

# ULTRA SHORT GOVERNMENT FUND

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Investment Style: Ultra-Short-Term Bond

The Ultra Short Government Fund returned +0.39% in the fourth quarter compared to a +0.54% return for the ICE BofAML US 6-Month Treasury Bill Index (6-Month Treasury), our primary benchmark. For the year, the Fund returned +2.39% compared to a +2.57% return for the benchmark. The Fund's results in the quarter lagged those of its benchmark as strong income returns were partially offset by modest (unrealized) price declines in certain Fund holdings in the asset-backed securities segment.

## Overview

In October, the Federal Reserve cut short-term interest rates for the third time in 2019 in response to muted inflationary pressures, further signs of global economic weakness, and continuing trade uncertainties that have led to a softening of U.S. exports and business fixed investment.

The Federal Reserve's monetary policy decisions (e.g., changes in short-term interest rates) will continue to affect all investments within our opportunity set. As a result, our yield and return will invariably follow the path dictated by the Federal Reserve's monetary policy, as we frequently reinvest maturities with holdings that mature in a short period of time. As of December 31, 82.5% of our portfolio was invested in U.S. Treasury notes, 14.2% in investment-grade asset-backed securities, 1.6% in investment-grade corporate bonds and 1.7% in a high-quality money market fund. The average effective duration at calendar year end was unchanged from the previous quarter at 0.4 years. The Fund's 30-day yield decreased approximately 0.25% in the quarter to 1.60% as of December 31.

The Fund's principal investment strategies and objectives of providing current income, protecting principal and providing liquidity remain our long-term goals. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets in obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government and its government-related entities. The balance of Fund assets may be invested in U.S. investment-grade debt securities. Additionally, the Fund will maintain an average effective duration of one year or less. Duration is a measure of how sensitive the portfolio may be to changes in interest rates. All else equal, a lower-duration bond portfolio is less sensitive to changes in interest rates than a bond portfolio with a higher duration. Over time, this shorter-term focus (duration of less than one year) is intended to generate higher total returns than cash or money market funds, while also taking less interest rate risk than a bond portfolio with a higher duration.

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## Average Annual Total Returns

AS OF 12/31/2019						
	1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year	Net Expense	Gross Expense
Ultra Short Government Fund	2.39%	1.64%	1.01%	0.52%	0.20%	0.61%
ICE BofAML US 6-Month Treasury Bill Index	2.57%	1.81%	1.26%	0.74%	-	-

**Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate, and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please visit [weitzinvestments.com](http://weitzinvestments.com) for the most recent month-end performance.

Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses. Certain Funds have entered into fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement arrangements with the Investment Advisor. In these cases, the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive a portion of the Advisor's fee and reimburse certain expenses (excluding taxes, interest, brokerage costs, acquired fund fees and expenses and extraordinary expenses) to limit the total annual fund operating expenses of the Class's average daily net assets through 07/31/2020.

The Net Expense Ratio reflects the total annual operating expenses of the Fund after taking into account any such fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement, if any; total returns would have been lower had there been no waivers or reimbursements.

Effective 12/16/2016, the Ultra Short Government Fund revised its principal investment strategies. Prior to that date, the Fund operated as a "government money market fund" and maintained a stable net asset value of \$1.00 per share. Performance prior to 12/16/2016 reflects the Fund's prior principal investment strategies and may not be indicative of future performance results.

Index performance is hypothetical and is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index. The ICE BofAML 6-Month Treasury Bill Index is generally representative of the market for U.S. Treasury Bills.

Holdings are subject to change and may not be representative of the Fund's current or future investments.

The Fund receives credit quality ratings on portfolio securities when available from credit rating agencies. The Fund itself has not been rated by a credit rating agency. Ratings and portfolio credit quality may change over time. A security is "investment grade" when it has received a credit quality rating of at least BBB. If a security has received different ratings from more than one rating agency, then the highest rating is used. Mortgage related securities issued and guaranteed by government sponsored agencies such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are generally not rated by rating agencies. Securities which are not rated do not necessarily indicate low quality. Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's senior long-term debt are currently rating Aaa and AAA by Moody's and Fitch, respectively.

The views and opinions expressed here are those of the portfolio managers as of 01/10/2020, are subject to change with market conditions, and are not meant as investment advice. For informational purposes only. Not an investment recommendation.

**Consider these risks before investing:** All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Changing interest rates may have sudden and unpredictable effects in the markets and on the Fund's investments. See the Fund's prospectus for a further discussion of risks.

