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While many investors seeking yield and stability tend to invest in larger, more established companies, we continue to see that small companies outperform their large company counterparts in the long run. At Villere and Company, we apply our proven, fundamental investment principles in our quest to identify opportunities overlooked by Wall Street, and to bring you optimal risk-adjusted returns and above-average long-term growth. We hold fast to the time-tested methods of deep research and team approach that has been our tradition and hallmark for over a century. Find out more and see the latest national media coverage of the firm at: [villere.com](http://villere.com).

# Villere Funds

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# Villere Funds

August 31, 2017

To Our Fellow Shareholders:

As a reminder, we launched the Villere Balanced Fund (the “Balanced Fund”) in 1999 to invest in both stocks and bonds. In 2013, we decided to introduce the Villere Equity Fund (the “Equity Fund”) for investors that were not interested in bonds. Generally speaking, the stocks held in the Equity Fund will be similar (but not identical) to the equity portion of the Balanced Fund. Individual stock weightings will also differ between the two Funds.

Our ideal equity investment is a U.S.-domiciled publicly traded company that dominates its niche, is run by a terrific management team, is growing earnings, has little or no debt, and is valued reasonably.

We seek to build portfolios of our twenty to twenty-five best stock ideas and to hold stocks until our view on the company’s outlook changes or we consider the share price to be unsustainably high. We typically hold stocks for three to five years or more. In addition to potentially minimizing trading costs, this long holding period should create a lower tax burden for taxable accounts. On the bond side, we tend to buy newly issued corporate debt and hold to maturity.

# Villere Funds

## Villere Balanced Fund Performance

The Balanced Fund posted a one-year return of 4.45%, a five-year annualized return of 6.01%, a ten-year annualized return of 6.56%, and an annualized return since inception of 7.67%. While the longer term results continue to shine, the shorter periods lag.

Average Total Returns for Period Ending 8/31/17	6 Mos.*	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 9/30/99
Balanced Fund	0.42%	4.45%	6.01%	6.56%	7.67%
Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index	2.06%	0.82%	1.75%	3.76%	4.62%
Lipper Balanced Fund Index	4.71%	9.70%	8.33%	5.40%	5.43%
S&P 500® Total Return Index	5.65%	16.23%	14.34%	7.61%	5.75%

\* Returns are not annualized.

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# Villere Funds

## Villere Equity Fund Performance

The Equity Fund returned 1.47% over the past year. The Fund has returned 1.87% since inception (annualized), which lags both the S&P 500 Total Return Index and the Lipper Mid-Cap Growth Fund Index.

Average Total Returns for Period Ending 8/31/17	6 Mos.*	1 Year	Since Inception 5/31/13
Villere Equity Fund	-2.16%	1.47%	1.87%
Lipper Mid-Cap Growth Fund Index	8.72%	16.89%	11.06%
S&P 500® Total Return Index	5.65%	16.23%	12.62%

\* Returns are not annualized.

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## Market Commentary

As always, there are economic and global concerns that weigh on the market. When we last wrote to you we reviewed the Brexit vote and the election of Donald Trump. At the time of this writing, concerns focus on North Korean missile testing, hurricanes, and (once more) the Federal Reserve.

While we keep a watchful eye on these, and more macro-type topics, we are spending the bulk of our time monitoring our portfolio companies and seeking potential investments to add to the portfolios. We continue to find interesting opportunities, but the prolonged bull market leads us to regularly lament the lack of compelling investments.

As we have for years, we believe bond yields are unattractive at these levels, and hold close to our minimum allocation to fixed income in the Balanced Fund (the Equity Fund does not hold bonds).

# Villere Funds

## Equity Discussion

As discussed in our fiscal mid-year update, we were pleased to have three of our holdings acquired during the past year. The first was Epiq Systems, which was purchased by OMERS Private Equity and Harvest Partners. Next up was Everbank, acquired by TIAA. The third was BE Aerospace, which was being bought by Rockwell Collins. We were a little sad to see three of our holdings disappear, but we are gratified to see that others found compelling value where we saw it (and we're always happy to earn a nice share price premium for our clients).

We noted in the mid-year update that we had bought shares of Western Digital for the Equity Fund and since then have added it to the Balanced Fund. As a reminder, Western Digital is a leader in digital memory storage. Put simply, data is being created at a massive rate. Based on the *Cisco Global Cloud Index: Forecast and Methodology 2015-2020* white paper, capacity at data centers (also known as “the cloud”) is expected to grow at an annual rate of 40% for the next several years. We believe that Western Digital is well positioned to benefit from this trend with its broad portfolio of products.

In the Equity Fund, we added a position in Ebix. Ebix provides software and services primarily to the insurance industry. Recently, Ebix has been aggressively making acquisitions, particularly growing its footprint in India. We are impressed by Ebix's management team and their vision, and believe the company has a lot of interesting opportunities going forward.

The top contributor in both Funds during the year was Skyworks. Skyworks is a semiconductor company focused on allowing devices to manage wireless connections. Your cellphone, for example, more than likely has a Skyworks microchip in it that enables you to seamlessly switch between WiFi and different cellular connections. Shares have performed well with high expectations for the new Apple iPhone models. Simply put, each iteration of the iPhone (Apple represents approximately 40% of revenues) has more Skyworks technology. If the new version of the phone sells as well as expected, Skyworks should be very well positioned to grow.

Not surprisingly, the worst performing stocks in both Funds were our two energy holdings, Apache and Gulfport Energy. Oil and gas prices continue to languish, which prevented meaningful recovery in these two positions. We continue to believe that it is important to have energy in the portfolio as an inflation hedge, but the experience over the last few years has been painful to say the least.

# Villere Funds

## Fixed Income Discussion (Pertains Only to Villere Balanced Fund)

As stated in the Balanced Fund prospectus, under normal market conditions the Fund will invest at least 25% of its assets in fixed-income securities. At the end of August, the Fund held 31.2% of its assets in fixed income, including short-term investments. The fixed income portfolio has a fairly short modified duration of 2.6 years, which suggests that it is less sensitive to shifts in interest rates as we look ahead to further moves by the Federal Reserve or other events that may raise interest rates. The prospectus also allows us to invest up to 10% of the fixed income portfolio in non-investment grade bonds, and that figure currently stands at 7.9%.

## Conclusion

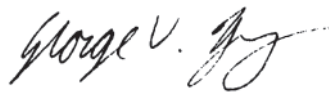
We will continue to invest your money the way we always have, and will conduct extensive due diligence to assemble a portfolio of companies with great management teams, strong earnings power, and enviable market positions. We will continue to maintain concentrated portfolios of only our best ideas. As a result, we expect that our Funds will likely be more volatile than our peers; however we believe that our investors have the opportunity to be compensated for this volatility. Further, we believe that our focus on small and medium-sized businesses that are based in the U.S. will help to insulate our investors from shifts in foreign markets. On the fixed income side, we are cautiously positioned with a relatively low weighting to fixed income and a fairly conservative exposure to shifts in interest rates.

We appreciate both our shareholders and all of the advisers who have purchased the Funds for their clients.

Thank you for your interest in the Villere Balanced Fund and the Villere Equity Fund.



St. Denis J. Villere II



George V. Young



St. Denis J. Villere III



Lamar G. Villere, CFA



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## Footnotes:

The opinions expressed above are those of St. Denis J. Villere II, George V. Young, St. Denis J. Villere III, and Lamar G. Villere and are subject to change, are not guaranteed and should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell any security.

Please refer to the Schedules of Investments in the report for more complete information regarding fund holdings. Fund holdings and sector allocations are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell any security.

Any tax or legal information provided is merely a summary of our understanding and interpretation of some of the current income tax regulations and is not exhaustive. Investors must consult their tax advisor or legal counsel for advice and information concerning their particular situation. Neither the Funds nor any of its representatives may give legal or tax advice.

The Lipper Balanced Fund Index is an equally weighted performance index of the largest qualifying funds in the Lipper category. The Lipper Mid Cap Growth Fund Index invests in at least 75% of their equity assets in companies with market capitalizations (on a three-year weighted basis) below Lipper's large-cap floor. These indices are unmanaged and returns include reinvested dividends. The S&P 500® Total Return Index is an unmanaged index that is widely regarded as the standard for measuring large-cap U.S. stock market performance. The Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index measures the performance of the U.S. dollar-denominated U.S. Treasuries, government-related and investment-grade credit securities that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to 1 year or less than 10 years.

Duration is a measure of the sensitivity of the price of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. It is expressed as a number of years.

It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

**Mutual fund investing involves risk; loss of principal is possible. Investments in smaller and medium sized companies involve additional risks such as limited liquidity and greater volatility. The Balanced Fund will invest in debt securities. Investments in debt securities typically decrease in value when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. Investments in lower rated and non-rated securities present a great risk of loss to principal and interest than higher rated securities. The Funds may invest in foreign securities. Foreign investments involve additional risks, including currency fluctuation, political and economic instability, lack of liquidity and differing legal and accounting standards. These risks are magnified in emerging markets. The Equity Fund's ability to invest in initial public offerings (IPOs) involves a higher degree of risk than more seasoned companies.**

**Past performance is not indicative of future results.**

While the Funds are no-load, advisory & other expenses still apply. Please refer to the Prospectus for more information.

Must be preceded or accompanied by a current prospectus.

The Funds are distributed by Quasar Distributors, LLC.

