## Royce Closed-End Funds 2024 Annual

Review and Report to Stockholders December 31, 2024

Royce Global Trust

Royce Micro-Cap Trust

Royce Small-Cap Trust



### A Few Words on Closed-End Funds

Royce Investment Partners ("Royce") manages three closed-end funds: Royce Global Trust, which primarily invests in both U.S. and non-U.S. companies with market capitalization below \$10 billion; Royce Micro-Cap Trust, which primarily invests in micro-cap securities; and Royce Small-Cap Trust, which primarily invests in small-cap securities.

A closed-end fund is an investment company whose shares are listed and traded on a stock exchange. Like all investment companies, including open-end mutual funds, the assets of a closed-end fund are professionally managed in accordance with the investment objectives and policies approved by the fund's Board of Directors. A closed-end fund raises cash for investment by issuing a fixed number of shares through initial and other public offerings that may include shelf offerings and periodic rights offerings. Proceeds from the offerings are invested in an actively managed portfolio of securities. Investors wanting to buy or sell shares of a publicly traded closed-end fund after the initial and any subsequent offerings must do so on a stock exchange, as with any publicly traded stock. Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at a discount to their net asset value. This is in contrast to open-end mutual funds, which sell and redeem their shares at net asset value on a continuous basis.

#### A Closed-End Fund Can Offer Several Distinct Advantages

- A closed-end fund does not issue redeemable securities or offer its securities on a continuous basis, so it does not need to liquidate securities or hold uninvested assets to meet investor demands for cash redemptions.
- In a closed-end fund, not having to meet investor redemption requests or invest at inopportune times can be effective for value managers who attempt to buy stocks when prices are depressed and sell securities when prices are high.
- A closed-end fund may invest in less liquid portfolio securities because it is not subject to potential stockholder redemption demands. This is potentially beneficial for Royce-managed closed-end funds, with significant investments in small- and micro-cap securities.
- The fixed capital structure allows permanent leverage to be employed as a means to enhance capital appreciation potential.
- Royce Micro-Cap Trust and Royce Small-Cap Trust distribute capital gains, if any, on a quarterly basis. Each of these Funds has adopted a quarterly distribution policy for its common stock.

We believe that the closed-end fund structure can be an appropriate investment for a long-term investor who understands the benefits of a more stable pool of capital.

#### Why Dividend Reinvestment Is Important

A very important component of an investor's total return comes from the reinvestment of distributions. By reinvesting distributions, our investors can maintain an undiluted investment in a Fund. To get a fair idea of the impact of reinvested distributions, please see the charts on pages 61 and 62. For additional information on the Funds' Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Options and the benefits for stockholders, please see page 63 or visit our website at www.royceinvest.com.

#### **Managed Distribution Policy**

The Board of Directors of each of Royce Micro-Cap Trust and Royce Small-Cap Trust has authorized a managed distribution policy (MDP). Under the MDP, Royce Micro-Cap Trust and Royce Small-Cap Trust pay quarterly distributions at an annual rate of 7% of the average of the prior four quarter-end net asset values, with the fourth quarter being the greater of these annualized rates or the distribution required by IRS regulations. With each distribution, the Fund will issue a notice to its stockholders and an accompanying press release that provides detailed information regarding the amount and composition of the distribution (including whether any portion of the distribution represents a return of capital) and other information required by a Fund's MDP. You should not draw any conclusions about a Fund's investment performance from the amount of distributions or from the terms of a Fund's MDP. A Fund's Board of Directors may amend or terminate the MDP at any time without prior notice to stockholders; however, at this time there are no reasonably foreseeable circumstances that might cause the termination of any of the MDPs.

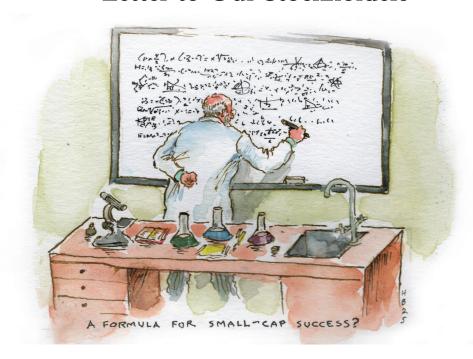
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## Letter to Our Stockholders



#### A QUICK LOOK BACK

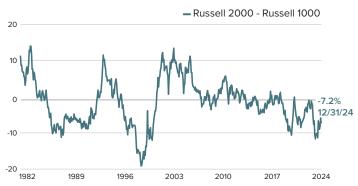
The last several years have not been especially kind to small-cap stocks, at least in relation to their bigger counterparts. The asset class's long-running historical performance advantage over large-caps—an advantage that often went hand in hand with higher volatility—has steadily eroded. In what, for the purposes of this letter, we'll call the "Old Normal," small-cap companies generally had higher long-term returns but also experienced higher volatility, while larger companies trailed but tended to be steadier in their performance patterns. Since the introduction of the Russell Indexes on 12/31/78, a similar pattern often held true for value and growth investing: the former typically enjoyed a better long-term performance record while the latter had higher volatility but also often had attractively high short-term performance.

There were exceptions to these patterns, of course, and the persistence of leadership could span several years. For example, small-cap, and small-cap value in particular, dominated performance from the peak of the Internet bubble in March of 2000 up until the market peaks in the summer of 2007 that presaged the Great Financial Crisis of 2008-09. In retrospect, any path out of that seismic series of events and back to what history might see as normal, or at least typical, was bound to be winding and uncertain. There were also additional and unprecedented

obstacles, the biggest by far being the covid pandemic, which saw policymakers once again slashing rates and keeping the flow of cash into the economy steady and strong. The current period of large-cap leadership, dominated by mega-cap stocks within the big stock cohort, stretches back to 2011, when a steep and sudden bear market lasted from April through October on fears that the economy was falling into a recession. This 14-year span has also been better for small-cap growth than value. The two charts below show the spreads for the 3-year monthly rolling average returns, first for the Russell 2000 and Russell 1000 Indexes and second for the Russell 2000 Value and Growth Indexes from their shared inception dates through 12/31/24.

#### Leadership Shifts Between Small-Cap and Large-Cap

The Spread of 3-Year Monthly Rolling Average Annual Total Returns for the Russell 2000 and Russell 1000, 12/31/81-12/31/24



Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

#### Leadership Shifts Between Small-Cap Value and Growth

The Spread of 3-Year Monthly Rolling Average Annual Total Returns for the Russell 2000 Value and Russell 2000 Growth, 12/31/81-12/31/24



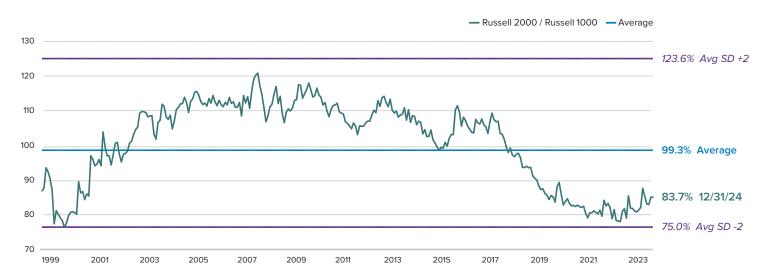
2024 thus marked the eighth straight year of smallcap underperformance relative to large-cap. In fact, the Russell 2000 has beaten the Russell 1000 in only four of the last 20 calendar years, during which large-cap's average outperformance spread was 6.1%. Small-cap last beat largecap in 2016, making the period ended 12/31/24 the longest underperformance stretch measured by calendar years since each index's inception. And while we are all too keenly aware of how long we have been calling for a sustained period of small-cap leadership, we do see several promising signs on the horizon for a sustained leadership phase for small-cap stocks.

### DO VALUATIONS FAVOR THE ODDS OF SMALL-CAP LEADERSHIP?

Much ink has been spilled and even more bandwidth has been spent discussing, worrying about, or otherwise focusing on the sky-high state of valuations in the U.S. equity market over the last 12-18 months. We would offer what follows as a corrective to what looks to us like a narrow viewpoint on share prices. Most of these observations have used the S&P 500 as the proxy for the entire market, occasionally adding the Nasdaq Composite or Nasdaq 100. We have no disagreement with the idea that large-cap valuations are unsustainably high. However, small-cap valuations remain attractive versus large-cap valuations, having finished 2024 still near their lowest relative valuation versus large-caps in more than 25 years, based on the index valuation metric we use most: the last 12 months' enterprise value over earnings before interest & taxes, aka LTM EV/EBIT. The chart below shows this picture in compelling detail—while also revealing that this wide valuation spread has persisted for more than five years.

With small-cap's underperformance versus large cap having reached an extreme point, it should come as no surprise that small-cap's weighting in the Russell 3000 Index was also near a historical low at the end of 2024.

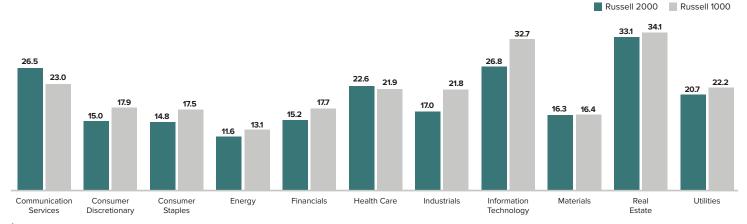
#### Relative Valuations for Small-Caps vs. Large-Caps Are Near Their Lowest in 25 Years Russell 2000 vs. Russell 1000 Median LTM EV/EBIT1 (ex. Negative EBIT Companies), 12/31/99-12/31/24



<sup>1</sup>Enterprise Value/Earnings Before Interest and Taxes Source: FactSet

#### Wide Breadth of Undervaluation Across the Small-Cap Asset Class

Russell 2000 and Russell 1000 Median EV/EBIT<sup>1</sup> (ex. Negative EBIT) by Sector as of 12/31/24



<sup>1</sup>Enterprise Value/Earnings Before Interest and Taxes Source: FactSet

Equally, if not more important is the fact that small-cap's more attractive valuation could be seen across all 11 sectors. These disparities in sector valuations between small- and large-cap are notable, especially in the broad and diverse areas such as Information Technology, Industrials, Financials, and Consumer Discretionary. They add further credence to the idea that, while mega-cap behemoths such as Nvidia or Apple may be priced beyond perfection (or at least reason), attractive bargains can be found in several corners of the small-cap universe. (In fact, Apple's market cap at the end of 2024 was 122% of the entire Russell 2000.)

However, the most important factor about valuations from our perspective as small-cap specialists is that many companies in the asset class continue to trade at attractively cheap prices on an absolute basis in diverse areas such as machinery; semiconductors & semiconductor equipment; capital markets; electronic equipment, instruments & components; banks; construction & engineering; healthcare; and energy.

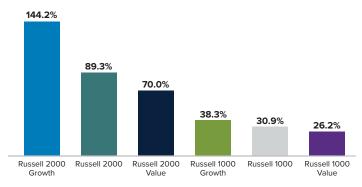
#### EARNING THEIR WAY TO MARKET LEADERSHIP

While attractive absolute and relative valuations for small-caps are noteworthy, valuation is seldom enough to catalyze stock price performance. We are fond of saying that psychology runs the market in the short run, but earnings run it in the long run. Across the U.S. equity markets, earnings are expected to be pretty healthy in 2025, with the current consensus indicating 15% earnings per share (EPS) growth for the Russell 1000, along with solid to strong results anticipated for 4Q24, which are in the midst of being reported and will pick up steam

within small-caps as we move further into February. Consensus EPS estimates for the Russell 2000, however, are considerably higher than they are for large-caps in 2025, coming in at an impressive 89.3% versus 30.9% for the Russell 1000.

There is some important context to accompany this encouraging data: the Russell 2000 finished 2024 having endured a two-year earnings recession, so a substantive rebound makes a certain amount of sense. It's also important to keep in mind that more than 40% of the companies in the Russell 2000 currently have no earnings. We think it's equally relevant to remind our readers that our own portfolios typically hold companies that have established histories of earnings or those where our respective investment teams have identified a catalyst for earnings to resume or begin.

## Average Expected Earnings Growth for 2025-2026 Index Aggregate Estimated Two-Year EPS Growth



**Earnings per share (EPS)** is calculated as a company's profit divided by the outstanding shares of its common stock. The EPS Growth Estimates are the pre-calculated mean two-year EPS growth rate estimates by brokerage analysts. Estimates are the average of those provided by analysts working for brokerage firms who provide research coverage on each individual security as reported by FactSet. All non-equity securities, investment companies, and companies without brokerage analyst coverage are excluded. Source: FactSet.

One critical advantage of having been small-cap investors for more than five decades is how it's bred a deep appreciation for the cyclical nature of markets and the long-term benefit of contrarian thinking.

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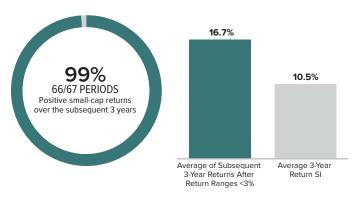
all are subject to cyclical dynamics, and none lasts forever.

# WHAT FOLLOWS LOW-RETURN SMALL-CAP MARKETS?

At 12/31/24, the Russell 2000's 3-year average annual total return was 1.2%, well below the small-cap index's monthly rolling average 3-year return of 10.5% since inception. This highly underwhelming number perhaps distills the frustrations of small-cap investors better than any other. Yet it may also be a sign that improved results may be close. Subsequent 3-year average annualized performance for small-caps following previous low-return periods have been stellar, as seen in the chart below.

## 99% of the Time, Positive 3-Year Returns Have Followed Low Return Markets

Subsequent Average Annualized 3-Year Performance for the Russell 2000 Following 3-Year Annualized Return Ranges of Less Than 3%, 12/31/81-12/31/24



Past performance is no guarantee of future results. As of 12/31/24, the average of subsequent 3-year return ranges <3% has 481 periods, the average 3-year return since inception has 517 periods.

Of course, this dynamic has a kind of logic to it. The cyclical nature of share prices would support the notion that low-return periods are typically succeeded by higher-return periods. What makes the data above particularly compelling from our standpoint is not just the fact that small-caps generally recovered from low, flat, or negative return periods with better results but also that these subsequent performances averaged a 60% higher return than the historical 3-year monthly rolling average.

#### LOOKING FORWARD TO HEIGHTENED VOLATILITY?

Just a few weeks into the new administration, and the stock market has already seen some highly volatile days. February began with the markets swooning from President Trump's announcement of tariffs on goods coming into the U.S. from China, Canada, and Mexico. Markets quickly fell into disarray before some measure of calm returned following reports that there would be a pause on tariffs for goods, first those from Mexico and later that same day with those from Canada, in each case following constructive negotiations. The initial indications were that tariffs involving Canada and Mexico would be implemented as part of an effort at solving non-economic issues such as the cross-border drug trade and immigration—so the hope is that they will remain on pause, assuming that the ostensible goals are met. As of this writing we expect the greatest areas of potential impact, if these tariffs are sustained, would be on the housing, auto, and farm sectors of the U.S. economy.

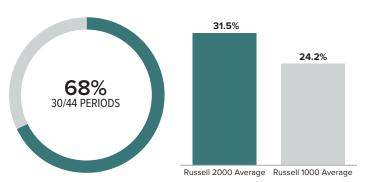
We suspect that most if not all of the tariffs being proposed are being used tactically and, while disruptive, will impact market sentiment, volatility, and risk taking more than longer-term business fundamentals. Regardless of their ultimate duration and scale, however, tariffs are expected to hasten the now established trends of deglobalization, business reshoring to the U.S., and better supply chain management in U.S. manufacturing. All of which support our well-documented case for U.S. small-cap stocks regaining leadership in the market, driven by a meaningful upswing in small-cap earnings and supported by valuations far more attractive than found in other market capitalization or style segments.

We also think it's important to be mindful of volatility as we believe we are entering a period of heightened uncertainty driven by the disruptive nature of both the rhetoric and policy proposals of the new Trump administration. We have often talked about how we welcome short-term volatility as a foundational element for building long-term, market-beating returns. One critical advantage of having been small-cap investors for more than five decades is how it's bred a deep appreciation for the cyclical nature of markets and the long-term benefit of contrarian thinking.

Bull markets, bear markets, and/or long periods of outperformance for one style or asset class—all are subject to cyclical dynamics, and none lasts forever. We find that understanding what drives inflection points along with a willingness to think critically beyond the market's conventional wisdom are the underpinnings that can generate long-term outperformance.

While still in the early days, many signals seem to be pointing to the likelihood that equities will experience heightened levels of volatility as we move further into 2025 and, if history is our guide, this could be an additional positive sign for small cap's absolute and relative returns. Looking at subsequent average annualized returns for the Russell 2000 and the large-cap Russell 1000 following periods when the CBOE S&P 500 Volatility Index—aka the VIX or the 'fear gauge,'—was elevated showed a positive edge for small-cap stocks. Our research revealed that the percentage of periods when the Russell 2000 had better average annualized 3-year returns than the Russell 1000 were at their highest following periods of heightened volatility.

Russell 2000 vs Russell 1000 Monthly Rolling VIX Regimes Subsequent Average 1-Year Return Periods After VIX 1-Month Average was ≥28% from 12/31/89-12/31/24



VIX was  $\geq$ 28% in 44/408 periods. Source: Bloomberg. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The chart above measures the average returns and spread of the monthly trailing three-year return periods in month where the monthly average three-year VIX level falls within the specified range.

idea that the new administration's policies seem likely to create ample doses of (ideally short-lived) market gyrations—has not yet translated to a higher-than-average VIX, which was lower than average between election day through February 7th. What has been on the rise, according to an article in the February 10th issue of Barron's, is the VVIX—which measures the volatility of the VIX and can be seen as a "fear of fear" index. The VVIX has risen past its historical average of 92.86 to 99.04 over the same post-election day period. This is hardly the worst development for highly active small-cap investors with a long-term investment horizon like us. We welcome a market environment that, at least in the short run, distracts investors from longer-term business fundamentals and economic value, which is often the case when markets experience elevated volatility. These distractions often appear to blur the distinctions between companies that possess higher quality attributes versus those that do not. As we move further into 2025, we remain highly constructive on the backdrop for small-cap stocks and for our differentiated and highly active approach to constructing our portfolios.

Interestingly, recent uncertainty—and the now familiar

Sincerely,

Christopher D. Clark Chief Executive Officer, and Co-Chief Investment Officer Francis D. Gannon
Co-Chief Investment Officer

February 13, 2025

### Performance

NAV Average Annual Total Returns As of December 31, 2024 (%)										
	1-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	25-YR	30-YR	SINCE INCEPTION	INCEPTION DATE
Royce Global Trust	11.80	-1.78	5.69	7.40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.23	10/17/13
Royce Micro-Cap Trust	13.47	3.23	11.86	9.16	11.33	8.65	10.24	10.94	10.74	12/14/93
Royce Small-Cap Trust	12.64	2.57	9.54	9.37	10.51	8.15	9.32	10.35	10.38	11/26/86
INDEX										
MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index	7.66	0.76	6.68	7.26	8.69	7.72	7.50	7.79	N/A	N/A
Russell Microcap Index	13.70	-1.00	6.97	6.77	9.81	6.36	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Russell 2000 Index	11.54	1.24	7.40	7.82	10.33	7.79	7.55	9.02	N/A	N/A

#### Important Performance and Risk Information

All performance information in this Review and Report reflects past performance, is presented on a total return basis, net of the Fund's investment advisory fee, reflects the reinvestment of distributions and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the sale of fund shares. Past performance is no quarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate, so that shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when sold. Current month-end performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted and may be obtained at www.royceinvest.com. The Funds are closed-end registered investment companies whose respective shares of common stock may trade at a discount to the net asset value. Shares of each Fund's common stock are also subject to the market risk of investing in the underlying portfolio securities held by each Fund. Each Fund is subject to market risk—the possibility that common stock prices will decline, sometimes sharply and unpredictably, over short or extended periods of time. Such declines may be caused by various factors, including market, financial, and economic conditions, governmental or central bank actions, and other factors, such as pandemics, acts of terrorism, or the armed conflicts in Europe and the Middle East, that may not be directly related to the issuer of a security held by a Fund. These conflicts, along with any banking industry instability, could adversely affect global market, financial, and economic conditions, as well as individual companies, in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen. Investments in securities of micro-cap or small-cap companies may involve considerably more risk than investments in securities of larger-cap companies. Investments in securities of foreign issuers may be subject to different risks than investments in securities of U.S. companies, including adverse political, social, economic, or other developments that are unique to a particular country or region. Therefore, the prices of securities of foreign companies in particular countries or regions may, at times, move in a different direction than those of securities of U.S. companies. Because such investments are usually denominated in foreign currencies and the Funds do not intend to hedge their foreign currency exposures, the U.S. dollar value of such investments may be harmed by declines in the value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. Royce Global Trust invests a significant portion of its assets in foreign companies. A broadly diversified portfolio does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss. All indexes referenced are unmanaged and capitalization-weighted. Each index's returns include net reinvested dividends and/or interest income. Source: MSCI. MSCI makes no express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any MSCI data contained herein. The MSCI data may not be further redistributed or used as a basis for other indexes or any securities or financial products. This report is not approved, endorsed, reviewed or produced by MSCI. None of the MSCI data is intended to constitute investment advice or a recommendation to make (or refrain from making) any kind of investment decision and may not be relied on as such. Russell Investment Group is the source and owner of the trademarks, service marks and copyrights related to the Russell Indexes. Russells is a trademark of Russell Investment Group. The Russell 2000 Index is an index of domestic small-cap stocks that measures the performance of the 2,000 smallest publicly traded U.S. companies in the Russell 3000 Index. The Russell Microcap Index includes 1,000 of the smallest securities in the small-cap Russell 2000 Index, along with the next smallest eligible securities as determined by Russell. The MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index is an unmanaged, capitalization-weighted index of global small-cap stocks. The performance of an index does not represent exactly any particular investment, as you cannot invest directly in an index. Index returns include net reinvested dividends and/or interest income. Royce Global, Micro-Cap, and Small-Cap Trust shares of common stock trade on the NYSE. Royce Fund Services, LLC ("RFS") is a member of the Finanancial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and files certain material with FINRA on behalf of each Fund. RFS is not an underwriter or distributor of any of the Funds.

## Royce Global Trust (RGT)



Steven McBoyle

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

Royce Global Trust (RGT) advanced 11.8% on a NAV (net asset value) basis and an impressive 14.8% based on its market price, well ahead of the 7.7% gain for its benchmark,

the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index, for the same period. The Fund also beat its benchmark on an NAV basis for the 10-year period ended 12/31/24 while lagging for the 3- and 5-year period.

#### WHAT WORKED... AND WHAT DIDN'T

Eight of the Fund's 10 equity sectors made positive contributions to performance in 2024, led by Financials, Industrials, and Information Technology. Health Care and Consumer Discretionary detracted while Communication Services made the smallest positive contribution. At the industry level, capital markets (Financials), software (Information Technology), and trading companies & distributors (Industrials) were the top contributors while the biggest detractors were media (Communication Services), health care equipment & supplies (Health Care), and building products (Industrials).

At the position level, the top contributor was FTAI Aviation, which provides maintenance, repair, and exchange of CFM56 and V2500 aircraft engines, the workhorses of the global aircraft fleet, to smaller airlines globally. Contributing to its notable performance in 2024 were the market's recognition of the tight supply of aircraft engines, FTAI's growth runway as it closed deals with Latam Airlines and Pratt & Whitney—a burgeoning cost advantage after FTAI purchased its management fee agreement and a key maintenance facility in Montreal—and FAA approval for critical aftermarket engine parts. Tel Aviv Stock Exchange operates Israel's only stock exchange and provides trading services for stocks, mutual funds, corporate and government bonds, short-term T-bills, and index and currency options. A key element of its business model is that trading commissions only account for 38% of revenue, with the remainder coming from listing fees and annual levies, clearing/custodial fees, and data distribution fees. Despite Israel's war against Hamas and Lebanon and a weak environment for IPOs/secondary equity offerings, the stock delivered strong returns in 2024 due to robust demand for Treasury Bills, corporate bonds, and government bond issuance, as well as from the exchange's derivatives business, which

<b>Top Contributors to Perform</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>1</sup>	nance
FTAI Aviation	2.68
Tel Aviv Stock Exchange	1.72
Cellebrite DI	1.34
PAR Technology	0.79
Protector Forsikring	0.75
<sup>1</sup> Includes dividends	

<b>Top Detractors from Per</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>2</sup>	formance
EVI Industries	-0.69
Dish TV India	-0.42
Carel Industries	-0.39
Teqnion	-0.37
AutoCanada	-0.35
<sup>2</sup> Net of dividends	

benefited from increased volatility, and the securing of regulatory approval for bringing pricing in line with global peers.

EVI Industries, which distributes commercial laundry and dry cleaning equipment, industrial boilers, and related parts for its U.S. customer base, was the top-detracting position in 2024. While continuing to operate effectively, both its business and stock have also continued to face challenges, including declining profits, increased operating costs and interest expenses, competitive pressures, and environmental regulations. We began to reduce our stake in its shares in December 2024. Dish TV India is a subscription based satellite television provider whose offerings include multilingual services, entertainment, lifestyle, devotional and astrology, kids and games, and learning programs. The company faced challenges in the highly competitive direct-to-home and cable television industries, including difficulties expanding its market share and remaining profitable in the face of increased competition. We held a small position at year-end.

RGT's advantage over the MSCI ACWI Small Cap was attributable to both stock selection and sector allocation decisions in 2024. At the sector level, stock selection and our substantially higher weighting in Financials, stock selection in Information Technology, and stock selection and, to a lesser extent, a higher weighting in Materials helped most with relative results. Conversely, stock selection in Health Care and Consumer Discretionary, as well as a combination of stock selection and a higher weight in Communication Services hindered relative performance the most in 2024.

#### **CURRENT POSITIONING AND OUTLOOK**

Having endured a multi-year earnings recession in small-cap, we are expecting a (long-awaited) period of sustained small-cap leadership, driven by stronger relative earnings growth and more attractive valuations. Prior small-cap leadership cycles have distinct dynamics at different points in the cycle, and low-quality factors often drive performance as the cycle gets under way. Given RGT's disciplined focus on owning quality companies—those with high returns on invested capital, consistent free cash flow, and strong balance sheetswe are often challenged to keep pace with the initial run for lowerquality names. In time, however, this dynamic has reversed, as more high-quality factors assumed long-term leadership and outperformed. A key differentiator of our approach is the long-term investment horizon inherent in taking a business buyer's approach. This enables the Fund to arbitrage time by adding to existing names or buying new high-quality holdings when their valuations contract due to shortterm sentiment that often overshadows attractive and sustainable long-term value creation drivers. Though positioning changed little throughout the year, with relatively few new names being added, we were active in reducing multi-year outperformers while adding to lower market cap holdings that were down due to cyclical or macro concerns and where our conviction in the business model and longterm earnings power remains strong.

### Performance Average Annual Total Return (%) Through 12/31/24

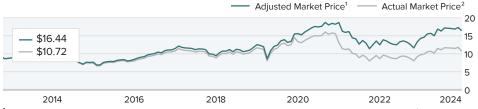
	JUL-DEC 2024 <sup>1</sup>	1-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (10/17/13)
RGT (NAV)	4.40	11.80	-1.78	5.69	7.40	6.23

Not Annualized

#### Market Price Performance History Since Inception (10/17/13)

Cumulative Performance of Investment through 12/31/24<sup>1</sup>

	1-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (10/17/13)
RGT	14.8%	31.1%	100.7%	N/A	N/A	83.2%



Reflects the cumulative performance experience of a continuous common stockholder who purchased one share at inception (\$8.975 IPO) and reinvested all distributions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reflects the actual month-end market price movement of one share as it has traded on NYSE.



The Morningstar Style Map is the Morningstar Style Box™ with the center 75% of fund holdings plotted as the Morningstar Ownership Zone™. The Morningstar Style Box is designed to reveal a fund's investment strategy. The Morningstar Ownership Zone provides detail about a portfolio's investment style by showing the range of stock sizes and styles. The Ownership Zone is derived by plotting each stock in the portfolio within the proprietary Morningstar Style Box. Over time, the shape and location of a fund's ownership zone may vary. See page 65 for additional information.

## Value of \$10,000

Invested on 10/17/13 as of 12/31/24 (\$)



#### **Top 10 Positions** % of Net Assets

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FTAI Aviation	3.8
Tel Aviv Stock Exchange	3.2
SEI Investments	2.8
Sprott	2.4
Protector Forsikring	2.1
Alamos Gold Cl. A	2.1
APi Group	2.0
Morningstar	2.0
ESAB Corporation	2.0
TMX Group	1.8

#### Portfolio Sector Breakdown

% of Net Assets

Industrials	34.1
Financials	26.5
Information Technology	14.2
Materials	8.5
Health Care	5.6
Communication Services	3.9
Consumer Discretionary	3.5
Energy	2.4
Real Estate	1.1
Consumer Staples	0.9
Outstanding Line of Credit, Net of Cash	
and Cash Equivalents	-0.7

Calendar Year Total Returns (%)	
YEAR	RGT
2024	11.8
2023	16.1
2022	-27.0
2021	16.3
2020	19.7

2019	31.2
2018	-16.1
2017	31.1
2016	11.1
2015	-3.4
2014	-6.2

### Portfolio Country Breakdown<sup>1,2</sup>

% of Net Assets

United States	42.8
Canada	17.8
Israel	7.2
United Kingdom	6.9
Sweden	5.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents countries that are 3% or more of net assets.

#### **Portfolio Diagnostics**

Fund Net Assets	\$82 million
Number of Holdings	116
Turnover Rate	16%
Net Asset Value	\$12.55
Market Price	\$10.72
Net Leverage <sup>1</sup>	0.7%
Average Market Capitalization <sup>2</sup>	\$2,539 million
Weighted Average P/E Ratio <sup>3,4</sup>	22.8x
Weighted Average P/B Ratio <sup>3</sup>	2.9x
Active Share <sup>5</sup>	98%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Net leverage** is the percentage, in excess of 100%, of the total value of equity type investments, divided by net assets.

#### Important Performance and Risk Information

All performance information reflects past performance, is presented on a total return basis, net of the Fund's investment advisory fee, reflects the reinvestment of distributions and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the sale of fund shares. Past performance is no quarantee of future results. Current month-end performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted and may be obtained at www.royceinvest.com. The market price of the Fund's shares will fluctuate, so that shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when sold. The Fund invests primarily in securities of small- and mid-cap companies, which may involve considerably more risk than investments in securities of larger-cap companies. The Fund's broadly diversified portfolio does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss. The Fund generally invests a significant portion of its net assets in foreign securities, which may involve political, economic, currency and other risks not encountered in U.S. investments. Regarding the "Top Contributors" and "Top Detractors" tables shown above, the sum of all contributors to, and all detractors from, performance for all securities in the portfolio would approximate the Fund's yearto-date performance for 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Securities are categorized by the country of their headquarters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Geometric Average.** This weighted calculation uses each portfolio holding's market cap in a way designed to not skew the effect of very large or small holdings; instead, it aims to better identify the portfolio's center, which Royce believes offers a more accurate measure of average market cap than a simple mean or median.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> **Harmonic Average.** This weighted calculation evaluates a portfolio as if it were a single stock and measures it overall. It compares the total market value of the portfolio to the portfolio's share in the earnings or book value, as the case may be, of its underlying stocks.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The Fund's **P/E Ratio** calculation excludes companies with zero or negative earnings (16% of portfolio holdings as of 12/31/24).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Active Share is the sum of the absolute values of the different weightings of each holding in the Fund versus each holding in the benchmark, divided by two.

Schedule of Investments				Schedule of Investments (continu	ed)		
Common Stocks – 100.7%	SHARES		VALUE		SHARES		VALUE
AUSTRALIA – 2.7%			-	IRELAND - 0.5%			-
Cochlear <sup>1</sup>	4,000	\$	716,527	<sup>†</sup> Avadel Pharmaceuticals <sup>2</sup>	35,460	\$	372,685
IPH <sup>1</sup>	233,881	Ψ	726,709	Total (Cost \$590,636)	33,400	Ψ	372,685
Technology One <sup>1</sup>	40,400		780,366	10101 (0031 \$330,030)			372,003
Total (Cost \$1,267,991)	40,400		2,223,602	ISRAEL – 7.2%			
Total (Cost \$1,207,991)			2,223,002	Cellebrite DI <sup>2</sup>	54,893		1,209,293
BERMUDA – 0.9%				Global-e Online <sup>2</sup>	5,200		283,556
Bank of N.T. Butterfield & Son	21,000		767,550	Nova <sup>2,3,4</sup>	5,700		1,122,615
Total (Cost \$745,408)			767,550	Phoenix Financial <sup>1</sup>	48,500		708,239
DDATH 0.0%				Tel Aviv Stock Exchange 1	222,300		2,578,284
BRAZIL - 0.9%	474.000		204.604	Total (Cost \$2,106,727)			5,901,987
Odontoprev <sup>1</sup>	171,600		301,694				
TOTVS <sup>1</sup>	97,885			ITALY - 0.7%			
Total (Cost \$750,794)			723,228	Carel Industries <sup>1</sup>	28,300		542,326
CANADA - 17.8%				Total (Cost \$342,471)			542,326
Alamos Gold Cl. A	94,100		1,736,083	JAPAN - 1.7%			
Altus Group	22,470		875,384	As One <sup>1</sup>	11,200		187,167
AutoCanada <sup>2</sup>	45,840		552,650	Fukui Computer Holdings <sup>1</sup>	10,800		208,927
Canaccord Genuity Group	97,143		683,235	NSD <sup>1</sup>	12,200		260,602
Computer Modelling Group	109,901		814,251	TechnoPro Holdings <sup>1</sup>	7,200		134,489
Descartes Systems Group (The) <sup>2,3</sup>	8,424		956,966	TKC Corporation <sup>1</sup>	25,500		613,097
IMAX Corporation <sup>2</sup>	51,171		1,309,978	Total (Cost \$1,109,922)	23,300		1,404,282
Major Drilling Group International <sup>2</sup>	194,300		1,109,745	10101 (0031 \$1,103,322)			1,404,202
Onex Corporation	17,813		1,391,383	NETHERLANDS – 1.0%			
Pan American Silver <sup>3</sup>	12,700		256,794	IMCD <sup>1</sup>	5,500		814,542
			675,079	Total (Cost \$387,492)			814,542
Pason Systems	71,300		,	NEW ZEALAND O EX			
Sprott	45,635			NEW ZEALAND – 0.5%	47.000		204740
Stella-Jones	12,000		594,302	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare 1	17,000		364,716
TELUS Corporation	16,311		221,157	Total (Cost \$101,973)			364,716
TMX Group	47,600		1,466,297	NORWAY - 2.1%			
Total (Cost \$9,919,801)			14,566,231	Protector Forsikring 1	70,000		1,753,525
FRANCE - 0.9%				Total (Cost \$521,854)	,		1,753,525
Ayvens <sup>1</sup>	39,000		263,307				
Esker <sup>1</sup>	1,800		486,336	PANAMA – 0.6%			
Total (Cost \$516,235)	·		749,643	†Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio			
				Exterior Cl. E	13,716		487,878
GERMANY – 0.3%				Total (Cost \$379,574)			487,878
Carl Zeiss Meditec 1	3,400		160,162	SINGAPORE – 0.0%			
STRATEC 1	3,300		101,907	Midas Holdings <sup>2,5</sup>	400,000		0
Total (Cost \$540,371)			262,069	Total (Cost \$50,439)	,		0
GREECE - 0.9%							
Sarantis <sup>1</sup>	64,500		726,921	SOUTH AFRICA – 2.7%			
Total (Cost \$554,222)	04,300		726,921	CA Sales Holdings <sup>1</sup>	147,597		126,698
10tal (003t \$354,222)			720,321	Curro Holdings <sup>1</sup>	258,594		179,074
ICELAND – 0.3%				PSG Financial Services <sup>1</sup>	550,976		572,910
Embla Medical <sup>1,2</sup>	51,000		252,197	Stadio Holdings <sup>1</sup>	3,686,928		1,347,828
Total (Cost \$321,244)			252,197	Total (Cost \$1,125,199)			2,226,510
INDIA 2 40/				SWEDEN - 5.1%			
INDIA – 2.4%	20.442		4 405 000	Biotage <sup>1</sup>	27 000		EE1 011
AIA Engineering <sup>1</sup>	28,440		1,125,808		37,900		551,811
†BSE <sup>1</sup>	7,232		450,078	Bravida Holding <sup>1</sup>	68,900		499,274
Dish TV India 1,2	3,017,686		365,828	CDON 1,2	25,000		198,807
Total (Cost \$1,407,224)			1,941,714	Karnov Group <sup>1,2</sup>	145,381		1,082,146
INDONESIA – 0.2%				OEM International CI. B <sup>1</sup>	107,000		1,081,112
Aspirasi Hidup Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	4,000,000		194,576	†Teqnion 1,2	47,800		714,081
Total (Cost \$169,716)	.,550,500		194,576	Total (Cost \$3,671,717)			4,127,231
			,	SWITZERLAND – 1.6%			
				Kardex Holding <sup>1</sup>	2,400		715,300
				g	2,100		. 10,000

#### Schedule of Investments (continued) Schedule of Investments (continued) SHARES **SHARES** VALUE VALUE SWITZERLAND (continued) **UNITED STATES (continued)** LEM Holding 150 122,474 Kadant<sup>3</sup> 1,928 665,141 VZ Holding 1 KBR<sup>3</sup> 2,900 460,281 16,416 950,979 Total (Cost \$482,877) 1,298,055 Lindsay Corporation 3 3,547 419,646 Mesa Laboratories 504,930 3.829 **UNITED KINGDOM - 6.9%** MKS Instruments 2 907 303 462 Diploma 1 8,200 436,143 Morningstar 3 4,835 1,628,235 DiscoverIE Group 1 70.800 633.973 NewtekOne 289,240 22.650 FDM Group Holdings 1 46,800 184,855 nLIGHT 2 32,100 336,729 Genuit Group 1 54,600 266,249 PAR Technology 2,3,4 11,000 799,370 Halma 1 21,500 719,666 Quaker Houghton 5,560 782,626 Judges Scientific 1 802,483 7,600 **RB** Global 2.000 180.420 Keystone Law Group 1 95,940 690,750 <sup>†</sup>Repligen Corporation <sup>2</sup> 1,286 185,107 Marlowe 1 112,600 456,395 Richardson Electronics 11,356 159,325 Mortgage Advice Bureau Holdings 1 36,100 275,662 Rogers Corporation 2 3,428 348,319 <sup>†</sup>Optima Health <sup>1,2</sup> 112 600 203.025 Roval Gold 833.292 6.320 Restore 1 83.000 250,754 SEI Investments<sup>3</sup> 27.650 2,280,572 SThree 1 146,600 541.723 <sup>†</sup>Teledyne Technologies <sup>2</sup> 1.340 621.934 Team Internet Group 1 94.231 80.000 Transcat 2,3 13.705 1.449.167 YouGov 1 96,730 18,600 \*Victory Capital Holdings 5,283 345,825 Total (Cost \$5,271,467) 5,652,639 \*Viper Energy Cl. A 25,649 1,258,596 Vontier Corporation 3,4 **UNITED STATES - 42.8%** 29,889 1,090,052 721,440 Total (Cost \$21,746,084) 34,990,471 ACV Auctions Cl. A<sup>2</sup> 33,400 Air Lease Cl. A 22,023 1,061,729 **TOTAL COMMON STOCKS** APi Group 2,3,4 46,008 1,654,908 (Cost \$54,081,438) 82,344,578 1,224,728 Arcosa 12.660 1,429,260 INVESTMENTS AT VALUE Artisan Partners Asset Management Cl. A 33.200 <sup>†</sup>Atmus Filtration Technologies 817,687 20,870 (Cost \$54,081,438) 82,344,578 Blue Owl Capital Cl. A 24,876 578,616 **REPURCHASE AGREEMENT- 0.8%** <sup>+</sup>CBIZ <sup>2</sup> 577,147 7,053 Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, 3.75% dated 12/31/24, due 1/2/25, maturity value Diodes <sup>2,3</sup> 1,420 87,571 \$675,533 (collateralized by obligations of U.S. Government Agencies, 3.625% Element Solutions 3 925,652 36,400 due 3/31/30, valued at \$688,905) Enovis Corporation<sup>2</sup> 14,998 658,112 (Cost \$675,392) 675,392 305,236 †Enpro 1,770 **ESAB Corporation** 13,420 1,609,595 **TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 101.5**% EVI Industries 3 68,563 1,121,005 83,019,970 (Cost \$54,756,830) FormFactor 2,3,4 13 500 594,000 **FTAI Aviation** 21,360 3,076,694 LIABILITIES LESS CASH AND OTHER ASSETS - (1.5)% (1,220,074)GCM Grosvenor CL A 1,247,638 101.682 Griffon Corporation<sup>3</sup> 801,787 11.250 **NET ASSETS - 100.0%** \$ 81,799,896 Hagerty Cl. A<sup>2</sup> 39,300 379,245

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685,454

Securities are categorized by the country of their headquarters.

#### Bold indicates the Fund's 20 largest equity holdings in terms of December 31, 2024, market value.

6,228

**TAX INFORMATION:** The cost of total investments for Federal income tax purposes was \$58,354,899. As of December 31, 2024, net unrealized appreciation for all securities was \$24,665,071 consisting of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation of \$28,496,640 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation of \$3,831,569. The primary causes of the difference between book and tax basis cost are the timing of the recognition of losses on securities sold, underlying investments and mark-to-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

<sup>†</sup> New additions in 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>These securities are defined as Level 2 securities due to fair value being based on quoted prices for similar securities and/or due to the application of fair value factors. See Notes to Financial Statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Non-income producing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All or a portion of these securities were pledged as collateral in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement as of December 31, 2024. Total market value of pledged securities as of December 31, 2024, was \$7,322,408.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>As of December 31, 2024, a portion of these securities, in the aggregate amount of \$2,066,402, were rehypothecated by BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement. See Notes to Financial Statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>A security for which market quotations are not readily available represents 0.0% of net assets. This security has been valued at its fair value under procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. This security is defined as a Level 3 security due to the use of significant unobservable inputs in the determination of fair value. See Notes to Financial Statements.

### Statement of Assets and Liabilities

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ASSETS:		
Investments at value	\$	82,344,578
Repurchase agreements (at cost and value)		675,392
Foreign currency (cost \$5,489)		5,481
Receivable for investments sold		962,454
Receivable for dividends and interest		125,682
Receivable for insurance reimbursement		24,299
Prepaid expenses and other assets		17,759
Total Assets		84,155,645
LIABILITIES:		
Revolving credit agreement		2,000,000
Payable for investments purchased		106,096
Payable for investment advisory fee		71,693
Payable for directors' fees		7,226
Payable for interest expense		16,936
Accrued legal expense		24,299
Accrued other expenses		64,719
Deferred capital gains tax		64,780
Total Liabilities		2,355,749
Commitments and Contingent Liabilities <sup>1</sup>		
Net Assets	\$	81,799,896
ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS:		_
Paid-in capital - \$0.001 par value per share; 6,519,010 shares outstanding (150,000,000 shares authorized)	\$	57,834,408
Total distributable earnings (loss)		23,965,488
Net Assets (net asset value per share - \$12.55)	\$	81,799,896
Investments at identified cost	<u> </u>	54,081,438

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Notes to Financial Statements.

8,064,824

8,406,700

8,527,933

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## Royce Global Trust

NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION):

Other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency

Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency

NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS

#### **Statement of Operations INVESTMENT INCOME:** INCOME: Dividends 1,532,223 Foreign withholding tax (94,650)Interest 67,014 Rehypothecation income 20 1,504,607 Total income **EXPENSES:** Investment advisory fees 806,996 Legal expense<sup>1</sup> 855,838 Insurance reimbursement of legal expense<sup>1</sup> (855,838) Interest expense 255,173 Custody and transfer agent fees 79,724 Professional fees 67,554 Stockholder reports 65,696 Administrative and office facilities 48,594 Directors' fees 24,984 Other expenses 34,653 **Total expenses** 1,383,374 Net investment income (loss) 121,233 REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY: NET REALIZED GAIN (LOSS): 375,541 Investments Foreign currency transactions (7,420)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Fund incurred \$855,838 in legal fees and expenses in 2024 in connection with an action filed on June 29, 2023 against the Fund and numerous unrelated funds in Saba Capital Master Funds., Ltd., et al. v. Clearbridge Energy Midstream Opportunity Fund, Inc., et al., No. 1:23-cv-05568 (S.D.N.Y.) See Notes to Financial Statements.

### **Statement of Changes in Net Assets**

	YE	AR ENDED 12/31/24	YE	AR ENDED 12/31/23
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:				
Net investment income (loss)	\$	121,233	\$	(307,034)
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		368,121		170,469
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency		8,038,579		10,485,406
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		8,527,933		10,348,841
DISTRIBUTIONS:				
Total distributable earnings		(2,989,773)		(946,548)
Total distributions		(2,989,773)		(946,548)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:				
Reinvestment of distributions		1,683,617		483,560
Total capital stock transactions		1,683,617		483,560
Net Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets		7,221,777		9,885,853
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of year		74,578,119		64,692,266
End of year	\$	81,799,896	\$	74,578,119

#### Statement of Cash Flows CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations 8,527,933 Adjustments to reconcile net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations to net cash provided by operating activities: Purchases of long-term investments (12,982,487)Proceeds from sales and maturities of long-term investments 14,795,632 Net purchases, sales and maturities of short-term investments 1,197,332 Net (increase) decrease in dividends and interest receivable and other assets 371,845 Net increase (decrease) in interest expense payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities (299,898)Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments (8,064,824) Net realized gain (loss) on investments (375,541)Net cash provided by operating activities 3,169,992 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: (2,000,000)Repayment of borrowings Distributions net of reinvestment (reinvestment \$1,683,617) (1,306,156) Net cash used for financing activities (3,306,156) INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH: (136, 164)Cash and foreign currency at beginning of year 141,645 Cash and foreign currency at end of year \$ 5,481

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund paid \$260,695 in interest expense.

#### **Financial Highlights**

This table is presented to show selected data for a share of Common Stock outstanding throughout each period, and to assist stockholders in evaluating the Fund's performance for the periods presented.

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	YEARS ENDED								
		12/31/24		12/31/23		12/31/22		12/31/21	12/31/20
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$	11.72	\$	10.25	\$	14.26	\$	14.95	\$ 13.60
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:									
Net investment income (loss)		0.03		$(0.05)^{1,2}$		0.09		(0.01)	(0.05)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		1.32		1.69		(3.96)		2.19	2.63
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		1.35		1.64		(3.87)		2.18	2.58
DISTRIBUTIONS:									
Net investment income		(0.43)		-		(0.10)		(0.09)	-
Net realized gain on investments and foreign currency		(0.04)		(0.15)		(0.03)		(2.66)	(1.19)
Return of capital		_		-		(0.00)		_	-
Total distributions		(0.47)		(0.15)		(0.13)		(2.75)	(1.19)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:									
Effect of reinvestment of distributions by Common Stockholders		(0.05)		(0.02)		(0.01)		(0.12)	(0.04)
Total capital stock transactions		(0.05)		(0.02)		(0.01)		(0.12)	(0.04)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$	12.55	\$	11.72	\$	10.25	\$	14.26	\$ 14.95
Market Value, End of Period	\$	10.72	\$	9.75	\$	8.65	\$	13.12	\$ 13.36
TOTAL RETURN:3									_
Net Asset Value		11.80%		16.15%		(27.04)%		16.34%	19.67%
Market Value		14.81%		14.50%		(33.08)%		19.77%	24.42%
RATIOS BASED ON AVERAGE NET ASSETS:									_
Investment advisory fee expense		1.00%		1.00%		1.00%		1.00%	1.00%
Other operating expenses		0.71%		1.52% <sup>1</sup>		0.54%		0.39%	0.34%
Total expenses (net)		1.71%		2.52% <sup>1</sup>		1.54%		1.39%	1.34%
Expenses excluding interest expense		1.40%		2.15% <sup>1</sup>		1.38%		1.33%	1.24%
Expenses prior to balance credits		1.71%		2.52% <sup>1</sup>		1.54%		1.39%	1.34%
Net investment income (loss)		0.15%		(0.45)% <sup>1,2</sup>		0.79%		(0.13)%	(0.15)%
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:									
Net Assets, End of Period (in thousands)	\$	81,800	\$	74,578	\$	64,692	\$	89,394	\$ 83,752
Portfolio Turnover Rate		16%		14%		24%		52%	54%
REVOLVING CREDIT AGREEMENT:									
Asset coverage		4190%		1964%		1717%		2335%	1147%
Asset coverage per \$1,000	\$	41,900	\$	19,645	\$	17,173	\$	23,349	\$ 11,469

Due to an action filed against the Fund and numerous unrelated funds in Saba Capital Master Funds., Ltd., et al. v. Clearbridge Energy Midstream Opportunity Fund, Inc., et al., No.1:23-cv-05568 (S.D.N.Y.), the Fund accrued net \$500,000 in legal fees and expenses which resulted in a decrease in net investment income (loss) per share of \$0.08, a decrease in the ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets of 0.73% and an increase in the noted expense ratios to average net assets of 0.73%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A special distribution from Tel Aviv Stock Exchange resulted in an increase in net investment income (loss) per share of \$0.02 and an increase in the ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets of 0.17%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The Market Value Total Return is calculated assuming a purchase of Common Stock on the opening of the first business day and a sale on the closing of the last business day of each period. Dividends and distributions are assumed for the purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan. Net Asset Value Total Return is calculated on the same basis, except that the Fund's net asset value is used on the purchase, sale and dividend reinvestment dates instead of market value.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Royce Global Trust, Inc. (formerly Royce Global Value Trust, Inc.) (the "Fund"), is a diversified closed-end investment company that was incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland on February 14, 2011. The Fund commenced operations on October 18, 2013.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Fund is an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services-Investment Companies."

Royce & Associates, LP, the Fund's investment adviser, is a majority-owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. and primarily conducts business using the name Royce Investment Partners ("Royce"). As of December 31, 2024, officers and employees of Royce, Fund directors, the Royce retirement plans and other affiliates owned more than 19% of the Fund.

#### VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS:

Portfolio securities held by the Fund are valued as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (generally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on the valuation date. Investments in money market funds are valued at net asset value per share. Values for non-U.S. dollar denominated equity securities are converted to U.S. dollars daily based upon prevailing foreign currency exchange rates as quoted by a major bank.

Portfolio securities that are listed on an exchange or Nasdaq, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, are valued: (i) on the basis of their last reported sales prices or official closing prices, as applicable, on a valuation date; or (ii) at their highest reported bid prices in the event such equity securities did not trade on a valuation date. Such inputs are generally referred to as "Level 1" inputs because they represent reliable quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

If the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund cannot be determined solely by reference to Level 1 inputs, such portfolio security will be "fair valued." The Fund's Board of Directors has designated Royce as valuation designee to perform fair value determinations for such portfolio securities in accordance with Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act ("Rule 2a-5"). Pursuant to Rule 2a-5, fair values are determined in accordance with policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors and policies and procedures adopted by Royce in its capacity as valuation designee for the Fund. Fair valued securities are reported as either "Level 2" or "Level 3" securities.

As a general principle, the fair value of a security is the amount which the Fund might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale. However, in light of the judgment involved in fair valuations, no assurance can be given that a fair value assigned to a particular portfolio security will be the amount which the Fund might be able to receive upon its current sale. When a fair value pricing methodology is used, the fair value prices used by the Fund for such securities will likely differ from the quoted or published prices for the same securities.

Level 2 inputs are other significant observable inputs (e.g., dealer bid side quotes and quoted prices for securities with comparable characteristics). Examples of situations in which Level 2 inputs are used to fair value portfolio securities held by the Fund on a particular valuation date include:

- Over-the-counter equity securities other than those traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative
  trading system (collectively referred to herein as "Other OTC Equity Securities") are fair valued at their highest bid price
  when Royce receives at least two bid side quotes from dealers who make markets in such securities;
- Certain bonds and other fixed income securities may be fair valued by reference to other securities with comparable ratings, interest rates, and maturities in accordance with valuation methodologies maintained by certain independent pricing services; and
- The Fund uses an independent pricing service to fair value certain non-U.S. equity securities when U.S. market volatility
  exceeds a certain threshold set by Royce as valuation designee. This pricing service uses proprietary correlations it has
  developed between the movement of prices of non-U.S. equity securities and indices of U.S.-traded securities, futures
  contracts, and other indications to estimate the fair value of such non-U.S. securities.

Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Examples of Level 3 inputs include (without limitation) the last trade price for a security before trading was suspended or terminated; discounts to last trade price for lack of marketability or otherwise; market price information regarding other securities; information received from the issuer and/or published documents, including SEC filings and financial statements; and other publicly available information. Pursuant to the above-referenced policies and procedures, Royce may use various techniques in making fair value determinations based upon Level 3 inputs, which techniques may include (without limitation): (i) workout valuation methods (e.g., earnings multiples, discounted cash flows, liquidation values, derivations of book value, firm or probable

#### **Notes to Financial Statements (continued)**

#### VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS (continued):

offers from qualified buyers for the issuer's ongoing business, etc.); (ii) discount or premium from market, or compilation of other observable market information, for other similar freely traded securities; (iii) conversion from the readily available market price of a security into which an affected security is convertible or exchangeable; and (iv) pricing models or other formulas.

A security that is valued by reference to Level 1 or Level 2 inputs may drop to Level 3 on a particular valuation date for several reasons, including if:

- an equity security that is listed on an exchange or Nasdaq, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, has not traded and there are no bids;
- Royce does not receive at least two bid side quotes for an Other OTC Equity Security;
- the independent pricing services are unable to supply fair value prices; or
- the Level 1 or Level 2 inputs become otherwise unreliable for any reason (e.g., a significant event occurs after the close of trading for a security but prior to the time the Fund prices its shares).

The table below shows the aggregate value of the various Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 securities held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024. Any Level 2 or Level 3 securities held by the Fund are noted in its Schedule of Investments. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with owning those securities.

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Common Stocks	\$53,800,279	\$28,544,299	\$0	\$82,344,578
Repurchase Agreement	-	675,392	-	675,392

#### REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS:

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements with institutions that the Fund's investment adviser has determined are creditworthy. The Fund restricts repurchase agreements to maturities of no more than seven days. Securities pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements, which are held until maturity of the repurchase agreements, are marked-to-market daily and maintained at a value at least equal to the principal amount of the repurchase agreement (including accrued interest). Repurchase agreements could involve certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the counter-party, including possible delays or restrictions upon the ability of the Fund to dispose of its underlying securities. The remaining contractual maturity of the repurchase agreement held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024, is next business day and continuous.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY:

Net realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, expiration of currency forward contracts, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities, other than investments in securities at the end of the reporting period, as a result of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.

The Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in foreign companies that may be subject to different risks than investments in securities of U.S. companies, including adverse political, social, economic, or other developments that are unique to a particular country or region. Therefore, the prices of securities of foreign companies in particular countries or regions may, at times, move in a different direction than those of securities of U.S. companies. Because such investments in securities of foreign companies are usually denominated in foreign currencies and the Fund does not intend to hedge its foreign currency exposure, the U.S. dollar value of such investments may be harmed by declines in the value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar.

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Fund defines Cash as cash, including foreign currency.

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES:**

As a qualified regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund is not subject to income taxes to the extent that it distributes substantially all of its taxable income for its fiscal year. The Schedule of Investments includes information regarding income taxes under the caption "Tax Information."

The Fund pays any dividends and capital gain distributions annually in December. Because federal income tax regulations differ from generally accepted accounting principles, income and capital gain distributions determined in accordance with tax regulations may differ from net investment income and realized gains recognized for financial reporting purposes. Accordingly, the character of distributions and composition of net assets for tax purposes differ from those reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### CAPITAL GAINS TAXES:

The Fund may be subject to a tax imposed on capital gains on securities of issuers domiciled in certain countries. This amount, if any, is reported as deferred capital gains tax in the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities, assuming those positions were disposed of at the end of the period, and accounted for as a reduction in the market value of the security.

#### INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME:

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except for certain dividends from securities where the dividend rate is not available. In such cases, the dividend is recorded as soon as the information is received by the Fund. Non-cash dividend income is recorded at the fair market value of the securities received. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Premiums and discounts on debt securities are amortized using the effective yield-to-maturity method. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are determined on the basis of identified cost for book and tax purposes.

#### CASH INCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCIES:

Cash, including foreign currencies, consists of deposits maintained at State Street Bank and Trust Company, the Fund's Custodian (in such capacity, the "Custodian"), and through the Custodian's global sub-custodian network. Accordingly, the Fund's risk for the possible insolvency loss of a cash deposit lies with the Custodian or the relevant sub-custodian bank. Fund cash deposits maintained at the Custodian or through a particular sub-custodian bank may be significant, and may, at times, exceed U.S. or other applicable insurance limits.

#### **EXPENSES:**

The Fund incurs direct and indirect expenses. Expenses directly attributable to the Fund are charged to the Fund, while expenses applicable to more than one of the Royce Funds are allocated equitably. Certain personnel, occupancy costs and other administrative expenses related to all of the Royce Funds are allocated by Royce under an administration agreement and are included in administrative and office facilities and professional fees.

#### INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS:

Reference is made to Maryland law, the Fund's Articles of Incorporation, as amended and supplemented, and the Fund's Amended and Restated By-laws, each of which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of the Fund's officers and directors under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Reference is also made to the investment advisory agreement between the Fund and Royce which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of Royce under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification provisions in favor of such service providers and other covered persons. The amount of any potential Fund liability under these indemnification arrangements, if any, currently cannot be determined with any degree of specificity. The Fund is not currently in possession of any information that would cause it to believe that the Fund is reasonably likely to be subject to any material adverse impact from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. No assurance can be given, however, that the Fund will not incur any liability from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. Any future liability to the Fund that may arise from the operation of such arrangements will be disclosed to the extent required by relevant accounting guidance and applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

#### Capital Stock

The Fund issued 157,790 and 50,902 shares of Common Stock as reinvestment of distributions for the years ended December 31, 2024, and December 31, 2023, respectively.

#### **Borrowings:**

The Fund is party to a revolving credit agreement (the "credit agreement") with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited (BNPPI). The Fund pays a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum on the unused portion of the then-current maximum amount that may be borrowed by the Fund under the credit agreement. The credit agreement has a 179-day rolling term that resets daily. The Fund pledges eligible portfolio securities as collateral and has granted a security interest in such pledged securities to, and in favor of, BNPPI as security for the loan balance outstanding. The amount of eligible portfolio securities required to be pledged as collateral is determined by BNPPI in accordance with the credit agreement. In determining collateral requirements, the value of eligible securities pledged as collateral is subject to discount by BNPPI based upon a variety of factors set forth in the credit agreement. As of December 31, 2024, the market value of eligible securities pledged as collateral exceeded three times the loan balance outstanding.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### **Borrowings (continued):**

If the Fund fails to meet certain requirements, or comply with other financial covenants set forth in the credit agreement, the Fund may be required to repay immediately, in part or in full, the loan balance outstanding under the credit agreement, which may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may terminate the credit agreement upon certain ratings downgrades of its corporate parent, which would result in the Fund's entire loan balance becoming immediately due and payable. The occurrence of such ratings downgrades may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may also terminate the credit agreement upon sixty (60) calendar days' prior written notice to the Fund in the event the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business day of any calendar month declines by thirty-five percent (35%) or more from the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business on the last business day of the immediately preceding calendar month.

The credit agreement also permits, subject to certain conditions, BNPPI to rehypothecate portfolio securities pledged by the Fund up to the amount of the loan balance outstanding. The Fund continues to receive payments in lieu of dividends and interest on rehypothecated securities. The Fund also has the right under the credit agreement to recall the rehypothecated securities from BNPPI on demand. If BNPPI fails to deliver the recalled security in a timely manner, the Fund is compensated by BNPPI for any fees or losses related to the failed delivery or, in the event a recalled security is not returned by BNPPI, the Fund, upon notice to BNPPI, may reduce the loan balance outstanding by the value of the recalled security failed to be returned. The Fund receives a portion of the fees earned by BNPPI in connection with the rehypothecation of portfolio securities.

As of December 31, 2024, the Fund had outstanding borrowings of \$2,000,000. The Fund has the right to reduce the maximum amount it can borrow under the credit agreement upon one (1) business day's prior written notice to BNPPI. The maximum amount the Fund may borrow under the credit agreement was reduced to \$0 as of January 22, 2025. The Fund and BNPPI may agree to increase the maximum amount the Fund can borrow under the credit agreement, which amount may not exceed \$15,000,000.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund had an average daily loan balance of \$3,953,552 at a weighted average borrowing cost of 6.34%. The maximum loan balance outstanding during the year ended December 31, 2024, was \$4,000,000. As of December 31, 2024, the aggregate value of rehypothecated securities was \$2,066,402. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund earned \$20 in fees from rehypothecated securities.

#### **Investment Advisory Agreement:**

The investment advisory agreement between Royce and the Fund provides for fees to be paid at an annual rate of 1.00% of the Fund's average daily net assets, computed daily and payable monthly. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund expensed Royce investment advisory fees totaling \$806,996.

#### **Purchases and Sales of Investment Securities:**

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the costs of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities, other than short-term securities, amounted to \$13,405,676, and \$15,750,666, respectively.

Cross trades were executed by the Fund pursuant to Rule 17a-7 under the 1940 Act. Cross trading is the buying or selling of portfolio securities between funds to which Royce or an affiliate of Franklin Resources, Inc. serves as investment adviser. The Fund's Chief Compliance Officer reviews such transactions each quarter for compliance with the requirements and restrictions set forth by Rule 17a-7, and reports the results of that review to the Board of Directors. Cross trades for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

COSTS OF PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	REALIZED GAIN (LOSS)
\$322,753	\$ —	\$ -

#### **Tax Information:**

Distributions during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, were characterized as follows for tax purposes:

ORDINAR	Y INCOME	LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAINS					
2024	2023	2024	2023				
\$2,989,773	\$456,300	\$ -	\$490,248				

The tax basis components of distributable earnings as of December 31, 2024, were as follows:

	UNDISTRIBUTED ORDINARY INCOME	UNDISTRIBUTED LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAINS OR (CAPITAL LOSS CARRYFORWARD)	NET UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION) <sup>1</sup>	QUALIFIED LATE YEAR ORDINARY AND POST-OCTOBER LOSS DEFERRALS <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL DISTRIBUTABLE EARNINGS
_	\$270.786	\$(902.805)	\$24.597.507	\$ <b>-</b>	\$23.965.488

<sup>1</sup> Includes timing differences on foreign currency, recognition of losses on securities sold, underlying investments and mark-to-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Under the current tax law, capital losses and qualified late year ordinary losses incurred after October 31 may be deferred and treated as occurring on the first day of the following fiscal year.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### Tax Information: (continued):

For financial reporting purposes, capital accounts and distributions to stockholders are adjusted to reflect the tax character of permanent book/tax differences. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund recorded the following permanent reclassifications, which relates to excise taxes paid. Results of operations and net assets were not affected by these reclassifications.

TOTAL DISTRIBUTABLE EARNINGS (LOSS)	PAID-IN CAPITAL
\$4,038	\$(4,038)

Management has analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on federal income tax returns for all open tax years (2021-2024) and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, no provision for income tax is required in the Fund's financial statements.

#### Commitments/Contingencies:

On June 29, 2023, an action was filed against the Fund and numerous unrelated funds in Saba Capital Master Funds., Ltd., et al. v. Clearbridge Energy Midstream Opportunity Fund, Inc., et al., No. 1:23-cv-05568 (S.D.N.Y.) that sought rescission of the defendants' election to opt into the provisions of the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act (the "MCSAA"). On January 4, 2024, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York issued an opinion and order that, among other things, declared that the resolutions opting into the MCSAA violate a provision of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and ordered that those resolutions "be rescinded forthwith." Following an appeal by the Fund and the other remaining defendants, the district court's judgment was affirmed in full by the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit on June 26, 2024. On or about September 24, 2024, the Fund and certain defendants filed a petition with the U.S. Supreme Court for a writ of certiorari to review the judgment of the Second Circuit. The ultimate outcome of such petition is unknown.

The Fund incurred \$855,838 in legal fees and expenses in 2024 in connection with this action. The Fund was reimbursed \$831,539 and expects to be reimbursed the remaining \$24,299 in 2025 under its insurance policy. The deductible amount for this action under the Fund's insurance policy is \$500,000 and was met by the Fund in 2023. Any additional amounts incurred for legal fees and expenses for this action are also expected to be reimbursed to the Fund by the insurer.

#### **Segment Reporting:**

The Fund has adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Segment Reporting Disclosures (the "Update"). The Update is limited to disclosure requirements and does not impact the Fund's financial position or results of operations.

The Fund operates as a single operating segment, which is a segregated investment portfolio. Royce, in its capacity as investment manager, functions as the Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM) for the Fund for purposes of the Update, evaluating its results and performance based upon its specific investment strategy and other relevant facts and circumstances. The CODM uses these measures to assess Fund performance and allocate resources effectively, subject to compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements and oversight from its Board of Directors. Internal reporting provided to the CODM aligns with the accounting policies and measurement principles used in the financial statements.

For information regarding segment assets, segment profit or loss, and significant expenses, refer to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the Statement of Operations, along with the related notes to the financial statements. The Schedule of Investments provides details of the Fund's investments that generate returns such as interest, dividends, and realized and unrealized gains or losses. Performance metrics, including portfolio turnover and expense ratios, are disclosed in the Financial Highlights.

#### Subsequent Events:

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued and it has been determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure, other than as disclosed within.

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Royce Global Trust, Inc.:

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of Royce Global Trust, Inc. (the "Fund") as of December 31, 2024, the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2024, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2024, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024 and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2024 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers; when replies were not received from brokers, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP New York, New York February 21, 2025

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the Franklin Templeton Group of Funds since 1948.

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## Royce Micro-Cap Trust (RMT)



Jim Stoeffel, Andrew Palen

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

Royce Micro-Cap Trust (RMT) advanced 13.5% on an NAV (net asset value) basis and 14.2% based on its market price in 2024 versus a gain of 11.5% for its

benchmark, the small-cap Russell 2000 Index, and an increase of 13.7% for its benchmark, the Russell Microcap Index, for the same period. RMT also beat the Russell 2000 on both an NAV and market price basis for the 3-, 5-, 10-, 15-, 25-, 30-year, and since inception (12/14/93) periods ended 12/31/24.

#### WHAT WORKED... AND WHAT DIDN'T

Nine of the portfolio's 11 equity sectors contributed to calendaryear performance, led by Industrials, Information Technology, and Financials. The only negative impacts came from Utilities and Real Estate, while Materials made the smallest positive impact. At the industry level, construction & engineering (Industrials), capital markets (Financials), and electronic equipment, instruments & components (Information Technology) contributed most in 2024, while specialty retail (Consumer Discretionary), trading companies & distributors and professional services (both in Industrials), detracted the most.

The Fund's top contributing position was IES Holdings, which provides critical infrastructure and electrical services to several end markets. IES's thoughtful consolidation strategy focused on accretive acquisitions that management can leverage across its existing infrastructure efforts has led to an almost fourfold increase in EBITDA over the past couple of years. Cellebrite DI offers digital intelligence solutions for law enforcement, governments, and the enterprise market. The company reported strong 3Q24 results in November when it also announced a new partnership with Amazon Web Services and a patent for Remote Mobile Collection, which equips corporate investigators with immediate, targeted remote data collection. PAR Technology is a leader in enterprise restaurant technology, offering a best-in-class product suite that generates revenue streams diversified across several platforms including Subscription Services, Guest Engagement, Operator Solutions, Back-Office Solutions, Hardware, and Professional Services. The enterprise end-market among restaurant customers is increasingly moving away from complex point solutions and/or costly internally developed technology, a move that benefits PAR's broad and integrated cloud platforms. In 2024, the company

<b>Top Contributors to Performa</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>1</sup>	<b>Top Detractors from Performance</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>2</sup>				
IES Holdings	1.74	Quanterix Corporation	-0.66		
Cellebrite DI	1.44	Luna Innovations	-0.61		
PAR Technology	1.28	Forrester Research	-0.45		
Applied Optoelectronics	1.05	AutoCanada	-0.42		
Universal Technical Institute	0.89	Arcturus Therapeutics Hold	lings-0.40		
<sup>1</sup> Includes dividends		<sup>2</sup> Net of dividends			

showcased remarkable sales momentum with both new brand and location wins, as well as expansion with existing customers, most notably, Burger King and Wendy's.

RMT's biggest detractor at the position level was Quanterix Corporation, which offers a digital immunoassay platform for research and in-vitro diagnostics. Its shares fell sharply in March due to the FDA's concerns about another company's similar technology. Second-quarter results released in August showed net losses and revised guidance. Both of these developments influenced our decision to exit the position. Luna Innovations provides advanced optical technology for test and measurement applications. The company ran into accounting issues that kept it from filing financial statements, resulting in being delisted from Nasdaq (and now trading on the OTC Market). While disappointed, we maintained a small position as we believe its products have immense technological value. Forrester Research is a subscription-based information technology research company geared toward helping businesses maximize the use of emerging technologies. Declines in IT spending during 2023, as well as Forrester's ongoing change to its go-to-market strategy, which includes culling smaller clients and retraining its existing sales force, weighed on contract value and sales growth in 2024. Although the pace of progress is testing investor patience, we acted in a contrarian fashion by adding shares in 2024.

The Fund's advantage over the Russell 2000 in 2024 came from both sector allocation decisions and stock selection. At the sector level, stock selection and, to a lesser extent, our higher weighting in Industrials, stock selection in Communication Services, and both stock selection and our lower exposure to Health Care did most to boost relative performance. Conversely, stock selection and a lower exposure to Financials, a higher weighting and stock selection in Materials, and our lower exposure to Consumer Staples (where our stock selection was additive) hurt relative results the most.

#### **CURRENT POSITIONING AND OUTLOOK**

With the election over, we have more clarity on the outlook for fiscal and regulatory policies, which we view as generally positive for equities. We continue to see a significant opportunity set associated with broad macroeconomic trends. We believe the reindustrialization of the U.S. economy and the rapid adoption of AI are providing investment opportunities across the micro-cap universe and inform our overweight positions in Industrials and Information Technology. These opportunities often arise in tangential areas such as the significant increase in power demand associated with AI data centers. These trends fit well with our U.S.-centric microcap universe. Of course, there remain numerous areas of potential volatility outside our control. First among these is the pace of future interest rate cuts, but the outside geopolitical world also remains highly volatile. As always, we will seek to use these periods of volatility to our advantage.

#### Performance

Average Annual Total Return (%) Through 12/31/24

	JUL-DEC 2024 <sup>1</sup>	1-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	25-YR	30-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (12/14/93)
RMT (NAV)	8.28	13.47	3.23	11.86	9.16	11.33	8.65	10.24	10.94	10.74

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Not Annualized

#### Market Price Performance History Since Inception (12/14/93)

Cumulative Performance of Investment through 12/31/24<sup>1</sup>

	1-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (12/14/93)
RMT	14.2%	75.4%	139.9%	436.4%	339.3%	1948.8%



Reflects the cumulative performance experience of a continuous common stockholder who purchased one share at inception (\$7.50 IPO), reinvested all distributions and fully participated in the primary subscription of the Fund's 1994 rights offering.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reflects the actual month-end market price movement of one share as it has traded on NYSE and, prior to 12/1/03, on the Nasdaq.



The Morningstar Style Map is the Morningstar Style Box™ with the center 75% of fund holdings plotted as the Morningstar Ownership Zone™. The Morningstar Style Box is designed to reveal a fund's investment strategy. The Morningstar Ownership Zone provides detail about a portfolio's investment style by showing the range of stock sizes and styles. The Ownership Zone is derived by plotting each stock in the portfolio within the proprietary Morningstar Style Box. Over time, the shape and location of a fund's ownership zone may vary. See page 65 for additional information.

#### Value of \$10,000

Invested on 6/30/2000 (Russell Microcap Inception) as of 12/31/24 (\$)



<b>Top 10 Positions</b> % of Net Assets	
Transcat	1.7
Richardson Electronics	1.7
Universal Technical Institute	1.6
Sprott	1.5
Mesa Laboratories	1.4
PAR Technology	1.4
BioLife Solutions	1.3
nLIGHT	1.2
Graham Corporation	1.2
Major Drilling Group International	1.2

Portfolio Sector Breakdown % of Net Assets	
Information Technology	23.9
Industrials	22.4
Financials	16.3
Health Care	12.5
Consumer Discretionary	6.5
Materials	5.6
Energy	4.6
Communication Services	3.6
Real Estate	1.3
Consumer Staples	1.1
Utilities	0.2
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Net of Outstanding Line of Credit	2.0

Calendar Year Total Returns (%)	
YEAR	RMT
2024	13.5
2023	16.6
2022	-16.9
2021	19.2
2020	33.6
2019	22.4
2018	-11.6
2017	17.7
2016	22.0
2015	-11.7
2014	3.5
2013	44.5
2012	17.3
2011	-7.7
2010	28.5

Portfolio Diagnostics	
Fund Net Assets	\$567 million
Number of Holdings	192
Turnover Rate	53%
Net Asset Value	\$10.98
Market Price	\$9.75
Average Market Capitalization <sup>1</sup>	\$769 million
Weighted Average P/B Ratio <sup>2</sup>	2.1x
Active Share <sup>3</sup>	96%
U.S. Investments (% of Net Assets)	79.6%
Non-U.S. Investments (% of Net Assets	18.4%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Geometric Average.** This weighted calculation uses each portfolio holding's market cap in a way designed to not skew the effect of very large or small holdings; instead, it aims to better identify the portfolio's center, which Royce believes offers a more accurate measure of average market cap than a simple mean or median.

#### Important Performance and Risk Information

All performance information reflects past performance, is presented on a total return basis, net of the Fund's investment advisory fee, reflects the reinvestment of distributions and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the sale of fund shares. Past performance is no quarantee of future results. Current month-end performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted and may be obtained at www.royceinvest.com. The market price of the Fund's shares will fluctuate, so that shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when sold. The Fund normally invests in micro-cap companies, which may involve considerably more risk than investments in securities of larger-cap companies. The Fund's broadly diversified portfolio does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss. From time to time, the Fund may invest a significant portion of its net assets in foreign securities, which may involve political, economic, currency and other risks not encountered in U.S. investments. Regarding the "Top Contributors" and "Top Detractors" tables shown above, the sum of all contributors to, and all detractors from, performance for all securities in the portfolio would approximate the Fund's year-to-date performance for 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Harmonic Average. This weighted calculation evaluates a portfolio as if it were a single stock and measures it overall. It compares the total market value of the portfolio to the portfolio's share in the earnings or book value, as the case may be, of its underlying stocks.

Active Share is the sum of the absolute values of the different weightings of each holding in the Fund versus each holding in the benchmark, divided by two.

Schedule of Investments			Schedule of Investments (continued)		
Common Stocks – 97.4%	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES	VALUE
COMMUNICATION SERVICES – 3.6%		-	ENERGY (continued)		-
ENTERTAINMENT - 1.1%			OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS (continued)		
IMAX Corporation 1	234,902	\$ 6,013,491	•	83,633	\$ 2,669,565
INTERACTIVE MEDIA & SERVICES - 1.7%	254,502	Ψ 0,013,43	*SandRidge Energy	171,169	2,004,389
QuinStreet <sup>1</sup>	216,363	4,991,494		171,103	9,658,599
*Vimeo 1	362,945	2,322,848			26,104,630
ZipRecruiter Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	357,057	2,585,093	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		20,104,030
Ziphecratter et. A	337,037	9,899,435	- FINIANICIALO 4F 70/		
MEDIA - 0.8%		3,033,100	BANKS - 4.0%		
Magnite <sup>1</sup>	298,173	4,746,914	<sup>†</sup> Chain Bridge Bancorp Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	67,500	1,692,225
Total (Cost \$11,713,679)		20,659,840	Chemung Financial <sup>2</sup>	31,000	1,513,110
Total (005t \$11,710,075)		20,000,010	Citizens Bancshares 5	22,699	1,161,054
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY – 6.5%			<sup>†</sup> Coastal Financial <sup>1</sup>	31,511	2,675,599
AUTOMOBILE COMPONENTS - 0.1%			<sup>†</sup> First Foundation	189,666	1,177,826
Stoneridge 1,2	111,200	697,224	First National Bank Alaska <sup>5</sup>	5,712	1,330,896
DIVERSIFIED CONSUMER SERVICES - 2.1%			HBT Financial	101,554	2,224,032
<sup>†</sup> Legacy Education <sup>1</sup>	334,657	2,784,346		7,867	1,999,319
Universal Technical Institute 1	355,500	9,139,905		22,425	555,019
		11,924,251	Midway Investments <sup>1,4</sup>	735,647	C
HOTELS, RESTAURANTS & LEISURE - 1.7%			†Northeast Bank	26,085	2,392,777
Century Casinos <sup>1</sup>	322,500	1,044,900	OP Bancorp	94,500	1,494,045
<sup>†</sup> Denny's Corporation <sup>1</sup>	214,887	1,300,066	United Bancorporation of Alabama <sup>5</sup>	21,055	1,185,396
Lindblad Expeditions Holdings 1,2	493,431	5,852,092	tUnity Bancorp	34,188	1,490,939
Nathan's Famous	15,028	1,181,351	Virginia National Bankshares <sup>2</sup>	51,718	1,975,628
		9,378,409	)		22,867,865
HOUSEHOLD DURABLES - 1.1%			CAPITAL MARKETS - 7.6%		
Cavco Industries 1,2,3	6,210	2,771,089	Bolsa Mexicana de Valores	918,000	1,474,453
Legacy Housing <sup>1</sup>	151,597	3,741,414	Canaccord Genuity Group	621,067	4,368,143
		6,512,503	Donnelley Financial Solutions 1,2	11,923	747,930
LEISURE PRODUCTS - 0.4%			Open Lending <sup>1</sup>	527,035	3,146,399
<sup>†</sup> American Outdoor Brands <sup>1</sup>	161,751	2,465,085		21,039	1,348,390
SPECIALTY RETAIL - 0.9%			OTC Markets Group <sup>5</sup>	63,527	3,249,406
Beyond <sup>1</sup>	240,000	1,183,200	Perella Weinberg Partners Cl. A	140,676	3,353,716
OneWater Marine Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	35,000	608,300	Silvercrest Asset Management Group Cl. A <sup>2</sup>	305,264	5,613,805
<sup>†</sup> RealReal <sup>1</sup>	105,183	1,149,650		206,485	8,700,683
Shoe Carnival <sup>2</sup>	57,963	1,917,416		45,997	4,506,326
		4,858,566	Tel Aviv Stock Exchange <sup>5</sup>	333,000	3,862,206
TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS - 0.2%			Value Line	18,570	980,496
†Lakeland Industries	24,856	635,071	Westaim Corporation (The) <sup>1</sup>	500,000	1,798,323
<sup>†</sup> Vera Bradley <sup>1</sup>	130,000	510,900			43,150,276
		1,145,971			
Total (Cost \$24,110,343)		36,982,009	EZCORP CI. A 1,2,3	516,176	6,307,671
CONCUMED CTARLES 4 400			FINANCIAL SERVICES - 2.6%		
CONSUMER STAPLES – 1.1%			Acacia Research 1,2,3	399,140	1,732,268
FOOD PRODUCTS - 1.1%	40.000		Cass Information Systems	45,858	1,876,051
CubicFarm Systems 1,4	40,000	6,400		741,225	1,629,463
J G Boswell Company <sup>5</sup>	1,539	840,294		121,598	2,532,886
Seneca Foods Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	64,703	5,128,360		109,917	1,403,640
Total (Cost \$5,236,441)		5,975,054	Repay Holdings Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	749,404	5,717,952
ENERGY – 4.6%					14,892,260
ENERGY EQUIPMENT & SERVICES - 2.9%			INSURANCE - 0.4%		
Bristow Group 1,2,3	145,901	5,004,405	†International General Insurance Holdings	82,206	1,953,214
NPK International <sup>1</sup>	627,090	4,809,780	Intal (Cost \$ /4 413 894)		89,171,286
Pason Systems	436,588		HEALTH CARE – 12.5%		
*Select Water Solutions Cl. A	188,683	2,498,163			
	. 50,000	16,446,031	_ 5.0.1200200	902 006	2 244 002
OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS - 1.7%		10,440,03	_ //boci corporation	882,096	2,311,092
OIL, OND & CONSONIADEL I ULLS - 1.1/0			<sup>†</sup> ARS Pharmaceuticals <sup>1</sup>	235,018	2,479,440
Dorchester Minerals L.P.	76,981	2,565,777	CareDx <sup>1</sup>	100,000	2,141,000

Schedule of Investments (continued	)		Schedule of Investments (continu	ued)	
	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES	VALUE
HEALTH CARE (continued)			INDUSTRIALS (continued)		
BIOTECHNOLOGY (continued)			ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (continued)		
MeiraGTx Holdings <sup>1</sup>	137,025	\$ 834,482	Hammond Power Solutions Cl. A	35,719	3,181,897
<u>-</u>	_	7,766,014	LSI Industries	199,970	3,883,418
HEALTH CARE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES - 3.4%	_		Powell Industries	11,396	2,525,923
<sup>†</sup> Alphatec Holdings <sup>1</sup>	408,149	3,746,808	Preformed Line Products	20,087	2,566,918
Artivion <sup>1</sup>	60,200	1,721,118		_	16,703,696
Establishment Labs Holdings <sup>1</sup>	62,159	2,863,665	GROUND TRANSPORTATION - 1.4%	_	
Inogen <sup>1</sup>	311,199	2,853,695	Covenant Logistics Group Cl. A	59,985	3,269,782
Profound Medical <sup>1</sup>	427,971	3,215,476	FTAI Infrastructure	177,089	1,285,666
UFP Technologies 1,2	8,949	2,188,120	Universal Logistics Holdings <sup>2</sup>	70,240	3,226,826
Utah Medical Products	40,946	2,516,951			7,782,274
	_	19,105,833	MACHINERY - 3.6%	_	
HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS & SERVICES - 1.5%			Graham Corporation <sup>1</sup>	149,850	6,663,829
<sup>†</sup> AMN Healthcare Services <sup>1</sup>	101,304	2,423,192	Hurco Companies <sup>2</sup>	51,954	1,002,193
Cross Country Healthcare 1,2	194,552	3,533,064	L B Foster Company 1,2	95,300	2,563,570
†GeneDx Holdings Cl. A 1	31,567	2,426,239	Lindsay Corporation <sup>2</sup>	48,879	5,782,874
	_	8,382,495	Luxfer Holdings <sup>2</sup>	204,200	2,672,978
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY - 0.9%	_		Shyft Group (The)	170,121	1,997,221
Simulations Plus <sup>2</sup>	182,065	5,077,793		_	20,682,665
LIFE SCIENCES TOOLS & SERVICES - 5.3%	_		MARINE TRANSPORTATION - 0.4%	_	
BioLife Solutions 1	281,861	7,317,112	Clarkson <sup>5</sup>	52,700	2,604,142
Cytek Biosciences 1	460,279		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - 1.6%	_	
Harvard Bioscience <sup>1</sup>	872,055	1,840,036	<sup>†</sup> Asure Software <sup>1</sup>	96,673	909,693
<sup>†</sup> Maravai LifeSciences Holdings Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	330,000	1,798,500	Forrester Research 1,2	225,449	3,532,786
MaxCyte <sup>1</sup>	799,873	3,327,472	Heidrick & Struggles International	37,232	1,649,750
Mesa Laboratories <sup>2</sup>	60,183	7,936,332	Resources Connection	253,095	2,158,900
OmniAb <sup>1</sup>	707,080	2,503,063	TrueBlue <sup>1</sup>	95,000	798,000
<sup>†</sup> Standard BioTools <sup>1</sup>	1,455,503	2,547,130	<sup>†</sup> TTEC Holdings <sup>1</sup>	14,020	69,960
	_	30,256,856	3.	,, _	9,119,089
Total (Cost \$63,268,230)		70,588,991	TRADING COMPANIES & DISTRIBUTORS - 3.7	%	
			<sup>†</sup> Alta Equipment Group	150,270	982,766
INDUSTRIALS – 22.4%			Distribution Solutions Group <sup>1</sup>	151,857	5,223,881
AEROSPACE & DEFENSE - 1.6%			EVI Industries <sup>2</sup>	233,157	3,812,117
Astronics Corporation <sup>1</sup>	183,019	2,920,983	<sup>†</sup> Teqnion <sup>1,5</sup>	58,178	869,117
CPI Aerostructures <sup>1</sup>	189,700	768,285	Titan Machinery <sup>1</sup>	42,286	597,501
Park Aerospace	352,276	5,160,844	Transcat 1,2	90,670	9,587,446
ALD EDELOUE ALL COLOTION AND AND	_	8,850,112			21,072,828
AIR FREIGHT & LOGISTICS - 0.6%	470.050		Total (Cost \$97,661,164)		127,208,720
†Radiant Logistics <sup>1</sup>	479,652	3,213,668	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OF ON		
BUILDING PRODUCTS - 0.2%			INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – 23.9%		
Quanex Building Products	52,176	1,264,746	COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT - 2.5%	70.040	005 700
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES - 3.2%			ADTRAN Holdings <sup>1</sup>	79,916	665,700
Acme United	60,952	2,275,338	Applied Optoelectronics 1	164,180	6,051,675
CECO Environmental <sup>1</sup>	153,185	4,630,783	Clearfield <sup>1,2</sup>	143,278	4,441,618
Civeo Corporation	75,000	1,704,000	Digi International <sup>1,2</sup>	70,000	2,116,100
Liquidity Services <sup>1</sup>	109,500	3,535,755	Harmonic <sup>1</sup>	68,206	902,365
Montrose Environmental Group <sup>1</sup>	141,809	2,630,557			14,177,458
VSE Corporation	33,140		ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS & C		
	_	17,928,047	Bel Fuse Cl. A	18,805	1,693,954
CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING - 3.2%			†Bel Fuse Cl. B	43,953	3,624,804
<sup>+</sup> Argan	27,507	3,769,559	†Climb Global Solutions	25,675	3,254,306
<sup>†</sup> Bowman Consulting Group <sup>1</sup>	65,961	1,645,727	FARO Technologies 1,2,3	170,546	4,325,047
IES Holdings 1,2	22,700	4,561,792	Luna Innovations <sup>1</sup>	752,876	1,626,212
Limbach Holdings <sup>1</sup>	46,871	4,009,345	nLIGHT <sup>1,2</sup>	657,176	6,893,776
Matrix Service <sup>1,2</sup>	56,915	681,273	PAR Technology <sup>1,2</sup>	106,593	7,746,113
Northwest Pipe 1,2	68,789	3,319,757	Powerfleet <sup>1</sup>	966,159	6,434,619
	_	17,987,453	Richardson Electronics	667,688	9,367,663
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT - 2.9%			Vishay Precision Group 1,2	86,931	2,040,271
American Superconductor <sup>1</sup>	184,553	4,545,540			47,006,765

Schedule of Investments (continued	l)		Schedule of Investments (continue	ed)		
	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES		VALUE
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (continued)			MATERIALS – 5.6% (continued)			
IT SERVICES - 0.5%			METALS & MINING (continued			
Hackett Group (The) <sup>2</sup>	85,788	\$ 2,635,407	MAG Silver <sup>1</sup>	154,050	\$	2,095,080
SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIPM	IENT - 7.5%		Major Drilling Group International <sup>1</sup>	1,157,723		6,612,339
Alpha & Omega Semiconductor 1,2	27,940	1,034,618	Sandstorm Gold <sup>2</sup>	785,000		4,380,300
Amtech Systems 1,2	92,184	502,403		,		25,160,204
Camtek	66,775	5,393,417	Total (Cost \$25,504,599)			31,539,912
Cohu <sup>1,2</sup>	178,322	4,761,197	REAL ESTATE – 1.3%			
Ichor Holdings <sup>1</sup>	182,240	5,871,773				
inTEST Corporation <sup>1</sup>	236,739	2,033,588	OFFICE REITS - 0.3%	444.000		4 407 700
Kopin Corporation <sup>1</sup>	610,000	829,600	Postal Realty Trust Cl. A	114,000		1,487,700
Nova <sup>1,2</sup>	31,500	6,203,925	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT			
NVE Corporation <sup>2</sup>	40,500	3,297,915	Altus Group	73,400		2,859,508
Onto Innovation 1,2,3	27,766	4,627,759	Marcus & Millichap	30,090		1,151,244
<sup>†</sup> Penguin Solutions <sup>1</sup>	100,214	1,923,107	RMR Group (The) Cl. A <sup>2</sup>	86,200		1,779,168
Photronics <sup>1</sup>	140,815	3,317,601				5,789,920
Ultra Clean Holdings <sup>1,2</sup>	81,000	2,911,950	Total (Cost \$7,688,924)			7,277,620
ond olean flordings	01,000	 42,708,853	UTILITIES – 0.2%			
SOFTWARE - 4.3%		 12,700,000				
Alkami Technology <sup>1</sup>	100,156	3,673,722	WATER UTILITIES - 0.2%	400.000		4 040 000
Cellebrite DI <sup>1</sup>	257,291	5,668,121	Global Water Resources	106,000		1,219,000
Computer Modelling Group	801,796	5,940,469	Total (Cost \$678,400)			1,219,000
*Coveo Solutions 1	348,460	1,546,610	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS			
Enfusion Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	184,078	1,896,004				EE2 260 707
Logility Supply Chain Solutions <sup>2</sup>	126,152	1,397,764	(Cost \$429,325,362)			552,360,787
PROS Holdings <sup>1</sup>		1,789,740	INVESTMENT COMPANIES - 0.6%			
†ReposiTrak	81,500					
Repositiak	109,707	 2,427,816 <b>24,340,246</b>	FINANCIALS – 0.6%			
TECHNOLOGY HADDWADE CTODACE & DEDIDHE	DALC 0.00/	 24,340,240	CAPITAL MARKETS - 0.6%			
TECHNOLOGY HARDWARE, STORAGE & PERIPHE AstroNova <sup>1</sup>		4 204 470	ASA Gold and Precious Metals	171,150		3,460,653
	115,860	1,391,479	Total (Cost \$2,914,814)			3,460,653
†CompoSecure Cl. A	112,866	1,730,236	INVESTMENTS AT VALUE			
Intevac <sup>1</sup>	483,318	 1,643,281				
	·	4,764,996	(Cost \$432,240,176)			555,821,440
Total (Cost \$96,320,303)		135,633,725	REPURCHASE AGREEMENT – 2.4%			
MATERIALS - 5.6%			Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, 3.75% date	ed 12/31/24 due 1/	2/25 r	naturity value
CHEMICALS - 1.1%			\$13,426,190 (collateralized by obligations of L			•
Aspen Aerogels <sup>1</sup>	122,022	1,449,621		g	,	
*5N Plus 1	555,000	2,849,421				13,423,393
LSB Industries <sup>1</sup>	225,601	1,712,311	(003) \$10,123,3337			10, 120,000
†Mativ Holdings	33,794	368,355	TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 100.4%			
many Holalings	55,754	 6,379,708	(Cost \$445,663,569)			569,244,833
METALS & MINING - 4.5%		 3,373,700				
Alamos Gold Cl. A	256,044	N 702 Q10	LIADULTIC LECC CACU AND OTHER ACCES	(O. 4)0/		(2,400,200)
†Alphamin Resources	1,267,682	943,629	LIABILITIES LESS CASH AND OTHER ASSETS	- (U.4)%		(2,468,235)
•			NET ASSETS – 100.0%		\$	566,776,598
Altius Minerals	171,100	3,168,585	HEI HOULD TOULD		Ψ	300,770,330
†Compass Minerals International	112,609	1,266,851				
†Ferroglobe	518,310	1,969,578				

#### Bold indicates the Fund's 20 largest equity holdings in terms of December 31, 2024, market value.

**TAX INFORMATION:** The cost of total investments for Federal income tax purposes was \$448,764,876. As of December 31, 2024, net unrealized appreciation for all securities was \$120,479,957 consisting of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation of \$157,444,112 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation of \$36,964,155. The primary causes of the difference between book and tax basis cost are the timing of the recognition of losses on securities sold, investments in publicly traded partnerships and Trusts, investments in Real Estate Investment Trusts and mark-to-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

<sup>†</sup> New additions in 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-income producing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All or a portion of these securities were pledged as collateral in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement as of December 31, 2024. Total market value of pledged securities as of December 31, 2024, was \$5,231,824.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As of December 31, 2024, a portion of these securities, in the aggregate amount of \$1,094,466, were rehypothecated by BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement. See Notes to Financial Statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Securities for which market quotations are not readily available represent 0.0% of net assets. These securities have been valued at their fair value under procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. These securities are defined as Level 3 securities due to the use of significant unobservable inputs in the determination of fair value. See Notes to Financial Statements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> These securities are defined as Level 2 securities due to fair value being based on quoted prices for similar securities and/or due to the application of fair value factors. See Notes to Financial Statements.

#### Statement of Assets and Liabilities ASSETS: Investments at value 555,821,440 Repurchase agreements (at cost and value) 13,423,393 Foreign currency (cost \$38,003) 37,945 Receivable for investments sold 121,776 Receivable for dividends and interest 91,929 Prepaid expenses and other assets 40,586 **Total Assets** 569,537,069 LIABILITIES: Revolving credit agreement 2,000,000 Payable for investments purchased 139,554 Payable for investment advisory fee 461,965 Payable for directors' fees 23.291 Payable for interest expense 9,788 Accrued expenses 125,873 **Total Liabilities** 2,760,471 Net Assets \$ 566,776,598 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS: Paid-in capital - \$0.001 par value per share; 51,622,624 shares outstanding (150,000,000 shares authorized) \$ 436,146,720 Total distributable earnings (loss) 130,629,878 Net Assets (net asset value per share - \$10.98) 566,776,598 Investments at identified cost \$ 432,240,176

Statement of Operations	
INVESTMENT INCOME:	
INCOME:	
Dividends	\$ 5,800,726
Foreign withholding tax	(221,472)
Interest	829,556
Rehypothecation income	40
Total income	6,408,850
EXPENSES:	
Investment advisory fees	5,688,005
Administrative and office facilities	255,133
Interest expense	128,906
Stockholder reports	118,738
Professional fees	111,031
Custody and transfer agent fees	109,315
Directors' fees	88,688
Other expenses	107,310
Total expenses	6,607,126
Net investment income (loss)	(198,276)
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY:	
NET REALIZED GAIN (LOSS):	
Investments	41,934,012
Foreign currency transactions	(10,190)
NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION):	
Investments	24,219,510
Other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency	(246)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency	66,143,086
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS	\$ 65,944,810

### **Statement of Changes in Net Assets**

	YE/	AR ENDED 12/31/24	YE	AR ENDED 12/31/23
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:				
Net investment income (loss)	\$	(198,276)	\$	(587,854)
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		41,923,822		67,119,219
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency		24,219,264		6,362,921
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		65,944,810		72,894,286
DISTRIBUTIONS:				
Total distributable earnings		(37,346,698)		(35,849,605)
Total distributions		(37,346,698)		(35,849,605)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:				
Reinvestment of distributions		17,685,144		17,559,078
Total capital stock transactions		17,685,144		17,559,078
Net Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets		46,283,256		54,603,759
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of year		520,493,342		465,889,583
End of year	\$	566,776,598 \$ 520,49		520,493,342

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95,396

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## Royce Micro-Cap Trust

Statement of Cash Flows

#### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: \$ Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations 65,944,810 Adjustments to reconcile net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations to net cash provided by operating activities: (279, 369, 743) Purchases of long-term investments Proceeds from sales and maturities of long-term investments 299.939.773 (973,389) Net purchases, sales and maturities of short-term investments Net (increase) decrease in dividends and interest receivable and other assets 300,234 Net increase (decrease) in interest expense payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities (84,060)Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments (24,219,510) Net realized gain (loss) on investments (41,934,012) Net cash provided by operating activities 19,604,103 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Distributions net of reinvestment (reinvestment \$17,685,144) (19.661.554) Net cash used for financing activities (19,661,554)

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

Cash and foreign currency at beginning of year

Cash and foreign currency at end of year

**INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH:** 

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund paid \$130,347 in interest expense.

#### **Financial Highlights**

This table is presented to show selected data for a share of Common Stock outstanding throughout each period, and to assist stockholders in evaluating the Fund's performance for the periods presented.

	YEARS ENDED									
		12/31/24		12/31/23		12/31/22		12/31/21		12/31/20
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$	10.47	\$	9.77	\$	13.06	\$	11.79	\$	9.63
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:										
Net investment income (loss)		0.00		(0.01)		(0.02)		$0.04^{1}$		(0.03)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		1.30		1.50		(2.26)		2.12		2.86
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		1.30		1.49		(2.28)		2.16		2.83
DISTRIBUTIONS:										
Net investment income		(0.03)		-		(0.05)		-		(80.0)
Net realized gain on investments and foreign currency		(0.71)		(0.74)		(0.89)		(0.84)		(0.53)
Return of capital		-		-		(0.01)		-		-
Total distributions		(0.74)		(0.74)		(0.95)		(0.84)		(0.61)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:										_
Effect of reinvestment of distributions by Common Stockholders		(0.05)		(0.05)		(0.06)		(0.05)		(0.06)
Total capital stock transactions		(0.05)		(0.05)		(0.06)		(0.05)		(0.06)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$	10.98	\$	10.47	\$	9.77	\$	13.06	\$	11.79
Market Value, End of Period	\$	9.75	\$	9.24	\$	8.68	\$	11.55	\$	10.12
TOTAL RETURN: <sup>2</sup>										
Net Asset Value		13.47%		16.64%		(16.89)%		19.17%		33.60%
Market Value		14.17%		15.86%		(16.51)%		22.78%		29.32%
RATIOS BASED ON AVERAGE NET ASSETS:										
Investment advisory fee expense <sup>3</sup>		1.05%		1.46%		1.47%		1.04%		1.19%
Other operating expenses		0.17%		0.39%		0.29%		0.16%		0.24%
Total expenses (net)		1.22%		1.85%		1.76%		1.20%		1.43%
Expenses excluding interest expense		1.19%		1.62%		1.63%		1.16%		1.34%
Expenses prior to balance credits		1.22%		1.85%		1.76%		1.20%		1.43%
Net investment income (loss)		(0.04)%		(0.12)%		(0.21)%		0.30%1		(0.34)%
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:										_
Net Assets, End of Period (in thousands)	\$	566,777	\$	520,493	\$	465,890	\$	590,313	\$	515,916
Portfolio Turnover Rate		53%		30%		26%		15%		17%
REVOLVING CREDIT AGREEMENT:										
Asset coverage		28439%		26125%		4335%		2783%		2445%
Asset coverage per \$1,000	\$	284,388	\$	261,247	\$	43,354	\$	27,832	\$	24,451

<sup>1</sup> A special distribution from ECN Capital resulted in an increase in net investment income (loss) per share of \$0.07 and an increase in the ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets of 0.51%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Market Value Total Return is calculated assuming a purchase of Common Stock on the opening of the first business day and a sale on the closing of the last business day of each period. Dividends and distributions are assumed for the purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan. Net Asset Value Total Return is calculated on the same basis, except that the Fund's net asset value is used on the purchase, sale and dividend reinvestment dates instead of market

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The investment advisory fee is calculated based on average net assets over a rolling 36-month basis, while the above ratios of investment advisory fee expenses are based on the average net assets over a 12-month basis.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Royce Micro-Cap Trust, Inc. (the "Fund"), is a diversified closed-end investment company that was incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland on September 9, 1993. The Fund commenced operations on December 14, 1993.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Fund is an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services-Investment Companies."

Royce & Associates, LP, the Fund's investment adviser, is a majority-owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. and primarily conducts business using the name Royce Investment Partners ("Royce").

#### **VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS:**

Portfolio securities held by the Fund are valued as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (generally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on the valuation date. Investments in money market funds are valued at net asset value per share. Values for non-U.S. dollar denominated equity securities are converted to U.S. dollars daily based upon prevailing foreign currency exchange rates as quoted by a major bank.

Portfolio securities that are listed on an exchange or Nasdaq, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, are valued: (i) on the basis of their last reported sales prices or official closing prices, as applicable, on a valuation date; or (ii) at their highest reported bid prices in the event such equity securities did not trade on a valuation date. Such inputs are generally referred to as "Level 1" inputs because they represent reliable quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

If the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund cannot be determined solely by reference to Level 1 inputs, such portfolio security will be "fair valued." The Fund's Board of Directors has designated Royce as valuation designee to perform fair value determinations for such portfolio securities in accordance with Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act ("Rule 2a-5"). Pursuant to Rule 2a-5, fair values are determined in accordance with policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors and policies and procedures adopted by Royce in its capacity as valuation designee for the Fund. Fair valued securities are reported as either "Level 2" or "Level 3" securities.

As a general principle, the fair value of a security is the amount which the Fund might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale. However, in light of the judgment involved in fair valuations, no assurance can be given that a fair value assigned to a particular portfolio security will be the amount which the Fund might be able to receive upon its current sale. When a fair value pricing methodology is used, the fair value prices used by the Fund for such securities will likely differ from the quoted or published prices for the same securities.

Level 2 inputs are other significant observable inputs (e.g., dealer bid side quotes and quoted prices for securities with comparable characteristics). Examples of situations in which Level 2 inputs are used to fair value portfolio securities held by the Fund on a particular valuation date include:

- Over-the-counter equity securities other than those traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system (collectively referred to herein as "Other OTC Equity Securities") are fair valued at their highest bid price when Royce receives at least two bid side quotes from dealers who make markets in such securities;
- Certain bonds and other fixed income securities may be fair valued by reference to other securities with comparable ratings, interest rates, and maturities in accordance with valuation methodologies maintained by certain independent pricing services; and
- The Fund uses an independent pricing service to fair value certain non-U.S. equity securities when U.S. market volatility exceeds a certain threshold set by Royce as valuation designee. This pricing service uses proprietary correlations it has developed between the movement of prices of non-U.S. equity securities and indices of U.S.-traded securities, futures contracts, and other indications to estimate the fair value of such non-U.S. securities.

Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Examples of Level 3 inputs include (without limitation) the last trade price for a security before trading was suspended or terminated; discounts to last trade price for lack of marketability or otherwise; market price information regarding other securities; information received from the issuer and/or published documents, including SEC filings and financial statements; and other publicly available information. Pursuant to the above-referenced policies and procedures, Royce may use

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS (continued):

various techniques in making fair value determinations based upon Level 3 inputs, which techniques may include (without limitation): (i) workout valuation methods (e.g., earnings multiples, discounted cash flows, liquidation values, derivations of book value, firm or probable offers from qualified buyers for the issuer's ongoing business, etc.); (ii) discount or premium from market, or compilation of other observable market information, for other similar freely traded securities; (iii) conversion from the readily available market price of a security into which an affected security is convertible or exchangeable; and (iv) pricing models or other formulas.

A security that is valued by reference to Level 1 or Level 2 inputs may drop to Level 3 on a particular valuation date for several reasons, including if:

- an equity security that is listed on an exchange or Nasdaq, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, has not traded and there are no bids;
- Royce does not receive at least two bid side quotes for an Other OTC Equity Security;
- the independent pricing services are unable to supply fair value prices; or
- the Level 1 or Level 2 inputs become otherwise unreliable for any reason (e.g., a significant event occurs after the close of trading for a security but prior to the time the Fund prices its shares).

The table below shows the aggregate value of the various Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 securities held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024. Any Level 2 or Level 3 securities held by the Fund are noted in its Schedule of Investments. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with owning those securities.

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Common Stocks	\$536,696,857	\$15,657,530	\$6,400	\$552,360,787
Investment Companies	3,460,653	-	-	3,460,653
Repurchase Agreement	-	13,423,393	-	13,423,393

#### Level 3 Reconciliation:

						HANGE IN D GAIN (LOSS) <sup>1</sup>	
	BALANCE AS OF				CURRENTLY HELD	SECURITIES NO	BALANCE AS OF
	12/31/23	PURCHASES	SALES	REALIZED GAIN (LOSS) <sup>1</sup>	SECURITIES	LONGER HELD	12/31/24
Common Stocks	\$225,680	\$501,245	\$343,700	\$(27,893)	\$(494,845)	\$145,913	\$6,400

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is included in the accompanying Statement of Operations. Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) resulting from changes in investment values during the reporting period and the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation (depreciation) when gains or losses are realized. Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions is included in the accompanying Statement of Operations.

#### REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS:

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements with institutions that the Fund's investment adviser has determined are creditworthy. The Fund restricts repurchase agreements to maturities of no more than seven days. Securities pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements, which are held until maturity of the repurchase agreements, are marked-to-market daily and maintained at a value at least equal to the principal amount of the repurchase agreement (including accrued interest). Repurchase agreements could involve certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the counter-party, including possible delays or restrictions upon the ability of the Fund to dispose of its underlying securities. The remaining contractual maturity of the repurchase agreement held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024, is next business day and continuous.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY:

Net realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, expiration of currency forward contracts, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities, other than investments in securities at the end of the reporting period, as a result of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Fund defines Cash as cash, including foreign currency.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### TAXES:

As a qualified regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund is not subject to income taxes to the extent that it distributes substantially all of its taxable income for its fiscal year. The Schedule of Investments includes information regarding income taxes under the caption "Tax Information."

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS:**

The Fund pays quarterly distributions on the Fund's Common Stock at the annual rate of 7% of the rolling average of the prior four calendar quarter-end NAVs of the Fund's Common Stock, with the fourth quarter distribution being the greater of 1.75% of the rolling average or the distribution required by IRS regulations. Distributions to Common Stockholders are recorded on ex-dividend date. To the extent that distributions in any year are not paid from long-term capital gains, net investment income or net short-term capital gains, they will represent a return of capital. Distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Permanent book and tax differences relating to stockholder distributions will result in reclassifications within the capital accounts. Undistributed net investment income may include temporary book and tax basis differences, which will reverse in a subsequent period. Any taxable income or gain remaining undistributed at fiscal year end is distributed in the following year.

#### INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME:

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except for certain dividends from securities where the dividend rate is not available. In such cases, the dividend is recorded as soon as the information is received by the Fund. Non-cash dividend income is recorded at the fair market value of the securities received. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Premiums and discounts on debt securities are amortized using the effective yield-to-maturity method. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are determined on the basis of identified cost for book and tax purposes.

#### CASH INCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCIES:

Cash, including foreign currencies, consists of deposits maintained at State Street Bank and Trust Company, the Fund's Custodian (in such capacity, the "Custodian"), and through the Custodian's global sub-custodian network. Accordingly, the Fund's risk for the possible insolvency loss of a cash deposit lies with the Custodian or the relevant sub-custodian bank. Fund cash deposits maintained at the Custodian or through a particular sub-custodian bank may be significant, and may, at times, exceed U.S. or other applicable insurance limits.

#### **EXPENSES:**

The Fund incurs direct and indirect expenses. Expenses directly attributable to the Fund are charged to the Fund, while expenses applicable to more than one of the Royce Funds are allocated equitably. Certain personnel, occupancy costs and other administrative expenses related to all of the Royce Funds are allocated by Royce under an administration agreement and are included in administrative and office facilities and professional fees.

#### INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS:

Reference is made to Maryland law, the Fund's Articles of Incorporation, as amended and supplemented, and the Fund's Amended and Restated By-laws, each of which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of the Fund's officers and directors under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Reference is also made to the investment advisory agreement between the Fund and Royce which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of Royce under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification provisions in favor of such service providers and other covered persons. The amount of any potential Fund liability under these indemnification arrangements, if any, currently cannot be determined with any degree of specificity. The Fund is not currently in possession of any information that would cause it to believe that the Fund is reasonably likely to be subject to any material adverse impact from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. No assurance can be given, however, that the Fund will not incur any liability from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. Any future liability to the Fund that may arise from the operation of such arrangements will be disclosed to the extent required by relevant accounting guidance and applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

#### Capital Stock:

The Fund issued 1,903,830 and 2,030,423 shares of Common Stock as reinvestment of distributions for the years ended December 31, 2024, and December 31, 2023, respectively.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### **Borrowings:**

The Fund is party to a revolving credit agreement (the "credit agreement") with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited (BNPPI). The Fund pays a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum on the unused portion of the then-current maximum amount that may be borrowed by the Fund under the credit agreement. The credit agreement has a 179-day rolling term that resets daily. The Fund pledges eligible portfolio securities as collateral and has granted a security interest in such pledged securities to, and in favor of, BNPPI as security for the loan balance outstanding. The amount of eligible portfolio securities required to be pledged as collateral is determined by BNPPI in accordance with the credit agreement. In determining collateral requirements, the value of eligible securities pledged as collateral is subject to discount by BNPPI based upon a variety of factors set forth in the credit agreement. As of December 31, 2024, the market value of eligible securities pledged as collateral exceeded two times the loan balance outstanding.

If the Fund fails to meet certain requirements, or comply with other financial covenants set forth in the credit agreement, the Fund may be required to repay immediately, in part or in full, the loan balance outstanding under the credit agreement, which may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may terminate the credit agreement upon certain ratings downgrades of its corporate parent, which would result in the Fund's entire loan balance becoming immediately due and payable. The occurrence of such ratings downgrades may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may also terminate the credit agreement upon sixty (60) calendar days' prior written notice to the Fund in the event the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business day of any calendar month declines by thirty-five percent (35%) or more from the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business on the last business day of the immediately preceding calendar month.

The credit agreement also permits, subject to certain conditions, BNPPI to rehypothecate portfolio securities pledged by the Fund up to the amount of the loan balance outstanding. The Fund continues to receive payments in lieu of dividends and interest on rehypothecated securities. The Fund also has the right under the credit agreement to recall the rehypothecated securities from BNPPI on demand. If BNPPI fails to deliver the recalled security in a timely manner, the Fund is compensated by BNPPI for any fees or losses related to the failed delivery or, in the event a recalled security is not returned by BNPPI, the Fund, upon notice to BNPPI, may reduce the loan balance outstanding by the value of the recalled security failed to be returned. The Fund receives a portion of the fees earned by BNPPI in connection with the rehypothecation of portfolio securities.

As of December 31, 2024, the Fund had outstanding borrowings of \$2,000,000. The Fund has the right to reduce the maximum amount it can borrow under the credit agreement upon one (1) business day's prior written notice to BNPPI. The maximum amount the Fund may borrow under the credit agreement was reduced to \$0 as of February 6, 2025. In addition, the Fund and BNPPI may agree to increase the maximum amount the Fund can borrow under the credit agreement, which amount may not exceed \$60,000,000.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund had an average daily loan balance of \$2,000,000 at a weighted average borrowing cost of 6.34%. The maximum loan balance outstanding during the year ended December 31, 2024, was \$2,000,000. As of December 31, 2024, the aggregate value of rehypothecated securities was \$1,094,466. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund earned \$40 in fees from rehypothecated securities.

#### **Investment Advisory Agreement:**

As compensation for its services under the investment advisory agreement, Royce receives a fee comprised of a Basic Fee ("Basic Fee") and an adjustment to the Basic Fee based on the investment performance of the Fund in relation to the investment record of the Russell 2000. The fee is payable monthly.

The Basic Fee is a monthly fee equal to 1/12 of 1% (1% on an annualized basis) of the average of the Fund's month-end net assets for the rolling 36-month period ending with such month (the "performance period"). The Basic Fee for each month is increased or decreased at the rate of 1/12 of .05% for each percentage point that the investment performance of the Fund exceeds, or is exceeded by, the percentage change in the investment record of the Russell 2000 for the performance period by more than two percentage points. The performance period for each such month is a rolling 36-month period ending with such month. The maximum increase or decrease in the Basic Fee for any month may not exceed 1/12 of .5%. Accordingly, for each month, the maximum monthly fee rate as adjusted for performance is 1/12 of 1.5% and is payable if the investment performance of the Fund exceeds the percentage change in the investment record of the Russell 2000 by 12 or more percentage points for the performance period, and the minimum monthly fee rate as adjusted for performance is 1/12 of .5% and is payable if the percentage change in the investment record of the Russell 2000 exceeds the investment performance of the Fund by 12 or more percentage points for the performance period.

For the twelve rolling 36-month periods in 2024, the Fund's investment performance ranged from 1% above to 9% above the investment performance of the Russell 2000. Accordingly, the net investment advisory fee consisted of a Basic Fee of \$5,091,079 and a net upward adjustment of \$596,926 for the performance of the Fund relative to that of the Russell 2000. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund expensed Royce investment advisory fees totaling \$5,688,005.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### **Purchases and Sales of Investment Securities:**

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the costs of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities, other than short-term securities, amounted to \$278,850,586 and \$297,666,764, respectively.

Cross trades were executed by the Fund pursuant to Rule 17a-7 under the 1940 Act. Cross trading is the buying or selling of portfolio securities between funds to which Royce or an affiliate of Franklin Resources, Inc. serves as investment adviser. The Fund's Chief Compliance Officer reviews such transactions each quarter for compliance with the requirements and restrictions set forth by Rule 17a-7, and reports the results of that review to the Board of Directors. Cross trades for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

COSTS OF PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	REALIZED GAIN (LOSS)
\$ -	\$715,235	\$236,837

#### Tax Information:

Distributions during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, were characterized as follows for tax purposes:

ORDINAR	Y INCOME	LONG-TERM C	APITAL GAINS
2024	2023	2024	2023
\$6,562,690	\$7,402,359	\$30,784,008	\$28,447,246

The tax basis components of distributable earnings as of December 31, 2024, were as follows:

		NET UNREALIZED	QUALIFIED LATE YEAR ORDINARY AND	TOTAL
UNDISTRIBUTED ORDINARY INCOME	UNDISTRIBUTED LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAINS	APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION) <sup>1</sup>	POST-OCTOBER LOSS DEFERRALS <sup>2</sup>	DISTRIBUTABLE EARNINGS
\$3,042,946	\$7,264,638	\$120,479,156	\$(156,862)	\$130,629,878

<sup>1</sup> Includes timing differences on foreign currency, recognition of losses on securities sold, investments in Real Estate Investment Trusts, investments in publicly traded partnerships and Trusts and mark-to-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

For financial reporting purposes, capital accounts and distributions to stockholders are adjusted to reflect the tax character of permanent book/tax differences. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund recorded the following permanent reclassifications, which relates to excise taxes paid. Results of operations and net assets were not affected by these reclassifications.

TOTAL DISTRIBUTABLE EARNINGS (LOSS)	PAID-IN CAPITAL
\$32,369	\$(32,369)

Management has analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on federal income tax returns for all open tax years (2021-2024) and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, no provision for income tax is required in the Fund's financial statements.

#### Segment Reporting:

The Fund has adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Segment Reporting Disclosures (the "Update"). The Update is limited to disclosure requirements and does not impact the Fund's financial position or results of operations.

The Fund operates as a single operating segment, which is a segregated investment portfolio. Royce, in its capacity as investment manager, functions as the Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM) for the Fund for purposes of the Update, evaluating its results and performance based upon its specific investment strategy and other relevant facts and circumstances. The CODM uses these measures to assess Fund performance and allocate resources effectively, subject to compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements and oversight from its Board of Directors. Internal reporting provided to the CODM aligns with the accounting policies and measurement principles used in the financial statements.

For information regarding segment assets, segment profit or loss, and significant expenses, refer to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the Statement of Operations, along with the related notes to the financial statements. The Schedule of Investments provides details of the Fund's investments that generate returns such as interest, dividends, and realized and unrealized gains or losses. Performance metrics, including portfolio turnover and expense ratios, are disclosed in the Financial Highlights.

#### Subsequent Events:

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued and it has been determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Under the current tax law, capital losses and qualified late year ordinary losses incurred after October 31 may be deferred and treated as occurring on the first day of the following fiscal year. This column also includes passive activity losses.

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Royce Micro-Cap Trust, Inc.:

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of Royce Micro-Cap Trust, Inc. (the "Fund") as of December 31, 2024, the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2024, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2024, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024 and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2024 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP New York, New York February 21, 2025

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the Franklin Templeton Group of Funds since 1948.

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## Royce Small-Cap Trust (RVT)



Francis Gannon, Steven McBoyle, Lauren Romeo, George Necakov, Andrew Palen

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

Royce Small-Cap Trust (RVT) advanced 12.6% on an NAV (net asset value) basis in 2024 and 18.1% on a market price basis versus respective gains of 11.5% and 8.7% for its small-cap

benchmark, the Russell 2000 Index, and the S&P SmallCap 600 Index, for the same period. The Fund also maintained its longer-term relative advantages over the Russell 2000, beating it on both an NAV and market price basis for the 3-, 5-, 10-, 15-, 25-, 30-, 35-year, and since inception (11/26/86) periods ended 12/31/24.

#### WHAT WORKED... AND WHAT DIDN'T

Seven of RVT's 11 equity sectors finished 2024 in the black. Industrials and Financials made by far the biggest positive impact, followed by Information Technology, while the biggest detractors were Health Care, Communication Services, and Real Estate. At the industry level, construction & engineering (Industrials) made the biggest positive contribution, followed by two groups in Financials: capital markets and insurance. The biggest detractors came from three different sectors: specialty retail (Consumer Discretionary), health care equipment & supplies (Health Care), and diversified telecommunication services (Communication Services).

The Fund's top contributor at the position level was IES Holdings, which designs and installs electrical and technology systems into numerous infrastructure segments. Through a thoughtful growth strategy focused on both internal and external opportunities, IES has been building scale in each of its four business segments, which has resulted in rapidly improving operating profitability. The company reported full fiscal year results in November that featured growing revenue while expanding operating margins in all of IES's four operating segments. FTAI Aviation provides maintenance, repair, and exchange of CFM56 and V2500 aircraft engines, the workhorses of the global aircraft fleet, to smaller airlines globally. FTAI also leases used aircraft and spare engines to airlines. Key aspects of FTAI's business model have been its ability to deliver a better mousetrap (lease/sale/ exchange; faster repairs; no negative surprises), have lower costs than its competitors, and operate in an asset-light manner through partnerships with Lockheed Martin, Chrome Alloy, AAR, Pratt & Whitney, et al. Contributing to its notable performance in 2024 were the market's

<b>Top Contributors to Performance</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>1</sup>		<b>Top Detractors from Performance</b> For 2024 (%) <sup>2</sup>		
IES Holdings	1.66	Quaker Houghton	-0.35	
FTAI Aviation	0.83	Enovis Corporation	-0.33	
Impinj	0.67	Azenta	-0.25	
Alamos Gold Cl. A	0.64	Globalstar	-0.24	
PAR Technology	0.56	Ziff Davis	-0.22	
<sup>1</sup> Includes dividends		<sup>2</sup> Net of dividends		

recognition of the tight supply of aircraft engines, FTAI's growth runway as it closed deals with Latam Airlines and Pratt & Whitney, a burgeoning cost advantage after FTAI purchased its management fee agreement and a key maintenance facility in Montreal, and FAA approval for critical aftermarket engine parts.

The Fund's top detractor was Quaker Houghton, which produces, develops, and markets industrial chemical products, including heat treatment, metal forming, forging, and tin plating fluids, as well as cleaners, casting lubricants, greases, ground control agents, and metal rolling oils. We see Quaker Houghton as an attractive asset light business, with recurring revenues and strong customer loyalty. After a strong performance in 2023, the stock fell as the company faced more difficult sales growth comparisons as it lapped strategic price increases and volumes varied by geographic region, reflecting slower global industrial growth. Quaker Houghton recently promoted to CEO a respected, internal "rising star" who has overseen global growth initiatives and the merger integration of Houghton. We believe much of his focus is on reemphasizing the company's "customer intimacy" sales process to accelerate new product growth and geographic expansion (e.g., to India), as well as more effectively capitalizing on cross-selling opportunities across the company's customer base. Enovis Corporation is an orthopedic-focused, medical technology company with leading a global market share in Prevention & Recovery (braces and other rehabilitation products) and a growing Reconstruction segment (e.g., surgical implants for extremities). The stock has been under pressure, however, since Enovis closed its acquisition of Lima in 2024, the company's largest-ever deal. The strategic fit and valuation of the deal made sense to us, but the stock was hurt by near-term concerns about integration and sales dis-synergies, especially with the elevation of new leadership in the Reconstruction segment. Yet management actually delivered results consistent with what it had outlined and entered 2025 with most of these headwinds behind it.

#### **CURRENT POSITIONING AND OUTLOOK**

We remain constructive about the prospects for the Fund. The highly promising earnings prospects for small-cap as a whole—the consensus for earnings per share growth in 2025 is 44% as of this writing—are a major factor in our thinking. Our conviction becomes even stronger when combined with small-cap's far more attractive valuations compared to large-cap. Using our preferred index valuation metric of enterprise value over earnings before interest and taxes—or EV/EBIT—we see that the Russell 2000 finished 2024 still near its lowest levels relative to the Russell 1000 in 25 years. To us, this combination signals an ongoing opportunity for active small-cap managers to capture robust earnings growth at attractive—highly attractive in many cases—prices. We remain confident in the long-term case for small-cap leadership or risk-averse and earnings-focused active management in our asset class.

#### Performance

Average Annual Total Return (%) Through 12/31/24

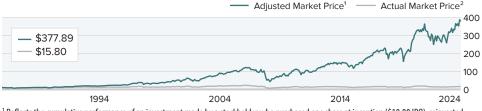
	JUL-DEC 2024 <sup>1</sup>	1-YR	3-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	25-YR	30-YR	35-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (11/26/86)
RVT (NAV)	7.61	12.64	2.57	9.54	9.37	10.51	8.15	9.32	10.35	10.41	10.38

<sup>1</sup>Not Annualized

#### Market Price Performance History Since Inception (11/26/86)

Cumulative Performance of Investment through 12/31/24<sup>1</sup>

	1-YR	5-YR	10-YR	15-YR	20-YR	SINCE INCEPTION (11/26/86)
RVT	18.1%	64.7%	158.5%	397.3%	313.6%	3678.9%



Reflects the cumulative performance of an investment made by a stockholder who purchased one share at inception (\$10.00 IPO), reinvested all distributions and fully participated in primary subscriptions of the Fund's rights offerings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reflects the actual month-end market price movement of one share as it has traded on the NYSE.



The Morningstar Style Map is the Morningstar Style Box™ with the center 75% of fund holdings plotted as the Morningstar Ownership Zone™. The Morningstar Style Box is designed to reveal a fund's investment strategy. The Morningstar Ownership Zone provides detail about a portfolio's investment style by showing the range of stock sizes and styles. The Ownership Zone is derived by plotting each stock in the portfolio within the proprietary Morningstar Style Box. Over time, the shape and location of a fund's ownership zone may vary. See page 65 for additional information.

#### Value of \$10,000

Invested on 11/26/86 as of 12/31/24 (\$)



<b>Top 10 Positions</b> % of Net Assets	
Assured Guaranty	1.5
PAR Technology	1.4
IES Holdings	1.4
SEI Investments	1.3
Enovis Corporation	1.1
Air Lease Cl. A	1.1
Impinj	1.0
Brady Corporation Cl. A	1.0
E-L Financial	1.0
Haemonetics Corporation	1.0

#### Portfolio Sector Breakdown 0/ af Nat Assats

% of Net Assets	
Industrials	23.7
Financials	21.8
Information Technology	16.8
Health Care	9.4
Consumer Discretionary	9.3
Materials	7.1
Real Estate	3.2
Communication Services	2.9
Consumer Staples	2.3
Energy	2.1
Utilities	0.2
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Net of	
Outstanding Line of Credit	1.2

Calendar Year Total Returns (%)	
YEAR	RVT
2024	12.6
2023	21.6
2022	-21.2
2021	20.0
2020	21.9
2019	30.5
2018	-14.4
2017	19.4
2016	26.8
2015	-8.1
2014	8.0
2013	34.1
2012	15.4
2011	-10.1
2010	30.3

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Fund Net Assets	\$1,998 million
Number of Holdings	483
Turnover Rate	40%
Net Asset Value	\$16.99
Market Price	\$15.80
Average Market Capitalization <sup>1</sup>	\$3,053 million
Weighted Average P/E Ratio <sup>2,3</sup>	17.1x
Weighted Average P/B Ratio <sup>2</sup>	2.1x
Active Share <sup>4</sup>	79%
U.S. Investments (% of Net Assets)	83.9%
Non-U.S. Investments (% of Net Asse	ets) 14.9%
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Geometric Average. This weighted calculation uses each portfolio holding's market cap in a way designed to not skew the effect of very large or small holdings; instead, it aims to better identify the portfolio's center, which Royce believes offers a more accurate measure of average market cap than a simple mean or median.

#### Important Performance and Risk Information

All performance information reflects past performance, is presented on a total return basis, net of the Fund's investment advisory fee, reflects the reinvestment of distributions and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the sale of fund shares. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Current month-end performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted and may be obtained at www.royceinvest.com. Certain immaterial adjustments were made to the net assets of Royce Small-Cap Trust at 12/31/22 for financial reporting purposes, and as a result the net asset value originally calculated on that date and the total return based on that net asset value differs from the adjusted net asset value and total return reported in the Financial Highlights. The market price of the Fund's shares will fluctuate, so that shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when sold. The Fund invests primarily in securities of small- and micro-cap companies, which may involve considerably more risk than investing in larger-cap companies. The Fund's broadly diversified portfolio does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss. From time to time, the Fund may invest a significant portion of its net assets in foreign securities, which may involve political, economic, currency and other risks not encountered in U.S. investments. Regarding the "Top Contributors" and "Top Detractors" tables shown above, the sum of all contributors to, and all detractors from, performance for all securities in the portfolio would approximate the Fund's year-to-date performance for 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Harmonic Average. This weighted calculation evaluates a portfolio as if it were a single stock and measures it overall. It compares the total market value of the portfolio to the portfolio's share in the earnings or book value, as the case may be, of its underlying stocks.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The Fund's **P/E Ratio** calculation excludes companies with zero or negative earnings (17% of portfolio holdings as of 12/31/24).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Active Share is the sum of the absolute values of the different weightings of each holding in the Fund versus each holding in the benchmark, divided by two.

18,176 62,622 83,228 262,660 197,759 203,754 33,000 130,086 75,630 50,349 826,203	\$	1,117,055 1,948,506	CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY (continued) HOUSEHOLD DURABLES (continued) Champion Homes <sup>3</sup> Ethan Allen Interiors <sup>1</sup> Helen of Troy <sup>3</sup> Installed Building Products M/I Homes <sup>3</sup> Meritage Homes <sup>1</sup> Sonos <sup>3</sup> Tri Pointe Homes <sup>3</sup> Worthington Enterprises  LEISURE PRODUCTS - 0.4% Brunswick Corporation <sup>1</sup>	34,468 16,648 5,940 16,123 43,876 5,526 23,766 24,107 37,175	\$	3,036,631 467,975 355,390 2,825,556 5,833,314 850,009 357,441 874,120
18,176 62,622 83,228 262,660 197,759 203,754 33,000 130,086 75,630 50,349 326,203	\$	1,400,824 2,975,797 527,666 <b>4,904,287</b> <b>6,724,096</b> 3,427,164 4,700,605 5,393,520 3,948,110 1,117,055 1,948,506	HOUSEHOLD DURABLES (continued) Champion Homes <sup>3</sup> Ethan Allen Interiors <sup>1</sup> Helen of Troy <sup>3</sup> Installed Building Products M/I Homes <sup>3</sup> Meritage Homes <sup>†</sup> Sonos <sup>3</sup> Tri Pointe Homes <sup>3</sup> Worthington Enterprises	34,468 16,648 5,940 16,123 43,876 5,526 23,766 24,107	\$	3,036,631 467,975 355,390 2,825,556 5,833,314 850,009 357,441
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135,962		17 72E 071	YETI Holdings <sup>3</sup>	11,128 121,371		213,99 4,673,99
		17,725,871	TETT Holdings	121,371		8,070,76
		38,260,831	CDECIALTY DETAIL 2 COV			8,070,76
		4 246 024	SPECIALTY RETAIL - 3.6%	7 457		1 111 50
		1,346,024	Abercrombie & Fitch Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	7,457		1,114,598
23,592		1,031,206	Academy Sports & Outdoors	222,000		12,771,660
43,724		932,633	Advance Auto Parts	243,080		11,495,25
30,000		594,600	American Eagle Outfitters	9,306		155,13
31,586		577,708	America's Car-Mart <sup>1,2,3</sup>	87,700		4,494,62
124,969		1,849,541	Asbury Automotive Group <sup>3</sup>	15,500		3,766,96
		6,331,712	AutoCanada <sup>3</sup>	625,600		7,542,278
			Buckle (The)	11,929		606,112
150,855		1,220,417	Guess?	77,366		1,087,760
		57,441,343	Monro	34,770		862,296
			Murphy USA	15,803		7,929,15
			ODP Corporation (The) <sup>3</sup>	25,339		576,209
			OneWater Marine Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	209,873		3,647,593
128,552			Signet Jewelers	98,617		7,959,378
224,085			Valvoline <sup>3</sup>	204,548		7,400,54
56,334						71,409,560
105,814			TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS - 0.6%			
28,365			G-III Apparel Group <sup>3</sup>	24,943		813,64
46		3,822	Kontoor Brands	23,140		1,976,38
25,140		1,210,994	Movado Group	82,305		1,619,762
41,802		1,295,026	Ralph Lauren Cl. A	14,350		3,314,56
40,003			Steven Madden	92,252		3,922,55
		40,583,247				11,646,909
			Total (Cost \$150,964,418)			186,476,56
45,852		2,425,112				
			CONSUMER STAPLES – 2.3%			
2,187		198,689	BEVERAGES - 0.2%			
4,000		443,400	Celsius Holdings <sup>3</sup>	1,000		26,340
25,000		497,500	<sup>†</sup> Primo Brands Cl. A	126,278		3,885,57
83,728		2,216,280				3,911,91
26,644		2,769,111	CONSUMER STAPLES DISTRIBUTION & RETAIL - 0.2%	, 5		
539,032		16,429,513	<sup>†</sup> Guardian Pharmacy Services Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	38,000		769,88
		22,554,493	PriceSmart	20,922		1,928,38
						2,698,26
8,000		297.600	FOOD PRODUCTS - 1.4%			·
		, , , , , , ,	Cal-Maine Foods	7.633		785,588
26,000						518,38
			•			1,711,79
						8,169,59
17,530						14,541,03
		0,947,507				1,891,36
			THE NETHOUSE	100,104		1,031,30
224 56 10! 28 2! 40 4! 2! 83 26 33 37	4,085 5,334 5,814 3,365 46 5,140 1,802 0,003 5,852 2,187 4,000 5,000 3,728 5,644 9,032	4,085 6,334 5,814 3,365 46 5,140 1,802 0,003 5,852 2,187 4,000 5,000 3,728 6,644 9,032 3,000 2,500 6,000 3,700	4,085     2,023,488       6,334     1,618,476       5,814     10,940,109       3,365     3,288,354       46     3,822       5,140     1,210,994       1,802     1,295,026       0,003     3,549,066       40,583,247       5,852     2,425,112       2,187     198,689       4,000     443,400       5,000     497,500       3,728     2,216,280       5,644     2,769,111       9,032     16,429,513       22,554,493       3,000     297,600       2,550     226,450       5,000     575,120       3,700     4,432,082	OneWater Marine CI. A <sup>3</sup> Signet Jewelers Valvoline <sup>3</sup> Valvoline <sup>3</sup> TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS - 0.6% 3,365 3,288,354 46 3,822 5,140 1,210,994 1,802 1,295,026 40,003 3,549,066 40,583,247  Total (Cost \$150,964,418)  CONSUMER STAPLES - 2.3% BEVERAGES - 0.2% Celsius Holdings <sup>3</sup> 'Primo Brands CI. A  CONSUMER STAPLES DISTRIBUTION & RETAIL - 0.2% 16,429,513 22,554,493  PriceSmart  OneWater Marine CI. A <sup>3</sup> Signet Jewelers Valvoline <sup>3</sup> TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS - 0.6% G-III Apparel Group <sup>3</sup> Kontoor Brands Movado Group Ralph Lauren CI. A Steven Madden  CONSUMER STAPLES - 2.3% BEVERAGES - 0.2% Celsius Holdings <sup>3</sup> 'Primo Brands CI. A  CONSUMER STAPLES DISTRIBUTION & RETAIL - 0.2% 'Guardian Pharmacy Services CI. A <sup>3</sup> PriceSmart  CONSUMER STAPLES DISTRIBUTION & RETAIL - 0.2% 'Guardian Pharmacy Services CI. A <sup>3</sup> PriceSmart  3,000 297,600 FOOD PRODUCTS - 1.4% Cal-Maine Foods Freshpet <sup>1,3</sup> John B. Sanfilippo & Son Nomad Foods <sup>1</sup> Nomad Foods <sup>1</sup>	OneWater Marine Cl. A 3   209,873	OneWater Marine Cl. A 3   209,873   3,552   16,653,912   Signet Jewelers   98,617   4,085   2,023,488   1,618,476   5,814   10,940,109   TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS - 0.6%   3,288,354   G-III Apparel Group 3   24,943   4,943   4,945   4,040   4,210,994   Movado Group   82,305   4,000   3,549,066   40,583,247

#### Schedule of Investments (continued) Schedule of Investments (continued) **SHARES** VALUE SHARES VALUE **CONSUMER STAPLES (continued)** FINANCIALS (continued) **HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS - 0.1%** BANKS (continued) Central Garden & Pet 3 35,150 Glacier Bancorp 5,000 251,100 1,363,820 <sup>†</sup>Central Garden & Pet Cl. A <sup>3</sup> 2,242 Hanmi Financial 4,472,376 74.098 189,347 WD-40 Company 1,799 436,581 **HBT** Financial 438,000 20.000 1,874,499 Hingham Institution for Savings 14,999 3,811,846 PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS - 0.4% Home BancShares 152,117 4,304,911 Interparfums 1 53,861 7,083,260 Hope Bancorp 15,529 190,851 USANA Health Sciences 3 36,823 1,321,578 \*Northeast Bank 13,357 1,225,238 8,404,838 OceanFirst Financial 40,266 728,814 TOBACCO - 0.0% Origin Bancorp 270,640 9.009.606 **Universal Corporation** 11,105 608,998 Pathward Financial 16,614 1.222.458 23,210 2.004.880 Total (Cost \$28,379,217) 45,116,277 Preferred Bank **Provident Financial Services** 44.601 841,621 **ENERGY - 2.1%** S&T Bancorp 34,172 1.306.054 **ENERGY EQUIPMENT & SERVICES - 1.3%** \*Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida 15,500 426.715 Bristow Group 1,3 219 464 7 527 615 TowneBank 20.000 681,200 <sup>†</sup>Cactus CL A 18 208 1,062,619 TrustCo Bank Corp NY 15,835 527.464 Core Laboratories 1,2 130.893 2,265,758 Veritex Holdings 20,857 566.476 Helmerich & Payne 31 688 1,014,650 WaFd 21,058 678,910 <sup>†</sup>Liberty Energy Cl. A 47.855 951 836 <sup>†</sup>Westamerica Bancorporation <sup>1</sup> 27,456 1,440,342 999.060 9.459.255 Pason Systems Western Alliance Bancorp 1,2 55,415 4,629,369 ProPetro Holding Corp. 3 40,050 373,666 WSFS Financial 8,732 463,931 296,047 1,758,519 85,103,716 \*Weatherford International 24,287 1,739,678 CAPITAL MARKETS - 7.5% 26,153,596 Acadian Asset Management 49 071 1,292,530 OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS - 0.8% Ares Management Cl. A 1 34,800 6,160,644 California Resources 1,104,530 21,286 10,411,987 Artisan Partners Asset Management Cl. A 1 241,858 CONSOL Energy 1 1,353,342 12.686 Bolsa Mexicana de Valores 1,723,106 2,767,580 <sup>†</sup>Crescent Energy Cl. A 6,954 101,598 <sup>†</sup>Brookfield Asset Management Cl. A 7,378 399,814 CVR Energy 1 94,508 1,771,080 <sup>†</sup>Cohen & Steers 8,997 830,783 Dorchester Minerals L.P. 1 279,148 9,304,003 Donnelley Financial Solutions 1,2,3 35,500 2,226,915 †Matador Resources 1,816 102,168 Evercore Cl. A 23,411 6,489,295 Northern Oil & Gas 2.749 102,153 GCM Grosvenor Cl. A 801,494 9,834,331 Par Pacific Holdings 3 4.835 79,246 Houlihan Lokey Cl. A 1 28.581 4.963.377 REX American Resources 3 33.352 1,390,445 Lazard 102,457 5.274.486 World Kinect 25,164 692,262 †Marex Group 296,667 9,247,110 16,000,827 MarketWise Cl. A 500.000 283,750 Total (Cost \$36,143,225) 42,154,423 Morningstar <sup>1</sup> 4,888,408 14,516 Onex Corporation 171.437 13,391,037 FINANCIALS - 21.8% †Perella Weinberg Partners Cl. A 187,296 4,465,137 **BANKS - 4.3%** 324,994 SEI Investments 1 26,805,505 Atlantic Union Bankshares 36,000 1,363,680 Silvercrest Asset Management Group Cl. A 23.192 426.501 Axos Financial 3 24,608 1,718,869 Sprott 264,413 11,141,602 Banc of California 230,698 3,566,591 Tel Aviv Stock Exchange 4 221,179 2.565.282 Bank of N.T. Butterfield & Son 1 226,503 8,278,685 TMX Group 478,421 14,737,544 BankUnited 1 262,336 10.013.365 Tradeweb Markets Cl. A 51,167 6,698,784 Cathay General Bancorp 2.390.165 50.203 Victory Capital Holdings 30,918 2,023,892 Central Pacific Financial 683,866 23.541 Virtu Financial Cl. A 65,000 2,319,200 <sup>†</sup>Coastal Financial <sup>3</sup> 1,273,735 15.001 149,645,494 Customers Bancorp <sup>3</sup> 1,303,699 26.781 **CONSUMER FINANCE - 1.2% Dime Community Bancshares** 5,936 182,443 **Bread Financial Holdings** 123,697 7,552,939 Eagle Bancorp 47,322 1,231,792 Encore Capital Group 1,2,3 25,000 1,194,250 First Bancorp 14,000 615,580 Enova International 3 55,322 5,304,273 First Citizens BancShares Cl. A 3,282 6,934,932 \*FirstCash Holdings 61,403 6,361,351 First Commonwealth Financial 65,862 1,114,385 PRA Group <sup>3</sup> 98 876 2,065,520 First Financial Bancorp 101,922 2,739,663 **PROG Holdings** 30 865 1,304,355 \*First Financial Bankshares 32,025 1,154,501 World Acceptance 3 7,896 887,826 238,069 **Fulton Financial** 12,348 24,670,514 German American Bancorp 26,791 1.077.534

Schedule of Investments (continued)	)		Schedule of Investments (continued)		
	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES	VALUE
FINANCIALS (continued)			HEALTH CARE (continued)		
FINANCIAL SERVICES - 1.9%			BIOTECHNOLOGY (continued)		
Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio			United Therapeutics <sup>3</sup>	10,000	\$ 3,528,400
Exterior CI. E	103,446	\$ 3,679,57	<sup>4</sup> Viking Therapeutics <sup>3</sup>	40,266	1,620,304
Burford Capital	175,000	2,231,25	0		36,480,230
<sup>+</sup> Cantaloupe <sup>3</sup>	72,000	684,72	HEALTH CARE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES - 3.3%		
Compass Diversified Holdings 1,2	99,872	2,305,04		239,739	2,200,804
ECN Capital	888,800	1,953,88	2 Embecta Corp.	47,716	985,335
EVERTEC	3,284	113,39	7 Enovis Corporation <sup>3</sup>	510,611	22,405,611
†Jackson Financial	9,318	811,41	1 <sup>†</sup> Envista Holdings <sup>3</sup>	121,983	2,353,052
<sup>†</sup> Merchants Bancorp	92,746	3,382,44	7 Haemonetics Corporation 1,3	247,590	19,331,827
<sup>†</sup> NCR Atleos <sup>3</sup>	37,137	1,259,68	7 Integer Holdings 1,2,3	45,700	6,056,164
NewtekOne	314,894	4,021,19	6 Lantheus Holdings <sup>3</sup>	19,932	1,783,117
NMI Holdings <sup>3</sup>	135,771	4,990,94	2 <sup>†</sup> Omnicell <sup>3</sup>	16,037	713,967
<sup>†</sup> Payoneer Global <sup>3</sup>	250,578	2,515,80	3 OraSure Technologies <sup>3</sup>	53,410	192,810
Radian Group	88,108	2,794,78		150,000	9,352,500
Repay Holdings Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	145,000	1,106,35		37,500	547,125
Shift4 Payments Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	50,000	5,189,00		,,,,,,,	65,922,312
WEX <sup>3</sup>	5,470	959,00	HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS & SERVICES - 0.6%		
		37,998,49		7,567	948,523
INSURANCE - 6.9%		, ,	AMN Healthcare Services 1,2,3	17,412	416,495
<sup>†</sup> Abacus Life <sup>3</sup>	315,431	2,469,82		11,940	376,468
Ambac Financial Group <sup>3</sup>	72,934	922,61		77,388	1,530,735
AMERISAFE	36,243	1,867,96	3	2,880	320,429
Assured Guaranty	329,587	29,666,12		32,000	773,760
Axis Capital Holdings	75,304	6,673,44		77,993	1,019,369
Berkley (W.R.)	110,054	6,440,36			1,690,587
E-L Financial	21,650	19,956,34	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		2,538,799
Employers Holdings	38,535	1,974,14			187,535
Erie Indemnity Cl. A	22,600	9,316,39			338,773
Genworth Financial <sup>3</sup>	166,127	1,161,22	- 37 7	19,639	
Hagerty Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	485,700	4,687,00	9	95,900 13,037	1,807,715 275,993
†HCI Group	8,722	1,016,37	3.7	13,037	
•	614,732	14,606,03	•	92,260	285,083
International General Insurance Holdings  †Lincoln National	40,287	, ,			12,510,264
Mercury General	7,563	502,78	1 HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY - 0.2%	07.540	2 444 744
ProAssurance Corporation 1,2,3		4,750,72		87,548	2,441,714
	298,600		· oracig	217,435	2,065,632
RenaissanceRe Holdings	27,941	6,952,00			4,507,346
RLI Corp. <sup>1</sup>	36,363	5,993,71	3 LIFE SCIENCES TOOLS & SERVICES - 2.2%		
SiriusPoint <sup>3</sup>	169,251	2,774,02		219,100	10,955,000
Skyward Specialty Insurance Group <sup>3</sup>	27,473	1,388,48	-	124,138	3,222,623
White Mountains Insurance Group	6,706	13,043,57		130,411	9,393,504
	<u>.</u>	137,440,67	g	328,252	1,788,973
Total (Cost \$311,598,743)		434,858,88		93,595	12,342,373
HEALTH CARE – 9.4%			Stevanato Group	234,767	5,115,573
BIOTECHNOLOGY - 1.8%					42,818,046
<sup>†</sup> ADMA Biologics <sup>3</sup>	225,193	3,862,06	PHARMACEUTICALS - 1.3%		
†Alkermes <sup>3</sup>	54,431	1,565,43	Amphasiai Phaimaceuticais	6,630	246,172
†Alvotech <sup>3</sup>	27,000	357,21	Axsome merapeutics	8,500	719,185
†ARS Pharmaceuticals <sup>3</sup>	121,627	1,283,16	_ Collegium Pharmaceutical °	42,878	1,228,455
†BridgeBio Pharma <sup>3</sup>	77,429	2,124,65	Corcept Therapeutics -	276,300	13,922,757
CareDx <sup>3</sup>	22,000	2,124,65 471,02	namining biosciences notalities	78,385	2,697,228
Catalyst Pharmaceuticals <sup>3</sup>			n Inditow	7,500	251,625
	502,126	10,479,37	IIIIIOVIVa	51,935	901,072
Dynavax Technologies <sup>3</sup>	88,800	1,133,97	Illua-Cellulai Tilerabies	10,000	835,200
Halozyme Therapeutics <sup>3</sup>	66,320	3,170,75	Ligang Pharmaceuticals -	1,568	168,011
†Insmed <sup>3</sup>	48,062	3,318,20	Organon & Co	36,287	541,402
Ironwood Pharmaceuticals Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	709,188	3,141,70	Preside Consumer nearmeare	56,300	4,396,467
†Protagonist Therapeutics <sup>3</sup>	5,157	199,06	0		
PureTech Health <sup>3,4</sup>	120,000	224,91	0		

Schedule of Investments (continued	)		Schedule of Investments (continued	d)	
	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES	VALUE
HEALTH CARE (continued)			INDUSTRIALS (continued)		
PHARMACEUTICALS (continued)			ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (continued)		
Supernus Pharmaceuticals <sup>3</sup>	9,624	\$ 348,004	<sup>†</sup> Nextracker Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	89,327 \$	3,263,115
		26,255,578	Powell Industries	60,343	13,375,026
Total (Cost \$176,281,988)		188,493,776	Preformed Line Products	32,816	4,193,557
			Vertiv Holdings Cl. A	45,379	5,155,508
INDUSTRIALS – 23.7%					40,637,115
AEROSPACE & DEFENSE - 0.9%			GROUND TRANSPORTATION - 0.5%		
AeroVironment <sup>3</sup>	2,000	307,780	Hertz Global Holdings <sup>3</sup>	239,496	876,555
<sup>†</sup> Kratos Defense & Security Solutions <sup>3</sup>	143,481	3,785,029	Landstar System <sup>1</sup>	52,586	9,037,430
Leonardo DRS <sup>3</sup>	204,774	6,616,248			9,913,985
Magellan Aerospace	943,092	6,606,794	MACHINERY - 5.4%		
National Presto Industries	4,379	 430,981	Atmus Filtration Technologies	212,284	8,317,287
		 17,746,832	ATS Corporation <sup>3</sup>	14,000	426,978
AIR FREIGHT & LOGISTICS - 0.3%			Enpro	40,557	6,994,055
Forward Air 1,3	78,333	2,526,239	ESAB Corporation <sup>1</sup>	137,267	16,463,804
Hub Group Cl. A	54,165	 2,413,593	ESCO Technologies <sup>1</sup>	59,877	7,976,215
D. W. D. W. D. D. D. W. D. W. J. T. W.		 4,939,832	Franklin Electric	3,973	387,169
BUILDING PRODUCTS - 1.7%			Helios Technologies <sup>1</sup>	44,900	2,004,336
American Woodmark <sup>3</sup>	10,031	797,766	JBT Marel <sup>1</sup>	119,357	15,170,275
Apogee Enterprises	27,316	1,950,636	Kadant <sup>1</sup>	29,601	10,212,049
AZZ <sup>1</sup>	20,000	1,638,400	Lincoln Electric Holdings <sup>1</sup>	3,984	746,881
Carlisle Companies	6,830	2,519,177	Lindsay Corporation <sup>1</sup>	63,313	7,490,561
CSW Industrials	41,355	14,590,044	Miller Industries	52,164	3,409,439
Gibraltar Industries <sup>3</sup>	25,320	1,491,348	Mueller Industries <sup>1</sup>	24,879	1,974,397
Insteel Industries	13,432	362,798	RBC Bearings <sup>3</sup>	5,200	1,555,528
Janus International Group <sup>3</sup>	350,678	2,577,483	Standex international 7,		1,413,644
*MasterBrand <sup>3</sup>	126,914	1,854,214	Tennant Company <sup>1</sup>	80,500	6,563,165
Quanex Building Products	29,587	717,189	Timken Company (The)	68,051	4,856,800
Resideo Technologies <sup>3</sup>	20,988	483,773	Titan International <sup>3</sup>	72,015	488,982
Simpson Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	14,900	2,470,867	Wabash National	64,256	1,100,705
UFP Industries	29,374	 3,308,981	Watts Water Technologies Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	46,400	9,433,120
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES - 2.1%		 34,762,676			106,985,390
ACV Auctions Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	97,800	2,112,480	MARINE TRANSPORTATION - 0.2%		
Brady Corporation Cl. A <sup>1</sup>	271,792		Kirby Corporation <sup>3</sup>	33,694	3,564,825
CompX International CI. A <sup>1</sup>	183,197	20,071,839 4,790,602	Matson	1,910	257,544
Healthcare Services Group <sup>3</sup>	389,372	4,790,002			3,822,369
HNI Corporation	7,774	391,576	PASSENGER AIRLINES - 0.1%		
Liquidity Services <sup>3</sup>	27,837	898,857	<sup>†</sup> SkyWest <sup>3</sup>	18,664	1,868,826
Montrose Environmental Group <sup>3</sup>	36,355	674,385	Sun Country Airlines Holdings <sup>3</sup>	22,044	321,402
RB Global <sup>1</sup>	40,437	3,647,822			2,190,228
UniFirst Corporation	10,100	1,728,009	TROTESSIONAL SERVICES 2.570		
*Vestis Corporation	129,942	1,980,316	<sup>†</sup> Amentum Holdings <sup>3</sup>	22,500	473,175
VSE Corporation	3,250	309,075	CBIZ <sup>1,3</sup>	108,915	8,912,515
V3E corporation	3,230	41,127,517	CSG Systems International	7,045	360,070
CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING - 4.5%		41,127,317	Dun & Bradstreet Holdings	311,126	3,876,630
APi Group <sup>1,2,3</sup>	492,120	17,701,556	Exponent	23,900	2,129,490
Arcosa 1	197,407	19,097,153	Forrester Research 1,2,3	416,105	6,520,365
Comfort Systems USA <sup>1</sup>	845	358,331	Heidrick & Struggles International	19,748	875,034
EMCOR Group	1,300	590,070	Jacobs Solutions <sup>1</sup>	22,500	3,006,450
IES Holdings <sup>1,3</sup>	135,872	27,304,837	KDK	139,154	8,061,19
†Limbach Holdings <sup>3</sup>	32,017	2,738,734	Korn Ferry <sup>1</sup>	124,145	8,373,580
MasTec <sup>3</sup>	78,980	10,752,337	Paylocity Holding <sup>3</sup>	3,000	598,410
Sterling Infrastructure <sup>3</sup>	15,670	2,639,612	Resources Connection	66,283	565,394
Valmont Industries <sup>1</sup>	30,432	9,332,582	Robert Hall	11,685	823,325
	55,452	 90,515,212	Veria Wobility Cl. A	49,620	1,199,812
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT - 2.0%		 20,010,212		_	45,775,441
Atkore	59,974	5,004,830	TRADING COMPANIES & DISTRIBUTORS - 3.7%	400 705	24.057.005
LSI Industries	496,657	9,645,079	Air Lease CI. A 1	436,795	21,057,887
	.55,557	-,0.0,070	Applied Industrial Technologies	23,836	5,708,007

	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES	VALUE
INDUSTRIALS (continued)			INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (continued)		
TRADING COMPANIES & DISTRIBUTORS (continued)			SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIP	PMENT (continued)	
Boise Cascade <sup>1</sup>	8,331	\$ 990,223	Cirrus Logic <sup>1,3</sup>	84,328	\$ 8,397,38
Distribution Solutions Group <sup>3</sup>	96,456	3,318,086	Cohu 1,2,3	155,038	4,139,51
DNOW <sup>3</sup>	75,996	988,708	Diodes 1,2,3	79,173	4,882,59
FTAI Aviation	100,618	14,493,017	FormFactor <sup>3</sup>	267,791	11,782,80
GMS <sup>3</sup>	6,826	579,049	Impinj <sup>1,2,3</sup>	144,114	20,934,00
MSC Industrial Direct Cl. A	61,317	4,579,767	Kulicke & Soffa Industries <sup>1</sup>	107,092	4,996,91
†Teqnion <sup>3,4</sup>	191,300	2,857,818	MaxLinear <sup>3</sup>	41,310	817,11
Transcat <sup>3</sup>	160,728	16,995,379	MKS Instruments	75,791	7,911,82
†WESCO International	14,990	2,712,590	Nova <sup>3</sup>	23,713	4,670,27
		 74,280,531	Onto Innovation 1,2,3	57,596	9,599,52
Total (Cost \$285,746,430)		472,697,128	PDF Solutions <sup>3</sup>	12,000	324,96
<u> </u>			Penguin Solutions <sup>3</sup>	30,126	578,11
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – 16.8%			Photronics <sup>3</sup>	248,033	5,843,65
COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT - 0.7%			Rambus <sup>3</sup>	64,651	3,417,45
<sup>†</sup> Ciena Corporation <sup>3</sup>	63,205	5,360,416	Semtech Corporation <sup>3</sup>	7,500	463,87
Digi International <sup>3</sup>	64,057	1,936,443	Silicon Laboratories <sup>3</sup>		
Extreme Networks <sup>3</sup>	98,165	1,643,282		4,000	496,88
Harmonic <sup>3</sup>	260,843	3,450,953	Silicon Motion Technology ADR	1,596	86,26
			SiTime Corporation <sup>3</sup>	11,023	2,364,76
NetScout Systems <sup>3</sup>	56,948	 1,233,494	Synaptics <sup>3</sup>	14,316	1,092,59
		 13,624,588	Ultra Clean Holdings <sup>3</sup>	168,361	6,052,57
ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS & COMPON	NENTS - 7.5%				107,815,19
Badger Meter	4,481	950,510	SOFTWARE - 2.0%		 
Bel Fuse Cl. B	34,676	2,859,730	Adeia 1	172,775	2,415,39
Benchmark Electronics	33,923	1,540,104	Agilysys <sup>1,2,3</sup>	68,187	8,980,91
Cognex Corporation <sup>1</sup>	342,696	12,289,079			
Coherent Corp. <sup>1,2,3</sup>	78,861	7,470,502	Alkalli Tecillology 01,445		2,253,94
Crane NXT		9,446,603	120,000		505,20
	162,257		Clearwater Arialytics Holdings Cl. A 13,000		357,76
CTS Corporation <sup>1,2</sup>	29,048	1,531,701	1 Computer Modelling Group 614.611		4,553,62
ePlus <sup>3</sup>	20,776	1,534,931	Consensus Cloud Solutions 1,2,3	45,599	1,087,99
Fabrinet <sup>1,3</sup>	23,849	5,243,918	<sup>+</sup> Coveo Solutions <sup>3</sup>	151,000	670,20
FARO Technologies 1,2,3	228,848	5,803,585	<sup>+</sup> CyberArk Software <sup>3</sup>	1,900	632,98
Insight Enterprises <sup>3</sup>	12,021	1,828,394	Descartes Systems Group (The) <sup>3</sup>	8,500	965,60
IPG Photonics <sup>3</sup>	51,100	3,715,992	InterDigital <sup>1</sup>		
<sup>†</sup> Knowles Corporation <sup>3</sup>	67,141	1,338,120		11,173	2,164,43
Littelfuse <sup>1</sup>	34,070	8,028,595	JFrog <sup>3</sup>	217,500	6,396,67
Luna Innovations <sup>3</sup>		1,420,997	NCR Voyix <sup>3</sup>	34,618	479,11
	657,869	, ,	†NextNav <sup>3</sup>	28,000	435,68
Mirion Technologies Cl. A <sup>3</sup>	253,000	4,414,850	Progress Software	52,529	3,422,26
NAPCO Security Technologies	168,430	5,989,371	PROS Holdings <sup>3</sup>	46,664	1,024,74
PAR Technology <sup>1,2,3</sup>	389,239	28,285,998	Sapiens International	151,351	4,066,80
PC Connection	28,878	2,000,379		,,,,,	40,413,32
Plexus <sup>3</sup>	2,652	414,985	TECHNOLOGY HARDWARE, STORAGE & PERIPH	JEDAIC 0.00/	10, 110,02
Richardson Electronics	433,407	6,080,700			240.67
Rogers Corporation <sup>1,3</sup>	100,924	10,254,888	<sup>†</sup> Xerox Holdings	36,854	310,67
Sanmina Corporation <sup>3</sup>	70,124	5,306,283	Total (Cost \$260,850,534)		336,799,16
·			MATERIALS C. EQ/		
ScanSource <sup>3</sup>	21,545		MATERIALS – 6.5%		
Teledyne Technologies <sup>3</sup>	9,660		CHEMICALS - 3.5%		
TTM Technologies 1,2,3	341,192	8,444,502	AdvanSix <sup>1</sup>	4,685	133,47
Vishay Intertechnology	25,900	438,746	Aspen Aerogels <sup>3</sup>	118,727	1,410,47
Vontier Corporation	223,144	8,138,062	Element Solutions <sup>1</sup>	554,565	14,102,58
		150,277,331	Hawkins <sup>1</sup>	105,691	12,965,11
IT SERVICES - 1.2%		. ,	Ingevity Corporation <sup>3</sup>	236,012	9,617,48
†DXC Technology <sup>3</sup>	114,931	2,296,321	Innospec <sup>1</sup>	117,315	
0,					12,911,68
Hackett Group (The) 1	392,058	12,044,022	NewMarket Corporation	8,000	4,226,80
Kyndryl Holdings <sup>3</sup>	289,529	 10,017,704	Quaker Houghton	108,089	15,214,60
		24,358,047			70,582,24
SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIPMENT	T - 5.4%		CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 0.1%		
Axcelis Technologies <sup>3</sup>	58,678	4,099,832	<sup>+</sup> Knife River <sup>3</sup>	6,300	640,33
Camtek	60,199	4,862,273		,	 

Schedule of Investments (continued)	)		Schedule of Investments (contin	ued)		
	SHARES	VALUE		SHARES		VALUE
MATERIALS (continued)						
CONTAINERS & PACKAGING - 0.2%			UTILITIES – 0.2%			
Sealed Air	14,598	\$ 493,850	ELECTRIC UTILITIES - 0.2%	40.004		4 500 700
Silgan Holdings	52,391	2,726,952	†MGE Energy	16,281	\$	1,529,763
		3,220,802	Otter Tail	28,555		2,108,501
METALS & MINING - 2.1%			CACLITUITIES O OO			3,638,264
Alamos Gold Cl. A	945,406	17,442,114	GAS UTILITIES - 0.0%	4.700		F74 040
<sup>†</sup> Alpha Metallurgical Resources <sup>3</sup>	2,287	457,674	Chesapeake Utilities	4,708		571,316
<sup>†</sup> Arch Resources	14,875	2,100,648	Total (Cost \$4,134,702)			4,209,580
Gold Fields ADR	536,500	7,081,800	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS			
IAMGOLD Corporation <sup>3</sup>	500,000	2,580,000	(Cost \$1,445,561,997)			1,962,293,865
Major Drilling Group International <sup>3</sup>	1,496,691	8,548,355	(0031 \$1,443,301,337)			1,302,233,003
Materion Corporation	25,000	2,472,000	<b>INVESTMENT COMPANIES – 0.6%</b>			
Metallus <sup>3</sup>	56,120	792,976	MATERIAL C. O. COV			
Olympic Steel	29,494	967,698	MATERIALS – 0.6%			
Warrior Met Coal	2,949	159,954	METALS & MINING - 0.6%	202 752		
		42,603,219	VanEck Junior Gold Miners ETF	293,758	_	12,558,154
PAPER & FOREST PRODUCTS - 0.6%			Total (Cost \$10,332,361)			12,558,154
Clearwater Paper <sup>3</sup>	36,477	1,085,920	INVESTMENTS AT VALUE			
Louisiana-Pacific	32,272	3,341,766	(Cost \$1,455,894,358)			1,974,852,019
Stella-Jones	100,486	4,976,589	(003) \$ 1, 100,03 1,000/			1,57 1,002,010
Sylvamo Corporation <sup>1</sup>	35,191	 2,780,793	REPURCHASE AGREEMENT – 3.0%			
		12,185,068	Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, 3.75% d	lated 12/31/24, due 1	/2/25,	maturity value
Total (Cost \$80,792,590)		129,231,662		f U.S. Government Ag	encies	, 3.625%
REAL ESTATE – 3.2%			due 3/31/30, valued at \$60,477,722)			
DIVERSIFIED REITS - 0.0%			(Cost \$59,291,791)			59,291,791
New York REIT 3.5	15,000	163,200	TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 101.8%			
REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT - 3	•	 103,200	(Cost \$1,515,186,149)			2,034,143,810
Colliers International Group	.270 59,511	8,091,711	(000: \$1,0:0;100;10)			_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
FirstService Corporation	90,772	16,431,547				
FRP Holdings 1,3	108,661	3,328,286	LIABILITIES LESS CASH AND OTHER ASSET	TS – (1.8)%		(35,686,789)
Kennedy-Wilson Holdings <sup>1</sup>	1,437,381	14,359,436	NET ASSETS – 100.0%		\$	4 000 457 024
Marcus & Millichap <sup>1</sup>	363,583	13,910,686	NEI A33E13 - 100.0%		Þ	1,998,457,021
St. Joe Company (The) <sup>1</sup>	78,800	3,540,484				
Tejon Ranch <sup>1,2,3</sup>	313,818	4,989,706				
	210,010	 64,651,856				
Total (Cost \$49,755,699)		64,815,056				

For the purposes of this report, "ADR" shall mean American Depository Receipt and "ETF" shall mean Exchange-Traded Fund.

#### Bold indicates the Fund's 20 largest equity holdings in terms of December 31, 2024, market value.

TAX INFORMATION: The cost of total investments for Federal income tax purposes was \$1,533,891,158. As of December 31, 2024, net unrealized appreciation for all securities was \$500,252,652 consisting of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation of \$618,304,599 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation of \$118,051,947. The primary causes of the difference between book and tax basis cost are the timing of the recognition of losses on securities sold, investments in publicly traded partnerships, investments in Real Estate Investment Trusts and mark-to-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

<sup>†</sup> New additions in 2024.

<sup>1</sup> All or a portion of these securities were pledged as collateral in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement as of December 31, 2024. Total market value of pledged securities as of December 31, 2024, was \$70,156,761.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>As of December 31, 2024, a portion of these securities, in the aggregate amount of \$33,376,278, were rehypothecated by BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited in connection with the Fund's revolving credit agreement. See Notes to Financial Statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-income producing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>These securities are defined as Level 2 securities due to fair value being based on quoted prices for similar securities and/or due to the application of fair value factors. See Notes to

<sup>5</sup> A security for which market quotations are not readily available represents 0.0% of net assets. This security has been valued at its fair value under procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. This security is defined as a Level 3 security due to the use of significant unobservable inputs in the determination of fair value. See Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities	
ASSETS:	
Investments at value	\$ 1,974,852,019
Repurchase agreements (at cost and value)	59,291,791
Cash	2,383
Foreign currency (cost \$96,145)	95,997
Receivable for investments sold	615,966
Receivable for dividends and interest	945,793
Prepaid expenses and other assets	489,714
Total Assets	2,036,293,663
LIABILITIES:	
Revolving credit agreement	35,000,000
Payable for investments purchased	651,026
Payable for investment advisory fee	1,658,282
Payable for directors' fees	45,758
Payable for interest expense	171,286
Accrued expenses	310,290
Total Liabilities	37,836,642
Net Assets	\$ 1,998,457,021
ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS:	
Paid-in capital - \$0.001 par value per share; 117,623,696 shares outstanding (150,000,000 shares authorized)	\$ 1,470,983,226
Total distributable earnings (loss)	527,473,795
Net Assets (net asset value per share - \$16.99)	\$ 1,998,457,021
Investments at identified cost	\$ 1,455,894,358

Statement of Operations	
INVESTMENT INCOME:	
INCOME:	
Dividends	\$ 21,765,219
Foreign withholding tax	(508,969)
Interest	2,342,845
Rehypothecation income	283
Total income	23,599,378
EXPENSES:	
Investment advisory fees	20,365,455
Interest expense	2,255,867
Administrative and office facilities	881,634
Stockholder reports	384,253
Professional fees	272,754
Custody and transfer agent fees	230,562
Directors' fees	188,159
Other expenses	198,714
Total expenses	24,777,398
Net investment income (loss)	(1,178,020)
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY:	
NET REALIZED GAIN (LOSS):	
Investments	165,738,411
Foreign currency transactions	(17,671)
NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION):	
Investments	55,138,411
Other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency	323
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency	220,859,474
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS	\$ 219,681,454

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets

	YI	AR ENDED 12/31/24	Y	EAR ENDED 12/31/23
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:				
Net investment income (loss)	\$	(1,178,020)	\$	(1,838,039)
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		165,720,740		115,048,691
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency		55,138,734		216,427,271
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		219,681,454		329,637,923
DISTRIBUTIONS:				
Total distributable earnings		(146,122,985)		(119,069,508)
Total distributions		(146,122,985)		(119,069,508)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:				
Reinvestment of distributions		60,920,152		48,230,613
Total capital stock transactions		60,920,152		48,230,613
Net Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets		134,478,621		258,799,028
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of year		1,863,978,400		1,605,179,372
End of year	\$	1,998,457,021	\$	1,863,978,400

#### Statement of Cash Flows CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: \$ Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations 219,681,454 Adjustments to reconcile net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations to net cash provided by operating activities: (775,390,923) Purchases of long-term investments Proceeds from sales and maturities of long-term investments 862,469,441 (467,114) Net purchases, sales and maturities of short-term investments Net (increase) decrease in dividends and interest receivable and other assets 175,111 Net increase (decrease) in interest expense payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities (373,025)Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments (55,138,411) Net realized gain (loss) on investments (165,738,411) Net cash provided by operating activities 85,218,122 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: (85.202.833) Distributions net of reinvestment (reinvestment \$60,920,152) Decrease in payable to custodian for cash overdrawn and foreign currency (841)Net cash used for financing activities (85,203,674) INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH: 14,448 Cash and foreign currency at beginning of year 83,932 Cash and foreign currency at end of year \$ 98,380

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund paid \$2,281,087 in interest expense.

#### Financial Highlights

This table is presented to show selected data for a share of Common Stock outstanding throughout each period, and to assist stockholders in evaluating the Fund's performance for the periods presented.

	YEARS ENDED								
		12/31/24		12/31/23		12/31/22	12/31/21		12/31/20
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$ 1	16.42	\$	14.60	\$	20.29	\$ 18.52	\$	16.58
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:									
Net investment income (loss)		0.00		(0.01)		0.06	0.04 <sup>1</sup>		0.03
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency		1.91		2.96		(4.40)	3.46		3.02
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from investment operations		1.91		2.95		(4.34)	3.50		3.05
DISTRIBUTIONS:									
Net investment income		(0.14)		-		(0.12)	(0.02)		(0.09)
Net realized gain on investments and foreign currency		(1.13)		(1.07)		(1.01)	(1.65)		(0.95)
Return of capital		-		-		(0.19)	-		-
Total distributions	(	(1.27)		(1.07)		(1.32)	(1.67)		(1.04)
CAPITAL STOCK TRANSACTIONS:									
Effect of reinvestment of distributions by Common Stockholders		(0.07)		(0.06)		(0.03)	(0.06)		(0.07)
Total capital stock transactions	(	(0.07)		(0.06)		(0.03)	(0.06)		(0.07)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$ 1	16.99	\$	16.42	\$	14.60	\$ 20.29	\$	18.52
Market Value, End of Period	\$ 1	15.80	\$	14.56	\$	13.26	\$ 19.59	\$	16.14
TOTAL RETURN: <sup>2</sup>									
Net Asset Value	1	12.64%		21.71%		(21.29)%	19.97%		21.85%
Market Value	1	18.13%		18.83%		(25.96)%	32.91%		19.20%
RATIOS BASED ON AVERAGE NET ASSETS:									
Investment advisory fee expense <sup>3</sup>		1.04%		1.17%		0.74%	1.02%		1.15%
Other operating expenses		0.23%		0.24%		0.23%	0.13%		0.19%
Total expenses (net)		1.27%		1.41%		0.97%	1.15%		1.34%
Expenses excluding interest expense		1.15%		1.29%		0.86%	1.11%		1.26%
Expenses prior to balance credits		1.27%		1.41%		0.97%	1.15%		1.34%
Net investment income (loss)		(0.06)%		(0.11)%		0.39%	0.21%1		0.16%
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:									_
Net Assets, End of Period (in thousands)	\$ 1	,998,457	\$	1,863,978	\$	1,605,179	\$ 2,149,870	\$	1,888,606
Portfolio Turnover Rate		40%		67%		60%	44%		36%
REVOLVING CREDIT AGREEMENT:							· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Asset coverage		5810%		5426%		4686%	3171%		2798%
Asset coverage per \$1,000	\$	58,099	\$	54,257	\$	46,862	\$ 31,712	\$	27,980

<sup>1</sup> A special distribution from ECN Capital resulted in an increase in net investment income (loss) per share of \$0.05 and an increase in the ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets of 0.26%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Market Value Total Return is calculated assuming a purchase of Common Stock on the opening of the first business day and a sale on the closing of the last business day of each period. Dividends and distributions are assumed for the purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan. Net Asset Value Total Return is calculated on the same basis, except that the Fund's net asset value is used on the purchase, sale and dividend reinvestment dates instead of market

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The investment advisory fee is calculated based on average net assets over a rolling 60-month basis, while the above ratios of investment advisory fee expenses are based on the average net assets over a 12-month basis.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

Royce Small-Cap Trust, Inc. (formerly Royce Value Trust, Inc.) (the "Fund"), is a diversified closed-end investment company that was incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland on July 1, 1986. The Fund commenced operations on November 26, 1986.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Fund is an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services-Investment Companies."

Royce & Associates, LP, the Fund's investment adviser, is a majority-owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. and primarily conducts business using the name Royce Investment Partners ("Royce").

#### VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS:

Portfolio securities held by the Fund are valued as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (generally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on the valuation date. Investments in money market funds are valued at net asset value per share. Values for non-U.S. dollar denominated equity securities are converted to U.S. dollars daily based upon prevailing foreign currency exchange rates as quoted by a major bank.

Portfolio securities that are listed on an exchange or Nasdag, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, are valued: (i) on the basis of their last reported sales prices or official closing prices, as applicable, on a valuation date; or (ii) at their highest reported bid prices in the event such equity securities did not trade on a valuation date. Such inputs are generally referred to as "Level 1" inputs because they represent reliable quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

If the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund cannot be determined solely by reference to Level 1 inputs, such portfolio security will be "fair valued." The Fund's Board of Directors has designated Royce as valuation designee to perform fair value determinations for such portfolio securities in accordance with Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act ("Rule 2a-5"). Pursuant to Rule 2a-5, fair values are determined in accordance with policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors and policies and procedures adopted by Royce in its capacity as valuation designee for the Fund. Fair valued securities are reported as either "Level 2" or "Level 3" securities.

As a general principle, the fair value of a security is the amount which the Fund might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale. However, in light of the judgment involved in fair valuations, no assurance can be given that a fair value assigned to a particular portfolio security will be the amount which the Fund might be able to receive upon its current sale. When a fair value pricing methodology is used, the fair value prices used by the Fund for such securities will likely differ from the quoted or published prices for the same securities.

Level 2 inputs are other significant observable inputs (e.g., dealer bid side quotes and quoted prices for securities with comparable characteristics). Examples of situations in which Level 2 inputs are used to fair value portfolio securities held by the Fund on a particular valuation date include:

- · Over-the-counter equity securities other than those traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system (collectively referred to herein as "Other OTC Equity Securities") are fair valued at their highest bid price when Royce receives at least two bid side quotes from dealers who make markets in such securities;
- Certain bonds and other fixed income securities may be fair valued by reference to other securities with comparable ratings, interest rates, and maturities in accordance with valuation methodologies maintained by certain independent pricing services; and
- The Fund uses an independent pricing service to fair value certain non-U.S. equity securities when U.S. market volatility exceeds a certain threshold set by Royce as valuation designee. This pricing service uses proprietary correlations it has developed between the movement of prices of non-U.S. equity securities and indices of U.S.-traded securities, futures contracts, and other indications to estimate the fair value of such non-U.S. securities.

Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Examples of Level 3 inputs include (without limitation) the last trade price for a security before trading was suspended or terminated; discounts to last trade price for lack of marketability or otherwise; market price information regarding other securities; information received from the issuer and/or published documents, including SEC filings and financial statements; and other publicly available information. Pursuant to the above-referenced policies and procedures, Royce may use

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS (continued):

various techniques in making fair value determinations based upon Level 3 inputs, which techniques may include (without limitation): (i) workout valuation methods (e.g., earnings multiples, discounted cash flows, liquidation values, derivations of book value, firm or probable offers from qualified buyers for the issuer's ongoing business, etc.); (ii) discount or premium from market, or compilation of other observable market information, for other similar freely traded securities; (iii) conversion from the readily available market price of a security into which an affected security is convertible or exchangeable; and (iv) pricing models or other formulas.

A security that is valued by reference to Level 1 or Level 2 inputs may drop to Level 3 on a particular valuation date for several reasons, including if:

- an equity security that is listed on an exchange or Nasdaq, or traded on OTC Market Group Inc.'s OTC Link ATS or other alternative trading system, has not traded and there are no bids;
- Royce does not receive at least two bid side quotes for an Other OTC Equity Security;
- the independent pricing services are unable to supply fair value prices; or
- the Level 1 or Level 2 inputs become otherwise unreliable for any reason (e.g., a significant event occurs after the close of trading for a security but prior to the time the Fund prices its shares).

The table below shows the aggregate value of the various Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 securities held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024. Any Level 2 or Level 3 securities held by the Fund are noted in its Schedule of Investments. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with owning those securities.

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Common Stocks	\$1,954,417,017	\$ 7,713,648	\$163,200	\$1,962,293,865
Investment Companies	12,558,154	-	-	12,558,154
Repurchase Agreement	-	59,291,791	-	59,291,791

#### Level 3 Reconciliation:

					NET (	CHANGE IN	
					UNREALIZE	D GAIN (LOSS) 1	
	BALANCE AS OF				CURRENTLY HELD	SECURITIES NO	BALANCE AS OF
	12/31/23	PURCHASES	SALES	REALIZED GAIN (LOSS) 1	SECURITIES	LONGER HELD	12/31/24
Common Stocks	\$995,360	\$-	\$1,040,200	\$(308,284)	\$0	\$516,324	\$163,200

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is included in the accompanying Statement of Operations. Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) resulting from changes in investment values during the reporting period and the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation (depreciation) when gains or losses are realized. Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions is included in the accompanying Statement of Operations.

#### REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS:

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements with institutions that the Fund's investment adviser has determined are creditworthy. The Fund restricts repurchase agreements to maturities of no more than seven days. Securities pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements, which are held until maturity of the repurchase agreements, are marked-to-market daily and maintained at a value at least equal to the principal amount of the repurchase agreement (including accrued interest). Repurchase agreements could involve certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the counter-party, including possible delays or restrictions upon the ability of the Fund to dispose of its underlying securities. The remaining contractual maturity of the repurchase agreement held by the Fund as of December 31, 2024, is next business day and continuous.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY:

Net realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales and maturities of short-term securities, sales of foreign currencies, expiration of currency forward contracts, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities, other than investments in securities at the end of the reporting period, as a result of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Fund defines Cash as cash, including foreign currency.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### TAXES:

As a qualified regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund is not subject to income taxes to the extent that it distributes substantially all of its taxable income for its fiscal year. The Schedule of Investments includes information regarding income taxes under the caption "Tax Information."

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS:**

The Fund pays quarterly distributions on the Fund's Common Stock at the annual rate of 7% of the rolling average of the prior four calendar quarter-end NAVs of the Fund's Common Stock, with the fourth quarter distribution being the greater of 1.75% of the rolling average or the distribution required by IRS regulations. Distributions to Common Stockholders are recorded on ex-dividend date. To the extent that distributions in any year are not paid from long-term capital gains, net investment income or net short-term capital gains, they will represent a return of capital. Distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Permanent book and tax differences relating to stockholder distributions will result in reclassifications within the capital accounts. Undistributed net investment income may include temporary book and tax basis differences, which will reverse in a subsequent period. Any taxable income or gain remaining undistributed at fiscal year end is distributed in the following year.

#### INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME:

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except for certain dividends from securities where the dividend rate is not available. In such cases, the dividend is recorded as soon as the information is received by the Fund. Non-cash dividend income is recorded at the fair market value of the securities received. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Premiums and discounts on debt securities are amortized using the effective yield-to-maturity method. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are determined on the basis of identified cost for book and tax purposes.

#### CASH INCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCIES:

Cash, including foreign currencies, consists of deposits maintained at State Street Bank and Trust Company, the Fund's Custodian (in such capacity, the "Custodian"), and through the Custodian's global sub-custodian network. Accordingly, the Fund's risk for the possible insolvency loss of a cash deposit lies with the Custodian or the relevant sub-custodian bank. Fund cash deposits maintained at the Custodian or through a particular sub-custodian bank may be significant, and may, at times, exceed U.S. or other applicable insurance limits.

#### **EXPENSES:**

The Fund incurs direct and indirect expenses. Expenses directly attributable to the Fund are charged to the Fund, while expenses applicable to more than one of the Royce Funds are allocated equitably. Certain personnel, occupancy costs and other administrative expenses related to all of the Royce Funds are allocated by Royce under an administration agreement and are included in administrative and office facilities and professional fees.

#### INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS:

Reference is made to Maryland law, the Fund's Articles of Incorporation, as amended and supplemented, and the Fund's Amended and Restated By-laws, each of which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of the Fund's officers and directors under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Reference is also made to the investment advisory agreement between the Fund and Royce which provides for the indemnification by the Fund of Royce under the circumstances and to the extent set forth therein. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification provisions in favor of such service providers and other covered persons. The amount of any potential Fund liability under these indemnification arrangements, if any, currently cannot be determined with any degree of specificity. The Fund is not currently in possession of any information that would cause it to believe that the Fund is reasonably likely to be subject to any material adverse impact from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. No assurance can be given, however, that the Fund will not incur any liability from the operation of these indemnification arrangements. Any future liability to the Fund that may arise from the operation of such arrangements will be disclosed to the extent required by relevant accounting guidance and applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

#### **Capital Stock:**

The Fund issued 4,114,483 and 3,593,871 shares of Common Stock as reinvestment of distributions for the years ended December 31, 2024, and December 31, 2023, respectively.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### **Borrowings:**

The Fund is party to a revolving credit agreement (the "credit agreement") with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Limited (BNPPI). The Fund pays a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum on the unused portion of the then-current maximum amount that may be borrowed by the Fund under the credit agreement. The credit agreement has a 179-day rolling term that resets daily. The Fund pledges eligible portfolio securities as collateral and has granted a security interest in such pledged securities to, and in favor of, BNPPI as security for the loan balance outstanding. The amount of eligible portfolio securities required to be pledged as collateral is determined by BNPPI in accordance with the credit agreement. In determining collateral requirements, the value of eligible securities pledged as collateral is subject to discount by BNPPI based upon a variety of factors set forth in the credit agreement. As of December 31, 2024, the market value of eligible securities pledged as collateral exceeded two times the loan balance outstanding.

If the Fund fails to meet certain requirements, or comply with other financial covenants set forth in the credit agreement, the Fund may be required to repay immediately, in part or in full, the loan balance outstanding under the credit agreement, which may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may terminate the credit agreement upon certain ratings downgrades of its corporate parent, which would result in the Fund's entire loan balance becoming immediately due and payable. The occurrence of such ratings downgrades may necessitate the sale of portfolio securities at potentially inopportune times. BNPPI may also terminate the credit agreement upon sixty (60) calendar days' prior written notice to the Fund in the event the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business day of any calendar month declines by thirty-five percent (35%) or more from the Fund's net asset value per share as of the close of business on the last business day of the immediately preceding calendar month.

The credit agreement also permits, subject to certain conditions, BNPPI to rehypothecate portfolio securities pledged by the Fund up to the amount of the loan balance outstanding. The Fund continues to receive payments in lieu of dividends and interest on rehypothecated securities. The Fund also has the right under the credit agreement to recall the rehypothecated securities from BNPPI on demand. If BNPPI fails to deliver the recalled security in a timely manner, the Fund is compensated by BNPPI for any fees or losses related to the failed delivery or, in the event a recalled security is not returned by BNPPI, the Fund, upon notice to BNPPI, may reduce the loan balance outstanding by the value of the recalled security failed to be returned. The Fund receives a portion of the fees earned by BNPPI in connection with the rehypothecation of portfolio securities.

As of December 31, 2024, the Fund had outstanding borrowings of \$35,000,000. The Fund has the right to reduce the maximum amount it can borrow under the credit agreement upon one (1) business day's prior written notice to BNPPI. The maximum amount the Fund may borrow under the credit agreement was reduced to \$0 as of January 31, 2025. In addition, the Fund and BNPPI may agree to increase the maximum amount the Fund can borrow under the credit agreement, which amount may not exceed \$150,000,000.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund had an average daily loan balance of \$35,000,000 at a weighted average borrowing cost of 6.34%. The maximum loan balance outstanding during the year ended December 31, 2024, was \$35,000,000. As of December 31, 2024, the aggregate value of rehypothecated securities was \$33,376,278. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund earned \$283 in fees from rehypothecated securities.

#### **Investment Advisory Agreement:**

As compensation for its services under the investment advisory agreement, Royce receives a fee comprised of a Basic Fee ("Basic Fee") and an adjustment to the Basic Fee based on the investment performance of the Fund in relation to the investment record of the S&P SmallCap 600 Index ("S&P 600"). The fee is payable monthly.

The Basic Fee is a monthly fee equal to 1/12 of 1% (1% on an annualized basis) of the average of the Fund's month-end net assets for the rolling 60-month period ending with such month (the "performance period"). The Basic Fee for each month is increased or decreased at the rate of 1/12 of .05% for each percentage point that the investment performance of the Fund exceeds, or is exceeded by, the percentage change in the investment record of the S&P 600 for the performance period by more than two percentage points. The performance period for each such month is a rolling 60-month period ending with such month. The maximum increase or decrease in the Basic Fee for any month may not exceed 1/12 of .5%. Accordingly, for each month, the maximum monthly fee rate as adjusted for performance is 1/12 of 1.5% and is payable if the investment performance of the Fund exceeds the percentage change in the investment record of the S&P 600 by 12 or more percentage points for the performance period, and the minimum monthly fee rate as adjusted for performance is 1/12 of .5% and is payable if the percentage change in the investment record of the S&P 600 exceeds the investment performance of the Fund by 12 or more percentage points for the performance period.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Royce is not entitled to receive any fee for any month when the investment performance of the Fund for the rolling 36-month period ending with such month is negative. In the event that the Fund's investment performance for such a performance period is less than zero, Royce will not be required to refund to the Fund any fee earned in respect of any prior performance period.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### **Investment Advisory Agreement (continued):**

For the twelve rolling 60-month periods in 2024, the Fund's investment performance ranged from 4% above to 11% above the investment performance of the S&P 600. Accordingly, the net investment advisory fee consisted of a Basic Fee of \$16,198,339 and a net upward adjustment of \$4,167,116 for the performance of the Fund relative to that of the S&P 600. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund expensed Royce investment advisory fees totaling \$20,365,455.

#### **Purchases and Sales of Investment Securities:**

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the costs of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities, other than short-term securities, amounted to \$771,403,962 and \$841,049,707, respectively.

Cross trades were executed by the Fund pursuant to Rule 17a-7 under the 1940 Act. Cross trading is the buying or selling of portfolio securities between funds to which Royce or an affiliate of Franklin Resources, Inc. serves as investment adviser. The Fund's Chief Compliance Officer reviews such transactions each quarter for compliance with the requirements and restrictions set forth by Rule 17a-7, and reports the results of that review to the Board of Directors. Cross trades for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

COSTS OF PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	REALIZED GAIN (LOSS)
\$2,165,163	\$372,299	\$(667,890)

#### Tax Information:

Distributions during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, were characterized as follows for tax purposes:

ORDINAR	Y INCOME	LONG-TERM C	APITAL GAINS
2024	2023	2024	2023
\$29,913,265	\$15,316,939	\$116,209,720	\$103,752,569

The tax basis components of distributable earnings as of December 31, 2024, were as follows:

UNDISTRIBUTED	UNDISTRIBUTED LONG-TERM	NET UNREALIZED APPRECIATION	QUALIFIED LATE YEAR ORDINARY AND POST-OCTOBER LOSS	TOTAL DISTRIBUTABLE
ORDINARY INCOME	CAPITAL GAINS	(DEPRECIATION) <sup>1</sup>	DEFERRALS <sup>2</sup>	EARNINGS
\$4,200,299	\$23,032,909	\$500,252,377	\$(11,790)	\$527,473,795

<sup>1</sup> Includes timing differences on foreign currency, recognition of losses on securities sold, investments in Real Estate Investment Trusts, investments in publicly traded partnerships and markto-market of Passive Foreign Investment Companies.

For financial reporting purposes, capital accounts and distributions to stockholders are adjusted to reflect the tax character of permanent book/tax differences. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund had no reclassifications.

Management has analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on federal income tax returns for all open tax years (2021-2024) and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, no provision for income tax is required in the Fund's financial statements.

#### Segment Reporting:

The Fund has adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Segment Reporting Disclosures (the "Update"). The Update is limited to disclosure requirements and does not impact the Fund's financial position or results of operations.

The Fund operates as a single operating segment, which is a segregated investment portfolio. Royce, in its capacity as investment manager, functions as the Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM) for the Fund for purposes of the Update, evaluating its results and performance based upon its specific investment strategy and other relevant facts and circumstances. The CODM uses these measures to assess Fund performance and allocate resources effectively, subject to compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements and oversight from its Board of Directors. Internal reporting provided to the CODM aligns with the accounting policies and measurement principles used in the financial statements.

For information regarding segment assets, segment profit or loss, and significant expenses, refer to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the Statement of Operations, along with the related notes to the financial statements. The Schedule of Investments provides details of the Fund's investments that generate returns such as interest, dividends, and realized and unrealized gains or losses. Performance metrics, including portfolio turnover and expense ratios, are disclosed in the Financial Highlights.

#### **Subsequent Events:**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued and it has been determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Under the current tax law, capital losses and qualified late year ordinary losses incurred after October 31 may be deferred and treated as occurring on the first day of the following fiscal

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Royce Small-Cap Trust, Inc.:

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of Royce Small-Cap Trust, Inc. (the "Fund") as of December 31, 2024, the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2024, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2024, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024 and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2024 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers; when replies were not received from brokers, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP New York, New York February 21, 2025

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the Franklin Templeton Group of Funds since 1948.

# History Since Inception (unaudited)

The following table details the share accumulations by an initial investor in the Funds who reinvested all distributions and participated fully in primary subscriptions for each of the rights offerings. Full participation in distribution reinvestments and rights offerings can maximize the returns available to a long-term investor. This table should be read in conjunction with the Performance and Portfolio Reviews of the Funds.

HISTORY		AMOUNT INVESTED	PURCHASE PRICE <sup>1</sup>	SHARES	NAV VALUE <sup>2</sup>	MARKET VALUE <sup>2</sup>
Royce Glo	obal Trust					
10/17/13	Initial Purchase	\$ 8,975	\$ 8.975	1,000	\$ 9,780	\$ 8,975
12/11/14	Distribution \$0.15		7.970	19	9,426	8,193
12/10/15	Distribution \$0.10		7.230	14	9,101	7,696
12/9/16	Distribution \$0.14		7.940	18	10,111	8,446
12/12/17	Distribution \$0.11		10.610	11	13,254	11,484
12/12/18	Distribution \$0.04		8.500	5	11,118	9,475
12/11/19	Distribution \$0.06		10.670	6	14,593	12,543
12/17/20	Distribution \$1.19		13.441	95	17,462	15,604
12/10/21	Distribution \$2.75		12.498	257	20,321	18,696
12/9/22	Distribution \$0.13 <sup>3</sup>		8.821	21	14,822	12,508
12/8/23	Distribution \$0.15		9.430	23	17,217	14,323
12/12/24	Distribution \$0.47		10.671	65		
12/31/24		\$ 8,975		1,534	\$ 19,252	\$ 16,447
Povce Mic	cro-Cap Trust					
12/14/93	Initial Purchase	\$ 7,500	\$ 7.500	1,000	\$ 7,250	\$ 7,500
10/28/94	Rights Offering	1,400	7.000	200	Ψ 7,230	Ψ 7,300
12/19/94	Distribution \$0.05	1,400	6.750	9	9,163	8,462
12/7/95	Distribution \$0.36		7.500	58	11,264	10,136
12/7/95	Distribution \$0.80		7.625	133	13,132	11,550
12/5/97	Distribution \$1.00		10.000	140	16,694	15,593
12/7/98	Distribution \$1.00		8.625	52	16,016	14,129
12/7/98	Distribution \$0.29		8.781	49	18,051	14,769
12/6/00	Distribution \$1.72		8.469	333	20,016	17,026
12/6/01	Distribution \$0.57		9.880	114	24,701	21,924
2002	Annual distribution total \$0.80		9.518	180	21,297	19,142
2003	Annual distribution total \$0.92		10.004	217	33,125	31,311
2004	Annual distribution total \$1.33		13.350	257	39,320	41,788
2005	Annual distribution total \$1.85		13.848	383	41,969	45,500
2006	Annual distribution total \$1.55		14.246	354	51,385	57,647
2007	Annual distribution total \$1.35		13.584	357	51,709	45,802
2008	Annual distribution total \$1.19 <sup>3</sup>		8.237	578	28,205	24,807
3/11/09	Distribution \$0.22 <sup>3</sup>		4.260	228	41,314	34,212
12/2/10	Distribution \$0.08		9.400	40	53,094	45,884
2011	Annual distribution total \$0.53 <sup>3</sup>		8.773	289	49,014	43,596
2012	Annual distribution total \$0.51		9.084	285	57,501	49,669
2013	Annual distribution total \$1.38		11.864	630	83,110	74,222
2014	Annual distribution total \$2.90		10.513	1,704	86,071	76,507
2015	Annual distribution total \$1.26		7.974	1,256	75,987	64,222
2016	Annual distribution total \$0.64		7.513	779	92,689	78,540
2017	Annual distribution total \$0.69		8.746	783	109,076	98,254
2018	Annual distribution total \$0.75		8.993	893	96,398	83,853
2019	Annual distribution total \$0.68		8.297	955	118,025	104,666
2020	Annual distribution total \$0.61		6.944	1,120	128,811	135,365
2021	Annual distribution total \$0.84		11.377	1,014	187,933	166,205
2022	Annual distribution total \$0.95 <sup>3</sup>		8.887	1,598	156,203	138,776
2023	Annual distribution total \$0.74		8.648	1,413	182,188	160,785
2024	Annual distribution total \$0.74		9.307	1,426		
12/31/24		\$ 8,900		18,827	\$ 206,720	\$ 183,563

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The purchase price used for annual distribution totals is a weighted average of the distribution reinvestment prices for the year.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Values are stated as of December 31 of the year indicated, after reinvestment of distributions, other than for initial purchase.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes a return of capital.

# History Since Inception (unaudited) (continued)

HISTORY		AMOUNT INVESTED	PURCHASE PRICE <sup>1</sup>	SHARES	NAV VALUE <sup>2</sup>	MARKET VALUE <sup>2</sup>
-	nall-Cap Trust					
11/26/86	Initial Purchase	\$ 10,000	\$ 10.000	1,000	\$ 9,280	\$ 10,000
10/15/87	Distribution \$0.30		7.000	42		
12/31/87	Distribution \$0.22		7.125	32	8,578	7,250
12/27/88	Distribution \$0.51		8.625	63	10,529	9,238
9/22/89	Rights Offering	405	9.000	45		
12/29/89	Distribution \$0.52		9.125	67	12,942	11,866
9/24/90	Rights Offering	457	7.375	62		
12/31/90	Distribution \$0.32		8.000	52	11,713	11,074
9/23/91	Rights Offering	638	9.375	68		
12/31/91	Distribution \$0.61		10.625	82	17,919	15,697
9/25/92	Rights Offering	825	11.000	75		
12/31/92	Distribution \$0.90		12.500	114	21,999	20,874
9/27/93	Rights Offering	1,469	13.000	113		
12/31/93	Distribution \$1.15		13.000	160	26,603	25,428
10/28/94	Rights Offering	1,103	11.250	98		·
12/19/94	Distribution \$1.05	,	11.375	191	27,939	24,905
11/3/95	Rights Offering	1,425	12.500	114		
12/7/95	Distribution \$1.29	,,,	12.125	253	35,676	31,243
12/6/96	Distribution \$1.15		12.250	247	41,213	36,335
1997	Annual distribution total \$1.21		15.374	230	52,556	46,814
1998	Annual distribution total \$1.54		14.311	347	54,313	47,506
1999	Annual distribution total \$1.37		12.616	391	60,653	50,239
2000	Annual distribution total \$1.37		13.972	424	70,711	61,648
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2001	Annual distribution total \$1.49		15.072	437	81,478	73,994
2002	Annual distribution total \$1.51	F COO	14.903	494	68,770	68,927
1/28/03	Rights Offering	5,600	10.770	520	400 240	407.220
2003	Annual distribution total \$1.30		14.582	516	106,216	107,339
2004	Annual distribution total \$1.55		17.604	568	128,955	139,094
2005	Annual distribution total \$1.61		18.739	604	139,808	148,773
2006	Annual distribution total \$1.78		19.696	693	167,063	179,945
2007	Annual distribution total \$1.85		19.687	787	175,469	165,158
2008	Annual distribution total \$1.72 <sup>3</sup>		12.307	1,294	95,415	85,435
3/11/09	Distribution \$0.32 <sup>3</sup>		6.071	537	137,966	115,669
12/2/10	Distribution \$0.03		13.850	23	179,730	156,203
2011	Annual distribution total \$0.78 <sup>3</sup>		13.043	656	161,638	139,866
2012	Annual distribution total \$0.80		13.063	714	186,540	162,556
2013	Annual distribution total \$2.19 <sup>4</sup>		16.647	1,658	250,219	220,474
2014	Annual distribution total \$1.82		14.840	1,757	252,175	222,516
2015	Annual distribution total \$1.24		12.725	1,565	231,781	201,185
2016	Annual distribution total \$1.02		12.334	1,460	293,880	248,425
2017	Annual distribution total \$1.16		14.841	1,495	350,840	324,176
2018	Distribution through 6/30/18 \$0.59		15.962	748		
2018	Rights Offering	31,289	15.330	2,041		
2018	Distribution after 6/30/18 \$0.67		12.706	1,168	329,589	283,259
2019	Annual distribution total \$1.10		14.100	1,929	429,986	383,045
2020	Annual distribution total \$1.04		11.888	2,357	523,949	456,617
2021	Annual distribution total \$1.67		18.124	2,690	628,604	609,918
2022	Annual distribution total \$1.32 <sup>3</sup>		14.525	2,907	495,104	449,355
2023	Annual distribution total \$1.07		13.427	2,784	602,154	533,944
2024	Annual distribution total \$1.27		14.815	3,247	,	.,.
12/31/24		\$ 53,211		39,919	\$ 678,224	\$ 630,720
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 $<sup>^1</sup> The \ purchase \ price \ used \ for \ annual \ distribution \ totals \ is \ a \ weighted \ average \ of \ the \ distribution \ reinvestment \ prices \ for \ the \ year.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Values are stated as of December 31 of the year indicated, after reinvestment of distributions, other than for initial purchase.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes a return of capital.

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Includes Royce Global Trust spin-off of \$1.40 per share.

# Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Options

#### Why should I reinvest my distributions?

By reinvesting distributions, a stockholder can maintain an undiluted investment in the Fund. The regular reinvestment of distributions has a significant impact on stockholder returns. In contrast, the stockholder who takes distributions in cash is penalized when shares are issued below net asset value to other stockholders.

#### How does the reinvestment of distributions from the Royce closed-end funds work?

The Funds automatically issue shares in payment of distributions unless you indicate otherwise. The shares are generally issued at the lower of the market price or net asset value on the valuation date.

#### How does this apply to registered stockholders?

If your shares are registered directly with a Fund, your distributions are automatically reinvested unless you have otherwise instructed the Funds' transfer agent, Computershare, in writing, in which case you will receive your distribution in cash. A registered stockholder also may have the option to receive the distribution in the form of a stock certificate.

# What if my shares are held by a brokerage firm or

If your shares are held by a brokerage firm, bank, or other intermediary as the stockholder of record, you should contact your brokerage firm or bank to be certain that it is automatically reinvesting distributions on your behalf. If they are unable to reinvest distributions on your behalf, you should have your shares registered in your name in order to participate.

#### What other features are available for registered stockholders?

The Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plans also allow registered stockholders to make optional cash purchases of shares of a Fund's common stock directly through Computershare on a monthly basis, and to deposit certificates representing your RVT and RMT shares with Computershare for safekeeping. (RGT does not issue shares in certificated form). Plan participants are subject to a \$0.75 service fee for each voluntary cash purchase under the Plans. The Funds' investment adviser absorbed all commissions on optional cash purchases under the Plans through December 31, 2024.

#### How do the Plans work for registered stockholders?

Computershare maintains the accounts for registered stockholders in the Plans and sends written confirmation of all transactions in the account. Shares in the account of each participant will be held by Computershare in non-certificated form in the name of the participant, and each participant will be able to vote those shares at a stockholder meeting or by proxy. A participant may also send stock certificates for RVT and RMT held by them to Computershare to be held in non-certificated form. RGT does not issue shares in certificated form. There is no service fee charged to participants for reinvesting distributions. If a participant elects to sell shares from a Plan account, Computershare will deduct a \$2.50 service fee from the sale transaction. The Funds' investment adviser absorbed all commissions on optional sales under the Plans through December 31, 2024. If a nominee is the registered owner of your shares, the nominee will maintain the accounts on your behalf.

#### How can I get more information on the Plans?

You can call an Investor Services Representative at (800) 221-4268 or you can request a copy of the Plan for your Fund from Computershare. All correspondence (including notifications) should be directed to: [Name of Fund] Distribution Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan, c/o Computershare, PO Box 43078, Providence, RI 02940-3078, telephone (800) 426-5523 (from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.).

# **Directors and Officers**

#### All Directors and Officers may be reached c/o The Royce Funds, One Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010

#### Christopher D. Clark, Director<sup>1</sup>, President

Age: 59 | Number of Funds Overseen: 15 | Tenure: Since 2014

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Chief Executive Officer (since July 2016), President (since July 2014), Co-Chief Investment

Officer (since January 2014), Managing Director of Royce, a Member of the Board of Managers of Royce, having been employed by Royce since May 2007.

#### Patricia W. Chadwick, Director

Non-Royce Directorships: Director of Voya Mutual Funds
Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years: Consultant and President,
Ravengate Partners LLC (since 2000). Formerly Director, Wisconsin
Energy Corp. (until 2022).

#### Christopher C. Grisanti, Director

Age: 63  $\mid$  Number of Funds Overseen: 15  $\mid$  Tenure: Since 2017

Age: 76 | Number of Funds Overseen: 15 | Tenure: Since 2009

Non-Royce Directorships: None

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Chief Equity Strategist and Senior Portfolio Manager, MAI Capital Management LLC (investment advisory firm) (since May 2020). Formerly Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Grisanti Capital Management LLC (investment advisory firm) (from 1999 to 2020); Director of Research and Portfolio Manager, Spears Benzak, Salomon & Farrell (from 1994 to 1999); and Senior Associate, Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett (law firm) (from 1988 to 1994).

#### Cecile B. Harper, Director

Age: 61 | Number of Funds Overseen: 15 | Tenure: Since 2020 Non-Royce Directorships: Director of Alarm.com Holdings, Inc. (since May 2024)

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer, College Foundation at the University of Virginia (since October 2019). Formerly Board Member, Pyramid Peak Foundation (January 2012 to 2022); Board Member, Regional One Health Foundation (from June 2013 to September 2019); and Principal, Southeastern Asset Management (from December 1993 to September 2019)

#### G. Peter O'Brien, Director

Age: 79 | Number of Funds Overseen: 64 | Tenure: Since 2001 Non-Royce Directorships: Director/Trustee of registered investment companies constituting the 49 Legg Mason Funds.

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Trustee Emeritus, Colgate University (since 2005); and Emeritus Board Member, Hill House, Inc. (since 2019). Formerly Director, TICC Capital Corp. (from 2003-2017); Trustee, Colgate University (from 1996 to 2005); President, Hill House, Inc. (from 2001 to 2005); Board Member, Hill House, Inc. (from 1999 to 2019); Director, Bridges School (from 2006 to 2018); and Managing Director/ Equity Capital Markets Group, Merrill Lynch & Co. (from 1971 to 1999).

#### Julia W. Poston, Director

Age: 64 | Number of Funds Overseen: 15 | Tenure: Since 2023 Non-Royce Directorships: AuguStar Variable Insurance Products Fund, Inc. and The James Advantage Funds

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Director, Member of Nominating/Governance Committee, and Chair of Audit Committee, Al. Neyer Corporation (since 2020); Director, Member of Governance Committee, and Chair of Audit Committee, Master Fluid Solutions (since 2021); Trustee and Chair of Finance/Audit Committee, Cincinnati Museum Center (non-profit) (since 2015); and Director and Founder, Cincinnati Women's Executive Forum (non-profit) (since 2010). Formerly Senior Client Partner (2002-2020) and Assurance Practice Group Leader for Ohio Valley Region (2014-2019), Ernst & Young, LLP (international accounting and services firm); and Audit Partner, Arthur Andersen LLP (international accounting and services firm) (1982-2002).

#### Michael K. Shields, Director

Age: 66 | Number of Funds Overseen: 15 | Tenure: Since 2015

Non-Royce Directorships: None

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Chairman, UNC Charlotte Investment Fund Board (since February 2016); and Chairman, Halftime Carolinas Board (since February 2011). Formerly President and Chief Executive Officer, Piedmont Trust Company (privately owned North Carolina trust company) (from February 2012 to December 2023); Owner, Shields Advisors (investment consulting firm) (from April 2010 to June 2012); President and Chief Executive Officer, Eastover Capital Management (2005-2007); President and Chief Executive Officer, Campbell, Cowperthwait & Co. (investment subsidiary of U.S. Trust Corporation) (1997-2002); and equity portfolio manager and co-manager of Quality Growth Team, Scudder, Stevens & Clark (1992-1997).

#### Francis D. Gannon, Vice President

Age: 57 | Tenure: Since 2014

**Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years:** Co-Chief Investment Officer (since January 2014) and Managing Director of Royce, having been employed by Royce since September 2006.

#### Daniel A. O'Byrne, Vice President

Age: 62 | Tenure: Since 1994

**Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years:** Principal and Vice President of Royce, having been employed by Royce since October 1986.

#### Peter K. Hoglund, Treasurer

Age: 58 | Tenure: Since 2015

Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years: Chief Financial Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, and Managing Director of Royce, having been employed by Royce since December 2014. Prior to joining Royce, Mr. Hoglund spent more than 20 years with Munder Capital Management in Birmingham, MI, serving as Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer and overseeing all financial aspects of the firm. He began his career at Munder as a portfolio manager.

#### John E. Denneen, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer

Age: 57 | Tenure: 1996-2001 and Since 2002

**Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years:** General Counsel, Managing Director, and, since June 2015, a Member of the Board of Managers of Royce. Chief Legal and Compliance Officer and Secretary of Royce.

#### John P. Schwartz, Chief Compliance Officer

Age: 53 | Tenure: Since 2022

**Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years:** Chief Compliance Officer of The Royce Funds (since May 2022) and Associate General Counsel and Compliance Officer of Royce (since March 2013).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Interested Director.

### Notes to Performance and Other Important Information

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The Price-Earnings, or P/E, Ratio is calculated by dividing a company's share price by its trailing 12-month earnings-per-share (EPS). The Price-to-Book, or P/B, Ratio is calculated by dividing a company's share price by its book value per share. Beta is a measure of the volatility or risk of an investment compared to the market as a whole. The Morningstar Style Map uses proprietary scores of a stock's value and growth characteristics to determine its placement in one of the five categories listed on the horizontal axis. These characteristics are then compared to those of other stocks within the same market capitalization band. Each is scored from zero to 100 for both value and growth attributes. The value score is subtracted from the growth score to determine the overall style score. For the vertical, market cap axis, Morningstar subdivides into size groups. Giant-cap stocks are defined as those that account for the top 40% of the capitalization of each style zone; large-cap stocks represent the next 30%; mid-cap stocks the next 20%; smallcap stocks the next 7%; micro-cap stocks the smallest 3%. For the Morningstar Small Blend Category: © 2024 Morningstar. All Rights Reserved. The information regarding the category in this piece is: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. Cyclical and Defensive are defined as follows: Cyclical: Communication Services, Consumer Discretionary, Energy, Financials, Industrials, Information Technology, and Materials. Defensive: Consumer Staples, Health Care, Real Estate, and Utilities. Return on Invested Capital is calculated by dividing a company's past 12 months of operating income (earnings before interest and taxes) by its average invested capital (total equity, less cash and cash equivalents, plus total debt, minority interest, and preferred stock). The Royce Funds is a service mark of The Royce Funds.

#### **Investment Objectives**

The investment objective of each Fund is long-term growth of capital.

#### **Investment Policies**

Royce Global Trust, Inc. ("RGT"). Under normal circumstances, RGT will invest at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities, such as common stock and preferred stock. RGT generally invests a significant portion of its assets U.S. and non-U.S. small/mid-cap stocks (generally market caps up to \$10 billion). Under normal circumstances, at least 40% of RGT's net assets will be invested in the equity securities of companies headquartered in at least three countries outside the United States. From time to time, a substantial portion of RGT's assets may be invested in companies located in a single country. Although there are no geographic limits on RGT's investments, no more than 35% of RGT's net assets may be invested in the securities of companies headquartered in "developing countries," also known as emerging markets. Generally, developing countries include every country in the world other than the United States, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Bermuda, and Western European countries (which include, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the

Royce Micro-Cap Trust, Inc. ("RMT"). RMT normally invests at least 80% of its net assets in the equity securities of micro-cap companies. Micro-cap companies are those that have a market capitalization not greater than that of the largest company in the Russell Microcap® Index at the time of its most recent reconstitution. Royce employs a core approach that combines multiple investment themes and focuses on companies with strong fundamentals and/ or prospects selling at prices that Royce believes do not fully reflect

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these attributes. RMT may invest up to 25% of its assets in securities of issuers headquartered outside the United States.

Royce Small-Cap Trust, Inc. ("RVT"). RVT normally invests at least 80% of its assets in the equity securities of small-cap companies. Such companies are those that have a market capitalization not greater than that of the largest company in the Russell 2000® Index at the time of its most recent reconstitution. Royce employs a core approach that combines multiple investment themes and focuses on companies with high returns on invested capital or those with strong fundamentals and/or prospects trading at what Royce believes are attractive valuations. A portion of the Fund's assets is managed using a systematic multi-factor selection process that is derived from the investment philosophies used by the Fund's Portfolio Managers in managing the remainder of the Fund. While this multi-factor process provides guidance, a Portfolio Manager has discretion for which buys and sells are executed. RVT may invest up to 25% of its assets in securities of issuers headquartered outside the United States.

#### **Primary Risks**

As with any closed-end fund that invests in common stocks, each Fund is subject to market risk—the possibility that common stock prices will decline over short and/or extended periods of time due to overall market, financial, and economic conditions, trends or events, governmental or central bank actions and/or interventions, changes in investor sentiment, armed conflicts, economic sanctions and countermeasures in response to sanctions, market disruptions caused by trade disputes or other factors, political developments, major cybersecurity events and acts of terrorism, the global and domestic effects of a pandemic or epidemic, contagion effects on the finance sector and the overall economy from banking industry instability, and other factors that may or may not be directly related to the issuer of a security held by a Fund. Economies and financial markets throughout the world are increasingly interconnected, and economic, financial, or political events in one country or region could have profound impacts on global economies or markets. Armed conflicts in Europe and the Middle East, as well as any banking industry instability, may adversely affect global economies, markets, industries, and individual companies in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen. As a result, the value of your investment in a Fund will fluctuate, sometimes sharply and unpredictably, and you could lose money over short and/or long periods of time.

Investors wanting to buy or sell shares of a Fund must do so on a stock exchange, as with any publicly traded stock. Shares of closedend funds frequently trade at a discount to their net asset value. This is in contrast to open-end mutual funds, which sell and redeem their shares at net asset value on a continuous basis.

The prices of equity securities of the smaller companies in which the Funds invest are generally more volatile than those of largercap securities. In addition, because these securities tend to have significantly lower trading volumes than larger-cap securities, the Funds may have difficulty selling holdings or may only be able to sell holdings at prices substantially lower than what Royce believes they are worth. Therefore, each Fund may involve considerably more risk of loss and its returns may differ significantly from funds investing in larger-cap companies or other asset classes. No assurance can be given that there will be net investment income to distribute and/or that the Funds will achieve their investment goals.

Investment in foreign securities involves risks that may not be encountered in U.S. investments, including adverse political, social, economic, or other developments that are unique to a particular region or country. Prices of foreign securities in particular countries or regions may, at times, move in a different direction and/or be more volatile than those of U.S. securities. Each Fund's investments are usually denominated in or tied to the currencies of the countries in which they are primarily traded. Because the Funds do not

intend to hedge their foreign currency exposure, the U.S. dollar value of the Funds' investments may be harmed by declines in the value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. This may occur even if the value of the investment in the currency's home country has not declined. These risk factors may affect the prices of foreign securities issued by companies headquartered in developing countries more than those headquartered in developed countries. For example, many developing countries have in the past experienced high rates of inflation or sharply devalued their currencies against the U.S. dollar, thereby causing the value of investments in companies located in those countries to decline. Transaction costs are often higher in developing countries, and there may be delays in settlement procedures. To the extent that a Fund's investments in the securities of international companies consists of non-U.S. headquartered companies that trade on a U.S. exchange, some or all of the above stated risks of investing in international companies may not apply.

Each Fund may, from time to time, invest a significant portion of its assets in companies from a single sector or a limited number of sectors. Such an investment approach may involve considerably more risk to investors than one that is more broadly diversified across economic sectors because it may be more susceptible to corporate, economic, political, regulatory, or market events that adversely affect the relevant sector(s). As of December 31, 2024, RGT invested a significant portion of its assets in companies from the Industrials and Financials sectors, RMT invested a significant portion of its assets in companies from the Information Technology and Industrials sectors, and RVT invested a significant portion of its assets in companies from the Industrials and Financials sectors. Industrials sector companies can be significantly affected by general economic trends, commodity prices, legislation, government regulation and spending, import and export controls, worldwide competition, changes in consumer sentiment and spending, and liability for environmental damage, depletion of resources, and mandated expenditures for safety and pollution control. Companies from the Financials sector are subject to extensive government regulation, can be significantly affected by changes in interest rates, the availability and cost of capital, the rate of corporate and consumer debt defaults, and price competition, and can be subject to relatively rapid change due to government interventions in capital, credit, and currency markets. Information Technology sector companies can be significantly affected by the obsolescence of existing technology, short product cycles, falling prices and profits, competition from new market entrants, and general economic conditions.

Royce's estimate of a company's current worth may prove to be inaccurate, or this estimate may not be recognized by other investors, which could lead to portfolio losses or underperformance relative to similar funds and/or a Fund's benchmark index(es). Securities in the Funds' portfolios may not increase as much as the market as a whole and some securities may continue to be undervalued for long periods of time or may never reach what Royce believes are their full market values. Investments in a Fund are not bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

#### Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") Investment Considerations and Risks

ESG factors may have a material impact on the business risk and financial performance of portfolio companies held by a Fund. Royce seeks to ensure, to the extent applicable, that material ESG factors are incorporated as inputs to the investment analysis of such portfolio companies. Royce defines material ESG factors as those that it believes may impact a portfolio company's cash flows, balance sheet, reputation, and/ or enterprise value. Each investment strategy used in connection with the Funds has its own customized

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ESG due diligence framework that focuses on the ESG factors Royce investment staff members believe to be most material to their respective investment processes. Materiality is the core principle of Royce's approach to ESG integration, as particular factors may or may not be meaningful to different business models, industries, and regions. No assurance can be given that ESG factors will, in fact, contribute to the long-term investment performance of any particular portfolio company or that Royce's assessment of material ESG factors in respect of any particular portfolio company will be correct.

Evaluation of what Royce believes to be material ESG risks is only one component of Royce's assessment of a potential investment by a Fund and, as with its consideration of other factors and risks, may not be a determinative factor in any instruction or recommendation to purchase, sell, or hold a security. In addition, where such material ESG factors are considered, the importance given to such ESG factors may vary across Royce investment staff members and accounts to which they are assigned and across different types of investments, sectors, industries, regions, and issuers. ESG factors considered, and the importance placed upon those factors, may change over time. Royce may not assess every investment by a Fund for ESG factors. and when it does, not every ESG factor may be identified or evaluated. The assessment of ESG-related risk(s) for a portfolio company by Royce investment staff members also may vary across the various accounts to which they are assigned, even if such accounts employ identical or substantially similar ESG integration approaches. Royce investment staff members are under no obligation to exclude investments with relatively poor third-party ESG ratings or metrics from a Fund. There is also no minimum ESG risk rating for an investment to be held by a Fund. There are no prescribed methods or standards within Royce or among Royce investment staff members for evaluating or assessing third-party or internally generated ESG-related information, data, metrics, and ratings.

The assessment of material ESG factors for a portfolio company by Royce investment staff members is subjective and may differ from those of other institutional investors, third-party service providers (e.g., ratings providers), and/or other funds, and may be dependent on the availability of timely, complete, and accurate ESG data and research from issuers and/or third-party providers, the timeliness, completeness, and accuracy of which is outside of the control of Royce and its investment staff members. ESG factors are often not uniformly measured or defined, which could impact the ability of Royce investment staff members to evaluate a portfolio company.

Investments in cash and cash equivalents and securities lending activities in connection with the Funds are not assessed by Royce for ESG factors.

#### Portfolio Management Changes for the Funds

Effective after the close of business on September 30, 2024, Charles M. Royce no longer served as a portfolio manager of RGT, RMT, and RVT. Set forth below are the portfolio management arrangements for RGT, RMT, and RVT as of such time:

- RGT's portfolio manager is Steven McBoyle;
- James Stoeffel is RMT's portfolio manager and Andrew Palen is RMT's assistant portfolio manager; and
- RVT's portfolio managers are Lauren Romeo, Steven McBoyle, Andrew Palen, George Neckakov, and Francis Gannon.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This material contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), that involve risks and uncertainties, including, among others, statements as to:

- the Funds' future operating results
- the prospects of the Funds' portfolio companies
- the impact of investments that the Funds have made or may make
- the dependence of the Funds' future success on the general economy and its impact on the companies and industries in which the Funds invest, and
- the ability of the Funds' portfolio companies to achieve their objectives.

This *Review and Report* uses words such as "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "future," "intends," and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Actual results may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements for any reason.

The Funds have based the forward-looking statements included in this *Review and Report* on information available to us on the date of the report, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. Although the Funds undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, you are advised to consult any additional disclosures that we may make through future stockholder communications or reports.

#### **Authorized Share Transactions**

Royce Global Trust, Royce Micro-Cap Trust, and Royce Small-Cap Trust may each repurchase up to 5% of the issued and outstanding shares of its respective common stock during the year ending December 31, 2025. Any such repurchases would take place at then prevailing prices in the open market or in other transactions. Common stock repurchases would be effected at a price per share that is less than the share's then current net asset value.

Royce Global Trust, Royce Micro-Cap Trust, and Royce Small-Cap Trust are also authorized to offer their common stockholders an opportunity to subscribe for additional shares of their common stock through rights offerings at a price per share that may be less than the share's then current net asset value. The timing and terms of any such offerings are within each Board's discretion.

#### **Annual Certifications**

As required, the Funds have submitted to the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") for the annual certification of the Funds' Chief Executive Officer that he is not aware of any violation of the NYSE's listing standards. The Funds also have included the certification of the Funds' Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 as exhibits to the Funds' form N-CSR for the period ended December 31, 2024, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **Proxy Voting**

A copy of the policies and procedures that the Funds use to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities and information regarding how each of the Funds voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available, without charge, on the Funds' website at www. royceinvest.com, by calling (800) 221-4268 (toll-free) and on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), at www.sec.gov.

#### Disclosure of Portfolio Holdings

The Funds' complete portfolio holdings are also available on Exhibit F to Form N-PORT, which filings are made with the SEC within 60 days of the end of the first and third fiscal quarters. The Funds' Form N-PORT filings are available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

# Results of Stockholders Meetings

#### Royce Global Trust, Inc.

At the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on September 30, 2024, the Fund's stockholders elected three Directors, consisting of:

	VOTES FOR	VOTES WITHHELD
Cecile B. Harper	4,097,952	1,392,194
G. Peter O'Brien	4,080,907	1,409,239
Julia W. Poston	4,087,523	1,402,623

#### Royce Micro-Cap Trust, Inc.

At the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on September 30, 2024, the Fund's stockholders elected three Directors, consisting of:

	VOTES FOR	VOTES WITHHELD
Cecile B. Harper	37,807,597	1,516,751
G. Peter O'Brien	37,153,624	2,170,724
Julia W. Poston	37,599,158	1,725,190

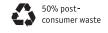
#### Royce Small-Cap Trust, Inc.

At the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on September 30, 2024, the Fund's stockholders elected three Directors, consisting of:

	VOTES FOR	VOTES WITHHELD
Cecile B. Harper	94,463,962	2,243,540
G. Peter O'Brien	91,844,645	4,862,856
Julia W. Poston	94,399,032	2,308,470



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#### **Independent Thinking**

The confidence to go against consensus, the insight to uncover opportunities others might miss, and the tenacity to stay the course through market cycles.

#### **Specialized Approaches**

U.S., international, and global investment strategies that pursue approaches with different risk profiles.

#### **Unwavering Commitment**

Our team of 18 portfolio managers has significant personal investments in the strategies they manage.

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