

# Reams Asset Management Unconstrained Fixed Income

## Investment Philosophy

Reams defines risk as permanent loss of principal or the inability to meet investment objectives. This is distinct from other investors who may define risk as volatility or tracking error versus a benchmark. Another differentiating feature is that Reams focuses on reacting to relative value opportunities and taking advantage of volatility, rather than relying on economic forecasting and predicting market movements. These guiding beliefs lead the team to:

- Focus on long-term value and total return
- Employ both top-down macro and bottom-up strategies to uncover unique opportunities
- React opportunistically to valuation discrepancies and volatility in the bond market
- Create diversified bond portfolios in an attempt to outperform over a full market cycle
- Seek opportunities to add value in niche parts of the market overlooked by larger managers

## Strategy Overview

- Not managed against a traditional fixed income index. Seeks to outperform the ICE® BofA US 3-Month Treasury Index over a full market cycle, while also seeking to minimize the probability of a negative absolute return in any calendar year.
- Seeks to maximize risk-adjusted total return by systematically pursuing relative value opportunities throughout all sectors of the fixed income market including investment-grade and high yield credit, governments, agencies, mortgage-backed, asset-backed and non-dollar.
- Actively manage overall portfolio duration based on market conditions, normally within a range of -3 to 8 years.
- May use derivative instruments such as futures, options and credit default swaps in order to gain exposure and manage risk.

## Investment Process

### Step One: Duration and Yield-Curve Decision

**Goal: Determine whether the bond market is cheap or expensive**

- Emphasize real interest rates and formulate a long-term view
- Take advantage of yield curve opportunities

### Step Two: Sector Decision and Bond Selection

**Goal: Identify bonds with the highest risk-adjusted returns**

- Focus on over/underweight sectors based on relative value and select bonds expected to perform well in dynamic interest rate and credit environments
- Focus on senior positions within the capital structure and use stress testing/scenario analysis to evaluate potential outcomes

### Step Three: Risk Analysis and Control

**Goal: Continually measure and control exposure to key risk factors**

- Employ external and proprietary analytical tools to manage and control risk at security, sector and portfolio levels
- Avoid backward looking risk measures and “risk budgeting” approaches to portfolio construction

## Total Strategy Assets

\$8,851.3 million

## Portfolio Management Team

### Mark Egan, CFA

Lead Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 1990
- 39 years of investment experience

### Todd Thompson, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 2001
- 31 years of investment experience

### Clark Holland, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 2002
- 31 years of investment experience

### Jason Hoyer, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 2015
- 22 years of investment experience

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Co-Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 2021
- 18 years of investment experience

### Neil Aggarwal

Co-Portfolio Manager

- Joined Reams Asset Management in 2022
- 22 years of investment experience

## Performance Summary

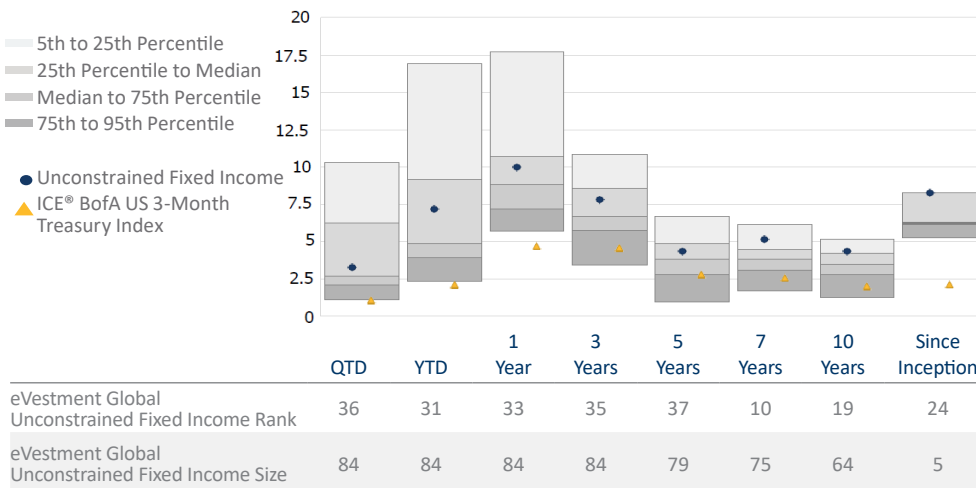
### Trailing Period Performance (annualized for periods greater than 1 year)