# Villere Funds

**SECTOR ALLOCATION** at August 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

## Balanced Fund

<b>Sector Allocation</b>	<b>Percent of Net Assets</b>
Finance & Insurance	20.5%
General Manufacturing	18.5%
Money Market Funds*	18.3%
Computer & Electronic Products	12.0%
Mining	10.2%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	7.5%
Information	6.2%
Food Manufacturing	4.5%
Health Care Manufacturing	3.6%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	3.4%
Wholesale Trade	3.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	2.9%
Utilities	2.2%
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	<u>(13.0)%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* Includes short-term investments and investments purchased with cash proceeds from securities lending.

# Villere Funds

**SECTOR ALLOCATION** at August 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

## Equity Fund

<b>Sector Allocation</b>	<b>Percent of Net Assets</b>
Finance & Insurance	23.9%
General Manufacturing	22.2%
Money Market Funds*	16.8%
Computers & Electronic Products	12.0%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	11.5%
Mining	6.0%
Health Care Manufacturing	5.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	5.1%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	4.6%
Wholesale Trade	4.4%
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	(11.7)%
Total	100.0%

\* Includes short-term investments and investments purchased with cash proceeds from securities lending.

# Villere Funds

## EXPENSE EXAMPLES For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

As a shareholder of the Balanced Fund and Equity Fund (each a “Fund” and collectively the “Funds”), you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs and (2) ongoing costs, including investment advisory fees and other Fund expenses. This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Funds and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period (3/1/17 – 8/31/17).

### Actual Expenses

The first line of the following tables provide information about actual account values based on actual returns and actual expenses. Although the Funds charge no sales load, you will be assessed fees for outgoing wire transfers, returned checks and stop payment orders at prevailing rates charged by U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, the Funds’ transfer agent. If you request a redemption be made by wire transfer, the Funds’ transfer agent currently charges a \$15.00 fee. You will be charged a redemption fee equal to 2% of the net amount of the redemption if you redeem shares within 60 calendar days after you purchase them for the Equity Fund. In addition to the Funds’ expenses, you will indirectly bear your proportionate share of any fees and expenses charged by the underlying funds of other investment companies in which the Funds have shares. Actual expenses of the underlying funds may vary. These expenses are not included in the following examples. The following examples include, but are not limited to, investment advisory fees, fund accounting fees, administration fees, custody fees and transfer agent fees. However, the following examples do not include portfolio trading commissions and related expenses and other extraordinary expenses as determined under generally accepted accounting principles. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading entitled “Expenses Paid During the Period” to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

### Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The second line of the following tables include information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Funds’ actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Funds’ actual return. The hypothetical account

# Villere Funds

## EXPENSE EXAMPLES For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2017 (Unaudited) (Continued)

values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Funds and other funds. To do so, compare these 5% hypothetical examples with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds. Please note that the expenses shown in the tables are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as redemption fees. Therefore, the second line of the tables are useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

### Balanced Fund

	Beginning Account <u>Value 3/1/17</u>	Ending Account <u>Value 8/31/17</u>	Expenses Paid During the Period <u>3/1/17 – 8/31/17*</u>
Actual	\$1,000.00	\$1,004.20	\$4.50
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.72	\$4.53

\* Expenses are equal to the Balanced Fund's annualized expense ratio for the most recent six-month period of 0.89% multiplied by the average account value over the period multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

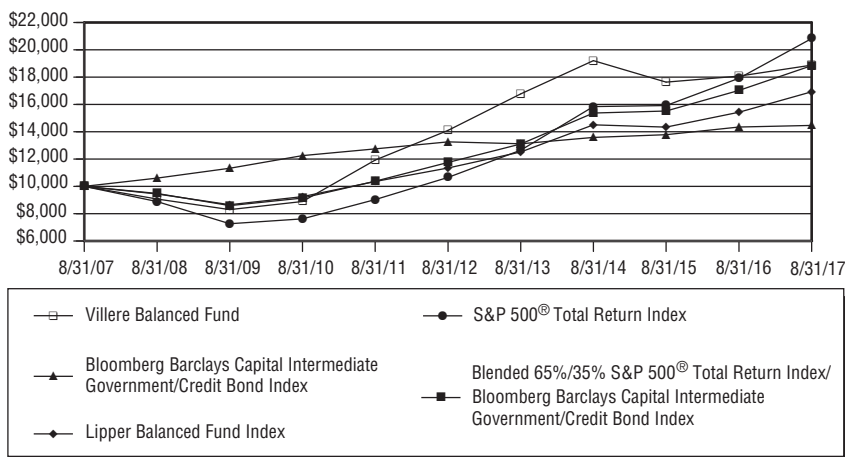
### Equity Fund

	Beginning Account <u>Value 3/1/17</u>	Ending Account <u>Value 8/31/17</u>	Expenses Paid During the Period <u>3/1/17 – 8/31/17**</u>
Actual	\$1,000.00	\$ 978.40	\$6.18
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,018.95	\$6.31

\*\* Expenses are equal to the Equity Fund's annualized expense ratio for the most recent six-month period of 1.24% (reflecting fee waivers in effect) multiplied by the average account value over the period multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half year period).

# Villere Balanced Fund

Hypothetical Value of \$10,000 vs Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index, Lipper Balanced Fund Index, S&P 500® Total Return Index and Blended 65%/35% S&P 500® Total Return Index/  
Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index



Average Annual Total Returns as of August 31, 2017

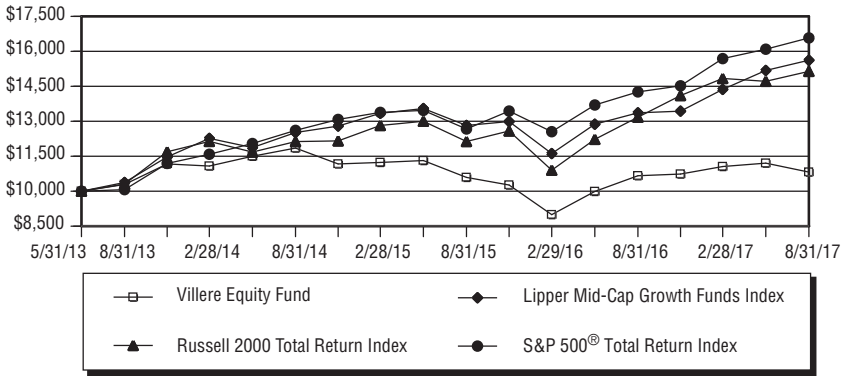
	One Year	Five Year	Ten Year	Value of \$10,000 (8/31/17)
Villere Balanced Fund	4.45%	6.01%	6.56%	\$18,878
S&P® 500 Total Return Index	16.23%	14.34%	7.61%	\$20,825
Blended 65%/35% S&P® 500 Total Return Index/ Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index	10.65%	9.90%	6.54%	\$18,841
Bloomberg Barclays Capital Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index	0.82%	1.75%	3.76%	\$14,463
Lipper Balanced Fund Index	9.70%	8.33%	5.40%	\$16,926

This chart illustrates the performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made on August 31, 2007, and is not intended to imply any future performance. Investment returns reflect fee waivers in effect. In the absence of such waivers, total return would be reduced. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemptions of fund shares. The chart assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains.

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# Villere Equity Fund

Hypothetical Value of \$10,000 vs S&P 500® Total Return Index,  
Lipper Mid-Cap Growth Funds Index and Russell 2000 Total Return Index



Average Annual Total Returns as of August 31, 2017

	One Year	Since Inception	Value of \$10,000 (8/31/17)
Villere Equity Fund	1.47%	1.87%	\$10,820
S&P® 500 Total Return Index	16.23%	12.62%	\$16,575
Lipper Mid-Cap Growth Funds Index	16.89%	11.06%	\$15,619
Russell 2000 Total Return Index	14.91%	10.25%	\$15,141

This chart illustrates the performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made on May 31, 2013, (the Fund's "inception") and is not intended to imply any future performance. Investment returns reflect fee waivers in effect. In the absence of such waivers, total return would be reduced. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemptions of fund shares. The chart assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains.

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# Villere Balanced Fund

**SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS** at August 31, 2017

<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>
<b>COMMON STOCKS: 68.6%</b>		<b>Professional, Scientific &amp; Technical Services: 5.7%</b>	
<b>Computer &amp; Electronic Products: 10.8%</b>		293,546 2U, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	\$ 14,706,654
198,250 Skyworks Solutions, Inc.	\$ 20,887,620	107,757 Luminex Corp. <sup>3,4</sup>	2,082,943
125,350 Western Digital Corp.	11,064,644		<u>16,789,597</u>
	<u>31,952,264</u>	<b>Rail Transportation: 2.4%</b>	
<b>Credit Intermediation: 16.3%</b>		104,000 Genesee & Wyoming, Inc. – Class A <sup>1,2</sup>	7,130,240
134,750 Euronet Worldwide, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	13,241,883	<b>Real Estate: 3.4%</b>	
366,805 Financial Engines, Inc.	12,122,905	85,552 The Howard Hughes Corp. <sup>1</sup>	10,039,527
753,704 Kearny Financial Corp. <sup>4</sup>	10,664,912	<b>Sporting &amp; Recreation Goods: 3.0%</b>	
117,410 Visa, Inc. – Class A	12,154,283	87,697 Pool Corp.	8,742,514
	<u>48,183,983</u>	<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b>	
<b>Electrical Equipment &amp; Appliance Manufacturing: 6.4%</b>		(Cost \$187,075,668) <u>202,683,351</u>	
868,856 Axon Enterprise, Inc. <sup>1,2,3</sup>	18,862,864	<b>Principal Amount</b>	
<b>Furniture Manufacturing: 3.2%</b>		<b>CORPORATE BONDS: 26.1%</b>	
207,916 Leggett & Platt, Inc.	9,557,899	<b>Air Transportation: 0.5%</b>	
<b>Health Care Equipment Manufacturing: 3.6%</b>		PHI, Inc., 5.250%, 3/15/19	1,493,800
121,960 STERIS PLC	10,630,034	<b>Commercial Finance: 0.2%</b>	
<b>Machinery: 2.0%</b>		John Deere Capital Corp., 2.250%, 4/17/19	505,509
482,800 3D Systems Corp. <sup>1,2</sup>	6,063,968	<b>Computer &amp; Electronic Products: 1.2%</b>	
<b>Merchant Wholesalers &amp; Durable Goods: 6.8%</b>		Hewlett-Packard Co., 3.750%, 12/1/20	336,144
53,191 Acuity Brands, Inc. <sup>2</sup>	9,403,637	321,000 Texas Instruments, Inc., 1.000%, 5/1/18	3,240,121
305,900 LKQ Corp. <sup>1</sup>	10,599,435		<u>3,576,265</u>
	<u>20,003,072</u>	<b>Oil &amp; Gas Extraction: 5.0%</b>	
207,700 Apache Corp.	8,067,068		
531,550 Gulfport Energy Corp. <sup>1</sup>	6,660,321		
	<u>14,727,389</u>		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



