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Thornburg Summit Fund

("Summit Fund")

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FUND SUMMARY

Summit Fund

Investment Goal

The Fund seeks to grow real wealth over time.

Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund. You may qualify for discounts from the sales charges applicable to Class A shares if you or other qualifying account holders invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the Thornburg Funds. More information about this and other discounts and sales charge waivers is available from your financial intermediary, in the Prospectus under the captions “Class A Sales Charge Waivers,” beginning on page 24, and “Appendix A – Sales Charge Waivers Offered by Financial Intermediaries,” beginning on page 33, and in the Statement of Additional Information under the caption “Additional Information Respecting Purchase and Redemption of Shares,” beginning on page 59.

Shareholder Fees

(fees paid directly from your investment)

	CLASS A ⁽¹⁾	CLASS I
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)	4.50%	none
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of redemption proceeds or original purchase price, whichever is lower)	none ⁽²⁾	none

Annual Fund Operating Expenses

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

	CLASS A ⁽¹⁾	CLASS I
Management Fee	0.75%	0.75%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	0.25%	0.00%
Total Other Expenses	1.48%	1.48%
Dividend Expenses on Short Sales ⁽³⁾	0.08%	0.08%
Borrowing Costs on Short Sales and Interest Expenses ⁽³⁾	0.05%	0.05%
Other Expenses ⁽⁴⁾	1.35%	1.35%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	2.48%	2.23%
Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement ⁽⁵⁾	(1.11)%	(1.11)%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement	1.37%	1.12%

(1) Class A shares are not currently available for purchase.

(2) A 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) is imposed on redemptions of any part or all of a purchase of \$1 million or more within 12 months of purchase.

(3) These expenses reflect an estimate of the expenses the Fund will incur to sell securities short and interest expense on borrowed funds. These expenses are required to be treated as a Fund expense for accounting purposes and are not payable to the Fund's investment advisor.

(4) Other expenses in the table are estimated for the current fiscal year, before expense reimbursements.

(5) Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. (“Thornburg”) has contractually agreed to waive fees and reimburse expenses excluding taxes, interest expenses, 12b-1 distribution and service fees, acquired fund fees and expenses, borrowing costs, expenses relating to short sales, and extraordinary expenses such as litigation costs) incurred by the Fund so that actual Class A and Class I expenses do not exceed 1.24% and 0.99%, respectively, not including the effects of expenses relating to the Fund's short sales, and interest expenses. The agreement to waive fees and reimburse expenses may be terminated by the Fund's Trustees at any time, but may not be terminated by Thornburg before March 1, 2020 unless Thornburg ceases to be the investment advisor of the Fund prior to that date. Thornburg may recoup amounts waived or reimbursed during the Fund's fiscal year if, after taking the recoupment into account, the Fund's actual expenses fall below the expense cap during that same fiscal year.

Example. This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year, dividends and distributions are reinvested, and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions (and giving effect to fee waivers and expense reimbursements in the first year) your costs would be:

	1 YEAR	3 YEARS
Class A Shares	\$583	\$1,087
Class I Shares	\$114	\$590

Portfolio Turnover. The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over") its portfolio. A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. Because the Fund had not commenced investment operations as of the date of this Prospectus, information about the Fund's portfolio turnover rate is not currently available.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund seeks to grow real wealth over time. "Real wealth" for this purpose is a mix of capital appreciation and current income that is intended to exceed the rate of inflation. While the Fund seeks to achieve its goal over a variety of different market environments by selecting investments from a range of asset classes, the value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate and the Fund may not achieve its goal in every environment or in all environments. Under normal conditions the Fund's investments are expected to emphasize long positions in equity securities and fixed income obligations, though the Fund may also invest a significant amount of its assets in short positions in equity securities and fixed income obligations, in commodities-related investments, in derivative instruments, in currencies, and in cash or cash equivalents. There are no specific percentage limitations on the amount of the Fund's portfolio that may be invested in a particular asset class, and the proportions of the Fund's assets that are invested in the respective asset classes are expected to vary over time and from time to time depending upon Thornburg's perceptions of which types of investments represent better values and opportunities to achieve the Fund's investment goal.

With respect to its equity investments, the Fund may invest in any stock or equity security, including common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities, warrants, depositary receipts, partnership interests, publicly traded real estate investment trusts, and shares in exchange traded funds. The Fund may invest in companies of any size. The Fund's portfolio may include investments in United States issuers and the securities of issuers domiciled outside the United States, including developing countries. The relative proportions of the Fund's U.S. and foreign investments will vary over time depending upon Thornburg's view of specific investment opportunities and macroeconomic factors.

With respect to its fixed income investments, the Fund expects that under normal market conditions its investments will include the following types of obligations, which may be of any quality and of any maturity:

- bonds and other debt obligations issued by domestic and foreign companies of any size (including lower-rated "high yield" or "junk" bonds);
- mortgage-backed securities and other asset-backed securities;
- convertible debt obligations;
- obligations issued by foreign governments (including developing countries);
- collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs"), collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs"), collateralized bond obligations ("CBOs"), and collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs");
- obligations of the U.S. government and its agencies and sponsored enterprises;
- zero coupon bonds and "stripped" securities (including both income only and principal only securities); and
- taxable municipal obligations and participations in municipal obligations.

The Fund's investments may include both long and short positions. A short sale involves the sale by the Fund of a security that the Fund does not own. The Fund borrows the security that it intends to sell from a broker or other institution, and at a later date the Fund completes the short sale by purchasing that same security on the open market and delivering it to the lending institution. The Fund may also seek to achieve short exposure to an investment through the use of derivative instruments. Allocating the Fund's portfolio among long and short positions is intended to permit the Fund to pursue its investment goal with lower volatility relative to broad-based securities market indices. While the Fund expects under normal conditions to invest a larger portion of its portfolio in long positions than short positions, the relative proportions of long and short equity investments will vary, and its short positions may represent a significant portion of the Fund's portfolio during some periods.

With respect to its commodities-related investments, the Fund may invest in exchange traded funds or in other, similar investment vehicles that invest in commodities, and the Fund may invest in commodity-linked derivative instruments whose value is based on the value of an underlying commodity or commodity index, such as commodity futures contracts, commodity forward contracts, and commodity options contracts. The Fund may also seek to obtain exposure to the investment returns of commodities markets by investing in equity and debt securities of companies that operate commodities-based businesses.

The Fund's investments are determined by individual issuer and industry analysis. Investment decisions are based on domestic and international economic developments, outlooks for securities markets, interest rates and inflation, the supply and demand for equity and debt securities, and analysis of specific issuers. The Fund ordinarily acquires and holds debt obligations for investment rather than for realization of gains by short-term trading on market fluctuations. However, the Fund may dispose of any such security prior to its scheduled maturity to enhance income or reduce loss, to change the portfolio's average maturity, or otherwise to respond to market conditions.

The Fund may invest in derivative instruments to the extent Thornburg believes such investments may assist the Fund in pursuing its investment goal. Derivatives are financial instruments that derive their value from an underlying asset, reference rate, or index. The Fund may invest in derivatives for risk management purposes, including to hedge against a decline in the value of certain investments. The Fund may also invest in derivatives for non-hedging purposes, including to obtain investment exposure to a particular asset class or to establish a short position with respect to an investment. Examples of the types of derivatives in which the Fund may invest are options, futures contracts, options on futures contracts, and swap agreements, including credit default swaps and total return swaps.

Principal Investment Risks

An investment in the Fund is not a deposit in any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency. Accordingly, the loss of money is a risk of investing in the Fund. The value of the Fund's shares varies from day to day and over time, and when you sell your shares they may be worth less than what you paid for them. The following is a summary of the principal risks of investing in the Fund.

Management Risk – The Fund is an actively managed portfolio, and the value of the Fund may be reduced or the Fund may otherwise be unsuccessful in pursuing its investment goal if Thornburg pursues unsuccessful investments or fails to correctly identify risks affecting the broad economy or specific issuers in which the Fund invests.

Market and Economic Risk – The value of the Fund's investments may decline and its share value may be reduced due to changes in general economic and market conditions. The value of a security may change in response to developments affecting entire economies, markets or industries, including changes in interest rates, political and legal developments, and general market volatility. This effect is typically more pronounced for lower-rated and unrated debt obligations (including particularly "junk" or "high yield" bonds), the value of which may fluctuate more significantly in response to poor economic growth or other changes in market conditions, political, economic and legal developments. Additionally, because the Fund has to accrue income on zero coupon bonds on a current basis even though the Fund does not receive the income from those bonds currently in cash, zero coupon bonds subject the Fund to the risk of having to generate cash from other sources (including through the sale of portfolio securities) in order to make required distributions of the income accrued from its investments in zero coupon bonds.

Risks Affecting Specific Issuers – The value of an equity security or debt obligation may decline in response to developments affecting the specific issuer of the security or obligation, even if the overall industry or economy is unaffected. These developments may include a variety of factors, including but not limited to management issues or other corporate disruption, a decline in revenues or profitability, an increase in costs, or an adverse effect on the issuer's competitive position.

Foreign Investment Risk – Investments in securities of foreign issuers and in depositary receipts may involve risks including adverse fluctuations in currency exchange rates, political instability, confiscations, taxes or restrictions on currency exchange, difficulty in selling foreign investments, and reduced legal protection. In addition, some foreign government debt obligations may be subject to default, delays in payment, adverse legislation or government action, or could be downgraded by ratings agencies.

Developing Country Risk – The risks which may affect investments in foreign issuers (see “Foreign Investment Risk,” above) may be more pronounced for investments in developing countries because the economies of those countries are usually less diversified, communications, transportation and economic infrastructures are less developed, and developing countries ordinarily have less established legal, political, business and social frameworks. At times the prices of equity securities or debt obligations of a developing country issuer may be extremely volatile. An issuer domiciled in a developed country may be similarly affected by these developing country risks to the extent that the issuer conducts a significant percentage of its business in developing countries.

Small and Mid-Cap Company Risk – Investments in small capitalization companies and mid-capitalization companies may involve additional risks, which may be relatively higher with smaller companies. These additional risks may result from limited product lines, more limited access to markets and financial resources, greater vulnerability to competition and changes in markets, lack of management depth, increased volatility in share price, and possible difficulties in valuing or selling these investments.

Short Sale Risk – A short sale involves the sale by the Fund of a security that the Fund has borrowed, but does not own, in anticipation of purchasing that same security at a lower price in the future in order to close the short position. If the value of the borrowed security increases between the date the Fund enters into the short sale and the date that the Fund buys that security to cover its short position, the Fund may experience a loss.

Credit Risk – If debt obligations held by the Fund are downgraded by ratings agencies or go into default, or if management action, legislation or other government action reduces the ability of issuers to pay principal and interest when due, the value of those obligations may decline and the Fund's share value and any dividends paid by the Fund may be reduced. Because the ability of an issuer of a lower-rated or unrated debt obligation to pay principal and interest when due is typically less certain than for an issuer of a higher-rated debt obligation, lower-rated and unrated debt obligations are generally more vulnerable than higher-rated debt obligations to default, to ratings downgrades, and to liquidity risk. Debt obligations backed by so-called “subprime” mortgages may also be subject to a greater risk of default or downgrade. Debt obligations issued by the U.S. government or its agencies, instrumentalities and government sponsored enterprises are also subject to credit risk. Securities backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, such as U.S. Treasury obligations, are commonly regarded as having small exposure to credit risk. Obligations of certain U.S. agencies, instrumentalities and enterprises (sometimes referred to as “agency obligations”) are not direct obligations of the U.S. government, may not be backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, and may have a greater exposure to credit risk.

High Yield Risk – Debt obligations that are rated below investment grade and unrated obligations of similar credit quality (commonly referred to as “junk” or “high yield” bonds) may have a substantial risk of loss. These obligations are generally considered to be speculative with respect to the issuer's ability to pay interest and principal when due. These obligations may be subject to greater price volatility than investment grade obligations, and their prices may decline significantly in periods of general economic difficulty or in response to adverse publicity, changes in investor perceptions or other factors. These obligations may also be subject to greater liquidity risk.

Interest Rate Risk – When interest rates increase, the value of the Fund's investments in debt obligations may decline and the Fund's share value may be reduced. This effect is typically more pronounced for intermediate and longer-term debt obligations. This effect is also typically more pronounced for zero coupon bonds and mortgage- and other asset-backed securities, the value of which may fluctuate more significantly in response to interest rate changes. When interest rates decrease, the Fund's dividends, if any, may decline.

Prepayment and Extension Risk – When market interest rates decline, certain debt obligations held by the Fund may be repaid more quickly than anticipated, requiring the Fund to reinvest the proceeds of those repayments in obligations which bear a lower interest rate. Conversely, when market interest rates increase, certain debt obligations held by the Fund may be repaid more slowly than anticipated, causing assets of the Fund to remain invested in relatively lower yielding obligations. These risks may be more pronounced for the Fund’s investments in mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities.

Liquidity Risk – Due to a lack of demand in the marketplace or other factors, the Fund may not be able to sell some or all of the investments promptly, or may only be able to sell investments at less than desired prices. This risk may be more pronounced for the Fund’s investments in developing countries. Additionally, the market for lower-rated and unrated debt obligations (including particularly “junk” or “high yield” bonds) and debt obligations backed by so-called “subprime” mortgages may be less liquid than the market for other obligations, making it difficult for the Fund to value its investment in a lower-rated or unrated obligation or to sell the investment in a timely manner or at an acceptable price.

Inflation Risk – Although the Fund seeks to generate capital appreciation and current income that exceeds the rate of inflation over a variety of different market environments, there is no guarantee that the Fund will be able to do so at all times. If at any time the rate of inflation exceeds Thornburg’s expectations, or if for other reasons the Fund’s portfolio is unsuccessful in producing a mix of capital appreciation and current income that exceeds the rate of inflation, the Fund may not achieve its goal.

