in, Ms. Corning has served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations, including the Santa Fe Preparatory School, the Santa Fe Community Foundation, the Santa Fe Mountain Center, and the Westside YMCA in New York City, and is a current member of the board and the finance committee of Excellent Schools New Mexico. Ms. Corning holds a bachelor's degree in Finance from Georgetown University and an MBA from Columbia University's Graduate School of Business.

Susan H. Dubin, Trustee since 2004, member of Audit Committee and Operations Risk Oversight Committee. Susan Dubin manages the investments for her extended family. From 1974 to 1996 Ms. Dubin was a vice president of JP Morgan Chase & Co. (formerly Chemical Bank) where she was involved in corporate banking, marketing of financial services to corporate customers, and the delivery of private banking services. Ms. Dubin has served with numerous community and charitable organizations, including the MICDS (Mary Institute and St. Louis Country Day School) in St. Louis, Missouri, the Battery Dance Company in New York City, and the National Dance Institute – New Mexico, Inc. She received her BA from Briarcliff College.

David L. Gardner, Trustee since 2015, Chair of Governance & Nominating Committee and member of Operations Risk Oversight Committee. David Gardner is a retired executive from the global asset management industry, most notably as an original team member of iShares ETFs. Mr. Gardner has over 25 years of experience in the global asset management industry and has worked extensively in the US, Asia and Europe. Prior to joining iShares Mr. Gardner worked for US based asset management firms in distribution management capacities. Mr. Gardner holds a BA in Economics from Eastern Illinois University and a CIMA Certification from Wharton School and Investment Management Consultants Associations.

Patrick J. Talamantes, Trustee since 2019, Chair of Audit Committee. Patrick Talamantes is President of Talamantes Strategies, a management consulting firm. Mr. Talamantes is a former executive from the news and media industry, most recently having served as Chief Executive Officer, and prior to that Chief Financial Officer, of The McClatchy Company, a publicly traded local news organization in various local markets across the U.S. Mr. Talamantes has over 30 years of experience in corporate finance and banking, having served as Chief Financial Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., Treasurer of River City Broadcasting, LP, and Vice President of Chemical Banking Corporation. Mr. Talamantes has board experience through his service on the boards of various McClatchy investees. He has also served as a past chair of the Greater Sacramento Economic Council, a private-public partnership led by area CEOs to develop an advanced economy; and served on the board of Recruitology, an HR technology startup in the recruitment space. In addition, Mr. Talamantes serves on the board of the Breakthrough Collaborative, a non-profit that seeks to improve education equity in 24 cities across the U.S. Mr. Talamantes has also been a director of The Associated Press and the News Media Alliance. Mr. Talamantes received his A.B. in Economics from Stanford University and his MBA from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Owen D. Van Essen, Trustee since 2004, Lead Independent Trustee and member of Audit and Governance & Nominating Committees. Owen Van Essen is the president of Dirks, Van Essen & April LLC, Santa Fe, New Mexico, which acts as a broker, appraiser and consultant to the newspaper publishing industry. Before joining the firm, he was general manager and business manager of the Worthington Daily Globe, Worthington, Minnesota. Mr. Van Essen has served with numerous community, educational, professional and charitable organizations, including most recently the St. Michaels High School Foundation and the Santa Fe Preparatory School. He received his BA in Business Administration from Dordt College, Iowa.

James W. Weyhrauch, Trustee since 1996, Chair of Operations Risk Oversight Committee and member of Audit Committee. James Weyhrauch is a real estate broker in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Until 2019, he was is the vice chairman of the board of directors, and was from 1997-2000 president and from 2000-2004 chief executive officer, of Nambe LLC, a Santa Fe, New Mexico manufacturer of tabletop and giftware products; and since 2015 has served as General Partner, Investments of Genext LLC, a family investment partnership. Mr. Weyhrauch also has extensive experience with other privately held enterprises, and a background in sales and marketing. He participates in a variety of community and charitable organizations, including the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce, the Santa Fe Preparatory School and Junior Achievement. Mr. Weyhrauch received his BA in Finance from Southern Methodist University.