# Villere Balanced Fund

## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS at August 31, 2017 (Continued)

Principal Amount		Value	Principal Amount		Value
<b>Credit Intermediation: 3.9%</b>			<b>Professional, Scientific &amp; Technical Services: 1.8%</b>		
	Discover Bank,			Equifax, Inc.,	
\$ 9,605,000	2.000%, 2/21/18	\$ 9,621,036	\$ 4,995,000	3.300%, 12/15/22	\$ 5,175,564
	Royal Bank of Canada,		<b>Publishing Industries: 3.6%</b>		
2,000,000	1.500%, 1/16/18	2,000,266		Symantec Corp.,	
		<u>11,621,302</u>	10,000,000	4.200%, 9/15/20	<u>10,550,000</u>
<b>Food Manufacturing: 4.5%</b>			<b>Securities &amp; Financial Services: 0.1%</b>		
	Campbell Soup Co.,			Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.,	
6,045,000	2.500%, 8/2/22	6,105,766	250,000	6.875%, 11/15/18	<u>264,910</u>
	Flowers Foods, Inc.,		<b>Telecommunications: 1.1%</b>		
6,225,000	4.375%, 4/1/22 <sup>2</sup>	6,684,832		Vodafone Group PLC,	
	Kraft Heinz Food Co.,		2,150,000	4.625%, 7/15/18	2,203,448
523,000	5.375%, 2/10/20	564,082	1,000,000	4.375%, 3/16/21	<u>1,071,779</u>
		<u>13,354,680</u>			<u>3,275,227</u>
<b>Furniture Manufacturing: 0.3%</b>			<b>Utilities: 2.2%</b>		
	Leggett & Platt, Inc.,			Southern Co.,	
970,000	3.400%, 8/15/22	989,363	6,600,000	2.450%, 9/1/18	<u>6,646,623</u>
<b>Motion Picture &amp; Entertainment: 1.5%</b>			<b>TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS</b>		
	Viacom, Inc.,		(Cost \$76,628,317)		
4,395,000	3.250%, 3/15/23	4,374,791	<u>77,195,844</u>		
<b>Oil &amp; Gas: 3.6%</b>					
	Phillips 66,				
10,000,000	4.300%, 4/1/22	<u>10,762,810</u>			
<b>Oil &amp; Gas Extraction: 1.6%</b>					
	Sanchez Energy Corp.,				
6,000,000	6.125%, 1/15/23 <sup>2</sup>	<u>4,605,000</u>			

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# Villere Balanced Fund

## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS at August 31, 2017 (Continued)

<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>
<b>SHORT-TERM</b>		<b>INVESTMENTS PURCHASED</b>	
<b>INVESTMENTS: 5.1%</b>		<b>WITH CASH PROCEEDS</b>	
<b>Money Market Funds: 5.1%</b>		<b>FROM SECURITIES</b>	
14,950,526	Invesco	<b>LENDING: 13.2%</b>	
	Short-Term	<b>Money Market Funds: 13.2%</b>	
	Government &	38,915,291	First American
	Agency		Government
	Portfolio –		Obligations
	Institutional		Fund, Class Z ,
	Class, 0.930% <sup>5</sup>		0.880% <sup>5</sup>
	<u>\$ 14,950,526</u>		<u>\$ 38,915,291</u>
<b>TOTAL SHORT-TERM</b>		<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>PURCHASED WITH</b>	
(Cost \$14,950,526)	<u>14,950,526</u>	<b>CASH PROCEEDS</b>	
		<b>FROM SECURITIES</b>	
		<b>LENDING</b>	
		(Cost \$38,915,291)	<u>38,915,291</u>
		<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	
		<b>IN SECURITIES: 113.0%</b>	
		(Cost \$317,569,802)	333,745,012
		Liabilities in Excess of	
		Other Assets: (13.0)%	<u>(38,506,653)</u>
		<b>TOTAL NET</b>	
		<b>ASSETS: 100.0%</b>	<u><u>\$295,238,359</u></u>

<sup>1</sup> Non-income producing security.

<sup>2</sup> This security or a portion of this security was out on loan as of August 31, 2017. Total loaned securities had a value of \$37,942,062 or 12.9% of net assets. The remaining contractual maturity of all of the securities lending transactions is overnight and continuous. See Note 4.

<sup>3</sup> Affiliated company as defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940. See Note 7.

<sup>4</sup> A portion of this security is illiquid. As of August 31, 2017, the value of illiquid securities was \$12,747,855 or 4.3% of net assets. See Note 2H.

<sup>5</sup> Seven-day yield as of August 31, 2017.

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# Villere Equity Fund

## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS at August 31, 2017

<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>
<b>COMMON STOCKS: 94.9%</b>		<b>Oil &amp; Gas Extraction: 6.0%</b>	
<b>Computer &amp; Electronic Products: 12.0%</b>		32,650	Apache Corp. \$ 1,268,126
23,200	Skyworks Solutions, Inc. \$ 2,444,352	73,500	Gulfpert Energy Corp. <sup>1</sup> 920,955
21,850	Western Digital Corp. 1,928,700		2,189,081
	4,373,052	<b>Professional, Scientific &amp; Technical Services: 11.5%</b>	
<b>Credit Intermediation: 23.9%</b>		37,500	2U, Inc. <sup>1</sup> 1,878,750
21,700	Euronet Worldwide, Inc. <sup>1</sup> 2,132,459	14,100	Ebix, Inc. <sup>2</sup> 813,570
57,050	Financial Engines, Inc. 1,885,502	77,700	Luminex Corp. <sup>3,4</sup> 1,501,941
53,700	First Hawaiian, Inc. 1,454,733		4,194,261
94,900	Kearny Financial Corp. <sup>4</sup> 1,342,835	<b>Rail Transportation: 5.1%</b>	
18,580	Visa, Inc. – Class A 1,923,402	27,000	Genesee & Wyoming, Inc. – Class A <sup>1</sup> 1,851,120
	8,738,931	<b>Real Estate: 4.6%</b>	
<b>Electrical Equipment &amp; Appliance Manufacturing: 5.1%</b>		14,230	The Howard Hughes Corp. <sup>1</sup> 1,669,890
85,500	Axon Enterprise, Inc. <sup>1,2,3</sup> 1,856,205	<b>Sporting &amp; Recreation Goods: 4.2%</b>	
<b>Furniture Manufacturing: 3.7%</b>		15,550	Pool Corp. 1,550,179
29,700	Leggett & Platt, Inc. 1,365,309	<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b>	
<b>Health Care Equipment Manufacturing: 5.2%</b>		(Cost \$32,575,826) 34,654,204	
21,850	STERIS PLC 1,904,446	<b>SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS: 5.2%</b>	
<b>Machinery: 4.0%</b>		<b>Money Market Funds: 5.2%</b>	
116,016	3D Systems Corp. <sup>1,2</sup> 1,457,161	1,913,857	Invesco Short-Term Government & Agency Portfolio – Institutional Class, 0.930% <sup>5</sup> 1,913,857
<b>Merchant Wholesalers &amp; Durable Goods: 9.6%</b>		<b>TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS</b>	
9,220	Acuity Brands, Inc. 1,630,004	(Cost \$1,913,857) 1,913,857	
54,100	LKQ Corp. <sup>1</sup> 1,874,565		
	3,504,569		

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# Villere Equity Fund

## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS at August 31, 2017 (Continued)

<u>Shares</u>	<u>Value</u>
<b>INVESTMENTS PURCHASED WITH CASH PROCEEDS FROM SECURITIES LENDING: 11.6%</b>	
<b>Money Market Funds: 11.6%</b>	
4,221,782 First American Government Obligations Fund, Class Z , 0.880% <sup>5</sup>	<u>\$ 4,221,782</u>
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS PURCHASED WITH CASH PROCEEDS FROM SECURITIES LENDING</b>	
(Cost \$4,221,782)	<u>4,221,782</u>
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES: 111.7%</b>	
(Cost \$38,711,465)	40,789,843
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets: (11.7)%	<u>(4,258,595)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS: 100.0%</b>	
	<u><u>\$36,531,248</u></u>

<sup>1</sup> Non-income producing security.

<sup>2</sup> This security or a portion of this security was out on loan as of August 31, 2017. Total loaned securities had a value of \$4,085,656 or 11.2% of net assets. The remaining contractual maturity of all of the securities lending transactions is overnight and continuous. See Note 4.

