After the Votes: Anticipating an Eventful Fourth Quarter

3RD QUARTER 2024

As we conclude the third quarter of 2024, we would like to provide you with an update on the fund's performance, our insights into the current event-driven market conditions, and our outlook for the near future.

Performance Review

In the third quarter, the fund achieved a return of 4.6%, driven by gains across our three core investment strategies: Event Driven Equity (+3.7%), Event Driven Credit (+1.2%), and Risk Arbitrage (+0.7%). Despite a slowdown in overall corporate activity, we navigated this period effectively by concentrating on high-conviction positions with anticipated catalysts.

Our most significant gain (212 basis points) stemmed from a private investment in public equity (PIPE) within the Industrials sector, which was attractively priced at issuance and presents multiple compelling opportunities for value unlocking through strategic acquisitions. The second-largest contributor (69 basis points) was our largest equity position — an investment in a life sciences company that benefited from a factor-driven rally early in the quarter. Notably, we have observed increased interest from several large funds building positions in this company, which has shifted the supply/demand dynamics favorably. Our third-largest gain (41 basis points) came from a regional bank that we believe is well-positioned as a potential acquisition target as interest rates normalize.

We are pleased to report that no single position detracted more than 40 basis points during the quarter. The primary detractors were portfolio hedges, which accounted for a cost of 107 basis points.

Market Review

The past six months have seen a cautious landscape for corporate actions, particularly in mergers and acquisitions (M&A). Economic uncertainties – ranging from rising interest rates and geopolitical tensions to the upcoming United States elections – have significantly tempered corporate actions. The IPO market in particular, continues to lag the pre-pandemic average, as shown in the chart below. Nevertheless, we have remained committed to identifying and capitalizing on opportunities in this temporarily limited investment environment.

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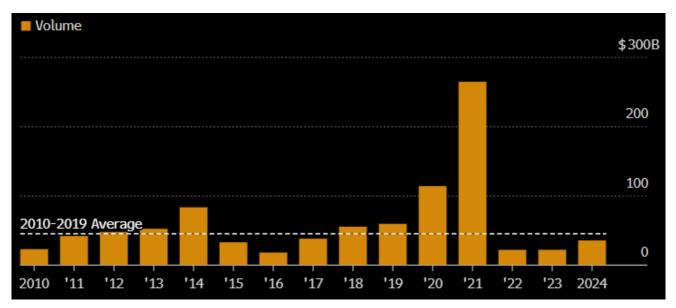


Exhibit 1: US IPOs Still Lagging Pre-Pandemic Average

Source: Bloomberg

Note: Data comprises Jan. 1 - Oct. 6

Looking Ahead: Post-Election Corporate Activity

As we approach the upcoming elections, we anticipate a pivotal shift in the landscape of corporate activity. Historically, periods of heightened political uncertainty lead to a lull in deal-making, a trend that was evident in the third quarter. However, post-election, we expect a resurgence in corporate activity—particularly in M&A—as companies seek to reposition themselves in a changing market for organic growth.

Several factors underpin this outlook:

- 1. **Pent-Up Demand:** Many companies have delayed strategic acquisitions, waiting for increased certainty and a potentially more favorable deal climate. Once the election outcome is clear, we believe key drivers of corporate activity— capital costs and regulatory outlooks—will become more predictable, leading to a surge in engagement with capital markets.
- 2. Capital Availability: Despite current challenges, liquidity remains robust. Both financial and strategic buyers are sitting on significant capital reserves, and the cost of debt is declining. We anticipate both buyer groups will be ready to act decisively as the political landscape stabilizes.
- **3. Tech Innovation:** Across all sectors the rapid evolution of adaptive technology is reshaping the competitive landscape. We expect M&A and spin-offs to play critical roles in helping companies maintain competitive advantages and enhance their market positions against this evolving backdrop.

