



July 22, 2015

Dear Investors:

We are pleased to provide you with Gator Financial Partners, LLC's (the "Fund") first half 2015 investor letter. This letter briefly reviews the Fund's investment performance for the first half, analyzes the investment thesis for a few small cap companies we own, and discusses the Fund's current net exposure and positioning by sub-sector.

Review of 2015H1 Performance

Gator Financial Partners underperformed in the first half of 2015 with a net loss of 2.42%. The broad market was up slightly during the period, while the financials sector lagged. One of the performance drivers in the first half of 2015 was a decline in the Fund's position in Syncora. A large factor was the company did not make progress in amending its agreement with regulators. Additionally, we experienced a decline across several bank warrant positions in the portfolio as lower interest rates were a headwind to the underlying stocks. The Fund's performance was helped by GSE preferred shares rising during the period.

	<u>1H 2015</u>	<u>Total Return Since Inception</u>	<u>Annualized Return Since GFP's Inception</u>
Gator Financial Partners, LLC	-2.42%	465.11%	28.07%
S&P 500 Total Return Index ¹	1.23%	87.84%	9.42%
S&P 1500 Financials Index	0.23%	44.97%	5.45%

The Fund's inception date was July 1, 2008. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Performance is presented net of fees and expenses. Please see Appendix A for additional disclaimers.

Small Cap Growth Banks Investment Thesis

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Although the banking business faces some cyclical headwinds from low interest rates and increased regulatory burden, there is a sub-sector of bank stocks that we believe is undervalued: growing, small-cap banks trading at low or reasonable valuations. These banks are generating their own organic loan and deposit growth. They are doing this by taking market share from larger banks, hiring teams of commercial bankers and paying-for-performance.

On the cost side, these banks are keeping their infrastructures reasonable by being judicious in the number of branches they open. The use of branches by both consumers and small business has declined significantly since 2010. Consumers are using online banking and credit cards to a greater degree, resulting in dropped branch visits. Small businesses have embraced remote deposit capture, so the daily visit to the bank to make deposits has morphed into weekly visits to the bank.

To continue to give you a window into our investment thinking, we review our high-level research behind two of our small cap bank holdings:

Peapack Gladstone

Peapack Gladstone (PGC) is a small bank located in northern New Jersey. The catalyst for the story is the CEO, Doug Kennedy, who joined the company in late 2012. In the 10 quarters since Kennedy arrived, loan and deposit growth has exploded. PGC has grown loans at 38% annualized and deposits at 17% annualized. He's accomplished this by hiring 100 revenue producers from larger banks. In spite of this growth, Peapack-Gladstone trades at just 1.3x tangible book value.

PGC has several characteristics which we believe will help it continue its strong growth and achieve a higher valuation. First, PGC operates in the fertile New York City suburbs of northern New Jersey. This area has strong demographics and ample economic activity for a small bank like PGC to carve a niche for itself. Second, PGC is targeting wealth management in addition to basic commercial lending and deposit taking. We believe the high return on equity nature of the wealth management business will generate additional capital to reinvest into the growing bank.

We believe other investors are missing the opportunity in the bank because the market cap is small. Additionally, only one brokerage firm publishes research on PGC, and we believe their earnings estimate for 2015 is too low by 15-20 cents (or 12-16%). We believe PGC compares favorably to other banks with high organic growth and would not be surprised to see its valuation reach 2x tangible book value if it exceeds earnings estimates this year as we expect.

Bridge Bancorp

Bridge Bancorp (BDGE) is a high growth community bank located on Long Island. Since the current CEO, Kevin O'Conner, was appointed, he has instituted a plan to aggressively grow the bank. Loans and deposits have grown 17% annually for the last seven years.

Bridge trades at 1.7x tangible book and 10.7x our estimate of 2016 earnings per share (EPS). Bridge has been conservative with its investment portfolio in anticipation of higher rates. This defensive

positioning has held down current profitability for the option of higher earnings if rates rise. In addition, Bridge has a lower than average loan-to-deposit ratio at 75%

While we don't buy banks on the prospect of them being acquired, we would not be surprised if BDGE is acquired by BankUnited. BDGE's CEO, Mr. O'Conner, was an EVP and Treasurer at North Fork Bank. North Fork was a high performing bank that was eventually sold to Capital One. Former North Fork CEO, John Kanas, currently runs BankUnited and is expanding BankUnited in the New York area. As many of BDGE's branch managers having come from North Fork, we think Bridge is a franchise primed for Mr. Kanas to acquire to get a presence in his old stomping grounds on Long Island. Even if this scenario doesn't happen, we like the potential for BDGE to grow at an attractive compounded rate over the next five years. If this growth materializes, we believe BGDE's valuation will expand.