	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Unconstrained Fixed Income (gross)	3.24%	7.14%	9.94%	7.75%	4.31%	5.13%	4.32%	8.29%
Unconstrained Fixed Income (net)	3.14%	6.93%	9.50%	7.33%	3.90%	4.71%	3.91%	7.87%
ICE® BofA US 3-Month Treasury Index	1.04%	2.07%	4.68%	4.55%	2.76%	2.54%	1.97%	2.11%
Excess Return (net)	2.10%	4.86%	4.82%	2.78%	1.14%	2.17%	1.94%	5.76%

Inception Date: August 1, 1998

### Unconstrained Fixed Income vs. eVestment Global Unconstrained Fixed Income Universe<sup>†</sup>

#### Trailing Period Returns (as of June 30, 2025)



Source: Nasdaq eVestment

Ranking within eVestment Global Unconstrained Fixed Income universe based on monthly returns gross of fees. Ranking data calculated on July 25, 2025 (as of June 30, 2025) and is subject to change as additional firms within the category submit data. Reams Asset Management pays an annual fee to eVestment to access their platform and to use their data, including peer group rankings, in marketing materials. Reams Asset Management does not pay for the ranking.

### Performance Attribution<sup>†</sup>

Q2 2025 (gross of fees)

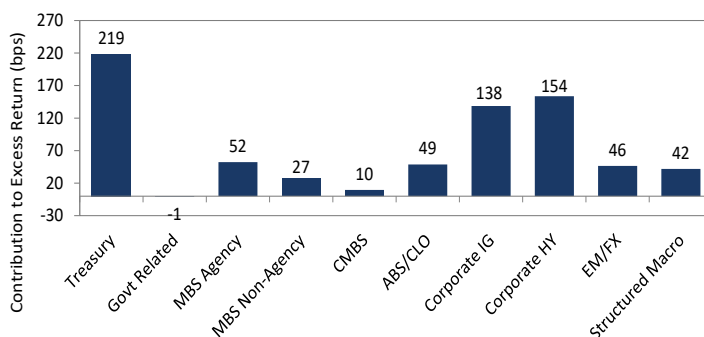
Source	Impact %
ABS	0.12
CMBS	0.02
High Yield (HY)	0.49
Investment Grade (IG)	0.52
Government Related	0.00
MBS	0.42
MBS Non-Agency	0.13
Non-U.S. Dollar	0.11
U.S. Tips	0.83
U.S. Treasury	0.60
<b>Total Selection</b>	<b>3.24</b>
Fees	-0.10%

### Contributors / Detractors

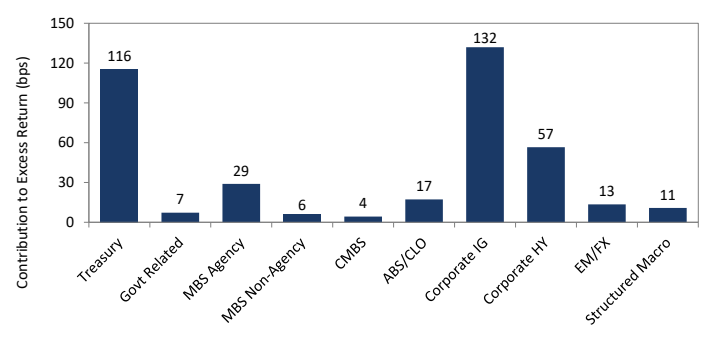
- Structured macro was the largest contributor during the quarter as the team took advantage of elevated volatility.
- Active trading in corporates was also additive, because allocations to high yield (HY) and investment grade (IG) were actively managed as opportunities presented themselves.
- The continued focus on mortgage-backed securities (MBS) was positive; agency and non-agency securities generated positive performance.
- Emerging markets and foreign exchange investments contributed during the quarter.
- Limited exposure to commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) provided a marginal benefit.
- Within asset-backed securities (ABS), securities with attractive embedded options continued to yield positive results and attractive new issues continue coming to market.