Strategic Positioning

In anticipation of this rebound, we are strategically positioning our portfolio to benefit from an increase in corporate activity, particularly in M&A and activism:

- M&A and Leveraged Buyouts (LBOs): We foresee a recovery in private equity deal activity as capital becomes more affordable and companies seek strategic acquisitions. The private equity sector is primed for a resurgence as the monetization of portfolios begins to materialize. The IPO market remains a crucial element for private equity exits, and we expect M&A activity to ramp up once valuation gaps between buyers and sellers narrow. While large megadeals have been scarce, we anticipate a wave of strategic transactions, especially in the mid-cap sector, positioning us to capitalize on both an increase in IPOs and SMID-cap buyout opportunities.
- Clarity on Antitrust: The current regulatory environment is characterized by uncertainty, but a shift
 in political leadership may reshape antitrust guidelines, influencing corporate strategies and creating
 opportunities for more aggressive deal-making.
- Activism: Activist investors are gaining influence, advocating for strategic changes in high-profile
 companies. Notably, as we write this, mega-cap companies such as Pfizer and Starbucks are
 currently navigating persuasive activist campaigns. We are actively monitoring various activist
 situations, and have two current investments in catalyst-driven equity positions (which we are
 likely to discuss in future letters) where activist shareholders are pushing for logical and accretive
 corporate changes.

In summary, we are optimistic about the forecasted recovery in corporate activity, particularly in M&A, as the market gains increased clarity in the post-election environment. Our focus remains on maintaining a disciplined investment strategy that allows us to identify opportunities that align with our objectives: generating attractive risk adjusted returns across the event driven investment universe.

We appreciate your continued support and confidence in our investment approach. We will keep you informed of our progress and look forward to discussing our insights further in the future.

Best regards,

Mike, Tom and Yoav

% Quarter-End Performance (as of 9/30/24)

					Annua	alized	
	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Inception ¹
Driehaus Event Driven Fund	4.56	3.88	8.04	1.25	7.57	5.25	5.35
S&P 500 Index ²	5.89	22.08	36.35	11.91	15.98	13.38	13.94
Morningstar Event Driven Category³	2.84	3.28	6.09	2.62	4.05	3.57	3.63
Alpha to S&P 500 Index			1.03%	-1.63%	3.65%	1.36%	1.26%
Beta to S&P 500 Index			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Correlation to S&P 500 Index		0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Volatility as a % of S&P 500 Index			45%	38%	40%	48%	

Morningstar Event Driven Rankings⁵ (as of 9/30/24)

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Number of Funds in Category	40	37	37	31
Position - DEVDX	9	36	3	3
Percentile Ranking - DEVDX	23%	97%	8%	10%

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, FactSet

Data as of 9/30/24

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The Driehaus Event Driven Fund has an inception date of August 26, 2013. ²The Standard & Poor's ("S&P") 500 Index consists of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group. It is a market-weighted index (stock price times number of shares outstanding), with each stock's weight in the index proportionate to its market value. ³The Morningstar Event Driven Category is generally representative of mutual funds that primarily employ strategies that seek to profit from corporate actions, such as mergers and acquisitions. Mutual funds in this category typically focus on equity securities but can invest across the capital structure. However, they typically have low to moderate equity market sensitivity since company-specific developments tend to drive security prices. ⁴Represents the Annual Fund Operating Expenses as disclosed in the current prospectus dated April 30, 2024. It is important to understand that a decline in the Fund's average net assets due to unprecedented market volatility or other factors could cause the Fund's expense ratio for the current fiscal year to be higher than the expense information presented. A shareholder may be required to pay a commission to their financial intermediary. ⁵Morningstar Event Driven (all share classes). Data based on monthly returns of 40, 37, 37 and 31 mutual funds (all share classes) for the one, three, five and ten year periods respectively. Net of fees. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Terms. **Beta:** A measure of a portfolio's volatility compared to that of the market as a whole. **Effective Duration:** Duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. **Spread Duration:** The sensitivity of the price of a bond to a 100 basis point change to its option-adjusted spread.

Ticker DEVDX

Fund Overview

- The Driehaus Event Driven Fund seeks to generate consistently high alpha, low beta and low correlation to major market indexes.
- The fund invests long and short in equities and bonds that we believe are mispriced due to an announced or anticipated idiosyncratic corporate action and/or special situation.
- The fund's long/short hedged portfolio construction is designed to generate idiosyncratic returns, reduce market exposure and provide downside protection.
- The opportunistic mandate across asset classes ensures a robust investment landscape throughout the market cycle.