Small Cap REITs

While we are fearful of the overall REIT sector, we have identified select opportunities among individual small cap REITs that we believe are uniquely positioned for outsized growth or are being misevaluated by the market. We think that many of the large cap REITs have high valuations driven by momentum investors piling in the sector as it was one of the best performing sectors in 2014. We also think that REIT dedicated investors are focused on the larger more liquid REITs, so some interesting small REIT opportunities slip through the cracks. Below we present a recent purchase we made in a small cap REIT focused on sales-leaseback of infrastructure assets.

CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust

CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust (CORR) is a REIT that owns infrastructure assets. CORR does not operate these assets, rather, it buys them from an operator and leases them back to the operator on a triple net lease basis. This can be viewed as a form of secured lending. CORR started life as a BDC and converted to a REIT in 2012. Because it is a REIT that invests in infrastructure assets, it suffers from confused investor bases. REIT investors don't know how to analyze it because none of their other holdings own infrastructure assets. CORR's small size also makes it difficult to garner investor attention.

In late June, CORR announced that it was going to acquire an undersea pipeline system from Energy XXI. To fund this purchase, they planned an equity offering and convertible note offering. The equity offering knocked the stock down 9%. Prior to the deal announcement, CORR was yielding 8%. With the acquisition and equity offering, they announced that they planned to increase the dividend by 11%, so at the time of the deal, the dividend yield was 9.9%.

This asset purchase was attractive for CORR because Energy XXI was a distressed seller of the pipeline assets. For example, Energy XXI's 2017 maturity bonds trade at 60% of par. CORR paid \$240 million for the asset and will receive \$40 million in minimum rent. This implies they bought the pipeline asset at a 16.5% cap rate. With this cap rate on the acquisition and the leverage used in financing, CORR's management estimates that the company's AFFO should rise from \$0.60 to \$1.00 per share, so the deal is 66% accretive. CORR is only raising the dividend 11%, so dividend coverage goes from 1.1x coverage to 1.7x. We expect that they will use the excess cash flow to pay down debt before further raising the dividend.

CORR has an external management structure, similar to a Master Limited Partnership, but at a much lower cost. If you compare CORR to a traditional MLP, it has two advantages: 1) the external manager takes a lower percentage of the income and 2) they issue a 1099 versus a K-1. This bodes well for the future because they should be in a better position to bid for additional acquisitions relative to MLPs due to their lower cost of capital.

The risks to the position are:

1. Asset depletion – the fields that service these wells will eventually decline, so we expect that the lease renewal 11 years from now will be at lower rates
2. Long-term commodity price risk - the assets they own are leased with minimum rents, but when the leases expire, the new lease rates will depend on current commodity prices and volumes
3. Customer/asset concentration risk – unlike a typical REIT, CORR only has three main assets
4. Distressed customers - their two largest customers are Energy XXI and Ultra Petroleum.

We think this should eventually trade at 12x AFFO of a \$1 or \$12 versus recent prices around \$6.35.

Portfolio Analysis

Below are the Fund's largest common equity long and short positions. All data is as of June 30, 2015.

Largest Positions

Long

SunTrust Bank (warrants)
Ambac Financial
Zions Bancorp (warrants)
Voya Financial, Inc.
Citigroup

Short

Gaming and Leisure Properties
Western Union
Old National Bancorp
Commerce Bancshares
Federal Realty Investment Trust

From this list, we exclude ETFs and fixed income instruments such as preferred stock.