<sup>3</sup> Affiliated company as defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940. See Note 7.

<sup>4</sup> A portion of this security is illiquid. As of August 31, 2017, the value of illiquid securities was \$2,844,776 or 7.8% of net assets. See Note 2H.

<sup>5</sup> Seven-day yield as of August 31, 2017.

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# Villere Funds

## STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at August 31, 2017

	Balanced Fund	Equity Fund
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Investments in unaffiliated securities, at value (Cost \$296,924,316 and \$35,331,729, respectively) . . . . .	\$312,799,205*	\$37,431,697*
Investments in affiliated securities, at value (Cost \$20,645,486 and \$3,379,736, respectively) . . . . .	20,945,807	3,358,146
Receivables:		
Fund shares sold . . . . .	2,326	26,500
Dividends and interest . . . . .	930,446	27,241
Securities lending income, net . . . . .	17,011	1,754
Prepaid expenses . . . . .	15,556	12,642
Total assets . . . . .	<u>334,710,351</u>	<u>40,857,980</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Payables:		
Collateral received for securities lending . . . . .	38,915,291	4,221,782
Fund shares redeemed . . . . .	195,764	26,174
Investment advisory fees, net . . . . .	191,224	25,546
Administration fees . . . . .	59,095	7,717
Audit fees . . . . .	22,083	22,092
Trustee fees . . . . .	1,314	1,570
Fund accounting fees . . . . .	8,469	7,809
Transfer agent fees . . . . .	61,006	6,061
Custody fees . . . . .	2,858	874
Chief Compliance Officer fees . . . . .	2,225	2,225
Other accrued expenses . . . . .	12,663	4,882
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>39,471,992</u>	<u>4,326,732</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b> . . . . .	<u>\$295,238,359</u>	<u>\$36,531,248</u>
<b>COMPONENTS OF NET ASSETS</b>		
Paid-in capital . . . . .	\$285,144,914	\$36,890,491
Undistributed (accumulated) net investment income (loss) . . .	1,129,141	(98,343)
Accumulated net realized loss on investments . . . . .	(7,210,906)	(2,339,278)
Net unrealized appreciation on investments . . . . .	16,175,210	2,078,378
Net assets . . . . .	<u>\$295,238,359</u>	<u>\$36,531,248</u>
* Includes loaned securities with a value of . . . . .	\$ 37,942,062	\$ 4,085,656
Net Assets . . . . .	\$295,238,359	\$36,531,248
Shares (unlimited number of shares authorized without par value) . . . . .	13,795,984	3,501,562
Net assets value, offering, and redemption price per share . . .	<u>\$ 21.40</u>	<u>\$ 10.43</u>

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# Villere Funds

## STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Year Ended August 31, 2017

	Balanced Fund	Equity Fund
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>		
Interest from unaffiliated investments .....	\$ 2,958,514	\$ 22,696
Dividends from unaffiliated investments .....	1,540,107	248,125
Dividends from affiliated investments* .....	160,980	21,131
Income from securities lending, net .....	237,390	23,563
Total investment income .....	<u>4,896,991</u>	<u>315,515</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Investment advisory fees .....	2,577,843	284,441
Administration fees .....	209,101	30,802
Transfer agent fees .....	206,528	25,328
Miscellaneous expense .....	35,410	6,653
Fund accounting fees .....	34,134	33,116
Registration fees .....	31,964	25,101
Audit fees .....	23,082	22,654
Reports to shareholders .....	16,281	7,131
Trustee fees .....	13,862	12,286
Custody fees .....	11,082	5,082
Chief Compliance Officer fees .....	8,975	8,975
Legal fees .....	5,337	6,729
Insurance expense .....	3,302	3,778
Interest expense .....	25	—
Total expenses .....	<u>3,176,926</u>	<u>472,076</u>
Plus: prior years fees recouped .....	15,453	—
Net expenses .....	<u>3,192,379</u>	<u>472,076</u>
<b>Net investment income (loss) .....</b>	<u>1,704,612</u>	<u>(156,561)</u>
<b>REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS</b>		
Net realized gain (loss) on unaffiliated investments .....	2,783,438	(128,821)
Net realized gain on affiliated investments* .....	5,635,178	310,130
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on unaffiliated investments .....	11,341,385	1,673,491
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on affiliated investments* .....	<u>(5,723,092)</u>	<u>(1,107,526)</u>
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments .....	<u>14,036,909</u>	<u>747,274</u>
<b>Net increase in net assets resulting from operations .....</b>	<u>\$15,741,521</u>	<u>\$ 590,713</u>

\* Includes amounts for securities that were considered an affiliate during the period but are no longer an affiliate at August 31, 2017.

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# Villere Balanced Fund

## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended August 31, 2017	Year Ended August 31, 2016
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM:</b>		
<b>OPERATIONS</b>		
Net investment income .....	\$ 1,704,612	\$ 4,564,007
Net realized gain (loss) on unaffiliated investments ...	2,783,438	(2,091,796)
Net realized gain (loss) on affiliated investments .....	5,635,178	(7,745,829)
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on unaffiliated investments .....	11,341,385	—
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on affiliated investments .....	<u>(5,723,092)</u>	<u>(3,783,508)</u>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations .....</b>	<u>15,741,521</u>	<u>(9,057,126)</u>
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
From net investment income .....	(3,170,757)	(5,123,139)
From net realized gains .....	<u>—</u>	<u>(65,241,304)</u>
<b>Total distributions to shareholders .....</b>	<u>(3,170,757)</u>	<u>(70,364,443)</u>
<b>CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS</b>		
Net decrease in net assets derived from net change in outstanding shares (a) .....	<u>(112,752,765)</u>	<u>(195,325,589)</u>
<b>Total decrease in net assets .....</b>	<u>(100,182,001)</u>	<u>(274,747,158)</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Beginning of year .....	\$ 395,420,360	\$ 670,167,518
<b>End of year .....</b>	<u>\$ 295,238,359</u>	<u>\$ 395,420,360</u>
<b>Undistributed net investment income .....</b>	<u>\$ 1,129,141</u>	<u>\$ 2,595,286</u>

(a) Summary of capital share transactions is as follows:

	Year Ended August 31, 2017		Year Ended August 31, 2016	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Shares sold .....	657,204	\$ 13,900,129	1,855,427	\$ 37,830,614
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions .....	147,936	3,063,756	3,515,030	66,117,704
Shares redeemed ....	<u>(6,143,517)</u>	<u>(129,716,650)</u>	<u>(15,219,541)</u>	<u>(299,273,907)</u>
Net decrease .....	<u>(5,338,377)</u>	<u>\$(112,752,765)</u>	<u>(9,849,084)</u>	<u>\$(195,325,589)</u>

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# Villere Equity Fund

## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended August 31, 2017	Year Ended August 31, 2016
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM:</b>		
<b>OPERATIONS</b>		
Net investment income (loss) . . . . .	\$ (156,561)	\$ 51,872
Net realized loss on unaffiliated investments . . . . .	(128,821)	(33,132)
Net realized gain (loss) on affiliated investments . . . . .	310,130	(1,716,522)
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on unaffiliated investments . . . . .	1,673,491	—
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation on affiliated investments . . . . .	<u>(1,107,526)</u>	<u>1,790,458</u>
<b>Net increase in net assets resulting from operations . . . . .</b>	<u>590,713</u>	<u>92,676</u>
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
From net investment income . . . . .	(40,823)	—
From net realized gains . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(582,566)</u>
<b>Total distributions to shareholders . . . . .</b>	<u>(40,823)</u>	<u>(582,566)</u>
<b>CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS</b>		
Net decrease in net assets derived from net change in outstanding shares (a) . . . . .	<u>(1,271,385)</u>	<u>(431,078)</u>
<b>Total decrease in net assets . . . . .</b>	<u>(721,495)</u>	<u>(920,968)</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Beginning of year . . . . .	<u>\$37,252,743</u>	<u>\$38,173,711</u>
<b>End of year . . . . .</b>	<u>\$36,531,248</u>	<u>\$37,252,743</u>
<b>Undistributed (Accumulated) net investment income (loss) . . . . .</b>	<u>\$ (98,343)</u>	<u>\$ 40,823</u>

(a) Summary of capital share transactions is as follows:

	Year Ended August 31, 2017		Year Ended August 31, 2016	
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value
Shares sold . . . . .	356,239	\$ 3,745,592	352,275	\$ 3,370,016
Shares issued in reinvestment of distributions . . . . .	3,843	40,043	61,543	572,351
Shares redeemed (b) . . . . .	<u>(479,245)</u>	<u>(5,057,020)</u>	<u>(462,317)</u>	<u>(4,373,445)</u>
Net decrease . . . . .	<u>(119,163)</u>	<u>\$(1,271,385)</u>	<u>(48,499)</u>	<u>\$ (431,078)</u>

(b) Net of redemption fees of \$699 and \$888, respectively.