The Driehaus Event Driven Fund seeks to provide:

- Superior risk-adjusted returns
- Consistently strong alpha with minimized beta
- Low volatility and correlation to major asset classes
- Absolute Returns with low market exposure

Facts

Inception Date	8/26/13
Fund Assets Under Management	\$213M
Strategy Assets	\$481M
Firm Assets Under Management	\$19.7B
Annual Operating Expenses ⁴	
Gross Expenses	1.60%
Net Expenses	1.60%

Portfolio Management

Yoav Sharon, Portfolio Manager 19 years industry experience

Tom McCauley, Portfolio Manager 18 years industry experience

Michael Caldwell, Portfolio Manager 17 years of industry experience

DEVDX Portfolio Characteristics*

Fund Information

Catalyst Spectrum

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Mergers & Acquisitions Opportunistic Credit Reorganizations Refinancings Recapitalizations Capital
Allocation
Repurchases
Divestitures &
Asset Sales

Special Situations Spin-offs SPACs

Activism
Collaborative

Regulatory Data Releases Bank Regulatio Post M&A
Combinations
Synergies
Shareholder Transition

Soft

Investment Strategy

	Long Exposure	Short Exposure	Gross Exposure	Net Exposure
Arbitrage	11.6%	-3.3%	14.9%	8.2%
Credit	32.8%	-0.5%	33.3%	32.3%
Equity	26.9%	0.0%	26.9%	26.9%
Hedges	0.0%	-16.2%	16.2%	-16.2%

Overall Morningstar Rating™

Based on risk-adjusted returns as of 9/30/24



All Share Classes among 40 Funds in the Event Driven Category

Top Contributors/Detractors (by Investment Strategy)

Top 5		Bottom 5	
Arbitrage	1.20%	Arbitrage	-0.40%
Equity	0.92%	Hedges	-0.29%
Equity	0.69%	Hedges	-0.27%
Equity	0.41%	Hedges	-0.17%
Equity	0.40%	Hedges	-0.17%
Total	3.62%	Total	-1.29%

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, FactSet

Sector

GICS ¹	Long Exposure	Short Exposure	Gross Exposure	Net Exposure
Communication Services	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	1.4%
Consumer Discretionary	15.7%	-1.8%	17.6%	13.9%
Consumer Staples	1.8%	0.0%	1.8%	1.8%
Energy	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Financials	18.6%	-4.0%	22.6%	14.6%
Health Care	9.4%	-4.4%	13.8%	5.0%
Industrials	14.3%	-1.7%	16.0%	12.6%
Information Technology	2.5%	0.0%	2.5%	2.5%
Materials	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Real Estate	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Utilities	7.6%	0.0%	7.6%	7.6%
Other ²	0.0%	-8.1%	8.1%	-8.1%

Quarterly Contribution to Return (by Investment Strategy)

	July	August	September	3 rd Quarter
Arbitrage	1.25%	-0.39%	-0.19%	0.65%
Credit	0.49%	0.32%	0.40%	1.23%
Equity	3.19%	-0.47%	0.92%	3.65%
Hedges	-1.20%	0.13%	-0.01%	-1.07%
Cash/Expenses ³	0.07%	0.02%	0.00%	0.10%
Total	3.82%	-0.39%	1.12%	4.56%

Preliminary data. May differ from data shown by third-party providers because of rounding or for other reasons.

The Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or "star rating", is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds, variable annuity and variable life subaccounts, exchange-traded funds, closed-end funds, and separate accounts) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 25.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The weights are: 100% three year rating for 36-59 months of total returns, 60% five-year rating/40% three-year rating for 60-119 months of total returns, and 50% 10-year rating/30% five-year rating/20% three-year rating for 120 or more months of total returns. While the 10-year overall star rating formula seems to give the most weight to the 10-year period, the most recent three-year period actually has the greatest impact because it is included in all three rating periods. The Driehaus Event Driven Fund has a two star rating for the three year period, and four star rating for the five and ten year periods, with 37, 37 and 31 funds respectively in the category.