### Structure and Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

The board of Trustees is currently comprised of nine Trustees, two of whom are "interested persons" of the Fund (as the term "interested" is defined in the 1940 Act) and seven of whom are not interested persons of the Fund. Garrett Thornburg currently serves as the chairman of the board of Trustees, and Owen Van Essen currently serves as the lead independent Trustee. The lead independent Trustee is a spokesman for and leader of the independent Trustees, and in that role the lead independent Trustee performs a variety of functions, including: presiding at all sessions of the independent Trustees and, in consultation with legal counsel, preparing the agenda for each session of independent Trustees and coordinating and directing the preparation and delivery of materials and presentations appropriate for each session; in consultation with the Trust's chairman, president, fund accounting and legal counsel, preparing the draft agenda for each general meeting of Trustees; acting as a liaison between the independent Trustees and senior management of the advisor respecting communications on certain topics; coordinating with and directing legal counsel in the acquisition, preparation and development of information for review and consideration of continuation of contracts with the advisor and affiliates; and performing such other functions as the independent Trustees may request from time to time. The Trustees have also established three standing committees, the Audit Committee, the Governance and Nominating Committee, and the Operations Risk Oversight Committee, each of which is discussed in more detail below under the section entitled "Structure and Responsibilities of the Committees of the Trustees." The Trustees may form other committees when deemed appropriate.

The Trustees review the leadership structure of the board of Trustees and the performance of the Trust and the Fund, to enable the Trustees to oversee the Trust and its service providers. The Trustees have considered the number of Funds in the Trust, and the similarities and differences among the investment objectives and strategies of those Funds, and have determined that the board of Trustees contains a sufficient number of Trustees, and a sufficient percentage of independent Trustees, to discharge the Trustees' oversight function. The Trustees believe that Mr. Thornburg's long tenure as a Trustee of the Trust, his ongoing association with the Trust's advisor and the fact that that association allows Mr. Thornburg to interact routinely with members of the advisor's staff, and his familiarity with the Trust's business and affairs and with events impacting the investment management industry more broadly, enable Mr. Thornburg to serve as an effective chairman of the board of Trustees. The Trustees believe that Mr. Van Essen's long tenure as a Trustee of the Trust, his business and other professional experience, and his familiarity with the Trust's business and affairs and with events impacting the investment management industry more broadly, enable Mr. Van Essen to serve as an effective lead independent Trustee The Trustees also believe that the scope of each committee's activities and the composition of each committee is currently appropriate, and that the committee structure allows the Trustees to allocate responsibility for various topics among the board and its committees in a manner which facilitates the oversight of the Trust and its service providers.

The Trustees are responsible for the general supervision of the Fund, including the supervision of Thornburg, which provides day-to-day management of the Fund under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement. As part of their annual review of the leadership structure of the board of Trustees, described above, the Trustees consider whether the structure of the board and its committees continues to permit the Trustees to effectively exercise their oversight function. In that regard, the Trustees typically consider, among other factors: the number of Trustees and each Trustee's qualifications, experience and skills; the frequency with which the Trustees and their committees confer with representatives of Thornburg and the Trust's other service providers; the number of Funds and the ability of the Trustees to devote sufficient time and attention to matters specific to the Fund; the role of the Fund's chief compliance officer and the opportunity for the Trustees to interact with the chief compliance officer; and the composition of each committee of the Trustees and the scope of the responsibilities delegated to those committees.

The Fund is subject to a number of risks, including investment, compliance, operational and valuation risks. On a day-to-day basis, risk management is the responsibility of Thornburg and the Fund's other service providers. Risk oversight also comprises part of the Trustees' general oversight function. The Trustees and their committees seek to monitor risks to the Fund by meeting no less frequently than quarterly (and in practice, more often) with senior officers of the Trust, members of the Fund's portfolio management teams, the Fund's chief compliance officer and the Fund's legal counsel, and by receiving periodic reports from the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm and other service providers to the Fund. The Trust's Operations Risk Oversight Committee assists the Trustees in reviewing and evaluating the identification, analysis and management of operations risk by Thornburg and other significant service providers to the Trust. The duties of the Operations Risk Oversight Committee are described in more detail below under the section entitled "Structure and Responsibilities of the Committees of the Trustees." The Trustees also adopted various written policies and procedures designed to address particular risks to the Fund, including the detection and prevention of violations of federal securities laws. At least annually, the Trustees receive a report from the Fund's chief compliance officer respecting the effectiveness of those policies and procedures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustees acknowledge that it is not possible to identify all of the risks that may affect the Fund or to develop processes and controls to eliminate or mitigate the occurrence or effects of certain risks on the Fund. Furthermore, some risks may simply be beyond the control of the Fund or their service providers. The Trustees may, at any time and in their sole discretion, change the manner in which they supervise risk.

