

Firm Overview

At a Glance

Headquarters: Cincinnati, Ohio

Founded: 1977

AUM: \$8.83 billion as of December 31, 2023 Average Investment Team Firm Tenure: 17 years

Investment Team



Michael T. Buckius, CFA® CEO, CIO, President and Portfolio Manager

Joined industry in 1992 Joined Gateway in 1999



Kenneth H. Toft, CFA[®] SVP, Portfolio Manager

Joined industry in 1992 Joined Gateway in 1992



Daniel M. Ashcraft, CFA® VP, Portfolio Manager

Joined industry in 2007 Joined Gateway in 2009



Mitchell J. Trotta, CFA® Portfolio Manager

Joined industry in 2015 Joined Gateway in 2016



Michael A. Dirr Trader

Joined industry in 1991 Joined Gateway in 1999



Mathew D. Evans Associate Portfolio Manager

Joined industry in 2023 Joined Gateway in 2023

A Brief History

Gateway is a pioneer in options-based investing. Since 1977, shortly after the Chicago Board of Options Exchange first began trading modern option contracts, Gateway has provided quantitatively driven equity strategies paired with options-based investing to meet the needs of risk-conscious investors. Gateway has maintained a focus on helping investors by generating cash flow, reducing risk, and potentially enhancing long-term risk-adjusted returns. Since 2008, Gateway has been a whollyowned affiliate of Natixis Investment Managers, LLC. As an affiliate, Gateway is able to leverage the broad resources of Natixis. This allows Gateway to focus on its distinct expertise while benefiting from being a part of a globally diversified asset manager.

Investment Philosophy



Options Are a Tool for Risk Management

Options-based strategies have the potential to enhance risk-adjusted returns by accessing the implied volatility risk premium, generating cash flow for investors, and reducing the risks associated with equity market exposure.



Broad Application Offers Multiple Solutions

Index option-based strategies can be used in many portfolio applications, potentially enhancing an equity portfolio, diversifying fixed income allocations or offering a liquid, transparent and relatively low-cost component to an alternative program.



Active Judgement Can Provide Better Outcomes

Each market environment and investment objective is unique and requires a dynamic tool kit. The consistent application of a disciplined, active investment management process backed by an extensively experienced team can potentially add value for investors and improve outcomes.

Proven Strategies and Custom Capabilities

Gateway offers a comprehensive suite of proven investment strategies that can be used in a variety of portfolio applications.



Hedging



Income



Volatility Risk Premia

Index/RA (Flagship)	AUM: \$6,757.2
Written Index Call Options & Purchased Index Put Options	
Active Overwrite	AUM: \$1,723.0

Written Index Call Options

Quality Income AUM: \$42.3

Written Index Call Options & Quality Large Cap Equities

Active PutWrite¹ AUM: \$116.9

Written Index Put Options

Assets under management (AUM) as of December 31, 2023 and displayed in \$ millions. 1: Asset totals represent the total notional value of written options contracts associated with each respective index.

Investment Strategies Overview

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	Index/RA (Flagship)		Overwrite	Global	Domestic	International	Emerging Markets	Quality Income	Premium Overlay
Call Options Purchased									
Call Options Written	SPX ¹		SPX ¹					SPX ¹	
Put Options Purchased	SPX ¹	SPX ¹							SPX ¹
Put Options Written		SPX ¹		SPX ¹ , EAFE ² , EEM ³	SPX ¹	EAFE ²	EEM ³		
Underlying Portfolio	Stocks	Stocks	Stocks	T-Bills, Cash	T-Bills, Cash	T-Bills, Cash	T-Bills, Cash	Stocks	Stocks, T-Bills, Cash
Strategy Benchmark	S&P 500® Index	S&P 500® Index	BXM SM Index ⁴	Custom Global Benchmark ⁵	PUT SM Index ⁶	PXEA SM Index ⁵	PXEF SM Index ⁵	S&P 500® Index	T-Bills ⁷
Transparent	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Daily Liquidity	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
No Lockups	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	~	✓	✓
Capital Loss Harvesting Available	✓	√	√					✓	
Commingled Vehicle					✓				
Fund Availability	Mutual Fund	Mutual Fund	Mutual Fund					Exchange- Traded Fund	

Why Index Options?

- Equity risk premium exposure a reliable source of long-term real returns
- · Volatility risk premium exposure a reliable source of potential alpha
- European-style expiration maintains control of the options portfolio
- Cash-settled maintains control of underlying portfolio
- Exchange-traded avoids counterparty risk
- Robust liquidity avoids illiquidity risks
- Deep, competitive market low transactions costs
- Tax efficiency facilitates loss harvesting and tax-efficient returns

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