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Prospectus

XX/XX/XXXX Shelton Real Asset Fund

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The Fund is not a bank deposit and is not guaranteed, endorsed or insured by any financial institution or government entity or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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#### **Investment Objective**

Shelton Real Asset Fund (the "Fund") seeks to preserve purchasing power while emphasizing volatility management and low correlation to traditional equity and bond markets.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund.

Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

**Annual Fund Operating Expenses** 

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

Management Fees	x.xx%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	x.xx%
Other Expenses	x.xx%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	
(fees and expenses incurred directly by the Fund as a result of investment in shares of one or more Acquired Funds)	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	x.xx%
Expense Reimbursement <sup>(2)</sup>	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Expense Reimbursement	x.xx%

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies. The operating (1) expenses in this fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Fund's financial highlights because the financial statements include only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Fund.

Shelton Capital Management, the Fund's investment advisor (the "Advisor") has contractually agreed to waive a portion or all of its management fees and pay Fund expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, interest, taxes and extraordinary expenses) in order to limit the "Other Expenses" to X.XX% of average daily net assets of the Fund's shares (referred to in this Fund Summary as the "Expense Reimbursement"). The Expense Reimbursement

(2) will remain in effect through at least XX/XX/XXXX, and may be terminated before that date only by the Board of Trustees (also referred to herein as the "Board") of the Shelton XXXX Trust (the "Trust"). The Advisor may recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund pursuant to this agreement for three years from the date they were waived or paid. The Advisor's ability to recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses is subject to the Expense Reimbursement as in effect at the time such fees were waived or expenses were paid.

Example This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. This example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

1 year 3 years 5 years 10 years \$XXX \$XXX \$X,XXX \$X,XXX

Portfolio Turnover The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs, and may result in higher taxes when shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. It is anticipated that the Fund's portfolio turnover rate will

be X% of the average value of its portfolio during the first year of operation.

Principal Investment Strategies To pursue its investment objective, the Fund utilizes four core investment strategies: diversified equity, diversified fixed income, real assets and alternative investments. The Fund's advisor will select and determine the appropriate allocation of Fund assets to each strategy based on its evaluation of market opportunities, economic trends, and relative values. Although the Fund's allocation to each strategy may vary over time, the Fund will typically allocate up to 50% of its total assets to diversified equity investments; up to 50% of its total assets to diversified fixed income investments; up to 20% of its total assets to real asset investments; and up to 20% of its total assets to alternative investments.

Diversified Equity. This strategy seeks to take advantage of favorable macroeconomic and currency trends by investing in equity securities of domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) issuers that are believed to offer attractive dividend yields, the potential for capital appreciation and dividend growth, and lower relative risk. This strategy also invests in securities that the advisor believes will provide returns that exceed the rate of inflation. The types of equity securities in which the Fund typically invests include common stock, preferred stock, convertible securities, depositary receipts, warrants and rights. The Fund may invest in securities of companies in any market sector and with market capitalizations of any size, and may invest without limit in U.S. and non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities of domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) issuers, including issuers located in emerging market countries.

Diversified Fixed Income. This strategy seeks to minimize overall portfolio volatility, while providing current income and inflation protection, by investing directly or indirectly in fixed income securities issued by corporate and government issuers, including inflation-protected securities and asset-backed securities. The Fund may invest in fixed income securities of any credit quality or maturity. In executing this strategy, the Fund may invest in cash and/or cash equivalents for defensive purposes.

Real Asset Investments. This strategy seeks to preserve purchasing power over the long term by investing in inflation-sensitive asset classes, including physical gold and other precious metals and commodities. The Fund may also invest in other types of equity securities, including real estate investment trusts ("REITs") and master limited partnerships. The Fund gains exposure to real asset investments primarily through investments in underlying funds, which, in turn, invest, either directly or indirectly through derivatives (which may include swaps, futures, and options), in such real asset investments. In executing this strategy, the Fund may allocate its assets among one or more underlying funds.

Alternative Investments. This strategy seeks to provide exposure to investments that have low to moderate correlation to traditional equity and fixed income investments. The Fund's advisor also selects investments for the Fund's alternative investments strategy to manage or hedge the Fund's exposure to individual issuers and general market risk. The Fund gains exposure to alternative investments primarily through investments in underlying funds, including private equity funds and hedge funds. The Fund may invest in underlying funds that provide exposure to a variety of investment styles, including market neutral and long/short strategies, and investment types. These underlying funds may invest, either directly or indirectly through derivatives (which may include swaps, futures, and options), in securities and instruments that may include, among others, raw materials, precious metals, other commodities, and other types of investments. In executing this strategy, the advisor may allocate Fund assets among one or more underlying funds.

In executing the Fund's real asset investments and alternative investments strategies, the Fund seeks to gain exposure to commodity-linked investments by investing in underlying funds that may provide exposure to instruments which may include, among others, raw materials, precious metals, collectibles and other commodity-linked investments. The Fund intends to invest in such underlying funds through investments in Shelton Real Asset Fund, Ltd., a wholly-owned and controlled subsidiary of the Fund organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Subsidiary").

The Subsidiary is advised by the advisor and has the same investment objective as the Fund. The Subsidiary pursues its investment objective by investing in underlying funds that may invest in raw materials, precious metals, collectibles, and other commodity-linked investments. The Subsidiary may also directly invest in physical precious metals, such as gold. The Fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in the Subsidiary, although the Fund does not intend to allocate more than 20% of its assets to its alternative strategy, under which investments in the Subsidiary are categorized. The Subsidiary (unlike the Fund) is not subject to certain U.S. federal tax rules that otherwise limit the Fund's investments in commodity-linked investments. However, the Subsidiary is otherwise subject to the same fundamental, non-fundamental and certain other investment restrictions as the Fund. The portion of the Fund's assets exposed to any particular underlying fund or direct investment made by the Subsidiary will vary based on market conditions, but may from time to time be substantial. In evaluating potential investments for the Fund, the advisor takes into account quantitative and qualitative factors, including fundamental quality, earnings growth, dividend yield, relative value, and anticipated price appreciation. The advisor may draw upon both internal and external resources to identify potential investments. Quantitative factors are identified through a proprietary computerized system that analyzes potential investments based on numerous criteria. Eligible securities are identified and further sorted by industry, region and country. The advisor then measures each eligible security's qualitative factors to determine the security's target price. The advisor will continue to apply this quantitative and qualitative analysis to monitor a security's value relative to other portfolio securities to determine whether to continue to hold or sell a security held by the Fund. The advisor seeks to identify investments that provide returns that exceed the rate of inflation ("real return") and have the ability to maintain or enhance real value during periods of inflation.

#### Principal Investment Risks

As with all mutual funds, there is the risk that you could lose money through your investment in the Fund. The Fund is not intended to be a complete investment program but rather one component of a diversified investment portfolio. Many factors affect the Fund's net asset value and performance.

Cayman Subsidiary Risk. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands, under which the Fund and the Subsidiary, respectively, are organized, could result in the inability of the Fund and/or Subsidiary to operate as described in this Prospectus and could adversely affect the Fund and its shareholders. The Fund's investment in the Subsidiary will bear its pro rata share of the Subsidiary's operating expenses. The Subsidiary will not be registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and unless otherwise noted in this Prospectus, is not be subject to all of the investor protections of the 1940 Act.

Commodities Risk. Exposure to commodities markets may subject the Fund to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. The value of commodity-linked derivative instruments may be affected by changes in overall market movements, commodity index volatility, changes in interest rates, or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity, such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and international economic, political and regulatory developments. The prices of energy, industrial metals, precious metals, agriculture, and livestock sector commodities may fluctuate widely due to factors such as changes in value, supply and demand and governmental regulatory policies. The commodity-linked securities in which the Fund invests may be issued by companies in the financial services sector, and events affecting the financial services sector may cause the Fund's share value to fluctuate.

Currency Risk. Foreign (non-U.S.) currencies may decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar, adversely affecting the value of the Fund's investments in foreign (non-U.S.) currencies or in securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, or in derivatives that provide exposure to, foreign (non-U.S.) currencies. In addition, economic conditions and political events may lead to foreign government intervention and the imposition of additional or renewed capital controls, which may impact the ability of the Fund to buy, sell or otherwise transfer securities or currency, limit the Fund's ability to pay redemptions, and/or cause the Fund to decline in value.

Derivatives Risk. The derivative instruments in which the Fund may invest, either directly or through an underlying fund, may be more volatile than other instruments. The risks associated with investments in derivatives also include leverage, liquidity, interest rate, market, credit and management risks, mispricing or improper valuation. Changes in the market value of a derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, rate or index, and the Fund could lose more than the principal amount invested. In addition, if a derivative is being used for hedging purposes there can be no assurance given that each derivative position will achieve a perfect correlation with the security or currency against which it is being hedged, or that a particular derivative position will be available when sought by the Fund's advisor.

Emerging Markets Risk. The risk of investing in emerging market securities, primarily increased foreign (non-U.S.) investment risk.

Equity Risk. Equity securities are susceptible to general stock market fluctuations and volatile increases and decreases in value as market confidence in and perceptions of their issuers change. Preferred stocks are subject to the risk that the dividend on the stock may be changed or omitted by the issuer, and that participation in the growth of an issuer may be limited.

Fixed Income Securities Risk. When the Fund invests directly or indirectly in fixed income securities, the value of your investment in the Fund will fluctuate with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in interest rates causes a decline in the value of fixed income securities. In general, the market price of fixed income securities with longer maturities will increase or decrease more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. Other risk factors include credit risk (the debtor may default) and prepayment risk (the debtor may pay its obligation early, reducing the amount of interest payments). These risks could affect the value of a particular investment by the Fund, possibly causing the Fund's share price and total return to be reduced and fluctuate more than other types of investments.

High-Yield Securities ("Junk Bonds") Risk. Fixed income securities that are rated below investment grade are subject to additional risk factors such as increased possibility of default, illiquidity of the security, and changes in value obased on public perception of the issuer. Such high-yield securities (commonly known as "junk bonds") are generally considered speculative because they present a greater risk of loss, including default, than higher quality fixed income securities.

Foreign (Non-U.S.) Investment Risk. Foreign (non-U.S.) securities present greater investment risks than investing in the securities of U.S. issuers and may experience more rapid and extreme changes in value than the securities of U.S. companies, due to less information about foreign companies in the form of reports and ratings than about U.S. issuers; different accounting, auditing and financial reporting requirements; smaller markets; nationalization; expropriation or confiscatory taxation; currency blockage; or political changes or diplomatic developments. Foreign securities may also be less liquid and more difficult to value than securities of U.S. issuers.

Forward and Futures Contracts Risk. The primary risks associated with the use of forward and futures contracts are: (i) the imperfect correlation between the change in market value of the instruments held by the Fund and the price of the forward or futures contract; (ii) possible lack of a liquid secondary market for a forward or futures contract and the resulting inability to close a forward or futures contract when desired; (iii) losses caused by unanticipated market movements, which are potentially unlimited; (iv) the advisor's inability to predict correctly the direction of securities prices, interest rates, currency exchange rates and other economic factors; (v) the possibility that the counterparty will default in the performance of its obligations; and (vi) if the Fund has insufficient cash, it may have to sell securities from its portfolio to meet daily variation margin requirements, and the Fund may have to sell securities at a time when it may be disadvantageous to do so. The Fund could be unable to recover assets held at the futures clearing broker, even assets directly traceable to the Fund from the futures clearing broker in the event of a bankruptcy of the broker.

Hedge Fund Risk. The Fund may invest in private investment funds, or "hedge funds," which pursue alternative investment strategies. Certain investment instruments and techniques that a hedge fund may use are speculative and involve a high degree of risk. Because of the speculative nature of a hedge fund's investments and trading strategies, the Fund may suffer a significant or complete loss of its invested capital in one or more hedge funds. A shareholder of the Fund will also bear fees and expenses charged by the underlying hedge funds in addition to the Fund's direct fees and expenses. In addition, interests in a hedge fund are likely to be illiquid.

Hedging Transactions Risk. The Fund may, at times, employ various hedging techniques. The success of the Fund's hedging strategy will be subject to the advisor's ability to correctly assess the degree of correlation between the performance of the instruments used in the hedging strategy and the performance of the investments in the portfolio being hedged. Because the characteristics of many securities change as markets change or time passes, the success of the Fund's hedging strategy will also be subject to the advisor's ability to continually recalculate, readjust, and execute hedges in an efficient and timely manner. For a variety of reasons, the Fund's advisor may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Such imperfect correlation may prevent the Fund from achieving the intended hedge or expose the Fund to risk of loss. In addition, it is not possible to hedge fully or perfectly against any risk, and hedging entails its own costs.

Investment Companies and Exchange-Traded Funds ("ETFs") Risk. When the Fund invests in other investment companies, including ETFs, it will bear additional expenses based on its pro rata share of the other investment company's or ETF's operating expenses, including the potential duplication of management fees. The risk of owning an ETF generally reflects the risks of owning the underlying investments the ETF holds. The Fund also will incur brokerage costs when it purchases and sells ETFs.

Issuer-Specific Risk. The value of a specific security can be more volatile than the market as a whole and may perform worse than the market as a whole.

Liquidity Risk. Liquidity risk exists when particular investments of the Fund would be difficult to purchase or sell, possibly preventing the Fund from selling such illiquid securities at an advantageous time or price, or possibly requiring the Fund to dispose of other investments at unfavorable times or prices in order to satisfy its obligations. In the past, in stressed markets, certain types of mortgage-backed securities suffered periods of illiquidity if disfavored by the market. The Fund is also exposed to liquidity risk through its investment in underlying funds that hold illiquid securities.

Management Risk. The risk that investment strategies employed by the advisor in selecting investments for the Fund may not result in an increase in the value of your investment or in overall performance equal to other similar investment vehicles having similar investment strategies.

Market Risk. Overall equity market risk may affect the value of individual instruments in which the Fund invests. Factors such as domestic and foreign economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, and political events affect the securities markets. When the value of the Fund's investments goes down, your investment in the Fund decreases in value and you could lose money.

Master Limited Partnerships ("MLPs") Risk. MLPs are limited partnerships in which ownership units are publicly traded. Such units may trade infrequently and in limited volume, and may be subject to abrupt or erratic price ·movements. In addition, limited partners of an MLP, such as the Fund, may have limited control and limited voting rights. MLPs that concentrate in a particular industry, sector or region are subject to risks associated with such industry, sector or region. Investments held by an MLP may be illiquid.

Mortgage-Backed and Asset-Backed Securities Risk. The Fund's investment in mortgage-backed securities and other asset-backed securities, such as automobile or home equity loans, installment sales contracts, computer and other leases, credit card receivables or other assets, subjects the Fund to prepayment and extension risk, interest rate risk, market risk and management risk.