#### Structure and Responsibilities of the Committees of the Trustees

The Trustees have an Audit Committee, which is comprised of five Trustees who are not interested persons, Patrick J. Talamantes (chair), Sally Corning, Susan H. Dubin, Owen Van Essen, and James W. Weyhrauch. The Audit Committee discharges its duties in accordance with an Audit Committee Charter, which provides that the committee will, among other functions: (i) evaluate the independence, performance and qualifications of the Trust's independent accountants; (ii) receive and review reports from the independent accountants respecting the planning, scope and staffing of audits of the Fund's financial statements, the accountants' independence, the accountants' internal quality control procedures, all accounting policies and procedures identified by the accountants as critical to the preparation of the Fund's annual financial statements, all non-audit services provided by the auditors for the Fund, and any material issues in any peer review, governmental investigation, or otherwise respecting any audit conducted by the accountants; (iii) receive and review results of audits of the Fund's financial statements with the independent accountants, including any deficiencies, uncorrected misstatements, or similar matters identified by the accountants during such an audit, any material alternative accounting treatments that the accountants discussed with the Fund's management during the audit, and any disagreements between the accountants and management respecting financial reporting matters; (iv) perform the applicable duties imposed on a mutual fund's governing board by the Investment Company Act of 1940, and by regulations and guidance thereunder, with respect to oversight of portfolio pricing and valuation; (v) receive and review the Fund's annual audited financial statements and semi-annual unaudited financial statements; (vi) receive and review communications from management, and at least annually from the independent accountants, respecting matters arising in connection with periodic certifications under Form N-CSR; (vii) receive and review complaints from any source regarding accounting, internal accounting controls, financial reporting or disclosure, and audit matters relating to the Trust; (viii) require the Trust's legal counsel to report to the committee any matter which may have a significant effect on the Fund's financial statements; (ix) receive and review any report made to the committee in accordance with any compliance policy or procedure subject to the oversight of the committee, and receive and review reports from the chief compliance officer on matters relating to the committee's responsibilities; (x) receive and review reports from management's mutual fund administration department to evaluate the functioning of that department; (xi) to the extent the Audit Committee determines that it may be necessary or appropriate to the functions of the committee, receive and review reports from representatives of other significant service providers to the Trust to evaluate the services delivered by those providers; and (xii) such other matters assigned by the Trustees to the committee. The Audit Committee is also responsible for the selection of the independent accountants that audit the Fund's annual financial statements. The committee held four meetings in the Trust's fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

The Trustees have a Governance and Nominating Committee, which is comprised of four Trustees, David Gardner (chair), Brian J. McMahon, Sally Corning, and Owen D. Van Essen. Mr. Gardner, Ms. Corning and Mr. Van Essen are not interested persons. Mr. McMahon is an interested person because he is a director and an officer of the Fund's investment advisor, but is prohibited from participating in the selection or nomination of individuals to serve as independent Trustees of the Trust. The Governance and Nominating Committee discharges its duties in accordance with a Governance and Nominating Committee Charter, which provides that the committee will: (i) conduct evaluations of the performance of the Trustees and their committees in accordance with the Trust's Corporate Governance Procedures and Guidelines (the "Governance Procedures"); (ii) select and nominate individuals for election as Trustees of the Trust who are not "interested persons" of the Trust as that term is defined in the 1940 Act; and (iii) perform the additional functions specified in the Governance Procedures and such other functions assigned by the Trustees to the committee from time to time. The committee is authorized to consider for nomination as candidates to serve as Trustees individuals recommended by shareholders in accordance with the Trust's Procedure for Shareholder Communications to Trustees, shareholders may recommend candidates to serve as Trustees by sending their recommendations to any one or more of the Trustees by United States. Mail or courier delivery at the address of the Trust's investment advisor. The committee held two meetings in the Trust's fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

