

**EA SERIES TRUST**  
**(the “Trust”)**

**SUPPLEMENT DATED MARCH 6, 2023**  
**TO THE SUMMARY PROSPECTUS, STATUTORY PROSPECTUS AND STATEMENT OF**  
**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (“SAI”) DATED NOVEMBER 21, 2022 FOR THE ALPHA ARCHITECT**  
**TAIL RISK ETF (THE “FUND”), AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME**

The Board of Trustees of the Trust has approved a reverse stock split of the issued and outstanding shares of the Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF (the “Reverse Stock Split”). The Reverse Stock Split for the Fund will be completed after the close of business March 22, 2023.

As a result of the Reverse Stock Split, for each share of the Fund that a shareholder holds as of the close of business on March 22, 2023, the shareholder will receive a proportional number of whole shares of the Fund with the same aggregate dollar value, plus the cash value (at net asset value) of any fractional shares resulting from the Reverse Stock Split. Thus, the total dollar value of a shareholder’s investment in shares of the Fund, when added to any cash received in lieu of fractional shares, will not change due to the Reverse Stock Split, and each shareholder will continue to own approximately the same percentage (by value) of shares of the Fund immediately following the Reverse Stock Split (adjusted for any fractional shares paid in cash) as the shareholder owned immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split. In addition, the Reverse Stock Split will not result in a material change in a shareholder’s proportional Fund ownership or voting rights, as the shares received as part of the Reverse Stock Split will provide a shareholder with approximately the same proportional Fund ownership and voting rights as the shares of the Fund owned prior to the Reverse Stock Split, adjusted by any fractional shares paid in cash. Receipt of cash in lieu of fractional shares may result in a taxable event to shareholders, and each shareholder should consult with the shareholder’s own tax advisers with respect to the appropriate treatment of the receipt of such cash payment.

See **Schedule A** for more information on the Reverse Stock Split.

**SCHEDULE A**

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Ticker Symbol</b>	<b>Split Ratio</b>	<b>Date of Split</b>
Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF	CAOS	1:8	March 22, 2023

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# **Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF**

Ticker Symbol: CAOS

(a series of EA Series Trust)

## **Prospectus**

November 21, 2022

(as supplemented on December 20, 2022 and February 1, 2023)

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## ALPHA ARCHITECT TAIL RISK ETF

### Fund Summary

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to maximize total return through a combination of capital appreciation and current income.

#### FEES AND EXPENSES

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold, and sell shares of the Fund (“Shares”). You may also pay brokerage commissions on the purchase and sale of Shares, which are not reflected in the table or example.

#### ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES (EXPENSES THAT YOU PAY EACH YEAR AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE VALUE OF YOUR INVESTMENT)

Management Fee	0.63%
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Other Expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.18%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.81%
Fees Waived and/or Reimbursed	(0.18)%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Waiving and/or Reimbursing Expenses <sup>2</sup>	0.63%

<sup>1</sup> Other Expenses are estimated for the current fiscal year.

<sup>2</sup> The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive receipt of its management fees and/or assume expenses of the Fund, including any acquired fund fees or expenses (“AFFE”) related to the Fund’s investment in the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF so that the total annual operating expenses of the Fund (excluding payments under the Fund’s Rule 12b-1 distribution and service plan (if any), brokerage expenses, taxes (including tax-related services), interest (including borrowing costs), litigation expense (including class action-related services) and other non-routine or extraordinary expenses) do not exceed 0.63% of the Fund’s average daily net assets. Any AFFE associated with Fund investments in any other acquired funds are not included in the fee waiver. This agreement may only be changed or terminated by a vote of the holders of a majority of the Fund’s outstanding voting securities.

#### EXAMPLE

The following example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of those periods. The example reflects the Fund’s contractual expense limitation agreement for the term of the contractual expense limitation agreement. The example also assumes that the Fund provides a return of 5% a year and that operating expenses remain the same. You may also pay brokerage commissions on the purchase and sale of Shares, which are not reflected in the example. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

<b>One Year:</b>	<b>Three Years:</b>
\$64	\$202

#### PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

The Fund may pay transaction costs, including commissions when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund’s performance. As of the date of this Prospectus, the Fund has not yet commenced operations and portfolio turnover data therefore is not available. The portfolio turnover rate for the Arin Large Cap Theta Fund, a series of the Starboard Investment Trust (the “Predecessor Mutual Fund”), for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2022 was 449% of the average value of its investment portfolio. This portfolio turnover rate includes the turnover of short-term securities and differs from the amount listed in the Predecessor Mutual Fund’s annual report.

#### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Fund is an actively managed exchange-traded fund (“ETF”). The Fund will invest, under normal circumstances, in a portfolio of options contracts on securities that are linked to the performance of an index whose value is based on companies with market capitalizations that qualify them as “large cap” companies.

Arin Risk Advisors, LLC (the “Sub-Adviser”) considers a company to be a “large cap” company if its market capitalization is at least \$10 billion. The Sub-Adviser utilizes one or more combinations of long and short put and call options, such as options on securities that are linked to the performance of the S&P 500 Index (the “Index”) (these options are known as “SPX Options”) in an effort to gain broad market exposure as well as to hedge the Fund’s market exposure and generate income. The Fund may, from time to time, also invest in options on other broad-based market indexes that represent the U.S. large-cap equity market. While the Fund invests in securities whose prices are affected by changes in the value of the Index, the Fund does not typically maintain full long investment exposure to the Index, does not track the Index, and its performance may differ significantly from that of the Index. The Fund may utilize either standard exchange-listed options or FLEXible EXchange® Options (“FLEX Options”) or a combination of both.

The Fund’s three primary objectives are: (i) to gain a varying amount of market exposure to the Index; (ii) limit risk relative to a decline in the Index and profit from a market dislocation event; and (iii) generate a series of cash flows. The Sub-Adviser considers a market dislocation event (also known as a tail risk event) when the Index suffers an extreme market decline (generally greater than 25%) within a few months accompanied by a sustained increase in expected Index volatility (generally greater than 50) - see discussion of Protective Options below. Examples of historical market dislocation or tail risk events that have met both of these standards include the Financial Crisis of 2008-09 and the COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020.

In order to gain Index exposure, the Fund will sell SPX Options or a combination of SPX Options that are expected to allow the Fund to realize gains if the Index remains above certain price levels expressed by the strike prices of the Fund’s SPX Options contracts. Even if the Index price fails to appreciate in value, the Fund may realize gains from the option premiums paid to the Fund when such options expire worthless or when the value of such options decreases over time. These gains are attributable to the decrease in value of the SPX Options sold over time and is typically referred to as “theta”. In cases where the Index falls below certain price levels, the Fund will experience gains and losses that are in line with the movement of the Index. The difference between the Index price and the strike prices of the Fund’s SPX Options determines the extent of the Fund’s market exposure to the Index. If the Index price remains above the strike price, the Fund will have modest Index exposure. If the Index price trades below the strike price, the Fund will have greater Index exposure. In cases where the Index price rises above certain levels, then the Fund will experience gains only up to the amount of option premium initially received. The Fund’s investment exposure to the Index will generally vary between 100% exposure to the Index and -40% (i.e., short exposure to the Index), exclusive of the Protective Options as discussed below. The Fund’s exposure to the Index will depend on the mix of call options and put options in the Fund’s portfolio, and whether such options have been sold or purchased by the Fund.

The Fund’s total performance will be a function of its exposure to the Index over certain periods of time and the income and expenses of the option premiums. The Fund’s assets serve as collateral for options that are bought and sold in an attempt to gain market exposure to the Index. The SPX Options in the Fund’s portfolio each have a trading volume sufficient to preclude the Fund’s trades from influencing prices. The Fund may also use short SPX Options (short SPX Options generate immediate cash inflows in exchange for taking on the obligation of delivering cash at a future date) or long SPX Options (long SPX Options require an initial cash payment in exchange for the right to receive a future cash payment at a future date). The Fund may also utilize call or put spreads to limit the downside risk of the Fund. The Fund will purchase SPX call options or sell SPX put options (including spreads) when the Sub-Adviser believes the value of the Index will increase and will purchase SPX put options or sell SPX call options (including spreads) when the Sub-Adviser believes the value of the Index will decrease.

An option spread combines two or more option contracts as a single trade. The Fund sells one SPX Option and simultaneously buys an offsetting position in another SPX Option. When selling a spread, the maximum gain is the net premium collected and the maximum loss is equal to the difference in the respective strike prices, less the premium collected. The use of spreads may limit the Fund’s exposure to the Index depending upon the rate of change in the Index, the Sub-Adviser’s ability to adjust the position, and the pricing of the SPX Options used to create the spread. There may be instances where the Fund has no long market exposure and may temporarily have short market exposure. Such an instance may arise when the market either rises or falls at a rate in excess of the levels provided by the SPX Option contracts held by the Fund for long market exposure.

The following is an overview of the limitations on the Fund’s use of put and call options:

- When the Fund sells call options, the Fund receives an option premium and will experience a loss if the Index rises above the call option strike price plus the premium collected;
- When the Fund buys call options, the Fund pays a premium and will experience a loss if the Index fails to rise above the call option strike price plus the premium paid;
- When the Fund sells put options, the Fund receives a premium and will experience a loss if the Index falls below the put option strike price less the premium collected; and
- When the Fund buys put options, the Fund pays a premium and will experience a loss if the Index fails to fall below the put option strike price less the premium paid.

The Fund will purchase other SPX Options (“Protective Options”) that should appreciate during a market dislocation event. During other market periods, such as when the Index is increasing in value, the Protective Options will decrease the Fund’s return. When the Index falls below the strike prices of the Protective Options, the Fund will be negatively correlated to the Index. The Protective Options provide the Fund with potential reductions to its Index exposure (see above where Index exposure is typically between 100% exposure to the Index and -40%) and may cause the Fund’s Index exposure to fall below -40%. If the Index were to suddenly fall below the strike prices of the Protective Options, the Fund should experience a gain from the decline in the Index.

The SPX Option exposure from the Protective Options is referred to as the Fund’s “Protection Ratio”. This Protection Ratio represents the number of Protective Options expiring in greater than 40 days with strike prices that are at least five percent (5%) below the current Index value as compared to the number of SPX Options representing the investment of all the Fund’s assets (the Fund’s total net assets divided by the Index value divided by 100 units per contract). A higher Protection Ratio would generally mean the Fund owns relatively more Protective Options as compared to its net assets than when the Fund has a lower Protection Ratio. Purchasing the Protective Options during periods without any market dislocation events will cause the Fund’s return to be lower that it would have been had the Fund purchased fewer or no Protective Options. The Sub-Adviser seeks to keep the Protection Ratio above 10 and as high as possible while attempting to minimize this carrying cost. There may be periods where the high carrying cost of the Protective Options may result in Fund’s Protection Ratio remaining below 10. Furthermore, during a market dislocation event, the Fund expects its Protective Options to increase in value. When the Protective Options increase in value, the Fund may experience a high cost to continue holding all of its Protective Options and the Sub-Adviser may seek to sell some or all of the Protective Options.