Options Risk. To the extent the Fund employs options as a component of the Fund's investment strategies, the Fund is subject to the risk that option prices may change in ways not expected by the Fund. Volatility is a measure of risk (uncertainty), or variability of price of an option's underlying equity security. Higher volatility estimates reflect greater expected fluctuations (in either direction) in underlying price levels. Because the Fund may both buy and sell options, there is a risk that changes in volatility assumptions are not consistent or correlated for options of various terms to expiration.

Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs") Risk. The Fund is subject to risks related to investment in REITs, including fluctuations in the value of underlying properties, defaults by borrowers or tenants, lack of diversification, heavy cash flow dependency, self-liquidation, and potential failure to qualify for tax-free pass through of income and exemption from registration as an investment company.

Sovereign Debt Risk. Sovereign debt instruments are subject to the risk that a governmental entity may delay or refuse to pay interest or repay principal on its sovereign debt.

Small-Cap and Mid-Cap Risk. The risk that the value of securities issued by small and medium capitalization companies may be more vulnerable than larger, more established organizations to adverse business or economic developments.

U.S. Government Securities Risk. Treasury obligations may differ in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Obligations of U.S. Government agencies and authorities are supported by varying degrees of credit but generally are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. No assurance can be given that the U.S. Government will provide financial support to its agencies and authorities if it is not obligated by law to do so. In addition, the value of U.S. Government securities may be affected by changes in the credit rating of the U.S. Government.

Volatility Management Risk. There can be no assurance that the Fund's volatility management strategy will be successful or that the advisor's measurements of volatility will correctly estimate the future volatility of the financial markets. The Fund may also forgo gains or incur losses as a result of the implementation of this strategy in extremely low or extremely high volatility markets.

Performance Performance information is not provided, as the Fund has not had a full year of operation. The inception date of the Fund is XX/XX/XXXX.

Investment Advisor Shelton Capital Management, (the "Advisor"), serves as the investment advisor for the Fund.

Portfolio Manager The portfolio managers of the Fund are John Smith, Portfolio Manager, and Bill Smith, Portfolio Manager. Messrs. Smith and Smith have managed the Fund since its inception.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares The Fund's initial and subsequent investment minimums are as follows:

	Minimum Initial Investment	Minimum Subsequent Investment
Accounts with Automatic Investment Plan ("AIP")	)\$X	\$X
All Other Accounts	\$X	\$X

You may redeem all or a portion of your shares on any business day that the Fund is open for business by mail, telephone or our website www.sheltoncap.com. You may receive the redemption by wire, electronic funds transfer or check.

Taxes Dividends and capital gain distributions you receive from the Fund are subject to federal income taxes and may also be subject to state and local taxes. If you invest through a retirement plan such as an IRA or other tax-deferred account, the earnings on that account may be tax-deferred.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and other Financial Intermediaries If you purchase shares of the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Advisor or its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your individual financial advisor to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your individual financial advisor or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Investment Objectives, Principal Strategies and Related Risks The Fund seeks to preserve purchasing power while emphasizing volatility management and low correlation to traditional equity and bond markets. The Fund's investment objective may be changed by the Fund's Board of Trustees upon 60 days, prior written notice to shareholders.

To pursue its investment objective, the Fund utilizes four core investment strategies: diversified equity, diversified fixed income, real assets and alternative investments. The Fund's advisor will select and determine the appropriate allocation of Fund assets to each strategy based on its evaluation of market opportunities, economic trends, and relative values. Although the Fund's allocation to each strategy may vary over time, the Fund will typically allocate up to 50% of its total assets to diversified equity investments; up to 50% of its total assets to diversified fixed income investments; up to 20% of its total assets to alternative investments.

Diversified Equity. This strategy seeks to take advantage of favorable macroeconomic and currency trends by investing in equity securities of domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) issuers that are believed to offer attractive dividend yields, the potential for capital appreciation and dividend growth, and lower relative risk. This strategy also invests in securities that the advisor believes will provide returns that exceed the rate of inflation. The types of equity securities in which the Fund typically invests include common stock, preferred stock, convertible securities, depositary receipts, warrants and rights. The Fund may invest in securities of companies in any market sector and with market capitalizations of any size, and may invest without limit in U.S. and non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities of domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) issuers, including issuers located in emerging market countries.

Diversified Fixed Income. This strategy seeks to minimize overall portfolio volatility, while providing current income and inflation protection, by investing directly or indirectly in fixed income securities issued by corporate and government issuers, including inflation-protected securities and asset-backed securities. The Fund may invest in fixed income securities of any credit quality or maturity. In executing this strategy, the Fund may invest in cash and/or cash equivalents for defensive purposes.

Real Asset Investments. This strategy seeks to preserve purchasing power over the long term by investing in inflation-sensitive asset classes, including physical gold and other precious metals and commodities. The Fund may also invest in other types of equity securities, including real estate investment trusts ("REITs") and master limited partnerships. The Fund gains exposure to real asset investments primarily through investments in underlying funds, which, in turn, invest, either directly or indirectly through derivatives (which may include swaps, futures, and options), in such real asset investments. In executing this strategy, the Fund may allocate its assets among one or more underlying funds.

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In executing the Fund's real asset investments and alternative investments strategies, the Fund seeks to gain exposure to commodity-linked investments by investing in underlying funds that may provide exposure to instruments which may include, among others, raw materials, precious metals, collectibles and other commodity-linked investments. The Fund intends to invest in such underlying funds through investments in the Subsidiary.

The Subsidiary is advised by the advisor and has the same investment objective as the Fund. The Subsidiary pursues its investment objective by investing in underlying funds that may invest in raw materials, precious metals, collectibles, and other commodity-linked investments. The Subsidiary may also directly invest in physical precious metals, such as gold. The Fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in the Subsidiary, although the Fund does not intend to allocate more than 20% of its assets to its alternative strategy, under which investments in the Subsidiary are categorized. The Subsidiary (unlike the Fund) is not subject to certain U.S. federal tax rules that otherwise limit the Fund's investments in commodity-linked investments. However, the Subsidiary is otherwise subject to the same fundamental, non-fundamental and certain other investment restrictions as the Fund. The portion of the Fund's assets exposed to any particular underlying fund or direct investment made by the Subsidiary will vary based on market conditions, but may from time to time be substantial. To the extent applicable to the investment activities of the Subsidiary, the advisor will manage the Subsidiary pursuant to compliance policies and procedures that are the same, in all material respects, as the policies and procedures adopted by the Fund. As a result, the advisor, in managing the Subsidiary's portfolio, is subject to the same investment policies and restrictions that apply to the management of the Fund, and, in particular, to the requirements relating to portfolio leverage, liquidity, brokerage, and the timing and method of the valuation of the Subsidiary's portfolio investments and shares of the Subsidiary. These policies and restrictions are described in detail in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information ("SAI").

In evaluating potential investments for the Fund, the advisor takes into account quantitative and qualitative factors, including fundamental quality, earnings growth, dividend yield, relative value, and anticipated price appreciation. The advisor may draw upon both internal and external resources to identify potential investments. Quantitative factors are identified through a proprietary computerized system that analyzes potential investments based on numerous criteria. Eligible securities are identified and further sorted by industry, region and country. The advisor then measures each eligible security's qualitative factors to determine the security's target price. The advisor will continue to apply this quantitative and qualitative analysis to monitor a security's value relative to other portfolio securities to determine whether to continue to hold or sell a security held by the Fund. The advisor seeks to identify investments that provide returns that exceed the rate of inflation ("real return") and have the ability to maintain or enhance real value during periods of inflation.

Generally, the Advisor chooses securities for the Fund that it believes will appreciate over the long-term, and will use both quantitative and fundamental analysis to identify a company's suitability for inclusion in the portfolio. As part of its analysis, the Advisor looks at various factors and will conduct both internal and external research.

In response to market, economic, political or other conditions, the Fund may temporarily use a different investment strategy for defensive purposes. Such a strategy could include investing up to 100% of the Fund's assets in cash or cash equivalent securities, such as U.S. Treasury securities and money market funds. Defensive investing could affect the Fund's performance and the Fund might not achieve its investment objectives. The Fund may also invest a substantial portion of its assets in such instruments at any time to maintain liquidity or pending selection of investments in accordance with its policies.

#### Principal Risks

#### Cayman Subsidiary Risk

By investing in a Subsidiary, the Fund is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary's investments. The commodity-related and other instruments held by the Subsidiary are subject to the same risks that would apply to similar investments if held directly by the Fund. There can be no assurance that the investment objective of the Subsidiary will be achieved. The Subsidiary is not registered under the 1940 Act, and unless otherwise noted in this prospectus, is not subject to all the investor protections of the 1940 Act. However, the Fund wholly owns and controls the Subsidiary, and the Fund and its Subsidiary are both managed by the advisor, making it unlikely that the Subsidiary will take action contrary to the interests of the Fund and its shareholders. The Board has oversight responsibility for the investment activities of the Fund, including its investment in the Subsidiary, and the Fund's role as sole shareholder of the Subsidiary. To the extent applicable to the investment activities of the Subsidiary, the Subsidiary will be subject to the same investment restrictions and limitations, and follow the same compliance policies and procedures, as its parent Fund. Unlike the Fund, the Subsidiary will not seek to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code.

The Fund has not obtained a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") with respect to its investments or its structure. Based on the analysis in private letter rulings previously issued to other taxpayers, the Fund intends to treat its income from the Subsidiary as qualifying income without any such ruling from the IRS. However, there is a risk that the IRS could assert that the annual net profit realized by the Subsidiary and imputed for income tax purposes to the Fund will not be considered "qualifying income" for purposes of the Fund remaining qualified as a regulated investment company for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands could result in the inability of the Fund and/or its Subsidiary to operate as described in this prospectus and the SAI and could adversely affect the Fund. For example, the Cayman Islands does not currently impose any income, corporate or capital gains tax, estate duty, inheritance tax, gift tax or withholding tax on the Subsidiary. If Cayman Islands law changes such that the Subsidiary must pay Cayman Islands taxes, the Fund's shareholders would likely suffer decreased investment returns.

#### Commodities Risk

Exposure to commodities markets may subject the Fund to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. The value of commodity-linked derivative instruments may be affected by changes in overall market movements,

commodity index volatility, changes in interest rates, or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity, such drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs and international economic, political and regulatory developments. The prices of energy, industrial metals, precious metals, agriculture, and livestock sector commodities may fluctuate widely due to factors such as changes in value, supply and demand and governmental regulatory policies. The energy sector can be significantly affected by changes in the prices and supplies of oil and other energy fuels, energy conservation, the success of exploration projects, and tax and other government regulations, policies of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC") and relationships among OPEC members and between OPEC and oil importing nations. The metals sector can be affected by sharp price volatility over short periods caused by global economic, financial and political factors, resource availability, government regulation, economic cycles, changes in inflation or expectations about inflation in various countries, interest rates, currency fluctuations, metal sales by governments, central banks or international agencies, investment speculation and fluctuations industrial and commercial supply and demand. The commodity-linked securities in which the Fund invests may be issued by companies in the financial services sector, including the banking, brokerage and insurance sectors. As a result, events affecting issuers in the financial services sector may cause the Fund's share value to fluctuate. Currency Risk

Foreign (non-U.S.) currencies may decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar, adversely affecting the value of the Fund's investments in foreign (non-U.S.) currencies or in securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, or in derivatives that provide exposure to, foreign (non-U.S.) currencies. In addition, economic conditions and political events may lead to foreign government intervention and the imposition of additional or renewed capital controls, which may impact the ability of the Fund to buy, sell or otherwise transfer securities or currency, limit the Fund's ability to pay redemptions, and/or cause the Fund to decline in value. Currency risk may be particularly high to the extent that the Fund invests in foreign (non-U.S.) currencies or engages in foreign currency transactions that are economically tied to emerging market countries.

#### Derivatives Risk

The Fund may invest, either directly or through an underlying fund, in derivatives, which are financial instruments whose value is typically based on the value of a security, commodity or index. Derivatives in which the Fund may invest include options, futures contracts, forward currency contracts, swap agreements, including total return swap agreements and credit default swap agreements, and similar instruments. Derivatives may also include customized baskets or options (which may incorporate other securities directly and also various derivatives including common stock, options, and futures) structured as agreed upon by a counterparty. The Fund's use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other more traditional investments, and certain derivatives may create a risk of loss greater than the amount invested. There can be no assurance that a particular derivative position will be available when sought by the Fund's investment advisor or that such techniques will be utilized. When used for hedging purposes, no assurance can be given that each derivative position will achieve a perfect correlation with the security or currency against which it is being hedged. Because the markets for certain derivative instruments are relatively new, suitable derivatives transactions may not be available in all circumstances for risk management or other purposes.

The market value of derivative instruments and securities may be more volatile than that of other instruments, and each type of derivative instrument may have its own special risks, including the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates, and indices. Many derivatives, in particular privately negotiated derivatives, are complex and often valued subjectively. Improper valuations can result in increased cash payment requirements to counterparties or a loss of value to the Fund. The value of derivatives may not correlate perfectly, or at all, with the value of the assets, reference rates or indices they are designed to closely track.

Derivatives are subject to a number of other risks, including:

Liquidity Risk. The possibility that the derivative may be difficult to purchase or sell and the investment advisor may be unable to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price.

Leverage Risk. The possibility that adverse changes in the value or level of the underlying asset, reference rate or index can result in loss of an amount substantially greater than the amount invested in the derivative.

Interest Rate Risk. Some derivatives are more sensitive to interest rate changes and market price fluctuations. Counterparty Risk. The risk that a counterparty to an over-the-counter derivative contract, such as a total return swap, may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal, interest or settlement payments, or otherwise to honor its obligations, and that any deterioration in a counterparty's creditworthiness could adversely affect the derivative instrument.

In addition, because derivative products are highly specialized, investment techniques and risk analyses employed with respect to investments in derivatives are different from those associated with stocks and bonds.

Finally, the Fund's use of derivatives may cause the Fund to realize higher amounts of short-term capital gains (generally taxed at ordinary income tax rates) than if the Fund had not used such instruments. Derivative instruments are also subject to the risk that the market value of an instrument will change to the detriment of the Fund. If the Fund's advisor inaccurately forecasts the values of securities, currencies or interest rates or other economic factors in using derivatives, the Fund might have been in a better position if it had not entered into the transaction at all. Some strategies involving derivative instruments can reduce the risk of loss, but they can also reduce the opportunity for gain or result in losses by offsetting favorable price movements in other investments held by the Fund. The Fund may also have to buy or sell a security at a disadvantageous time or price because regulations require funds to maintain offsetting positions or asset coverage in connection with certain derivatives transactions.

The Fund's SAI provides a more detailed description of the types of derivative instruments in which the Fund may invest and their associated risks.