The Trustees have an Operations Risk Oversight Committee, which is comprised of four Trustees, James W. Weyhrauch (chair), Susan H. Dubin, David L. Gardner, and Brian J. McMahon. Mr. Weyhrauch, Ms. Dubin and Mr. Gardner are not interested persons. As noted above, Mr. McMahon is an interested person because he is a director and an officer of the Fund's investment advisor. The Operations Risk Oversight Committee discharges its duties in accordance with an Operations Risk Oversight Committee Charter, which provides that the committee will: (i) receive and review, preliminary to its presentation to the Trustees, the annual report of the Trust's chief compliance officer respecting the Trust's compliance policies and procedures; (ii) receive and review reports from Thornburg respecting trade execution and the use of client commissions; (iii) receive and review reports from Thornburg respecting its administration of the investment advisor's policy on voting proxies; (iv) receive and review reports from Thornburg respecting the Fund's account service arrangements; (v) receive each report submitted by Thornburg or counsel which is required to be submitted to the committee by a policy or procedure of the Trust or Thornburg; (vi) receive and review reports submitted by the chief compliance officer or counsel with respect to any compliance policy or procedure subject to the oversight of the committee that relates to (A) any revision to such a policy or procedure identified by the chief compliance officer or counsel as potentially material, (B) any violation of such a policy or procedure identified as potentially material, and (C) any error or exception in the administration of such a policy or procedure identified as potentially material; (vii) receive and review reports submitted by Thornburg respecting the Trust's transfer agent, firms providing shareholder services, custodians, records storage providers, business continuity and disaster recovery contractors, and other significant service providers to evaluate the services delivered by those providers; (viii) receive and review reports submitted by Thornburg respecting computer systems and software, electronic communications systems and other technological systems and developments pertaining to the operations of the Trust; (ix) receive and review any changes to contracts with the providers referenced in the preceding two items which are submitted to the committee for review, to the extent such changes would materially affect the scope of the services that those providers deliver to the Trust; (x) confer with Thornburg respecting liability insurance and fidelity bond coverage for the Trust and the Trustees, at the time of proposed renewals of those policies, and make recommendations respecting coverage to the Trustees; (xi) receive and review reports submitted by Thornburg relating to Thornburg's committee and staff assigned to risk identification, analysis and management; (xii) receive and review reports submitted by Thornburg relating liquidity, cybersecurity, derivatives transactions, and anti-money laundering compliance; and (xiii) such other matters assigned by the Trustees to the committee. The committee held three meetings in the Trust's fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

## **Compensation of Trustees**

The officers and Trustees affiliated with Thornburg serve without any compensation from the Trust. The Trust compensates each Trustee who is not an interested person of the Trust at an annual rate of \$210,000, payable quarterly. Fifteen percent of each quarterly payment must be invested by the Trustee in one or more of the Funds, as the Trustee selects, and is subject to an undertaking by the Trustee to retain the shares during the Trustee's tenure. In addition, the Trust compensates each Trustee \$20,000 for each meeting of Trustees attended by the Trustee in person, or video conference, or by telephone, provided, however, that the compensation is \$10,000 for each meeting attended by video conference or by telephone in excess of one such meeting or session in any calendar year. General meetings of Trustees on two or more successive days will be considered one meeting for this purpose.

The Trust also compensates each Trustee \$7,000 for each session of independent Trustees attended by the Trustee in excess of five sessions in any calendar year. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, a session of independent Trustees will not be considered separately compensable if held within one day before or after any session of a general meeting of Trustees.

The Trust compensates the lead independent Trustee and the chair of each standing committee an additional annual compensation, payable in quarterly installments. The individual who serves as lead independent Trustee receives an additional annual compensation of \$50,000, the chair of the Audit Committee receives an additional annual compensation of \$20,000, and the chair of the Governance and Nominating Committee and the chair of the Operations Risk Oversight Committee each receive an additional annual compensation of \$15,000.