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# Villere Balanced Fund

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS For a capital share outstanding throughout each year

	Year Ended August 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Net asset value, beginning of year . . . . .	<u>\$20.67</u>	<u>\$23.12</u>	<u>\$26.67</u>	<u>\$23.75</u>	<u>\$20.42</u>
<b>INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:</b>					
Net investment income# . . . . .	0.10	0.19	0.23	0.25	0.11
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments . . . .	<u>0.81</u>	<u>0.11</u>	<u>(2.40)</u>	<u>3.16</u>	<u>3.69</u>
Total from investment operations . . . . .	<u>0.91</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<u>(2.17)</u>	<u>3.41</u>	<u>3.80</u>
<b>LESS DISTRIBUTIONS:</b>					
From net investment income . . . . .	(0.18)	(0.20)	(0.30)	(0.10)	(0.13)
From net realized gain . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(2.55)</u>	<u>(1.08)</u>	<u>(0.39)</u>	<u>(0.34)</u>
Total distributions . . . . .	<u>(0.18)</u>	<u>(2.75)</u>	<u>(1.38)</u>	<u>(0.49)</u>	<u>(0.47)</u>
Net asset value, end of year . . . .	<u>\$21.40</u>	<u>\$20.67</u>	<u>\$23.12</u>	<u>\$26.67</u>	<u>\$23.75</u>
Total return . . . . .	4.45%	2.50%	(8.19)%	14.51%	18.96%
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:</b>					
Net assets, end of year (millions) . . . . .	\$295.2	\$395.4	\$670.2	\$1,209.2	\$820.3
Portfolio turnover rate . . . . .	18%	14%	15%	25%	17%
<b>RATIOS OF EXPENSES TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS:</b>					
Before fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . .	0.93%	0.97%	0.88%	0.86%	0.90%
After fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . .	0.93%	0.97%	0.88%	0.86%	0.90%
<b>RATIOS OF NET INVESTMENT INCOME TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS:</b>					
Before fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . .	0.50%	0.93%	0.70%	1.02%	0.58%
After fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . .	0.50%	0.93%	0.70%	1.02%	0.58%

# Calculated using the average shares outstanding method.

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# Villere Equity Fund

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS For a capital share outstanding throughout each year/period

	Year Ended August 31,				Period Ended August 31,
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013*
Net asset value, beginning of year/period . . . . .	\$10.29	\$10.40	\$11.85	\$10.29	\$10.00
<b>INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:</b>					
Net investment gain (loss)# . . . . .	(0.04)	0.01	(0.03)	(0.00) <sup>(1)</sup>	(0.01)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments . . . . .	<u>0.19</u>	<u>0.04</u>	<u>(1.23)</u>	<u>1.56</u>	<u>0.30</u>
Total from investment operations . . . . .	<u>0.15</u>	<u>0.05</u>	<u>(1.26)</u>	<u>1.56</u>	<u>0.29</u>
Paid-in capital from redemption fees . . . . .	<u>0.00<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>—</u>
<b>LESS DISTRIBUTIONS:</b>					
From net investment income . . . . .	(0.01)	—	—	—	—
From net realized gain . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(0.16)</u>	<u>(0.19)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total distributions . . . . .	<u>(0.01)</u>	<u>(0.16)</u>	<u>(0.19)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Net asset value, end of year/period . . . . .	<u>\$10.43</u>	<u>\$10.29</u>	<u>\$10.40</u>	<u>\$11.85</u>	<u>\$10.29</u>
Total return . . . . .	1.47%	0.68%	(10.62)%	15.16%	2.90% <sup>^</sup>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:</b>					
Net assets, end of year/period (millions) . . . . .	\$36.5	\$37.3	\$38.2	\$46.2	\$23.8
Portfolio turnover rate . . . . .	25%	32%	32%	13%	0% <sup>^</sup>
<b>RATIO OF EXPENSES TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS:</b>					
Before fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . . . . .	1.24%	1.24%	1.10%	1.20%	2.40% <sup>+</sup>
After fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . . . . .	1.24%	1.24%	1.16%	1.25%	1.25% <sup>+</sup>
<b>RATIO OF NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS) TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS:</b>					
Before fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . . . . .	(0.41)%	0.15%	(0.15)%	(0.02)%	(1.69)% <sup>+</sup>
After fees waived/recouped and expenses absorbed/recouped . . . . .	(0.41)%	0.15%	(0.21)%	(0.07)%	(0.54)% <sup>+</sup>

\* The Fund commenced operations on May 31, 2013.

# Calculated using the average shares outstanding method.

<sup>(1)</sup> Does not round to \$(0.01) or \$0.01, as applicable.

<sup>^</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>+</sup> Annualized.

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# Villere Funds

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017

## NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION

The Balanced Fund and the Equity Fund are each a diversified series of shares of beneficial interest of Professionally Managed Portfolios (the “Trust”), which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”) as an open-end management investment company. Each Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 “Financial Services—Investment Companies”. The Balanced Fund commenced operations on September 30, 1999. The Equity Fund commenced operations on May 31, 2013.

The investment objective of the Balanced Fund is to seek long-term capital growth consistent with preservation of capital and balanced by current income. The Balanced Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in a combination of equity securities and high quality fixed income obligations.

The Equity Fund seeks to achieve long term growth. The Equity Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in equity securities.

## NOTE 2 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Funds. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”).

- A. *Security Valuation.* All equity securities, which may include Real Estate Investment Trusts (“REITs”), Business Development Companies (“BDCs”) and Master Limited Partnerships (“MLPs”), that are traded on U.S. or foreign national securities exchanges are valued either at the last reported sale price on the exchange on which the security is principally traded or the exchange’s official closing price, if applicable. If, on a particular day, an exchange-traded security does not trade, then the mean between the most recent quoted bid and asked prices will be used. All equity securities, which may include REITs, BDCs and MLPs, that are not traded on a listed exchange are valued at the last sale price in the over-the-counter market. If a non-exchange traded security does not trade on a particular day, then the mean between the last quoted closing bid and asked price will be used.

# Villere Funds

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

Debt securities are valued by using the evaluated mean prices supplied by an approved independent pricing service. The independent pricing service may use various valuation methodologies including matrix pricing and other analytical pricing models as well as market transactions and dealer quotations. These models generally consider such factors as yields or prices of bonds of comparable quality, type of issue, coupon, maturity, ratings and general market conditions. In the absence of a price from a pricing service, securities are valued at their respective fair values as determined in good faith by the Valuation Committee.

Securities for which quotations are not readily available are valued at their respective fair values as determined in good faith by the Trust's Valuation Committee. When a security is "fair valued," consideration is given to the facts and circumstances relevant to the particular situation, including a review of various factors set forth in the pricing procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees. Fair value pricing is an inherently subjective process, and no single standard exists for determining fair value. Different funds could reasonably arrive at different values for the same security. The use of fair value pricing by a fund may cause the net asset value of its shares to differ significantly from the net asset value that would be calculated without regard to such considerations.

As described above, the Funds utilize various methods to measure the fair value of its investments on a recurring basis. U.S. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods. The three levels of inputs are:

- Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Funds have the ability to access.
- Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available; representing the Funds' own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

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The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurements fall in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Funds' investments as of August 31, 2017. See the Schedules of Investments for industry breakouts.

### Balanced Fund

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Common Stocks</b>	\$202,683,351	\$ —	\$ —	\$202,683,351
<b>Corporate Bonds</b>	—	77,195,844	—	77,195,844
<b>Short-Term</b>				
<b>Investments</b>	14,950,526	—	—	14,950,526
<b>Investments</b>				
<b>Purchased with Cash</b>				
<b>Proceeds from</b>				
<b>Securities Lending</b>	<u>38,915,291</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>38,915,291</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>				
<b>in Securities</b>	<u>\$256,549,168</u>	<u>\$ 77,195,844</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$333,745,012</u>

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

### Equity Fund

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Common Stocks</b>	\$34,654,204	\$ —	\$ —	\$34,654,204
<b>Short-Term</b>				
<b>Investments</b>	1,913,857	—	—	1,913,857
<b>Investments</b>				
<b>Purchased with Cash</b>				
<b>Proceeds from</b>				
<b>Securities Lending</b>	<u>4,221,782</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>4,221,782</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>				
<b>in Securities</b>	<u>\$40,789,843</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$40,789,843</u>

It is the Funds' policy to recognize transfers between levels at the end of each Fund's reporting period.

There were no transfers made into or out of Level 1, 2, or 3 for the year ended August 31, 2017.

- B. *Federal Income Taxes.* Each Fund has elected to be taxed as a "regulated investment company" and intends to distribute substantially all taxable income to its shareholders and otherwise comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies. Therefore, no provision for federal income taxes or excise taxes has been made.

In order to avoid imposition of the excise tax applicable to regulated investment companies, each Fund intends to declare dividends in each calendar year at least 98.0% of its net investment income (earned during the calendar year) and 98.2% of its net realized capital gains (earned during the twelve months ended October 31) plus undistributed amounts, if any, from prior years.

Net capital losses incurred after October 31 and within the taxable year are deemed to arise on the first business day of each Fund's next taxable year. For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017, the Funds had the following capital loss carryovers available for federal income tax purposes:

	<u>Balanced Fund</u>	<u>Equity Fund</u>
Unlimited Short-Term	\$ —	\$ 194,423
Unlimited Long-Term	<u>7,210,906</u>	<u>2,144,855</u>
	<u>\$7,210,906</u>	<u>\$2,339,278</u>

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

As of August 31, 2017, the Funds did not have any tax positions that did not meet the “more-likely-than-not” threshold of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Generally, tax authorities can examine all the tax returns filed for the last three years.

The Funds identify major tax jurisdiction as U.S. Federal and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As of August 31, 2017, the Funds are not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially.