**Emerging Markets Risk** 

To the extent the Fund invests in emerging market securities, the risks associated with foreign (non-U.S.) investment risk may be particularly high. These risks include a greater likelihood of economic, political or social instability, less liquid and more volatile stock markets, foreign exchange controls, a lack of government regulation and different legal systems, and immature economic structures.

**Equity Risk** 

Common stocks are susceptible to general stock market fluctuations and volatile increases and decreases in value as market confidence in and perceptions of their issuers change. Preferred stocks are subject to the risk that the dividend on the stock may be changed or omitted by the issuer, and that participation in the growth of an issuer may be limited. Fixed Income Securities Risk

Fixed income securities are subject to interest rate risk, call risk, credit risk, prepayment and extension risk and liquidity risk, which are more fully described below.

Interest Rate Risk. Fixed income securities are subject to the risk that the securities could lose value because of interest rate changes. For example, bonds tend to decrease in value if interest rates rise. Fixed income securities with longer maturities sometimes offer higher yields, but are subject to greater price shifts as a result of interest rate changes than fixed income securities with shorter maturities.

Call Risk. During periods of declining interest rates, a bond issuer may "call," or repay, its high yielding bonds before their maturity dates. The Fund would then be forced to invest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in its income.

Credit Risk. Fixed income securities are generally subject to the risk that the issuer may be unable to make principal and interest payments when they are due. There is also the risk that the securities could lose value because of a loss of confidence in the ability of the borrower to pay back debt. Lower rated fixed income securities involve greater credit risk, including the possibility of default or bankruptcy.

Prepayment and Extension Risk. Many types of fixed income securities are subject to prepayment risk. Prepayment occurs when the issuer of a fixed income security can repay principal prior to the security's maturity. Fixed income securities subject to prepayment can offer less potential for gains during a declining interest rate environment and similar or greater potential for loss in a rising interest rate environment. In addition, the potential impact of prepayment features on the price of a fixed income security can be difficult to predict and result in greater volatility. On the other hand, rising interest rates could cause prepayments of the obligations to decrease, extending the life of mortgage- and asset-backed securities with lower payment rates. This is known as extension risk and may increase the Fund's sensitivity to rising rates and its potential for price declines.

Liquidity Risk. Trading opportunities are more limited for fixed income securities that have not received any credit ratings, have received ratings below investment grade or are not widely held. These features make it more difficult to sell or buy a security at a favorable price or time. Consequently, the Fund may have to accept a lower price to sell a security, sell other securities to raise cash or give up an investment opportunity, any of which could have a negative effect on its performance. Infrequent trading of securities may also lead to an increase in their price volatility. Liquidity risk also refers to the possibility that the Fund may not be able to sell a security or close out an investment contract when it wants to. If this happens, the Fund will be required to hold the security or keep the position open, and it could incur losses.

High-Yield Securities ("Junk Bonds") Risk. High-yield securities or "junk bonds" are fixed income securities rated below investment grade. Although junk bonds generally pay higher rates of interest than higher-rated securities, they are subject to a greater risk of loss of income and principal. Junk bonds are subject to greater credit risk than higher-grade securities and have a higher risk of default. Companies issuing high-yield junk bonds are more likely to experience financial difficulties that may lead to a weakened capacity to make principal and interest payments than issuers of higher grade securities. Issuers of junk bonds are often highly leveraged and are more vulnerable to changes in the economy, such as a recession or rising interest rates, which may affect their ability to meet their interest or principal payment obligations.

# Foreign (Non-U.S.) Investment Risk

Foreign (non-U.S.) securities present greater investment risks than investing in the securities of U.S. issuers and may experience more rapid and extreme changes in value than the securities of U.S. companies, due to less information about foreign companies in the form of reports and ratings than about U.S. issuers; different accounting, auditing and financial reporting requirements; smaller markets; nationalization; expropriation or confiscatory taxation; currency blockage; or political changes or diplomatic developments. To the extent that the Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in a specific geographic region, the Fund will generally have more exposure to regional economic risks associated with foreign investments. Foreign securities may also be less liquid and more difficult to value than securities of U.S. issuers.

#### Forward and Futures Contracts Risk

The successful use of forward and futures contracts draws upon the advisor's skill and experience with respect to such instruments and are subject to special risk considerations. The primary risks associated with the use of forward and futures contracts are: (i) the imperfect correlation between the change in market value of the instruments held by the Fund and the price of the forward or futures contract; (ii) possible lack of a liquid secondary market for a forward or futures contract and the resulting inability to close a forward or futures contract when desired; (iii) losses caused by unanticipated market movements, which are potentially unlimited; (iv) the advisor's inability to predict correctly the direction of securities prices, interest rates, currency exchange rates and other economic factors; (v) the possibility that the counterparty will default in the performance of its obligations; and (vi) if the Fund has insufficient cash, it may have to sell securities from its portfolio to meet daily variation margin requirements, and the Fund may have to sell securities at a time when it may be disadvantageous to do so. The Fund could be unable to recover assets held at the futures clearing broker, even assets directly traceable to the Fund from the futures clearing broker in the event of a bankruptcy of the broker. A futures clearing broker is required to segregate customer funds pursuant to the Commodities Exchange Act and the regulations of the CFTC. However, in the unlikely event of the broker's bankruptcy, there is no equivalent of the Securities Investors Protection Corporation insurance as is applicable in the case of securities broker dealers' bankruptcies.

#### Hedge Fund Risk

The Fund may invest in private investment funds, or "hedge funds," which pursue alternative investment strategies. Certain investment instruments and techniques that a hedge fund may use are speculative and involve a high degree of risk. Because of the speculative nature of a hedge fund's investments and trading strategies, the Fund may suffer a significant or complete loss of its invested capital in one or more hedge funds. A shareholder of the Fund will also bear fees and expenses charged by the underlying hedge funds in addition to the Fund's direct fees and expenses. In addition, interests in a hedge fund are generally subject to restrictions on withdrawal or transfer and are likely to be illiquid.

Hedging Transactions Risk

The Fund may, at times, employ various hedging techniques. The success of the Fund's hedging strategy will be subject to the advisor's ability to correctly assess the degree of correlation between the performance of the instruments used in the hedging strategy and the performance of the investments in the portfolio being hedged. Since the characteristics of many securities change as markets change or time passes, the success of the Fund's hedging strategy will also be subject to the advisor's ability to continually recalculate, readjust, and execute hedges in an efficient and timely manner.

Hedging against a decline in the value of a portfolio position does not eliminate fluctuations in the values of those portfolio positions or prevent losses if the values of those positions decline. Rather, it establishes other positions designed to gain from those same declines, thus seeking to moderate the decline in the portfolio position's value. Such hedging transactions also limit the opportunity for gain if the value of the portfolio position should increase. For a variety of reasons, the Fund's advisor may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Such imperfect correlation may prevent the Fund from achieving the intended hedge or expose the Fund to risk of loss. In addition, it is not possible to hedge fully or perfectly against any risk, and hedging entails its own costs. The advisor may determine, in its sole discretion, not to hedge against certain risks and certain risks may exist that cannot be hedged. Furthermore, the advisor may not anticipate a particular risk so as to hedge against it effectively. Hedging transactions also limit the opportunity for gain if the value of a hedged portfolio position should increase.

Investment Companies and Exchange-Traded Funds ("ETFs") Risk

When the Fund invests in other investment companies, including ETFs, it will bear additional expenses based on its pro rata share of the other investment company's or ETF's operating expenses, including the potential duplication of management fees. In addition, the risk of owning shares of another investment company or an ETF generally reflects the risks of owning the underlying investments such investment company or ETF holds. The Fund also will incur brokerage costs when it purchases and sells ETFs. In addition, the market value of ETF shares may differ from their net asset value. This difference in price may be due to the fact that the supply and demand in the market for fund shares at any point in time is not always identical to the supply and demand in the market for the underlying basket of securities. Accordingly, there may be times when ETF shares trade at a premium or discount to net asset value. Issuer-Specific Risk

The value of a specific security or option can be more volatile than the market as a whole and may perform worse than the market as a whole.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk exists when particular investments of the Fund would be difficult to purchase or sell, possibly preventing the Fund from selling such illiquid securities at an advantageous time or price, or possibly requiring the Fund to dispose of other investments at unfavorable times or prices in order to satisfy its obligations. Funds with principal investment strategies that involve securities of companies with smaller market capitalizations, foreign (non-U.S.) securities, Rule 144A securities, derivatives or securities with substantial market and/or credit risk tend to have the greatest exposure to liquidity risk. The Fund is also exposed to liquidity risk through its investment in underlying funds that hold illiquid securities.

## Management Risk

The net asset value of the Fund changes daily based on the performance of the securities and derivatives in which it invests. The advisor's judgments about the attractiveness, value and potential appreciation of particular securities and derivatives in which the Fund invests may prove to be incorrect and may not produce the desired results.

#### Market Risk

Overall equity market risk, including volatility, may affect the value of individual instruments in which the Fund invests. Factors such as domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, and political events affect the securities markets. When the value of the Fund's investments goes down, your investment in the Fund decreases in value and you could lose money.

## Master Limited Partnerships ("MLPs") Risk

MLPs are limited partnerships in which ownership units are publicly traded. Such units may trade infrequently and in limited volume, and may be subject to abrupt or erratic price movements. In addition, limited partners of an MLP, such as the Fund, may have limited control and limited voting rights on matters affecting the partnership. Additional risks of MLPs may include a decrease in the production of natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil, coal or other energy commodities or a decrease in the volume of such commodities available for transportation, mining, processing, storage or distribution may adversely impact the financial performance of MLPs or MLP-related securities. In order to maintain or grow their revenues, these companies need to maintain or expand their reserves through exploration of new sources of supply, through the development of existing sources, through acquisitions, or through long-term contracts to acquire reserves. The financial performance of MLPs may be adversely affected if an MLP, or the companies to whom it provides the service, are unable to cost-effectively acquire additional reserves sufficient to replace the natural decline. Various governmental authorities have the power to enforce compliance with regulations and the permits issued under them, and violators are subject to administrative, civil and criminal penalties, including civil fines, injunctions or both. Stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies could be enacted in the future which would likely increase compliance costs and may adversely affect the financial performance of MLPs. Volatility of commodity prices, which may lead to a reduction in production or supply, may also negatively impact the performance of MLPs. MLPs are also subject to risks that are specific to the industry they serve. MLPs that provide crude oil, refined product, natural gas liquids and natural gas services are subject to supply and demand fluctuations in the markets they serve which will be impacted by a wide range of factors, including fluctuating commodity prices, weather, increased conservation or use of alternative fuel sources, increased governmental or environmental regulation, depletion, rising interest rates, declines in domestic or foreign production, accidents or catastrophic events, and economic conditions, among others.

There are certain tax risks associated with an investment in MLP units, and conflicts of interest exist between common unit holders of MLPs and the general partner, including those arising from incentive distribution payments. In addition, as a partnership, an MLP has no tax liability at the entity level. If, as a result of a change in current law or a change in an MLP's business, an MLP were treated as a corporation for federal income tax purposes, such an MLP would be obligated to pay federal income tax on its income at the corporate tax rate. If an MLP were classified as a corporation for federal income tax purposes, the amount of cash available for distribution by the MLP would be reduced.

#### Mortgage-Backed and Asset-Backed Securities Risk

The Fund's investment in mortgage-backed securities and other asset-backed securities, such as automobile or home equity loans, installment sales contracts, computer and other leases, credit card receivables or other assets, subjects the Fund to prepayment risk. If interest rates fall, the underlying debt may be repaid early, reducing the value of the Fund's investments. On the other hand, if interest rates rise, the duration of the securities may be extended, making them more sensitive to changes in interest rates. Furthermore, fewer prepayments may be made, which would cause the average bond maturity to rise, increasing the potential for the Fund to lose money. The value of mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities may be considerably affected by changes in interest rates, the market's perception of issuers, declines in the value of collateral, and the creditworthiness of the parties involved. The ability of the Fund to successfully utilize these instruments may depend on the ability of the Fund's ability to correctly forecast interest rates and other economic factors.

## Options Risk

To the extent the Fund employs options as a component of the Fund's investment strategies, the Fund is subject to the risk that the value of an option may not correlate perfectly to the underlying financial asset, index or other investment or overall securities markets. If the Fund incorrectly forecasts the value of investments in using an option contract, the Fund may have been in a better position had it not entered into the contract. Volatility is a measure of risk (uncertainty), or variability of price of an option's underlying equity security. Higher volatility estimates reflect greater expected fluctuations (in either direction) in underlying price levels. Because the Fund may both buy and sell options, there is a risk that changes in volatility assumptions are not consistent or correlated for options of various terms to expiration.

#### Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs") Risk

REITs are issuers that invest in interests in real estate, including mortgages. Investing in REITs may subject the Fund to risks similar to those associated with the direct ownership of real estate, including fluctuations in the value of underlying properties and defaults by borrowers or tenants. REITs may not be diversified and are subject to heavy cash flow dependency and self-liquidation. REITs are also subject to the possibilities of failing to qualify for tax-free pass through of income under the Internal Revenue Code, and failing to maintain their exemptions from registration under the 1940 Act. REITs may have limited financial resources, trade less frequently and in a limited volume, and be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than more widely held securities. In addition, the organizational documents of a REIT may give the trust's sponsors the ability to control the operation of the REIT even though another person or entity could own a majority of the interests of the trust. These trusts may also contain provisions which would delay or make a change in control of the REIT difficult.

#### Sovereign Debt Risk

Sovereign debt instruments are subject to the risk that a governmental entity may delay or refuse to pay interest or repay principal on its sovereign debt, due, for example to cash flow problems, insufficient foreign currency reserves, political considerations, the relative size of the governmental entity's debt position in relation to the economy or the failure to put in place economic reforms required by the International Monetary Fund or other multilateral agencies. If a governmental entity defaults, it may ask for more time in which to pay or for further loans. There may be no legal process for collecting sovereign debt that a government does not pay nor are there bankruptcy proceedings through which all or part of the sovereign debt that a governmental entity has not repaid may be collected.

# Small-Cap and Mid-Cap Risk

The risk that the value of securities issued by small and medium capitalization companies may be more vulnerable than larger, more established organizations to adverse business or economic developments.

#### U.S. Government Securities Risk

Treasury obligations may differ in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics. Obligations of U.S. Government agencies and authorities are supported by varying degrees of credit but generally are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. No assurance can be given that the U.S. Government will provide financial support to its agencies and authorities if it is not obligated by law to do so. In addition, the value of U.S. Government securities may be affected by changes in the credit rating of the U.S. Government.