^{*}Exposure: please note exposure may be different than market value. For equities, bonds, foreign exchange forwards and interest rate swap products, exposure is the same as market value. For options, exposure represents delta-adjusted underlying exposure. For credit default swap and credit default swap indices, exposure represents bond equivalent exposure. The Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS), a collaboration between Standard & Poor's and Morgan Stanley Capital International, is a system of classification that identifies a company according to its business activity. ²The Other Industry Sector data is not categorized within the GICS classification system. ³Estimated expenses for the month (not annualized) as a percentage of the fund's net assets for the month. Interest on cash balances is netted against fund expenses.

Sector Breakout by Top Weighted Investment Strategy

Communication Services 1.83 0.07 Credit Bank Loan 1.43 0.04 Consumer Discretionary 14.92 0.22 Credit Corporate 3.93 0.14 Equity Equity Common 3.28 0.10 Arbitrage Corporate 2.59 -0.09 Credit Bank Loan 1.73 0.04 Hedges Total Return Swap -1.58 -0.03 Consumer Staples 1.61 -0.14
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Important Disclosures

Investments in overseas markets can pose more risks than U.S. investments, and share prices are expected to be more volatile than that of a U.S.-only fund. The Driehaus Event Driven Fund invests in foreign securities, including small and mid cap stocks, which may be subject to greater volatility than other investments. In addition, returns of this Fund will fluctuate with changes in stock market conditions, currency values, interest rates, foreign government regulations, and economic and political conditions in countries in which this Fund invests. These risks are generally greater when investing in emerging markets. These and other risk considerations are discussed in the prospectus for this Fund. At times, a significant portion of the Fund's return may be attributable to investments in initial public offerings (IPOs) or concentrations in certain strong performing sectors, such as technology. Returns from IPOs or sector concentrations may not be repeated or consistently achieved in the future. In addition, participating in IPOs and other investments during favorable market conditions may enhance the performance of a Fund with a smaller asset base, and this Fund may not experience similar performance results as its assets grow. Stocks of medium-sized companies tend to be more volatile in price than those of larger companies and may have underperformed the stocks of small and large companies during some periods. In addition, investments in mediumsized companies may be more susceptible to particular economic events or competitive factors than are larger, more broadly diversified companies. Growth stocks may involve special risks and their prices may be more volatile than the overall market.

The Fund, in addition to investing in unrated and investment grade bonds, may also invest in junk bonds, which involve greater credit risk, including the risk of default. The prices of high yield bonds are more sensitive to changing economic conditions and can fall dramatically in response to negative news about the issuer or its industry, or the economy in general. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets. Derivatives can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and there is a risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the Fund will not correlate with the Fund's other investments. Further. the Fund may invest in derivatives for speculative purposes. Gains or losses from speculative positions in a derivative may be much greater than the derivative's original cost and potential losses may be substantial. The Fund may make short sales.

Short sales expose the Fund to the risk of loss. No investment strategy, including an absolute return strategy, can ensure a profit or protect against loss. Additionally, investing in an absolute return strategy may lead to under performing results during an upward moving market. When interest rates increase, bond prices decrease and bond funds become more volatile. It is anticipated that the Fund will experience high rates of portfolio turnover, which may result in payment by the Fund of above-average transaction costs. This is a non diversified fund compared to other funds, the Fund may invest a greater percentage of assets in a particular issuer or a small number of issuers. As a consequence, the Fund may be subject to greater risks and larger losses than diversified funds.

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FUND INFORMATION

Types of events in which the fund frequently invests include:

Corporate action: Changes to the company's strategy or capital structure as a result of mergers, acquisitions, spin-offs, lawsuits, etc

Earnings: A trade involving an upside or downside surprise to earnings versus market expectations.

Market dislocation: Any mispricing of a security for a non-fundamental reason.

Product cycle: A key change to the company's product/service offering, or a change in customer preferences for the company's product/service.

Restructuring: A change to the company's capital structure or business prospects as a result of bankruptcy, reorganization or corporate distress.

Types of trades in which the fund frequently invests include:

Bond catalyst driven: Event-driven trades that are expressed predominately through bond positions.

Deep value: Trade that attempts to capture the mispricing of an extremely undervalued security.

Equity catalyst driven: Event-driven trades that are expressed predominately through equity positions.

Portfolio hedge: A hedge to an unwanted factor exposure, such as equity, volatility, credit or interest rate risk.