The Sub-Adviser will also maintain a collateral portfolio that is designed primarily to serve as margin or collateral for the Fund’s options positions and secondarily to enhance the Fund’s return by generating income (the “Collateral Portfolio”). Under normal circumstances, the Fund will allocate approximately 20% of its capital to gain exposure to the Index, 1% to 10% of the Fund’s assets will be allocated to the Protective Options and the remaining cash will be utilized as part of the Collateral Portfolio. The Collateral Portfolio is comprised of cash or cash equivalents, including United States Treasury Securities, money-market instruments, money-market mutual funds, or option “box spreads” (“Box Spreads”), including ETFs that hold Box Spreads. A Box Spread is a synthetic bond created by combining different options trades that have offsetting spreads (*e.g.*, purchases and sales on the same underlying instrument, such as an index or an ETF, but with different strike prices).

The Sub-Adviser may invest up to 100% of the Collateral Portfolio in the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF (the “1-3 Month Box ETF”). The 1-3 Month Box ETF is advised by Empowered Funds, LLC and is sub-advised by the Sub-Adviser. The 1-3 Month Box ETF is an actively managed ETF whose investment objective is to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, equal or exceed the price and yield performance of an investment that tracks the 1-3 month sector of the United States Treasury Bill market. To achieve its principal investment strategy the 1-3 Month Box ETF primarily invests in Box Spreads.

The Fund may engage in active and frequent trading of portfolio securities to achieve its investment objective. The Fund’s portfolio turnover rate is expected to be greater than 100%. A high portfolio turnover rate will increase the Fund’s brokerage commission costs, which will negatively impact the performance of the Fund.

## **PRINCIPAL RISKS**

An investment in the Fund involves risk, including those described below. *There is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.* An investor may lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any government agency. More complete risk descriptions are set forth below under the heading “*Additional Information About the Fund’s Risks*”.

### **Options Risk.**

- *Selling or Writing Options.* Writing option contracts can result in losses that exceed the seller’s initial investment and may lead to additional turnover and higher tax liability. The risk involved in writing a call option is that there could be an increase in the market value of the underlying or reference asset. An underlying or reference asset may be an index, equity security, or ETF. If this occurs, the call option could be exercised and the underlying asset would then be sold at a lower price than its current market value. In the case of cash settled call options such as SPX options, the call seller would be required to purchase the call option at a price that is higher than the original sales price for such call option. Similarly, while writing call options can reduce the risk of owning the underlying asset, such a strategy limits the opportunity to profit from an increase in the market value of the underlying asset in exchange for up-front cash at the time of selling the call option. The risk involved in writing a put option is that there could be a decrease in the market value of the underlying asset. If this occurs, the put option could be exercised and the underlying asset would then be sold at a higher price than its current market value. In the case of cash settled put options, the put seller would be required to purchase the put option at a price that is higher than the original sales price for such put option.

- **Buying or Purchasing Options Risk.** If a call or put option is not sold when it has remaining value and if the market price of the underlying asset, in the case of a call option, remains less than or equal to the exercise price, or, in the case of a put option, remains equal to or greater than the exercise price, the buyer will lose its entire investment in the call or put option. Since many factors influence the value of an option, including the price of the underlying asset, the exercise price, the time to expiration, the interest rate, and the dividend rate of the underlying asset, the buyer's success in implementing an option buying strategy may depend on an ability to predict movements in the prices of individual assets, fluctuations in markets, and movements in interest rates. There is no assurance that a liquid market will exist when the buyer seeks to close out any option position. When an option is purchased to hedge against price movements in an underlying asset, the price of the option may move more or less than the price of the underlying asset.
- **Box Spread Risk.** A Box Spread is a synthetic bond created by combining different options trades that have offsetting spreads (e.g., purchases and sales on the same underlying instrument, such as an index or an ETF, but with different strike prices). If one or more of these individual option positions are modified or closed separately prior to the option contract's expiration, then the Box Spread may no longer effectively eliminate risk tied to the underlying asset's price movement. Furthermore, the Box Spread's value is derived in the market and is in part, based on the time until the options comprising the Box Spread expire and the prevailing market interest rates. If the Fund (or an underlying ETF) sells a Box Spread prior to its expiration, then the Fund may incur a loss. The Fund's ability to profit from Box Spreads is dependent on the availability and willingness of other market participants to sell Box Spreads to the Fund (or the underlying ETF) at competitive prices.
- **FLEX Options Risk.** FLEX Options are exchange-traded options contracts with uniquely customizable terms like exercise price, style, and expiration date. Due to their customization and potentially unique terms, FLEX Options may be less liquid than other securities, such as standard exchange listed options. In less liquid markets for the FLEX Options, the Fund may have difficulty closing out certain FLEX Options positions at desired times and prices. The value of FLEX Options will be affected by, among others, changes in the underlying share or equity index price, changes in actual and implied interest rates, changes in the actual and implied volatility of the underlying shares or equity index and the remaining time to until the FLEX Options expire. The value of the FLEX Options will be determined based upon market quotations or using other recognized pricing methods. During periods of reduced market liquidity or in the absence of readily available market quotations for the holdings of the Fund, the ability of the Fund to value the FLEX Options becomes more difficult and the judgment of the Fund's Sub-Adviser (employing the fair value procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Trust) may play a greater role in the valuation of the Fund's holdings due to reduced availability of reliable objective pricing data.

**Counterparty Risk.** Counterparty risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument held by the Fund may become insolvent or otherwise fail to perform its obligations, and the Fund may obtain no or limited recovery of its investment, and any recovery may be significantly delayed. Exchange listed options, including FLEX Options, are issued and guaranteed for settlement by the Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). The Fund's investments are at risk that the OCC will be unable or unwilling to perform its obligations under the option contract terms. In the unlikely event that the OCC becomes insolvent or is otherwise unable to meet its settlement obligations, the Fund could suffer significant losses.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents Risk.** At any time, the Fund may have significant investments in cash or cash equivalents. When a substantial portion of a portfolio is held in cash or cash equivalents, there is the risk that the value of the cash account, including interest, will not keep pace with inflation, thus reducing purchasing power over time.

**Market Risk.** The Fund's investments are subject to changes in general economic conditions, general market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in interest rate sensitive markets. Interest rate markets can be volatile and prices of investments can change substantially due to various factors including, but not limited to, economic growth or recession, the investment's average time to maturity, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived creditworthiness of issuers, and general market liquidity. The Fund is subject to the risk that geopolitical events will disrupt securities markets and adversely affect global economies and markets. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, or other events could have a significant impact on the Fund and its investments.

**Equity Securities Risk.** Investments in securities whose performance is linked to that of equity securities, such as SPX Options, may fluctuate in value in response to many factors, including the activities of the individual issuers included in the Index, general market and economic conditions, interest rates, and specific industry changes. Such price fluctuations subject the Fund to potential losses.

**Large-Cap Securities Risk.** Stocks of large companies as a group can fall out of favor with the market, causing the Fund to underperform investments that have a greater focus on mid-cap or small-cap stocks. Larger, more established companies may be slow to respond to challenges and may grow more slowly than smaller companies.

**ETF Investing Risk.** The Fund's investment in other ETFs, including the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF, may subject the Fund to additional risks than if the Fund would have invested directly in the ETF's underlying securities. These risks include the possibility that an ETF may experience a lack of liquidity that can result in greater volatility than its underlying securities, an ETF may trade at a premium or

discount to its net asset value, or an ETF may not replicate exactly the performance of the benchmark index it seeks to track. In addition, investing in an ETF may also be costlier than if the Fund had owned the underlying securities directly. The Fund and, indirectly, shareholders of the Fund, bear a proportionate share of an ETF's expenses, which include management and advisory fees and other expenses. In addition, the Fund will pay brokerage commissions in connection with the purchase and sale of any ETFs in its portfolio.

**Valuation Risk.** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations.

Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time.

**High Portfolio Turnover Risk.** The Fund's investment strategy is expected to result in a high portfolio turnover rate (100% or more). This will increase the Fund's brokerage commission costs, which could negatively impact the performance of the Fund.

**U.S. Government Securities Risk.** U.S. government securities risk refers to the risk that debt securities issued or guaranteed by certain U.S. Government agencies, instrumentalities, and sponsored enterprises are not supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, and so investments in their securities or obligations issued by them involve credit risk greater than investments in other types of U.S. Government securities.

**Management Risk.** The Fund is actively managed and the Sub-Adviser's ability to choose suitable investments and implement the strategies described above has a significant impact on the ability of the Fund to achieve its investment objectives. In addition, there is the risk that the investment process, techniques and analyses used by the Sub-Adviser will not produce the desired investment results and the Fund may lose value as a result.

**Cybersecurity Risk.** As part of its business, the Sub-Adviser processes, stores, and transmits large amounts of electronic information, including information relating to the transactions of the Fund. The Sub-Adviser and the Fund are therefore susceptible to cybersecurity risk. Cybersecurity failures or breaches of the Fund or its service providers have the ability to cause disruptions and impact business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses, the inability of Fund shareholders to transact business, violations of applicable privacy and other laws, regulatory fines, penalties and/or reputational damage. The Fund and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result.

#### **ETF Risks.**

- **Limited Number of Authorized Participants, Market Makers and Liquidity Providers.** The Fund has a limited number of financial institutions that may act as Authorized Participants ("APs"). In particular, the Fund will have a limited pool of APs that are able to transact in options, including FLEX Options, therefore the pool of competitive market makers for the Fund is expected to be small. This can result in increased costs to the Fund. To the extent that either of the following events occurs, Shares may trade at a material discount to net asset value ("NAV") and possibly face delisting: (i) APs exit the business or otherwise become unable to process creation and/or redemption orders and no other APs step forward to perform these services, or (ii) market makers and/or liquidity providers exit the business or significantly reduce their business activities and no other entities step forward to perform their functions.
- **Premium-Discount Risk.** The Shares may trade above or below their NAV. The market prices of Shares will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in NAV as well as the relative supply of, and demand for, Shares on the CBOE BZX, Inc. (the "Exchange") or other securities exchanges. The trading price of Shares may deviate significantly from NAV during periods of market volatility or limited trading activity in Shares. Deviation between the Fund's NAV and trading price poses a risk to investors when there is market stress because costs can increase substantially during such periods, which can lead directly to a widening of premiums or discounts to NAV.
- **Cost of Trading Risk.** Investors buying or selling Shares in the secondary market will pay brokerage commissions or other charges imposed by brokers as determined by that broker. Brokerage commissions are often a fixed amount and may be a significant proportional cost for investors seeking to buy or sell relatively small amounts of Shares.
- **Trading Risk.** Although the Shares are listed on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active or liquid trading market for them will develop or be maintained. In addition, trading in Shares on the Exchange may be halted. In stressed market conditions, the liquidity of the Fund's Shares may begin to mirror the liquidity of its underlying portfolio holdings, which can be significantly less liquid than the Fund's Shares, potentially causing the market price of the Fund's Shares to deviate from its NAV. When buying or selling shares of the Fund in the secondary market, you will likely incur brokerage commission or other



charges. In addition, you may incur the cost of the “spread” also known as the bid-ask spread, which is the difference between what investors are willing to pay for Fund shares (the “bid” price) and the price at which they are willing to sell Fund shares (the “ask” price). The bid-ask spread varies over time based on, among other things, trading volume, market liquidity and market volatility. Because of the costs inherent in buying or selling Fund shares, frequent trading may detract significantly from investment results and an investment in Fund shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments due to the associated trading costs.