## Volatility Management Risk

There can be no assurance that the Fund's volatility management strategy will be successful or that the advisor's measurements of volatility will correctly estimate the future volatility of the financial markets. If the Fund's equity exposure is reduced and equity markets rise, the Fund may underperform funds that do not seek to manage volatility. The Fund may also forgo gains or incur losses as a result of the implementation of this strategy in extremely low or extremely high volatility markets.

Portfolio Holdings Disclosure: A description of the Fund's policies regarding the release of portfolio holdings information is available in the Fund's SAI. Shareholders may request portfolio holdings schedules at no charge by calling 1-800-955-9988.

#### Investment Advisor

On XX/XX/XXXX, the Board of Trustees of the Shelton XXXX Trust approved the appointment of Shelton Capital Management, a California limited partnership, to serve as the investment adviser to the Funds ("Shelton" or the "Advisor"). The advisory agreement between Shelton and the Trust was approved by the Shelton XXXX Trust Board of Trustees and was executed for an initial two-year term effective XX/XX/XXXX.

The investment advisor for the Fund is Shelton Capital Management, A California limited partnership, 1050 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1710, Denver, CO 80265 (the "Advisor"). Subject to the supervision of the Fund's Board of Trustees, the Advisor is responsible for managing the Fund's investments, executing transactions and providing facilities under the Investment Advisor Agreement between the Fund and the Advisor. Shelton Capital Management has \$X.XX billion of assets under management as of XX/XX/XXXX. Shelton Capital has been managing mutual funds since 1985. Shelton Capital is responsible for managing the Fund and handling the administrative requirements of the Fund.

The Adviser has entered into an investment advisory agreement with the Fund, whereby the Adviser is entitled to receive an annual fee equal to X.XX% of the Fund's average daily net assets. In addition to investment advisory fees, the Fund pays other expenses including costs incurred in connection with the maintenance of its securities law registration, printing and mailing prospectuses and Statements of Additional Information to shareholders, certain financial accounting services, taxes or governmental fees, custodial, transfer and shareholder servicing agent costs, expenses of outside counsel and independent accountants, preparation of shareholder reports and expenses of trustee and shareholders meetings. A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' approval of the Investment Advisory Agreement is available in the Fund's XX dated XX/XX/XXXX.

#### **Expense Limitation Agreement**

The Adviser has contractually agreed to reduce the Fund's fees and/or absorb expenses of the Fund until at least XX/XX/XXXX to ensure that total annual Fund operating expenses (exclusive of any front-end or contingent deferred loads; brokerage fees and commissions; expenses of other investment companies in which the Fund may invest ("acquired fund fees and expenses"); borrowing costs, such as interest and dividend expense on securities sold short; taxes; and extraordinary expenses, such as litigation expenses) do not exceed X.XX% of average daily net. This agreement may be terminated by the Fund's Board of Trustees on 60 days' written notice to the Adviser. These expense reimbursements are subject to possible recoupment from the Fund in future years on a rolling three-year basis (within three years after the fees have been waived or reimbursed) if such recoupment can be achieved within the foregoing expense limits.

#### Portfolio Managers

John Smith

Mr. Smith is a Portfolio Manager of Shelton Capital Management.

Bill Smith

Mr. Smith is a Portfolio Manager of Shelton Capital Management.

The SAI provides additional information about the Portfolio Managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the Portfolio Managers, and the Portfolio Managers' ownership of securities in the Fund.

#### **Investment Subsidiary**

The Fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in the Subsidiary. Generally, the Subsidiary will invest primarily in private investment funds that invest in instruments that may include raw materials, precious metals, collectibles, and other commodity-linked investments. The Subsidiary may also directly invest in physical precious metals, such as gold. The Subsidiary is organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands, and is overseen by its own board of directors. The Fund is the sole shareholder of the Subsidiary. It is not currently expected that shares of the Subsidiary will be sold or offered to other investors. If, at any time, the Subsidiary proposes to offer or sell its shares to any investor other than the Fund, you will receive 60 days prior notice of such offer or sale.

As with the Fund, the Adviser is responsible for the Subsidiary's day-to-day business pursuant to an investment advisory agreement with the Subsidiary. Under this agreement, the Adviser provides the Subsidiary with the same type of management services, under the same terms, as are provided to the Fund. The advisory agreement with the Subsidiary provides for automatic termination upon the termination of the investment advisory agreement with respect to the Fund. The Subsidiary has also entered into separate contracts for the provision of custody, transfer agency, and audit services with the same service providers that provide those services to the Fund.

The Fund pays the Adviser a fee for its services. The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive the management fee it receives from the Fund in an amount equal to the management fee paid to the Adviser by the Subsidiary. This undertaking will continue in effect for so long as the Fund invests in the Subsidiary, and may not be terminated by the Adviser unless it first obtains the prior approval of the Fund's Board of Trustees for such termination. The Subsidiary will also bear the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the custody, transfer agency and audit services that it receives. The Fund expects that the expenses borne by the Subsidiary will not be material in relation to the value of the Fund's assets.

The Subsidiary will be managed pursuant to compliance policies and procedures that are the same, in all material respects, as the policies and procedures adopted by the Fund. As a result, the Adviser is subject to the same investment policies and restrictions that apply to the management of the Fund, and, in particular, to the requirements relating to portfolio leverage, liquidity, brokerage, and the timing and method of the valuation of the Subsidiary's portfolio

investments. These policies and restrictions are described in detail in the Fund's SAI. For purposes of testing compliance with the Fund's requirements under the 1940 Act, the Fund looks through the Subsidiary, and aggregates the Subsidiary's individual holdings together with direct holdings of the Fund. The Fund's Chief Compliance Officer oversees implementation of the Subsidiary's policies and procedures, and makes periodic reports to the Fund's Board regarding the Subsidiary's compliance with its policies and procedures.

The financial statements of the Subsidiary will be consolidated in the Fund's financial statements which will be included in the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports. The Fund's annual and semi-annual reports will be distributed to shareholders, and copies of the reports will be provided without charge upon request as indicated on the back cover of this Prospectus. Please refer to the SAI for additional information about the organization and management of the Subsidiary.

How Fund Shares are Priced The Fund is open for business every day that the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") is open. The Fund will calculate its net asset value each day that it is open for processing of transactions, and may calculate its net asset value on certain other days as noted below. The net asset value of the Fund is computed by adding the value of all of its portfolio holdings and other assets, deducting its liabilities, and then dividing the result by its number of shares outstanding. Our Fund accounting service provider calculates this value as of market close, normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time (1:00 p.m. Pacific time), on each day that the markets are open. However, the Fund may, but does not expect to, determine the net asset value on any other day the NYSE is closed for trading. Occasionally, the Pricing Committee, subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees, will make a good faith determination of a security's "fair value" when market quotations are not readily available or deemed unreliable. The number of shares your money buys is determined by the share price of the Fund on the day your transaction is processed. Orders that are received in good form by the Fund's transfer agent are executed at the net asset value next calculated. The share price of the Fund will vary over time as the value of its securities varies. Portfolio securities of the Fund that are listed on a securities exchange are valued at the last reported sale price. Securities with remaining maturities of 60 days or less are valued using the amortized cost method as reflecting fair value. All other securities are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by the Pricing Committee, subject to the Board's oversight and review, using consistently applied procedures established by the Board of Trustees. The effect of valuing securities held by the Fund at fair value may be that the price so determined may be different than the price that would be determined if reliable market quotations were available or if another methodology were used.

The Fund may use independent pricing services to assist in calculating the fair market value of the Fund's securities. In addition, market prices for foreign securities are not determined at the same time of day as the NAV for the Fund. Because the Fund may invest in underlying ETFs which hold portfolio securities primarily listed on foreign exchanges, and these exchanges may trade on weekends or other days when the underlying ETFs do not price their shares, the value of some of the Fund's portfolio securities may change on days when you may not be able to buy or sell Fund shares. In computing the NAV, the Fund values foreign securities held by the Fund at the latest closing price on the exchange in which they are traded immediately prior to closing of the NYSE. Prices of foreign securities quoted in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at current rates. If events materially affecting the value of a security in the Fund's portfolio, particularly foreign securities, occur after the close of trading on a foreign market but before the Fund prices its shares, the security will be valued at fair value. For example, if trading in a portfolio security is halted and does not resume before the Fund calculates its NAV, the Adviser may need to price the security using the Fund's fair value pricing guidelines. Without a fair value price, short-term traders could take advantage of the arbitrage opportunity and dilute the NAV of long-term investors. Fair valuation of the Fund's portfolio securities can serve to reduce arbitrage opportunities available to short-term traders, but there is no assurance that fair value pricing policies will prevent dilution of the Fund's NAV by short term traders. The determination of fair value involves subjective judgments. As a result, using fair value to price a security may result in a price materially different from the prices used by other mutual funds to determine net asset value, or from the price that may be realized upon the actual sale of the security.

With respect to any portion of the Fund's assets that are invested in one or more open-end management investment companies registered under the 1940 Act, the Fund's net asset value is calculated based upon the net asset values of those open-end management investment companies, and the prospectuses for these companies explain the circumstances under which those companies will use fair value pricing and the effects of using fair value pricing.

Fair Value Pricing Occasionally, reliable market quotations are not readily available or there may be events affecting the value of foreign securities or other securities held by the Fund. When such events occur after the close of regular trading on foreign or other exchanges, but before trading on the NYSE is closed (a "Significant Event") the Fund must determine the "fair value" of the affected security or securities. Fair value determinations are made in good faith in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees. Generally fair value of a portfolio security or other assets shall be the amount the owner of the security or asset might reasonably expect to receive upon its current sale. Generally speaking, the procedure adopted by the Board of Trustees requires the valuation committee or pricing committee, to convene, consider all available information regarding the affected security or securities, and based upon "general valuation considerations" set out in the procedures, arrive at a fair value in light of all of these factors and considerations. To help determine whether a Significant Event has occurred with respect to securities traded principally in foreign markets, the Fund's accounting service provider has engaged a third party service provider to systematically recommend the adjustment of closing market prices of non-U.S. securities based upon changes in a designated U.S. securities market index occurring from the time of the close of the relevant foreign market and the close of trading on the NYSE. Attempts to determine the fair value of securities introduces an element of subjectivity to the pricing of securities. As a result, the price of a security determined through fair valuation techniques may differ from the price quoted or published by other sources and may not accurately reflect the market value of the security when trading resumes. If a reliable market quotation becomes available for a security formerly valued through fair valuation techniques, the Fund would compare the new market quotation to the fair value price to evaluate the effectiveness of its fair valuation.

**Opening an Account** Shares of the Fund may be purchased directly or through third party distributors, brokerage firms and retirement plans. The following information is specific to buying directly from the Fund's distributor. If you invest through a third party distributor, many of the policies, options and fees charged for the transaction may be different. You should contact them directly for information regarding how to invest or redeem through them. You'll find all the necessary application materials included in the packet accompanying this Prospectus or you may download an investment kit by accessing our website at www.sheltoncap.com. Additional paperwork may be required for corporations, associations, and certain other fiduciaries. The minimum initial investments and subsequent investments

for the Fund are as follows:

	Minimum Initial Investment	Minimum Subsequent Investment
Accounts with Automatic Investment Plan ("AIP"	)\$X	\$X
All other accounts	\$X	\$X

The Fund's distributor may change the minimum investment amounts at any time or waive them at its discretion. To protect against fraud, it is the policy of the Fund not to accept unknown third party checks for the purposes of opening new accounts or purchasing additional shares. If you have any questions concerning the application materials, wire transfers, our yields and net asset values, or our investment policies and objectives, please call us, toll-free at (800) 955-9988.

Buying and Selling Shares You can open an account online or by downloading an application from our website at www.sheltoncap.com and mailing the completed form to us. For questions, call us at (800) 955-9988. Keep in mind the following important policies:

- •The Fund may take up to seven business days to pay redemption proceeds.
- If your shares were recently purchased by check, the Fund will not release your redemption proceeds until payment of the check can be verified which may take up to 15 days.
- ·Exchange purchases must meet the minimum investment amounts of the Fund you are purchasing.
- ·You must obtain and read the Prospectus for the Fund you are buying prior to making the exchange.
- If you have not selected the convenient exchange privileges on your original account application, you must provide a medallion signature guaranteed letter of instruction to the Fund, directing any changes in your account.
- •The Fund may refuse any purchase or exchange purchase transaction for any reason.
- •Each signature on a request for redemption or account change must be medallion signature guaranteed separately. All share activity is subject to federal and state rules and regulations. These are in place to prevent, among other things, money laundering and other illegal movements of money.

How to Buy Shares Make your check payable to the name of the Fund and mail it with the application to the transfer agent of the Fund, Gemini Fund Services, LLC, at the address indicated below. Please note the minimum initial investments previously listed.

Shelton Real Asset Fund c/o Gemini Fund Services, LLC 17605 Wright Street Omaha, NE 68130

You may also forward your check (and application, for new accounts) to the Fund's offices, which will in turn forward your check (and application, for new accounts) on your behalf to the Fund's agent for processing. You will receive the share price next determined after your check has been received by the agent. Please note that this means that the shares will be purchased at the next calculated price after receipt by the agent, which is typically the next business day following receipt at the Fund's offices. The Fund's office is located at the following address:

Shelton Real Asset Fund 1050 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1710 Denver, CO 80265

You also may buy shares of the Fund through selected securities brokers. Your broker is responsible for the transmission of your order to Gemini Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's transfer agent, which [may charge you a fee]. You will generally receive the share price next determined after your order is placed with your broker, in accordance with your broker's agreed upon procedures with the Fund. Your broker can advise you of specific details. The Fund does not consider the U.S. Postal Service or other independent delivery services to be their agents. Therefore, deposit in the mail or with such delivery services does not constitute receipt by the Fund's transfer agent or the Fund.

Purchasing by Exchange You may purchase shares in the Fund by exchanging shares from an account in one of our other funds. Such exchanges must meet the minimum amounts required for initial or subsequent investments. When opening an account by exchanging shares, your new account must be established with the same registration and an exchange authorization must be in effect. If you have an existing account with us and an exchange authorization in effect, call (800) 955-9988 during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time) to exchange shares. You may also exchange shares by accessing our website at www.sheltoncap.com. You must complete the online access agreement in order to access your account online. Each exchange actually represents the sale of shares of one Fund and the purchase of shares in another, which may produce a gain or loss for tax purposes. All transactions are processed at the share price next calculated after receiving the instructions in good form (as defined below), normally at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (1:00 p.m. Pacific Time).