Structured Products Risk – Investments in securities that are backed by, or represent interests in, an underlying pool of securities or other assets, including investments in mortgage- and asset-backed securities and in CMOs, CDOs and CLOS, involve risks associated with the underlying assets (e.g., the risks of default by mortgagors whose mortgages are included in a mortgage-backed security or CMO), and may also involve different or greater risks, including the risk that distributions from the underlying assets will be inadequate to make interest or other payments to the Fund, the risk that the issuer of the securities will fail to administer the underlying assets properly or become insolvent, prepayment and extension risk, and the risk that the securities will be less liquid than other Fund investments.

Commodities-Related Investment Risk – Investments that expose the Fund to the commodities market, such as commodity-linked derivatives instruments or exchange traded funds or other investment vehicles that invest in commodities, may subject the Fund to greater volatility than investments in other securities. The value of a commodity-related investment may be affected by changes in overall market movements, commodity index volatility, changes in interest rates, risks affecting derivatives when used to obtain commodities exposure, or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity.

Real Estate Risk – The Fund’s investments in publicly traded real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) are subject to risks affecting real estate investments generally (including market conditions, competition, property obsolescence, changes in interest rates and casualty to real estate), as well as risks specifically affecting REITs (the quality and skill of REIT management and the internal expenses of the REIT).

Derivatives Risk – The Fund’s investments in options, futures contracts, options on futures contracts, swap agreements, and other derivatives involve the risks associated with the securities or other assets underlying those derivatives, and also may involve risks different or greater than the risks affecting the underlying assets, including the inability or unwillingness of the other party to a derivative to perform its obligations to the Fund, the Fund’s inability or delays in selling or closing positions in derivatives, and difficulties in valuing derivatives.

Additional information about Fund investments, investment strategies and risks of investing in the Fund appears below beginning on page 7.

Past Performance of the Fund

No performance information is presented because the Fund had not commenced investment operations as of the date of this prospectus.

Management

Investment Advisor: Thornburg Investment Management, Inc.

Portfolio Managers:

Ben Kirby, CFA, a managing director of Thornburg, has been one of the persons jointly and primarily responsible for management of the Fund since its inception.

Jeff Klingelhofer, CFA, a managing director of Thornburg, has been one of the persons jointly and primarily responsible for management of the Fund since its inception.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

The minimum amounts for an initial investment in Fund shares and for subsequent investments in Fund shares are shown below. If you purchase your shares through a financial intermediary, the intermediary may impose its own minimum investment requirements. The minimums shown below may also be reduced or waived by the Fund under certain circumstances.

MINIMUM INITIAL INVESTMENT	CLASS A*	CLASS I
Investors Purchasing through a Fee-Based Account with a Financial Intermediary	\$2,500	\$2,500
Individual Retirement Accounts	\$2,000	N/A
All Others	\$5,000	\$2,500,000
MINIMUM SUBSEQUENT INVESTMENTS (ALL ACCOUNTS)	CLASS A*	CLASS I
	\$100	\$100

*Class A shares are not currently available for purchase.

The Fund's shares are redeemable on any business day. If you hold your Fund shares through a financial intermediary, you should contact your intermediary to redeem shares. If you hold your shares directly with the Fund, you may redeem shares at any time by mail (c/o the Fund's Transfer Agent, DST Asset Manager Solutions, Inc., at P.O. Box 219017, Kansas City, Missouri 64121-9017) or by telephone (1-800-847-0200).

Tax Information

Distributions to a shareholder will generally be taxable to the shareholder as ordinary income or capital gains for federal income tax purposes. Distributions may also be subject to state and local taxes. See "Taxes" on page 31 of the Prospectus.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares of the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund, its investment advisor and/or its distributor may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Additional Information

Fund Investment Goals and Strategies, and Risks of Fund Investment Strategies

Summaries of the Fund's principal investment strategies and principal investment risks are provided at the beginning of this Prospectus. The information below provides more background about some of the investment strategies that the Fund may pursue, including the principal investment strategies described in the first part of this Prospectus, and the risks associated with those investments. Investment strategies which are described below but are not identified as a principal investment strategy for the Fund at the beginning of the Prospectus are not currently considered to be principal investment strategies of the Fund. Investors should note, however, that the Fund's investment profile will vary over time. See "Principal Investment Strategies" below for more information. More detailed information about the Fund's investment strategies and investment risks is available in the Statement of Additional Information. The Statement of Additional Information also contains information about the Fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of Fund portfolio investments.

Fund Investment Goal

The investment goal for the Fund is stated above in the Fund Summary. The investment goal stated in the Fund Summary is a fundamental policy of the Fund, and may not be changed without the approval of the Fund's shareholders. The Fund may not achieve its investment goals.

Principal Investment Strategies

A "principal investment strategy" of the Fund is a strategy which the Fund's investment advisor ("Thornburg") anticipates may be important in pursuing the Fund's investment goal, and which Thornburg anticipates may have a significant effect on its performance. In general, a security or investment strategy will not be considered a principal strategy of the Fund if it will not represent more than ten percent of the Fund's assets. Those strategies which are currently considered to be principal investment strategies of the Fund are identified under the caption "Principal Investment Strategies" relating to the Fund in the first part of this Prospectus. It is important to remember, however, that the investment profile of the Fund will vary over time, depending on various factors. Over time, the Fund will invest different proportions of its assets in the investments it is permitted to purchase, and the Fund may not invest at times in each of the investments it is permitted to purchase as a principal strategy.

Under certain circumstances, the Fund is only permitted to invest a certain percentage of its assets in a particular investment strategy. Information about those specific investment limitations is described for the Fund in the "Investment Limitations" section of the Statement of Additional Information. For purposes of any such limitation, the term "assets" means net assets of the Fund (determined immediately after and as a result of the Fund's acquisition of a given investment) plus the amount of borrowings for investment purposes.

Investing in Stocks and Other Equity Securities

Equity securities include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities, warrants, sponsored or unsponsored American Depositary Receipts and American Depositary Shares ("ADRs" and "ADSs"), partnership interests (including interests in master limited partnerships, private equity firms, and other public and private issuers organized as partnerships), shares in exchange traded funds ("ETFs") and other investment companies, and publicly traded real estate investment trusts. Common stocks, the most familiar type, represent an equity (ownership) interest in a corporation. Other equity securities similarly represent ownership interests in corporations or other entities. See also "Investing in Other Investment Companies," below.

- **General Risks of Equity Securities** – Although equity markets have a history of long-term growth in value, the values of equity securities fluctuate significantly over short and intermediate time periods, and could fluctuate significantly over longer periods, in response to changes in market conditions, political and economic news, changes in company earnings and dividends, changes in the prospects for company businesses, industry and technological developments, changes in interest rates, and developments affecting specific companies. Thornburg may not correctly identify conditions that adversely affect the broader economy, markets or industries, or adverse conditions affecting specific companies in which the Fund may invest. When equity securities held by the Fund decline in value, the value of the Fund's shares declines. These declines may be significant and there is no assurance that declines in value can be recaptured by future gains in value. From time to time, the Fund may seek to invest in a company's equity securities through an initial public offering ("IPO"). There can be no assurance that the Fund will have continued access to profitable IPOs and, as the Fund's assets grow, the impact of the Fund's investments in IPOs on the performance of the Fund may decline.

Additional Information

- **Market and Economic Risks Affecting Equity Securities** – Some adverse conditions have a broader impact and may affect entire economies, markets or industries. A general decline in economic conditions, in the United States or abroad, or the impacts of government policies or broader financial and market conditions may adversely affect securities valuations of companies in which the Fund has invested, even if the businesses of those companies are not adversely affected. In response to the financial crisis which began in 2008, the U.S. Federal Reserve and certain other central banks implemented a number of monetary policies intended to support financial markets, the effects of which were generally to reduce market interest rates and to raise the prices of a range of financial assets. In recent years, the U.S. Federal Reserve has eliminated or reduced many of those monetary policies, and other central banks could in the future take similar steps. In recent years the U.S. Federal Reserve has also increased its policy rate, the overnight Federal Funds rate, and additional future increases are possible. Although the effect that an increase in the Federal Funds rate or the further elimination or reduction of other monetary policies may have on financial markets is uncertain, those policy changes may lead to higher interest rates, declines in the prices of financial assets, adverse effects on currency exchange rates, changes in inflation rates, increased market volatility, higher levels of redemptions from the Fund, or other consequences which may negatively affect global financial markets and the value of the Fund's investments.
- **Risks Affecting Specific Companies** – Other adverse developments may affect only specific companies, even if the overall economy or industry is unaffected. Adverse developments affecting a specific company may include management changes, hostile takeovers, weather or other catastrophe, competition from other firms or products, obsolescence of the company's products, labor difficulties, increases in costs or declines in the prices the company obtains for its services or products and other factors. Any one or more of these adverse conditions may result in significant declines in the value of equity securities held by the Fund, and in some instances, a company in which the Fund has invested could become bankrupt, causing a loss of the Fund's entire investment in the company.
- **Risks of Investing in Small and Mid-Cap Companies** – Smaller, less seasoned companies are generally subject to greater price fluctuations, limited market liquidity, higher transaction costs and generally higher investment risks. Small-capitalization and mid-capitalization companies may have limited product lines, markets or financial resources, may have more limited management expertise and resources, and have more limited financing and capital. There also may be less available information respecting these companies.
- **Risks of Investing in Publicly Traded Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")** – Publicly traded REITs are pooled investment vehicles in which ownership interests are publicly traded, and which invest in real estate or real estate-related companies. Types of publicly traded REITs in which the Fund may invest include equity REITs, which own real estate directly, mortgage REITs, which make construction, development, or long-term mortgage loans, and hybrid REITs, which share characteristics of equity REITs and mortgage REITs. Investments in REITs are subject to risks affecting real estate investments generally (including market conditions, competition, property obsolescence, changes in interest rates and casualty to real estate). In addition, the value of the Fund's investments in REITs may be affected by the quality and skill of the REIT's manager, the internal expenses of the REIT, and, with regard to REITs issued in the United States, the risks that the REIT will fail to qualify for pass-through of income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 without payment of federal income tax by the REIT, or maintain its exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").
- **Limited Number of Portfolio Holdings** – The Fund may invest in the equity securities of fewer issuers than is typical of other mutual funds that invest in equity securities if the investment advisor believes that doing so is more likely to assist the Fund in pursuing its investment goals. To the extent the Fund invests its assets in fewer issuers than other mutual funds, the Fund's net asset value may increase or decrease more in response to a change in the value of one of the Fund's portfolio holdings than if the Fund invested in a larger number of issuers.

Investing in Debt Obligations

Bonds and other debt obligations are used by issuers to borrow money from investors. The issuer pays the investor a rate of interest, and must repay the amount borrowed at maturity. Some debt obligations have interest rates that are fixed over the life of the obligation. Other debt obligations, commonly referred to as "floating rate" obligations, have interest rates that reset periodically prior to maturity based on a specific index or reference rate, such as the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate. The values and yields of debt obligations are dependent upon a variety of factors, including general market interest rates, the size of a particular debt offering, the maturity of the debt obligations, and the creditworthiness and rating of the issuer. Values of debt obligations held by the Fund change daily, depending upon various factors, including interest rates, credit quality and

factors affecting specific issuers, and general market and economic conditions. There are a wide variety of debt obligations available for investment. Specific types of debt obligation, and the principal risks associated with investment in those types of obligation, are summarized below under the captions “Investing in Foreign Equity Securities and Debt Obligations,” “Investing in Municipal Obligations,” “Investing in U.S. Government Obligations,” “Investing in Mortgage-Backed Securities, Participation Interests and Other Mortgage-Related Investments,” “Investing in Other Asset-Backed Securities,” and “Investing in Structured Finance Arrangements.”