Sub-sector Weightings

Below is a table showing the Fund's positioning within the financials sector as of June 30th:

	<u>Long</u>	<u>Short</u>	<u>Net</u>
Alt Asset Managers	16.51%	0.00%	16.51%
Asset Managers	7.27%	-1.28%	6.00%
Broker Dealers	7.04%	0.00%	7.04%
Banks (large)	24.52%	-14.78%	9.74%
Banks (small)	12.21%	-3.07%	9.14%
P&C Insurance	3.22%	0.00%	3.22%
Life Insurance	6.66%	-3.50%	3.16%
Non-bank Lenders	12.34%	-1.22%	11.12%
Processors	0.00%	-1.86%	-1.86%
Real Estate	6.24%	-12.10%	-5.86%
Exchanges	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Index Hedges	0.00%	-9.99%	-9.99%
Non-Financials	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Total	96.01%	-47.79%	48.22%

The Fund's gross exposure is 144% and its net exposure is 48%. From this table, we exclude fixed income instruments such as preferred stock. Preferred stock positions account for an additional 4% of the portfolio.

Organizational Changes

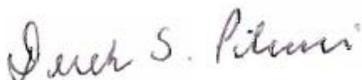
We did not make any organizational changes during the first half.

Conclusion

Over the last eighteen months, our performance has been frustrating, but we continue to think we are well positioned for higher interest rates and have differentiated positions in our portfolio. Thank you for entrusting us with a portion of your wealth. On a personal level, I continue to have significantly more than 50% of my liquid net worth invested in the Fund.

As always, we are available by phone whenever you want to discuss the Fund, our other products, or investing in general.

Sincerely,



Derek S. Pilecki
Managing Member of Gator Capital Management, LLC, which is the
Managing Member of Gator Financial Partners, LLC

Appendix A

Additional Disclaimers and Notes on Performance Results

The performance results shown on the first page of this letter are presented on a net-of-fees basis and reflect the deduction of, among other things: management fees, brokerage commissions, administrative expenses, and accrued performance allocation, if any. Net performance includes the reinvestment of all dividends, interest, and capital gains; it assumes an investor has been in the fund since their respective inception dates and participated in any “new issues”. Depending on the timing of a specific investment and participation in “new issues”, net performance for an individual investor may vary from the net performance as stated herein. Performance data for 2014 is estimated and unaudited.

The inception date for Gator Financial Partners, LLC was July 1, 2008. The performance data presented on the first page of this letter for the market indices under “since inception” is calculated from July 1, 2008. The returns represented encompass a market and economic period of extreme volatility which may not repeat itself.

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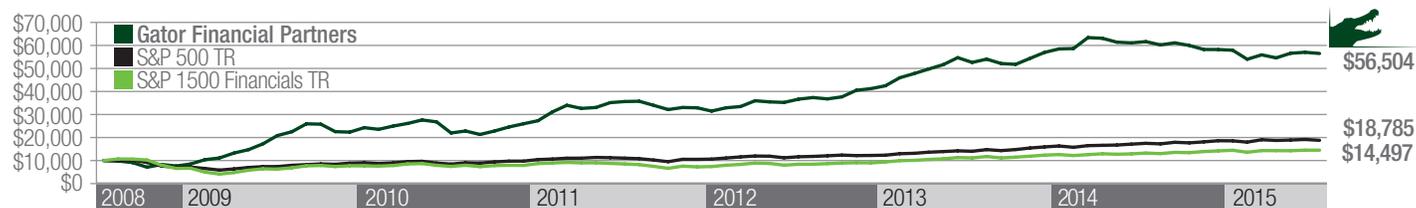
Derek Pilecki, CFA
Portfolio Manager

June 2015

Monthly Performance, Net of Fees

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	(6.78%)	3.56%	(2.34%)	3.67%	0.74%	(0.90%)							(2.42%)
2014	0.27%	8.12%	(0.48%)	(2.69%)	(0.49%)	0.88%	(2.27%)	1.44%	(1.87%)	(2.89%)	(0.04%)	(0.52%)	(0.97%)
2013	8.26%	3.97%	4.11%	3.80%	5.89%	(3.78%)	2.70%	(3.51%)	(0.71%)	5.06%	4.73%	2.68%	37.76%
2012	4.55%	1.65%	7.51%	(1.37%)	(0.67%)	3.99%	1.94%	(1.57%)	2.40%	7.61%	1.72%	3.01%	34.87%
2011	14.03%	9.26%	(4.00%)	1.20%	6.43%	1.32%	0.36%	(5.00%)	(5.34%)	2.76%	(0.41%)	(4.34%)	15.34%
2010	(2.97%)	6.01%	4.55%	5.77%	(3.00%)	(17.98%)	3.93%	(6.65%)	7.03%	7.73%	5.61%	5.13%	12.39%
2009	22.60%	7.00%	19.23%	11.00%	17.19%	20.93%	7.90%	15.28%	(0.50%)	(12.63%)	(0.87%)	8.65%	186.31%
2008							(1.89%)	(7.24%)	(21.90%)	16.63%	(7.93%)	11.02%	(15.26%)

