

# **Essential 40 Stock Fund**

Class I Shares (Symbol: ESSIX)

# **Prospectus**

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a series of the Northern Lights Fund Trust II (the "Trust")

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**Investment Objective.** The investment objective of the Essential 40 Stock Fund (the "Fund") is to seek to track, before fees and expenses, the performance of the Essential 40 Stock Index.

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

Shareholder Fees	Class I
(fees paid directly from your investment)	Class I
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases	None
(as a percentage of offering price)	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load)	None
Annual Fund Operating Expenses	
(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)	
Management Fees	0.50%
Distribution and Service (Rule 12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Total Other Expenses	0.73%
Interest Expense	0.01%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.24%
Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement	(0.53%)
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>0.71%</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between KKM Financial LLC (the "Adviser") and the Fund, the Adviser has agreed to waive its fees and/or absorb expenses of the Fund to ensure that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding any front-end or contingent deferred loads, brokerage fees and commissions, acquired fund fees and expenses, borrowing costs (such as interest and dividend expense on securities sold short), taxes and extraordinary expenses such as litigation) for the Fund do not exceed 0.70% of the Fund's average net assets for Class I shares through September 30, 2024. This operating expense limitation agreement can be terminated only by, or with the consent of, the Board of Trustees. The Adviser is permitted to receive reimbursement from the Fund for fees it waived and Fund expenses it paid, subject to the limitation that: (1) the reimbursement for fees and expenses will be made only if payable within three years from the date the fees and expenses were initially waived or reimbursed; and (2) the reimbursement may not be made if it would cause the expense limitation in effect at the time of the waiver or currently in effect, whichever is lower, to be exceeded.

**Example.** This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. The fee waiver/expense reimbursement arrangement discussed in the table above is reflected only through September 30, 2024. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years
Class I	\$73	\$342	\$632	\$1,458

**Portfolio Turnover.** The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 55% of the average value of the portfolio.

#### Principal Investment Strategies.

The Fund, under normal market conditions, invests at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in the common stocks of companies that comprise the Essential 40 Stock Index<sup>TM</sup> (the "Index"), which measures the investment return of the equity securities of forty blue-chip U.S companies. Generally, the Adviser anticipates that the Fund will hold all forty of the securities that comprise the Index in proportion to their weightings in the Index. Under certain circumstances, however, the Fund may purchase a sample of securities in the Index if it is not possible or practicable to replicate the Index. There also may be instances in which the Adviser may choose to underweight or overweight a security in the Index, purchase securities not in the Index that the Adviser believes are appropriate to substitute for certain securities in the Index, or utilize various combinations of other available investment techniques. The circumstances that would cause the Adviser to hold a representative sampling of the Index include, but are not limited to, the following circumstances: the Fund may sell securities that are represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from the Index; the Fund may purchase securities not represented in the Index in anticipation of their addition to the Index; or there may be corporate actions resulting in a cash takeover or bankruptcy which are examples of events that would cause the Adviser to sell a security. The Fund may also temporarily invest in securities not included in the Index that are expected to be correlated with the securities included in the Index. To manage risk, the Fund may also invest in S&P 500 futures and options when the Adviser determines that such investments would benefit the Fund. The Fund will normally limit its investment in S&P 500 futures and options to 5% or less of its net assets, although it can invest up to 20% of its net assets in such instruments.

Given the Fund's investment objective of attempting to track the Index, the Fund does not follow traditional methods of active investment management, which may involve buying and selling securities based upon analysis of economic and market factors. The Adviser, however, reserves the ability to underweight or overweight stocks in the Index or to utilize S&P 500 futures or options to manage risk as it deems necessary.

The Index is an index created by FSH Trading, LLC ("FSH") and is calculated and distributed by Solactive AG. The Index is an index of companies providing goods and services that are, in the view of FSH, essential to the American economy and way of life. The Index has 40 components that are selected by a committee within FSH, using a qualitative approach to determine which companies, in the view of the committee, are irreplaceable and too essential to fail. At its inception on December 31, 2013, the Index was constructed as equally weighted, and the component weightings fluctuate going forward based on return performance alone. The Index, however, is rebalanced annually on the second calendar Monday of January. In the event that the NYSE, NASDAQ or AMEX are closed on that day, rebalancing occurs on the following business day. Each component of the Index is weighted equally at 2.5% when rebalanced but again may fluctuate as a result of individual stock performance until it is rebalanced again. The committee seeks to have the Index diversified across sectors and industries and seeks only to make changes to the Index components as the American economy evolves or market events and corporate actions necessitate.