- **General Risks of Investing in Debt Obligations** – Debt obligations are subject to a range of risks that may adversely affect the value of debt obligations held by the Fund, including credit risk, market risks, interest rate risks and prepayment risks. These risks are summarized below. The Fund’s investment advisor may not correctly identify conditions that adversely affect the broader economy, markets or industries, or adverse conditions affecting specific issuers in whose obligations the Fund may invest. When debt obligations held by the Fund go into default or otherwise decline in value, the value of the Fund’s shares declines. Additional risks that may adversely affect specific types of debt obligations are discussed below under the captions “Investing in Foreign Equity Securities and Debt Obligations,” “Investing in Municipal Obligations,” “Investing in U.S. Government Obligations,” “Investing in Mortgage-Backed Securities, Participation Interests and Other Mortgage-Related Investments,” “Investing in Other Asset-Backed Securities,” and “Investing in Structured Finance Arrangements.”
- **Credit and Specific Issuer Risks** – Investments in debt obligations are subject to the risk that the issuer of the obligation will become bankrupt or otherwise unable to pay some or all of the amounts due under its debt obligations, or delay paying principal or interest when due. Debt obligations are typically subject to the provisions of bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws that limit or reduce the rights of persons such as the Fund who own debt obligations, preventing or delaying owners of debt obligations from receiving payment of amounts due under the debt obligations, or reducing the amounts they can collect. The credit risk is generally more pronounced for lower-quality debt obligations, and generally less pronounced for investment grade obligations. Debt obligations of smaller corporate or public issuers may be subject to greater credit risk, and obligations of foreign issuers are subject to the additional risks affecting foreign investments, described below under the caption “Investing in Foreign Equity Securities and Debt Obligations.” Debt obligations are often rated as to credit quality by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (“NRSROs”). NRSROs are ratings agencies that have been registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) and are generally accepted in the financial markets as recognized providers of credible and reliable credit ratings.
- **Interest Rate Risk Affecting Debt Obligations** – The market value of debt obligations varies with changes in prevailing interest rates and changing evaluations of the ability of issuers to meet principal and interest payments. In particular, when interest rates increase, the market value of debt obligations may decrease. Prices of intermediate or longer-term debt obligations are relatively more sensitive to changing interest rates than shorter-term debt obligations, and increases in interest rates generally will have more adverse effect on the Fund’s share value when it holds intermediate or longer maturity obligations. Additionally, investments in floating rate obligations include the risk that the obligation’s interest rate may reset to a lower level of interest during the period of the Fund’s investment.
- **Prepayment Risk Affecting Certain Debt Obligations** – Some debt obligations permit the issuer to pay the debt before final maturity. The rate at which issuers repay those debts before final maturity may be affected by changes in market interest rates. When market interest rates decline, the issuers of certain debt obligations may repay those obligations more quickly than anticipated in order to replace those obligations with obligations that bear the lower prevailing rates. In that event, the Fund may have to reinvest the proceeds of those repayments in obligations which bear the lower prevailing rates, resulting in a lower yield to the Fund. Conversely, when market interest rates increase, the issuers of certain debt obligations may repay those obligations more slowly than anticipated. In that event, Fund assets would remain invested in those obligations, and the Fund may be unable to invest to the same extent in obligations which bear the higher prevailing rates.
- **Market, Economic, and Liquidity Risks Affecting Debt Obligations** – In addition to other conditions that may adversely affect the value of debt obligations, general economic and market conditions may reduce the value of debt obligations held by the Fund, even if the issuers of those obligations remain financially sound or otherwise able to pay their obligations when due. Similarly, adverse conditions in the markets in which debt obligations are traded may reduce the liquidity of debt obligations held by the Fund, making it difficult to sell those obligations (and therefore reducing the values of those obligations), and reducing the ability of the Fund to obtain reliable prices for debt obligations they

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hold. In response to the financial crisis which began in 2008, the U.S. Federal Reserve and certain other central banks implemented a number of monetary policies intended to support financial markets, the effects of which were generally to reduce market interest rates and to raise the prices of a range of financial assets. In recent years, the U.S. Federal Reserve has eliminated or reduced many of those monetary policies, and other central banks could in the future take similar steps. In recent years the U.S. Federal Reserve has also increased its policy rate, the overnight Federal Funds rate, and additional future increases are possible. Although the effect that an increase in the Federal Funds rate or the further elimination or reduction of other monetary policies may have on financial markets is uncertain, those policy changes may lead to higher interest rates, declines in the prices of financial assets, adverse effects on currency exchange rates, changes in inflation rates, increased market volatility, higher levels of redemptions from the Fund, or other consequences which may negatively affect global financial markets and the value of the Fund's investments.

- **Risks Affecting Lower Quality Debt Securities** – A debt obligation's credit rating reflects the expected ability of the obligation's issuer to make interest and principal payments over time. Credit ratings are determined by rating organizations such as Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's"), Fitch Investors Service ("Fitch") and S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"). Debt obligations which are rated within the four highest grades (Baa or BBB or better) by Moody's, Fitch, or S&P are considered "investment grade" obligations. These debt obligations are regarded by rating agencies as having a capacity to pay interest and repay principal that varies from "extremely strong" to "adequate." The lowest ratings of the investment grade debt obligations may have speculative characteristics, and may be more vulnerable to adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances. Debt obligations that are below investment grade are sometimes referred to as "high-yield" securities or "junk" bonds, and involve greater risk of default or price declines due to changes in the issuer's creditworthiness, or they may already be in default. The market prices of these high-yield securities may fluctuate more than higher-quality securities and may decline significantly in periods of general economic difficulty or in response to adverse publicity or changes in investor perceptions. Changes by rating organizations in the rating assigned to a particular debt obligation may affect the value of that obligation, and in particular, a reduction in a debt obligation's rating may reduce the value of the obligation. Ratings assigned by a rating organization do not reflect absolute standards of credit quality, and an issuer's current financial condition may be better or worse than a rating indicates.
- **Additional Risks Affecting Convertible Debt Obligations** – Convertible debt obligations may be converted within a specified period of time into a certain amount of common stock of the same or a different issuer. As with non-convertible debt obligations, the market value of a convertible debt obligation may vary with changes in prevailing interest rates and changing evaluations of the ability of the issuer to meet principal and interest payments. The market value of a convertible debt obligation may also vary in accordance with the market value of the underlying stock. As a result, convertible debt obligations held by the Fund will tend to perform more like equity securities when the underlying stock price is high (because it is assumed that the Fund will convert the obligation), and more like non-convertible debt obligations when the underlying stock price is low (because it is assumed that the Fund will not convert the obligation). Because its market value can be influenced by several factors, a convertible debt obligation will not be as sensitive to interest rate changes as a similar non-convertible debt obligation, and generally will have less potential for gain or loss than the underlying stock.
- **Additional Risks Affecting Zero Coupon Bonds and Stripped Securities** – Zero coupon bonds are corporate or government-issued debt obligations that do not provide for periodic or "coupon" payments of interest, and that are issued at a substantial discount to their face value. The buyer of a zero coupon bond realizes a stated rate of return determined by the gradual accretion in the value of the security. A "stripped" security is a debt obligation that has been transformed into a zero coupon bond by creating a separate, new security comprised of the separate income component of the debt obligation (commonly referred to as an "income only" or "I/O" security) or the separate principal component of the debt obligation (commonly referred to as a "principal only" or "P/O" security).

Because zero coupon bonds do not provide for periodic payments of interest, their value is generally more volatile than the value of a comparable, interest-paying bond. The Fund may also have to recognize income on the bond and make distributions to shareholders before it has received any cash payments on the bond. To generate the cash necessary to satisfy such distributions, the Fund may have to sell portfolio securities that it otherwise might have continued to hold or use cash flows from other sources, including the proceeds from the sale of Fund shares.

Investing in Foreign Equity Securities and Debt Obligations

Investments in foreign equity securities, debt obligations and other investment instruments are subject to the same risks that affect investments in equity securities and debt obligations in the United States. Additionally, foreign investments are subject to other risks which are summarized below.

- Identifying Foreign Investments** – Except as otherwise stated under the caption “Principal Investment Strategies” for the Fund, investments are considered “foreign” or having been made “outside the United States” if at the time the investment is made by the Fund the issuer of the investment is domiciled outside the United States, or the issuer is determined by the Fund’s investment advisor, Thornburg, to be tied economically to a country other than the United States. Thornburg considers a variety of factors to determine whether an investment is tied economically to one or more countries other than the United States, including (i) whether or not a significant portion of the issuer’s revenues or assets are derived from or are located in countries outside the United States, (ii) the primary trading market of the issuer’s securities, (iii) the locations of its offices or other operations, (iv) the source of any governmental guarantees or other supports, (v) identification of the issuer’s securities within an index or other listing indicating its location in a particular country or region outside the United States, and (vi) whether the investment is otherwise exposed to the economic fortunes and risks of countries outside the United States. For this purpose, an issuer of a security may be considered tied economically to a country outside the United States if it also has significant economic exposures to the United States. In addition, the application of these factors is inevitably complex and not precise in certain respects, companies may be economically tied to a number of countries (including the United States), and different persons may evaluate these factors differently and reach different conclusions as to whether or not a given issuer or its securities would be considered foreign or tied economically to countries other than the United States.
- General Risks Affecting Foreign Investments** – Foreign investments are subject to greater political risk, including expropriation or nationalization of assets, confiscatory taxation, currency exchange controls, excessive or discriminatory regulations, trade protections, and restrictions on repatriation of assets and earnings to the United States. In some countries, there may be political instability or insufficient governmental supervision of markets, and the legal protections for the Fund’s investments could be subject to unfavorable judicial or administrative decisions or changes. Accounting and investment disclosure standards may be different or less reliable. Markets in some countries may be more volatile, and subject to less stringent investor protection and disclosure requirements and it may be difficult to sell securities in those markets. The economies in many countries may be relatively unstable because of dependence on a few industries or economic sectors. Different equity and debt markets may behave differently from each other, and in particular, foreign markets may move in different directions from each other and United States markets.
- Foreign Currency Risks** – Foreign investments, even if denominated in U.S. dollars, may be affected significantly by fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies, and the value of these securities in U.S. dollars may decline even if the securities increase in value in their home country. Fluctuations in currency valuations may occur for a number of reasons, including market and economic conditions, or a government’s decision to devalue its currency or impose currency controls. The investment advisor may seek to hedge foreign currency risks, but its hedging strategies may not be successful, or its judgments not to use hedging strategies may not correctly anticipate actual conditions and result in loss or higher costs to the Fund. Furthermore, any hedging strategy that the advisor pursues, such as the use of currency forward contracts, may involve additional risks. See “Investing with Derivatives,” below.
- Developing Country Risks** – Foreign investment risks may be more pronounced in developing countries. The economies of developing countries may be less diversified and dependent on one or a few industries, or may be dependent to a greater degree on exports of commodities or manufactured goods. For example, an economy that is dependent upon exports of commodities such as minerals or agricultural products may present increased risks of nationalization or other government interference, unavailability of capital or other resources, price volatility caused by fluctuating demand and competition from other producers of the commodities or substitute commodities. Developing countries often have less developed government institutions and legal systems, limited transportation and communications infrastructure, limited health and social resources, and are located in regions that are less politically stable and in some locations may be more subject to unusual weather and other natural conditions. Consequently, business operations in those countries may be more vulnerable to corruption and crime, weak or inconsistent regulatory agencies and procedures, transportation and communications delays and disruptions, natural disasters and health and environmental conditions, more limited access to materials and resources and regional political and military events. Investments in developing countries may be

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particularly vulnerable to fluctuations in market valuations because of the small size of some issuers and the limited size and illiquidity of investments and some markets on which investments are traded, manipulation or speculation in these markets, and inefficiencies in local markets and exchanges. Other risks having pronounced significance to investments in developing countries include local limitations on ownership by foreign persons, less developed legal protections for investors and the custodians and depositories through which the Fund holds investments in foreign countries, unreliable or limited information about issuers or economic conditions, restrictions on foreign ownership or repatriation of earnings, delays in conducting purchases or sales of investments, high inflation rates, changes in exchange rates and controls, higher costs or limitations on converting foreign currencies, higher national debt levels, and abrupt changes in governmental monetary and fiscal policies.

- **Risks of Debt Issued by Foreign Governments** – Debt obligations may be issued by foreign governments and their agencies and instrumentalities, including the governments of developing countries and “supra-national” entities such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (commonly called the “World Bank”). The Fund’s investments in these foreign debt obligations may be denominated in U.S. dollars or in foreign currencies. These securities, even if denominated in U.S. dollars, may be affected significantly by fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies, and the value of these securities in U.S. dollars may decline even if the securities increase in value in their home country. The governmental issuers of these debt obligations may be unwilling or unable to repay principal and interest when due, and may require that the terms for payment be renegotiated. In some countries there may be political instability or insufficient government supervision of markets, and the legal protections for the Fund’s investments could be subject to unfavorable judicial or administrative changes. These risks may be more pronounced for the Fund’s investments in debt obligations issued by developing countries.
- **Risks Relating to Brexit** – In 2016, the citizens of the United Kingdom voted to leave the European Union (the “EU”). While the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the EU (commonly referred to as “Brexit”) is scheduled to take effect in 2019, there remains considerable uncertainty about the precise timeframe for Brexit and the terms of the United Kingdom’s trade agreements and other relationships with the EU following Brexit. Brexit may have a significant impact on the economies of the United Kingdom and Europe as well as the broader global economy, including declines in the prices of financial assets in any or all of those markets, adverse effects on currency exchange rates, increased market volatility, or other consequences which may negatively affect financial markets and the value of the Funds’ investments.

Investing in Municipal Obligations

Municipal debt obligations, which are often called “municipal obligations,” are debt obligations which are issued by or on behalf of states, territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia, and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities. Municipal obligations are typically categorized as “general obligation bonds” or “revenue bonds.” General obligation bonds are backed by the credit of the issuing government entity or agency, while revenue bonds are repaid from the revenues of a specific project such as a stadium, a waste treatment plant, or a hospital. Municipal obligations include notes (including tax exempt commercial paper), bonds, municipal leases and participation interests in these obligations.

- **General Risks Affecting Municipal Obligations** – Municipal obligations are subject to the same risks affecting other debt obligations which are described above. Municipal obligations are consequently subject to credit risk, including default and the provisions of bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws adversely affecting or reducing the rights of creditors. Municipal obligations are also subject to interest rate risk, prepayment risk, market and economic risks, together with additional risks specific to municipal obligations, which are summarized below.
- **Certain Tax Risks** – Many municipal obligations pay interest which is exempt from federal income taxes. Interest which is exempt from federal income tax may, however, be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax or state income taxes. Some municipal obligations pay interest which is subject to both federal and state income taxes. Capital gains and gains from market discount may be subject to federal and state income tax, and may increase the price volatility of municipal obligations when interest rates rise. Additional aspects of the tax treatment of municipal obligations held by a mutual fund are summarized in this Prospectus under the caption “Taxes.”

