

# PH&N U.S. Growth Fund

## Investment Objective

To achieve significant long-term capital growth by investing primarily in a well-diversified portfolio of North American common stocks.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
F	No Load	CAD	RBF5260

Inception Date	October 2008
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	113.1
Series F NAV \$	26.13
Series F MER %	0.76
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (C\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

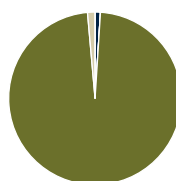
Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Fund Category	US Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Portfolio Analysis as of October 31, 2017

### Asset Mix

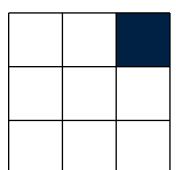


	% Assets
Cash	1.0
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	97.6
International Equity	1.4
Other	0.0

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Apple Inc	4.0
Microsoft Corp	3.2
Amazon.com Inc	3.1
Alphabet Inc C	2.8
JPMorgan Chase & Co	2.2
Berkshire Hathaway Inc B	2.2
Johnson & Johnson	2.0
Facebook Inc A	2.0
Exxon Mobil Corp	1.9
Aetna Inc	1.9
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	25.2
Total Number of Stock Holdings	288
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	3
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>291</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

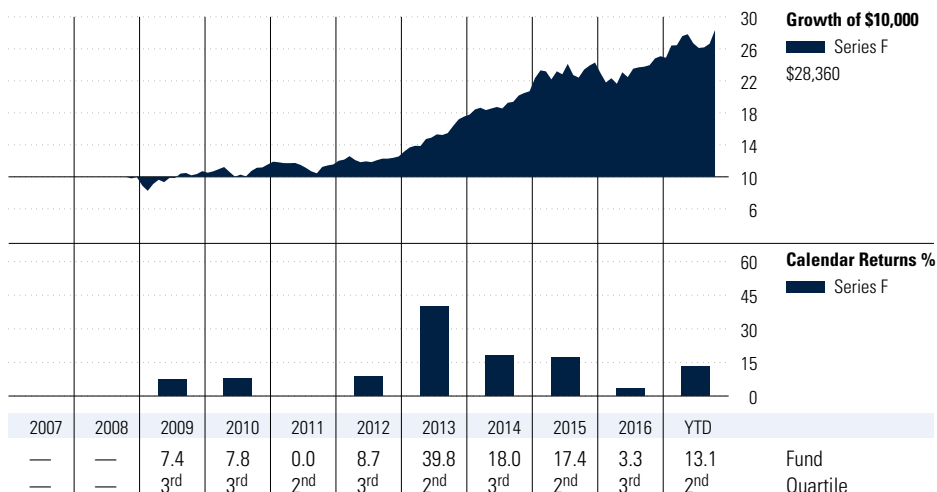
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	3.0
P/E Ratio	22.3
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	136.8

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	23.2
Health Care	15.7
Financials	15.1
Consumer Discretionary	12.0
Industrials	11.1
Consumer Staples	8.1
Energy	6.6
Materials	2.7
Utilities	2.4
Real Estate	1.8
Telecommunication Services	1.5
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of October 31, 2017



	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
	6.5	8.6	2.8	18.4	12.0	18.2	—	12.3	Fund
	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	—	—	Quartile
	1405	1385	1375	1310	874	527	246	—	No. of Funds in Category

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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Rob Cavallo

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Rob is a Portfolio Manager with the North American equities team. Rob joined the firm in 2012 as a Global equities analyst with a focus on analyzing companies within the Health Care and Consumer sectors. Rob earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree at the University of Toronto and is a CFA charterholder.

#### Marcello Montanari

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Marcello Montanari is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, North American Equities. Marcello began his career in the investment industry in 1992. He earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree in finance from Concordia University and is a CFA charterholder.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of October 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	0.34	0.07	0.03	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.18	0.02	—
Interest	—	0.34	0.07	0.03	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.18	0.02	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	12-2013	39.8	7-2015	26.8	5-2017	18.7	—	—
Worst	2-2016	-6.5	10-2011	4.0	10-2013	10.3	—	—
Average		13.8		15.0		15.6		—
No. of Periods		97		73		49		—
Pct. Positive		91.8		100.0		100.0		—

\* Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2017

The U.S. stock market made progress again this past quarter, rising 0.4% (in CAD terms). Strong performances from the Technology, Energy and Telecom sectors powered the advance while the Discretionary and Staples sectors detracted.

The S&P 500 is up roughly 10.3% since the November election of President Trump, but corporate fundamentals rather than politics have been the driving force for the market. After three years of essentially flat earnings, the S&P 500 is expected to generate roughly 10% earnings growth in 2017. It remains difficult to anticipate the forward path of U.S. fiscal policy— President Trump started his term with grand plans, but little has been implemented. Our indicators suggest that the odds of a recession remain fairly low, but the risks of a correction have increased.

The Fund underperformed during the quarter. The largest drag was in Industrials, particularly the

exclusion of the Boeing Company as it focused on reducing costs, while benefiting from Trump's defense and trade rhetoric. Energy was also a drag with an overweight position in Pioneer Natural Resources Company as it modified plans in the Permian Basin. Offsetting this weakness was Utilities, with overweight NRG Energy Inc. aiding returns.

Stocks continue to be supported by a global synchronized expansion and renewed corporate-profit growth around the world. While stocks are not as cheap as they were when the cycle began, they remain somewhat attractive relative to fixed income. Markets have benefited from rising earnings and price-to-earnings ratios through this bull market, but earnings rather than valuations may now be the force needed to propel the market higher.

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