

Chris Lakumb All right, Steve, let's start with RIV.

Steve O'Neill When we look at RIV, we think it was a good quarter from a portfolio management standpoint. I think it's worth highlighting that we've begun to trim our closed-end fund exposure. It's been a great year for closed-end funds, specifically taxable bond funds. And so, from a top-down perspective, we took closed-end fund exposure from about 70% to about 60%. Most of the sales were bond funds in the RIV portfolio. Here, we sold a combination of taxable bond funds that had performed exceptionally well, and then municipal (muni) funds where you know we still thought that there was some value, but we've had an overweight position in munis for RIV really since the fall of last year. So, we were just kind of rightsizing that position a bit, given the gains. But together, it resulted in a net reduction in closed-end fund exposure of about 10 basis points. I guess I should add that there's also been a number of tender offers within the portfolio, which reduced some of the position sizes, notably on the equity side. But most of the calls on fund reduction came from us selling bond funds.

The natural question is, "What do we do with the cash?" Looking at our quarter-end balance sheet, we had let cash build up a bit. But since then, we've had, I guess, been fortunate from an investing standpoint to see a backup in rates. What we've been able to do is put some of that money to work that we had raised in the third quarter and have really been interested in increasing our exposure to business development company debt (BDC) debt. I would say, broadly, BDC debt spreads have come in a bit, but there's probably a half dozen issuers with five-year notes out there that we thought were pretty attractive to pick up spreads around six and a half, six and three quarters. That made a lot of sense for this portfolio. And so, some of the cash, again, that we raised in the third quarter, we've been put into work here in the fourth quarter, and I would say as we look forward, we continue to like our overall closed-end fund exposure. I think we've really reduced the names that we thought were rich. And from here, we continue to think that it makes more sense to own some of these asset classes in closed-end funds than ETFs, and so you're going to see us continue to maintain a pretty sizable weight to closed-end funds.

Chris Lakumb Thanks, Steve. Let's move on to RiverNorth Core Opportunity Mutual Fund.

Steve O'Neill Yeah. When we look at RNCOX, again, this was another good quarter. The markets performed well. Closed-end funds did even better. This portfolio, RNCOX, really has the highest closed-end funds exposure we have across our portfolios. We went into the quarter with about 80% closed-end fund exposure, and we ended at 9/30, around 70% exposure. Similar to other funds we run, we look to reduce our fixed income exposure. That wasn't necessarily a call on interest rates. It was more just a call on valuation for the closed-end funds. When we think about the positioning we had in RNCOX, we had some fairly large positions in bank loan funds, high yield and preferred specifically, and so we had the opportunity in the third quarter to reduce those positions and, in many cases, sell them outright. And those really were quite significant winners, both based on the asset class performance through the net asset value (NAV) and also the discount narrowing. And so again, took closed-end fund exposure down from about 80 to 70, but that, in our view, is still a healthy dose of closed-end funds. And from here, we built up cash a little bit through some of those sales. So, we will be looking to put that to work here in the fourth quarter, but from a positioning standpoint, we still feel fairly aggressive with 70% closed-end fund exposure and really kind of a concentration in our best ideas. A lot of the position sizes in this portfolio are 3% plus, 4, 5, 6 percent. And so, continue to like the way we're positioned here, and given that we've built up a little cash, welcome some volatility in the fourth quarter.

Chris Lakumb Great. Thanks, Steve. Let's move over to RSF.

Steve O'Neill Yeah. So, with RSF, Chris, this portfolio is a combination of Square small business loans, debt issued by closed-end funds and BDCs. We also have a traditional closed-end fund portfolio in here, and then Eric Pestrue helps us run a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) portfolio within RSF. And so those collections of assets, we always are making decisions on the allocations there. At the end of the quarter, we had about half of the portfolio invested in small business loans, about 25% of the portfolio in BDC debt, 12% in closed-end funds, and then the balance and SPACs and cash. I'd say the most notable change for the quarter from an investor's perspective is really the reduction in closed-end fund exposure. That's been a theme across our portfolios. It was really a

great quarter, the third quarter of this year. And so, reduce our closed-end fund exposure, let our cash build up, and continue to look for opportunities. I would say, again, the primary assets in this portfolio are the Square loans and the common theme there, obviously, one is middle market to large borrower corporate versus small business. I think the theme from the investment perspective is just short-duration, high income, and so we continue to like our large allocation there and don't really plan on reducing that Square position.

Chris Lakumb Thanks, Steve. Let's wrap it up with the RiverNorth/Oaktree High Income Fund.

Steve O'Neill When we look at RNHIX, this is a partnership with Oaktree. They are managing about 85% of the portfolio. They are focused, for the most part, on high yield bonds, which have had a great year and a great quarter. Within our sleeve, we have been really overweight investment company debt. This is generally two to five-year unsecured notes issued by business development companies. We really like the spread pickup on the shorter duration securities. And so we've had an overweight to this part of the portfolio for a while. We continue to have some closed-end fund exposure in here, but not too much. It's certainly been incremental over two returns. But the return that we've had year-to-date for this fund, which I think is strong and certainly strong in the quarter as well, has really just come on the back of kind of the high income that we're able to generate between the two portfolios. No expected changes on the horizon, but we continue to try to optimize the portfolios the best we can when we see volatility.

Chris Lakumb Great. Thanks, Steve.

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