

Matrix Trust Company
Collective Investment Trusts
for Employee Benefit Plans
Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund

Financial Statement as of and for the period from May 15, 2024 (Commencement of Operations) to May 31, 2024,
and Independent Auditor's Report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trust Committee of Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund, one of the funds of Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans (the "Fund"), which comprise the statement of financial condition, including the schedule of investments, as of May 31, 2024, and the related statements of operations, changes in participants' interest, and the financial highlights for the period from May 15, 2024 (commencement of operations) through May 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of May 31, 2024, and the results of its operations, changes in its participants' interest, and financial highlights for the period from May 15, 2024 (commencement of operations) through May 31, 2024 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Fund and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

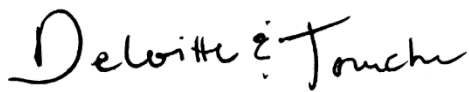
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve

collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures including examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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September 4, 2024

Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans
 Highland Capital Management Funds
 Statement of Financial Condition
 May 31, 2024

	Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund
Assets	
Investments at Fair Value (1)	\$1,421,683
Dividend Receivable	1,090
Issuances Receivable	7,996
Total Assets	<u><u>1,430,769</u></u>
Liabilities and Participants' Interest	
Liabilities	
Trustee Fee Payable Class E	51
Audit Fee Payable	25
Total Liabilities	<u><u>76</u></u>
Participants' Interest	
Participants' Interest Class E	1,430,693
Total Participants' Interest	<u><u>1,430,693</u></u>
Total Liabilities and Participants' Interest	<u><u>\$1,430,769</u></u>
⁽¹⁾ Cost	\$1,415,151

See notes to financial statements.

Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans
Schedule of Investments
Highland Capital Management Funds
May 31, 2024

Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund			
	Fair Value as a % of Participants'		
	Interest (1)	Shares	Cost Fair Value
Short Term Money Market Funds			
Money Market			
First American Government Obligation Z Money Fund		42,351	\$42,351 \$42,351
Total Money Market	3.0%		42,351 42,351
Total Short Term Money Market Funds	3.0%		42,351 42,351
International Stock			
Brookfield Asset Management Class A		162	6,484 6,357
Total International Stock	0.4%		6,484 6,357
U.S. Stock			
Abercrombie & Fitch Company - Class A		229	31,931 39,587
ABM Industries		259	12,125 12,243
Adient PLC		356	10,387 10,053
ADT Corporation		2,185	15,811 15,535
Alpha Metallurgical Resources Inc		28	8,164 8,831
American Axle & Manufacturing		2,311	18,256 17,656
American Financial Group		128	17,074 16,628
Amkor Technology Incorporated		589	19,536 19,196
API Group Corporation		334	12,031 11,904
Apploving Corporation		224	18,622 18,252
Arrow Electronic		102	13,413 13,394
Axis Capital		257	18,240 18,987
Azek Corporation Incorporated		223	10,414 10,695
Boise Cascade Company		120	16,460 16,475
Bread Financial Holdings Incorporated		478	19,607 19,961
Builders First		130	21,824 20,903
Cboe Holdings Incorporated		100	18,196 17,299
Celsius Holdings Incorporated		170	15,933 13,597
Comfort Systems		55	17,549 18,004
Commercial Metals Corporation		293	16,912 16,502
Constellium SE Class A		1,033	21,720 22,385
Core & Main Incorporated - Class A		196	11,875 11,282
Credo Technology Group Holdings Limited		468	8,932 12,201
Cvr Energy Incorporated		379	11,173 10,559
Deckers Outdoor		20	17,990 21,878
Delek US Holdings		528	14,945 13,443
Duolingo Incorporated		42	7,464 8,039
DXC Technology Corporated		514	8,655 7,993
E.L.F. Beauty Incorporated		126	20,212 23,551
Elastic N V Ord Shs		107	11,670 11,133
Emcor Group Incorporated		73	27,770 28,372
Enova International		254	15,728 15,659
Esab Corporation		115	12,518 11,824
Federal Signal Corporation		158	13,690 14,539