## Contribution to Excess Returns (Basis Points)

### Trailing 3-Year Period (net of fees, annualized)



### Trailing 10-Year Period (net of fees, annualized)



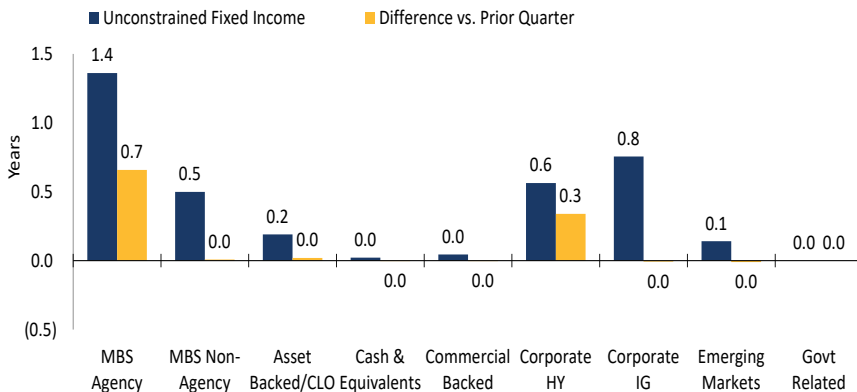
Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Performance figures are stated as gross and net, which is calculated using the highest management fee of 0.40% for this strategy. The firm's management fees are detailed in its Form ADV Part 2A. Please see the Disclosures for further information. Totals may not equal due to rounding. Please see the back page for further information

<sup>†</sup>Based on Gross of Fee Performance

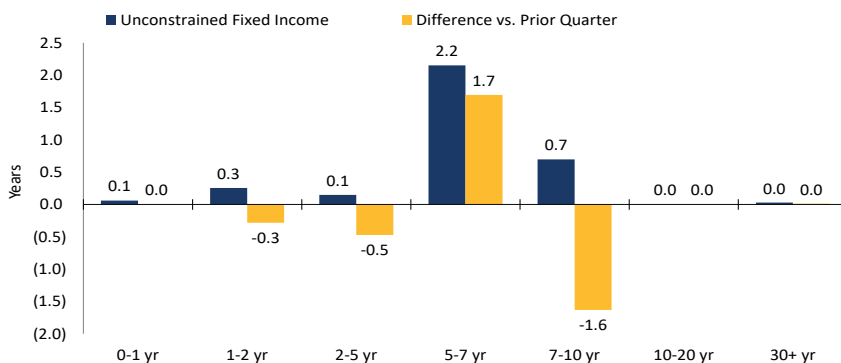
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## Portfolio Summary

### Contribution to Spread Duration (Years)



### Contribution to Interest Rate Duration (Years)



### Portfolio Characteristics

	Unconstrained Fixed Income - Gross of Fees	Difference vs. Prior Quarter
Wtd. Avg. Duration	3.3 years	0.7 years
Wtd. Avg. Convexity	-0.23	-0.06
Wtd. Avg. Yield to Worst	5.5%	0.0%
Wtd. Avg. Maturity	5.4 years	0.1 years
Wtd. Avg. Quality	A1	Aa2

