

# PH&N Canadian Growth Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide significant long-term capital growth by investing primarily in a well-diversified portfolio of Canadian common stocks, as well as U.S. and international securities.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF7140
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF6140
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF4140

Inception Date	November 2008
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	653.2
Series A NAV \$	38.13
Series A MER %	1.83
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

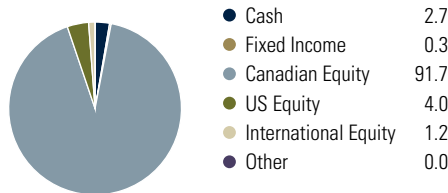
Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

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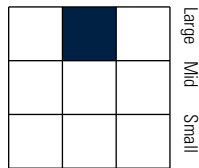
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

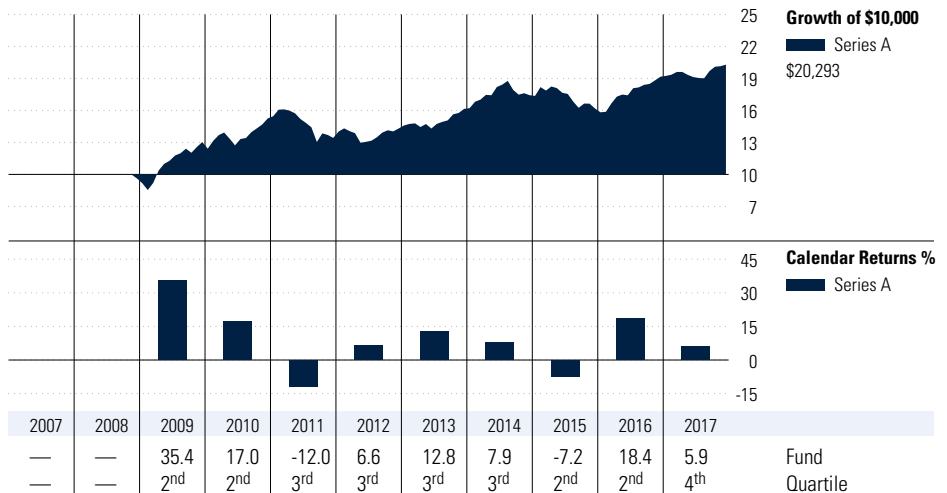
### Global Equity Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	35.4
Energy	21.6
Materials	10.1
Industrials	8.7
Consumer Discretionary	6.3
Consumer Staples	4.0
Information Technology	3.6
Real Estate	3.4
Telecommunication Services	3.2
Utilities	3.1
Health Care	0.5
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

Company	% Assets
Royal Bank of Canada	7.3
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	6.2
Bank of Nova Scotia	5.0
Canadian National Railway Co	4.7
Suncor Energy Inc	3.6
Enbridge Inc	3.2
Bank of Montreal	3.1
CIBC	2.6
TransCanada Corp	2.5
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd	2.4
Manulife Financial Corp	2.3
Brookfield Asset Management Inc Class A	2.1
BCE Inc	2.0
Magna International Inc Class A	1.7
Power Corporation of Canada	1.4
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	1.3
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc B	1.3
Sun Life Financial Inc	1.2
Nutrien Ltd	1.2
Waste Connections Inc	1.2
Loblaw Companies Ltd	1.1
Rogers Communications Inc Class B	1.1
CGI Group Inc A	1.1
Pembina Pipeline Corp	0.9
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	0.9
<b>Total % of Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>61.5</b>
<b>Total Number of Stock Holdings</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Total Number of Bond Holdings</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total Number of Other Holdings</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>102</b>

## Performance Analysis as of December 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
0.7	3.0	6.1	5.9	5.2	7.2	—	8.1	Fund
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	—	—	Quartile
602	595	591	572	407	314	143	—	No. of Funds in Category

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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Warner Sulz

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Warner Sulz is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Canadian Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1986.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	2017*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	0.32	0.33	0.14	0.24	0.17	0.05	—	—	0.03	0.14	—
Interest	0.22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	0.33	0.14	0.24	0.17	0.05	—	—	0.03	0.14	—
Capital Gains	0.10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	2-2010	54.0	2-2012	18.8	2-2014	14.5	—	—
Worst	5-2012	-17.5	8-2017	0.4	2-2016	-0.2	—	—
Average		8.6		5.9		6.7		—
No. of Periods		98		74		50		—
Pct. Positive		74.5		100.0		98.0		—

\* Final distribution attribution (interest, dividends, capital gains and return of capital) for 2017 will be reflected with January month-end profiles.

### Quarterly Commentary as at December 31, 2017

The Fund's performance during the quarter was driven by holdings such as Cobalt 27 Capital Corp., Cardinal Energy Ltd. and Jamieson Wellness Inc.

Cobalt 27 offers pure-play exposure to physical cobalt, a key element in most lithium-ion batteries. Lithium-ion batteries have become the largest source of cobalt demand, given their use in electronic applications including laptops, tablets and smartphones as well as high-temperature super-alloys like jet engines and power turbines. Most importantly, the move toward electric vehicles should create a sizable change in demand going forward. Given this expectation for increased demand, the price of cobalt should continue to rise.

Cardinal Energy had a solid quarter, which was further buoyed by strong crude oil price appreciation. We continue to expect the company to improve its balance sheet and lower its payout ratio, given its best-in-class decline rate, margin expansion and accretive asset sales. Attractive upside still remains as the company should

continue to narrow its trading discount to peers.

Jamieson Wellness continued its strong performance last quarter. The Branded businesses continued to deliver strong organic growth, driven by volume growth in both domestic and international markets. A recently launched cough and cold product is seeing good early reception. We remain confident in Jamieson's prospects to outgrow the market due to new product launches and increased global market penetration, given its broad range of products for all ages and lifestyles.

We added Cobalt 27, Enbridge Income Fund, HIVE Blockchain Technologies Ltd., Neo Performance Materials Inc. and The Stars Group Inc. during the quarter. We also raised our weightings in Cardinal Energy, Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc. and ProMetic Life Sciences Inc. We reduced our weightings in various holdings, including Cenovus Energy Inc., Enercare Inc. and Brookfield Property Partners LP. We also eliminated Dominion Diamond Mines from the portfolio.

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