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NET ASSET VALUE	AS OF MAY 31/24
Class F	\$9.94
Fund Beta	0.55
Total Net Assets of Fund	\$19.45M

# **FUND FACTS**

Asset Class	Alternative Merger Arbitrage
Inception Date	September 8, 2021
Valuations / Distributions	Daily / Annually in December
Risk Rating	Low

# **FUND OVERVIEW**

Legal Counsel	Lawson Lundell LLP
Fund Admin	CIBC Mellon
Auditor	KPMG LLP

# **FUND INFO**

CLASS	CODES	US CODES
Class A	PGF 2100	-
Class F	PGF 2110	PGF 2111
Class H	PGF 2140	-
Class I	PGF 2150	PGF 2151
	MGMT FEE	MER before performance fee*
Class A	1.80%	2.46%
Class F	0.80%	1.41%
Class H	1.50%	2.10%
Class I	0.65%	1.24%
Performance Fee	15% of the amount by which the total return of the class of units exceeds its high-water mark.	

<sup>\*</sup> MERs as at 2023-12-31

The Fund is subject to a performance fee. Please refer to penderfund.com for the 'MER including performance fee'.

# MINIMUM INVESTMENT

	INITIAL	SUBSEQUENT
Class F Class F (USD)	\$5,000	\$100
Class I Class I (USD)	\$100,000	\$100

# MAY 2024 / CLASS F

# Pender Alternative Arbitrage Fund

The **Pender Alternative Arbitrage Fund** aims to produce consistent and low volatility absolute returns by investing primarily in merger arbitrage opportunities. This low-risk strategy can be used to provide diversification benefits to clients with low correlation to traditional equity and fixed income investments.

# PERFORMANCE (%)

1 Mo.	3 Mo.	6 Mo.	1 Year	2 Year	SINCE INCEPTION
0.4	0.7	2.0	2.9	2.5	2.7

# ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

2022	2023	2024 YTD
3.1	1.3	1.0

# **DISTRIBUTIONS (\$)**

2021	2022	2023	SINCE INCEPTION
0.02	0.16	0.63	0.81

Since inception returns and distributions are from September 2021. All returns greater than a year are annual compounded returns.

# SECTOR ALLOCATION (%) Long/Short

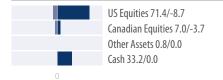
Information Technology 13.8/0.0 Health Care 12.8/0.0
Financial Services 12.8/0.0
Industrials 7.3/-0.2
Energy 5.4/-4.4
Consumer Discretionary 5.3/0.0
Insurance 5.3/0.0
Communication Services 4.2/0.0
Materials 4.0/-4.2
Banks 2.6/-2.7
Real Estate 2.5/-0.9
Consumer Staples 2.4/0.0
Utilities 0.8/0.0
Cash 33.2/0.0

# TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%) Long

Everbridge, Inc.	3.0
Model N, Inc.	2.9
National Western Life Group, Inc.	2.9
Fusion Pharmaceuticals Inc.	2.8
Nuvei Corporation	2.5
Vericity, Inc.	2.4
Transphorm, Inc.	2.2
HireRight Holdings Corporation	2.2
TLGY Acquisition Corporation	2.2
Shockwave Medical, Inc.	2.1

# ASSET ALLOCATION (%) Long/Short

LIQUID ALTERNATIVE



# CCY ALLOCATION (%) Long/Short



# RESTRICTIONS (%)

	ACTUAL	LIMIT (NAV)
Gross Leverage	124.8	300
Short Sales	12.4	50

# TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%) Short

Silvercorp Metals Inc.	-2.3
Chesapeake Energy Corporation	-1.9
Chord Energy Corporation	-1.8
Alamos Gold Inc.	-1.4
UMB Financial Corporation	-1.3
Orrstown Financial Services, Inc.	-1.1
CoStar Group, Inc.	-0.9
Chevron Corporation	-0.6
Contango Ore, Inc.	-0.6
Southern California Bancorp	-0.3

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## PORTFOLIO MANAGER



# AMAR PANDYA, CFA

Amar began his investment career in 2011 in the Portfolio Management Training Program at a large global financial services company. He moved to pursue his passion for equities becoming an APM at a largecap equity value firm before being drawn to Pender and the west coast in 2017. As an advocate of a contrarian value investing approach, Amar has expertise in event driven special situations with a primary focus on M&A and balance sheet driven special situations. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Finance (Honours) from the University of Manitoba. He earned his Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 2015.

# **ABOUT PENDER**

Pender was founded in 2003 and is an independent, employee-owned investment firm located in Vancouver, British Columbia. Our goal is to protect and grow wealth for our investors over time. We have a talented investment team of expert analysts, security selectors and independent thinkers who actively manage our suite of differentiated investment funds, exploiting inefficient parts of the investing universe to achieve our goal.

### **GEOGRAPHY** (%)

LOCATION	LONG+CASH	SHORT
United States	60.4	-8.7
Canada	14.4	-3.7
International	4.4	0.0
Cash	33.2	0.0

# MARKET CAP (%)

	LONG+CASH	SHORT
Small	35.2	-2.3
Mid	18.1	-3.4
Micro	18.0	-1.9
Large	5.5	-4.2
Nano	1.8	0.0
Non public equity	0.6	0.0
Mega	0.0	-0.6
Cash	33.2	0.0

# VALUE PROPOSITION

- A market-neutral strategy aiming for consistent and steady absolute returns.
- Leverages Pender's proven expertise in identifying and analyzing M&A targets.
- Returns are tax efficient, primarily in the form of capital gains as opposed to interest income.

# PORTFOLIO FIT

- Designed to be a low-risk strategy maintaining low volatility and drawdowns.
- Merger arbitrage has provided historically low correlation to traditional asset classes such as equities and fixed income.
- An alternative to fixed income and complement to equity allocations.



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