**Cash Creation Unit Risk.** Unlike most other ETFs, the Fund expects to effect a substantial portion of its creations and redemptions for cash, rather than in-kind securities (although redemptions will also be done in-kind under certain circumstances). The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause the Fund’s shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund’s NAV. As a practical matter, only institutions and large investors, such as market makers or other large broker dealers, also known as “authorized participants,” create or redeem shares directly through the Fund. Most investors will buy and sell shares of the Fund on an exchange through a broker-dealer. Cash creation and redemption transactions may result in certain brokerage, tax, execution, price movement and other costs and expenses related to the execution of trades resulting from such transactions. To offset these expenses, the Fund will collect fees from the applicable authorized participant to reimburse the Fund for any costs incurred by the Fund that result from a cash creation or redemption. The use of cash for redemptions will limit the tax efficiency of the Fund.

**Geopolitical/Natural Disaster Risks.** The Fund’s investments are subject to geopolitical and natural disaster risks, such as war, terrorism, trade disputes, political or economic dysfunction within some nations, public health crises and related geopolitical events, as well as environmental disasters, epidemics and/or pandemics, which may add to instability in world economies and volatility in markets. The impact may be short-term or may last for extended periods.

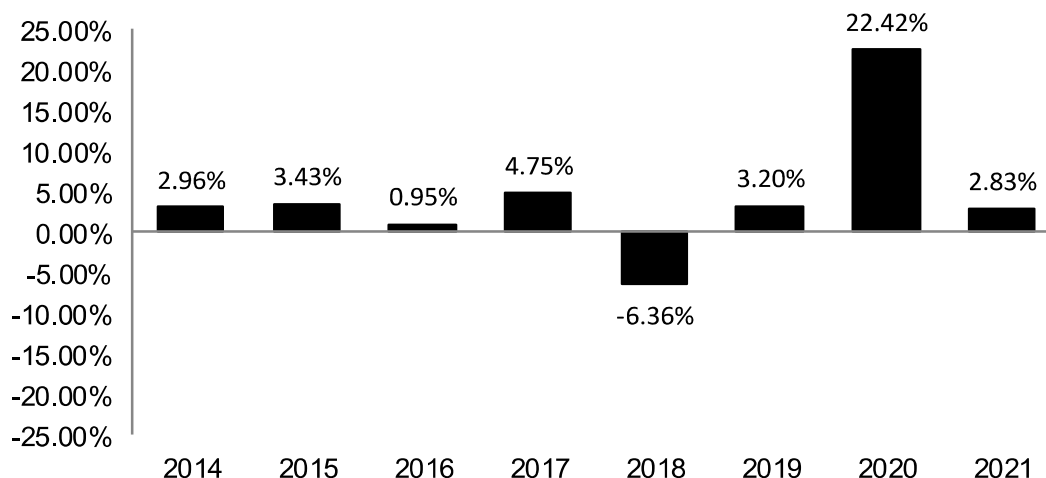
**PERFORMANCE**

The following performance information indicates some of the risks of investing in the Fund.

The bar chart and table immediately following illustrate the variability of the Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF’s returns and are meant to provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund. The Fund is adopting the performance of the Arin Large Cap Theta Fund, a series of the Starboard Investment Trust (the “Predecessor Mutual Fund”) as the result of the reorganization of the Predecessor Mutual Fund into the Fund (the “Reorganization”). Prior to the Reorganization, the Fund had not yet commenced operations. The bar chart shows the changes in the Predecessor Mutual Fund’s performance from year to year. The Fund’s total net operating expense ratio is equivalent to the total net operating expense ratio of the Predecessor Mutual Fund. Returns in the bar chart and table for the Predecessor Mutual Fund have not been adjusted.

The annual returns bar chart demonstrates the risks of investing in the Fund by showing how the Predecessor Mutual Fund’s performance has varied from year to year. The table also demonstrates these risks by showing how the Predecessor Mutual Fund’s average annual returns compare with those of a broad-based index. Unlike the Predecessor Mutual Fund’s returns, the index returns do not reflect any deductions for fees, expenses or taxes. Past performance, before or after taxes, is not indicative of future performance. Updated performance information is available from the Fund’s website [www.alphaarchitect.com/funds](http://www.alphaarchitect.com/funds).

**Institutional Class Shares**  
**Calendar Year Returns**



During the period shown in the bar chart, the highest quarterly performance for the Predecessor Mutual Fund was 28.99% (for the quarter ended March 31, 2020). The lowest quarterly performance was -6.56% (for the quarter ended September 30, 2020).

Average Annual Total Returns For the periods ended December 31, 2021	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception *
Predecessor Mutual Fund – Arin Large Cap Theta Fund			
Return Before Taxes	2.83%	4.97%	4.56%
Return After Taxes on Distributions <sup>(1)</sup>	0.86%	3.82%	3.40%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	2.51%	3.55%	3.23%
S&P 500 Total Return Index (reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes)	28.71%	18.74%	15.42%

\* The Predecessor Mutual Fund commenced operations on August 14, 2013.

<sup>(1)</sup> This table shows returns for the Institutional Class Shares of the Predecessor Mutual Fund, which commenced operations on August 14, 2013. After-tax returns are calculated using the historically highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their mutual fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

#### INVESTMENT ADVISER & INVESTMENT SUB-ADVISER

Investment Adviser: Empowered Funds, LLC, dba EA Advisers (“Adviser”)  
Investment Sub-Adviser: Arin Risk Advisors, LLC (“Sub-Adviser”)

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

**Portfolio Managers.** The Fund’s portfolio is managed on a day-to-day basis by Lawrence Lempert and Joseph DeSipio. Messrs. Lempert and DeSipio have managed the Fund since its inception in 2023.

Each has also served as a portfolio manager of the Predecessor Mutual Fund since its inception in August 2013.

#### PURCHASE AND SALE OF FUND SHARES

The Fund issues and redeems Shares on a continuous basis only in large blocks of Shares, typically 10,000 Shares, called “Creation Units,” and only APs (typically, broker-dealers) may purchase or redeem Creation Units. Creation Units are primarily issued in cash and redeemed ‘in-kind’ for securities and/or in cash. Individual Shares may only be purchased and sold in secondary market transactions through brokers. Once created, individual Shares generally trade in the secondary market at market prices that change throughout the day. Market prices of Shares may be greater or less than their NAV. **Except when aggregated in Creation Units, the Fund’s shares are not redeemable securities.**

#### TAX INFORMATION

The Fund’s distributions generally are taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gain, or some combination of both, unless your investment is in an Individual Retirement Account (“IRA”) or other tax-advantaged account. However, subsequent withdrawals from such a tax-advantaged account may be subject to federal income tax. In the event that a shareholder purchases Shares shortly before a distribution by the Fund, the entire distribution may be taxable to the shareholder even though a portion of the distribution effectively represents a return of the purchase price. You should consult your tax advisor about your specific tax situation.

#### PURCHASES THROUGH BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

If you purchase Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary, the Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend Shares over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary’s website for more information.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND

### How is the Fund Different from a Mutual Fund?

**Redeemability.** Mutual fund shares may be bought from, and redeemed with, the issuing fund for cash at NAV typically calculated once at the end of the business day. Shares of the Fund, by contrast, cannot be purchased from or redeemed with the Fund except by or through APs (typically, broker-dealers), and then principally for cash for purchases and an in-kind basket of securities (and a limited cash amount) for redemptions. In addition, the Fund issues and redeems Shares on a continuous basis only in large blocks of Shares, typically 10,000 Shares, called “Creation Units.”

**Exchange Listing.** Unlike mutual fund shares, Shares of the Fund will be listed for trading on the Exchange. Investors can purchase and sell Shares on the secondary market through a broker. Investors purchasing Shares in the secondary market through a brokerage account or with the assistance of a broker may be subject to brokerage commissions and charges. Secondary-market transactions do not occur at NAV, but at market prices that change throughout the day, based on the supply of, and demand for, Shares and on changes in the prices of the Fund’s portfolio holdings. The market price of Shares may differ from the NAV of the Fund. The difference between market price of Shares and the NAV of the Fund is called a premium when the market price is above the reported NAV and called a discount when the market price is below the reported NAV, and the difference is expected to be small most of the time, though it may be significant, especially in times of extreme market volatility.

**Tax Treatment.** The Fund and the Shares have been designed to be tax-efficient where possible. Specifically, the in-kind creation and redemption feature has been designed to protect Fund shareholders from adverse tax consequences applicable to non-ETF registered investment companies as a result of cash transactions in the non-ETF registered investment company’s shares, including cash redemptions, in certain cases. Nevertheless, to the extent redemptions from the Fund are paid in cash, the Fund may realize capital gains or losses, including in some cases short-term capital gains, upon the sale of portfolio securities to generate the cash to satisfy the redemption. In addition, tax treatment of options may negate certain tax efficiencies outlined above.

**Transparency.** The Fund’s portfolio holdings are disclosed on its website daily after the close of trading on the Exchange and prior to the opening of trading on the Exchange the following day. A description of the Fund’s policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund’s portfolio holdings is available in the Fund’s Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”).

**Premium/Discount Information.** Information about the premiums and discounts at which the Fund’s Shares have traded will be available at [www.alphaarchitect.com/funds](http://www.alphaarchitect.com/funds).

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND’S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGIES

The Fund seeks maximum total return through a combination of capital appreciation and current income. The Fund’s investment objectives may be changed without shareholder approval upon sixty days’ prior written notice to shareholders.

The Fund is an actively managed ETF. The Fund will invest, under normal circumstances, in a portfolio of options contracts on securities that are linked to the performance of an index whose value is based on companies with market capitalizations that qualify them as “large cap” companies.

The Sub-Adviser considers a company to be a “large cap” company if its market capitalization is at least \$10 billion. The Sub-Adviser utilizes one or more combinations of long and short put and call options, such as options on securities that are linked to the performance of the S&P 500 Index (the “Index”) (these options are known as “SPX Options”) in an effort to gain broad market exposure as well as to hedge the Fund’s market exposure and generate income. The Fund may, from time to time, also invest in options on other broad-based market indexes that represent the U.S. large-cap equity market. While the Fund invests in securities whose prices are affected by changes in the value of the Index, the Fund does not typically maintain full long investment exposure to the Index, does not track the Index, and its performance may differ significantly from that of the Index. The Fund may utilize either standard exchange-listed options or FLEX Options or a combination of both.

The Fund’s three primary objectives are: (i) to gain a varying amount of market exposure to the Index; (ii) limit risk relative to a decline in the Index and profit from a market dislocation event; and (iii) generate a series of cash flows. The Sub-Adviser considers a market dislocation event (also known as a tail risk event) when the Index suffers an extreme market decline (generally greater than 25%) within a few months accompanied by a sustained increase in expected Index volatility (generally greater than 50) - see discussion of Protective Options below. Examples of historical market dislocation or tail risk events that have met both of these standards include the Financial Crisis of 2008-09 and the COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020.

In order to gain Index exposure, the Fund will sell SPX Options or a combination of SPX Options that are expected to allow the Fund to realize gains if the Index remains above certain price levels expressed by the strike prices of the Fund’s SPX Options contracts. Even if the Index price fails to appreciate in value, the Fund may realize gains from the option premiums paid to the Fund when such options expire

worthless or when the value of such options decreases over time. These gains are attributable to the decrease in value of the SPX Options sold over time and is typically referred to as “theta”. In cases where the Index falls below certain price levels, the Fund will experience gains and losses that are in line with the movement of the Index. The difference between the Index price and the strike prices of the Fund’s SPX Options determines the extent of the Fund’s market exposure to the Index. If the Index price remains above the strike price, the Fund will have modest Index exposure. If the Index price trades below the strike price, the Fund will have greater Index exposure. In cases where the Index price rises above certain levels, then the Fund will experience gains only up to the amount of option premium initially received. The Fund’s investment exposure to the Index will generally vary between 100% exposure to the Index and -40% (i.e., short exposure to the Index), exclusive of the Protective Options as discussed below. The Fund’s exposure to the Index will depend on the mix of call options and put options in the Fund’s portfolio, and whether such options have been sold or purchased by the Fund. The Fund’s total performance will be a function of its exposure to the Index over certain periods of time and the income and expenses of the option premiums.