Growth of \$10,000



Overview

Gator Financial Partners, LLC (the "Fund") is a long/short equity hedge fund focused on the Financials sector. The Fund is run with variable net common exposure in an attempt to produce investment returns that are independent of the market direction of the Financial sector.

The Fund's portfolio is built by performing intensive bottom-up fundamental research on both long and short positions. The Fund's portfolio is concentrated on the portfolio manager's highest conviction ideas. The Fund never sells options but will purchase warrants and LEAPs as stock replacements.

The Fund favors small companies and companies with less research coverage from the sell-side. There are 1,600-plus publicly traded companies in the Financials sector. In addition, the sector requires specialized knowledge to correctly analyze the companies. Therefore, the portfolio manager believes there are regular opportunities for specialized investors doing fundamental research in the sector.

The Fund's goal is to maximize total return without using leverage while accepting short-term periods of volatility due to the portfolio's concentration.

Private Funds AUM	\$40.6MM
Strategy AUM	\$66.6MM
Firm AUM	\$117.3MM

"PRIVATE FUNDS AUM" IS DEFINED AS ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT ("AUM") IN GATOR FINANCIAL PARTNERS, LLC, GATOR FINANCIAL PARTNERS QP, LLC AND GATOR FINANCIAL PARTNERS OFFSHORE, LTD. "STRATEGY AUM" IS DEFINED AS AUM (BOTH IN FUNDS AND IN SMAS) USING THE SAME INVESTMENT STRATEGY AS GATOR FINANCIAL PARTNERS, LLC. "FIRM AUM" IS DEFINED AS ALL AUM BY GATOR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC.

Performance and Risk Analysis

	Gator Financial	S&P 500 TR	S&P 1500 Financials TR
Average Monthly Return	2.35%	0.86%	0.72%
Monthly Compound Return	2.08%	0.75%	0.44%
Annual Compound Return	28.07%	9.42%	5.45%
Cumulative Return	465.11%	87.84%	44.97%
Profitable Percentage	60.71%	65.48%	58.33%
Max Drawdown	(28.92%)	(42.62%)	(61.55%)

Risk Analysis

Annualized Volatility	25.57%	16.16%	25.25%
Sharpe Ratio (RFR)	0.98	0.56	0.21
Sortino Ratio (RFR)	1.81	0.80	0.29
Downside Deviation	13.84%	11.33%	18.41%

Regression Analysis (Trailing 36 months)

Annualized Alpha	—	1.55%	(0.22%)
Beta	—	0.83	0.82
R ²	—	0.34	0.44

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Risk Management

Initial Position Size – L/S 2% to 4% / 1% to 2%

Maximum Position Size 10% at cost

Gross Exposure Target Less than 200%

of Positions – L/S 30-50 / 30-50

About Gator Capital Management LLC

Gator Capital Management, LLC was founded in 2008 by Derek Pilecki and is located in Tampa, Florida. Gator Capital Management manages small cap portfolios, separately managed accounts, and sector specific private investment partnerships for private and institutional clients and mutual fund investors. Gator Capital Management is registered with the SEC as a Registered Investment Advisor¹.

Derek Pilecki, CFA Managing Member and Portfolio Manager

Derek Pilecki is the founder of Gator Capital Management and Portfolio Manager for the Gator Financial Partners, LLC.

Prior to Gator, Derek was a member of the Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM) Growth Equity Team. While at GSAM, Derek provided primary coverage of the Financials for the Growth Team. Prior to GSAM, Derek was an equity analyst at Clover Capital Management and Burridge Growth Partners.

Derek holds an MBA with honors in Finance and Accounting from the University of Chicago and a BA in Economics from Duke University.

Derek's largest personal asset is his investment in the Fund and comprises more than 50% of his liquid net worth.