Wire Instructions For wiring money to your account, you can obtain specific instructions by calling (800) 955-9988. In order to make your order effective, we must have your order in good form. "Good form" means that the Fund's transfer agent has all the information and documentation it deems necessary to affect your order. Please note a Fund and its Manager reserve the right to reject any purchase. Your purchase will be processed at the net asset value next calculated after your order has been received by the Fund's agent. You will begin to earn dividends as of the first business day following the day of your purchase. All your purchases must be made in U.S. dollars and checks must be drawn on banks located in the U.S. We reserve the right to limit the number of investment checks processed at one time. If a check does not clear, we will cancel your purchase. You will be liable for any losses and fees incurred in connection with a check that does not clear for any reason, including insufficient funds. When you purchase by check, redemption proceeds will not be sent until we are satisfied that the investment has been collected (confirmation of clearance may take up to 15 days). You can wire federal funds from your bank or broker, which may charge you a fee.

Purchasing Additional Shares Make your check payable to the name of the Fund in which you are investing, write your account number on the check, and mail your check with your confirmation stub to the address printed on your account statement. There is a \$100 minimum for subsequent investments. After setting up your online account, you may obtain a history of transactions for your account(s) by accessing our website at www.sheltoncap.com.

Automatic Investment Plan Using the Fund's AIP, you may arrange to make additional purchases automatically by electronic funds transfer ("EFT") from your checking or savings account. Your bank must be a member of the Automated Clearing House. You can terminate the program with ten days written notice. There is no fee to participate in this program, however, a service fee of \$25.00 will be deducted from your account for any AIP purchase that does not clear due to insufficient funds, or if prior to notifying the Fund in writing or by telephone to terminate the plan, you close your bank account or take other action in any manner that prevents withdrawal of the funds from the designated checking or savings account. Investors may obtain more information concerning this program, including the application form, from the Fund. The share price of the Fund is subject to fluctuations. Before undertaking any plan for systematic investment, you should keep in mind that such a program does not assure a profit or protect against a loss. We reserve the right to suspend the offering of shares of the Fund for a period of time and to reject any specific purchase order in whole or in part. The Fund does not send individual transaction confirmations to individuals participating in an automatic investment plan. You will receive a quarterly statement of all transactions occurring during the most recent calendar quarter.

Performance Information All performance information published in advertisements, sales literature and communications to investors, including various expressions of current yield, effective yield, tax equivalent yield, total return and distribution rate, is calculated and presented in accordance with the rules prescribed by the SEC. In each case, performance information will be based on past performance and will reflect all recurring charges against Fund income. Performance information is based on historical data and does not indicate the future performance of the Fund.

How to Sell Shares You may redeem all or a portion of your shares on any day that the Fund is open for business. Your shares will be redeemed at the net asset value next calculated, less any applicable redemption fee, after we have received your redemption request in good form. Good form requires that we have clear, actionable instructions that are properly executed by authorized signers on the account. In cases where the transaction requires a medallion signature guarantee, this will be required to meet the good form standard. Remember that the Fund may hold redemption proceeds until we are satisfied that we have collected the funds which were deposited by check. To avoid these possible delays, which could be up to 15 days, you should consider making your investment by wire, following the instructions as described in the section titled "Wire Instructions" in this prospectus.

By Mail If you have not elected telephone redemption or transfer privileges, you must send a "medallion signature-guaranteed letter of instruction". The letter of instruction must specify (i) the name of the Fund, (ii) the number of shares to be sold, (iii) your name, and (iv) your account number to the Fund's offices. If you have additional questions, please contact us at (800) 955-9988. The Fund's Transfer Agent requires that each individual's signature appearing on a redemption request be guaranteed by an eligible signature guarantor such as a commercial bank, broker-dealer, credit union, securities exchange or association, clearing agency or savings association. This policy is designed to protect shareholders who do not elect telephone privileges on their accounts.

By Exchange You must meet the minimum investment requirement of the Fund into which you are exchanging. You can only exchange between accounts with identical registrations. Same day exchanges are accepted until market close, normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time (1:00 p.m. PST).

By Wire You must have applied for the wire feature on your account. We will notify you when this feature is active and you may then make wire redemptions by calling us before 4:00 p.m. Eastern time (1:00 p.m., PST). This means your money will be wired to your bank the next business day.

By Electronic Funds Transfer You must have applied for the EFT withdrawal feature on your account. Typically, money sent by EFT will be sent to your bank within three days after the sales of your securities. There is no fee for this service.

Online You can sell shares in a regular account by accessing our website at www.sheltoncap.com. You may not buy or sell shares in a retirement account using our online feature.

By Telephone You must have this feature set up in advance on your account. Call the Fund at (800) 955-9988. Give the name of the Fund, the exact name in which your account is registered, your account number, the required identification information and the number of shares or dollar amount that you wish to redeem. Unless you submit an account application that indicates that you have declined telephone and/or online exchange privileges, you agree, by signing your account application, to authorize and direct the Fund to accept and act upon telephone, on-line, telex, fax, or telegraph instructions for exchanges involving your account or any other account with the same registration. The Fund employs reasonable procedures in an effort to confirm the authenticity of your instructions, such as requiring a seller to give a special authorization number or password. Provided these procedures are followed, you further agree that neither the Fund nor the Fund's agent will be responsible for any loss, damage, cost or expense arising out of any instructions received for an account. You should realize that by electing the telephone exchange or the online access options, you may be giving up a measure of security that you might otherwise have if you were to exchange your shares in writing. For reasons involving the security of your account, telephone transactions may be tape recorded.

Systematic Withdrawal Plan If you own shares of the Fund with a value of \$10,000 or more, you may establish a Systematic Withdrawal Plan. You may receive monthly or quarterly payments in amounts of not less than \$100 per payment. Details of this plan may be obtained by calling the Fund at (800) 955-9988. The Fund does not send transaction confirmations to individuals participating in a systematic withdrawal option. You will receive a quarterly statement of all transactions occurring during the most recent calendar quarter.

Other Redemption Policies The Fund applies a redemption fee of 2% to shares purchased and held 90 days or less from the date of purchase. The Fund has committed itself to pay in cash all requests for redemption by any shareholder of record, limited in amount, however, during any 90-day period to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the value of the Fund's net assets at the beginning of such period. Such commitment is irrevocable without the prior approval of the SEC. In the case of requests for redemption in excess of such amounts, the Advisor, subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees, reserves the right to make payments in whole or in part in securities or other assets of the Fund from which the shareholder is redeeming in case of an emergency, or if the payment of such a redemption in cash would be detrimental to the existing shareholders of the Fund. In such circumstances, the securities distributed would be valued at the price used to compute the Fund's net asset value. Should the Fund do so, a shareholder would likely incur transaction fees in converting the securities to cash. Retirement Plan shareholders should complete a Rollover Distribution Election Form in order to sell shares of the Fund so that the sale is treated properly for tax purposes. Once your shares are redeemed, we will normally mail you the proceeds on the next business day, but no later than within seven business days. When the markets are closed (or when trading is restricted) for any reason other than its customary weekend or holiday closing, or under any emergency circumstances as determined by the SEC to merit such action, we may suspend redemption or postpone payment dates. If you want to keep your account(s) open, please be sure that the value of your account does not fall below \$1,000 because of redemptions. The Advisor may elect to close an account and mail you the proceeds to the address of record. We will give you 30 days written notice that your account(s) will be closed unless you make an investment to increase your account balance(s) to the \$1,000 minimum. If you close your account, any accrued dividends will be paid as part of your redemption proceeds. The share price of the Fund will fluctuate and you may receive more or less than your original investment when you redeem your shares.

The Fund and The Manager Reserve Certain Rights, Including the Following:

- To automatically redeem your shares if your account balance falls below the minimum balance due to the sale of shares.
- ·To modify or terminate the exchange privilege on 60-days written notice.
- ·To refuse any purchase or exchange purchase order.
- ·To change or waive the Fund's minimum investment amount.
- To suspend the right to redeem shares, and delay sending proceeds, during times when trading on the principal markets for the Fund are restricted or halted, or otherwise as permitted by the SEC.
- •To withdraw or suspend any part of the offering made by this Prospectus.
- ·To automatically redeem your shares if you fail to provide all required enrollment information and documentation.

#### Tax Status, Dividends and Distributions

Dividends and Distributions: Income dividends are derived from net investment income (i.e., interest and other income, less any related expenses) the Fund earns from its portfolio securities and other investments. Capital gain distributions are derived from gains realized when the Fund sells a portfolio security. Long-term capital gains are derived from gains realized when the Fund sells a portfolio security it has owned for more than one year, and short-term capital gains are derived from gains realized when a portfolio security was owned for one year or less.

The Fund intends to distribute substantially all of its net investment income quarterly and net capital gains annually in December. Both types of distributions will be reinvested in shares of the respective Fund unless you elect to receive cash.

Taxes: The following information is a general summary for U.S. taxpayers. You should rely on your own tax advisor for advice about the particular federal, state and local tax consequences regarding your investment in the Funds. Each Fund will distribute substantially all of its income and capital gains to its shareholders every year. In turn, shareholders will be taxed on distributions they receive, unless the shares are held by certain types of tax-exempt organizations or through tax-advantaged accounts (such as 401(k) plan accounts or individual retirement accounts).

A shareholder subject to U.S. federal income tax will be subject to tax on Fund income dividends and capital gain distributions whether they are paid in cash or reinvested in additional Fund shares. For federal income tax purposes, Fund distributions will be taxable to the shareholder as either ordinary income or capital gains. Such dividends and distributions also may be subject to state or local taxes

Income Dividends and Capital Gains: Fund income dividends (e.g., distributions of investment income) are generally taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. Federal taxes on Fund distributions of capital gains are determined by how long a Fund owned the investments that generated the gains, rather than how long a shareholder has owned the shares. Distributions of gains from investments that a Fund owned for more than one year generally will be taxable to shareholders as long-term capital gains. Distributions of gains from investments that a Fund owned for one year or less are short-term capital gains and generally will be taxable as ordinary income.

The Funds may be subject to foreign taxes or foreign tax withholding on dividends, interest and certain capital gains earned from their foreign security investments. You may qualify for an offsetting tax credit or tax deduction under U.S. tax laws for any amount designated as your portion of a Fund's foreign tax obligations, provided that you meet certain requirements. See your tax advisor for further information.

Fund dividends and distributions are taxable to a shareholder even if they are paid from income or gains earned by a Fund prior to the shareholder's investment and thus were included in the price paid for the shares. For example, a shareholder who purchases shares on or just before the record date of the Fund distribution will pay full price for the shares and may receive a portion of his or her investment back as a taxable distribution. While in effect a return of capital to you, the distribution is still taxable even though you did not participate in these gains. You can avoid this, if you choose, by investing soon after a Fund has made a distribution.

Non-U.S. Persons: Non-U.S. persons that are considering the purchase of Fund shares should consult with their own tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, foreign, state and local tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the shares.

Annual Notifications: Each year, the Funds will notify shareholders of the tax status of dividends and distributions. For more information, see the SAI under "TAX STATUS."

Cash Distributions Unless you otherwise indicate on the account application, we will reinvest all dividends and capital gains distributions back into your account. You may indicate on the application that you wish to receive either income dividends or capital gains distributions in cash. EFT is available to those investors who would like their dividends electronically transferred to their bank accounts. For those investors who do not request this feature, dividend checks will be mailed via regular mail. If you elect to receive distributions by mail and the U.S. Postal Service cannot deliver your checks or if the checks remain uncashed for six months or more, we will void such checks and reinvest your money in your account at the then current net asset value and reinvest your subsequent distributions.

Statements and Reports Shareholders of the Fund will receive statements at least quarterly and after every transaction that affects their share balance and/or account registration. A statement with tax information will be mailed to you by January 31 of each year, a copy of which will be filed with the IRS if it reflects any taxable distributions. Twice a year you will receive our financial statements, at least one of which will be audited. The account statements you receive will show the total number of shares you own and a current market value. You may rely on these statements in lieu of share certificates which are not necessary and are not issued. You should keep your statements to assist in record keeping and tax calculations. We pay for regular reporting services, but not for special services, such as a request for an historical transcript of an account. You may be required to pay a separate fee for these special services. After setting up your online account, you may also obtain a transaction history for your account(s) by accessing our website at www.sheltoncap.com.

Consolidated Mailings Consolidated statements offer convenience to investors by summarizing account information and reducing unnecessary mail. We send these statements to all shareholders, unless shareholders specifically request otherwise. These statements include a summary of all funds held by each shareholder as identified by the first line of registration, social security number and zip code.

Householding To reduce expenses, the Fund mails only one copy of the prospectus and each annual and semi-annual report to those addresses shared by two or more accounts. If you wish to receive individual copies of these documents, please call the Fund at 1-800-955-9988 on days the Fund is open for business or contact your financial institution. The Fund will begin sending you individual copies on all future mailings.

Dividends & Taxes Any investment in the Fund typically involves several tax considerations. The information below is meant as a general summary for U.S. citizens and residents. Because your situation may be different, it is important that you consult your tax advisor about the tax implications of your investment the Fund. As a shareholder, you are entitled to your share of the dividends the Fund earns. The Fund distributes substantially all of its dividends quarterly. Shareholders of record on the second to last business day of the quarter will receive the dividends. Capital gains are generally paid on the last day of November, to shareholders of record on the second to last business day of November of each year. At the beginning of each year, shareholders are provided with information detailing the tax status of any dividend the Fund has paid during the previous year. After every distribution, the value of the Fund's shares drops by the amount of the distribution. If you purchase shares of the Fund before the record date of a distribution and elect to have distributions paid to you in cash, you will pay the full price for the shares and then receive some portion of that price back in the form of a taxable distribution. This is sometimes referred to as buying a dividend.

Revenue Sharing The Advisor, out of its own resources, and without additional cost to the Fund or its shareholders, may provide additional cash payments or non-cash compensation to intermediaries who sell shares of the Fund. Such payments and compensation are in addition to any service fees paid by the Fund. These additional cash payments are

generally made to intermediaries that provide shareholder servicing, marketing support and/or access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the intermediary. Cash compensation may also be paid to intermediaries for inclusion of the Fund on sales list, including a preferred or select sales list, in other sales programs or as an expense reimbursement in cases where the intermediary provides shareholder services to Fund shareholders.

Identity Verification Procedures Notice The USA PATRIOT Act requires financial institutions, including mutual funds, to adopt certain policies and programs to prevent money-laundering activities, including procedures to verify the identity of customers opening new accounts. When completing the account application, you will be required to supply the Fund with information, such as your taxpayer identification number, that will assist the Fund in verifying your identity. Until such verification is made, the Fund may temporarily limit additional share purchases. In addition, the Fund may limit additional share purchases or close an account if it is unable to verify a customer's identity. As required by law, the Fund may employ various procedures, such as comparing the information to fraud databases or requesting additional information or documentation from you, to ensure that the information supplied by you is correct. Your information will be handled by us as discussed in our privacy statement below.

Electronic Delivery of Documents You may sign up for electronic statements online, or by calling Shareholder Services at (800) 955-9988. If you sign up over the telephone, a temporary password will be issued to you, and you must reset the password to secure and access your account.