The Trust compensates each independent Trustee \$3,500 for each session with a Trust service provider, except that if the Trustee is required to travel away from home for the session or sessions, the Trust compensates the Trustee \$7,000 for each session of one or two days and \$3,500 for each additional day on which a session is conducted.

Independent Trustees are not separately compensated for days spent attending continuing education programs, or for time spent traveling to meetings, continuing education programs or sessions with service providers, apart from the compensation stated in the preceding paragraphs.

The Trust reimburses each independent Trustee for travel and certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with attending meetings, including attendance at any seminar or educational program relating to the Trustee's service for the Trust. The Trust does not pay retirement or pension benefits.

The Trust paid fees to the Trustees during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 as follows:

Name of Trustee	Aggregate Compensation from Trust	 Pension or tirement Benefits Accrued Part of Expenses	]	Estimated Annual Benefits Upon Retirement	otal Compensation from Trust and and Complex Paid to Trustee
Interested Trustees					
Garrett Thornburg	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 0
Brian J. McMahon	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 0
Independent Trustees					
Lisa Black*	\$ 159,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 159,000
Sally Corning	\$ 304,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 304,000
Susan H. Dubin	\$ 304,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 304,000
David L. Gardner	\$ 319,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 319,000
Patrick J. Talamantes	\$ 324,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 324,000
Owen D. Van Essen	\$ 354,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 354,000
James W. Weyhrauch	\$ 319,000	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 319,000

<sup>\*</sup>Ms. Black became an Advisory Trustee to the Trust effective April 1, 2023 and was elected as an independent Trustee of the Trust effective October 2, 2023.

## **Certain Ownership Interests of Trustees**

The following table shows the aggregate dollar range of shares owned beneficially by each Trustee in the Trust as of December 31, 2022. Because the Fund had not commenced operations as of that date, none of the Trustees owned any shares of the Fund as of that date.

Name of Trustee	Dollar Range of Equity Securities in the Fund	Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities in all of the Funds of the Trust as of 12/31/2022
Garrett Thornburg	N/A	Over \$100,000
Brian J. McMahon	N/A	Over \$100,000
Lisa Black*	N/A	None
Sally Corning	N/A	Over \$100,000
Susan H. Dubin	N/A	Over \$100,000
David L. Gardner	N/A	Over \$100,000
Patrick J. Talamantes	N/A	Over \$100,000
Owen Van Essen	N/A	Over \$100,000
James W. Weyhrauch	N/A	Over \$100,000

<sup>\*</sup>Ms. Black became an Advisory Trustee effective April 1, 2023, was elected as an independent Trustee effective October 2, 2023, and was not a beneficial owner of any shares of any series of the Trust as of December 31, 2022.

## **Personal Securities Transactions of Personnel**

The Trust, the investment advisor to the Trust, and the distributor for the advisor and the Trust, each have adopted a code of ethics under Rule 17j-1 of the 1940 Act. Specified personnel of the Trust, investment advisor and distributor, including individuals engaged in investment management activities and others are permitted under the codes of make personal investments in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the Fund. Certain investments are prohibited or restricted as to timing, and personnel subject to the codes must report their investment activities to a compliance officer.

### INFORMATION ABOUT PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Displayed below is additional information about the portfolio managers identified in the Prospectus.

### **Portfolio Manager Compensation**

The compensation of each portfolio manager includes an annual salary, annual bonus, and company-wide profit sharing. Each manager currently named in the Prospectus also owns equity shares in the investment advisor, Thornburg. Both the salary and bonus are reviewed approximately annually for comparability with salaries of other portfolio managers in the industry, using survey data obtained from compensation consultants. The annual bonus is subjective. Criteria that are considered in formulating the bonus include, but are not limited to, the following: revenues available to pay compensation of the manager and all other expenses related to supporting the accounts managed by the manager, including the Trust, relative to market performance and similar investment companies; single year historical total return of accounts managed by the manager, including the Trust, relative to market performance and similar investment companies; the degree of sensitivity of the manager to potential tax liabilities created for account holders in generating returns, relative to overall return. There is no material difference in the method used to calculate the manager's compensation with respect to the Trust and other accounts managed by the manager, except that certain accounts managed by the manager may have no income or capital gains tax considerations. To the extent that the manager realizes benefits from capital appreciation and dividends paid to shareholders of Thornburg, such benefits accrue from the overall financial performance of Thornburg.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