- C. *Securities Transactions and Investment Income.* Investment securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Gains and losses realized on sales of securities are determined on a specific identification basis. Discounts/premiums on debt securities purchased are accreted/amortized over the life of the respective securities using the effective interest method. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income and securities lending income are recorded on an accrual basis. Other non-cash dividends are recognized as investment income at the fair value of the property received. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends have been provided for in accordance with the Trust’s understanding of the applicable country’s tax rules and rates.
- D. *Distributions to Shareholders.* Distributions to shareholders from net investment income and net realized gains on securities for each Fund normally are declared and paid on an annual basis. Distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date.
- E. *Use of Estimates.* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- F. *Share Valuation.* The net asset value (“NAV”) per share of the Funds are calculated by dividing the sum of the value of the securities held by each Fund, plus cash and other assets, minus all liabilities (including estimated accrued expenses) by the total number of shares outstanding for each Fund, rounded to the nearest cent. Each Fund’s shares will not

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

be priced on the days on which the New York Stock Exchange is closed for trading. The offering and redemption price per share for each Fund is equal to each Fund's NAV per share. The Equity Fund charges a 2.00% redemption fee on shares held less than 60 calendar days. This fee is deducted from the redemption proceeds otherwise payable to the shareholder. The Equity Fund retains the fee charged as paid-in capital and such fees become part of the Fund's daily NAV calculation.

- G. *Guarantees and Indemnifications.* In the normal course of business, each Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. Each Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against each Fund that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Funds expect the risk of loss to be remote.
- H. *Illiquid Securities.* A security may be considered illiquid if it lacks a readily available market. Securities are generally considered liquid if they can be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business within seven days at approximately the price at which the security is valued by the fund. Illiquid securities may be valued under methods approved by the Board of Trustees as reflecting fair value. Each Fund intends to invest no more than 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities.
- I. *Reclassification of Capital Accounts.* U.S. GAAP requires that certain components of net assets relating to permanent differences be reclassified between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value per share. For the year ended August 31, 2017, the following adjustments were made<sup>(a)</sup>:

	<u>Balanced Fund</u>	<u>Equity Fund</u>
Net Investment Income/(Loss)	\$ —	\$ 58,218
Paid-in Capital	—	(58,218)

<sup>(a)</sup> These differences are primarily due to net operating loss.

- J. *Subsequent Events.* In preparing these financial statements, the Funds have evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the date the financial statements were issued. Management has determined that there are no subsequent events that would need to be disclosed in the Funds' Financial Statements.



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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

- K. *Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncement.* In March 2017, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2017-08, Receivables—Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20): Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities. The amendments in the ASU shorten the amortization period for certain callable debt securities, held at a premium, to be amortized to the earliest call date. The ASU does not require an accounting change for securities held at a discount; which continue to be amortized to maturity. The ASU is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. Management is currently evaluating the impact, if any, of applying this provision.

### NOTE 3 – COMMITMENTS AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

St. Denis J. Villere & Company, LLC (the “Adviser”) provides the Funds with investment management services under an Investment Advisory Agreement (the “Agreement”) for each Fund. Under each Agreement, the Adviser furnishes all investment advice, office space, and certain administrative services, and provides most of the personnel needed by the Funds. As compensation for its services, the Adviser is entitled to receive a monthly fee at the annual rate of 0.75% for the Balanced Fund and Equity Fund based upon the average daily net assets of each Fund. For the year ended August 31, 2017, the advisory fees incurred by the Funds are disclosed in the Statements of Operations. The investment advisory fees incurred are paid monthly to the Adviser, net of any monthly waiver or reimbursement discussed below.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to limit the annual ratio of expenses to 0.99% and 1.25% of each Fund’s average daily net assets for the Balanced Fund and Equity Fund, respectively. The contract terms are indefinite and may be terminated only by the Board of Trustees. Upon Board approval, the Adviser is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Funds, subject to limitations, for fees waived and/or Fund expenses prior to the end of the three years after payment. For the year ended August 31, 2017, the Adviser recouped \$15,453 in fees for the Balanced Fund. As of August 31, 2017, the Adviser has recouped all eligible fees previously waived. Each Fund must pay current ordinary operating expenses before the Adviser is entitled to any reimbursement.

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC (“USBFS”), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of U.S. Bancorp, serves as the Funds’ administrator, fund accountant, and transfer agent. In those capacities, USBFS maintains the Funds’ books and

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

records, calculates each Fund's NAV, prepares various federal and state regulatory filings, coordinates the payment of the Funds' expenses, reviews expense accruals, and prepares materials supplied to the Board of Trustees. The officers of the Trust and the Chief Compliance Officer are also employees of USBFS. Fees paid by the Funds to USBFS for these services for the year ended August 31, 2017, are disclosed in the Statements of Operations.

Quasar Distributors, LLC (the "Distributor") acts as the Funds' principal underwriter in a continuous public offering of the Funds' shares. U.S. Bank NA (the "Custodian") serves as the Funds' custodian. Both the Distributor and Custodian are affiliates of USBFS.

The Funds have entered into Sub-Transfer Agent Arrangements (the "Arrangements"). All Arrangements must be approved by the Board of Trustees. For the year ended August 31, 2017, the Sub-Transfer Agent Fees and Transfer Agent Fees were as follows:

	Transfer Agent Fees paid to USBFS	Sub-Transfer Agent Fees
Balanced Fund	\$41,564	\$164,964
Equity Fund	21,421	3,907

## NOTE 4 – SECURITIES LENDING

The Funds may lend up to 33 1/3% of the securities in its portfolios to brokers, dealers and financial institutions (but not individuals) under terms of participation in a securities lending program administered by U.S. Bank NA. The securities lending agreement requires that loans are collateralized at all times in an amount equal to at least 100% of the market value of any loaned securities at the time of the loan, plus accrued interest.

The Funds receive compensation in the form of fees and earn interest on the cash collateral. The amount of fees depends on a number of factors, including the type of security and length of the loan. The Funds continue to receive interest payments or dividends on the securities loaned during the borrowing period. The Funds have the right under the terms of the securities lending agreement to recall the securities from the borrower on demand.

As of August 31, 2017, the Funds had loaned securities that were collateralized by cash equivalents. The cash collateral is invested by the Custodian in accordance with approved investment guidelines. Those guidelines require the cash collateral to be invested in readily marketable, high quality, short-term obligations; however, such investments are subject to risk

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of payment delays or default on the part of the issuer or counterparty or otherwise may not generate sufficient interest to support the costs associated with securities lending. The Funds could also experience delays in recovering its securities and possible loss of income or value if the borrower fails to return the borrowed securities, although the Funds are indemnified from this risk by contract with the securities lending agent.

As of August 31, 2017, the market value of the securities on loan and payable on collateral received for securities lending were as follows:

	<u>Market Value of Securities on Loan</u>	<u>Payable on Collateral Received</u>
Balanced Fund	\$37,942,062	\$38,915,291
Equity Fund	4,085,656	4,221,782

**Offsetting Assets and Liabilities.** The Funds are subject to various netting arrangements, which govern the terms of certain transactions with counterparties. The arrangements allow the Funds to close out and net their total exposure to a counterparty in the event of a default with respect to all transactions governed under a single agreement with a counterparty. The following is a summary of the transactions subject to the Agreement as of August 31, 2017:

	Gross Amounts Offset in the Statements of Assets & Liabilities	Net Amounts Presented in the Statements of Assets & Liabilities	Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Statements of Assets & Liabilities	Cash Collateral (Received)	Net Amount
Balanced Fund					
Collateral received for securities loaned	\$38,915,291	\$ —	\$38,915,291	\$38,915,291	\$ —
Equity Fund					
Collateral received for securities loaned	\$ 4,221,782	\$ —	\$ 4,221,782	\$ 4,221,782	\$ —

The Funds receive cash as collateral in return for securities lent as part of the securities lending program. The collateral is invested in the First American Government Obligations Fund – Class Z (a money market fund subject to Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act). The Schedules of Investments for the Funds include the particular cash collateral holding as of August 31, 2017. The remaining contractual maturity of all securities lending transactions is overnight and continuous.

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

The fee and interest income earned by the Funds on investments of cash collateral received from borrowers for the securities loaned to them are reflected in the Funds' Statements of Operations.

### NOTE 5 – PURCHASES AND SALES OF SECURITIES

For the year ended August 31, 2017, the cost of purchases and proceeds from the sales and maturities of securities, excluding short-term investments were as follows:

	<u>Purchases</u>	<u>Sales</u>
Balanced Fund	\$56,707,064	\$156,796,538
Equity Fund	10,190,621	8,200,929

For the year ended August 31, 2017, there were no purchases or sales of U.S. Government obligations in the Funds.

### NOTE 6 – DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS

The tax character of distributions paid during the year ended August 31, 2017 and the year ended August 31, 2016 for the Funds were as follows:

#### Balanced Fund

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Distributions paid from:		
Ordinary income	\$3,170,757	\$ 5,123,263
Long-term capital gain	—	65,241,180
	<u>\$3,170,757</u>	<u>\$70,364,443</u>

#### Equity Fund

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Distributions paid from:		
Ordinary income	\$ 40,823	\$ 17
Long-term capital gain	—	582,549
	<u>\$ 40,823</u>	<u>\$ 582,566</u>

Distribution classification may differ from the Statements of Changes in Net Assets as a result of the treatment of short-term capital gains as ordinary income for tax purposes.

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

As of August 31, 2017, the components of accumulated earnings/(losses) on a tax basis were as follows:

### Balanced Fund

Cost of investments	\$317,569,802
Gross tax unrealized appreciation	43,443,668
Gross tax unrealized depreciation	(27,268,458)
Net tax unrealized appreciation	16,175,210
Undistributed ordinary income	1,129,141
Undistributed long-term capital gain	—
Total distributable earnings	1,129,141
Other accumulated losses	(7,210,906)
Total accumulated gains	<u>\$ 10,093,445</u>

### Equity Fund

Cost of investments	\$ 38,711,465
Gross tax unrealized appreciation	6,582,611
Gross tax unrealized depreciation	(4,504,233)
Net tax unrealized appreciation	2,078,378
Undistributed ordinary income	—
Undistributed long-term capital gain	—
Total distributable earnings	—
Other accumulated losses	(2,437,621)
Total accumulated losses	<u>\$ (359,243)</u>

Under tax law, net capital losses incurred after October 31, and within the taxable year are deemed to arise on the first business day of each Fund's next taxable year. At August 31, 2017, there were no post-October losses in the Funds.