- **Risks of Changes in the Law** – Municipal obligations may become subject to laws enacted in the future by Congress, state legislatures or referenda extending the time for payment of principal or interest, or imposing other constraints upon enforcement of such obligations or upon municipalities to levy taxes. Consequently, there is the possibility that, as a result of legislation or other conditions, the power or ability of any issuer to pay, when due, the principal of and interest on its municipal obligations may be adversely affected.
- **Loss of Insurance or Downgrade of Insurer's Credit Rating** – Certain municipal obligations in which Fund may invest are covered by insurance for the timely payment of principal and interest. Rating organizations separately rate the claims-paying ability of the third party insurers that provide such insurance. To the extent that obligations held by the Fund are insured by an insurer whose claims-paying ability is downgraded by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, the value and credit rating of those debt obligations may be adversely affected, and failure of an insurer coupled with a default on an insured debt obligation held by the Fund would result in a loss of some or all of the Fund's investment in the debt obligation.
- **Risks of Investment in Municipal Leases** – Municipal leases are used by state and local governments to acquire a wide variety of equipment and facilities. Municipal obligations, including lease revenue bonds and certificates of participation, may provide the investor with a proportionate interest in payments made by the governmental issuer on the underlying lease. These municipal lease obligations are typically backed by the government's covenant to budget for, appropriate and make the payments due on the underlying lease. However, certain municipal lease obligations may include non-appropriation clauses, which provide that the governmental issuer has no obligation to make lease payments unless money is appropriated each year for that purpose. If an issuer stopped making payment on the municipal lease, the obligation held by the Fund would likely lose some or all of its value. In addition, some municipal lease obligations may be less liquid than other debt obligations, making it difficult for the Fund to sell the obligation at an acceptable price.

Investing in U.S. Government Obligations

United States Government obligations include U.S. Treasury securities such as U.S. Treasury Bills, U.S. Treasury Notes, and U.S. Treasury Bonds, with various interest rates, maturities and dates of issuance. These U.S. Treasury securities are direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury, backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. U.S. government obligations also may include the obligations of agencies or instrumentalities which are often referred to as "agency obligations."

- **General Risks of Investing in U.S. Government Obligations** – U.S. government obligations are subject to the same risks affecting other debt obligations. Although securities backed by the full faith credit of the U.S. government are commonly regarded as having a small risk of default, it is possible that the U.S. government may be unwilling or unable to repay principal and interest when due, and may require that the terms for payment be renegotiated. Further obligations that are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government remain subject to the other general risks applicable to debt obligations, such as market risks, liquidity risks, and interest rate risks, and may be subject to ratings downgrades. Additional information about risks of U.S. government obligations that are not full faith and credit obligations is summarized below.
- **Risks of Investing in Agency Obligations** – U.S. government obligations also include obligations of U.S. government agencies, instrumentalities and government-sponsored enterprises, commonly referred to as "agency obligations." Some agency obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, but other agency obligations have no specific backing or only limited support from the agency's authority to borrow from the U.S. government or the discretionary authority of the Treasury to purchase obligations of the issuing agency. Agencies – particularly those with limited credit support or no legally required support from the U.S. government – could default on their obligations or suffer reductions in their credit ratings. In September 2008, the U.S. government placed the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") into conservatorship overseen by the Federal Housing Finance Agency. Since 2009, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have also each received significant capital support through the United States Treasury's purchase of their stock and Federal Reserve loans, and the United States Treasury has announced its expectation that it would continue providing such support in order to prevent either Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac from having negative net worth. Despite these measures, there can be no assurance that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac will remain successful in meeting their financial commitments under the debt obligations that they issue or guarantee.

Investing in Mortgage-Backed Securities, Participation Interests and Other Mortgage-Related Investments

Mortgage-backed securities represent direct or indirect participations in, or are collateralized by and payable from, pools of mortgage loans on real property. Mortgage-backed securities provide shareholders with payments consisting of both interest and principal as the mortgages in the underlying mortgage pools are paid off. Mortgage-backed securities can be backed by either fixed rate or adjustable rate mortgage loans, and some of these securities may be backed by so-called “subprime” mortgages, which are granted to borrowers who, due to their credit history, do not qualify for traditional, prime loans. These securities may be issued by the U.S. government or its agencies and instrumentalities (including, but not limited to, mortgage-backed certificates issued by the Governmental National Mortgage Association (“Ginnie Mae”), Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac) or by private issuers. Mortgage-backed securities issued by agencies of the U.S. government may or may not be backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. See “Risks of Investing in Agency Obligations,” above.

- **Risks Affecting Mortgage-Backed Securities** – Mortgage-backed securities are debt obligations, and are subject to the risks that affect debt obligations generally and which may adversely affect the value of mortgage-backed securities held by the Fund, including credit risk, interest rate risk, market and liquidity risks, prepayment risk and management risk. Because mortgage-backed securities represent interests in underlying mortgages, mortgage-backed securities are subject to the risks associated with those underlying mortgages, including delays or defaults in payments on those mortgages. Those securities with limited credit support or no legally required support from the U.S. government could default on their obligations or suffer reductions in their credit ratings. In this regard, see the discussion above respecting “Investing in U.S. Government Obligations.” Mortgage-backed securities issued by private issuers are often supported by some type of insurance or guarantee to enhance the credit of the issuing party. Nonetheless, there is no assurance that the private insurer or guarantor will meet its obligations. Additionally, the trust or other entity that has been organized to administer the pool of mortgages may fail to make distribution payments to investors or otherwise perform poorly.

As with other debt obligations, the market value of mortgage-backed securities varies with changes in prevailing interest rates and changing evaluations of the ability of issuers to meet principal and interest payments. The market value and expected yield of mortgage-backed securities also varies depending on the rate of prepayments on the underlying mortgages. During periods of declining interest rates, more mortgagors can be expected to prepay the remaining principal on their mortgages before the mortgages’ scheduled maturity dates, reducing the value of mortgage-backed securities held by the Fund, and lowering the Fund’s yield as it reinvests the prepayment proceeds at the lower prevailing interest rates. Conversely, during periods of rising interest rates, the rate of prepayment on the underlying mortgages can be expected to slow, and the Fund will not have those additional prepayment proceeds to invest in other securities at the higher prevailing interest rates. Moreover, by increasing the mortgage-backed security’s effective maturity or duration, a slower prepayment rate on the underlying mortgages may increase the volatility of the security’s price in response to further interest rate changes.

Mortgage-backed securities may also include multiple class securities such as collateralized mortgage obligations and real estate mortgage investment conduits. See “Investing in Structured Finance Arrangements,” below, for further discussion of these instruments.

Investing in Other Asset-Backed Securities

Asset-backed securities also may represent interests in pools of assets other than real estate mortgages, such as automobile loans or credit card receivables. Interest and principal payments on the underlying loans are passed through to the holders of the asset-backed securities.

- **Risks of Other Asset-Backed Securities** – As with mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities are subject to the risks affecting debt obligations generally and which may adversely affect the value of asset-backed securities, held by the Fund, including credit risk, interest rate risk, market and liquidity risks, prepayment risk and management risk. These securities are subject to the risk of default by the issuer of the security and by the borrowers of the underlying loans in the pool. Because the issuers of asset-backed securities may have a limited practical ability to enforce any lien or security interest on collateral in the case of defaults by borrowers, asset-backed securities may present greater credit risks than mortgage-backed securities. As with mortgage-backed securities, the market value and expected yield of asset-backed securities will vary in response to changes in prevailing interest rates and the rate of prepayment on the underlying loans.

Investing in Structured Finance Arrangements

Structured finance arrangements include investments such as asset-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations (“CMOs”), real estate mortgage investment conduits (“REMICs”), collateralized bond obligations (“CBOs”), collateralized loan obligations (“CLOs”) and collateralized debt obligations (“CDOs”). Interests in structured finance arrangements are issued to investors by a trust or other special purpose entity that has been organized to hold an underlying pool of debt obligations. For example, CMOs and REMICs are backed by a pool of U.S. government insured mortgage-backed securities (such as Ginnie Mae certificates) or other mortgage loans that are not backed by the U.S. government, CBOs are backed by a pool of fixed income obligations (which may include debt obligations that are rated below investment grade), and CLOs are backed by a pool of loans that may include, among others, domestic and non-subordinate corporate loans, including loans rated below investment grade or equivalent unrated loans. Some structured finance arrangements may be backed by so-called “subprime” mortgages.

Structured finance arrangements are typically issued in multiple “tranches,” each of which represents a portion or “slice” of the full economic interest in the underlying assets. Each tranche is issued at a specific fixed or floating interest rate and has a final scheduled distribution rate. Principal payments received on the underlying pool of assets are often applied to each tranche in the order of its stated maturity, so that none of the principal payments received in a given period will be distributed to a “junior” tranche until all other, more “senior” tranches are paid in full for that period. The most junior tranche is commonly referred to as the “residual” or “equity” interest.

- **Risks of Structured Finance Arrangements** – An investment in a structured finance arrangement entails the same risks associated with an investment in the underlying debt obligations, including credit risk, interest-rate risk, market and liquidity risks, prepayment risk, and management risk. Additionally, an investment in this type of arrangement entails the risks that the distributions from the underlying pool of assets may be inadequate to make interest or other payments to an investor, or that the entity which issues the securities and administers the underlying investment pool will fail to make distribution payments, default or otherwise perform poorly. An investment in a junior tranche is subject to a greater risk of depreciation or loss than an investment in a more senior tranche. The market for structured finance arrangements may also be less liquid than for other debt obligations, including other types of asset-backed securities, making it difficult for the Fund to value its investment or sell the investment in a timely manner or at an acceptable price. Finally, certain structured finance arrangements may use derivative contracts, such as credit default swaps, to create “synthetic” exposure to assets rather than holding the assets directly, which may entail additional risks (see “Investing with Derivatives,” below).

Investing through Short Selling

A short sale involves the sale by the Fund of a security that the Fund does not own. The Fund borrows the security that it intends to sell from a broker or other institution, and at a later date the Fund completes the short sale by purchasing that same security on the open market and delivering it to the lending institution. The Fund is generally required to pay the lender amounts equal to any dividend or interest which accrues on the borrowed security during the period of the loan. The Fund may also be required to pay a premium, fee, or other amount to the lender in exchange for borrowing the security. When it enters into a short sale, the Fund seeks to profit on a decline in the price of the security between the date the Fund borrows the security and the date the Fund purchases the security to deliver it to the lender. If, however, the price of the security increases between those dates, or if the price of the security declines by an amount which is not sufficient to cover the expenses of borrowing the security, the Fund will experience a loss. The Fund may also seek to achieve short exposure to an investment through the use of derivative instruments. The Fund may use short selling as a principal investment strategy.

- **General Risks of Short Selling** – The Fund’s short sale investments may include risks that are different than, and in some respects may exceed, the Fund’s long investments. Because there is no limitation on the amount to which the price of a security may increase between the date that the Fund borrows it from the lender and the date that the Fund must purchase the security on the open market to deliver it to the lender, the losses that the Fund incurs from a short sale are potentially limitless. In contrast, the losses that the Fund may realize on its long positions cannot exceed the total amount of the Fund’s investments in those positions. The lender in a short sale transaction may have a right to require the Fund to return the borrowed securities earlier than scheduled, in which case the Fund may have to purchase the securities on the open market at a time when the securities’ prices are unfavorable. To the extent the Fund is required to deliver collateral to the lender in response to declines in the value of the Fund’s short positions, the Fund may have to sell other securities in its portfolio to meet those collateral requirements. Such sales may not be at favorable prices, or may impede the pursuit of the Fund’s investment strategy. To the extent the Fund seeks to obtain short exposure through the use of derivative instruments, the Fund will also be exposed to the risks associated with those instruments. See “Risks Of Investing with Derivatives,” below.

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Investing with Derivatives

Derivative instruments are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of some other underlying asset, reference rate, or index, such as equity securities, bonds, commodities, currencies, or interest rates. Some examples of current forms of derivative instruments include futures, options, forward contracts (including currency forward contracts), swaps, and credit derivatives (including credit default swaps and certain structured finance arrangements, which are described above in more detail). The Fund may invest in derivative instruments as a principal investment strategy. See the Statement of Additional Information for additional detail respecting the various derivative instruments that the Fund may utilize.

- **Risks of Investing with Derivatives** – The use of derivatives may involve risks different from, or potentially greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying reference asset. In particular, the use by the Fund of privately negotiated, over-the-counter (“OTC”) derivatives contracts exposes the Fund to the risk that the counterparty to the OTC derivatives contract will be unable or unwilling to make timely payments under the contract or otherwise honor its obligations. Although Thornburg intends to monitor the creditworthiness of counterparties, there can be no assurance that a counterparty will meet its obligations, especially during periods of adverse market conditions. The market for certain types of derivative instruments may also be less liquid than the market for the underlying reference asset, making it difficult for the Fund to value its derivative investments or sell those investments at an acceptable price. Derivative instruments may also involve the risk that changes in their value may not correlate perfectly with the assets, rates or indices they are designed to track.

Investing in Commodity-Related Investments

Although the Fund does not currently expect to make direct investments in physical commodities, the Fund may seek to obtain exposure to the investment returns of assets that trade in the commodity markets by investing in certain commodities-related investments, including equity and debt securities issued by companies that operate commodities-based businesses, commodity futures contracts or other commodity-linked derivative instruments, and exchange traded funds or other investment vehicles that invest in commodities. The Fund may invest in commodities-related investments as a principal investment strategy.

- **Risks of Investing in Commodities-Related Investments** – Exposure to the commodities markets may subject the Fund to greater volatility than investments in other securities. The value of commodities-related investments may be affected by changes in overall market movements, commodity index volatility, changes in interest rates, or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity, such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and international economic, political and regulatory developments. The prices of energy, industrial metals, precious metals, agriculture and livestock sector commodities may fluctuate widely due to factors such as changes in value, supply and demand and governmental regulatory policies. The energy sector can be significantly affected by changes in the prices and supplies of oil and other energy fuels, energy conservation, the success of exploration projects, and tax and other government regulations, policies of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (“OPEC”) and relationships among OPEC members and between OPEC and oil importing nations. The metals sector can be affected by sharp price volatility over short periods caused by global economic, financial and political factors, resource availability, government regulation, economic cycles, changes in inflation or expectations about inflation in various countries, interest rates, currency fluctuations, metal sales by governments, central banks or international agencies, investment speculation and fluctuations in industrial and commercial supply and demand. The commodities-related investments in which the Fund invests may be issued by companies in the financial services sector, including the banking, brokerage and insurance sectors. As a result, events affecting issuers in the financial services sector may cause the Fund’s share value to fluctuate. Additionally, to the extent the Fund obtains exposure to commodities through the use of commodity futures contracts or other derivatives, those derivatives may involve risks different or greater than the risks affecting the underlying assets. See “Risks Of Investing with Derivatives,” above.