The Fund’s assets serve as collateral for options that are bought and sold in an attempt to gain market exposure to the Index. The SPX Options in the Fund’s portfolio each have a trading volume sufficient to preclude the Fund’s trades from influencing prices. The Fund may also use short SPX Options (short SPX Options generate immediate cash inflows in exchange for taking on the obligation of delivering cash at a future date) or long SPX Options (long SPX Options require an initial cash payment in exchange for the right to receive a future cash payment at a future date). The Fund may also utilize call or put spreads to limit the downside risk of the Fund. The Fund will purchase SPX call options or sell SPX put options (including spreads) when the Sub-Adviser believes the value of the Index will increase and will purchase SPX put options or sell SPX call options (including spreads) when the Sub-Adviser believes the value of the Index will decrease.

An option spread combines two or more option contracts as a single trade. The Fund sells one SPX Option and simultaneously buys an offsetting position in another SPX Option. When selling a spread, the maximum gain is the net premium collected and the maximum loss is equal to the difference in the respective strike prices, less the premium collected. The use of spreads may limit the Fund’s exposure to the Index depending upon the rate of change in the Index, the Sub-Adviser’s ability to adjust the position, and the pricing of the SPX Options used to create the spread. There may be instances where the Fund has no long market exposure and may temporarily have short market exposure. Such an instance may arise when the market either rises or falls at a rate in excess of the levels provided by the SPX Option contracts held by the Fund for long market exposure.

The following is an overview of the limitations on the Fund’s use of put and call options:

- When the Fund sells call options, the Fund receives an option premium and will experience a loss if the Index rises above the call option strike price plus the premium collected;
- When the Fund buys call options, the Fund pays a premium and will experience a loss if the Index fails to rise above the call option strike price plus the premium paid;
- When the Fund sells put options, the Fund receives a premium and will experience a loss if the Index falls below the put option strike price less the premium collected; and
- When the Fund buys put options, the Fund pays a premium and will experience a loss if the Index fails to fall below the put option strike price less the premium paid.

The Fund will purchase other SPX Options (“Protective Options”) that should appreciate during a market dislocation event. During other market periods, such as when the Index is increasing in value, the Protective Options will decrease the Fund’s return. When the Index falls below the strike prices of the Protective Options, the Fund will be negatively correlated to the Index. The Protective Options provide the Fund with potential reductions to its Index exposure (see above where Index exposure is typically between 100% exposure to the Index and -40%) and may cause the Fund’s Index exposure to fall below -40%. If the Index were to suddenly fall below the strike prices of the Protective Options, the Fund should experience a gain from the decline in the Index.

The SPX Option exposure from the Protective Options is referred to as the Fund’s “Protection Ratio”. This Protection Ratio represents the number of Protective Options expiring in greater than 40 days with strike prices that are at least five percent (5%) below the current Index value as compared to the number of SPX Options representing the investment of all the Fund’s assets (the Fund’s total net assets divided by the Index value divided by 100 units per contract). A higher Protection Ratio would generally mean the Fund owns relatively more Protective Options as compared to its net assets than when the Fund has a lower Protection Ratio. Purchasing the Protective Options during periods without any market dislocation events will cause the Fund’s return to be lower that it would have been had the Fund purchased fewer or no Protective Options. The Sub-Adviser seeks to keep the Protection Ratio above 10 and as high as possible while attempting to minimize this carrying cost. There may be periods where the high carrying cost of the Protective Options may result in Fund’s Protection Ratio remaining below 10. Furthermore, during a market dislocation event, the Fund expects its Protective Options to increase in value. When the Protective Options increase in value, the Fund may experience a high cost to continue holding all of its Protective Options and the Sub-Adviser may seek to sell some or all of the Protective Options.

The Sub-Adviser will also maintain a collateral portfolio that is designed primarily to serve as margin or collateral for the Fund's options positions and secondarily to enhance the Fund's return by generating income (the "Collateral Portfolio"). Under normal circumstances, the Fund will allocate approximately 20% of its capital to gain exposure to the Index, 1% to 10% of the Fund's assets will be allocated to the Protective Options and the remaining cash will be utilized as part of the Collateral Portfolio. The Collateral Portfolio is comprised of cash or cash equivalents, including United States Treasury Securities, money-market instruments, money-market mutual funds, or option "box spreads" ("Box Spreads"), including ETFs that hold Box Spreads. A Box Spread is a synthetic bond created by combining different options trades that have offsetting spreads (*e.g.*, purchases and sales on the same underlying instrument, such as an index or an ETF, but with different strike prices).

The Sub-Adviser may invest up to 100% of the Collateral Portfolio in the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF (the "1-3 Month Box ETF"). The 1-3 Month Box ETF is advised by Empowered Funds, LLC and is sub-advised by the Sub-Adviser. The 1-3 Month Box ETF is an actively managed ETF whose investment objective is to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, equal or exceed the price and yield performance of an investment that tracks the 1-3-month sector of the United States Treasury Bill market. To achieve its principal investment strategy the 1-3 Month Box ETF primarily invests in Box Spreads.

The Fund may engage in active and frequent trading of portfolio securities to achieve its investment objective. The Fund's portfolio turnover rate is expected to be greater than 100%. A high portfolio turnover rate will increase the Fund's brokerage commission costs, which will negatively impact the performance of the Fund.

**Temporary Defensive Positions.** The Fund may, from time to time, take temporary defensive positions that are inconsistent with the Fund's principal investment strategy in an attempt to respond to adverse market, economic, political, or other conditions. During such an unusual set of circumstances, the Fund may hold up to 100% of its portfolio in cash or cash equivalent positions. When the Fund takes temporary defensive positions, the Fund may not be able to achieve its investment objectives.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND'S RISKS**

The following information is in addition to, and should be read along with, the description of the Fund's principal investment risks in the sections titled "Fund Summary—Principal Investment Risks" above.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents Risk.** At any time, the Fund may have significant investments in cash or cash equivalents. When a substantial portion of a portfolio is held in cash or cash equivalents, there is the risk that the value of the cash account, including interest, will not keep pace with inflation, thus reducing purchasing power over time.

**Cash Creation Unit Risk.** Unlike most other ETFs, the Fund expects to effect a substantial portion of its creations and redemptions for cash, rather than in-kind securities (although redemptions will also be done in-kind under certain circumstances). The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause the Fund's shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund's NAV. As a practical matter, only institutions and large investors, such as market makers or other large broker dealers, also known as "authorized participants," create or redeem shares directly through the Fund. Most investors will buy and sell shares of the Fund on an exchange through a broker-dealer. Cash creation and redemption transactions may result in certain brokerage, tax, execution, price movement and other costs and expenses related to the execution of trades resulting from such transactions. To offset these expenses, the Fund will collect fees from the applicable authorized participant to reimburse the Fund for any costs incurred by the Fund that result from a cash creation or redemption. The use of cash for redemptions will limit the tax efficiency of the Fund.

**Counterparty Risk.** Counterparty risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument held by the Fund may become insolvent or otherwise fail to perform its obligations, and the Fund may obtain no or limited recovery of its investment, and any recovery may be significantly delayed. Exchange listed options, including FLEX Options, are issued and guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. The Fund bears the risk that the OCC will be unable or unwilling to perform its obligations under the options contracts. In the unlikely event that the OCC becomes insolvent or is otherwise unable to meet its settlement obligations, the Fund could suffer significant losses. Additionally, FLEX Options may be illiquid, and in such cases, the Fund may have difficulty closing out certain FLEX Options positions at desired times and prices. Also, since the Fund is not a member of the OCC (a "clearing member"), and only clearing members can participate directly in the OCC, the Fund will hold options contracts through commingled omnibus accounts at clearing members. As a result, Fund assets deposited with a clearing member as margin for options contracts may, in certain circumstances, be used to satisfy losses of other clients of the Fund's clearing member. Although clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the OCC, there is a risk that Fund assets might not be fully protected in the event of the clearing member's bankruptcy.

**Cybersecurity Risk.** As part of its business, the Sub-Adviser processes, stores, and transmits large amounts of electronic information, including information relating to the transactions of the Fund. The Sub-Adviser and the Fund are therefore susceptible to cybersecurity risk. Cyber-attacks include, among other behaviors, stealing or corrupting data maintained online or digitally, denial of service attacks on websites, the unauthorized release of confidential information, and causing operational disruption. Successful cyber-attacks against, or security breakdowns of, the Fund or its advisor, custodians, fund accountant, fund administrator, transfer agent, pricing vendors and/or other third-party service providers may adversely impact the Fund and its shareholders. For instance, cyber-attacks may interfere

with the processing of shareholder transactions, impact the Fund's ability to calculate its NAV, cause the release of private shareholder information or confidential Fund information, impede trading, cause reputational damage, and subject the Fund to regulatory fines, penalties or financial losses, reimbursement, or other compensation costs, and/or additional compliance costs. The Fund also may incur substantial costs for cybersecurity risk management in order to guard against any cyber incidents in the future. The Fund and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result.

**ETF Investing Risk.** The Fund's investment in other ETFs, including the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF, may subject the Fund to additional risks than if the Fund would have invested directly in the ETF's underlying securities. These risks include the possibility that an ETF may experience a lack of liquidity that can result in greater volatility than its underlying securities, an ETF may trade at a premium or discount to its net asset value, or an ETF may not replicate exactly the performance of the benchmark index it seeks to track. In addition, investing in an ETF may also be costlier than if the Fund had owned the underlying securities directly. The Fund and, indirectly, shareholders of the Fund, may bear a proportionate share of an ETF's expenses, which include management and advisory fees and other expenses. In addition, the Fund will pay brokerage commissions in connection with the purchase and sale of any ETFs in its portfolio.