At August 31, 2017, the Funds deferred, on a tax basis, qualified late year losses, consisting of the following:

	Post-October Losses	Ordinary Late Year Losses
Balanced Fund	\$ —	\$ —
Equity Fund	\$ —	\$98,343

## NOTE 7 – INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATES

Affiliated companies, as defined in Section 2(a)(3) of the 1940 Act, are companies 5% or more of whose outstanding voting shares are held by the Funds and the Adviser. For the year ended August 31, 2017, the Funds had the following transactions with affiliated companies:

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

### Balanced Fund

As of August 31, 2017, the value of all securities of affiliated companies held in the Balanced Fund amount to \$20,945,807, representing 7.1% of net assets.

	Share/Par Balance at August 31, 2017	Value at August 31, 2016	Acquisitions	Dispositions
Axon Enterprises, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	868,856	28,859,995	—	—
EPIQ Systems, Inc.	—	20,757,819	—	20,858,954
Luminex Corp.	107,757	12,270,684	—	9,940,417
3D Systems Corp. <sup>2</sup>	482,800	14,827,700	—	12,197,271
Kearny Financials, Inc. <sup>2</sup>	753,704	16,703,169	—	7,120,032
		Change in Unrealized Appreciation/ Depreciation	Value at August 31, 2017	Dividend Income and Interest
	Realized Gain (Loss)			
Axon Enterprises, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	\$ —	\$ (9,997,131)	\$18,862,864	\$ —
EPIQ Systems, Inc.	4,571,765	(4,470,630)	—	—
Luminex Corp.	1,108,347	(1,355,671)	2,082,943	64,245
<b>Total</b>			<u>\$20,945,807</u>	
3D Systems Corp. <sup>2</sup>	(3,047,889)	6,481,428	6,063,968	—
Kearny Financials, Inc. <sup>2</sup>	2,134,632	(1,052,857)	10,664,912	96,735
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 4,766,855</u>	<u>\$(10,394,861)</u>		<u>\$160,980</u>

<sup>1</sup> Formerly known as Taser International, Inc.

<sup>2</sup> This security was considered an affiliate during the period but is no longer an affiliate at August 31, 2017.

# Villere Funds

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS August 31, 2017 (Continued)

### Equity Fund

As of August 31, 2017, the value of all securities of affiliated companies held in the Equity Fund amount to \$3,358,146, representing 9.2% of net assets.

	Share Balance at August 31, 2017	Value at August 31, 2016	Acquisitions	Dispositions
Axon Enterprises, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	85,500	2,315,340	—	—
EPIQ Systems, Inc.	—	1,428,540	—	1,435,500
Luminex Corp.	77,700	2,117,535	—	451,789
3D Systems Corp. <sup>2</sup>	116,016	1,682,232	—	—
Kearny Financials, Inc. <sup>2</sup>	94,900	1,299,181	—	—
		Change in Unrealized Appreciation/ Depreciation	Value at August 31, 2017	Dividend Income
Axon Enterprises, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	\$ —	\$ (459,135)	\$1,856,205	\$ —
EPIQ Systems, Inc.	303,075	(296,115)	—	—
Luminex Corp.	7,055	(170,860)	1,501,941	10,692
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$3,358,146</b>	
3D Systems Corp. <sup>2</sup>	—	(225,071)	1,457,161	—
Kearny Financials, Inc. <sup>2</sup>	—	43,654	1,342,835	10,439
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$310,130</b>	<b>\$(1,107,527)</b>		<b>\$21,131</b>

<sup>1</sup> Formerly known as Taser International, Inc.

<sup>2</sup> This security was considered an affiliate during the period but is no longer an affiliate at August 31, 2017.

### NOTE 8 – CREDIT FACILITY

U.S. Bank NA has made available to the Funds credit facilities pursuant to separate Loan and Security Agreements for temporary or extraordinary purposes. Interest expenses for the year ended August 31, 2017, are disclosed in the Statements of Operations. Credit facility activity for the year ended August 31, 2017, was as follows:

	Balanced Fund	Equity Fund
Maximum available credit	\$45,000,000	\$2,500,000
Largest amount outstanding		
on an individual day	16,000	—
Average daily loan outstanding	48	—
Credit facility outstanding as		
of August 31, 2017	—	—
Average interest rate	4.00%	—

# Villere Funds

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders of  
Villere Balanced Fund and  
Villere Equity Fund and  
The Board of Trustees of  
Professionally Managed Portfolios

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities, including the schedules of investments, of Villere Balanced Fund and Villere Equity Fund (the “Funds”), each a series of Professionally Managed Portfolios, as of August 31, 2017 and the related statements of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and the financial highlights for the periods indicated within the financial statements. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Funds’ management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. The Funds are not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of their internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Funds’ internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of August 31, 2017, by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Villere Balanced Fund and Villere Equity Fund as of August 31, 2017, the results of their operations for the year then ended, the changes in their net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and the financial highlights for the periods indicated within the financial statements, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
October 30, 2017



# Villere Funds

## APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENTS (Unaudited)

At a meeting held on August 22, 2017, the Board (which is comprised of five persons all of whom are Independent Trustees as defined under the Investment Company Act) considered and approved the continuance of the Investment Advisory Agreements (the “Advisory Agreements”) between Professionally Managed Portfolios (the “Trust”) and St. Denis J. Villere & Company, LLC (the “Adviser”) for the Villere Balanced Fund and the Villere Equity Fund (each, a “Fund” and together, the “Funds”). At this meeting and at a prior meeting held on May 25, 2017, the Board received and reviewed substantial information regarding the Funds, the Adviser and the services provided by the Adviser to the Funds under the Advisory Agreements. This information, together with the information provided to the Board throughout the course of the year, formed the primary (but not exclusive) basis for the Board’s determinations. Below is a summary of the factors considered by the Board and the conclusions that formed the basis for the Board’s approval of the continuance of the Advisory Agreements:

- 1. The nature, extent and quality of the services provided and to be provided by the Adviser under the Advisory Agreements.** The Trustees considered the nature, extent and quality of the Adviser’s overall services provided to the Funds as well as its specific responsibilities in all aspects of day-to-day investment management of the Funds. The Board considered the qualifications, experience and responsibilities of the portfolio managers, as well as the responsibilities of other key personnel of the Adviser involved in the day-to-day activities of the Funds. The Board also considered the resources and compliance structure of the Adviser, including information regarding its compliance program, its chief compliance officer and the Adviser’s compliance record, as well as the Adviser’s cybersecurity program and business continuity plan. The Board also considered the prior relationship between the Adviser and the Trust, as well as the Board’s knowledge of the Adviser’s operations, and noted that during the course of the prior year they had met with the Adviser in person to discuss fund performance and investment outlook, as well as, various marketing and compliance topics, including the Adviser’s risk management process. The Board concluded that the Adviser had the quality and depth of personnel, resources, investment methods and compliance policies and procedures essential to performing its duties under the Advisory Agreements and that the nature, overall quality and extent of such management services are satisfactory.

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## APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENTS (Unaudited) (Continued)

- 2. The Funds' historical performance and the overall performance of the Adviser.** In assessing the quality of the portfolio management delivered by the Adviser, the Board reviewed the short-term and long-term performance of each Fund on both an absolute basis, and in comparison to its peer funds utilizing Morningstar classifications and appropriate securities benchmarks, all for periods ended March 31, 2017. While the Board considered both short-term and long-term performance, it placed greater emphasis on longer term performance. When reviewing each Fund's performance against its comparative peer group universe, the Board took into account that the investment objective and strategies of each Fund, as well as its level of risk tolerance, may differ significantly from funds in the peer universe.

For the Villere Balanced Fund, the Board noted that the Fund underperformed its peer group median for the one-year, three-year and five-year periods, and outperformed its peer group median for the ten-year period. The Board also considered the performance of the Fund against its broad-based securities market benchmark, noting it underperformed for the one-year, three-year, five-year and ten-year periods. The Board also noted that the Fund underperformed its secondary benchmark for the one-year, three-year and five-year periods and outperformed for the ten-year period. The Board also considered that the Fund slightly underperformed the Adviser's balanced composite for the one-year, three-year, and five-year periods and slightly outperformed the balanced composite for the ten-year period ended March 31, 2017.

For the Villere Equity Fund, the Board noted that the Fund underperformed its peer group median for the one-year and three-year periods. The Board also considered the underperformance of the Fund against its broad-based securities market benchmark for the one-year and three-year periods. The Board also noted that the Fund underperformed its secondary benchmark for the one-year and three-year periods. The Board also considered that the Fund underperformed the Adviser's equity composite for the one-year and three-year periods ended March 31, 2017 and the reasons given by the Adviser for such underperformance.

- 3. The costs of the services provided by the Adviser and the structure of the Adviser's fees under the Advisory Agreements.** In considering the advisory fee and total fees and expenses of each Fund, the Board reviewed comparisons to the peer funds and similarly managed separate

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## APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT (Unaudited) (Continued)

accounts for other types of clients advised by the Adviser, as well as all expense waivers and reimbursements. When reviewing fees charged to other similarly managed accounts, the Board took into consideration the type of account and the differences in the management of that account that might be germane to the difference, if any, in the fees charged to such accounts. The Trustees noted that the fees charged to each Fund as compared to the fees charged by the Adviser to its similarly managed separate account clients differed due to a number of factors.