Investing in Other Investment Companies

Subject to percentage limitations imposed by the 1940 Act, and provided such investments are otherwise consistent with the Fund’s investment strategies and limitations, the Fund may invest from time to time in shares of other investment companies, including other open-end mutual funds, closed-end mutual funds, business development companies, and exchange traded funds. Shares in another investment company which are held by the Fund would be subject to the same risks that affect the

underlying investments of that other investment company. In addition, because each investment company incurs its own operating expenses, the Fund which invests in another investment company indirectly bears the expenses of that investment company. Those underlying expenses are similar to the expenses paid by other businesses owned by the Fund, are not direct costs paid by Fund shareholders, are not used to calculate the Fund's net asset value, and have no impact on the costs associated with Fund operations.

The Fund may also invest a portion or all of the Fund's daily cash balance in Thornburg Capital Management Fund, a separate series of the Trust (the "Capital Management Fund"). The Capital Management Fund's shares are not publicly available. The Capital Management Fund is not a money market fund, but generally invests in short-term obligations which are determined by Thornburg to be of high quality, with the objective of seeking current income consistent with liquidity management and safety of capital. The Capital Management Fund does not currently pay a separate investment advisory fee or administrative services fee to Thornburg, but the Fund would indirectly bear the other operating expenses of the Capital Management Fund, as described in the preceding paragraph.

Temporary Investments

The Fund may purchase short-term, highly liquid securities including, but not limited to, time certificates of deposit, short-term U.S. government securities, commercial paper, and repurchase agreements. The Fund will typically hold these securities under normal conditions pending investment of idle funds or to provide liquidity. The Fund also may hold assets in these securities for temporary defensive purposes in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. Investment in these securities for temporary periods could reduce the Fund's ability to attain its investment goals.

Organization and Management of the Fund

Organization of the Fund

The Fund is a series of Thornburg Investment Trust, a Massachusetts business trust (the "Trust") organized as a diversified, open-end management investment company under a Declaration of Trust. The Trust has 21 other series and the Trustees are authorized to divide the Trust's shares into additional series and classes.

Investment Advisor

The Fund is managed by Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. ("Thornburg"), a registered investment advisor since 1982. Thornburg performs investment management services for the Fund under the terms of an Investment Advisory Agreement, which specifies that Thornburg will select investments for the Fund, monitor those investments and the markets generally, and perform related services. Thornburg also performs administrative services for the Fund under the terms of an Administrative Services Agreement, which specifies that Thornburg will administer, supervise, perform, or direct certain administrative functions necessary or desirable for the operation of the Fund. The fees that Thornburg is entitled to receive under the Investment Advisory Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement are described below under the heading "Investment Advisory and Administrative Services Fees." Thornburg's services to the Fund are supervised by the Trustees of Thornburg Investment Trust.

Fund Portfolio Managers

Portfolio management at Thornburg is a collaborative process that encourages contributions from across Thornburg's investment team. The portfolio managers of the Fund typically act in concert in making investment decisions for the Fund, but any portfolio manager may act alone in making an investment decision. Although the Fund's named portfolio managers are primarily responsible for day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio, those portfolio managers may be assisted by other members of Thornburg's investment team, including investment analysts, assistant or associate portfolio managers, and portfolio managers for other Thornburg Funds.

Ben Kirby, cfa, a managing director of Thornburg, has been one of the portfolio managers jointly and primarily responsible for management of the Fund since its inception. Mr. Kirby has also served as a portfolio manager of the Thornburg Investment Income Builder Fund since 2013 and a portfolio manager of Thornburg Developing World Fund since 2015. Mr. Kirby joined Thornburg in 2008 as an equity research analyst, and was promoted to associate portfolio manager in 2011. Mr. Kirby holds an MBA from Duke University and a BA in computer science from Fort Lewis College. Prior to graduate school, Mr. Kirby was a software engineer at Pinnacle Business Systems in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Jeff Klingelhofer, CFA, a managing director of Thornburg, has been one of the portfolio managers jointly and primarily responsible for management of the Fund since its inception. Mr. Klingelhofer has also served as a portfolio manager of the Thornburg Limited Term U.S. Government Fund, Thornburg Low Duration Income Fund, Thornburg Limited Term Income Fund, and Thornburg Strategic Income Fund since 2015. Mr. Klingelhofer joined Thornburg in 2010 and was named a managing director in 2015. Mr. Klingelhofer holds an MBA from The University of Chicago's Booth School of Business and a BA in economics with a minor in business from The University of California at Irvine. Before joining Thornburg, Mr. Klingelhofer worked for four years at PIMCO, where he was responsible for monitoring portfolio leverage and risk tolerances.

Additional information about portfolio managers, including other accounts they manage, the determination of their compensation, and investments they have in the Fund, is included in the Statement of Additional Information.

Investment Advisory and Administrative Services Fees

Investment Advisory Fees

The investment advisory fee rate for the Fund is a blended rate that is calculated in accordance with the following breakpoint schedules, and which will therefore decrease as the Fund's assets increase and increase as the Fund's assets decrease:

NET ASSETS OF FUND	ADVISORY FEE RATE
0 to \$500 million	0.750%
\$500 million up to \$1 billion	0.700%
\$1 billion up to \$1.5 billion	0.650%
\$1.5 billion up to \$2 billion	0.625%
Over \$2 billion	0.600%

Administrative Services Fees

The administrative services fee payable by the Fund is computed as an annual percentage of the aggregate average daily net assets of all share classes of all of the Thornburg Funds of the Trust, at a blended rate calculated in accordance with the following breakpoint schedule, and which will therefore decrease as the Trust's assets increase, and increase as the Trust's assets decrease:

NET ASSETS OF THE TRUST	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FEE RATE
0 to \$20 billion	0.100%
\$20 billion to \$40 billion	0.075%
\$40 billion to \$60 billion	0.040%
Over \$60 billion	0.030%

Fee Waivers and Expense Reimbursements

Thornburg may from time to time contractually agree to waive fees or reimburse expenses incurred by the Fund, or by certain classes of shares of the Fund, so that the total annual operating expenses of that Fund or class do not exceed a specified percentage of average daily net assets (an "expense cap"). For additional information about whether your Fund, or any share class thereof, is currently the subject of a contractual fee waiver and expense reimbursement agreement, see the Fund's Annual Fund Operating Expenses table, and the footnotes thereto, in the first part of this Prospectus. Thornburg may recoup fees waived or expenses reimbursed in any fiscal year if, during that same fiscal year, the Fund's total annual operating expenses fall below the expense cap that was in place at the time that those fees or expenses were waived or reimbursed. Thornburg will not recoup fees or expenses as described in the preceding sentence if that recoupment would cause the Fund's total annual operating expenses (after the recoupment is taken into account) to exceed the lesser of: (a) the expense cap that was in place at the time the waiver or reimbursement occurred; or (b) the expense cap that is in place at the time of the recoupment. Fee waivers or reimbursement of expenses for the Fund or a class of the Fund will boost its performance, and recoupment of waivers or reimbursements will reduce its performance.

Pricing Fund Shares

The Fund is open for business each day the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) is open. The Fund normally calculates its net asset value (“NAV”) for each class of shares as of the close of business of the NYSE, usually 4 p.m. Eastern Time. The Fund does not calculate its NAV on days when the NYSE is closed. The NAV of each class of shares of the Fund is calculated by adding the value of all of the assets attributable to that class, subtracting the liabilities attributable to that class, and then dividing that result by the number of shares of that class that are outstanding.

For purposes of calculating the NAV of each class of shares of the Fund, the assets attributable to that class are valued each business day in accordance with the Trust’s valuation policies and procedures. Pursuant to those policies and procedures, securities and other portfolio investments which are listed or traded on a United States securities exchange are valued at the last reported sale price on the valuation date. Investments listed or traded on an exchange for which there has been no sale that day are valued at the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices on that valuation date. Portfolio investments reported by NASDAQ are valued at the official closing price on the valuation date. If an investment is traded on more than one exchange, the investment is considered traded on the exchange that is normally the primary market for that investment. Securities and other portfolio investments which are listed or traded on exchanges outside the United States are valued at the last price or the closing price of the investment on the exchange that is normally the primary market for the investment, as of the close of the exchange preceding the Fund’s valuation date. Foreign investments listed or traded on an exchange for which there has been no sale that day are valued at the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices on that valuation date. Debt obligations held by the Fund have a primary market over the counter and are valued by an independent pricing service approved by Trustees of the Trust. Commercial paper with a remaining maturity of 60 days or less is valued by Thornburg at amortized cost, subject to regular confirmation through the use of valuations obtained from the Fund’s custodian or an independent pricing service.

In any case when a market quotation is not readily available for a portfolio investment ordinarily valued by market quotation, Thornburg’s valuation and pricing committee calculates a fair value for the investment using alternative methods approved by the Trust’s Audit Committee. A market quotation is not readily available when the primary market or exchange for the investment is not open for the entire scheduled day of trading. Market quotations for an investment also may not be readily available if developments after the most recent close of the investment’s primary exchange or market, but prior to the close of business on any Fund business day, or an unusual event or significant period of time occurring since the availability of a market quotation, create a serious question concerning the reliability of the most recent market quotation available for the investment. In particular, on days when market volatility thresholds established by the Trust’s Audit Committee are exceeded, foreign equity investments held by the Fund may be valued using alternative methods.

In any case when a pricing service provider fails to provide a valuation for a debt obligation held by the Fund, Thornburg’s valuation and pricing committee calculates a fair value for the obligation using alternative methods under procedures approved by the Trust’s Audit Committee. Additionally, in cases when management believes that a valuation obtained from a pricing service provider merits review for significant reasons, Thornburg’s valuation and pricing committee decides whether or not to use the valuation calculated by the pricing service provider or to use an alternative method approved by the Audit Committee to calculate a fair value for the obligation.

In instances when Thornburg’s valuation and pricing committee assists in calculating a fair value for a portfolio investment, that committee seeks to determine the price that the Fund would reasonably expect to receive upon a sale of the investment in an orderly transaction between market participants on the valuation date. The valuation and pricing committee customarily utilizes quotations from securities broker dealers in calculating such valuations, but also may utilize prices obtained from pricing service providers or other methods approved by the Trust’s Audit Committee. Because fair values calculated by the valuation and pricing committee are estimates, the calculation of a value for an investment may differ from the price that would be realized by the Fund upon a sale of the investment, and the difference could be material to the Fund’s financial statements. The calculation of a fair value for an investment may also differ from the prices obtained by other persons (including other mutual funds) for the investment.

When you purchase or sell Fund shares, those shares are priced at the NAV next determined after your order is received in proper form. If a purchase or sale order is provided on your behalf by a financial intermediary that is authorized to transmit such orders, or by an authorized designee of that financial intermediary, then the order will generally be deemed to have been received by the Fund at the time that the order was first received in proper form by your intermediary or its designee. If you hold your shares directly, instead of through a financial intermediary, purchase or sale orders will generally be deemed to have been received by the Fund at the time that the order was first received in proper form by the Fund’s Transfer Agent.

Additional Information

Important General Information

To open an account to purchase shares of the Fund, complete and sign an account application and give it, along with your check, to your financial intermediary. If there is no application accompanying this Prospectus, please call 1-800-847-0200.

You may purchase additional Fund shares in an existing account through your financial intermediary, by mailing a check made payable to Thornburg Investment Trust, or by wire. If you wish to add to an account by wire, telephone 1-800-847-0200 for wiring instructions. You may also add to an existing account through the Fund's Automatic Investment Plan, which is described in more detail below.

Before opening an account to purchase Fund shares, please note the following:

- Shares of the Fund are generally only available for purchase by those U.S. citizens, resident aliens, and U.S. entities that have an address in the U.S. or its territories (including U.S. military or diplomatic addresses) and a valid U.S. social security or employer identification number.
- Investment minimums may be applicable to the purchase of Fund shares. Information about investment minimums is available for the Fund under the caption "Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares" in the front portion of this Prospectus. Please note that if you purchase your shares through a financial intermediary, the intermediary may impose its own investment minimums.
- Federal law requires us to obtain, verify and record information which identifies each person who opens an account. When you open an account, you will be asked to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security or tax identification number and other information identifying you. Furthermore, legal entity customers may be asked to provide verification and identification information about their ultimate beneficial owners and control persons. We are required to reject any new account application if the required information is not provided.
- When you open an account, you will also be asked to certify that you are not subject to backup withholding for failing to report income to the IRS. If you violate IRS regulations, the IRS can require the Fund to withhold a portion of your taxable distributions and redemption proceeds. See the Statement of Additional Information for further details about backup withholding.
- The Fund reserves the right to suspend the offering of shares for a period of time. The Fund also reserves the right to reject any specific purchase order.
- If you open or add to your Fund account yourself rather than through your financial intermediary, please note the following:
 - All purchases must be made in U.S. dollars and checks must be drawn on U.S. banks.
 - Except in limited situations at Thornburg's sole discretion, the Fund does not accept cash or cash equivalents. For this purpose, cash equivalents include, but are not limited to, cashier's checks, official bank checks, money orders, traveler's checks, and credit card checks.
 - If your check does not clear, your purchase will be cancelled and you could be liable for any losses or fees the Fund or its Transfer Agent has incurred.

Thornburg's telephone representatives are available Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time. If you call during these times, you can speak with someone equipped to provide the information or service you need.

Statements and reports sent to you include the following:

- Transaction confirmation statements;
- Quarterly account statements; and
- Financial reports (every six months).