## ETF Risks

- **Limited Number of APs, Market Makers, and Liquidity Providers.** The Fund has a limited number of financial institutions that may act as APs. In particular, the Fund will have a limited pool of APs that are able to transact in standard exchange-listed options as well as FLEX Options, therefore the pool of competitive market makers for the Fund will be small. This can result in increased costs to the Fund. To the extent either of the following events occur, Shares may trade at a material discount to NAV and possibly face delisting: (i) APs exit the business or otherwise become unable to process creation and/or redemption orders and no other APs step forward to perform these services, or (ii) market makers and/or liquidity providers exit the business or significantly reduce their business activities and no other entities step forward to perform their functions.
- **Cost of Trading Risk.** Investors buying or selling Shares in the secondary market pay brokerage commissions or other charges imposed by brokers as determined by that broker. Brokerage commissions are often a fixed amount and may be a significant proportional cost for investors seeking to buy or sell relatively small amounts of Shares. In addition, secondary market investors also incur the cost of the difference between the price that an investor is willing to pay for Shares (the "bid" price) and the price at which an investor is willing to sell Shares (the "ask" price). This difference in bid and ask prices is often referred to as the "spread" or "bid/ask spread." The bid/ask spread varies over time for Shares based on trading volume and market liquidity, and is generally lower if the Fund's Shares have more trading volume and market liquidity and higher if the Fund's Shares have little trading volume and market liquidity. Further, increased market volatility may cause increased bid/ask spreads.
- **Premium-Discount Risk.** The Shares may trade above or below their NAV. The NAV of the Fund will generally fluctuate with changes in the market value of the Fund's holdings. The market prices of Shares, however, will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in NAV as well as the relative supply of, and demand for, Shares on the Exchange and other securities exchanges. The trading price of Shares may deviate significantly from NAV during periods of market volatility or limited trading in Shares. Deviation between the Fund's NAV and trading price poses a risk to investors when there is market stress because costs can increase substantially during such periods, which can lead directly to a widening of premiums or discounts to NAV. The Adviser cannot predict whether Shares will trade below, at or above their NAV. Price differences may be due, in large part, to the fact that supply and demand forces at work in the secondary trading market for Shares will be closely related to, but not identical to, the same forces influencing the prices of the securities held by the Fund. However, given that Shares can be purchased and redeemed in large blocks of Shares, called Creation Units (unlike shares of closed-end funds, which frequently trade at appreciable discounts from, and sometimes at premiums to, their NAV), and the Fund's portfolio holdings are fully disclosed on a daily basis, the Adviser believes that large discounts or premiums to the NAV of Shares should not be sustained, but that may not be the case.
- **Trading Risk.** Although the Shares are listed on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active or liquid trading market for them will be maintained. In addition, trading in Shares on the Exchange may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of the Exchange, make trading in Shares inadvisable. Further, trading in Shares on the Exchange is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to the Exchange "circuit breaker" rules, which temporarily halt trading on the Exchange when a decline in the S&P 500 Index during a single day reaches certain thresholds (e.g., 7%, 13% and 20%). There can be no assurance that the requirements of the Exchange necessary to maintain the listing of the Fund will continue to be met or will remain unchanged. In stressed market conditions, the liquidity of the Fund's Shares may begin to mirror the liquidity of its underlying portfolio holdings, which can be significantly less liquid than the Fund's Shares, potentially causing the market price of the Fund's Shares to deviate from its NAV. When buying or selling shares of the Fund in the secondary market, you will likely incur brokerage commission or other charges. In addition, you may incur the cost of the "spread" also known as the bid-ask spread, which is the difference between what investors are willing to pay for Fund shares (the "bid" price) and the price at which they are willing to sell Fund shares (the "ask" price). The bid-ask spread varies over time based on, among other things, trading volume, market liquidity and market volatility. Because of the costs inherent in buying or selling Fund shares, frequent trading may detract significantly from investment results and an investment in Fund shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments due to the associated trading costs.

**Equity Securities Risk.** Investments in securities whose performance is linked to that of equity securities, such as SPX options, may fluctuate in value response to many factors, including the activities of the individual issuers included in the Index, general market and economic conditions, interest rates, and specific industry changes. Such price fluctuations subject the Fund to potential losses.

**High Portfolio Turnover Risk.** The Sub-Adviser will sell portfolio securities when it is in the interests of the Fund and its shareholders to do so without regard to the length of time they have been held. As portfolio turnover may involve paying brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, there could be additional expenses for the Fund and those expenses may adversely affect the Fund's performance. High rates of portfolio turnover may also result in the realization of short-term capital gains and losses. Any distributions resulting from such gains will be considered ordinary income for federal income tax purposes. Under normal circumstances, the anticipated portfolio turnover rate for the Fund, including short-term securities, is expected to be greater than 100%.

**Geopolitical/Natural Disaster Risks.** The Fund's investments are subject to geopolitical and natural disaster risks, such as war, terrorism, trade disputes, political or economic dysfunction within some nations, public health crises and related geopolitical events, as well as environmental disasters, epidemics and/or pandemics, which may add to instability in world economies and volatility in markets. The impact may be short-term or may last for extended periods.

The respiratory illness COVID-19 caused by a novel coronavirus has resulted in a global pandemic and major disruption to economies and markets around the world, including the United States. Financial markets have experienced extreme volatility and severe losses, and trading in many instruments has been disrupted. Liquidity for many instruments has been greatly reduced for periods of time. Some interest rates are very low and in some cases yields are negative. Some sectors of the economy and individual issuers have experienced particularly large losses. For some companies, dividend payments have been delayed, reduced, or rescinded. These circumstances may continue for an extended period of time, and may affect adversely the value and liquidity of the Fund's investments.

**Large-Cap Securities Risk.** Stocks of large companies as a group can fall out of favor with the market, causing the Fund to underperform investments that have a greater focus on mid-cap or small-cap stocks. Larger, more established companies may be slow to respond to challenges and may grow more slowly than smaller companies.

**Management Risk.** The Fund is actively managed and the Sub-Adviser's ability to choose suitable investments and implement the strategies described above has a significant impact on the ability of the Fund to achieve its investment objectives. In addition, there is the risk that the investment process, techniques and analyses used by the Sub-Adviser will not produce the desired investment results and the Fund may lose value as a result.

**Market Risk.** The Fund's net asset value and investment return will fluctuate based upon changes in the value of its portfolio securities. Stock prices change daily as a result of many factors, including developments affecting the condition of both individual companies and the market in general. The price of a stock may even be affected by factors unrelated to the value or condition of its issuer, such as changes in interest rates, national and international economic and/or political conditions and general equity market conditions. In a declining stock market, prices for all companies (including those in the Fund's portfolio) may decline regardless of their long-term prospects. The Fund's performance per share will change daily in response to such factors.

#### **Options Risk.**

- *Selling or Writing Options Risks.* Writing option contracts can result in losses that exceed the seller's initial investment and may lead to additional turnover and higher tax liability. The risk involved in writing a call option is that there could be an increase in the market value of the underlying or reference asset. An underlying or reference asset may be an index, equity security, or ETF. If this occurs, the call option could be exercised and the underlying asset would then be sold at a lower price than its current market value. In the case of cash settled call options such as SPX options, the call seller would be required to purchase the call option at a price that is higher than the original sales price for such call option. Similarly, while writing call options can reduce the risk of owning the underlying asset, such a strategy limits the opportunity to profit from an increase in the market value of the underlying asset in exchange for up-front cash at the time of selling the call option. The risk involved in writing a put option is that there could be a decrease in the market value of the underlying asset. If this occurs, the put option could be exercised and the underlying asset would then be sold at a higher price than its current market value. In the case of cash settled put options, the put seller would be required to purchase the put option at a price that is higher than the original sales price for such put option.
- *Buying or Purchasing Options Risk.* If a call or put option is not sold when it has remaining value and if the market price of the underlying asset, in the case of a call option, remains less than or equal to the exercise price, or, in the case of a put, remains equal to or greater than the exercise price, the buyer will lose its entire investment in the call or put option. Since many factors influence the value of an option, including the price of the underlying asset, the exercise price, the time to expiration, the interest rate, and the dividend rate of the underlying asset, the buyer's success in implementing the an option buying strategy may depend on an ability to predict movements in the prices of individual assets, fluctuations in markets, and movements in

interest rates. There is no assurance that a liquid market will exist when the buyer seeks to close out an option position. When an option is purchased to hedge against price movements in an underlying asset, the price of the option may move more or less than the price of the underlying asset.

- **Box Spread Risk.** A Box Spread is a synthetic bond created by combining different options trades that have offsetting spreads (e.g., purchases and sales on the same underlying instrument, such as an index or an ETF, but with different strike prices). If one or more of these individual option positions are modified or closed separately prior to the option contract's expiration, then the Box Spread may no longer effectively eliminate risk tied to the underlying asset's price movement. Furthermore, the Box Spread's value is derived in the market and is in part, based on the time until the options comprising the Box Spread expire and the prevailing market interest rates. If the Fund (or an underlying ETF) sells a Box Spread prior to its expiration, then the Fund may incur a loss. The Fund's ability to profit from Box Spreads is dependent on the availability and willingness of other market participants to sell Box Spreads to the Fund (or the underlying ETF) at competitive prices.
- **FLEX Options Risk.** FLEX Options are exchange-traded options contracts with uniquely customizable terms like exercise price, style, and expiration date. Due to their customization and potentially unique terms, FLEX Options may be less liquid than other securities, such as standard exchange listed options. In less liquid markets for the FLEX Options, the Fund may have difficulty closing out certain FLEX Options positions at desired times and prices. The value of FLEX Options will be affected by, among others, changes in the underlying share or equity index price, changes in actual and implied interest rates, changes in the actual and implied volatility of the underlying shares or equity index and the remaining time to until the FLEX Options expire. The value of the FLEX Options will be determined based upon market quotations or using other recognized pricing methods, in accordance with the Trust's pricing policies and procedures. During periods of reduced market liquidity or in the absence of readily available market quotations for the holdings of the Fund, the ability of the Fund to value the FLEX Options becomes more difficult and the judgment of the Fund's Sub-Adviser (employing the fair value procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Trust) may play a greater role in the valuation of the Fund's holdings due to reduced availability of reliable objective pricing data.

**U.S. Government Securities Risk.** Some U.S. Government securities, such as Treasury bills, notes, and bonds and mortgage-backed securities guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States; others are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury; others are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the agency's obligations; still others are supported only by the credit of the issuing agency, instrumentality, or enterprise. Although U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises may be chartered or sponsored by Congress, they are not funded by Congressional appropriations, their securities are not issued by the U.S. Treasury, their obligations are not supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, and so investments in their securities or obligations issued by them involve greater risk than investments in other types of U.S. Government securities. In addition, certain governmental entities have been subject to regulatory scrutiny regarding their accounting policies and practices and other concerns that may result in legislation, changes in regulatory oversight and/or other consequences that could adversely affect the credit quality, availability or investment character of securities issued or guaranteed by these entities.

**Valuation Risk.** Some portfolio holdings, potentially a large portion of the Fund's investment portfolio, may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur more often in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations.

Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time.

## FUND MANAGEMENT

### Investment Adviser

Empowered Funds, LLC dba EA Advisers acts as the Fund's investment adviser. The Adviser is located at 19 East Eagle Road Havertown, PA 19083 and is wholly-owned by Alpha Architect LLC. The Adviser is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act") and provides investment advisory services solely to the Fund and other exchange-traded funds. The Adviser was founded in October 2013.

The Adviser reviews and supervises the activities of the Sub-Adviser with respect to the Fund. Notwithstanding the delegation of discretionary authority to the Sub-Adviser, the Adviser retains primary responsibility with respect to all matters relating to the Fund



Pursuant to the terms of an investment advisory agreement (the “Advisory Agreement”) between the Trust and the Adviser, the Adviser is entitled to receive an advisory fee of 0.63%, which is shown as an annual rate as a percentage of the Fund’s average daily net assets.

The Adviser (or an affiliate of the Adviser) bears all of the Adviser’s own costs associated with providing these advisory services and all expenses of the Fund, except for the fee payment under the Advisory Agreement, payments under the Fund’s Rule 12b-1 Distribution and Service Plan (the “Plan”), brokerage expenses, AFFE (including affiliated funds’ fees and expenses), taxes (including tax-related services), interest (including borrowing costs), litigation expense (including class action-related services) and other non-routine or extraordinary expenses.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive receipt of its management fees and/or assume expenses of the Fund so that the total annual operating expenses of the Fund, including any AFFE related to any Fund investments in the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF, (excluding payments under the Fund’s Rule 12b-1 distribution and service plan (if any), brokerage expenses, taxes (including tax-related services), interest (including borrowing costs), litigation expense (including class action-related services) and other non-routine or extraordinary expenses) do not exceed 0.63% of the Fund’s average daily net assets. Any AFFE associated with investments in any acquired funds other than the Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF are not included in the fee waiver. This agreement may only be changed or terminated by a vote of the holders of a majority of the Fund’s outstanding voting securities.