Most investment advisors and their portfolio managers manage investments for multiple clients, including mutual funds, private accounts, and retirement plans. In any case where a portfolio manager manages the investments of two or more accounts, there is a possibility that conflicts of interest could arise between the manager's management of the Fund's investments and the manager's management of other accounts. These conflicts could include:

- Allocating a favorable investment opportunity to one account but not another.
- Directing one account to buy a security before purchases through other accounts increase the price of the security in the marketplace.
- Giving substantially inconsistent investment directions at the same time to similar accounts, so as to benefit one account over another.
- Obtaining services from brokers conducting trades for one account, which are used to benefit another account.

The Trust's investment advisor, Thornburg, has informed the Trust that it has considered the likelihood that any material conflicts of interest could arise between a manager's management of the Fund's investments and the manager's management of other accounts. Thornburg has also informed the Trust that it has not identified any such conflicts that may arise, and has concluded that it has implemented policies and procedures to identify and resolve any such conflict if it did arise.

### **Accounts Managed By Portfolio Managers**

Set out below for each portfolio manager named in the Prospectus is information respecting the accounts managed by the manager. Except as otherwise noted below, the information presented is current as of June 30, 2023. The information includes the Fund or Funds as to which each individual is a portfolio manager. Except as noted below, as of June 30, 2023 the advisory fee for each of the accounts was not based on the investment performance of the account.

## Lon Erickson\*

	Number of	Total
Type of Account	Accounts Managed	Assets Managed
Registered Investment Companies:	6	\$15,751,060,271
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	3	\$171,070,566
Other Accounts:	21	\$339,077,354

## Christian Hoffmann\*

	Number of	Total
Type of Account	Accounts Managed	Assets Managed
Registered Investment Companies:	8	\$27,803,403,076
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	4	\$208,366,577
Other Accounts:	21	\$342,705,145

## Jeff Klingelhofer\*

	Number of	Total
Type of Account	Accounts Managed	Assets Managed
Registered Investment Companies:	7	\$15,832,765,738
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	3	\$171,070,566
Other Accounts:	21	\$339,077,354

<sup>\*</sup>Mr. Erickson, Mr. Hoffmann and Mr. Klingelhofer became portfolio managers of the Core Plus Bond Fund on October 2, 2023, and management of the Fund is included in the number of accounts; however, total assets for the number of accounts shown are as of June 30, 2023.

#### Portfolio Managers' Ownership of Shares in the Fund

Displayed below for the portfolio managers named in the Prospectus are the dollar ranges of each portfolio manager's beneficial ownership of shares in the Fund as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information. The dollar range listed may include shares owned by the portfolio manager through the manager's self-directed account in Thornburg's retirement plan. In addition to the holdings noted below, each of the portfolio managers is a participant in Thornburg's profit sharing plan, which invests in shares of the Fund.

Lon Erickson

Core Plus Bond Fund None

Christian Hoffmann

Core Plus Bond Fund None

Jeff Klingelhofer

Core Plus Bond Fund None

### PRINCIPAL HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Because the Fund is newly organized and has not yet commenced operations, information about principal holders of the Fund's shares is not available.

## NET ASSET VALUE

The Fund will calculate its net asset value as of 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time on days when the New York Stock Exchange is open for trading, and more frequently if deemed desirable by the Fund. Net asset value will not be calculated on New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday (on the third Monday in February), Good Friday, Memorial Day (on the last Monday in May), Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, on the preceding Friday if any of the foregoing holidays falls on a Saturday, and on the following Monday if any of the foregoing holidays falls on a Sunday. Under the 1940 Act, net asset value must be computed at least once daily on each day (i) in which there is a sufficient degree of trading in the Fund's portfolio securities that the current net asset value of its shares might be materially affected by changes in the value of such securities and (ii) on which an order for purchase or redemption of its shares is received.