**Investors should consider carefully the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses of a fund before investing. This and other important information is contained in the prospectus and summary prospectus, which may be obtained at [weitzinvestments.com](http://weitzinvestments.com) or from a financial advisor. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.**

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## Schedule of Investments

December 31, 2019

<b>Corporate Bonds - 1.6%</b>	<b>\$ Principal Amount</b>	<b>\$ Value</b>
Discovery, Inc. 2.8% 6/15/20 (Cost \$1,002,907)	1,000,000	1,002,662
<b>Asset-Backed Securities - 14.2%</b>		
American Credit Acceptance Receivables Trust (ACAR) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2019-2 CL A — 2.85% 7/12/22	277,752	278,332
ARI Fleet Lease Trust (ARIFL) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2018-A CL A2 — 2.55% 10/15/26	694,061	694,829
Ascentium Equipment Receivables Trust (ACER) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2016-2A CL D — 4.2% 9/12/22	268,000	269,256
CarMax Auto Owner Trust (CARMX)		
2018-1 CL A2B — 1.88975% 5/17/21		
Floating Rate (Mthly LIBOR + 15)	16,488	16,489
Commercial Credit Group Receivables Trust (CCG) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2017-1 CL B - 2.75% 11/14/23	900,000	901,035
DT Auto Owner Trust (DTAOT) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2016-4A CL D — 3.77% 10/17/22	821,458	825,281
2019-4A CL A — 2.17% 5/15/23	482,002	482,244
Enterprise Fleet Financing LLC (EFF) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2017-1 CL A3 — 2.6% 7/20/22	760,000	761,690
Exeter Automobile Receivables Trust (EART) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2018-3A CL A — 2.9% 1/18/22	19,934	19,938
GLS Auto Receivables Trust (GCAR) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2018-1A CL A — 2.82% 7/15/22	465,572	466,663
2019-3A CL A — 2.58% 7/17/23	207,194	207,541
Marlette Funding Trust (MFT) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2017-3A CL B — 3.01% 12/15/24	173,177	173,225
2018-3A CL A — 3.2% 9/15/28	110,356	110,578
2019-2A CL A — 3.13% 7/16/29	345,235	347,506
MMAF Equipment Finance LLC (MMAF) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2016-AA CL A4 — 1.76% 1/17/23	270,087	269,469
Prosper Marketplace Issuance Trust (PMIT) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2019-3A CL A — 3.19% 7/15/25	341,344	343,117
2019-2A CL A — 3.2% 9/15/25	267,611	268,522
Social Professional Loan Program LLC (SOFI) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2018-A CL A2A — 2.39% 2/25/42	475,110	476,111
Upgrade Receivables Trust (UPGR) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2018-1A CL A — 3.76% 11/15/24	151,741	152,081
2019-1A CL A — 3.48% 3/15/25	193,653	194,409
Upstart Securitization Trust (UPST) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2017-2 CL B — 3.748% 3/20/25	57,649	57,745
Verizon Owner Trust (VZOT) <sup>(b)</sup>		
2016-2A CL B — 2.15% 5/20/21	992,000	992,013
2018-1A CL A1A — 2.82% 9/20/22	650,000	654,195
<b>Total Asset-Backed Securities (Cost \$8,946,375)</b>		<b>8,962,269</b>

<b>U.S. Treasury - 82.5%</b>	<b>\$ Principal Amount or Shares</b>	<b>\$ Value</b>
<b>U.S. Treasury Notes</b>		
1.375% 1/15/20	11,000,000	10,998,930
1.25% 1/31/20	2,000,000	1,999,373
1.5% 4/15/20	2,000,000	1,999,510
2.375% 4/30/20	20,000,000	20,049,092
2.5% 6/30/20	2,000,000	2,008,536
1.375% 8/31/20	12,000,000	11,980,389
1.625% 11/30/20	3,000,000	2,999,364
<b>Total U.S. Treasury (Cost \$51,977,691)</b>		<b>52,035,194</b>

### Cash Equivalents - 1.4%

State Street Institutional U.S. Government Money		
Market Fund - Premier Class 1.53% <sup>(a)</sup>	841,751	841,751
<b>Total Cash Equivalents (Cost \$841,751)</b>		<b>841,751</b>
<b>Total Investments in Securities (Cost \$62,768,724)</b>		<b>62,841,876</b>
Other Assets Less Other Liabilities - 0.3%		210,601
<b>Net Assets - 100%</b>		<b>63,052,477</b>
<b>Net Asset Value Per Share</b>		<b>10.00</b>

(a) Rate presented represents the annualized 7-day yield at December 31, 2019.

(b) Security is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933.

This security may be resold in transactions that are exempt from registration, normally, to qualified institutional buyers.

**This schedule of portfolio holdings is unaudited and is presented for informational purposes only. Portfolio holdings are subject to change at any time and references to specific securities are not recommendations to purchase or sell any particular security. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.**