The Advisory Agreement for the Fund provides that it may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the “Board”) or, with respect to the Fund, by a majority of the outstanding shares of the Fund, on 60 days’ written notice to the Adviser, and by the Adviser upon 60 days’ written notice, and that it shall be automatically terminated if it is assigned.

### **Investment Sub-Adviser**

**Sub-Adviser:** The Adviser has retained Arin Risk Advisors, LLC to provide sub-advisory services to the Fund. The Sub-Adviser is located at 1100 East Hector Street, Suite 215, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania 19428-2980. The Sub-Adviser was established in 2009 and is registered as an investment adviser with the SEC under the Advisers Act.

Pursuant to a sub-advisory agreement (the “Sub-Advisory Agreement”), the Sub-Adviser has discretion to purchase and sell securities in accordance with the Fund’s objectives, policies, and restrictions. The Sub-Adviser continuously reviews, supervises, and administers the Fund’s investment program subject to oversight by the Adviser. For its services, the Adviser pays the Sub-Adviser a fee, which is calculated daily and paid monthly, at an annual rate of 0.30% based on the Fund’s average daily net assets.

### **Fund Sponsor**

The Adviser has entered into a fund sponsorship agreement with the Sub-Adviser pursuant to which the Sub-Adviser is also the sponsor of the Fund (“Fund Sponsor”). Under this arrangement, the Fund Sponsor has agreed to provide financial support to the Fund (as described below) and, in turn, the Adviser has agreed to share with the Fund Sponsor a portion of profits, if any, generated by the Fund’s Advisory Fee (also as described below). Every month, the Advisory Fee, which is a unitary management fee, is calculated and paid to the Adviser.

If the amount of the unitary management fee exceeds the Fund’s operating expenses and the Adviser-retained amount, the Adviser pays the net total to the Fund Sponsor. The amount paid to the Fund Sponsor represents both the sub-advisory fee and any remaining profits from the Advisory Fee. During months where there are no profits or the funds are not sufficient to cover the entire sub-advisory fee, the sub-advisory fee is automatically waived.

If the amount of the unitary management fee is less than the Fund’s operating expenses and the Adviser-retained amount, Fund Sponsor is obligated to reimburse the Adviser for the shortfall.

### **APPROVAL OF ADVISORY AGREEMENT & INVESTMENT SUB-ADVISORY AGREEMENT**

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board’s approval of the Advisory Agreement and the Sub-Advisory Agreement with respect to the Fund will be available in the Fund’s first annual report or semi-annual report following the Fund’s commencement of operations.

### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

Messrs. Lawrence Lempert and Joseph DeSipio are co-portfolio managers and are jointly and primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund since its inception in 2023.

Lawrence Lempert has been the trading director and chief compliance officer of the Sub-Adviser since 2011. Prior to joining the Sub-Adviser, he founded and managed Bullock Capital, LLC, a proprietary stock/option trading and market making broker dealer and previously served as a Specialist, market maker and Index options trader with Susquehanna International Group. Mr. Lempert earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Statistics and Economics from Rutgers College, a Juris Doctor from Villanova University School of Law, and a Master of Laws in Taxation from New York University School of Law.

Joseph DeSipio is the co-founder and chief market strategist of the Sub-Adviser since the firm's founding in 2009. He previously held strategist and lead portfolio manager positions with SEI Investments, Evergreen Investments, Wachovia, and Vector Capital Management, Inc. Mr. DeSipio founded Evergreen Investments' Options Strategy Group in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. DeSipio earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Master of Arts degree in Economics from Temple University. Mr. DeSipio is a CFA® charterholder. He earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. He is a Financial Risk Manager – Certified by the Global Association of Risk Professionals.

Messrs. Lempert and DeSipio has each served as a portfolio manager of the Predecessor Mutual Fund since its inception in August 2013.

The Fund's SAI provides additional information about the portfolio managers, including other accounts each manages, their ownership in the Fund, and compensation.

#### **OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS**

Quasar Distributors, LLC ("Distributor") serves as the distributor of Creation Units (defined above) for the Fund on an agency basis. The Distributor does not maintain a secondary market in Shares.

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, is the administrator, fund accountant, and transfer agent for the Fund.

U.S. Bank National Association is the custodian for the Fund.

Practus, LLP, 11300 Tomahawk Creek Parkway, Suite 310, Leawood, Kansas 66211, serves as legal counsel to the Trust.

Cohen & Company, Ltd., 342 North Water Street, Suite 830, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, serves as the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm. The independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for auditing the annual financial statements of the Fund.

#### **THE EXCHANGE**

Shares of the Fund are not sponsored, endorsed or promoted by the Exchange. The Exchange is not responsible for, nor has it participated, in the determination of the timing of, prices of, or quantities of Shares of the Fund to be issued, nor in the determination or calculation of the equation by which the Shares are redeemable. The Exchange has no obligation or liability to owners of the Shares of the Fund in connection with the administration, marketing or trading of the Shares of the Fund. Without limiting any of the foregoing, in no event shall the Exchange have any liability for any direct, indirect, special, punitive, consequential or any other damages (including lost profits) even if notified of the possibility of such damages.

#### **BUYING AND SELLING FUND SHARES**

Shares will be issued or redeemed by the Fund at NAV per Share only in Creation Units of 10,000 Shares. Purchases of Creation Units will primarily be in cash whereas redemptions of Creation Units will generally be in-kind and in cash.

Shares will trade on the secondary market, however, which is where most retail investors will buy and sell Shares. It is expected that only a limited number of institutional investors, called Authorized Participants or "APs," will purchase and redeem Shares directly from the Fund. APs may acquire Shares directly from the Fund, and APs may tender their Shares for redemption directly to the Fund, at NAV per Share only in large blocks, or Creation Units. Purchases and redemptions directly with the Fund must follow the Fund's procedures, which are described in the SAI.

**Except when aggregated in Creation Units, Shares are not redeemable with the Fund.**

#### **BUYING AND SELLING SHARES ON THE SECONDARY MARKET**

Most investors will buy and sell Shares in secondary market transactions through brokers and, therefore, must have a brokerage account to buy and sell Shares. Shares can be bought or sold through your broker throughout the trading day like shares of any publicly traded issuer. The Trust does not impose any redemption fees or restrictions on redemptions of Shares in the secondary market. When buying or selling Shares through a broker, you will incur customary brokerage commissions and charges, and you may pay some or all of the spread between the bid and the offered prices in the secondary market for Shares. The price at which you buy or sell Shares (*i.e.*, the market price) may be more or less than the NAV of the Shares. Unless imposed by your broker, there is no minimum dollar amount you must invest in the Fund and no minimum number of Shares you must buy.

Shares of the Fund are listed on the Exchange under the following symbol:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Trading Symbol</b>
Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF	CAOS

The Exchange is generally open Monday through Friday and is closed for weekends and the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Washington's Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth Independence Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

For information about buying and selling Shares on the Exchange or in the secondary markets, please contact your broker or dealer.

**Book Entry.** Shares are held in book entry form, which means that no stock certificates are issued. The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), or its nominee, will be the registered owner of all outstanding Shares of the Fund and is recognized as the owner of all Shares. Participants in DTC include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and other institutions that directly or indirectly maintain a custodial relationship with DTC. As a beneficial owner of Shares, you are not entitled to receive physical delivery of stock certificates or to have Shares registered in your name, and you are not considered a registered owner of Shares. Therefore, to exercise any right as an owner of Shares, you must rely on the procedures of DTC and its participants. These procedures are the same as those that apply to any stocks that you hold in book entry or "street name" through your brokerage account. Your account information will be maintained by your broker, which will provide you with account statements, confirmations of your purchases and sales of Shares, and tax information. Your broker also will be responsible for distributing income dividends and capital gain distributions and for ensuring that you receive shareholder reports and other communications from the Fund.

**Share Trading Prices.** The trading prices of the Fund's Shares may differ from the Fund's daily NAV and can be affected by market forces of supply and demand for the Fund's Shares, the prices of the Fund's portfolio securities, economic conditions and other factors.

The Exchange through the facilities of the Consolidated Tape Association or another market information provider intends to disseminate the approximate value of the Fund's portfolio every fifteen seconds during regular U.S. trading hours. This approximate value should not be viewed as a "real-time" update of the NAV of the Fund because the approximate value may not be calculated in the same manner as the NAV, which is computed once a day. The quotations for certain investments may not be updated during U.S. trading hours if such holdings do not trade in the U.S., except such quotations may be updated to reflect currency fluctuations. The Fund is not involved in, or responsible for, the calculation or dissemination of the approximate values and makes no warranty as to the accuracy of these values.

**Continuous Offering.** The method by which Creation Units of Shares are created and traded may raise certain issues under applicable securities laws. Because new Creation Units of Shares are issued and sold by the Fund on an ongoing basis, a "distribution," as such term is used in the Securities Act, may occur at any point. Broker-dealers and other persons are cautioned that some activities on their part may, depending on the circumstances, result in their being deemed participants in a distribution in a manner which could render them statutory underwriters and subject them to the prospectus delivery requirements and liability provisions of the Securities Act. For example, a broker-dealer firm or its client may be deemed a statutory underwriter if it takes Creation Units after placing an order with the Distributor, breaks them down into constituent Shares and sells the Shares directly to customers or if it chooses to couple the creation of a supply of new Shares with an active selling effort involving solicitation of secondary market demand for Shares. A determination of whether one is an underwriter for purposes of the Securities Act must take into account all the facts and circumstances pertaining to the activities of the broker-dealer or its client in the particular case, and the examples mentioned above should not be considered a complete description of all the activities that could lead to a characterization as an underwriter.

Broker-dealer firms should also note that dealers who are not "underwriters" but are effecting transactions in Shares, whether or not participating in the distribution of Shares, are generally required to deliver a prospectus. This is because the prospectus delivery exemption in Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act is not available in respect of such transactions as a result of Section 24(d) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"). As a result, broker-dealer firms should note that dealers who are not "underwriters" but are participating in a distribution (as contrasted with engaging in ordinary secondary market transactions) and thus dealing with the Shares that are part of an overallotment within the meaning of Section 4(a)(3)(C) of the Securities Act, will be unable to take advantage of the prospectus delivery exemption provided by Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act. For delivery of prospectuses to exchange members, the prospectus delivery mechanism of Rule 153 under the Securities Act is only available with respect to transactions on a national exchange.