For the Villere Balanced Fund, the Board noted that the Adviser had contractually agreed to maintain an annual expense ratio of 0.99% for the Fund (the “Expense Cap”), but was currently operating slightly below this level. The Board noted that the Fund’s advisory fee and net expense ratio were higher than those of its peer group median and average. The Board concluded that the fees paid to the Adviser were fair and reasonable in light of the comparative performance and advisory fee information.

For the Villere Equity Fund, the Board noted that the Adviser had contractually agreed to maintain an annual expense ratio of 1.25% for the Fund (the “Expense Cap”), but was currently operating slightly below this level. The Board noted that the Fund’s advisory fee was at its peer group median and lower than its peer group average, and the net expense ratio was higher than the peer group median and average. The Board concluded that the fees paid to the Adviser were fair and reasonable in light of the comparative performance and advisory fee information.

4. **Economies of Scale.** The Board also considered whether economies of scale were being realized by the Adviser that should be shared with shareholders. The Board noted that the Adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its advisory fees or reimburse Fund expenses so that each Fund does not exceed its specified Expense Cap. The Board also noted that each Fund’s annual expense ratio is currently below its respective Expense Cap. The Board noted that at current asset levels, it did not appear that there were additional significant economies of scale being realized by the Adviser that should be shared with shareholders and concluded that it would continue to monitor economies of scale in the future as circumstances changed and assuming asset levels continued to increase.
5. **The profits to be realized by the Adviser and its affiliates from their relationship with the Funds.** The Board reviewed the Adviser’s financial information and took into account both the direct benefits and the indirect benefits to the Adviser from advising the Funds. The Board

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considered the profitability to the Adviser from its relationship with the Funds and considered that there were no additional benefits derived by the Adviser from its relationship with the Funds. The Board also reviewed information regarding fee offsets for separate accounts invested in the Funds and determined that the Adviser was not receiving an advisory fee both at the separate account and at the Fund level for these accounts, and as a result was not receiving additional fall-out benefits from these relationships. After such review, the Board determined that the profitability to the Adviser with respect to the Advisory Agreement was not excessive, and that the Adviser had maintained adequate profit levels to support the services it provides to the Funds.

No single factor was determinative of the Board's decision to approve the continuance of the Advisory Agreement, but rather the Board based its determination on the total combination of information available to them. Based on a consideration of all the factors in their totality, the Board determined that the advisory arrangements with the Adviser, including each Fund's advisory fee, were fair and reasonable. The Board therefore determined that the continuance of the Advisory Agreements would be in the best interests of the Funds and their shareholders.

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## TRUSTEES AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (Unaudited)

The Board is responsible for the overall management of the Trust, including general supervision and review of the investment activities of the Funds. The Board, in turn, elects the officers of the Trust, who are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Trust and its separate series. The current Trustees and executive officers of the Trust, their birth dates, positions with the Trust, terms of office with the Trust and length of time served, their principal occupations during the past five years and other directorships are set forth in the table below.

Name, Address and Age	Positions with the Trust <sup>(1)</sup>	Term of Office and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex <sup>(2)</sup> Overseen by Trustees	Other Directorships Held During the Past Five Years
<b><u>Independent Trustees of the Trust</u></b>					
Dorothy A. Berry (born 1943) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Chairman and Trustee	Indefinite Term; Since May 1991.	Formerly, President, Talon Industries, Inc. (business consulting); formerly, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Integrated Asset Management (investment adviser and manager) and formerly, President, Value Line, Inc. (investment advisory and financial publishing firm).	2	Director, PNC Funds (34 series), PNC Advantage Funds (1 series).
Wallace L. Cook (born 1939) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Trustee	Indefinite Term; Since May 1991.	Investment Consultant; formerly, Chief Executive Officer, Rockefeller Trust Co., (prior thereto Senior Vice President), and Managing Director, Rockefeller & Co. (Investment Manager and Financial Advisor); formerly, Senior Vice President, Norton Simon, Inc. (international consumer products conglomerate).	2	Trustee, The Dana Foundation.

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Eric W. Falkeis (born 1973) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Trustee	Indefinite Term; Since September 2011.	Chief Operating Officer, Direxion Funds since 2013; formerly, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (and other positions), U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 1997-2013.	2	Interested Trustee, Direxion Funds (24 series), Direxion Shares ETF Trust (142 series) and Direxion Insurance Trust.
Carl A. Froebel (born 1938) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Trustee	Indefinite Term; Since May 1991.	Formerly, President and Founder, National Investor Data Services, Inc. (investment related computer software).	2	None.
Steven J. Paggioli (born 1950) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Trustee	Indefinite Term; Since May 1991.	Consultant, since July 2001; formerly, Executive Vice President, Investment Company Administration, LLC (mutual fund administrator).	2	Independent Trustee, AMG Funds (67 series); Advisory Board Member, Sustainable Growth Advisers, LP; Independent Director, Chase Investment Counsel.

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<b>Officers of the Trust</b>					
Elaine E. Richards (born 1968) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 2020 E. Financial Way Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	President      Secretary	Indefinite Term; Since March 2013. Indefinite Term; Since February 2008.	Vice President and Legal Compliance Officer, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, since July 2007.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.
Aaron J. Perkovich (born 1973) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53202	Vice President    Treasurer	Indefinite Term; Since March 2017. Indefinite Term; Since August 2016.	Vice President, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, since June 2006.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.
Melissa Breitzman (born 1983) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53202	Assistant Treasurer	Indefinite Term; Since August 2016.	Assistant Vice President, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC since June 2005.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.
Craig Benton (born 1985) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53202	Assistant Treasurer	Indefinite Term; Since August 2016.	Assistant Vice President, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC since November 2007.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.

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Cory Akers (born 1978) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53202	Assistant Treasurer	Indefinite Term; Since August 2017.	Assistant Vice President, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC since October 2006.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.
Donna Barrette (born 1966) c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53202	Chief Compliance Officer  Anti- Money Laundering Officer  Vice President	Indefinite Term; Since July 2011.  Indefinite Term; Since July 2011.	Senior Vice President and Compliance Officer, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC since August 2004.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.

(1) All Trustees of the Trust are not “interested persons” of the Trust as defined under the 1940 Act (“Independent Trustees”).

(2) The Trust is comprised of numerous series managed by unaffiliated investment advisers. The term “Fund Complex” applies only to the Funds. The Funds do not hold themselves out as related to any other series within the Trust for purposes of investment and investor services, nor do they share the same investment advisor with any other series.



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## FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION (Unaudited)

For the year ended August 31, 2017, certain dividends paid by the Funds may be subject to a maximum tax rate of 23.8%, as provided for by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2012.

The percentage of dividends declared from ordinary income designated as qualified dividend income was as follows:

Balanced Fund	80.55%
Equity Fund	100.00%

For corporate shareholders, the percent of ordinary income distributions qualifying for the corporate dividends received deduction for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017 was as follows:

Balanced Fund	77.68%
Equity Fund	100.00%

The percentage of taxable ordinary income distributions that are designated as short-term capital gain distributions under Internal Revenue Section 871(k)(2)(C) for each Fund were as follows (unaudited):

Balanced Fund	0.00%
Equity Fund	0.00%

## INFORMATION ABOUT PROXY VOTING (Unaudited)

A description of the policies and procedures that the Funds use to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available upon request without charge, by calling (866) 209-1129 or by accessing the Funds' web site at [www.villere.com](http://www.villere.com). Furthermore, you can obtain the description on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Information regarding how the Funds vote proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available without charge, upon request, by calling (866) 209-1129. Furthermore, you can obtain the Funds' proxy voting records on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

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## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (Unaudited)**

The Funds file their complete schedule of portfolio holdings for its first and third fiscal quarters with the SEC on Form N-Q. Each Fund's Form N-Q is available without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free at (866) 209-1129. Furthermore, you can obtain the Form N-Q on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Each Fund's N-Q may be reviewed and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

## **INFORMATION ABOUT HOUSEHOLDING (Unaudited)**

To reduce expenses, we may mail only one copy of each Fund's prospectus and each annual and semi-annual report to those address shared by two or more accounts. If you wish to receive individual copies of these documents, please call us at (866) 209-1129 (or contact your financial institution). We will begin sending you individual copies thirty days after receiving your request.

## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND'S TRUSTEES (Unaudited)**

The Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") includes additional information about the Funds' Trustees and is available without charge, upon request, by calling (866) 209-1129. Furthermore, you can obtain the SAI on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or the Funds' web site at [www.villere.com](http://www.villere.com).

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## PRIVACY NOTICE

The Funds collect non-public information about you from the following sources:

- Information we receive about you on applications or other forms;
- Information you give us orally; and
- Information about your transactions with us or others.

**We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our shareholders or former shareholders without the shareholder's authorization, except as permitted by law or in response to inquiries from governmental authorities. We may share information with affiliated parties and unaffiliated third parties with whom we have contracts for servicing the Funds. We will provide unaffiliated third parties with only the information necessary to carry out their assigned responsibility. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards to protect your non-public personal information and require third parties to treat your non-public information with the same high degree of confidentiality.**

**In the event that you hold shares of the Funds through a financial intermediary, including, but not limited to, a broker-dealer, bank or trust company, the privacy policy of your financial intermediary would govern how your non-public personal information would be shared by those entities with unaffiliated third parties.**

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