Risk arbitrage: Trades that attempt to capture a valuation discrepancy between similar securities.

DEFINITIONS OF KEY TERMS

Credit Default Swap (CDS) - A contract in which the buyer of the CDS makes a series of payments to the seller and, in exchange, receives a payoff if a credit instrument (typically a bond or loan) goes into default. In its simplest form, a credit default swap is a bilateral contract between the buyer and seller of protection.

Delta - The ratio that compares the change in the price of a derivative to the corresponding change in the price of an underlying asset.

Derivatives Premium – Value of a derivatives contract.

Effective Duration - A duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change.

Portfolio Coupon - The annualized interest earned for the portfolio

Portfolio Current Yield - The annual income (interest or dividends) divided by the current price of the security, aggregated to the portfolio level.

Portfolio Yield-to-Worst - The lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond without the issuer actually defaulting, aggregated to the portfolio level. The yield to worst is calculated by making worst-case scenario assumptions on the issue by calculating the returns that would be received if provisions, including prepayment, call or sinking fund, are used by the issuer.

Spread Duration - The sensitivity of the price of a bond to a 100 basis point change to its option-adjusted spread. As the rate of the Treasury security in the option-adjusted spread increases, the rate of the option-adjusted spread also increases.

Swap - A derivative in which two counterparties exchange certain benefits of one party's financial instrument for those of the other party's financial instrument.

Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC) - a company with no commercial operations that is formed strictly to raise capital through an initial public offering (IPO) for the purpose of acquiring or merging with an existing company.

Leveraged Buyout (LBO) - the acquisition of another company using a significant amount of borrowed money to meet the cost of acquisition.

Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, and Amortization (EBITDA) - a measure of a company's overall financial performance and is used as an alternative to net income in some circumstances.

Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) - a calculation used to assess a company's efficiency at allocating the capital under its control to profitable investments.

Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) - a contractual agreement in which the right to service an existing mortgage is sold by the original mortgage lender to another party that specializes in the various functions involved with servicing mortgages.

High Yield (HY) - are bonds that pay higher interest rates because they have lower credit ratings than investment-grade bonds.

Investment Grade (IG) - Bonds that are believed to have a lower risk of default and receive higher ratings by the credit rating agencies.

World Government Bonds Benchmark – yields over a variety of short-, medium- and long-term time frames for a global array of government bonds.

Russell 2000 Index (RTY) – is comprised of the smallest 2000 companies in the Russell 3000 Index, representing approximately 8% of the Russell 3000 total market capitalization.

Credit Default Index (CDX) – is a financial instrument composed of a set of credit securities issued by North American or emerging market companies.

Risk-Free Rate – the theoretical return attributed to an investment that provides a guaranteed return with zero risks.

Risk Premium – the investment return an asset is expected to yield in excess of the risk-free rate of return.

Par – the fact value of a bond or stock, as stated in the issuing company's corporate charter.

Drawdown – a peak-to-trough decline during a specific period for an investment, trading account, or fund.

Yield to Call – refers to the return a bondholder receives if the bond is held until the call date, which occurs sometime before it reaches maturity.

Hurdle Rate – is the minimum required rate of return or target rate that investors are expecting to receive on an investment.

Free Cash Flow – is the amount by which a business's operating cash flow exceeds its working capital needs and expenditures on fixed assets.

Alpha – is the measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis. Alpha takes the volatility (price risk) of a mutual fund and compares its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index. The excess return of the fund relative to the return of the benchmark index is a fund's alpha.

Sharpe Ratio – is calculated by finding the portfolio's excess return and then dividing by the portfolio's standard deviation.

Arbitrage Spread – is a difference in price between two markets or exchanges for a particular security, currency, or commodity.

Basis Point (BP) – a unit of measure used in finance to describe the percentage change in the value or rate of a financial instrument.

Percentage Point (PP) – the term is used when comparing two different percentages.

Return-to-Risk Ratio – marks the prospective reward an investor can earn for every dollar they risk on an investment.

Volatility – a measure of dispersion around the mean or average return of a security. We define volatility as standard deviation.

Standard Deviation – A statistical measure of the degree to which an individual portfolio return tends to vary from the mean, based on the entire population. The greater degree of dispersion, the greater degree of risk.