You will not receive a separate confirmation for Fund share transactions made pursuant to a periodic investment and withdrawal program, such as a dividend reinvestment plan or automatic investment plan. Instead, those periodic transactions will be confirmed on your monthly or quarterly account statement.

Thornburg's Website on the Internet provides you with helpful information 24 hours a day, at www.thornburg.com.

Shareholders should note that certain methods of contacting Thornburg may be unavailable or delayed following a natural disaster, cybersecurity incident, or other force majeure event.

Purchases by Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plans

In general, employer-sponsored retirement plans are not eligible to purchase the classes of shares offered in this Prospectus. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an employer-sponsored retirement plan would be eligible to purchase Class A or Class I shares if The plan's administrator or sponsor has established an account through which Class A or Class I shares may be purchased, or otherwise entered into an arrangement with Thornburg or TSC allowing for the purchase of such shares, before July 1, 2007.

For this purpose, employer-sponsored retirement plans include: group profit sharing and money purchase pension plans; defined benefit plans and nonqualified deferred compensation plans; and plans described in Sections 401(k), 403(b) and 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include: retail non-retirement accounts; individual retirement accounts ("IRAs"); Roth IRAs; SIMPLE IRAs; individual profit sharing plans; individual 403(b) plans; Simplified Employee Pensions ("SEPs"); SAR-SEPs; 529 tuition programs; Coverdell Educational Savings Accounts; health savings accounts; individual 401(k) plans; and 401(k) plans that are not administered by a professional plan administrator or where the plan administrator is not set up to administer Class R shares (i.e., small employer 401(k) plans). Accordingly, the foregoing investors are generally eligible to purchase the classes of shares described in this Prospectus, subject to applicable investment minimums.

Purchasing and Holding Shares through a Financial Intermediary

You may purchase your Fund shares through a financial intermediary, such as a securities broker-dealer, a bank, trust company or other financial institution, or an organization that provides recordkeeping services to employer-sponsored retirement plans and employee benefit plans. The intermediary will typically provide a range of services for your convenience, which may include holding Fund shares of record for the investor, issuing account statements, executing transactions, distributing dividends and redemption proceeds, and assisting with tax reporting.

Financial intermediaries that offer shares of the Fund are not agents or otherwise acting on behalf of the Fund, Thornburg, the Fund's distributor, Thornburg Securities Corporation ("TSC"), or the Fund's Transfer Agent, and none of those persons audit the operations of such financial intermediaries. You are responsible for selecting the intermediary, and none of the Fund, Thornburg, TSC, or the Fund's Transfer Agent are responsible for errors or omissions by such financial intermediaries, including failures or delays in crediting the investor for dividends or redemption proceeds, errors in account statements or other reports, errors in executing purchases or sales of shares, delays in reports, electronic hacking or other cyber events affecting your account with an intermediary, or for any loss to you due to a failure or insolvency of the intermediary, the intermediary's loss of property or funds, or other acts or omissions by the intermediary. You should therefore exercise care in selecting a financial intermediary.

If you purchase Fund shares through a financial intermediary, note that the intermediary may impose a charge or fee for that service, the amounts of which may differ depending on the class of shares that you own, the identity of the financial intermediary, how you hold your Fund shares, and other factors. The intermediary may also impose investment minimums or purchase procedures that differ from those described in this Prospectus. Please confer with your financial intermediary to discuss those topics.

Financial intermediaries may also receive certain payments from the Fund, Thornburg, or TSC in respect of the purchase and sale of Fund shares and as compensation for shareholder support and account maintenance services. See "Compensation to Financial Intermediaries" below for more information.

The Fund Offers Different Share Classes

General Information about Fund Share Classes

The specific share classes that may be offered by the Fund through this Prospectus are described for the Fund in the first part of the Prospectus. Each of the Fund's shares represents an equal undivided interest in the Fund's assets, and each share class of the Fund has the same investment goal and a common investment portfolio. However, each share class has varying annual expenses and sales charge structures, which will affect performance.

Financial intermediaries that offer Fund shares to their customers determine which share classes to make available, and are responsible for advising you as to which of those share classes is appropriate for you. Financial intermediaries may receive different compensation for selling different classes of shares. If you are investing in Fund shares through a financial intermediary, you should contact your intermediary to obtain information respecting the different share classes of the Fund. You can also obtain more information about the Fund's shares by contacting TSC at 1-800-847-0200.

Certain information about each share class, including a summary of the sales charge and expense structure of each class, is included in the following table. Additional information about each share class, including the circumstances under which the sales charges for a given class may be reduced or waived, is provided after the table under the heading that is specific to each such class, and on the Thornburg website at www.thornburg.com.

	CLASS A SHARES*	CLASS I SHARES
Front-End Sales Charge	Maximum 4.50%.	None
Contingent Deferred Sales Charge	None (except in certain cases for purchases of \$1 million or more)	None
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.25%	None (but see "Other Information," below)
Automatic Conversion to Another Share Class	No	No
Other Information	The front-end sales load may be reduced or waived under certain circumstances, as described below under the caption "Information about Class A Shares."	Higher investment minimums apply to individuals purchasing Class I shares. Class I shares are potentially subject to a 0.25% 12b-1 fee, but the Fund's distributor has advised that it has no current intention to seek any 12b-1 payment from the Class I shares.

*Class A shares are not currently available for purchase.

Information about Class A Shares

Class A shares are not currently available for purchase.

Class A shares are sold subject to a front-end sales charge. The sales charge is deducted from the offering price when you purchase shares, and the balance is invested at the NAV next determined after your order is received in proper form. The sales charge is shown in the table below. The offering price for a Class A share is the NAV of that share plus the applicable front-end sales charge. The sales charge is not imposed on shares that are purchased with reinvested dividends or other distributions.

Class A shares are also subject to a Rule 12b-1 Service Plan, which provides for the Fund's payment to TSC, or to such other persons as TSC may direct, of up to 0.25% of the class's average annual net assets each year, for expenses incurred by TSC, or by other persons at the request or direction of TSC or the Trust, for shareholder and distribution-related services. Because this fee is paid out of the class's assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment and may cost more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class A Shares Total Sales Charge

	AS PERCENTAGE OF		AMOUNT RETAINED BY SELLING DEALER (AS A PERCENTAGE OF OFFERING PRICE)*
	OFFERING PRICE	NET ASSET VALUE	
Less than \$50,000	4.50%	4.71%	4.00%
\$50,000 to 99,999.99	4.00%	4.17%	3.50%
\$100,000 to 249,999.99	3.50%	3.63%	3.00%
\$250,000 to \$499,999.99	3.00%	3.09%	2.00%
\$500,000 to 999,999.99	2.00%	2.04%	1.50%
\$1,000,000 and over**	None	None	None

* At certain times, for specific periods, TSC may reallocate up to the full sales charge to all dealers who sell Fund shares. These "full reallocations" may be based upon the dealer reaching specific minimum sales goals. TSC will reallocate the full sales charge only after notifying all dealers who sell Fund shares. During such periods, dealers may be considered underwriters under securities laws.

** There is no sales charge on investments of \$1 million or more made by a purchaser, but a contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") will be imposed on any part or all of such an investment which is redeemed within 12 months of purchase. The CDSC is 1% for the Fund, and may be subject to waiver or reduction under the circumstances described in the Statement of Additional Information. TSC intends to pay a commission to financial intermediaries who place an order for a single purchaser for the Fund of up to 1% for any portion of that order from \$1 million to \$2 million, up to 0.70% for any portion of that order exceeding \$2 million up to \$4 million, and up to 0.50% for any portion of that order exceeding \$4 million. Payment of any such commission is subject to certain restrictions described in the Statement of Additional Information.

If you are among the classes of investors who can buy Class A shares at net asset value or at a reduced sales charge, but you are not eligible to purchase Class I shares, you should consider buying Class A shares. If you are planning a large purchase or purchases under the Rights of Accumulation or Letter of Intent (as described below), you should consider if your overall costs will be lower by buying Class A shares, particularly if you plan to hold your shares for an extended period of time.

Letters of Intent

If you intend to invest, over the course of 13 or fewer months, an amount of money in Class A shares that would qualify for a reduced sales charge if it were made in one investment, you can qualify for the reduced sales charge on the entire amount of your investment by signing a Letter of Intent ("LOI") and delivering the signed LOI to your financial intermediary. An LOI is a nonbinding commitment to purchase shares of the Fund over a 13-month period. In exchange for making that nonbinding commitment, each purchase of Class A shares of the Fund made in your qualifying accounts (as defined below) during the 13-month period after you deliver the signed LOI to your financial intermediary will be charged the same reduced sales charge that would have applied if you had purchased all of those Fund shares in a single transaction. If you already owned Fund shares in your qualifying accounts before entering into the LOI, the value of those previously owned shares will be counted toward your LOI commitment, but reduced sales charges will not apply retroactively to your purchases of those previously owned shares.

You do not have to reach the goal you set in your LOI. If you do not meet that goal by the end of the 13-month period, you will have to pay the difference between the sales charge you would have paid and the sales charge you did pay. You may pay this amount directly to TSC, or TSC will redeem a sufficient number of Fund shares from your qualifying accounts to obtain the difference. Note that Fund shares purchased through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions are not considered in determining whether you have met the goal set in your LOI.

The LOI that you deliver to your financial intermediary must reference all qualifying accounts to which the LOI will apply. "Qualifying accounts" include:

- Accounts under your name (alone or with other accountholders) with your federal tax identification number, shown on the Fund's records as opened by the same financial advisor or firm through which you are making your current purchase of Class A shares; and
- Accounts under the name of persons in your household having the same mailing address as identified in your account application and opened by the same financial intermediary through which you are making your current purchase of Class A shares.

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If a qualifying account is not referenced in the LOI, the value of the shares in that qualifying account will not be considered in determining whether you have met your LOI goal.

If you die within the 13-month period of your LOI, your commitment under the LOI will be deemed to have been met. Dealer commissions will not be adjusted or paid on any difference between what the shareholder intended to invest under the LOI and what was actually invested.

Rights of Accumulation

You may qualify for a reduced sales charge under Rights of Accumulation when your current purchase of Class A shares of the Fund, added to the value of the Class A shares of all Thornburg Funds in your qualifying accounts (as defined above), passes one of the sales charge breakpoints displayed in the sales charge table for Class A shares shown above.

If you believe you qualify for a reduced sales charge under Rights of Accumulation, you should notify your financial intermediary at the time of your purchase.

Please note that the discounts available through an LOI or Rights of Accumulation will not apply to Fund shares that are held through financial intermediaries other than the financial intermediary through which you are making your current purchase of Fund shares, nor do those discounts apply to Fund shares held in Thornburg Investment Management Accounts or in employer-sponsored retirement plans.

Class A Sales Charge Waivers

If you are among the categories of investors described below, you are eligible to purchase Class A shares without any front-end sales charge, provided that you purchase those shares directly from the Fund and provided that you notify TSC or the Fund's Transfer Agent of your eligibility for the sales charge waiver.

Please note that certain financial intermediaries may impose sales charge waivers or discounts that differ from what is described below. Such intermediary-specific sales charge variations are described in Appendix A of this Prospectus. Please contact your financial intermediary prior to your purchase of Class A shares to notify the intermediary of any relationship or other facts that you believe may qualify you for a waiver of the front-end sales load, and to learn more information about the waivers offered by your intermediary.

- **A Shareholder Who Redeemed Class A Shares of the Fund** – For ninety days after such a redemption you will pay no sales charge on amounts that you reinvest in Class A shares of the Fund and through the same account, up to the dollar amount you previously redeemed.
- **An Officer, Trustee, Director, or Employee of Thornburg** (or any investment company managed by Thornburg), TSC, any affiliated Thornburg Company, the Fund's Custodian bank or Transfer Agent and members of their families, including trusts established for the benefit of the foregoing.
- **Employees of Brokerage Firms** who are members in good standing with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"); employees of financial planning firms who place orders for the Fund through a member in good standing with FINRA; the families of both types of employees. Orders must be placed through a FINRA member firm who has signed an agreement with TSC to sell Fund shares.
- **Customers** of bank trust departments, companies with trust powers, investment broker dealers and investment advisors who charge fees for services, including investment broker dealers who utilize wrap fee or similar arrangements. Accounts established through these persons are subject to conditions, fees and restrictions imposed by these persons.
- **Investors Purchasing \$1 Million or More** – However, a contingent deferred sales charge of 1% for the Fund applies to shares redeemed within one year of purchase. This contingent deferred sales charge may be waived or reduced under the circumstances described in the Statement of Additional Information.
- **Those Persons Who Are Determined by the Trustees of the Fund** to have acquired their shares under special circumstances not involving any sales expenses to the Fund or TSC.

- **Purchases Placed Through a Broker that Maintains One or More Omnibus Accounts with the Fund** provided that such purchases are made by: (i) investment advisors or financial planners who place trades for their own accounts or the accounts of their clients and who charge a management, consulting or other fee for their services; or (ii) clients of such investment advisors or financial planners who place trades for their own accounts if the accounts are linked to the master account of such investment advisor or financial planner on the books and records of the broker or agent. Investors may be charged a fee if they effect transactions in Fund shares through a broker or agent.
- **Purchases by an Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plan**, provided that plans are only eligible to purchase Class A shares under certain limited circumstances. See “Important General Information; Purchases by Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plans” above for more information.
- **Purchases Placed through Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts**, provided that such accounts are held with a financial intermediary that TSC has agreed may offer Class A shares through a load-waived investing platform. Investors may be charged a transaction fee by the intermediary for placing orders through such accounts.

Information about Class I Shares

Class I shares are sold with no initial sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge at the NAV per share next determined after your purchase order is received in proper form. Class I shares are also subject to a Rule 12b-1 Service Plan, which permits the Fund to pay TSC, or such other persons TSC may direct, for expenses incurred by TSC, or by other persons at the request or direction of TSC or the Trust, for shareholder and distribution-related services. The maximum annual payment under the plan is 0.25% of the class’s average annual net assets, but TSC has advised that it has no current intention to seek any payment under the plan for Class I shares. Because this fee is paid out of the class’s assets, payment of the fee on an ongoing basis would increase the costs of your investment and might cost more than paying other types of sales charges.

Class I shares of the Fund are available to the following investors:

- Investors who purchase their shares through a fee-based advisory program with a financial intermediary;
- Investors who purchase their shares through a brokerage platform with a financial intermediary that is acting as an agent for the investor, provided that the intermediary has entered into an agreement with TSC that authorizes the intermediary to offer Class I shares within that platform;
- Certain employer-sponsored retirement plans, as described above under the heading “Purchases by Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plans;”
- Investors who satisfy the \$2,500,000 investment minimum described in the first part of this Prospectus;
- Employees, officers, trustees and directors of the Fund or Thornburg company, the families of such persons, and trusts established for the benefit of such persons or their families; and
- Investors who are determined under procedures established by the Trustees to have acquired their Class I shares under special circumstances not involving any sales expenses to the Fund or TSC and not involving any expected administrative services exceeding the services customarily provided for Class I shares.

As described above under “Purchasing and Holding Shares through a Financial Intermediary,” investors who purchase Fund shares through a financial intermediary may be charged additional fees by that intermediary. For example, investors that transact in Class I shares through a brokerage platform with an intermediary may be required to pay a commission or other forms of compensation to that intermediary.

Investors who hold Class I shares of the Fund through a fee-based program, but who subsequently become ineligible to participate in the program or withdraw from the program, may be subject to conversion of their Class I shares by their program provider to another class of shares of the Fund having expenses (including Rule 12b-1 fees) that may be higher than the expenses of the Class I shares. Investors should contact their program provider to obtain information about their eligibility for the provider’s program and the class of shares they would receive upon such a conversion.

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Adding to Your Account

Automatic Investment Plan

One easy way to pursue your financial goals is to invest money regularly, which you can do by signing up for the Fund's Automatic Investment Plan. Under this plan, shareholders with existing accounts in the Fund can arrange for a predetermined amount of money to be withdrawn from their bank account and invested in the Fund's shares at periodic intervals. The minimum amount that can be invested in the Fund at each periodic interval is \$100, unless you are investing through a financial intermediary that specifies a different minimum. Regular investment plans do not guarantee a profit and will not protect you against loss in a declining market. Certain restrictions apply for retirement accounts. Please contact your financial intermediary or telephone Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200 for more information or to set up an automatic investment plan.

Exchanging Fund Shares

As a shareholder you have the privilege of exchanging shares of any class of a Thornburg Fund for shares of the same class of another Thornburg Fund. Before exchanging shares, please note the following

- The Thornburg Fund you are exchanging into must be qualified for sale in your state.
- You may only exchange between accounts that are registered in the same name, address, and taxpayer identification number.
- Before exchanging into a Thornburg Fund, read the Prospectus for that Fund.
- Exchanges will be treated as a sale of your shares for tax purposes and, therefore, an exchange may have tax consequences for you. See "Taxes" below for more information.
- Each Thornburg Fund reserves the right to refuse any exchange, or temporarily or permanently terminate or modify your exchange privilege for any reason, including if, in Thornburg's judgment, the Fund would be unable to invest the money effectively in accordance with its investment goal and policies, the Fund receives or anticipates simultaneous orders affecting significant portions of the Fund's assets, exchanges appear to coincide with a market timing strategy, or if Thornburg believes the Fund otherwise may be adversely affected. Accounts under common ownership or control, including accounts with the same taxpayer identification number, will be counted together for this purpose.
- Termination of the exchange privilege or refusal of any exchange does not restrict a shareholder's right to redeem shares of any Thornburg Fund.

If you are exchanging your Fund shares through a financial intermediary, note that the intermediary may impose a charge or fee for that service, and may impose other restrictions or apply other procedures to your redemption. Please confer with your financial intermediary to discuss those topics.

The Fund reserves the right to terminate or modify the exchange privilege in the future.

Selling Fund Shares

General Information about Fund Share Redemptions

You can withdraw money from your Fund account at any time by redeeming some or all of your shares, either by selling them back to the Fund or by selling the shares through your financial intermediary.

Your shares will be redeemed by the Fund at the NAV per share next determined after your order is received in proper form. If the shares that you are redeeming are subject to a contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC"), the amount of the CDSC will be deducted and the remaining proceeds sent to you. No CDSC is imposed on the amount by which the value of a share may have appreciated. No CDSC is imposed on shares obtained through reinvestment of dividends or capital gains. Shares not subject to a CDSC will be redeemed first. For more information about CDSCs that may be applicable to your shares, see "The Fund Offers Different Share Classes," above.

Payment for redeemed shares normally will be made by the Fund's Transfer Agent the next business day, and in most cases within seven days, after receipt of a properly executed request for redemption. However, the Fund may hold payment on redemptions until it is reasonably satisfied that any investment previously made by check has been collected, which can take

up to 15 business days. Additionally, if you hold your shares directly with the Fund, the Fund's Transfer Agent is permitted to place a temporary hold on the disbursement of redemption proceeds to you if: (a) you are a natural person age 65 or older, or a natural person age 18 and older who the Transfer Agent reasonably believes has a mental or physical impairment that renders you unable to protect your own interests; and (b) the Transfer Agent has a reasonable belief that the redemption request is part of a scheme to financially exploit you. No interest is accrued or paid on amounts represented by uncashed distribution or redemption checks.

The Fund may suspend the right of redemption and may postpone payment when the New York Stock Exchange is closed for other than weekends or holidays, or if permitted by rules of the SEC during an emergency which makes it impractical for the Fund to dispose of its securities or fairly to determine net asset value, or during any other period specified by the SEC in a rule or order for the protection of investors.

Redemption proceeds are normally paid in cash. The Fund generally expects to meet redemption requests out of its holdings of cash, or by selling portfolio investments to generate cash to meet those requests. If considered appropriate by Thornburg, and subject to terms and conditions approved by the Trustees, the Fund may pay redemption proceeds in portfolio securities rather than cash.

Redeeming Shares through a Financial Intermediary

You may sell your Fund shares through a financial intermediary. If you do so, note that the intermediary may impose a charge or fee for that service, and may impose other restrictions or apply other procedures to your redemption. Please confer with your financial intermediary to discuss those topics.

Redeeming Shares Directly with the Fund

You may use any of the following methods to submit a redemption request directly to the Fund rather than through a financial intermediary:

- **Written Instructions.** Mail your instructions to the Fund's Transfer Agent at the address shown on the back cover page of this Prospectus. Your instructions should include: your name; the Fund's name; your account number; the dollar amount or number of shares to be redeemed; a Medallion signature guarantee stamp, if required (see "Medallion Signature Guarantee" below for additional information); and your signature (see "Signature Requirements" below for additional information).
- **Telephone Redemption.** If you completed the telephone redemption section of your account application when you first purchased your Fund shares, you may redeem your shares by telephoning Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200. If you did not complete the telephone redemption section of your application when you first purchased your shares, you may add this feature by completing a telephone redemption application, which you can obtain by calling 1-800-847-0200. If you redeem your shares by telephone, you can have the redemption proceeds sent to you by wire, by Automated Clearing House transfer to the bank account designated on your account application, or by check. The minimum wire redemption amount is \$1,000, and the minimum check redemption amount is \$50. Telephone redemptions sent by wire will generally be credited to your bank account on the business day after your shares are redeemed.

Neither the Fund, Thornburg, TSC, or the Fund's Transfer Agent will be responsible for confirming the authenticity of instructions provided by telephone, nor for any loss, liability, cost or expense associated with acting upon such telephone instructions, provided that reasonable procedures are followed to identify the caller, which may include recording of telephone transactions, sending written confirmation of such transactions to you, and requesting certain information to confirm the identity of the caller at the time of the transaction. Accordingly, by electing to use telephone redemption you give up a measure of security, and may bear the risk of losses, that you may not otherwise have if you redeem shares only through written instructions. To mitigate those risks, we recommend that you verify the accuracy of each telephone transaction immediately after you receive your confirmation statement for that transaction.

If you are redeeming some but not all of your shares, leave at least \$1,000 worth of shares in the account to keep it open. The Fund reserves the right to redeem the shares of any shareholder whose shares have a combined net asset value of less than \$1,000. No CDSC will be imposed on such a mandatory redemption. The Fund will notify the shareholder before performing the redemption and allow the shareholder at least 30 days to make an additional investment and increase the account to the stated minimum. The Fund will not redeem an account which falls below the minimum solely due to market fluctuations.

Additional Information

Medallion Signature Guarantees

If any of the following situations apply to a redemption request that you submit in writing to the Fund, your request may require a Medallion Signature Guarantee, which is intended to protect you and the Fund from fraud.

- You wish to redeem more than \$25,000 worth of shares and did not elect to add telephone redemption privileges to your account.
- The check is being mailed to a different address than the one on your account (record address).
- The check is being made payable to someone other than the account owner.
- The redemption proceeds are being transferred to a Fund account with a different registration.
- The redemption proceeds are otherwise being transferred differently than your account record authorizes.

You must obtain a Medallion signature guarantee from a bank, broker dealer, credit union (if authorized under state law), securities exchange or association, clearing agency, savings association or participant in the Securities Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP"). The STAMP Medallion imprint is the only signature guarantee that will be accepted. A notary public cannot provide a Medallion signature guarantee.

If you are redeeming shares through your financial intermediary, you should contact that intermediary to determine whether Medallion signature guarantee requirements may apply.

Signature Requirements

The following signature requirements apply to a redemption request that you submit in writing to the Fund.

- **Individual, Joint Tenants, Tenants in Common, Sole Proprietor, or General Partner.** Instructions must be signed by all persons required to sign for transactions, exactly as their names appear on the account.
- **UGMA or UTMA.** Instructions must be signed by the custodian exactly as the custodian's name appears on the account.
- **Trust.** Instructions must be signed by the trustee, showing the trustee's capacity.
- **Corporation or Association.** Instructions must be signed by a person authorized to sign on the account. Please include a copy of corporate resolution authorizing the signer to act.
- **IRA or Retirement Account.** An IRA Distribution Request Form can be obtained by telephoning Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200 or at https://www.thornburg.com/pdf/TH1964_Distribution.pdf.
- **Coverdell Education Savings Account.** A Coverdell Distribution Request Form can be obtained by telephoning Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200 or at https://www.thornburg.com/pdf/TH2836_CoverdellDistribution_form.pdf.
- **Executor, Administrator, Conservator, or Guardian.** Telephone 1-800-847-0200.

If you are redeeming shares through your financial intermediary, you should contact that intermediary to determine what signature requirements may apply.

Systematic Withdrawal Plan

Systematic withdrawal plans let you set up periodic redemptions from your account. The minimum periodic redemption amount under a systematic withdrawal plan is \$50. Because of the sales charge on Class A shares of the Fund, you may not want to set up a systematic withdrawal plan during a period when you are buying Class A shares of the same Fund on a regular basis. Please contact your financial intermediary or telephone Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200 for more information or to set up a systematic withdrawal plan.

Orphaned Accounts

Please note that all accounts that hold Fund shares must identify a registered broker-dealer or other financial intermediary who represents you, the Fund's shareholder. If the relationship between you and your financial intermediary is terminated, or if the relationship between your financial intermediary and the Fund's distributor, TSC, is terminated, your account would be considered an "orphaned account." If TSC determines that your account is an orphaned account, TSC may, in its sole discretion take any one or more of the following actions: contact you at your address of record to request that you establish a relationship with a new financial intermediary; until such time as a new intermediary has been identified on your account, restrict all trade activity in your account except for the redemption of Fund shares; and redeem the holdings in your account and mail the proceeds to your address of record.

Inactive Accounts

Under certain states' laws, the assets within a financial account will be deemed to have been abandoned if the account is inactive for a specified period of time. The factors used to determine whether an account is inactive vary from state to state, but may include a shareholder's failure to cash a check, update his mailing address, or respond to Fund inquiries within the specified time period. For this purpose, your last known address of record with the Fund will determine which state has jurisdiction over your account. If the assets within your account are deemed to be abandoned in accordance with the relevant state's laws, the Fund may be legally obligated to transfer those assets to that state's unclaimed property administrator. You are responsible for ensuring that your account is not "abandoned" for purposes of these state escheatment laws, and neither the Fund nor its agents will be liable to you or your representatives for good faith compliance with those laws.

The State of Texas has enacted a law which allows Texas residents to designate a representative who can be contacted if the assets in your Fund account are at risk of being considered abandoned and turned over to the State. The designated representative will not have any rights or access to your mutual fund shares and will only receive notice if your property is deemed abandoned. If you are a resident of Texas and wish to designate such a representative, please complete the Unclaimed Property Designation of Representative form located on the website of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts at <https://comptroller.texas.gov/programs/claim-it/report/forms/index.php>, and return that completed form to the Fund.

Excessive Trading

Excessive trading of Fund shares in anticipation of short-term fluctuations in the market may make it very difficult to manage the Fund's investments and may hurt Fund performance and longer-term shareholders. When excessive trading occurs, the Fund's longer-term shareholders may experience diminished returns, and the Fund may have to sell portfolio securities or maintain higher cash balances to have the cash necessary to redeem the traders' shares. This can happen at a time when it is not advantageous to sell any securities or maintain cash balances, which may harm the Fund's performance. Additionally, purchases and sales of portfolio securities in response to excessive trading activity may increase the Fund's transaction costs.