#### **Privacy Statement**

Privacy Policy When you become a shareholder of Shelton Real Asset Fund, you entrust us not only with your hard-earned assets but also with your non-public personal and financial information ("Shareholder Information"). We consider your Shareholder Information to be private and confidential, and we hold ourselves to the highest standards of trust and fiduciary duty in their safekeeping and use.

## **Our Privacy Principles**

- · We do not sell client information.
- We do not provide client information to persons or organizations outside the Shelton Real Asset Fund who are doing business on our behalf (e.g., non-affiliated third parties), for their own marketing purposes.
- We afford prospective and former clients the same protections as existing clients with respect to the use of client information.

Information We May Collect We collect and use information we believe is necessary to administer our business, to advise you about our products and services, and to provide you with customer service. We may collect and maintain several types of client information needed for these purposes, such as:

- From you, (application and enrollment forms, transfer forms, distribution forms, checks, correspondence, or conversation), such as your address, telephone number, and social security number.
- ·From your transactions with our transfer agent, such as your transaction history, and account balance.
- ·From electronic sources, such as our website or e-mails.

How we use information about You The Fund will only use information about you and any other accounts to help us better serve your investment needs or to suggest services or educational materials that may be of interest to you.

Use of E-Mail Address If you have requested information regarding the Fund's products and services and supplied your e-mail address to us, we may occasionally send you follow-up communications or information on additional products or services. Additionally, registered shareholders can subscribe to the following e-mail services:

- ·Prospectus and Shareholder Reports Receive prospectuses and shareholder reports on line instead of by U.S. Mail. Paperless Statements Receive an e-mail with a link to our Web site informing you that our client statements are available on line to view, print or download.
- Tax Form Alerts Receive an e-mail in early January informing you if you will receive tax forms for your taxable Shelton mutual funds, including the approximate date they will be mailed.

We also include instructions and links for unsubscribing from e-mails. We do not sell e-mail addresses to anyone, although we may disclose e-mail addresses to third parties that perform administrative services for us. We may track receipt of e-mails to gauge the effectiveness of our communications.

Information Disclosure We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our shareholders or former shareholders to non-affiliated third parties without the shareholder's authorization. However, we may disclose Shareholder Information to persons or organizations inside or outside our family of funds, as permitted or required by law. For example, we will provide the information, as described above, to our transfer agent to process your requests or authorized transactions.

How We Protect Your Information We restrict access to your Shareholder Information to authorized persons who have a need for these records in order to provide products or services to you. We also maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards to guard Shareholder Information. To further protect your privacy, our website uses the highest levels of internet security, including data encryption, Secure Sockets Layer protocol, user names and

passwords, and other tools. As an added measure, we do not include personal or account information in non-secure e-mails that we send you via the Internet. For shareholders with Internet access, Shelton Real Asset Fund recommends that you do not provide your user name or password to anyone for any reason. In the event that you hold shares of one or more of our funds through a financial intermediary, including, but not limited to, a broker-dealer, bank, or trust company, the privacy policy of that financial intermediary would govern how your nonpublic personal information would be shared with non-affiliated third parties.

To Learn More This prospectus contains important information on the Fund and should be read and kept for future reference. You can also get more information from the following sources:

Annual and Semi-Annual Reports These are automatically mailed to all shareholders without charge. In the Fund's annual report, you will find a discussion of market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Fund's performance during its most recent fiscal year. The financial statements included in the Fund's annual report are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, making it a legal part of the prospectus.

Statement of Additional Information This includes more details about the Fund, including a detailed discussion of the risks associated with the various investments. The SAI is incorporated by reference into this prospectus, making it a legal part of the prospectus.

You may obtain a copy of these documents free of charge by calling the Fund at (800) 955-9988, by accessing the Fund's website at www.sheltoncap.com, or by emailing the Fund at info@sheltoncap.com, or by contacting the SEC at the address noted below or via e-mail at publicinfo@sec.gov. The SEC may charge you a duplication fee. You can also review these documents in person at the SEC's public reference room, or by visiting the SEC's internet site at www.sec.gov.

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The Fund is not a bank deposit and is not guaranteed, endorsed or insured by any financial institution or government entity such as the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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SHELTON XXXX TRUST

**PROSPECTUS** 

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SHELTON BDC INCOME FUND (XXXXX)

SHELTON GLOBAL REAL ESTATE INCOME FUND (XXXXX)

SHELTON REAL ESTATE INCOME FUND (XXXXX)

This Prospectus provides important information about the shares of the Shelton BDC Income Fund, the Shelton Global Real Estate Income Fund, and the Shelton Real Estate Income Fund (each, a "Fund," and collectively, the "Funds") that you should know before investing. Please read it carefully and keep it for future reference.

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") has not approved or disapproved these securities or determined if this Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The Funds are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed, endorsed, or insured by any financial institution or government entity, such as the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Some funds in this Prospectus may not be available in your State.

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#### SHELTON BDC INCOME FUND Ticker Symbol: XXXXX

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide a high level of income with the potential for capital appreciation.

#### Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund.

Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

**Annual Fund Operating Expenses** 

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

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Management Fees	x.xx%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	x.xx%
Other Expenses	x.xx%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	
(fees and expenses incurred directly by the Fund as a result of investment in shares of one or more Acquired Funds)	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	x.xx%
Expense Reimbursement <sup>(2)</sup>	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Expense Reimbursement	x.xx%

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies. The operating (1) expenses in this fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Fund's financial highlights because the financial statements include only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Fund.

Shelton Capital Management, the Fund's investment advisor (the "Advisor") has contractually agreed to waive a portion or all of its management fees and pay Fund expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, interest, taxes and extraordinary expenses) in order to limit the "Other Expenses" to x.xx% of average daily net assets of the Fund's shares (referred to in this Fund Summary as the "Expense Reimbursement"). The Expense Reimbursement

(2) will remain in effect through at least xx/xx/xxxx, and may be terminated before that date only by the Board of Trustees (also referred to herein as the "Board") of the Shelton XXXX Trust (the "Trust"). The Advisor may recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund pursuant to this agreement for three years from the date they were waived or paid. The Advisor's ability to recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses is subject to the Expense Reimbursement as in effect at the time such fees were waived or expenses were paid.

Example: This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then either redeem all of your shares or continue to own all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Assuming redemption at the end of the period \$X,XXX \$X,XX \$

Portfolio Turnover: The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes

when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. For the fiscal year ended XX/XX/XXXX, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was x% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund invests substantially all (and under normal market conditions, at least 80%) of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in common stocks and other equity securities of business development companies ("BDCs") that are traded on one or more nationally recognized securities exchanges. The equity securities in which the Fund may invest consist of:

- ·common stocks;
- ·securities convertible into common stocks; and
- ·preferred stocks.

In addition, although the Fund typically invests in equity securities, the Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in debt securities of BDCs and other issuers of any maturity, duration or credit rating.

BDCs are publicly-held, closed-end investment funds that are regulated by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). BDCs primarily lend to or invest in private or thinly-traded companies. They also offer managerial assistance to the companies in which they invest. BDCs must adhere to various substantive regulatory requirements under the 1940 Act. For example, the 1940 Act restricts the types of assets in which a BDC may invest (i.e., at least 70% of the BDC's total assets must be "qualifying assets," as defined in the 1940 Act). The 1940 Act also regulates how BDCs employ "leverage" (i.e., how BDCs use borrowed funds to make investments). Because the 1940 Act applies unique "coverage ratio" tests to BDCs, BDCs may incur more debt than other regulated closed-end investment companies. Specifically, on one hand, the total assets of a closed-end investment company (other than a BDC) must exceed the fund's outstanding debt by at least 300%. On the other hand, the total assets of a BDC must exceed the BDC's outstanding debt by only 200%, thereby allowing a BDC to employ more leverage than other regulated closed-end investment companies. Leverage magnifies the potential for gain and loss on amounts invested and, as a result, increases the risks associated with the securities of leveraged companies.

Under the supervision of the Advisor, BDCA Advisor, LLC, the Fund's investment sub-advisor (also referred to herein as "BDCA Advisor"), evaluates equity securities primarily on the BDC's or other issuer's ability to sustain its current dividend and secondarily considers the potential for capital appreciation. BDCA Advisor intends to allocate the Fund's assets among BDCs that, in its view, are paying attractive rates of distribution and appear capable of sustaining that distribution level over time. BDCA Advisor incorporates into its assessment, among other factors, dividend yield, price to book, financial operations, portfolio of investments and management quality. BDCA Advisor will also consider the amount of leverage employed by a BDC or other issuer before deciding to invest in its securities. In selecting securities for investment, BDCA Advisor generally seeks to invest in securities with relatively high distribution rates, and that it believes will continue to pay distributions at those rates for the foreseeable future. Distributions from such securities may consist of income, capital gains and/or return of capital and cannot be guaranteed to continue.

When selecting securities for the Fund, BDCA Advisor may utilize fundamental, technical and other related methodologies to determine the intrinsic value of a security. BDCA Advisor expects that it will sell a security if, in the judgment of the portfolio manager, the security's income potential has been compromised, an issuer's fundamentals have deteriorated or may deteriorate or a more attractive investment opportunity is identified.

The Fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities.

Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

An investment in the Fund's shares is subject to various risks, including the risk that you may receive little or no return on your investment or you may lose all or part of it. By itself, the Fund does not constitute a balanced investment program. Before investing in the Fund, you should consider carefully the following risks.

Market Risk. An investment in the Fund is generally subject to market risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. An investment in the Fund represents an indirect investment in the securities owned by the Fund. Like all financial instruments, the value of these securities may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The value of your investment in the Fund at any point in time may be worth less than the value of your original investment, even after taking into account any reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

BDC Risk. The Fund primarily invests in securities issued by publicly-traded BDCs. As a result, the Fund's portfolio will be significantly affected by the performance of the BDCs in which the Fund invests and the performance of such BDCs' portfolio companies, as well as the overall economic environment. The Fund may be exposed to greater risk and experience higher volatility than would a portfolio that was not focused on investing in BDCs.

BDCs primarily invest in privately-held and thinly-traded companies. These types of portfolio companies are generally considered to be below investment grade, and the debt securities of those companies, in turn, are often referred to as "high-yield" or "junk." The revenues, income (or losses) and valuations of these companies can, and often do, fluctuate suddenly and dramatically, and they face considerable risk of loss. In addition, the fair value of a BDC's investments in privately-held or thinly-traded companies often is not readily determinable. Although each BDC's board of directors is responsible for determining the fair value of these securities, the uncertainty regarding fair value may adversely affect the determination of the BDC's net asset value ("NAV"). This could cause the Fund's investments in a BDC to be inaccurately valued.

BDCs often borrow funds to make investments and, as a result, are exposed to the risks of leverage. Leverage magnifies the potential loss on amounts invested and therefore increases the risks associated with an investment in a leveraged BDC's securities. Leverage is generally considered a speculative investment technique. Moreover, BDCs' management fees, which are generally higher than the management fees charged to other funds, are normally payable on gross assets, including those assets acquired through the use of leverage. This may give a BDC's investment advisor a financial incentive to incur leverage.

Investment in Other Investment Companies Risk. The Fund's investment in other investment companies, including BDCs, may subject the Fund indirectly to the underlying risks of those investment companies. The Fund also will bear its share of each underlying investment company's fees and expenses, which are in addition to the Fund's own fees and expenses. Shares of an investment company may trade at prices that reflect a premium above or a discount below NAV, and such premium or discount may be substantial. If an investment company's shares are purchased at a premium to NAV, the premium may not exist when those shares are sold, and the Fund could incur a loss.

BDCs, like other investment companies, are often parties to contractual agreements under which a BDC's investment advisor or another third-party agrees to waive fees or pay a portion of the BDC's expenses. Once the contract terminates or ends, the BDC's expenses may increase and, as a result, the acquired fund fees and expenses paid by the Fund's shareholders may increase as well. Further, the acquired fund fees and expenses paid by the Fund's shareholders may increase further if the BDC's investment advisor or another third-party seeks to recoup any previously waived fees or paid expenses.

Medium- and Small-Capitalization Company Risk. BDCs primarily invest in U.S. middle-market companies, which may be considered medium- or small-capitalization companies. Medium- and small-capitalization companies may be newly formed or have limited product lines, distribution channels or financial or managerial resources. The risks associated with these investments are generally greater than those associated with investments in the securities of larger, more-established companies. Investments and medium- and small capitalization companies may cause a BDC's NAV to be more volatile compared to investment companies that focus only on large-capitalization companies. Generally, securities of medium- and small-capitalization companies are more likely to experience sharper swings in market values or less liquid markets, in which it may be more difficult to sell at favorable times and at favorable prices.

Common Stock Risk. While common stock has historically generated higher average returns than debt securities, common stock has also experienced significantly more volatility in those returns. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of common stock held by the Fund. Also, the price of common stock is sensitive to general movements in the stock market. A drop in the stock market may depress the price of common stock held by the Fund.

Preferred Stock Risk. There are various risks associated with investing in preferred stock, including credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, deferral and omission of distributions, subordination to bonds and other debt securities in a company's capital structure, limited liquidity, limited voting rights and special redemption rights.

Debt Securities Risk. When the Fund invests in debt securities, the value of the Fund's investment will fluctuate with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in interest rates causes a decline in the value of debt securities. In general, the market price of debt securities with longer maturities will increase or decrease more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. Other risk factors include credit risk (the debtor may default) and prepayment risk (the debtor may pay its obligation early, reducing the amount of interest payments). These risks could affect the value of a particular investment, possibly causing the Fund's share price and total return to be reduced and fluctuate more than other types of investments.

Convertible Securities Risk. Investments in convertible securities generally entail less risk than investments in an issuer's common stock because convertible securities rank senior to common stock in an issuer's capital structure. The extent to which such risk is reduced depends in large part upon the degree to which the convertible security sells above its value as a fixed-income security. Convertible securities are subordinate in rank to any senior debt obligations of an issuer, and, therefore, entail more risk than the issuer's debt obligations. Convertible securities generally offer lower interest than non-convertible debt securities of similar credit quality due to the potential for capital appreciation and are often lower-rated securities.

High-Yield ("Junk") Bond Risk. The portfolio companies in which BDCs invest are generally considered to be below investment grade, and the debt securities of those companies, in turn, are often referred to as "high-yield" or "junk." These bonds involve a greater risk of default or price change due to changes in the issuer's credit quality. The values of these bonds fluctuate more than those of high-quality bonds in response to company, political, regulatory or economic developments. Values of high-yield or junk bonds can decline significantly over short periods of time. In addition, debt securities issued by a BDC may also be considered to be non-investment grade or junk.