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First Citizens - Class A	8	14,191	13,587
Ftai Aviation Limited SHS	216	17,091	18,213
G III Apparel Group	272	7,562	8,176
Gap Incorporated	489	10,594	14,161
Green Brick Partners	164	9,420	8,954
Griffon Corporation	154	10,429	10,401
Gulfport Energy Corporation	78	12,287	12,621
Hanover Insurance Group	121	16,552	15,964
HF Sinclair Group	253	14,538	13,973
Hub Group - Class A	401	17,241	17,303
Informatica Corporation	323	9,585	9,319
Jabil Circuit Incorporated	157	18,446	18,667
Lear Corporation	88	11,468	11,031
M/I Homes Incorporated	87	11,214	10,868
Masterbrand Incorporated	630	10,342	10,527
Matson Incorporated	172	19,984	22,050
Medpace Holdings Incorporated	28	11,014	10,818
Mohawk Industries	145	17,426	17,680
National Storage AT Affiliates Trust	443	16,799	16,205
Now Incorporated	1,289	17,952	18,807
Onemain Holdings Incorporated	312	15,599	15,325
Onto Innovation Incorporated	67	15,158	14,519
Owens & Minor Incorporated	645	12,132	11,242
PBF Energy Incorporated	382	19,094	17,698
Performance Food	215	15,858	14,964
Pilgrim's Pride	505	19,014	18,145
Pulte Group Incorporated	108	12,855	12,671
Q2 Holdings Incorporated	205	12,876	12,468
Radnet Incorporated	257	14,864	15,070
Reinsurance Group of America	51	10,774	10,700
Resideo Technologies Incorporated	799	17,286	17,258
Rithm Capital Group	1,451	16,627	16,266
Ryerson Holding Corporation	445	10,569	10,569
Saia Incorporated	22	8,886	9,009
Sanmina Corporation	243	16,329	16,655
Skywest Incorporated	208	16,018	15,531
Sonic Automotive Incorporated	259	15,279	14,678
Sweetgreen Incorporated - Class A	499	16,151	15,344
Sylvamo Corporation	322	22,715	22,965
Synnex Corporation	138	17,415	18,056
Taylor Morrison - Class A	336	20,168	19,431
Technipfmc Plc	546	14,612	14,300
Tidewater Incorporated	168	17,865	17,359
Topbuild Corporation	30	12,206	12,538
Tri Pointe Homes	432	17,238	16,731
Ufp Industries Incorporated	164	19,627	19,595
US Foods Holding Corporation	391	21,629	20,657
Vertiv Holdings - Class A	272	26,866	26,675
Virtu Financial - Class A	384	9,045	8,448
Vista Outdoor	502	17,327	17,510
Vistra Corporation	156	14,770	15,456
Weatherford International	132	16,427	15,885
Williams-Sonoma	37	11,587	10,849
World Kinect Corporation	643	16,297	16,937
Xpo Logistics Incorporated	127	14,191	13,586
Total U.S. Stock	96.0%	\$1,366,316	\$1,372,975
Total Investments	99.4%	\$1,415,151	\$1,421,683

See Notes to financial statements.

⁽¹⁾ Percentages of participants' interest may not recompute as fair value and participants' interest are rounded

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 Highland Capital Management Funds
 Statement of Operations
 For the period from May 15, 2024 (Commencement of operations) to May 31, 2024

	Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund
Investment Income	
Dividends	\$1,098
Total Investment Income	<u>1,098</u>
Expenses	
Foreign Tax on Dividends	9
Audit Fee	6,202
Trustee Fees Class E	51
Total Expenses	<u>6,262</u>
Assumed Audit Fee ^(a)	<u>(6,177)</u>
Net Expense	85
Net Investment Income	<u>1,013</u>
Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	
Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments Sold	-
Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation) on Investments	6,535
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	<u>6,535</u>
Net Increase(Decrease) in Participants' Interest Resulting From Operations	<u><u>\$7,548</u></u>

^(a) See Note 5

See notes to financial statements.

Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans
Highland Capital Management Funds
Statement of Participants' Interest
For the period from May 15, 2024 (Commencement of operations) to May 31, 2024

	Highland Capital Management	
	SMID Core Alpha Fund	
	Units	Amount
Participants' Interest as of May 15, 2024 (Inception Date)	-	\$ -
From Operations		
Net Investment Income		1,013
Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments Sold		-
Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation) on Investments		6,535
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Participants' Interest Resulting From Operations		<u>7,548</u>
From Participating Unit Transactions		
Issuance of Units - Share Class E	142,370	1,423,351
Redemption of Units - Share Class E	(21)	(206)
Net Increase/(Decrease) from Participating Unit Transactions	<u>142,349</u>	<u>1,423,145</u>
Participants' Interest at Period End	<u>142,349</u>	<u>\$1,430,693</u>

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 Highland Capital Management Funds
 Financial Highlights
 For the period from May 15, 2024 (Commencement of operations) to May 31, 2024

Selected Per Unit Data	Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund	
	Class E	
Unit Value May 15, 2024 (Inception Date)	\$	10.00
Income From Investment Operations: ⁽²⁾		
Net Investment Income ⁽¹⁾		0.01
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments		0.04
Total From Investment Operations		<u>0.05</u>
Unit Value, End of Period	\$	<u>10.05</u>
Total Return ⁽²⁾		0.50%
Ratios and Supplemental Data		
Participants' Interest, End of Period	\$	1,430,693
Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Participants' Interest ⁽³⁾		2.02%
Ratio of Expenses to Average Participants' Interest ⁽³⁾		0.17%
Ratio of Gross Expenses to Average Participants' Interest ⁽³⁾		12.50%

⁽¹⁾ Net Investment Income Per Unit was Calculated Using the Average Shares Method

⁽²⁾ Due to Timing of Participant Unit Transactions, the Per Unit Amounts and Total Return Presented May Not Agree With The Change In Aggregate Gains and Losses as Presented on the Statement Of Operations

⁽³⁾ Annualized

See notes to financial statements

Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund

Notes To Financial Statements

FOR THE PERIOD FROM MAY 15, 2024 (COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS) TO MAY 31, 2024

1. Organization

Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund (the Fund) is a collective investment fund established under the Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of the Matrix Trust Company Collective Investment Trusts for Employee Benefit Plans (Declaration of Trust) to provide for the collective investment and reinvestment of assets of qualified employer sponsored retirement plans. Matrix Trust Company (referred to herein as the Trustee) serves as the trustee, custodian, transfer agent, and recordkeeper for the Fund. While the Trustee maintains all management authority, Highland Capital Management, LLC (referred to herein as the Sub-Advisor) provides investment sub-advisory services for the Fund.

The following describes the Fund and its investment objective, as set forth in the Fund Declaration established under the Declaration of Trust:

Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund— The “SMID Core Alpha Fund” is a Small Mid-Cap CIT with a quantitative multi-factor strategy which seeks outperformance vs the Russell 2500 Index. The Fund primarily invests in companies that are part of the Russell 2500 Index that are selected by a quantitative selection process. The SMID Core Alpha Fund strategy is designed to have active quantitative factor exposure to value and momentum, secondarily Growth. The Fund is actively managed, continuously monitored and positions adjusted based on changes in company fundamentals, market dynamics, and macroeconomic trends.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of the financial statement.

Principles of Accounting— The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), as established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), to ensure consistent reporting of financial condition and results of operations. The Funds each meet the definition of an investment company and therefore follow the investment company guidance in FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 946, Financial Services – Investment Companies.

Use of Estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Fund’s Trustee to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported results of operations during the reporting period. Estimates include determination of fair value of investments. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents—The Fund considers all highly liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less at the acquisition date to be cash equivalents. Cash balances of the Fund pending investment or disbursement may be placed overnight into a deposit account provided by an affiliate of the Trustee. The balance held on behalf of a Fund in the deposit account may be in excess of federally insured limits; however, management of the Fund does not believe the Fund is exposed to any significant credit risk.

Investment Valuation—The Fund records investments at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Fund utilizes valuation techniques to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Assets and liabilities recorded at fair value are categorized within the fair value hierarchy based upon the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). Inputs are broadly defined as assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Level 1—Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access at the measurement date. The Fund does not adjust the quoted price for these investments, even in situations where the Funds hold a large position and a sale could reasonably impact the quoted price.