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Investment Terms

Management Fee	1.0% of assets annually
Incentive Allocation	20% of profits
High-Water Mark	Yes
Lock-up	None
Redemption Policy	Monthly, 10 business days
Minimum Investment	\$100,000

Service Providers

Administrator	ALPS Fund Services, Inc.
Prime Brokers	Interactive Brokers, LLC and Jefferies, LLC
Legal Counsel	Davis Gillett Mottern & Sims, LLC
Auditor	Kaufman, Rossin & Co.

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Appendix C

Review of the Gator Financial Partners Strategy and Goals

The Fund is a long/short equity fund focused on the financials sector. We use a bottom-up fundamental analysis to make investments and build the portfolio, one stock at a time. We attempt to own (or go long) undervalued securities and sell short securities that are overvalued. We generally keep the Fund close to market neutral because we believe returns from stock selection may be more consistent than returns from over-weighting or under-weighting the sector at the appropriate time.

One competitive advantage of the Fund is the deep focus on the financials sector. The financials sector has many sub-industries: money center banks, regional banks, trust banks, community banks, thrifts, broker-dealers, non-bank financials, REITs (commercial, apartment, industrial, retail, mortgage, etc.), P&C insurance, life insurance, insurance brokers, asset managers, exchanges, and financial technology companies. While many of the major hedge funds are positive on financials, they generally express their view in the liquid, large-cap banks. While these may be fine positions over time and we own some of these same banks, we add most of our value by going several layers deeper to find attractive values among the less popular or well-known companies in the sector.

Seventy-five percent of the Fund's positions must be in companies in the financials sector or in companies with a significant stake (33% of revenues, profits or allocated capital) in financial services operations. Examples of companies with significant financial services operations are General Electric with GE Capital and eBay with PayPal. Historically, 90 to 95% of the fund's positions have qualified as a member of the financials sector or financial services related. The non-financial services positions tend to be special situations such as spin-offs, initial public offerings, or short positions in former fad or concept stocks.

There are two other distinguishing characteristics of the Fund: a concentrated portfolio and a focus on opportunities with asymmetrical risk/reward (this is code for: "We swing for the fences when we believe the odds are in our favor."). We run the Fund with a concentrated portfolio for several reasons. We believe a concentrated portfolio creates discipline in weeding out bad ideas. Another benefit of a concentrated portfolio is a focus on the best ideas. One of my mentors from GSAM taught me that any stock worth buying is worth buying in size. Positions with asymmetrical risk/reward are important because markets often price in average moves and do not anticipate how frequently extreme price moves can occur. We find these asymmetrical opportunities in beaten down stocks, long-term warrants and/or LEAPs, and companies with significant operating leverage. One day when the Fund is of the appropriate size, we may also find opportunities in purchasing credit default swaps on companies we want to short. In the brief history of the Fund, these characteristics (a concentrated portfolio and positions with asymmetrical risk/reward) explain the large volatility in the Fund's monthly returns. Most of this volatility has been to the positive, but there have been, and will be, times when the fund will be out of sync with the market. Please do not expect the Fund to produce steady returns; instead, we hope the Fund will produce a superior total return over the long-run.

Appendix D
Gator Financial Partners Operational Characteristics

Given the events of 2008 and the common criticisms of hedge funds (limited liquidity, opaque portfolios and self-administration), we have structured the Fund to be more investor-friendly than a typical hedge fund. The Fund does not employ lock-ups, there is monthly liquidity, and only 10 business days' notice is required to redeem investments at month-end. We disclose the entire portfolio to current investors upon request and to prospective investors prior to investment. The Fund has hired an independent auditor, Kaufman Rossin based in Miami, who specializes in hedge funds, to perform the Fund's annual audit. The Fund has also hired an independent third-party administrator, ALPS Fund Services, for fund accounting. As an additional financial control, we cannot authorize a release of money from the Fund's checking account at Wells Fargo unless ALPS also approves the withdrawal. We want to continue to improve the Fund's structure and terms to remain investor-friendly. If you have suggestions, please contact us.

We do offer separate accounts with a \$5 million minimum. While we prefer investors to invest directly in the Fund, we will invest separate accounts *pari passu* with the Fund. The trade-off is that a separate account imposes a greater accounting and tax reporting burden on the client. Whether our investors come through the Fund or through a separate account, we feel strongly that the money is the investor's money, the investor has given us the privilege of managing their money, the investor has the right to know how their money is invested, and they have the right to access their money.