# Quarterly Performance Attribution

## INTERMEDIATE GOVERNMENT/CREDIT COMPOSITE

FOURTH QUARTER 2024

#### INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE<sup>1</sup>

as of December 31, 2024

	4Q'24	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr
Intermediate Gov't/Credit (before fees)	(1.51)	3.98	0.33	1.34	2.16
Intermediate Gov't/Credit (after fees)	(1.57)	3.72	0.08	1.08	1.87
Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate Gov't/Credit Bond Index	(1.60)	3.00	(0.18)	0.86	1.71
Value Added (before fees)	+0.09	+0.98	+0.50	+0.49	+0.45

#### PERFORMANCE RECAP

Galliard's Intermediate Government/Credit Composite (composite) outperformed its benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index (index), during the fourth quarter (Q4). The composite returned (1.51)% versus the index return of (1.60)%. An overweight to spread assets continued to drive outperformance.

## PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION (before fees)1

as of December 31, 2024

	Attribution (basis points)		
Sector Allocation	+11		
Security Selection	+0		
Yield Curve/Duration	-2		
Residual Impact <sup>3</sup>	+0		
Total Attribution	+9		

#### COMMENTARY ON ATTRIBUTION

- Sector positioning drove performance over the period. Allocations to CMBS and ABS along with an overweight to Corporates and Taxable Municipals each benefited relative returns. An allocation to Agency RMBS detracted
- Issue selection had no material impact on performance
- Yield curve positioning detracted modestly

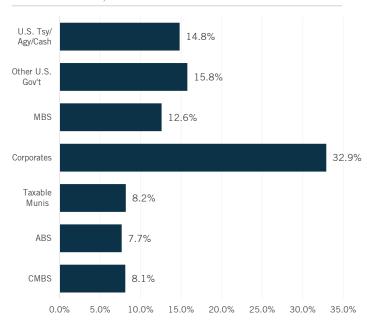
#### COMPOSITE CHARACTERISTICS

as of December 31, 2024

	Composite	Bloomberg U.S. Int. Gov't./Credit Bond Index
Weighted Average Quality <sup>2</sup>	AA-	AA-
Yield to Maturity	5.03%	4.60%
Effective Duration	3.68 Yrs	3.68 Yrs

#### SECTOR ALLOCATION

as of December 31, 2024



#### CURRENT STRATEGY & OUTLOOK

- Portfolios are fully invested, generally speaking, and we remain comfortable with overall positioning
- High quality spread assets continue to look fair to rich, but select opportunities remain across specific sectors
- We remain mindful of downside risks and potential headwinds that may impact our portfolio allocation and positioning decisions

1: For comparative purposes, Galliard Composite excess returns are shown gross of investment management fees and include all income, realized and unrealized gains and losses and all transactional costs. See further disclosures on the following page. 2: The Weighted Average Quality shown has NOT been assessed by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The Weighted Average Quality shown represents the individual holding's composite ratings, as rated by S&P, Moody's, and Fitch. If S&P, Moody's, and Fitch all provide a credit rating, the composite rating is the median of the three agency ratings. If only two agencies provide ratings, the composite is the more conservative rating. If only one agency provides a rating, the composite rating reflects that agency's rating. 3: Includes trading, cash flows and other residual impacts.

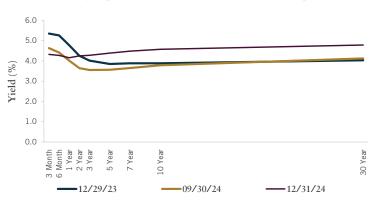


## INTERMEDIATE GOVERNMENT/CREDIT COMPOSITE FOURTH QUARTER 2024

## Interest Rates Rose Materially Post Election; Credit Spreads Tightened Further

#### CHANGES IN U.S. TREASURY RATES

Treasury Yields Jumped on Revised Growth and Inflation Expectations

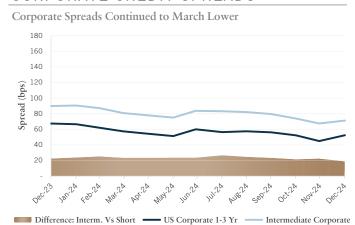


#### Source: Bloomberg

#### QUARTERLY MARKET COMMENTARY

- 3Q GDP growth was revised up to 3.1% q/q annualized after an initial estimate of 2.8%. 4Q GDP growth is expected to remain strong at 2.0-3.3% q/q annualized. Full year growth for 2024 is now projected to be ~2.7%.
- The Fed delivered another "hawkish cut" of 25 bps. The FOMC official statement was virtually unchanged; however, the updated Summary of Economic Projections and Powell's press conference comments leaned more hawkish. The market expects only a few controlled rate cuts through 2025.
- Progress on inflation has stalled out, with most measures of inflation bottoming out and some even trending higher through the fall and the end of the year. First noted at the end of the third quarter, core inflation numbers appeared to have increased modestly month-over-month and year-over-year. The trend continued in the fourth quarter.
- After a weaker tone through the summer, the labor market regained some strength into year-end and consumer spending remained solid. Annual adjustments to gross domestic income (GDI), suggest that income growth and saving have been slightly stronger than previously thought, perhaps explaining the surprising resilience of consumer spending despite restrictive monetary policy over the past several years.
- Business activity is rebounding consistent with other broad measures of economic activity. Manufacturing and business new orders are trending upward, while services activity continues to be a bright spot. Despite mortgage rates still hovering near decade highs, prices remain elevated.

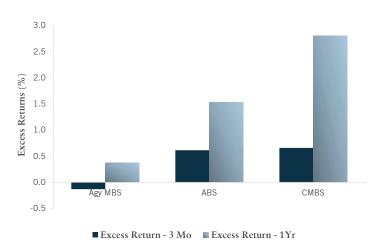
#### CORPORATE CREDIT SPREADS



Source: Bloomberg

### STRUCTURED PRODUCT

CMBS and ABS Outperformed, While Agency RMBS Lagged



Source: Bloomberg

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