#### **ACTIVE INVESTORS AND MARKET TIMING**

The Board has evaluated the risks of market timing activities by the Fund's shareholders. The Board noted that the Fund's Shares can be purchased and redeemed directly from the Fund only in Creation Units by APs and that the vast majority of trading in the Fund's Shares occurs on the secondary market. Because the secondary market trades do not directly involve the Fund, it is unlikely those trades would cause the harmful effects of market timing, including dilution, disruption of portfolio management, increases in the Fund's trading costs and the realization of capital gains. With regard to the purchase or redemption of Creation Units directly with the Fund, to the

extent effected in-kind (*i.e.*, for securities), the Board noted that those trades do not cause the harmful effects (as previously noted) that may result from frequent cash trades. To the extent trades are effected in whole or in part in cash, the Board noted that those trades could result in dilution to the Fund and increased transaction costs, which could negatively impact the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective, although in certain circumstances (e.g., in conjunction with a reallocation of the Fund's investments), such trades may benefit Fund shareholders by increasing the tax efficiency of the Fund. The Board also noted that direct trading by APs is critical to ensuring that the Fund's Shares trade at or close to NAV. In addition, the Fund will impose transaction fees on purchases and redemptions of Shares to cover the custodial and other costs incurred by the Fund in effecting trades. Given this structure, the Board determined that it is not necessary to adopt policies and procedures to detect and deter market timing of the Fund's Shares.

#### **DISTRIBUTION AND SERVICE PLAN**

The Fund has adopted the Plan pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act. Under the Plan, the Fund may be authorized to pay distribution fees of up to 0.25% of its average daily net assets each year to the Distributor and other firms that provide distribution and shareholder services ("Service Providers"). As of the date of this Prospectus, the maximum amount payable under the Plan is set at 0% until further action by the Board. In the event 12b-1 fees are charged, over time they would increase the cost of an investment in the Fund because they would be paid on an ongoing basis.

#### **NET ASSET VALUE**

The NAV of Shares is calculated each business day as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), generally 4:00 p.m., Eastern time.

The Fund calculates its NAV per Share by:

- Taking the current market value of its total assets,
- Subtracting any liabilities, and
- Dividing that amount by the total number of Shares owned by shareholders.

If you buy or sell Shares on the secondary market, you will pay or receive the market price, which may be higher or lower than NAV. Your transaction will be priced at NAV only if you purchase or redeem your Shares in Creation Units.

Equity securities (other than equity or equity Index Options) that are traded on a national securities exchange, except those listed on the NASDAQ Global Market<sup>®</sup> ("NASDAQ") are valued at the last reported sale price on the exchange on which the security is principally traded. Securities traded on NASDAQ will be valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price ("NOCP"). If, on a particular day, an exchange-traded or NASDAQ security does not trade, then the most recent quoted bid for exchange traded or the mean between the most recent quoted bid and ask price for NASDAQ securities will be used. Equity securities that are not traded on a listed exchange are generally valued at the last sale price in the over-the-counter market. If a nonexchange traded security does not trade on a particular day, then the mean between the last quoted closing bid and asked price will be used.

Exchange-traded options (other than FLEX Options) are valued at the mean of the last quoted bid and ask prices at 4:00 p.m. eastern time as provided by a third-party pricing service from the primary exchange or the board of trade on which such options are traded. Exchange-traded options will be valued on the basis of prices provided by pricing services when such prices are reasonably believed to reflect the market value of such options and may include the use of composite or National Best Bid and Offer ("NBBO") pricing information provided by the pricing services.

FLEX Options and "European Style" options (options that cannot be exercised prior to the expiration date) that are listed on an exchange (e.g., Cboe) will typically be valued at a model-based price provided by the exchange at the official close of that exchange's trading day. However, when a FLEX Option has a same-day market trading price at the official close of that exchange's trading day (i) this same-day market trading price will be used for the FLEX Option value instead of the exchange's model-based price and (ii) the implied interest rate for such same-day market traded FLEX options shall be utilized in all model-based prices which share the same expiration date when available.

An option may be fair valued when: (i) the option does not trade on the valuation date and a reliable last quoted bid and ask price at the valuation time are not readily available or (ii) the Fund's Sub-Adviser or Fund management does not believe the price provided by the pricing services reflect the market value of such option.

Redeemable securities issued by open-end investment companies are valued at the investment company's applicable net asset value, with the exception of exchange-traded open-end investment companies which are priced as equity securities.

If a market price is not readily available or is deemed not to reflect the market value of a Fund holding, the Fund will determine the price of the security based on a determination of the security's fair value pursuant to policies and procedures approved by the Board.

To the extent the Fund holds securities that may trade infrequently, fair valuation may be used more frequently. Fair valuation may have the effect of reducing stale pricing arbitrage opportunities presented by the pricing of Shares. However, when the Fund uses fair valuation to price securities, it may value those securities higher or lower than another fund would have priced the security. Also, the use of fair valuation may cause the Shares' NAV performance to diverge from the Shares' market price and from the performance of various benchmarks used to compare the Fund's performance because benchmarks generally do not use fair valuation techniques. Because of the judgment involved in fair valuation decisions, there can be no assurance that the value ascribed to a particular security is accurate.

#### **FUND WEBSITE AND DISCLOSURE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS**

The Trust maintains a website for the Fund at [www.alphaarchitect.com/funds](http://www.alphaarchitect.com/funds). Among other things, the website includes this Prospectus and the SAI, and will include the Fund's holdings, the Fund's last annual and semi-annual reports. The website shows the Fund's daily NAV per share, market price, and premium or discount, each as of the prior business day. The website also shows the extent and frequency of the Fund's premiums and discounts. Further, the website includes the Fund's median bid-ask spread over the most recent thirty calendar days.

Each day the Fund is open for business, the Trust publicly disseminates the Fund's full portfolio holdings as of the close of the previous day through its website at [www.alphaarchitect.com/funds](http://www.alphaarchitect.com/funds). A description of the Trust's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund's portfolio holdings is available in the Fund's SAI.

#### **INVESTMENTS BY OTHER INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

For purposes of the Investment Company Act, Shares are issued by a registered investment company and purchases of such Shares by registered investment companies and companies relying on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act are subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 12(d)(1) of the Investment Company Act, except as permitted by Rule 6c-11, Rule 12d1-4, or an exemptive order of the SEC.

#### **DIVIDENDS, DISTRIBUTIONS, AND TAXES**

As with any investment, you should consider how your investment in Shares will be taxed. The tax information in this Prospectus is provided as general information. You should consult your own tax professional about the tax consequences of an investment in Shares.

Unless your investment in Shares is made through a tax-exempt entity or tax-deferred retirement account, such as an IRA plan, you need to be aware of the possible tax consequences when:

- Your Fund makes distributions,
- You sell your Shares listed on the Exchange, and
- You purchase or redeem Creation Units.

#### **Dividends and Distributions**

*Dividends and Distributions.* The Fund intends to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. As a regulated investment company, the Fund generally pays no federal income tax on the income and gains it distributes to you. The Fund expects to declare and to distribute all of its net investment income, if any, to shareholders as dividends on an annual basis. The Fund will distribute net realized capital gains, if any, at least annually. The Fund may distribute such income dividends and capital gains more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on the Fund. The amount of any distribution will vary, and there is no guarantee the Fund will pay either an income dividend or a capital gains distribution. Distributions may be reinvested automatically in additional whole Shares only if the broker through whom you purchased Shares makes such option available.

*Avoid "Buying a Dividend."* At the time you purchase Shares of the Fund, the Fund's NAV may reflect undistributed income, undistributed capital gains, or net unrealized appreciation in value of portfolio securities held by the Fund. For taxable investors, a subsequent distribution to you of such amounts, although constituting a return of your investment, would be taxable. Buying Shares in the Fund just before it declares an income dividend or capital gains distribution is sometimes known as "buying a dividend."

## Taxes

*Tax Considerations.* The Fund expects, based on its investment objective and strategies, that its distributions, if any, will be taxable as ordinary income, capital gain, or some combination of both. This is true whether you reinvest your distributions in additional Shares or receive them in cash. For federal income tax purposes, Fund distributions of short-term capital gains are taxable to you as ordinary income. Fund distributions of long-term capital gains are taxable to you as long-term capital gain no matter how long you have owned your Shares. A portion of income dividends reported by the Fund may be qualified dividend income eligible for taxation by individual shareholders at long-term capital gain rates provided certain holding period requirements are met.

*Tax Treatment of Complex Securities.* Certain of the Fund's investments may be subject to complex provisions of the Code (including provisions relating to hedging transactions, straddles, integrated transactions, foreign currency contracts, forward foreign currency contracts, and notional principal contracts) that, among other things, may affect the Fund's ability to qualify as a RIC, may affect the character of gains and losses realized by the Fund (e.g., may affect whether gains or losses are ordinary or capital), accelerate recognition of income to the Fund and defer losses. These rules could therefore affect the character, amount and timing of distributions to shareholders. These provisions also may require the Fund to mark to market certain types of positions in its portfolio (i.e., treat them as if they were closed out) which may cause the Fund to recognize income without the Fund receiving cash with which to make distributions in amounts sufficient to enable the Fund to satisfy the RIC distribution requirements for avoiding income and excise taxes. The Fund intends to monitor its transactions, intends to make appropriate tax elections, and intends to make appropriate entries in its books and records to mitigate the effect of these rules and preserve the Fund's qualification for treatment as a RIC.

Certain derivative investments by the Fund, such as exchange-traded products and over-the-counter derivatives, may not produce qualifying income for purposes of the qualifying income requirement described in the SAI, which must be met in order for the Fund to maintain its status as a RIC under the Code. In addition, the determination of the value and the identity of the issuer of such derivative investments are often unclear for purposes of the Asset Diversification Test described in the SAI. The Fund intends to carefully monitor such investments to ensure that any non-qualifying income does not exceed permissible limits and to ensure that it is adequately diversified under the Asset Diversification Test. The Fund, however, may not be able to accurately predict the non-qualifying income from these investments and there are no assurances that the IRS will agree with the Fund's determination of the diversification requirement with respect to such derivatives. Failure of the Asset Diversification Test might also result from a determination by the IRS that financial instruments in which the Fund invests are not securities.

The Fund is required for federal income tax purposes to mark to market and recognize as income for each taxable year its net unrealized gains and losses on certain futures and options contracts subject to section 1256 of the Code ("Section 1256 Contracts") as of the end of the year as well as those actually realized during the year. Gain or loss from Section 1256 Contracts on broad-based indexes required to be marked to market will be 60% long-term and 40% short-term capital gain or loss. Application of this rule may alter the timing and character of distributions to shareholders. The Fund may be required to defer the recognition of losses on Section 1256 Contracts to the extent of any unrecognized gains on offsetting positions held by the Fund. These provisions may also require the Fund to mark-to-market certain types of positions in its portfolio (i.e., treat them as if they were closed out), which may cause the Fund to recognize income without receiving cash with which to make distributions in amounts necessary to satisfy the distribution requirement and for avoiding the excise tax discussed above. Accordingly, to avoid certain income and excise taxes, the Fund may be required to liquidate its investments at a time when the investment adviser might not otherwise have chosen to do so.

Offsetting positions held by the Fund involving certain derivative instruments, such as options, forwards, and futures, as well as its long and short positions in portfolio securities, may be considered to constitute "straddles" for federal income tax purposes. In general, straddles are subject to certain rules that may affect the amount, character and timing of the Fund's gains and losses with respect to the straddle positions by requiring, among other things, that: (1) any loss realized on disposition of one position of a straddle may not be recognized to the extent that the Fund has unrealized gains with respect to the other positions in straddle; (2) the Fund's holding period in straddle positions be suspended while the straddle exists (possibly resulting in a gain being treated as short-term rather than long-term capital gain); (3) the losses recognized with respect to certain straddle positions that are part of a mixed straddle and are non-Section 1256 Contracts be treated as 60% long-term and 40% short-term capital loss; (4) losses recognized with respect to certain straddle positions that would otherwise constitute short-term capital losses be treated as long-term capital losses; and (5) the deduction of interest and carrying charges attributable to certain straddle positions may be deferred. Various elections are available to the Fund, which may mitigate the effects of the straddle rules, particularly with respect to mixed straddles.