Credit Risk. There is a risk that debt issuers will not make payments on the debt securities in which the Fund has invested, resulting in losses to the Fund. In addition, the credit quality of securities may be lowered if an issuer's financial condition changes. Lower credit quality may lead to greater volatility in the price of a security and in shares of the Fund. Lower credit quality also may affect liquidity and make it difficult to sell the security. Default, or the market's perception that an issuer is likely to default, could reduce the value and liquidity of securities, thereby reducing the value of your investment in Fund shares. In addition, default may cause the Fund to incur expenses in seeking recovery of principal or interest on its portfolio holdings.

Credit Risk of Underlying Investments. The Fund is indirectly exposed to the credit risk associated with the debt investments of the BDCs in which the Fund invests. BDCs invest in small companies in the initial stages of development. The types of portfolio companies in which BDCs invest are generally considered to be below investment grade, and the debt securities of those companies, in turn, are often referred to as "high-yield" or "junk." There is an increased risk that such a portfolio company will fail to make payments on its debts as compared to more developed companies. If a portfolio company fails to make payments to a BDC, the BDC's performance could be negatively affected and, to the extent that the Fund invests in the BDC, the value of the Fund's investment in the BDC may be negatively affected as well.

Liquidity Risk. A security is considered to be illiquid if the Fund is unable to sell such security within seven days at the price at which the Fund values the security. A security may be deemed illiquid due to a lack of trading volume in the security or if the security is privately placed and not traded in any public market or is otherwise restricted from trading. The Fund may be unable to sell illiquid securities at the time or price it desires and could lose its entire investment in such securities. Further, certain restricted securities require special registration, liabilities and costs, and could be more difficult to value.

Non-Diversification Risk. The Fund is classified as a non-diversified management investment company under the 1940 Act. This means that the Fund may invest a greater portion of its assets in a limited number of issuers than would be the case if the Fund were classified as a diversified management investment company. The value of a specific security can perform differently from the market as a whole for reasons related to the issuer, such as operational performance, financial leverage and investment-level performance. The value of the Fund may decrease in response to the activities and financial prospects of an individual security in the Fund's portfolio. Additionally, the Fund may be subject to greater risk, because the Fund's performance may be more sensitive to any single economic, business, political or regulatory occurrence than the value of shares of a diversified investment company.

Management Risk. The NAV of the Fund changes daily based on the performance of the securities in which it invests. BDCA Advisor's judgments about the attractiveness, value and potential appreciation of securities issued by a BDC or other investment company may prove to be incorrect and may not produce the desired results.

Large Shareholder Risk. To the extent that shares of the Fund are held by large shareholders, the Fund is subject to the risk that these shareholders will redeem Fund shares in large amounts. These transactions could adversely affect the Fund if it is forced to sell portfolio securities to raise the cash that is necessary to satisfy shareholder redemption requests. This risk is particularly pronounced when one shareholder owns a substantial portion of the Fund.

Limited Operating History. The Fund has a limited history of operations for investors to evaluate. The Fund's performance during its initial period of operations may not be replicated over longer periods and is not indicative of

how the Fund will perform in the future.

#### **Fund Performance**

No performance information is presented because the Fund has less than a full calendar year of investment operations. Performance information gives investors some indication of the risk of an investment in the Fund by comparing the Fund's performance with a broad measure of market performance. Updated performance information will be available at the Fund's website, www.sheltoncap.com. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future.

#### Management

Advisor. Shelton Capital Management is the Fund's investment advisor.

Sub-Advisor. BDCA Advisor, LLC is the Fund's investment sub-advisor.

Portfolio Manager. John Smith, the lead portfolio manager of XX Advisor, has primary portfolio management responsibilities for the Fund. Mr. Smith has served as the portfolio manager of the Fund since the Fund commenced operations in XX/XX/XXXX.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares, Tax Information and Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

For important information about purchase and sale of Fund shares, tax information and financial intermediary compensation, please turn to "Summary of Other Important Fund Information" on page XX.

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#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide a current income with the potential for capital appreciation.

#### Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund.

Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

**Annual Fund Operating Expenses** 

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)	
Management Fees	x.xx%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	x.xx%
Other Expenses	x.xx%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	
(fees and expenses incurred directly by the Fund as a result of investment in shares of one or more Acquired Funds)	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	x.xx%
Expense Reimbursement <sup>(2)</sup>	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Expense Reimbursement	x.xx%

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies. The operating (1) expenses in this fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Fund's financial highlights because the financial statements include only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Fund.

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(2) will remain in effect through at least xx/xx/xxxx, and may be terminated before that date only by the Board of Trustees (also referred to herein as the "Board") of the Shelton XXXX Trust (the "Trust"). The Advisor may recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund pursuant to this agreement for three years from the date they were waived or paid. The Advisor's ability to recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses is subject to the Expense Reimbursement as in effect at the time such fees were waived or expenses were paid.

Example: This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then either redeem all of your shares or continue to own all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

1 Year 3 Years 5 Years 10 Years Assuming redemption at the end of the period \$X,XXX \$X,XXX \$X,XXX \$X,XXX Assuming no redemption at the end of the period \$X.XXX \$X.XXX \$X.XXX \$X.XXX

Portfolio Turnover: The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes

when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. For the fiscal year ended XX/XX/XXXX, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was x% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund concentrates its investments in securities of issuers in the real estate industry (also referred to herein as "real estate securities"), including securities issued by real estate investments trusts ("REITs") and REIT-like entities. The Fund invests substantially all (and under normal market conditions, at least 80%) of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in income producing real estate securities. The Advisor evaluates securities based primarily on the relative attractiveness of income and secondarily considers the potential for capital appreciation. The Advisor considers real estate securities to be securities issued by a company that (a) derives at least 50% of its revenues from the ownership, construction, financing, management or sale of commercial, industrial or residential real estate, or (b) has at least 50% of its assets invested in such real estate. The Advisor plans to sell a security if, in the judgment of the portfolio managers, the security's income potential has been compromised, an issuer's fundamentals have deteriorated or may deteriorate or a more attractive investment opportunity is identified.

The Fund invests in both equity and debt securities, and invests to a substantial degree in securities issued by REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that own interests in real estate, real-estate related loans or similar interests, and their revenue primarily consists of rent derived from owned, income-producing real estate properties and capital gains from the sale of such properties. A majority of the REITs in which the Fund invests are generally considered by the Advisor to be medium- or small-capitalization companies. The Fund will not invest in non-traded REITs that are sponsored, managed or distributed by affiliates of the Advisor.

Equity securities in which the Fund may invest include common and preferred stocks, convertible securities, rights and warrants to purchase common stock and depositary receipts. Although the Advisor anticipates that the Fund will invest a substantial portion of its assets in equity securities, the Fund may invest up to 100% of its net assets in debt securities of any maturity, duration or credit rating. Debt securities in which the Fund may invest include corporate debt obligations and commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS"). Debt securities acquired by the Fund may also include high-yield debt securities (commonly referred to as "junk" bonds) issued or guaranteed by real estate companies or other companies. The Fund invests in securities across all market capitalization ranges.

The Fund invests significantly in foreign securities. The Fund invests (at least 40% of its net assets) in real estate securities of companies that are organized or located outside of the U.S. and that principally invest in non-U.S. markets. If the Advisor deems market conditions to be unfavorable, the Fund will invest at least 30% of its net assets in such non-U.S. companies. The Fund considers a company that derives at least 50% of its revenue from investments outside the U.S. or that has at least 50% of its assets invested outside of the U.S. as principally invested in non-U.S. markets.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund expects to have investments across different countries and regions, but in no less than three different countries, including the U.S. The non-U.S. companies in which the Fund invests may include those located or invested in emerging markets. Emerging markets are typically in countries that are in the process of industrialization and have lower gross national products than more developed countries. The Fund is not limited in the extent to which it may invest in companies located or invested in emerging markets.

The Advisor expects that a portion of the Fund's investments in non-U.S. companies will be in the form of American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs"). An ADR is a negotiable certificate that evidences an ownership interest in American Depositary Shares, which, in turn, represent an interest in the shares of a non-U.S. company that has been deposited with a U.S. bank. ADRs trade in U.S. dollars and clear through U.S. settlement systems. The ADRs in which the Fund invests are listed on a U.S. stock exchange or traded over-the-counter in the U.S. The Fund may invest in "sponsored" and "unsponsored" ADRs. Sponsored ADRs are those in which the non-U.S. company enters into an agreement directly with the U.S. depositary bank to arrange for recordkeeping, forwarding of shareholder communications, payment of dividends and other services. An unsponsored ADR is setup without the cooperation of the non-U.S. company, and may be initiated by a broker-dealer wishing to establish a U.S. trading market.

To manage the Fund's currency exposures stemming from its investments in foreign securities, the Fund may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to gain or hedge currency exposure or control risk.

The Fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities.

Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

Investing in the Fund is subject to various risks, including the risk that you may receive little or no return on your investment, or you may lose all or part of it. By itself, the Fund does not constitute a balanced investment program. Before investing in the Fund you should consider carefully the following risks.

Real Estate Industry Concentration Risk. The Fund concentrates its investments in real estate securities. As a result, the Fund's portfolio is significantly impacted by the performance of the real estate market generally, and the Fund may

be exposed to greater risk and experience higher volatility than would a more diversified portfolio. In particular, the value of the Fund's shares will be impacted by factors generally affecting the value of real estate and the earnings of companies engaged in the real estate industry. Property values may fall due to increasing vacancies or declining rents resulting from economic, legal, cultural or technological developments. Real estate company prices also may drop because of the failure of borrowers to pay their loans or poor management, and residential developers, in particular, could be negatively impacted by falling home prices, slower mortgage origination and rising construction costs.

REIT Risk. In addition to the general risks associated with investments in the real estate industry discussed above, investing in REITs will subject the Fund to various risks. REITs are dependent upon management skills, may not be diversified and are subject to the risks of financing projects. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers and self-liquidation. Changes in interest rates may make REIT shares less attractive than other income-producing investments. REITs could possibly fail to qualify for pass-through of income under applicable tax law. The market value of REIT shares, and the ability of REITs to distribute income, may be adversely affected by numerous factors, including, among others: rising interest rates, real estate taxes and costs; adverse changes in government regulation; changes in the national, state or local economic climates and real estate markets; and other factors beyond the control of REITs.Purchasing affiliated REITs may present certain actual or potential conflicts of interest. For example, the Fund may come into possession of material non-public information regarding affiliated REITs. The Fund is prohibited by legal and regulatory constraints, and internal policies and procedures, from using such inside information in trading. As a result, the Fund may be unable to buy or sell an affiliated REIT's securities at opportune times or prices.

Foreign Securities Risk. Investments in foreign securities may be adversely affected by changes in currency exchange rates; decreased liquidity; increased volatility; economic, political and social developments; difficulty in enforcing obligations; and the imposition of foreign withholding taxes on income payable on the foreign securities. In addition, there may be less publicly-available information about foreign issuers than domestic issuers, and foreign issuers may not be subject to the same accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements as domestic issuers. The risks associated with foreign securities can be expected to be greater for investments in emerging markets.

Depositary Receipts Risk. Depositary receipts involve many of the same risks as those associated with direct investments in foreign securities. A depositary receipt may be less liquid than the underlying security in its primary trading market. Holders of depositary receipts may receive limited or no shareholder communications, and may have limited or no voting rights. Investment restrictions in certain countries may adversely impact the value of depositary receipts and may cause securities of the underlying issuer to trade at a discount or premium to the market price of the depositary receipts. Depositary receipts may be purchased through "sponsored" or "unsponsored" facilities. Holders of unsponsored depositary receipts generally bear all costs of such depositary receipts, and the depositary is frequently under no obligation to distribute shareholder communications provided by the underlying issuer or to pass through voting rights.

Emerging Markets Securities Risk. Securities of companies located or invested in emerging markets may be more volatile than the securities of domestic issuers or the securities of foreign issuers located or invested in developed markets. The countries in which emerging markets are located often have less mature economies and government institutions. The economies of emerging markets are often heavily dependent on international trade, which may cause them to be adversely affected by trade barriers, foreign exchange controls and other protectionist measures implemented by foreign governments. Investments in emerging markets may be adversely affected by economic, political and social unrest, and are exposed to special risks, including expropriation, nationalization, confiscation, repatriation of invested capital, the imposition of investment restrictions and the lack of hedging positions. The securities and real estate markets of some emerging market countries have experienced substantial market disruptions and may do so in the future.

Currency Risk. Even though the Fund principally invests in non-U.S. markets, the Fund's NAV is determined in U.S. dollars. As a result, the Fund's NAV could decline if the currency of a non-U.S. market in which the Fund invests depreciates against the U.S. dollar and the Fund's attempt to hedge currency exposure is unsuccessful. In addition, an increase in the value of the U.S. dollar against a foreign currency will reduce the value of a security denominated in that foreign currency, thereby decreasing the Fund's NAV. Fluctuations in the exchange rates of currencies could affect a geographic region in which the Fund invests, causing an adverse impact on the Fund's investments.

Currency Hedging Risk. While hedging can reduce or eliminate losses, it can also reduce or eliminate gains. Hedges are sometimes subject to imperfect matching between the derivative used to hedge currency risk and its reference

asset, and there can be no assurance that the Fund's hedging transactions will be effective. Foreign currency forward contracts do not eliminate movements in the value of non-U.S. currencies and securities but rather allow the Fund to establish a fixed rate of exchange for a future point in time. Exchange rates may be volatile and may change quickly and unpredictably. In addition, the Fund's currency exposure may not be fully-hedged at all times. The Fund may not be able to structure its hedging transactions as anticipated or its hedging transactions may not successfully reduce the currency risk included in the Fund's portfolio.

Market Risk. An investment in the Fund is generally subject to market risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. An investment in the Fund represents an indirect investment in the securities owned by the Fund. Like all financial instruments, the value of these securities may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The value of your investment in the Fund at any point in time may be worth less than the value of your original investment, even after taking into account any reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Medium- and Small-Capitalization Company Risk. Many issuers of real estate securities are medium- or small-capitalization companies, many of which may be newly formed or have limited financial or managerial resources. The risks associated with these investments are generally greater than those associated with investments in the securities of larger, more-established companies. To the extent the Fund invests in medium- or small-capitalization companies, the Fund's NAV may be more volatile when compared to investment companies that focus only on large-capitalization companies.

Common Stock Risk. While common stock has historically generated higher average returns than debt securities, common stock has also experienced significantly more volatility in those returns. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of common stock held by the Fund. Also, the price of common stock is sensitive to general movements in the stock market. A drop in the stock market may depress the price of common stock held by the Fund.

Preferred Stock Risk. There are various risks associated with investing in preferred stock, including credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, deferral and omission of distributions, subordination to bonds and other debt securities in a company's capital structure, limited liquidity, limited voting rights and special redemption rights.