### DISTRIBUTOR

Pursuant to a Distribution Agreement with Thornburg Investment Trust, Thornburg Securities Corporation ("TSC") acts as principal underwriter of the Fund. The Fund does not bear selling expenses except (i) those involved in registering its shares with the Securities and Exchange Commission and qualifying them or the Fund with state regulatory authorities, and (ii) expenses paid under the Service Plans and Distribution Plans which might be considered selling expenses. Terms of continuation, termination and assignment under the Distribution Agreement are identical to those described above with regard to the Investment Advisory Agreements, except that termination other than upon assignment requires six months' notice.

Garrett Thornburg, Chairman and Trustee of Thornburg Investment Trust, is also director and controlling stockholder of TSC.

No information is available respecting commissions and other compensation received by TSC from the Fund because the Fund had not yet commenced investment operations as of the date of this SAI.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RESPECTING PURCHASE AND REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Shares of the Fund are qualified for sale under the laws of every state or territory of the United States.

To the extent consistent with state and federal law, Redemption proceeds are normally paid in cash. The Fund generally expects to meet redemption requests out of its holdings of cash, or by selling portfolio investments to generate cash to meet those requests. If considered appropriate by Thornburg, and subject to terms and conditions approved by the Trustees, the Fund may pay redemption proceeds in portfolio securities rather than cash.

The Fund has elected to pay in cash all requests for redemption by any shareholder. They may, however, limit such cash in respect to each shareholder during any 90-day period to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the net asset value of the Fund at the beginning of such period. This election has been made pursuant to Rule 18f-1 under the 1940 Act and is irrevocable while the Rule is in effect unless the SEC, by order, permits its withdrawal. If the Fund redeems shares by distributing portfolio securities, the shareholder would be subject to the risk of a subsequent adverse change in the market value of those securities, the brokerage and related costs of selling the securities, and the possibility that there is not a liquid market for some or all of the distributed securities.

Certain purchases of \$1 million or more qualify for purchase without a sales charge, and Thornburg or TSC may pay compensation to financial advisors who place orders of \$1 million or more, as more specifically described in the Fund's Prospectus. However, to the extent shares of the Fund purchased pursuant to this exception to the ordinary sales charge on Class A shares are held for more than 12 months but are redeemed less than 18 months after purchase, no compensation will be paid to financial advisors under this program for reinvestment otherwise qualifies for the exception to the sales charge for purchases of \$1 million or more. Thornburg and TSC reserve the right to make judgments respecting these payments of compensation in reinvestment of redemption proceeds, in their reasonable discretion.

### Automatic Conversion of Class C Shares to Class A Shares

Class C shares of the Fund that have been held for eight years will convert to Class A shares of that Fund at the close of business on the tenth day (or, if that tenth day is not a business day, then on the next business day) of the month following the month in which the eighth anniversary occurred. For example, all Class C shares that have been held for eight years as of a date in November 2020 would convert to Class A shares at the close of business on December 10, 2020. The conversion of Class C shares to Class A shares will occur without the imposition of any sales charge, fee, or other charge. If you exchange the Class C shares of one Fund for Class C shares of another Fund, the conversion period will be calculated from the date that you initially purchased your Class C shares, as applicable, not from the date of your exchange. If your account holds any Class C shares of the Fund that were purchased through the reinvestment of dividends or capital gain distributions ("distributed shares"), then each time your Class C shares are converted into Class A shares in accordance with the foregoing schedule, the Fund will also convert a pro rata portion of your distributed shares. Although the conversion of Class C shares to Class A shares is not expected to be a taxable event for federal income tax purposes based upon current guidance from the Internal Revenue Service, you should consult your tax advisor concerning the possible tax consequences of the conversion. If you hold your Class C shares through a financial intermediary, it is the responsibility of the financial intermediary to ensure that you are credited with the proper holding period for your Class C shares. The automatic conversion of Class C shares to Class A shares shall not apply to shares held through group retirement plan recordkeeping platforms of certain financial intermediaries who hold such shares with the Fund in an omnibus account and do not track participant level share lot aging to facilitate such a conversion.