In general, the straddle rules described above do not apply to any straddles held by the Fund if all of the offsetting positions consist of Section 1256 Contracts. The straddle rules described above also do not apply if all the offsetting positions making up a straddle consist of one or more "qualified covered call options" and the stock to be purchased under the options and the straddle is not part of a larger straddle. A qualified covered call option is generally any option granted by the Fund to purchase stock it holds (or stock it acquires in connection with granting the option) if, among other things, (1) the option is traded on a national securities exchange that is registered with the SEC or other market the IRS determined has rules adequate to carry out the purposes of the applicable Code provision, (2) the option is granted more than 30 days before it expires, (3) the option is not a "deep-in-the-money option," (4) such option is not granted by an options dealer in connection with the dealer's activity of dealing in options, and (5) gain or loss with respect to the option is not

ordinary income or loss. In addition, the straddle rules could cause distributions from the Fund that would otherwise constitute “qualified dividend income” or qualify for the dividends received deduction to fail to satisfy the applicable holding period requirements. To the extent the Fund writes options that are not Section 1256 Contracts, the amount of the premium received by the Fund for writing such options is likely to be entirely short-term capital gain to the Fund. In addition, if such an option is closed by the Fund, any gain or loss realized by the Fund as a result of closing the transaction will also generally be short-term capital gain or loss. If such an option is exercised any gain or loss realized by the Fund upon the sale of the underlying security pursuant to such exercise will generally be short-term or long-term capital gain or loss to the Fund depending on the Fund’s holding period for the underlying security.

If the Fund enters into a “constructive sale” of any appreciated financial position in its portfolio, the Fund will be treated as if it had sold and immediately repurchased the property and must recognize gain (but not loss) with respect to that position. A constructive sale of an appreciated financial position occurs when the Fund enters into certain offsetting transactions with respect to the same or substantially identical property, including, but not limited to: (i) a short sale; (ii) an offsetting notional principal contract; (iii) a futures or forward contract; or (iv) other transactions identified in future Treasury Regulations. The character of the gain from constructive sales will depend upon the Fund’s holding period in the appreciated financial position. Losses realized from a sale of a position that was previously the subject of a constructive sale will be recognized when the position is subsequently disposed of. The character of such losses will depend upon the Fund’s holding period in the position beginning with the date the constructive sale was deemed to have occurred and the application of various loss deferral provisions in the Code. Constructive sale treatment does not apply to certain closed transactions, including if such a transaction is closed on or before the 30th day after the close of the Fund’s taxable year and the Fund holds the appreciated financial position unhedged throughout the 60-day period beginning with the day such transaction was closed.

*Taxes on Sales of Shares.* A sale or exchange of Shares is a taxable event and, accordingly, a capital gain or loss may be recognized. Currently, any capital gain or loss realized upon a sale of Shares generally is treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year and as short-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for one year or less. The ability to deduct capital losses may be limited.

*Medicare Tax.* An additional 3.8% Medicare tax is imposed on certain net investment income (including ordinary dividends and capital gain distributions received from the Fund and net gains from redemptions or other taxable dispositions of Shares) of U.S. individuals, estates and trusts to the extent that such person’s “modified adjusted gross income” (in the case of an individual) or “adjusted gross income” (in the case of an estate or trust) exceeds a threshold amount. This Medicare tax, if applicable, is reported by you on, and paid with, your federal income tax return.

*Backup Withholding.* By law, if you do not provide the Fund with your proper taxpayer identification number and certain required certifications, you may be subject to backup withholding on any distributions of income, capital gains or proceeds from the sale of your Shares. The Fund also must withhold if the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) instructs it to do so. When withholding is required, the amount will be 24% of any distributions or proceeds paid.

*State and Local Taxes.* Fund distributions and gains from the sale or exchange of your Shares generally are subject to state and local taxes.

*Taxes on Purchase and Redemption of Creation Units.* An AP who exchanges equity securities for Creation Units generally will recognize a gain or a loss. The gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the market value of the Creation Units at the time of purchase and the exchanger’s aggregate basis in the securities surrendered and the cash amount paid. A person who exchanges Creation Units for equity securities generally will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the exchanger’s basis in the Creation Units and the aggregate market value of the securities received and the cash amount received. The IRS, however, may assert that a loss realized upon an exchange of securities for Creation Units cannot be deducted currently under the rules governing “wash sales,” or on the basis that there has been no significant change in economic position. Persons exchanging securities should consult their own tax advisor with respect to whether the wash sale rules apply and when a loss might be deductible.

Under current federal tax laws, any capital gain or loss realized upon redemption of Creation Units is generally treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year and as a short-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for one year or less.

If the Fund redeems Creation Units in cash, it may recognize more capital gains than it will if it redeems Creation Units in-kind.

*Non-U.S. Investors.* Non-U.S. investors may be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% or lower treaty rate and U.S. estate tax and are subject to special U.S. tax certification requirements to avoid backup withholding and claim any treaty benefits. An exemption from U.S. withholding tax is provided for capital gain dividends paid by the Fund from long-term capital gains, if any. The exemptions from U.S. withholding for interest-related dividends paid by the Fund from its qualified net interest income from U.S. sources and short-term capital gain dividends have expired for taxable years of the Fund that begin on or after January 1, 2014. It is unclear as of the date of this prospectus whether Congress will reinstate the exemptions for interest-related and short-term capital gain dividends or, if reinstated, whether such exemptions would have retroactive effect. However, notwithstanding such exemptions from U.S. withholding at the source, any such dividends and distributions of income and capital gains will be subject to backup withholding at a rate of 24% if you fail to properly certify that you are not a U.S. person.

*Other Reporting and Withholding Requirements.* Under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA), the Fund will be required to withhold a 30% tax on (a) income dividends paid by the Fund, and (b) certain capital gain distributions and the proceeds arising from the sale of Shares paid by the Fund, to certain foreign entities, referred to as foreign financial institutions or non-financial foreign entities, that fail to comply (or be deemed compliant) with extensive new reporting and withholding requirements designed to inform the U.S. Department of the Treasury of U.S.-owned foreign investment accounts. The Fund may disclose the information that it receives from its shareholders to the IRS, non-U.S. taxing authorities or other parties as necessary to comply with FATCA. Withholding also may be required if a foreign entity that is a shareholder of the Fund fails to provide the Fund with appropriate certifications or other documentation concerning its status under FATCA.

*Possible Tax Law Changes.* At the time that this prospectus is being prepared, various administrative and legislative changes to the federal tax laws are under consideration, but it is not possible at this time to determine whether any of these changes will be made or what the changes might entail.

**This discussion of “Dividends, Distributions and Taxes” is not intended or written to be used as tax advice. Because everyone’s tax situation is unique, you should consult your tax professional about federal, state, local or foreign tax consequences before making an investment in the Fund.**



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Fund is newly organized and therefore has not yet had any operations as of the date of this. The financial highlights tables are intended to help you understand the Predecessor Mutual Fund's financial performance for the past five years. The Fund has adopted the performance history of the Predecessor Mutual Fund, which was operated as a mutual fund. The Predecessor Mutual Fund's financial information shown below is for the periods prior to its conversion into an exchange traded fund as part of the Reorganization. The total returns represent the rate that an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the Predecessor Mutual Fund assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions. The information in the table was audited by the Predecessor Mutual Fund's independent registered public accounting firm f, whose report, along with the Predecessor Mutual Fund's financial statements, is included in the Predecessor Mutual Fund's annual report, which is available by calling (215) 882-9983.

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#### Institutional Class Shares

(For a Share Outstanding During Each of the Fiscal Years Ended)

	February 28, 2022	February 28, 2021	February 29, 2020	February 28, 2019	February 28, 2018
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Year</b>	\$11.30	\$9.54	\$9.50	\$10.50	\$10.14
Income (Loss) from Investment Operations					
Net investment income (loss)(d)	(0.07)	(0.07)	0.11	0.12	0.05
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and options written	(0.08)	2.44	0.13	(0.94)	0.49
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	<b>(0.15)</b>	<b>2.37</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>(0.82)</b>	<b>0.54</b>
Less Distributions					
Net investment income	--	(0.01)	(0.20)	(0.10)	(0.00) (f)
Net realized gain	(0.76)	(0.60)	--	(0.08)	(0.18)
<b>Total distributions</b>	<b>(0.76)</b>	<b>(0.61)</b>	<b>(0.20)</b>	<b>(0.18)</b>	<b>(0.18)</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Year</b>	<b>\$10.39</b>	<b>\$11.30</b>	<b>\$9.54</b>	<b>\$9.50</b>	<b>\$10.50</b>
<b>Total Return (a)</b>	<b>(1.47)%</b>	<b>24.94%</b>	<b>2.55%</b>	<b>(7.80)%</b>	<b>5.31%</b>
Net Assets, End of Year (in thousands)	\$188,926	\$166,869	\$96,449	\$105,671	\$121,889
Ratios of:					
Interest expense to average net assets	0.00% (e)	0.00% (e)	0.03%	0.15%	0.04%
Gross expenses to average net assets (b)	0.63%	0.65%	0.71%	0.83%	0.72%
Net expenses to average net assets (b)	0.63%	0.65%	0.71%	0.83%	0.72%
Net investment income (loss) to average net assets (b)(c)	(0.63)%	(0.59)%	1.11%	1.18%	0.46%
Portfolio turnover rate	0.00%	0.00%	456.80% (g)	325.85%	94.85%

(a) Includes adjustments in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and, consequently, the net asset value for financial reporting purposes and the returns based upon those net asset values may differ from the net asset values and returns for shareholder transactions.

(b) Does not include expenses of the investment companies in which the Fund invests.

(c) Recognition of net investment income (loss) by the Fund is affected by the timing of the declaration of dividends by the underlying investment companies in which the Fund invests.

(d) Calculated using the average shares method.

(e) Less than 0.01% of net assets.

(f) Less than \$0.01 per share.

(g) Portfolio turnover was calculated using the total long-term purchase amount of \$27,391. All securities considered short-term were excluded from the calculation according to prescribed rules.

## **ANNUAL/SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS TO SHAREHOLDERS**

Additional information about the Fund will be in its annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders, when available. The annual report will explain the market conditions and investment strategies affecting the Fund's performance during the last fiscal year.

## **STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The SAI dated November 21, 2022, (as supplemented on December 20, 2022 and February 1, 2023), which contains more details about the Fund, is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this Prospectus, which means that it is legally part of this Prospectus.

To receive a free copy of the latest annual or semi-annual report, when available, or the SAI, or to request additional information about the Fund, please contact us as follows:

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## **PAPER COPIES**

Please note that paper copies of the Fund's shareholder reports will generally not be sent, unless you specifically request paper copies of the Fund's reports from your financial intermediary, such as a broker-dealer or bank. Instead, the reports will be made available on the Fund's website, and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

You may elect to receive all future Fund reports in paper free of charge. Please contact your financial intermediary to inform them that you wish to continue receiving paper copies of Fund shareholder reports and for details about whether your election to receive reports in paper will apply to all funds held with your financial intermediary.

## **INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Information about the Fund, including its reports and the SAI, has been filed with the SEC. It can be reviewed on the EDGAR database on the SEC's internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>). You can also request copies of these materials, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the SEC's e-mail address ([publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov)) or by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090.

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