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### **News In Brief**

Portfolio Statistics as of 3/31/2023:

 33 Equity investments
5.0% International equities

• Core portfolio average holding period 3-5 years

### **Top 5 Equity Investments:**

<b>6.4%</b>	Microsoft
6.0%	Insulet
<b>5.8</b> %	Costco
<b>4.7%</b>	FTI Consulting
4.1%	FedEx
27.0%	Net Assets

### Blue Point's Cumulative Return

### Since its inception on 12/31/06, Blue Point's quarterly, time-weighted return net-of-fees is 492.25%. On a \$1,000,000

investment, the dollar value of Blue Point's Total Return net-of-fees is \$5,922,527 versus the \$4,021,500 Total Return of the S&P 500. The active manager value-add is \$1,901,026.

## Time Weighted Return as of 12/31/22:

- 1 Year Blue Point TR -22.53%
- 1 Year S&P 500 TR -18.11%
- 3 Year Blue Point TR 19.44%
- 3 Year S&P 500 TR 24.79%
- 5 Year Blue Point TR 57.15%
- 5 Year S&P 500 TR 56.86%

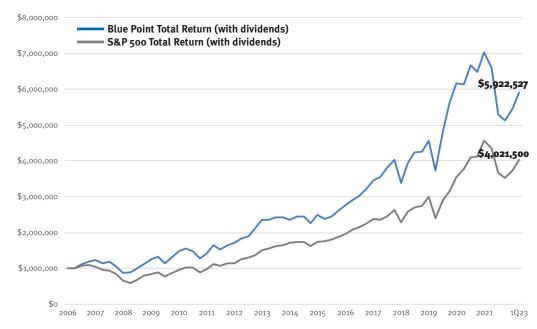
### **Portfolio Manager**

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# **Performance Summary**

During the first quarter, Blue Point's model portfolio, applied to separately managed accounts, returned 8.71% net-of-fees. The Total Return of the S&P 500, which includes dividends, was 7.50%. Blue Point's active management outperformed the benchmark by 1.21%. A recession in the 3rd or 4th quarter is expected, which will create promising investment opportunities, but for now Blue Point's focus is on capital preservation.



Graph footnote: Total Return (TR), includes the reinvestment of dividends.

**Disclosures:** Performance of the separate accounts can differ substantially from the performance of Blue Point's model portfolio due to timing of entry, whether account is taxable or non-taxable, and the timing of withdrawals. Returns include accrued income since 9/30/14. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The standard investment adviser fee schedule is 1.0% on the first \$3 million, 0.8% on the next \$7 million, 0.75% thereafter. There is no stated account minimum, but the relationship needs to be mutually beneficial. The investment adviser fees are negotiable and may be waived. Blue Point Investment Management, LLC, is a Maryland registered investment adviser. To receive a copy of Blue Point's ADV Part 2, call 443-600-8050.

## **Market Outlook**

Challenges Ahead − The world used most of its monetary and fiscal bullets responding to COVID. In the U.S. and Europe, the focus is on reducing inflation by implementing higher interest rates while reducing the money supply. At the same time, there is a need to reduce government spending. Central banks responded to the 2008 financial crisis by making interest rates artificially low. In short, the bill for debt-fueled spending is coming due.

Slowing Credit – The Federal Reserve's aggressive interest rate increases damaged the plumbing of U.S. banks. The contraction of credit from banks will amplify the Federal Reserve's continued reduction of the money supply.

**O** Unusual Rates of Business Failure Expected

 "Zombie companies" are companies unable to pay their interest expenses with revenue generated from operations. As interest expenses and a lack of credit grow, bankruptcy filings are expected to increase.

Deglobalization is Creating Investment Opportunities – Manufacturing investment outside of China is growing, which is creating investment opportunities in strategically important industries.



# **A Global Perspective**

Blue Point Investment Management offers equity-oriented growth with a global perspective. The investment discipline seeks Growth at a Reasonable Price. Each client account is managed separately.

The Growth At a Reasonable Price (GARP) investment strategy is a blend of active growth and value investing. As a rule, value investors focus on the price of the security, the numerator of the P/E ratio, while growth investors focus on earnings offered by the security, the denominator of the P/E ratio. GARP represents a blended approach and is often referred to as a market-oriented investment strategy. Blue Point identifies sustainable, long-term trends through macro-economic research. From there, Blue Point uses fundamental research to identify and invest in companies that stand to benefit from favorable trends. Investments are geared towards long-term value creation while preserving capital.

Blue Point seeks equity-oriented growth while actively managing the downside risk. Under normal circumstances, Blue Point invests at least 60% of its net assets in domestic U.S. securities. This global approach offers significant investment opportunities here and abroad. In times of market crisis, adjustments to portfolio holdings will be made that best serve the preservation of capital while seizing investment opportunities. Cash is used as an asset class in portfolio construction.

Each separately managed account stays in the client's name providing complete transparency. Blue Point receives no commission or compensation that would create a conflict of interest. To further ensure the alignment of interests, Blue Point's portfolio manager invests in the same Blue Point model portfolio as clients.

#### **Blue Point's Sixteen Year Performance**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Blue Point Total Return Net of Fees	23.04%	<b>-28.78%</b>	44.08%	17.26%	-4.55%	21.69%	37.05%	0.12%	5.27%	11.21%	25.51%	-2.42%	34.84%	35.27%	13.98%	-22.53%
S&P 500 Total Return	5.49%	-37.00%	26.46%	15.06%	2.11%	16.00%	32.39%	13.69%	1.38%	11.96%	21.83%	-4.38%	31.49%	18.40%	28.71%	-18.11%
Blue Point vs. Benchmark	17.55%	8.22%	17.62%	2.20%	- <b>6.66</b> %	5.69%	4.66%	-13.57%	3.89%	-0.75%	3.67%	1.96%	3.36%	<b>16.87%</b>	-14.73%	-4.42%



# **The Manager's Corner**

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGER:**

Niall H. O'Malley (pictured) is the founder and Managing Director of **Blue Point Investment** Management, which manages accounts on a separate account basis. Niall has an MBA from George Washington University in Finance and Investments with minors in Business Law and Taxation. All of these activities build on strong professional experience working for buy-side firms, consulting, and over seven years with a top-ten U.S. commercial bank. Prior to starting Blue Point, Niall was a Vice President of Credit & Risk Management at SunTrust Bank.

He passed Level II of the Chartered Financial Analyst examination in 2005, and holds the Series 65 License from FINRA.

Niall regularly speaks to CFA Society, university and investment groups. He served on the Board and the Program Committee of the CFA Society Baltimore for 13 years, and now serves on the Society's Advisory Board. Niall served as President of the CFA Society Baltimore from 2009-2010, and founded the Baltimore Business Review. He served as Co-Editor of the Baltimore Business Review for eight years, while being a contributor. Niall has taught Investments and Equity Security Analysis as an Adjunct Professor at Towson University, College of Business and Economics.

### **EQUITY RESEARCH INTERNS**

John Mandel is a candidate for a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance at Towson University.

### Additional Information is available at **www.bluepointim.us**

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