## Waivers of CDSCs on Redemptions

The contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) imposed on certain redemptions of Class A shares, and on redemptions Class C shares, will be waived in the event of the death of the shareholder (including a registered joint owner) occurring after the purchase of the shares redeemed. The CDSC imposed on redemptions Class C shares also will be waived for redemptions resulting from minimum required distributions made in connection with an IRA, Keogh Plan or a custodial account under Section 403(b) of the Code, or other qualified retirement plan, following attainment of required minimum distribution age.

### **Share Class Conversion within Certain Intermediary Accounts**

Some shareholders may hold shares of the Fund through fee-based programs, often referred to as "wrap accounts," that are managed by investment dealers, financial advisors or other investment professionals (each, a "wrap account intermediary"). A wrap account intermediary may impose eligibility requirements on a shareholder's participation in the fee-based program and ownership of shares through the program which are additional to the ownership requirements described in the applicable Prospectus. Under the terms of its fee-based program, a wrap account intermediary may also be permitted to effect a conversion (sometimes referred to as an "in-kind exchange") of a shareholder's shares in the Fund, including those shares purchased by the shareholder during the shareholder's participation in the program, to a different class of shares of that Fund in situations when the shareholder no longer meets the wrap account intermediary's stated eligibility requirements for the ownership of the class of shares that the shareholder initially purchased. For example, the terms of its fee-based program may permit a wrap account intermediary to effect this type of conversion when a shareholder moves his position in a class of shares of the Fund out of the program that offered that class of shares and into a program or account through which the wrap account intermediary only offers a different class or classes of shares of the Fund. Under other circumstances, a financial intermediary may effect this type of conversion with respect to new clients who held one class of shares of the Fund before becoming a client of the intermediary, and who are eligible for a wrap account through which the intermediary offers a different class of shares of the Fund. Any such conversion by a wrap account intermediary will be made in accordance with the applicable Prospectuses of the Fund, and will be made without the imposition by the Fund of any sales load, fee or other charge. The class of shares that the shareholder initially purchased.

If you own shares of the Fund through a fee-based program, you should consult with your wrap account intermediary to determine whether there are any additional eligibility requirements that the wrap account intermediary imposes on your participation in their program and your ownership of the Fund's shares through the program, and whether the wrap account intermediary prescribes any circumstances which may result in the type of share class conversion described herein.

Shares of one class of the Fund that are held through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary may also be converted to shares of another class of that Fund under certain other circumstances, subject to TSC's discretion and with TSC's prior approval.

### **Moving Between Share Classes**

Thornburg believes, based upon current interpretations of law, that a shareholder's exchange of shares of one class of the Fund for shares of a different class of the same Fund may, under certain circumstances, not result in the realization of gain or loss for federal income tax purposes. To determine whether you may be eligible for this type of tax-favored exchange, please contact Thornburg before redeeming your existing shares. You should also consult your own tax advisors with respect to the particular federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of an exchange of shares.

Even if an exchange does not result in the realization of gain or loss for federal income tax purposes, any sales charges that you paid or that are payable on the shares you originally held (including any contingent deferred sales charges incurred upon redemption) will not be credited back to your account.

### **Eligibility for Institutional Class Shares**

As described in the Prospectus, employees, officers, trustees, and directors of any Fund or Thornburg company, as well as the families of such persons and any trust established for the benefit of such persons or their families, are eligible to purchase Class I shares. In addition, pursuant to procedures adopted by the Trustees of Thornburg Investment Trust, the advisor is authorized to make Class I shares of the Fund available to certain categories of investors upon a determination by the advisor that the sale of Class I shares to that investor will not involve any sales expense to the Fund or to TSC, and is not expected to involve administrative services by the Fund or the advisor significantly exceeding the administrative services that are customarily provided to accounts that own Class I shares.

## BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN

Thornburg and TSC have each adopted a business continuity plan that seeks to anticipate significant business disruptions to its operations, including disruptions to the securities markets due to terrorist attack. In accordance with this plan, Thornburg and TSC have each identified and made provision to recover all the critical systems required to protect its customers in the event of a significant business disruption.

## INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, whose principal business address is 300 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10017, is the independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund.