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# Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund

The power of private credit

Data as of September 30, 2025



# What are the risks?



Past performance is no guarantee of future results. All investments involve risk, including loss of principal. **The Fund is subject to a high degree of risk**; specific risk considerations are listed below.

**Concentration Risk:** An investment should be considered long-term within a multi-asset portfolio and should not be viewed individually as a complete investment program.

# **Liquidity Risks:**

An investment in the fund should be considered illiquid. An investment in an interval fund is not suitable for all investors. Unlike closed-end funds, an interval fund's shares are not typically listed on a stock exchange. There is also no secondary market for the fund's shares, and none is expected to develop. **Redemptions:** There is no guarantee that an investor will be able to tender all or any of their requested fund shares in a periodic repurchase offer. Shareholders should not expect to be able to sell their shares regardless of how the fund performs.

### **Fund Distributions:**

Distributions are not guaranteed and are subject to change.

# **Private Market Investment Risks:**

The fund may be able to invest in private securities that are illiquid and thinly traded, which may limit the manager's ability to sell such securities at their fair market value or when necessary to meet the portfolio's liquidity needs. To the extent the fund invests in privately held companies they present certain challenges and involve incremental risks as opposed to investments in public companies, such as dealing with the lack of available information about these companies as well as their general lack of liquidity.

# Fixed Income (Bond Investing) Risks:

Fixed income securities involve interest rate, credit, inflation and reinvestment risks, and possible loss of principal. As interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities falls. Low-rated, high-yield bonds are subject to greater price volatility, illiquidity and possibility of default.

### **Derivatives Risk:**

Derivative instruments can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on performance.

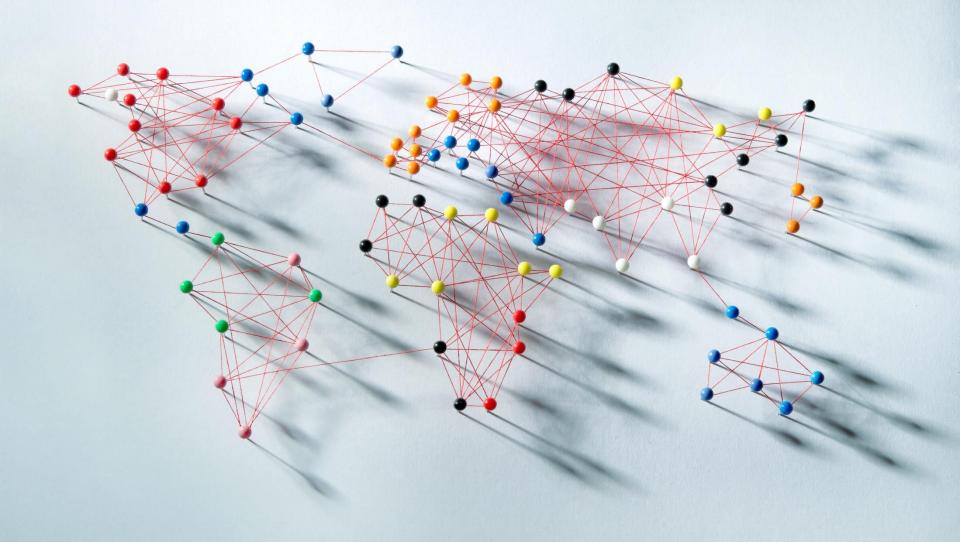
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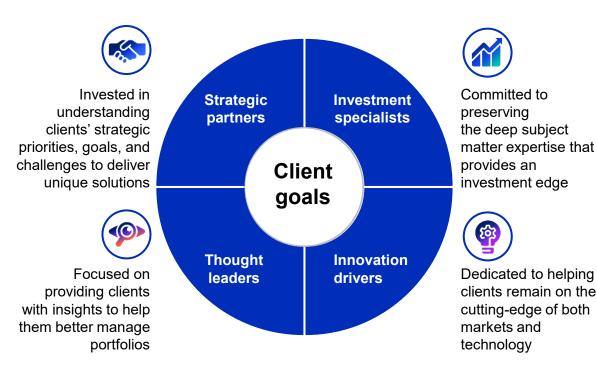
# Company and experience



# Your trusted partner for what's ahead™



# For our clients, we are:



# At-a-glance

75+	years of asset management experience
\$1.6tn	total assets under management <sup>1</sup>
10	investment managers added to our platform since 2019
1,600+	investment professionals in 25+ countries
150	countries with clients

# Investment specialisation across public and private markets

Multi-Asset

Managed Volatility Model Portfolios Target Date Target Risk

**Target Volatility** 

Balanced Income

\$194.4



# **Our Investment Capabilities (USD Billion)**

<b>Equity</b>	\$685.9	Fixed Income	\$438.5
Emerging/Frontier		Bank Loans	
Global		Corporate Credit	
Preferred/Convertibles		Currencies	
Sector		Government	
Shariah		Multi-Sector	
Single Country Equity		Municipals	
Thematic		Securitised	
US Equity		Sustainable Bonds	

Alternatives	<b>\$263</b> .
Alternative Credit	
Digital Assets	
Hedged Strategies	
Private Equity	
Real Estate	
Secondaries	
Venture Capital	

# Complemented by innovations in

Sustainable and Impact investing, ETFs, Custom Indexing, Frontier Risk Alternatives, and others

Our Investment Managers	Asset Classes
Franklin Templeton (1947)	• • •
Alcentra (2002)	
Benefit Street Partners (2008)	
Brandywine Global (1986)	• •
Clarion Partners (1982)	
ClearBridge Investments (2005)	
Lexington Partners (1994)	
Putnam Investments (1937)	
Royce Investment Partners (1972)	
Western Asset (1971)	

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<sup>1.</sup> AUM is in USD as of 30 September 2025.

# Global strength, investment specialization, one relationship

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\$1.6T<sup>1</sup>

Total firm AUM

Size, scale and distribution capability of Franklin Templeton with a diversified and resilient organization.

\$264bn<sup>1</sup>

Alternatives AUM

Growing and dedicated alternatives platform that extends beyond traditional investment offerings.

Access to a deep bench of **specialist alternative managers** and strategies through **one relationship** with a singular focus of helping advisors build better **investment outcomes** for their clients.

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Real Estate | Private Equity | Private Credit | Hedged Strategies | Venture Capital | Digital Assets







<sup>1</sup> Source: Franklin Templeton. Preliminary month-end assets under management as of September 30, 2025. Numbers might not round to totals due to rounding and other assets. AUM category classifications are subject to change without any notice.

# Benefit Street Partners: A leading global alternative investment manager with a credit focus

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\$48.9bn Assets under

management<sup>1,3</sup>



**279** Employees<sup>2</sup>



3 Offices



105
Investment professionals<sup>2</sup>



16
Years of credit investing

# **Direct Lending**

# Entire Capital Structure

\$12.1

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Flexibility to invest across the capital structure

# Senior Secured Only

\$3.9

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Primarily 1st lien investments

# Liquid High Yield

\$0.9

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Actively managed high yield strategy

# Structured Credit

\$18.8

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Originated and closed 74 US CLOs backed by broadly syndicated leveraged loans

# Special Situations

\$1.6

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Stressed/distressed credit investing

# Commercial Real Estate

\$11.6

billion AUM<sup>1</sup>

Debt & equity investments in commercial real estate with a focus on the middle market

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Note: Please see disclaimer at the end of the presentation for additional information.

<sup>\*</sup>BSP's credit business began in 2008 with the launch of Providence Equity Capital Markets L.L.C. ("PECM"), BSP's former affiliate. PECM is the investment adviser for Fund I and II and as of 2011, BSP is the sub-adviser.

<sup>1.</sup> AUM refers to the assets under management for all credit funds and separately managed accounts managed and administered by BSP. AUM amounts are approximations as of June 30, 2025 and are unaudited. Certain amounts are preliminary and remain subject to change.

<sup>2.</sup> As of June 30, 2025.

<sup>3.</sup> Includes pro forma amounts for the merging of Benefit Street Partners Realty Trust ("BSPRT") and Capstead Mortgage Corporate ("Capstead") and anticipated deleveraging of the post-combination portfolio.

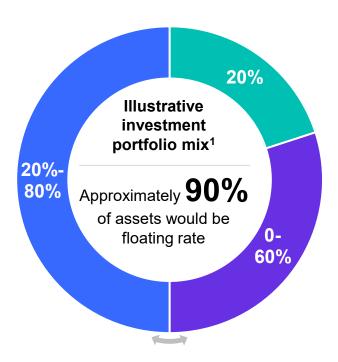
# Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund multi-strategy approach

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Combining the best of Benefit Street Partners' platform to offer investors access to **high conviction ideas** across the **credit spectrum** and the **capital structure**.

# **Direct Lending**

Provides loans to middle market companies with flexibility to move up and down the capital structure.



# High Yield / Liquid Loans

Focuses on liquid, traded investments in the leveraged finance market, including high yield bonds and leveraged loans.

# **Special Situations**

Targets credits or companies that may be facing financial stress or become distressed.

# **Commercial Real Estate**

Debt & equity investments in commercial real estate with a focus on the middle market.

# **Structured Credit**

Debt & equity investments in structured credit vehicles, predominately Collateralized Loan Obligations ("CLOs").

<sup>1.</sup> Expected portfolio ranges: Direct Lending (20%–80%); High Yield / Liquid Loans (~20%); and Other Private Credit includes Special Situations, Structured Credit, Real Estate (0–60%). Allocation shown above does not include an allocation for cash. There can be no guarantee that the Fund will achieve these portfolio ranges. Targeted portfolio characteristics are provided for illustrative purposes only and do not reflect guaranteed portfolio holdings or characteristics. No representation is being made that a fund or account will achieve the portfolio characteristics indicated above. Portfolio characteristics may be significantly different than those shown and economic conditions may differ materially from the conditions under which other funds managed by BSP were invested. There is no guarantee that the opportunities listed above will be available to an investor at the time of investment. Any target, estimate or projection has inherent limitations, including that actual market or economic factors, the ability to source suitable investments or future assumptions of BSP may differ materially from those currently anticipated by BSP. The investment portfolio will primarily consist of private credit investments, which include privately offered secured debt (including senior secured, unitranche and second-lien debt), and unsecured debt (including senior unsecured and subordinated debt) across directly originated corporate loans, broadly syndicated corporate loans and high yield corporate bonds. Under normal circumstances, private credit investments will represent at least 80% of the Fund's Managed Assets.

# An income solution that's well positioned to address today's market challenges



10.49%

Annualized return since inception (Advisor Class)<sup>1</sup>



7.29%

Distribution rate at NAV (Advisor Class)<sup>2</sup>



75.22%

Floating rate<sup>3</sup>

0.00%

Non-accruals<sup>4</sup>

As of September 30, 2025. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results. Any investment involves significant risks, including loss of the entire investment.

- 1. Please see page 37 of this presentation for historical performance of the Fund. Inception date: 10/03/2022.
- 2. Distribution Rate is calculated by annualizing the most recent distribution amount paid, divided by the NAV as of the date indicated. The Distribution Rate calculation includes income and return of capital, and includes a prorated special distribution in the month it is paid. The Distribution Rate is not guaranteed, subject to change, and is not a quotation of fund performance.
- 3. Amount of the portfolio invested in Floating Rate debt. Floating Rate refers to any type of debt instrument, such as a loan, bond, mortgage, or credit, that does not have a fixed rate of interest over the life of the instrument. Such instruments may be rated below investment grade and subject to greater risk of default, which could result in loss of principal.
- 4. Non-accruals are unsecured loans no longer generating its stated interest rate because no payment has been made by the borrower for 90 days or more.
- 5. Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect contractual fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements, which cannot be terminated prior to 04/30/2025 without Board consent. Additional amounts may be voluntarily waived and/or reimbursed and may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice.



# The benefits of private credit





# Income

- Less liquid private credit provides investors with the opportunity to capture an illiquidity premium.1
- Floating rate feature offers natural hedge in a rising rate environment.3
- Contractual loan covenants provide income visibility.6



# **Attractive** risk-return profile

- Historical returns have had lower volatility in periods of elevated volatility.2
- Supply/demand dynamics provide flexibility to pursue opportunities across the credit spectrum.
- Historically has generated attractive risk-adjusted return relative to traditional fixed income investments.4



# **Diversification**

- The breadth of potential loans offer a diverse spectrum of industry exposures and risk/return profiles.
- Lower correlations to traditional fixed income solutions.5
- Covenants and governance protections in place to manage default risk.6

The statements above reflect Franklin BSP's views and opinions. Diversification does not quarantee a profit or protect against a loss.

- 1. The excess return for locking up illiquid assets for an extended period of time.
- 2. Please refer to page 13 of this presentation for further details.
- 3. Please refer to page 17 of this presentation for further details.
- 4. Please refer to page 15 of this presentation for further details.
- 5. Please refer to page 16 of this presentation for further details.

6. Covenants protect against prepayment risks with call protection, allowing a degree of predictability regarding the term that the income stream will be available. Financial maintenance covenants give lenders the ability to compel the company to take remedial actions, such as paying down debt or increasing liquidity, in the event the financial performance starts deteriorating.

Private Credit Investment Risks: Private credit investments can be similarly impacted by interest rates as publicly offered fixed income securities. Additionally, privately offered credit investments including private debt and loans are suitable only for investors who can bear the risks associated with private market investments (such as private credit and private equity) with potential limited liquidity. Shares will not be listed on a public exchange, and no secondary market is expected to develop. Assessing the value of privately offered credit investments can be hindered by a lack of available information and depend on representations made by the borrower. There can be no assurance that such representations are accurate or complete, and any misrepresentation or omission may adversely affect the value of such investments.

Leveraged Loans Investment Risks: Leveraged Loans carry similar risks as private credit investments, but carry a higher degree of risk, since borrowers typically have high levels of debt and/or a low credit rating. Due to the higher risk associated with these loans they typically pay higher interest rates, but also carry a higher risk of default.

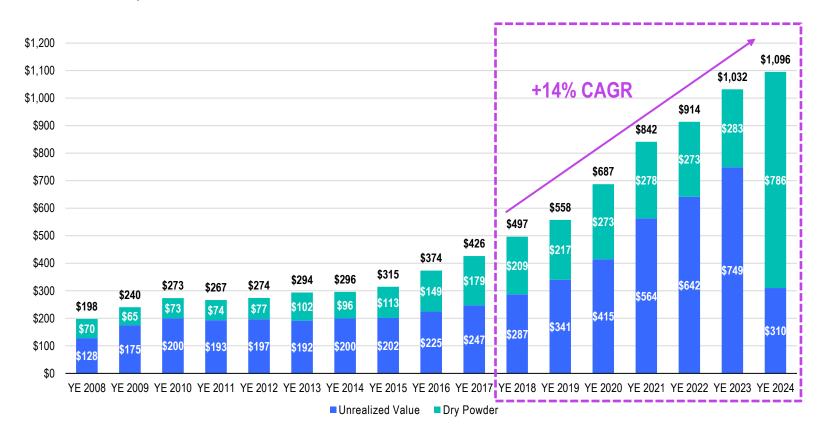
Fixed Income Investment Risks (including U.S. Government securities): Bond prices generally move in the opposite direction of interest rates. As the prices of bonds in the fund adjust to a rise in interest rates, the fund's share price may decline. Changes in the financial strength of a bond issuer or in a bond's credit rating may affect its value. High yield bonds are subject to greater price volatility, illiquidity, and possibility of default.

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# Growth of private credit has risen considerably since the global financial crisis

# Total Private Credit AUM in North America (\$B)

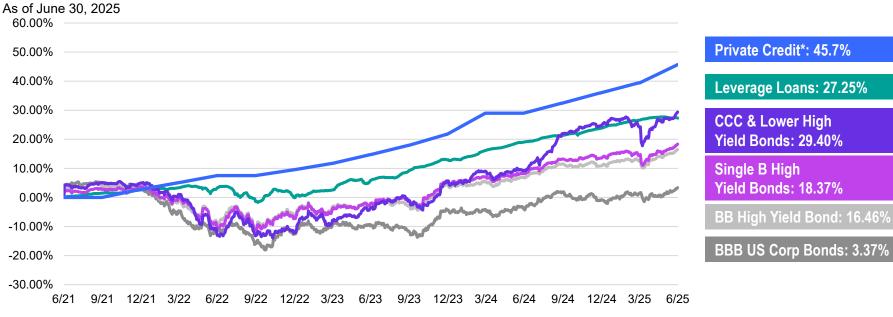
As of December 31, 2024



# Post COVID, direct lending delivered higher returns compared to other risk assets

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### **Total Return of Fixed Income Aset Classes**



\*The smoothing effect on private credit data is due to index pricing quarterly vs monthly pricing of public fixed income indices Source: Bloomberg. As of June 30, 2025.

The indices used are Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loans TR USD Index for Leveraged Loans, ICE BofA US Corp BBB Index for BBB US Corp Bonds, ICE BofA BB US High Yield Index for BB High Yield Bonds, ICE BofA Single B US High Yield index for Single B High Yield Bonds, ICE BofA CCC & Lower US High Yield Index for CCC & Lower High Yield Bonds and Cliffwater Direct Lending Index for Private Credit. Index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Indexes are unmanaged and investors cannot invest directly in an index. This information is provided for illustrative purposes only. The results are rebalanced quarterly and assume reinvestment of ordinary income and distributions. The results do not reflect a deduction of fees, taxes, and other expenses, if any, which would reduce performance.

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# Private credit has delivered attractive risk-adjusted returns

# Plot of 10-Year Annualized Return and Annualized Volatility

As of June 30, 2025



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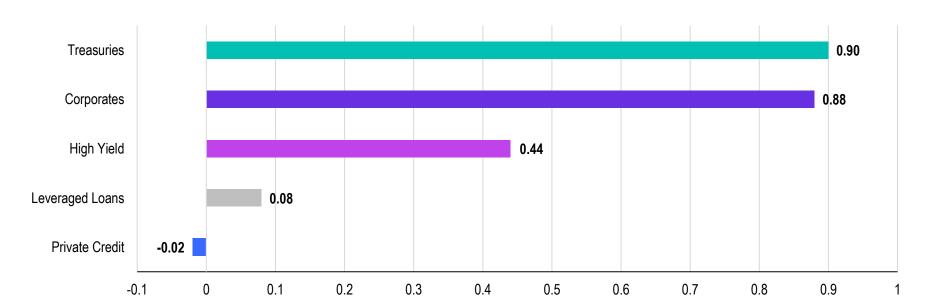
Source: Franklin Templeton, Morningstar. As of June 30, 2025. Historical yield observations are based on monthly data. The indices used are Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD Index for US Bonds, Bloomberg Corporate High Yield Index for US High Yield, Morningstar LSTA US LL TR USD Index for Leveraged Loans, and Cliffwater Direct Lending Index for Private Debt. Index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Indexes are unmanaged and investors cannot invest directly in an index. This information is provided for illustrative purposes only. Hypothetical portfolio results shown do not represent the performance of an actual investment. The results are rebalanced quarterly and assume reinvestment of ordinary income and distributions. The results do not reflect a deduction of fees, taxes, and other expenses, if any, which would reduce performance.

# Private credit has been a useful diversifier over time



# **Correlation to Investment Grade Bonds (10-Years, Annualized)**

As of June 30, 2025



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Source: Franklin Templeton, Cliffwater, Morningstar. As of June 30, 2025. The indices used are Cliffwater Direct Lending Index for Private Credit, Morningstar LSTA US LL TR USD Index for Leveraged Loans, Bloomberg Corporate High Yield Index for High Yield, ICE BofA Current 10Y US Treasury for Treasuries, Bloomberg US Corp Bond Index for Corporates. This information is provided for illustrative purposes only. Hypothetical portfolio results shown do not represent the performance of an actual investment. The results are rebalanced quarterly and assume reinvestment of ordinary income and distributions. The results do not reflect a deduction of fees, taxes, and other expenses, if any, which would reduce performance.

# Private credit can offer more features compared to public fixed income



			Private Credit	Leverage Loans	High Yield
	Enhanced Yield	Potentially attractive yield relative to traditional fixed income		<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
	Floating Rate	Natural hedge in a rising rate environment		<b>✓</b>	
$\bigcirc$	Senior Secured	Risk/return profile at top of the capital structure		<b>~</b>	
<u></u>	Covenants	Stricter requirements on loan documentation and higher equity cushions (lower loan-to-value)			
<b>(9)</b>	Private Negotiated	Directly negotiate fees, covenants, and investment terms with borrower			
<b>(S)</b>	Liquidity	Ability to easily convert into cash in the public markets		<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>

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Senior Secured refers to debt and obligations which are prioritized for repayment in the case of bankruptcy. Senior secured is typically the highest priority and is often secured by collateral, and therefore has lower risk and offers lower interest rates.

Source: Franklin Templeton.

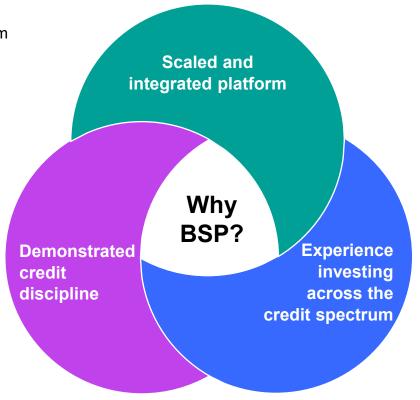


# **BSP** strengths at-a-glance

Our established teams offer a broad spectrum of investment capabilities across private credit, special situations, structured credit and commercial real estate credit with multi-functional credit markets expertise.

- Robust platform with a large team of credit professionals
- Investment expertise that spans across the credit spectrum
- Ability to leverage in-house research team

- Emphasis on downside risk management
- Low loss rates across the various strategies
- Focus on underwriting each credit on a deal-by-deal basis



- Experience investing across multiple cycles/ market downturns
- Flexibility to invest across the capital structure in an effort to capture best risk-adjusted returns
- Opportunistic investing based on market conditions

# Focus on core to upper middle market

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# Company Size EBITDA (\$mm)

### **Lower Middle Market: Core Middle Market: Upper Middle Market:** Less than \$25mm \$25-\$100mm \$100mm+ X More volatile EBITDA Sponsor Stable businesses with in a downturn ✓ Potentially attractive risk/return profile at top of the capital established structure X Less operating history management teams ✓ Potentially higher yields Proven business model with more stable EBITDA Longer operating history ✓ Longer operating history Weak documentation X Looser documentation Non-sponsor ✓ Potentially attractive risk/return profile across capital structure Proven business model with more stable EBITDA Longer operating history ✓ Stronger documentation X More due diligence required on corporate governance Benefits of Core/Upper middle market



Seek to
outperform
smaller
companies
in a downturn



Established and tenured management teams



Long
operating
history, often
through
downturns



Typically, stronger equity support from ownership group



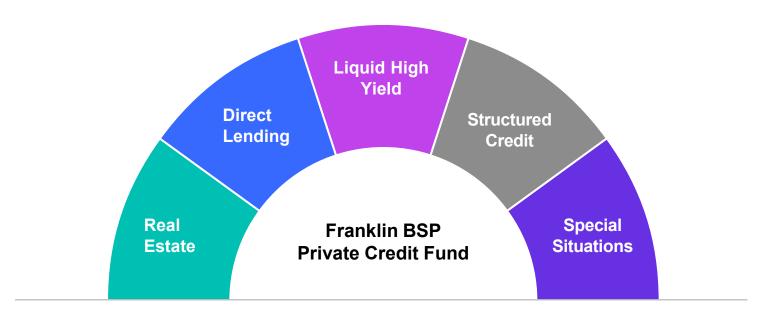
**Diversification of contracts**and customers
mitigate
concentration risk

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# Seeks to target high conviction ideas across the credit spectrum

The Fund allows investors to gain direct exposure to a diversified portfolio of potentially higher yielding alternative credit.



# Multi-strategy credit expertise

Flexibility to invest across the capital structure and multiple credit strategies in an effort to take advantage of attractive risk-adjusted returns.

# Income-generating potential

Floating rate instrument provides flexibility to manage the risk of rising inflation and higher interest rates.

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# Interval fund structure allows access to middle market investing



An interval fund is a 40-Act registered closed-end fund that shares characteristics with traditional mutual funds and private funds.

Liquid	Semi liquid		Illiquid		
Traditional Mutual Funds	Interval Funds	BDCs	Private Credit Funds		
<ul> <li>Limited accessibility to private markets</li> <li>Daily liquidity</li> <li>1099 tax treatment</li> <li>Low investment minimums</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Access to higher yield strategies</li> <li>Limited quarterly liquid</li> <li>1099 tax treatment</li> <li>Low investment minim</li> </ul>	dity*	<ul> <li>Access to illiquid private markets</li> <li>Long lock-ups with no interim liquidity</li> <li>K-1/Corporate tax treatment</li> <li>High investment minimums</li> </ul>		

Note: Any investment entails a risk of loss. \*The Quarterly Repurchase Offer: Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund is structured as a continuously offered, closed-end interval fund due to the relatively illiquid nature of many of the Fund's investments. Investors can purchase shares on any day the markets are open, but shares are not redeemed daily. Instead, Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund intends to make a quarterly offer to repurchase 5%–25% of the outstanding shares at NAV. Under normal market conditions, the Fund currently expects to offer to repurchase 5% of outstanding shares per quarter, subject to approval by the Fund's Board. There is no guarantee all shares can be repurchased.

# Retail investors have increased access to private debt markets

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Semi Liquid Vehicle Types	Interval Funds	Non-Traded BDCs		
Flexibility	No max on illiquid investments but must maintain repurchase offer amount in liquid assets	<ul> <li>Must invest at least 70% in direct private company debt/equity ("eligible portfolio companies"). Typically holds 10–20% in liquid assets</li> </ul>		
Leverage <sup>1</sup>	<ul><li>0.5:1</li><li>Limited to 300% asset coverage ratio</li></ul>	<ul><li>2:1</li><li>200% asset coverage (150% if approved)</li></ul>		
Redemptions <sup>2</sup>	<ul> <li>Typically quarterly of at least 5%–25% of outstanding shares (on a limited basis)</li> <li>Shareholder approval needed to change</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Typically quarterly up to 5%</li><li>Tender offers are subject to board discretion</li></ul>		
Subscriptions	Typically daily	Typically monthly		
Suitability requirements	Generally none	<ul> <li>Generally no accreditation requirement, but subject to minimum suitability standards (gross income/net worth)</li> </ul>		

<sup>1.</sup> The use of leverage can increase the volatility of investment returns and subject a fund to magnified losses underlying investments decline in value. A fund with a higher leverage ratio will be more sensitive to volatility and more susceptible to losses due to declines in asset values, than a fund with a lower ratio.

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# **BSP** platform overview

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**CLO/Long Only Team** 

BSP utilize a team approach drawing on deep bench of experienced investment professionals and platform expertise.

# Franklin BSP Private Credit fund portfolio managers

**Private Debt Origination** 



Anant Kumar Managing Director Head of Research 19 Years Experience



Jimmy Madden

**Special Situations** 

**Saahil Mahajan** Managing Director 24 Years Experience

Co-Heads of Orig	ination	Head of	Private Debt		Head of Spec	cial Situations	Ma	anaging Director	rs .
Larry Zimmerman	Richa Tando	on Blair Fa	aulstich		Ray Costa			ul Karpers	Vincent Pompliand
<b>Managing Directo</b>	ors				Managing Di	rectors	Da	niel Ryan	Kevin Fortunato
Franklin Leong	King Jang	•		aring Kaul	Brent Buckley		troni	Real Est	ate Debt
Leon Han Daniel Shank	Damien Dov	<sub>ri</sub> Taylor F	Harrington Bi	rian Armstrong	Matt Winkler		Ma	anaging Director	's
Directors					Vice Preside	nt		chael Comparato	Matthew Jacobs
Shane Regan	Cody Mack	vick			Jonathan Farn	ham	Je	rome Baglien	
Vice Presidents									
Rhian Ramsey Hannah King	Aaditya Cho Victor Wang	,	s Fallen W	/illiam Chung					
				Res	earch				
Healthcare & Pharma	Industrials	Software & Services	Paper, Packaging & Building Materials	IT, Media & Telecom	Diversified Financials	Consumer & Retail	Energy, Chemicals	Gaming, & Education & Publishing	
Anthony Tse	Steve Roszak	Joe Rodbard	Chris Tansey	Ashley Loh	Muhammad Waqas	Kevin Boler	Chris Brunk	Dan McCotter	Josh Lebel
Nitin Singal	Nick Klamka	Austin Surowiec	Jeremiah Titone	Ke Xin Chen	Gil Spivack	Peter Rustowicz	Nicholas Vivon	etto Saksham Kum	ar Cameron Hughe
				Prateek Gupta					

**Trading** 

Scott Danford

James Hadley

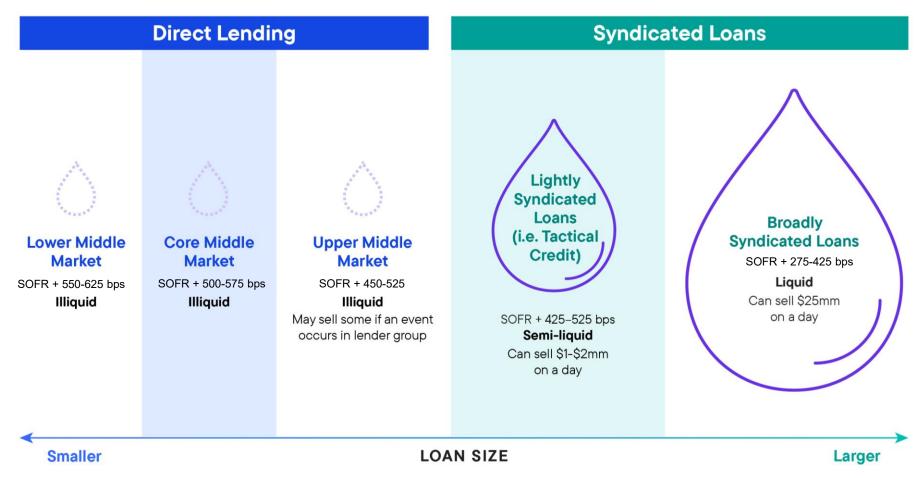
# **Private credit: Deal approval process**

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**Origination Club Deals Sponsors Non-Sponsors Private Debt Originators Underwriting** Internal resources: BSP's 20-person, industry-specialist research team External resources: Expert networks (GLG, Third Bridge) D. C. consultants (Washington Analysis, Capstone) Credit card data (Earnest Research) **Investment committee Monitoring** Deal approved: Quarterly earnings reviews Watchlist

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As of April 30, 2025

Direct Lending provides loans to middle market companies that are originated and held by the lender rather than broadly syndicated. The middle market refers to a segment of the economy comprising companies that are larger than small businesses but smaller than big corporations. Please see page 20 for specifics on Lower Middle, Core Middle, and Upper Middle Markets. Syndicated loans are large loans provided by a group of lenders, with lightly syndicated loans involving a smaller group of lenders and broadly syndicated loans involving a larger group of lenders.

Yield range data above SOFR is derived from Pitchbook I LCD, analysis by BSP. Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR): A proxy for the risk-free rate and the benchmark used for dollar-denominated loans and derivatives. SOFR represents the annualized interest rate for borrowing collateralized U.S. government treasuries overnight. The chart is provided for illustrative purposes only is not a recommendation. BPS = Basis Points. A basis point is a unit of measure used to describe the value or rate of a financial instrument, with one basis point being equal to 0.01% or one hundredth of a percentage point.



# Case study

Demakes Enterprises, Inc.



# **Transaction overview**

- Investment Date: December 2023
- **BSP Firm-wide Investment:** \$65.0 million (\$50.7mm in the Unitranche Term Loan and \$14.3mm in the DDTL)
- **Issuer:** Demakes is a protein manufacturer with a portfolio of branded and private label products focused on the North-East region

# **Key Deal Terms**

# Coupon

S+625 bps with one 25bps step-up at 4.6x first lien leverage ratio and one 25bps stepdown at 3.6x first lien leverage ratio (0.75% SOFR floor)

**97.5** offering price

**102/101** call premium

~50%1

cov

Yes covenants

# **Investment highlights**

- Diversified Market Leader in the North-East Value-Added Protein Space: Demakes serves a broad base of customers across the retail and foodservice channels, providing a "long-tail" of protein products that are operationally complex
- Diversified and Sticky Customer Base: Serves a diverse range of blue-chip retailers and foodservice distributors with a portfolio of >500 SKUs
- The Sponsor has significant experience in the food space, and is expected to scale the historically family-owned and operated Company through new partnerships

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# **Transaction overview**

- Investment Date: November 2023
- **BSP Firm-wide Investment:** \$136.6 million (\$14.1 million in the Revolver, \$108.4 million in the 1st Lien, and \$14.1 million in the DDTL)
- **Issuer:** PetVet is a leading operator of general practice, specialty veterinary and equine hospitals. PetVet provides a full spectrum of vet services ranging from preventative and primary care to emergency critical care and surgeries.

# **Key deal terms**

# Coupon

S+600 bps (0.75% SOFR floor) with leverage-based step down

98.0

offering price

102/101

call premium

~48%1

.TV

Yes

# **Investment highlights**

- Attractive Industry Outlook: Vet industry is a large, stable and recession resistant market with consistent growth supported by secular tailwinds such as increased pet ownership, cash pay model, prolonged pet lifespans and enhanced consumer awareness.
- Large Consolidation Opportunity: Vet industry is a highly fragmented market in which almost 80% of hospitals are still
  independently owned. Large whitespace available offers opportunity to acquire independent veterinary hospitals at attractive
  multiples.
- BSP first invested in PetVet in December 2014 and has supported the business through multiple incremental financings to support M&A activity.

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# **Transaction overview**

- Investment Date: September 2023
- **BSP Firm-wide Investment:** \$99.0 million (\$76.5mm in the Unitranche Term Loan, \$15.0mm in the Revolver, and \$7.5mm in the DDTL)
- **Issuer:** Volunteer is a vertically-integrated supplier of aggregates, asphalt, concrete, and road paving / striping services to the greater Nashville, Tennessee market.

# **Key deal terms**

Coupon

S+650 bps (1.0% SOFR floor)

97.5

offering price

103/101/101

call premium

~40%1

LTV

Yes

covenants

# **Investment highlights**

- **High Barriers to Entry and Significant Competitive Moats:** Volunteer's vertical integration provides cost advantages vs. non-integrated competitors for projects within its market.
- Loan is Supported by Hard Asset Value: BSP's loan is collateralized by a first lien on scarce quarry assets with ~100 years of reserves: the limestone quarry alone has an implied value of ~\$145mm.
- Attractive Market with Positive Economic Outlook: The demand in Greater Nashville continues to grow, driven by population expansion and further bolstered by government programs' infrastructure investments.

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# **Transaction overview**

- Investment Date: Q3 2024
- BSP Firm-wide Investment: \$190.0 million (\$163.8mm in the First Lien Term Loan and \$26.2mm in the Revolving Credit Facility<sup>1</sup>)
- Issuer: Miratech designs and manufactures emissions control and sound attenuation solutions for reciprocating internal combustion engines ("RICE") that allow operators to meet or exceed emission reduction targets

# **Key Deal Terms**

Coupon

S+475 bps (0.75% SOFR floor)

99.0

offering price

102/101 call premium

covenants

# **Investment highlights**

- Market Leader in a Niche Market: Miratech is a market leader amongst a fragmented market. Miratech has a significant market share in the continuous power and in the back up power market with an ~\$1BN total addressable TAM between both markets.
- Strong Secular Tailwinds Related to Data Center Buildout: Well positioned to capture data center growth given the company's existing direct relationships with hyperscalers, scale & availability, and focus on high end solutions with ability to customize.
- Re-Occurring Revenue Base from Non-Data Center Users: Existing install base of continuous power engines creates reoccurring, predictable revenue streams (~50% of the Company's revenue). Non-data center users typically utilize Miratech's products for continuous-use engines, which requires replacement of Miratech's products every ~3-5 years.

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1 A revolver is a type of financing that allows a borrower to maintain an open credit line up to a specified limit. Undrawn revolvers are those where the borrower has not used the financing or carries a zero balance.

# **Hallandale Oasis Condominium**





# **Transaction overview**

- Investment Date: July 30, 2024
- BSP Firm-wide Investment:
- \$115.0 million(\$85.0 Senior Loan and\$30.0 in Mezzanine Loan)

- Investment Type: Condominium
- · Location: Hallandale Beach, Florida
- Interest Rate:
  - Sr: S + 8.30%
  - Mezz: S + 11.00%

### Fees

- Sr: 1.0% origination and 1.0% exit
- Mezz: 1.0% origination and 1.0% exit

### Term:

- Sr: 2 years with one 1-year extension
- Mezz: 2 years with two 1-year extensions

# **Investment highlights**

- Underlying Property: The property is a to-be completed luxury for-sale residential condominium complex comprised of 250 units. The property will be a market-leading asset with luxury finishes and a best-in-class amenity package including a communal roof deck and lounge, outdoor pools and cabana area, among other amenities. The property is part of a 1.2 million square foot mixed-use development that will include an identical 250-unit residential condominium complex, a six-level parking garage, 60k SF of retail and restaurants and 35k SF of office space. The loan's collateral includes a 3.1-acre parcel upon which the property under construction sits, the parking garage, and the land where the identical tower will be constructed.
- Excellent Location: The property is located approximately 1.5 miles from the Atlantic Ocean and is situated along Hallandale Beach Boulevard adjacent to high end retail and office developed by the sponsor.
- Significant Unit Pre-Sales: To date, the sponsor has pre-sold more than half of the units and there has been a significant increase in the sales price of the units over time.

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# Portfolio characteristics and performance

# Summary



# Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund-Advisor Class

As of 09/30/2025

NASDAQ Symbol	FBSPX
Fund Inception Date	10/03/2022
Dividend Frequency, if any	Monthly
Investment Style	Private Debt
Structure	Interval Fund
NAV Frequency	Daily
Liquidity	Quarterly tender offer, at least 5% of total outstanding shares
Subscriptions	Daily
Tax Reporting	1099-DIV
Minimum Investment	\$1,000,000
Benchmark	Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan Index ICE BofA US High Yield Index
Lipper Classification	General Bond Funds
Morningstar Category™	Nontraditional Bond
Managed Assets	\$189,906,190
Asset Allocation	Direct Lending & Illiquid Loans: 50.29% Mezzanine Debt: 13.80% Distressed Debt & Special Situations: 7.85% Commercial Real Estate Debt: 7.46% Tactical Credit: 6.89% Liquid Securities: 6.13% Structured Corporate Credit: 4.32% Asset Backed Financing: 3.26%

### **Fund Description**

The fund seeks to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns with consistent current income by investing primarily in private credit investments of "middle market" companies in the U.S. (typically, those with annual revenues up to \$1 billion), including privately offered secured and unsecured debt, special situations, real estate debt and collateralized loan obligations across directly originated corporate loans, broadly syndicated corporate loans, and high yield corporate bonds.

Liquidity: Quarterly repurchase offer, at least 5% of total outstanding shares

### Portfolio Manager(s)

Saahil Mahajan	United States
Anant Kumar	United States

Managed Assets is the total assets of the fund (including any assets attributable to indebtedness or any preferred shares that may be issued) minus the fund's liabilities other than liabilities relating to indebtedness.

Tactical Credit represents relative value opportunities in semi-liquid syndicated loan investments.

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## **Historical performance**



#### Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund-Advisor Class

As of 09/30/2025

Average Annual Total Returns (%)	Inception Date	YTD*	1 Mth*	3 Mths*	1 Year	Since Incept
Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund–Advisor Class—Net—(USD)	10/03/2022	3.64	0.32	0.86	9.97	10.49
Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan Index—(USD)		4.63	0.44	1.77	7.00	9.84
ICE BofA US High Yield Index—(USD)		7.06	0.76	2.40	7.23	10.78

Total Annual Operating Expenses—Net: 5.41% Gross: 5.69% Maximum Initial Sales Charge—None

Incentive Fee: The Net returns also reflect the Fund's incentive fee (if the Fund has charged the fee), which is 12.50% per quarter on the funds pre-incentive fee net investment income (with a 6.0% annualized hurdle rate), payable to the fund quarterly in arrears and subject to a catch up feature.

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Principal value and investment returns will fluctuate, and investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower if fees had not been waived in various periods. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions and the deduction of all fund expenses. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All classes of shares may not be available to all investors or through all distribution channels. For current month-end performance, please call Franklin Templeton at (800) DIAL BEN/(800) 342-5236 or visit www.franklintempleton.com.

The returns and associated portfolio characteristics have been prepared using unaudited data and valuations of the underlying investments in the fund's portfolio which are estimates of fair value and form the basis for the fund's NAV. Valuations based on unaudited reports from the underlying investments may be subject to later adjustments, may not correspond to realized value and may not accurately reflect the price at which assets could be liquidated.

Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect contractual fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements, which cannot be terminated prior to 4/30/2026 without Board consent. Additional amounts may be voluntarily waived and/or reimbursed and may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice.

\*Cumulative Total Returns

## **Portfolio characteristics**



#### Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund

As of 09/30/2025

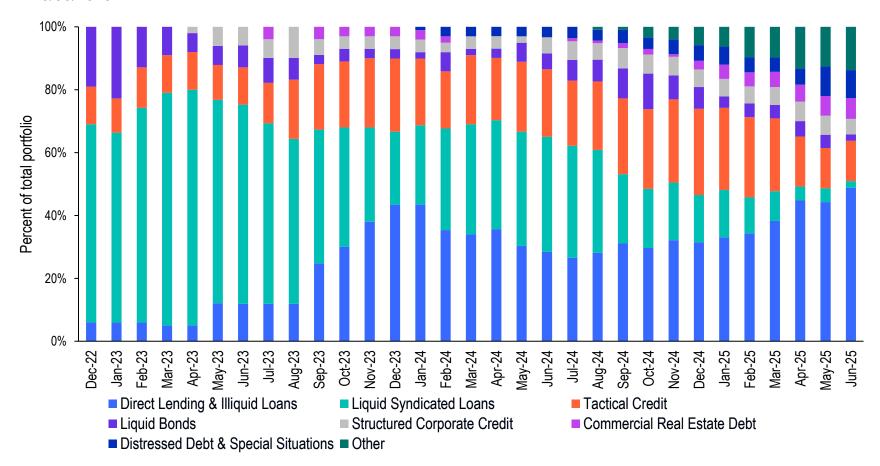
#### **Portfolio**

Managed Assets	\$189,906,190
Effective Duration	0.53 Years
Average Weighted Maturity	5.29 Years
Floating Rate	75.22x
Leverage	42.89%

### Portfolio characteristics

#### **Strategy Allocation (% of Managed Assets)**

As of 6/30/2025



Weightings as % of Managed Assets. Percentage may not total 100% due to rounding. Information is historical and may not reflect current or future portfolio characteristics. All portfolio holdings are subject to change.

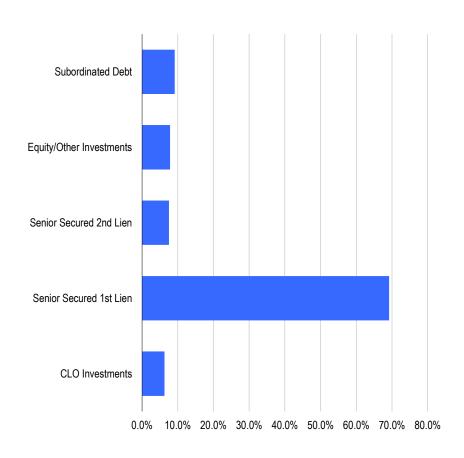
Tactical Credit represents relative value opportunities in semi-liquid syndicated loan investments.

# **Security Allocation**



#### Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund

As of 09/30/2025



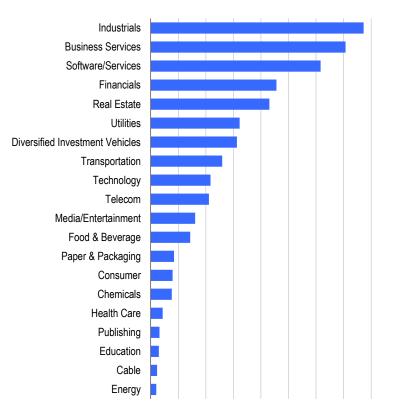
	Portfolio %
Subordinated Debt	9.16
Equity/Other Investments	7.86
Senior Secured 2nd Lien	7.52
Senior Secured 1st Lien	69.20
CLO Investments	6.26

# **Industry allocation**



#### Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund

As of 09/30/2025



Industrials	15.46
Business Services	14.14
Software/Services	12.33
Financials	9.12
Real Estate	8.62
Utilities	6.45
Diversified Investment Vehicles	6.26
Transportation	5.19
Technology	4.34
Telecom	4.23
Media/Entertainment	3.23
Food & Beverage	2.86
Paper & Packaging	1.69
Consumer	1.59
Chemicals	1.53
Health Care	0.87
Publishing	0.63
Education	0.59
Cable	0.46
Energy	0.40

0.0% 2.0% 4.0% 6.0% 8.0% 10.0% 12.0% 14.0% 16.0% 18.0%

# Top ten holdings



#### Franklin BSP Private Credit Fund

As of 09/30/2025

Name of Issuer	% of Managed Assets
Twitter Inc	3.23
Pacific Gas & Electric	2.62
Consumer Cellular	2.53
Volunteer Materials	2.26
Allied Benefit Systems	2.10
188 West St. James	1.87
City Square White Plains	1.82
JetBlue Airways	1.80
Sumo Logic Inc	1.65
IMIA	1.63
Total	21.50

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# **Appendix**

## Management profile





**Anant Kumar**BSP Managing Director
Florida, United States

Anant Kumar is Head of Research and a managing director with Benefit Street Partners and is based in our West Palm Beach office. Mr. Kumar has portfolio manager responsibilities for multiple strategies across the firm, including Private Credit, High Yield Bonds, and Leveraged Loans.

Prior to joining BSP in 2015, Mr. Kumar worked as an investment banker in the Capital Markets Advisory group at Lazard Freres in New York, and prior to that, he worked in the Leveraged Finance group at Deutsche Bank.

Mr. Kumar holds a bachelor of engineering degree from Visvesvaraya Technological University in India, a master of science from Stanford University, and an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

# **Management profile**





**Saahil Mahajan, CFA** BSP Managing Director Florida, United States

Saahil Mahajan is a managing director with Benefit Street Partners and is based in our West Palm Beach office. He shares portfolio management responsibilities for the private debt funds and is a member of the Private Debt Investment Committee.

Prior to joining BSP in 2012, Mr. Mahajan was a principal at Oak Hill Advisors, where he had responsibility for the firm's chemicals and financials investments. Previously, Mr. Mahajan worked for Peter J. Solomon Company as an analyst in its mergers and acquisitions group.

Mr. Mahajan received a Bachelor of Science from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. In addition, Mr. Mahajan is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Charterholder.

## Important information (continued)



**Net levered returns** are calculated on a pro forma basis based on a hypothetical \$500M fund composed solely of senior bridge debt, junior debt or opportunistic investments, and in each case assuming operating expenses of 50 bps per annum, with an asset management fee of 100 bps, a 7% preferred return to LP investors, and a 15% carried interest (with a 100% GP catch up). There can be no guarantee that the actual fees and expenses will be consistent with these assumptions, and actual expenses could be higher and therefore, actual net returns could be lower.

**Principal loss** defined as any investment we have originated where we have actual capital loss. Excludes conduit loans because such loans are originated and immediately sold and therefore principal loss is not tracked.

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The ICE BofA US Corporate C Index is a subset of the ICE BofA US High Yield Master II Index tracking the performance of US dollar denominated below investment grade rated corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market. This subset includes all securities with a given investment grade rating CCC or below. When the last calendar day of the month takes place on the weekend, weekend observations will occur as a result of month ending accrued interest adjustments.

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