Level 2—Inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. A significant adjustment to a Level 2 input could result in the Level 2 measurement becoming a Level 3 measurement.

Level 3—Inputs are unobservable for the asset or liability and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. The inputs into the determination of fair value are based upon the best information in the circumstances and may require significant management judgment or estimation.

As of May 31, 2024, 100% of the Fund's investments are valued using Level 1 inputs.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Fund's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and takes into consideration factors specific to the investment. The inputs or methodology used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those investments.

A description of the valuation techniques applied to the Fund's major categories of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis follows:

Short Term Money Market Funds and U.S. Stock— Short Term Money Market Funds and U.S. Stock are measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 1 inputs based on quoted prices for identical assets in active markets as of the measurement date.

Investment Transactions and Dividends—Investment transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on investment transactions are determined on the average lot cost method and are included as net realized gain or loss on investments in the accompanying statement of operations. The difference between the cost and the fair value of open investments is reflected as unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments, and any change in that amount from the prior period is reflected in the accompanying statement of operations. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

Federal Income Taxes— The Fund is established hereunder is intended to qualify as a group trust under Revenue Ruling 81-100, 1981-1 C.B. 326, issued by the Internal Revenue Service, as clarified and modified by Revenue Ruling 2004-67, 2004-2 C.B. 28, Revenue Ruling 2011-01, 2011-2 I.R.B. 251. As a result, the Fund is exempt from federal income taxes under provisions of section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The FASB provides guidance for how uncertain tax positions should be recognized, measured, disclosed and presented in the financial statement. This requires the evaluation of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing the Fund's tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more likely than not" to be sustained "when challenged" or "when examined" by the applicable tax authority. Tax positions not deemed to meet the "more likely than not" threshold would be recorded as a tax benefit or expense and liability in the current year. As of May 31, 2024, and for the period then ended, management has determined that there are no material uncertain tax positions. The Fund files income tax returns in U.S. federal jurisdiction. The current and prior three tax years generally remain subject to examination by U.S. federal tax authorities.

Participant Transactions—The unit values of the Fund are determined at the close of each business day that the New York Stock Exchange is open for business. Units may be issued and redeemed on any business day at the daily unit value. All earnings, gains, and losses of the Fund are reflected in the computation of the daily unit value and are realized by the participants upon redemption from the Fund. Net investment income and net realized gains are reinvested, and thus, there are no distributions of net investment income or net realized gains to participants.

3. Purchases, Sales, and Realized Gain (Losses) of Underlying Investments

For the period of commencement through May 31, 2024, the aggregate cost of purchases, proceeds from sales and realized gains (losses) of underlying investments were:

	Purchases	Proceeds from Sales	Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments
Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund			
Money Market Fund	\$1,415,149	\$1,372,798	-
U.S. Stock	1,366,313		
International Stock	6,484		
Highland Capital Management SMID Core Alpha Fund Total	\$2,787,946	\$1,372,798	-

4. Subsequent Events

Management has determined there are no subsequent events or transactions through the date the financial statements were issued that would have materially impacted the financial statement as presented.

5. Related Party Transactions and Fees

The cash component for the Fund is held in a bank depository account maintained by the Trustee for retirement account customers.

In the event the audit fees exceed 0.05 percent of average participants' interest annually, the Sub-Advisor will assume such excess audit fees. For the period ended May 31, 2024, the Sub-Advisor assumed \$6,177 recorded as Assumed Audit Fee on the Statements of Operations.

The Trustee charges the Fund a fee in accordance with a tiered fee schedule (below) based on Net assets held by external participants in the Fund's with a common sub-advisor. The fee for the period ended May 31, 2024, was 0.10 percent per annum as net assets.

This fee accrues on a daily basis and is payable monthly in arrears.

Net CIF Assets	Fee
\$0 - \$150,000,000	0.10%
\$150,000,001 – \$500,000,000	0.08%
\$500,000,001 – \$1,000,000,000	0.06%
\$1,000,000,000 – and above	0.05%

6. Risks and Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties that provide indemnification under certain circumstances. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. The Fund expects the risk of future obligation under these indemnifications to be remote.