Thornburg Investment Trust discourages excessive trading and does not accommodate trading it identifies as excessive. The Trustees have adopted policies and procedures intended to deter excessive trading where it may be potentially harmful to the Fund or its shareholders. Those policies and procedures delegate to Thornburg the task of monitoring trading activity in the Fund to identify excessive trading. In determining whether particular trading activity constitutes excessive trading, Thornburg may consider various factors, including the nature of securities held by the Fund (including whether any significant portion of the Fund's securities is traded on foreign exchanges, is thinly traded or is less liquid), the cash position of the Fund, and the risk to the Fund that frequent traders of its shares may take advantage of fluctuations in the values of the Fund's portfolio securities. There is no assurance that these procedures will be effective in all cases. Additionally, trade monitoring methods are by their nature subjective, and involve the exercise of judgment. Thornburg seeks to make these judgments uniformly and in a manner it believes is consistent with the Fund's investment goal and the interests of the shareholders who pursue that goal. These policies and procedures may be changed at any time, without notice.

Purchase orders (including the purchase side of an exchange transaction) may be restricted or refused by the Fund if, in Thornburg's judgment, the Fund would be unable to invest the money effectively in accordance with its investment goal and policies, the Fund receives or anticipates simultaneous orders affecting significant portions of the Fund's assets, the purchases appear to coincide with a market timing strategy, or if Thornburg believes the Fund otherwise may be adversely affected. Accounts believed by the Fund to be under common ownership or control, including accounts with the same tax identification number, may be counted together for this purpose. The Fund reserves the right to refuse purchase orders or exchanges into any Thornburg Fund by any person (including all participants in a retirement plan or omnibus account when any participants trade excessively).

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Many Fund shares are now held through financial intermediaries who hold shares for investors through omnibus accounts or other arrangements where Thornburg cannot identify the investors from the records of the Transfer Agent. Pursuant to applicable rules under the 1940 Act, the Trust, Thornburg or TSC will enter into an agreement with each firm that establishes omnibus accounts through which Fund shares are traded. Under the terms of those agreements, the omnibus accountholder agrees upon request to provide Thornburg with certain information regarding investors who trade in Fund shares through the omnibus account, and to restrict or prohibit further purchases or exchanges of Fund shares by any investor who Thornburg has identified as having engaged in excessive trading activity within the omnibus account. While the receipt of this information may help Thornburg monitor excessive trading activity, there is no assurance that all such activity within an omnibus account will be detected or terminated. The financial intermediaries who hold shares through omnibus accounts may also implement procedures, separate from the procedures that Thornburg implements, to monitor and restrict trading by their customers that the intermediaries perceive to be excessive.

Compensation to Financial Intermediaries

Sales charges that are paid to a financial intermediary when you buy or redeem Fund shares, if any, and amounts that could be paid by the Fund in connection with rule 12b-1 plans, if any, are displayed for the Fund under the caption "Fees and Expenses of the Fund" in the front portion of this Prospectus. Additional information about those sales charges and 12b-1 plan payments also appears above under the heading "The Fund Offers Different Share Classes." Although the rule 12b-1 Service Plan applicable to Class A shares of the Fund provides for the payment of up to 0.25% of the class's net assets each year, financial intermediaries who sell Class A shares of the Fund shall only be paid 0.10% of the value of those assets during the first year after the Class A shares are sold.

Thornburg and TSC may pay amounts from their own resources to financial intermediaries in connection with the financial intermediaries' marketing and promotion of Fund shares. These amounts may be in the form of commissions, finder's fees or similar cash incentives, "revenue sharing," marketing or advertising support, or payments to assist in transaction processing and administrative support. A financial intermediary may pay additional compensation to its representatives who sell Fund shares or to third party intermediaries with whom the financial intermediary has agreements to sell Fund shares. Thornburg or TSC also may provide non-cash compensation to financial intermediaries, including travel and lodging in connection with seminars or other educational programs. Because a financial intermediary may have a financial incentive to recommend a particular mutual fund to the intermediary's customers if the intermediary receives payments or other support from that fund's affiliates, investors who hold their Fund shares through a financial intermediary should consult with that intermediary and carefully review any disclosure by that intermediary respecting the intermediary's compensation.

The Fund may pay amounts to financial intermediaries to compensate those intermediaries for shareholder support and account maintenance services that the intermediaries provide to their customers who own Fund shares. The Fund may make such payments to the extent the services provided by these financial intermediaries replace services which would otherwise be provided by the Fund's transfer agent or other persons hired directly by the Fund. The services provided by these financial intermediaries may include account administration, recordkeeping, subaccounting and subtransfer agency, transaction processing, and distribution of Fund prospectuses, shareholder reports and other information. Thornburg also may pay amounts from its own resources to financial intermediaries for those services. In certain circumstances, these amounts will not be paid to financial intermediaries in respect of accounts the value of which has decreased below the applicable account minimum.

In addition to the amounts described above, some financial intermediaries may charge their account holders transaction fees, account or "wrap" fees and other amounts, which the investor can learn about by asking the investor's financial intermediary.

Dividends and Distributions

The Fund expects to distribute substantially all of their net investment income and realized net capital gains, if any, to shareholders each year. Net investment income of the Fund primarily consists of stock dividends (if it holds equity securities) and interest received on debt obligations (if it holds debt obligations), reduced by expenses of the Fund. Net capital gains are the gains realized by the Fund upon sales of investments, reduced by losses realized upon sale of investments. The Fund expects to declare and pay dividends from any net investment income quarterly. The Fund will distribute net realized capital gains, if any, at least annually. Capital gain distributions will normally be declared and payable in November.

Distribution Options

When you open an account, specify on your application how you want to receive your distributions. The Fund offers four options, which you can change at any time.

1. **Dividends from Net Investment Income: Reinvestment Option** – Your dividend distributions, if any, will be automatically invested in additional shares of the Fund at the next determined net asset value. If you do not indicate a choice on your application, you will be assigned this option. You may also instruct the Fund to invest your dividends in the shares of any other available Thornburg Fund.
2. **Dividends from Net Investment Income: Cash Option** – Your dividend distributions, if any, will be sent via ACH to the bank account designated on your account application, or sent to you by check. Checks are normally mailed on the third business day after the end of the period for which the distribution is made.
3. **Capital Gains: Reinvestment Option** – Your capital gain distributions, if any, will be automatically reinvested in additional shares of the Fund at the next determined net asset value. If you do not indicate a choice on your application, you will be assigned this option. You may also instruct the Fund to reinvest your capital gain distributions in shares of any other available Thornburg Fund.
4. **Capital Gains: Cash Option** – Your capital gain distributions, if any, will be sent via ACH to the bank account designated on your account application, or sent to you by check. Checks are normally mailed on the third business day after the end of the period for which the distribution is made.

Shares of the Fund purchased through reinvestment of dividend and capital gain distributions are not subject to sales charges or contingent deferred sales charges. No interest is accrued or paid on amounts represented by uncashed distribution checks.

Investors should consider the tax implications of buying shares in the Fund just before a distribution. The money the Fund earns from its dividend, interest, capital gains and other income is reflected in the Fund's share price until it distributes the money. At that time the distribution is deducted from the share price. If you buy shares just before the Fund makes a distribution (and, in particular, a capital gains distribution), you will get back some of your money as a taxable distribution.

When the Fund sells a security at a profit it realizes a capital gain. When it sells a security at a loss it realizes a capital loss. Whether you reinvest your capital gain distributions or take them in cash, the distribution is taxable. See "Taxes," below.

To minimize taxable capital gain distributions, the Fund will realize capital losses, if available, when, in the judgment of the portfolio manager, the integrity and income generating aspects of the portfolio would be unaffected by doing so.

Taxes

Federal Taxes – In General

Certain general aspects of federal income taxation of individual shareholders are discussed below. Aspects of investment by shareholders who are not individuals are addressed in a more limited manner. Prospective investors, and in particular persons who are not individuals or who hold Fund shares through individual retirement accounts or other tax-deferred accounts, should consult their own tax advisors concerning federal, state and local tax consequences respecting investments in the Fund.

Please note that, in addition to the taxes described below, a 3.8% Medicare contribution tax is imposed on the "net investment income" of individuals, estates, and trusts whose income exceeds certain threshold amounts. Net investment income generally includes for this purpose distributions of income dividends and capital gains paid by the Fund and otherwise includible in adjusted gross income, and capital gains recognized on the sale, redemption or exchange of Fund shares. Prospective investors should confer with their own tax advisors respecting this Medicare contribution tax.

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Federal Tax Treatment of Distributions

Distributions to shareholders representing net investment income, income realized upon amortization of market discount on debt obligations, net short-term capital gains, and net gains from certain foreign transactions, if any, generally are taxable to the shareholder as ordinary income, whether received in cash or additional shares. Subject to holding period requirements, the portion of distributions which is “qualified dividend income” because it is attributable to certain corporation dividends is taxed to noncorporate shareholders at reduced rates of federal income tax applicable to long-term capital gains. Distributions of net long-term capital gains, if any, will be treated as long-term capital gains by shareholders regardless of the length of time the shareholder has owned the shares, and whether received as cash or in additional shares.

Federal Tax Treatment of Sales or Redemptions of Shares

An investor’s redemption of Fund shares, or exchange of shares for shares of another Thornburg Fund, is generally a taxable transaction for federal income tax purposes, and the shareholder realizes gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the shareholder’s basis in the shares and the amount received on the redemption or exchange. Applicable law requires Thornburg to provide to both the shareholder and the Internal Revenue Service information about the cost basis and holding period of any Fund shares redeemed or sold in accounts specified by regulations for shares acquired by the shareholder on or after January 1, 2012 (“covered shares”). Information about the cost basis and holding period of covered shares will be reported to the shareholder and the Internal Revenue Service on Form 1099-B, and shareholders will be required to use that information when completing their annual federal income tax returns. Thornburg’s default method for calculating cost basis is the Average Cost method. For shareholders who hold their Fund shares through a financial intermediary, the intermediary may select a different default method for calculating cost basis. Shareholders who wish to elect a cost basis method other than the applicable default method should contact Thornburg at 1-800-847-0200 or their financial intermediary for instructions. The cost basis method elected by the shareholder or applied by default may not be changed for any sale or exchange of Fund shares after the settlement date of that sale or exchange. Thornburg offers no tax advice, and shareholders are advised to consult their own tax advisors respecting which cost basis method may be most appropriate for them.

State Taxes

The laws of the different states and local taxing authorities vary with respect to the taxation of distributions of net investment income and capital gains, and shareholders of the Fund are advised to consult their own tax advisors in that regard. Prospective investors are urged to confer with their own tax advisors for more detailed information concerning state tax consequences.

Financial Highlights

The financial highlights are not provided because the Fund had not commenced operations prior to the date of this Prospectus.

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Sales Charge Waivers Offered by Financial Intermediaries

The availability of certain initial or deferred sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on the particular financial intermediary or type of account through which you purchase or hold Fund shares.

Intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of front-end sales load waivers or contingent deferred (back-end) sales load (“CDSC”) waivers, which are discussed below. In all instances, it is the purchaser’s responsibility to notify the Fund or the purchaser’s financial intermediary at the time of purchase of any relationship or other facts qualifying the purchaser for sales charge waivers or discounts. For waivers and discounts not available through a particular intermediary, shareholders will have to purchase Fund shares directly from the Fund or through another intermediary to receive these waivers or discounts.

Ameriprise Financial

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Ameriprise Financial platform or account are eligible for the following front-end sales charge waivers, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund’s prospectus or SAI.

Class A Shares Front-End Sales Charge Waivers Available at Ameriprise Financial

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs.
- Shares purchased through an Ameriprise Financial investment advisory program (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Ameriprise Financial’s platform (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the same fund family).
- Employees and registered representatives of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates and their immediate family members.
- Shares purchased by or through qualified accounts (including IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, 401(k)s, 403(b) TSCAs subject to ERISA and defined benefit plans) that are held by a covered family member, defined as an Ameriprise financial advisor and/or the advisor’s spouse, advisor’s lineal ascendant (mother, father, grandmother, grandfather, great grandmother, great grandfather), advisor’s lineal descendant (son, step-son, daughter, step-daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson, great granddaughter) or any spouse of a covered family member who is a lineal descendant.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e. Rights of Reinstatement).

Merrill Lynch

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account will be eligible only for the following sales charge reductions and waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers), which differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or in the Fund’s SAI.

Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Merrill Lynch

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan

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- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan
- Shares purchased through a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Merrill Lynch's platform
- Shares of funds purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform (if applicable)
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family)
- Employees and registered representatives of Merrill Lynch or its affiliates and their family members
- Trustees of Thornburg Investment Trust and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this Prospectus
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge (known as Rights of Reinstatement)

CDSC Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Merrill Lynch

- Death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in this Prospectus
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70 1/2
- Shares sold to pay Merrill Lynch fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Merrill Lynch
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement
- Shares held in retirement brokerage accounts, that are exchanged for a lower cost share class due to transfer to certain fee based accounts or platforms

Front-End Load Discounts Available at Merrill Lynch: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in this Prospectus
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Merrill Lynch. Eligible fund family assets not held at Merrill Lynch may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets
- Letters of Intent (LOI) which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through Merrill Lynch, over a 13-month period of time (if applicable)

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional brokerage account are eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans

- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund
- Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge.

Raymond James & Associates, Inc., Raymond James Financial Services & Raymond James affiliates (“Raymond James”)

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing fund shares through a Raymond James platform or account will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus or SAI.

Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Raymond James

- Shares purchased in an investment advisory program.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family).
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).

CDSC Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Raymond James

- Death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70½ as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

Front-End Load Discounts Available at Raymond James: Breakpoints, and/or Rights of Accumulation

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the rights of accumulation calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

Additional Information

Reports to Shareholders

Shareholders will receive annual reports of the Fund containing financial statements audited by the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm, and also will receive unaudited semi-annual reports. In addition, each shareholder will receive an account statement no less often than quarterly.

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