Convertible Securities Risk. Investments in convertible securities generally entail less risk than investments in an issuer's common stock because convertible securities rank senior to common stock in an issuer's capital structure. The extent to which such risk is reduced depends in large part upon the degree to which the convertible security sells above its value as a fixed income security. Convertible securities are subordinate in rank to any senior debt obligations of an issuer, and, therefore, entail more risk than the issuer's debt obligations. Convertible securities generally offer lower interest than non-convertible debt securities of similar credit quality due to the potential for capital appreciation and are often lower-rated securities.

Rights and Warrants Risk. Investments in warrants involve certain risks, including the possible lack of a liquid market for the resale of the warrants, and potential price fluctuations due to adverse market conditions or other factors. In addition, changes in a warrant's value do not necessarily correspond to changes in the value of its underlying security, and the price of the warrant may be more volatile that the price of its underlying security. If a right or warrant is not exercised within a specified time period, it becomes worthless.

Debt Securities Risk. When the Fund invests in debt securities, the value of the Fund's investment will fluctuate with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in interest rates causes a decline in the value of debt securities. In general, the market price of debt securities with longer maturities will increase or decrease more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. Other risk factors include credit risk (the debtor may default) and prepayment risk (the debtor may pay its obligation early, reducing the amount of interest payments). These risks could affect the value of a particular investment, possibly causing the Fund's share price and total return to be reduced and fluctuate more than other types of investments.

Credit Risk. There is a risk that debt issuers will not make payments on the debt securities in which the Fund has invested, resulting in losses to the Fund. In addition, the credit quality of securities may be lowered if an issuer's financial condition changes. Lower credit quality may lead to greater volatility in the price of a security and in shares of the Fund. Lower credit quality also may affect liquidity and make it difficult to sell the security. Default, or the market's perception that an issuer is likely to default, could reduce the value and liquidity of securities. In addition, default may cause the Fund to incur expenses in seeking recovery of principal or interest on its portfolio holdings.

High-Yield ("Junk") Bond Risk. Compared to higher quality debt securities, high-yield bonds (commonly referred to as "junk" bonds) involve a greater risk of default or price changes due to changes in the credit quality of the issuer because they are generally unsecured and may be subordinated to other creditors' claims. The values of junk bonds often fluctuate more in response to company, political, regulatory or economic developments than higher quality bonds. Their values can decline significantly over short periods of time or during periods of economic difficulty when the

bonds could be difficult to value or sell at a fair price. Credit ratings on junk bonds do not necessarily reflect their actual market value.

Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk. The Fund may invest in mortgage-backed securities, which are subject to prepayment and call risk (i.e., the risks that the borrower's payments may be received earlier or later than expected due to changes in prepayment rates on underlying loans). Faster prepayments often happen when interest rates are falling. As a result, the Fund may reinvest these early payments at lower interest rates, thereby reducing the Fund's income. Conversely, when interest rates rise, prepayments may happen more slowly, causing the security to lengthen in duration. Longer duration securities tend to be more volatile. Securities may be prepaid at a price less than the original purchase value. An unexpectedly high rate of defaults on the mortgages held by a mortgage pool may adversely affect the value of mortgage-backed securities and could result in losses to the Fund. The risk of such defaults is generally higher in the case of mortgage pools that include subprime mortgages. Subprime mortgages refer to loans made to borrowers with weakened credit histories or with lower capacity to make timely payments on their mortgages.

Liquidity Risk. A security is considered to be illiquid if the Fund is unable to sell such security within seven days at the price at which the Fund values the security. A security may be deemed illiquid due to a lack of trading volume in the security or if the security is privately placed and not traded in any public market or is otherwise restricted from trading. The Fund may be unable to sell illiquid securities at the time or price it desires and could lose its entire investment in such securities. Further, certain restricted securities require special registration, liabilities and costs, and could be more difficult to value.

Non-Diversification Risk. The Fund is classified as a non-diversified management investment company under the 1940 Act. This means that the Fund may invest a greater portion of its assets in a limited number of issuers than would be the case if the Fund were classified as a diversified management investment company. The value of the Fund may decrease in response to the activities and financial prospects of an individual security in the Fund's portfolio. Additionally, the Fund may be subject to greater risk, because the Fund's performance may be more sensitive to any single economic, business, political, or regulatory occurrence than the value of shares of a diversified investment company.

Management Risk. The NAV of the Fund changes daily based on the performance of the securities in which the Fund invests. The Advisor's judgments about the attractiveness, value and potential appreciation of particular real estate segment and securities in which the Fund invests may prove to be incorrect and may not produce the desired results.

Large Shareholder Risk. To the extent that shares of the Fund are held by large shareholders, the Fund is subject to the risk that these shareholders will redeem Fund shares in large amounts. These transactions could adversely affect the Fund if it is forced to sell portfolio securities to raise the cash that is necessary to satisfy shareholder redemption requests. This risk is particularly pronounced when one shareholder owns a substantial portion of the Fund.

Limited Operating History. The Fund has a limited history of operations for investors to evaluate. The Fund's performance during its initial period of operations may not be replicated over longer periods and is not indicative of how the Fund will perform in the future.

### Fund Performance

No performance information is presented because the Fund has less than a full calendar year of investment operations. Performance information gives investors some indication of the risk of an investment in the Fund by comparing the Fund's performance with a broad measure of market performance. Updated performance information will be available at the Fund's website, www.sheltoncap.com. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future.

#### Management

Advisor. Shelton Capital Management is the Fund's investment advisor.

Portfolio Managers. Bill Smith, lead portfolio manager, and Greg Smith, portfolio manager, have team management responsibilities for the Fund. Mr. Smith has served as a portfolio manager of the Fund since the Fund commenced operations in XX/XX/XXXX. Mr. Smith has served as a portfolio manager of the Fund since XX/XX/XXXX.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares, Tax Information and Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

For important information about purchase and sale of Fund shares, tax information and financial intermediary compensation, please turn to "Summary of Other Important Fund Information" on page XX.

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#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide a current income with the potential for capital appreciation.

#### Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund.

Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

**Annual Fund Operating Expenses** 

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)	
Management Fees	x.xx%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	x.xx%
Other Expenses	x.xx%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	
(fees and expenses incurred directly by the Fund as a result of investment in shares of one or more Acquired Funds)	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	x.xx%
Expense Reimbursement <sup>(2)</sup>	x.xx%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Expense Reimbursement	x.xx%

"Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are the indirect costs of investing in other investment companies. The operating (3) expenses in this fee table will not correlate to the expense ratio in the Fund's financial highlights because the financial statements include only the direct operating expenses incurred by the Fund.

Shelton Capital Management, the Fund's investment advisor (the "Advisor") has contractually agreed to waive a portion or all of its management fees and pay Fund expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, interest, taxes and extraordinary expenses) in order to limit the "Other Expenses" to x.xx% of average daily net assets of the Fund's shares (referred to in this Fund Summary as the "Expense Reimbursement"). The Expense Reimbursement

(4) will remain in effect through at least xx/xx/xxxx, and may be terminated before that date only by the Board of Trustees (also referred to herein as the "Board") of the Shelton XXXX Trust (the "Trust"). The Advisor may recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund pursuant to this agreement for three years from the date they were waived or paid. The Advisor's ability to recoup any previously waived fees and paid expenses is subject to the Expense Reimbursement as in effect at the time such fees were waived or expenses were paid.

Example: This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then either redeem all of your shares or continue to own all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

1 Year 3 Years 5 Years 10 Years Assuming redemption at the end of the period \$X,XXX \$X,XXX \$X,XXX \$X,XXX Assuming no redemption at the end of the period \$X.XXX \$X.XXX \$X.XXX \$X.XXX

Portfolio Turnover: The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes

when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. For the fiscal year ended XX/XX/XXXX, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was x% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Principal Investment Strategies of the Fund

The Fund concentrates its investments in real estate securities (i.e., securities of issuers in the real estate industry), including securities issued by REITs and REIT-like entities. The Fund invests substantially all (and under normal market conditions, at least 80%) of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in income producing real estate securities. The Advisor evaluates securities based primarily on the relative attractiveness of income and secondarily considers their potential for capital appreciation. The Advisor considers real estate securities to be securities issued by a company that (a) derives at least 50% of its revenues from the ownership, construction, financing, management or sale of commercial, industrial or residential real estate, or (b) has at least 50% of its assets invested in such real estate. The Advisor plans to sell a security if, in the judgment of the portfolio managers, the security's income potential has been compromised, an issuer's fundamentals have deteriorated or may deteriorate or a more attractive investment opportunity is identified.

The Fund invests in both equity and debt securities, and invests to a substantial degree in securities issued by REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that own interests in real estate, real-estate related loans or similar interests, and their revenue primarily consists of rent derived from owned, income-producing real estate properties and capital gains from the sale of such properties. A majority of the REITs in which the Fund invests are generally considered by the Advisor to be medium- or small-capitalization companies. The Fund will not invest in non-traded REITs that are sponsored, managed or distributed by affiliates of the Advisor.

Equity securities in which the Fund may invest include common and preferred stocks, convertible securities, rights and warrants to purchase common stock and depositary receipts. Although the Advisor anticipates that the Fund will invest a substantial portion of its assets in equity securities, the Fund may invest up to 100% of its net assets in debt securities of any maturity, duration or credit rating. Debt securities in which the Fund may invest include corporate debt obligations and CMBS. Debt securities acquired by the Fund may also include high-yield debt securities (commonly referred to as "junk" bonds) issued or guaranteed by real estate companies or other companies. The Fund invests in securities across all market capitalization ranges.

The Fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities.

#### Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

An investment in the Fund is subject to various risks, including the risk that you may receive little or no return on your investment, or you may lose all or part of it. By itself, the Fund does not constitute a balanced investment program. Before investing in the Fund you should consider carefully the following risks.

Real Estate Industry Concentration Risk. The Fund concentrates its investments in real estate securities. As a result, the Fund's portfolio is significantly impacted by the performance of the real estate market generally, and the Fund may be exposed to greater risk and experience higher volatility than would a more diversified portfolio. In particular, the value of the Fund's shares will be impacted by factors generally affecting the value of real estate and the earnings of companies engaged in the real estate industry. Property values may fall due to increasing vacancies or declining rents resulting from economic, legal, cultural or technological developments. Real estate company prices also may drop because of the failure of borrowers to pay their loans or poor management, and residential developers, in particular, could be negatively impacted by falling home prices, slower mortgage origination and rising construction costs.

REIT Risk. In addition to the general risks associated with investments in the real estate industry, investing in REITs will subject the Fund to various risks. REITs are dependent upon management skills, may not be diversified and are subject to the risks of financing projects. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers and self-liquidation. Changes in interest rates may make REIT shares less attractive than other income-producing investments. REITs could possibly fail to qualify for pass-through of income under applicable tax law. The market value of REIT shares, and the ability of REITs to distribute income, may be adversely affected by numerous factors, including, among others: rising interest rates, real estate taxes and costs; adverse changes in government regulation; changes in the national, state or local economic climates and real estate markets; and other factors beyond the control of REITs.

Purchasing affiliated REITs may present certain actual or potential conflicts of interest for the Fund. For example, the Fund may come into possession of material non-public information regarding affiliated REITs. The Fund is prohibited by legal and regulatory constraints, and internal policies and procedures, from using such inside information in trading. As a result, the Fund may be unable to buy or sell an affiliated REIT's securities at opportune times or prices.

Market Risk. An investment in the Fund is generally subject to market risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. An investment in the Fund represents an indirect investment in the securities owned by the Fund. Like all financial instruments, the value of these securities may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The value of your investment in the Fund at any point in time may be worth less than the value of your

original investment, even after taking into account any reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Medium- and Small-Capitalization Company Risk. Many issuers of real estate securities are medium- or small-capitalization companies, many of which may be newly formed or have limited financial or managerial resources. The risks associated with these investments are generally greater than those associated with investments in the securities of larger, more-established companies. To the extent the Fund invests in medium- or small-capitalization companies, the Fund's NAV may be more volatile when compared to investment companies that focus only on large-capitalization companies.

Common Stock Risk. While common stock has historically generated higher average returns than debt securities, common stock has also experienced significantly more volatility in those returns. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of common stock held by the Fund. Also, the price of common stock is sensitive to general movements in the stock market. A drop in the stock market may depress the price of common stock held by the Fund.

Preferred Stock Risk. There are various risks associated with investing in preferred stock, including credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, deferral and omission of distributions, subordination to bonds and other debt securities in a company's capital structure, limited liquidity, limited voting rights and special redemption rights.

Convertible Securities Risk. Investments in convertible securities generally entail less risk than investments in an issuer's common stock because convertible securities rank senior to common stock in an issuer's capital structure. The extent to which such risk is reduced depends in large part upon the degree to which the convertible security sells above its value as a fixed income security. Convertible securities are subordinate in rank to any senior debt obligations of an issuer and, therefore, entail more risk than the issuer's debt obligations. Convertible securities generally offer lower interest than non-convertible debt securities of similar credit quality due to the potential for capital appreciation and are often lower-rated securities.

Rights and Warrants Risk. Investments in warrants involve certain risks, including the possible lack of a liquid market for the resale of the warrants and potential price fluctuations due to adverse market conditions or other factors. In addition, changes in a warrant's value do not necessarily correspond to changes in the value of its underlying security, and the price of the warrant may be more volatile than the price of its underlying security. If a right or warrant is not exercised within a specified time period, it becomes worthless.

Foreign Securities Risk. Investments in foreign securities may be adversely affected by changes in currency exchange rates; decreased liquidity; increased volatility; economic, political and social developments; difficulty in enforcing obligations; and the imposition of foreign withholding taxes on income payable on the foreign securities. In addition, there may be less publicly-available information about foreign issuers than domestic issuers, and foreign issuers may not be subject to the same accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements as domestic issuers. The risks associated with foreign securities can be expected to be greater for investments in emerging markets.

Depositary Receipts Risk. Depositary receipts involve many of the same risks as those associated with direct investments in foreign securities. A depositary receipt may be less liquid than the underlying security in its primary trading market. Holders of depositary receipts may receive limited or no shareholder communications, and may have limited or no voting rights. Investment restrictions in certain countries may adversely impact the value of the depositary receipts and may cause securities of the underlying issuer to trade at a discount or premium to the market price of the depositary receipts. Depositary receipts may be purchased through "sponsored" or "unsponsored" facilities. A sponsored facility is established jointly by the depositary and the underlying issuer. Conversely, a depositary may establish an unsponsored facility without participation by the underlying issuer. Holders of unsponsored depositary receipts generally bear all costs of such depositary receipts, and the depositary is frequently under no obligation to distribute shareholder communications provided by the underlying issuer or to pass through voting rights.

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