### Sector Allocation (%)<sup>(1)</sup>

	Unconstrained Fixed Income	Difference vs. Prior Quarter
Treasury	16.7	-17.2
Govt Related	0.3	0.1
MBS Agency	35.4	14.1
MBS Non-Agency	10.6	1.1
Commercial Backed	1.5	-0.1
Asset Backed/CLO	9.3	2.3
Corporate IG	17.2	-0.8
Corporate HY	12.8	7.6
Emerging Markets	5.5	1.4
Cash & Equivalents	3.4	-1.3
Total	112.8	7.3

### Quality Allocation (%)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

	Unconstrained Fixed Income	Difference vs. Prior Quarter
AAA	21.5	3.3
AA	54.2	-3.0
A	10.1	-0.8
BBB	5.3	0.2
Below Investment Grade	18.4	9.1
Cash & Equivalents	3.4	-1.4
Total	112.8	7.3

## Positioning and Rationale

- The allocation to agency and non-agency MBS increased, reflecting absolute and relative valuations that continue to be attractive.
- Increased allocations to industrials raised the overall allocation to IG corporates, but exposures to financials and utilities decreased by a small amount compared to the prior quarter.
- The HY exposure fluctuated during the quarter as opportunities presented themselves, and the quarter ended with increased exposure relative to the prior quarter.
- ABS exposure also increased during the quarter.
- The weight in CMBS remained flat and resides at a low absolute exposure.
- The exposure to non-U.S. dollar bonds increased and the allocation to non-U.S. dollar currencies declined.
- The weight in U.S. Treasuries decreased notably during the quarter.
- Portfolio duration fell during the quarter as the yield curve steepened. Duration fell to within the neutral range, reflecting real rates that are attractive on a long-term basis but acknowledging high levels of volatility. Yield curve exposure was distributed across the curve with an increase in concentration toward the 7- to 10-year duration segment.

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Reams Asset Management, established in 1981, is a fixed income investment management firm whose mission is to provide high-quality investment expertise and unmatched client service. We apply our consistent investment process across a range of strategies, seeking to take advantage of volatility and react opportunistically to price and valuation dislocation in the bond market. Reams offers clients customized solutions that seek to maximize risk-adjusted total returns over a full market cycle and across a range of fixed income strategies.

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Core	Low Duration
Core Plus	Real Return
Intermediate	Ultra Low Duration
Long Duration	Unconstrained

Investment Vehicles

Separate Accounts  
Commingled Funds  
Mutual Funds

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The strategy employs an unconstrained investment approach which creates considerable exposure to certain types of securities that present significant volatility in the performance, particularly over short periods of time.

Historically, bonds have provided less volatility and less risk of loss of capital than has equity investing. However, there are many factors which may affect the risk and return profile of a fixed income portfolio. The two most prominent factors are interest-rate movements and the creditworthiness of the bond issuer. Investors should pay careful attention to the types of fixed-income securities which comprise their portfolio, and remember that, as with all investments, there is the risk of the loss of capital.

Bonds issued by the U.S. Government have significantly less risk of default than those issued by corporations and municipalities. However, the overall return on Government bonds tends to be less than these other types of fixed-income securities.

Mortgage- and Asset-Backed Securities are subject to prepayment risk and the risk of default on the underlying mortgages or other assets. Foreign investments present additional risks due to currency fluctuations, economic and political factors, government regulations, differences in accounting standards and other factors.

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### Fee Schedule -

Vehicle	Management Fee	Expense Ratio
Separate Account	.40% on first \$150M .30% on next \$50M Fees negotiable over \$300M	.N/A
Limited Distribution Pooled Fund: Columbus Unconstrained Bond Fund	.40% on first \$150M .30% on next \$150M Fees negotiable over \$300M	All expenses of the fund, other than management fees, are borne by the manager. The annual expense ratio is 0.21% and is equal to the sum of quarterly management fees divided by prior quarter-end AUM.
Limited Distribution Pooled Fund: Raymond James Funds Reams Unconstrained Bond	The management fees for the fund vary by share class and are outlined in the prospectus.	The total expense ratios vary by share class and are outlined in the prospectus.

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