**Principal Risks.** Remember that in addition to possibly not achieving your investment goals, you could lose money by investing in the Fund. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are:

- Equity Securities Risk. The Fund invests in common stock, which subjects the Fund and its shareholders to the risks associated with common stock investing. Overall stock market risks may affect the value of the Fund. Factors such as domestic economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, and political events affect the securities markets. When the value of the Fund's investments goes down, your investment in the Fund decreases in value and you could lose money.
- Futures Risk. Investments in futures involve leverage, which means a small percentage of assets invested in futures can have a disproportionately large impact on the Fund. This risk could cause the Fund to lose more than the principal amount invested. Futures contracts may become mispriced or improperly valued when compared to the adviser's expectation and may not produce the desired investment results.
- General Market Risk. Domestic economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, political events, terrorism, war, natural disasters, disease/virus epidemics and other events are among the factors affecting the securities markets in which the Fund invests. There is risk that these and other factors may adversely affect the Fund's performance. You could lose money by investing in the Fund.
- Large-Capitalization Securities Risk. Large-capitalization companies usually cannot respond as quickly as smaller companies to competitive challenges, and their growth rates tend to lag the growth rates of well-managed smaller companies during strong economic periods.

- Management Risk. Management risk is the risk that the investment process used by the Fund's portfolio manager could fail to achieve the Fund's investment goal and cause an investment in the Fund to lose value. Given the Fund is going to attempt to tract the Index, the Fund does not follow traditional methods of active investment management.
- New Index Provider Risk. The index provider for the Index has a limited history of experience as an index provider or investment adviser for a registered fund, which may create additional risks for investing in the Fund.
- Options Risk. When the Fund purchases an option on a security or index it may lose the entire premium paid if the underlying security or index does not decrease in value. The Fund may also be exposed to default by the option writer who may be unwilling or unable to perform its contractual obligations to the Fund.

**Performance.** The bar chart and Average Annual Total Returns table gives some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund. The bar chart shows the performance of Class I shares of the Fund for each full calendar year since the Fund's inception. The Average Annual Total Returns table shows how the Fund's average annual returns compare with those of a broad measure of market performance. Performance prior to December 4, 2017 reflects the performance of the Fund under its previous investment strategy. Remember, the Fund's past performance, before and after taxes, is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information will be available at no cost by calling the Fund toll-free at 1-844-767-3863.

40% 30% 23.75% 22.15% 20% 11.70% 10.44% 10% 0% -1.29% -5.55% -10% -5.90% -10.79% -20% -30% 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Class I Shares
Calendar Year Returns as of December 31,

The calendar year-to-date return for the Fund's Class I shares as of June 30, 2023 was 13.77%.

During the period shown in the bar chart, the best performance for a quarter was 15.96% (for the quarter ended June 30, 2020). The worst performance was -22.63% (for the quarter ended March 31, 2020).

	One Year	Five Year	Life of Fund*
Class I Shares			
Return Before Taxes	-10.79%	6.98%	4.71%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-12.83%	5.76%	3.94%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	-5.21%	5.45%	3.69%
<b>S&amp;P 500 Total Return Index</b> (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-18.11%	9.42%	10.36%
Essential 40 Stock Index Total Return (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	-10.42%	7.72%	11.88%

Average Annual Total Returns for the periods ended December 31, 2022

After-tax returns are based on the highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes; actual after-tax returns depend on an individual investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. If you own shares of the Fund in a tax-deferred account, such as an individual retirement account or a 401(k) plan, this information is not applicable to your investment. A higher after-tax return results when a capital loss occurs upon redemption and translates into an assumed tax deduction that benefits the shareholder.

<sup>\*</sup> Class I shares of the Essential 40 Stock Fund commenced operations on June 11, 2014.

The S&P 500 Total Return Index is an unmanaged market capitalization weighted index of 500 of the largest capitalized U.S. domiciled companies. Index returns assume reinvestment of dividends. Investors may not invest in the indexes directly; unlike the Fund's returns, the indexes do not reflect any fees or expenses.

The Essential 40 Stock Index Total Return is a gross total return index of FSH Trading, LLC ("FSH"). The index is calculated and distributed by Solactive AG. The Essential 40 Stock Index<sup>TM</sup> Total Return, is an index of companies providing goods and services that are deemed essential to the American economy and way of life. Investors may not invest in the index directly; unlike the Fund's returns, the index does not reflect any fees or expenses.

Investment Adviser. KKM Financial LLC serves as the Fund's investment adviser.

Portfolio Managers. The following individuals serve as the Fund's portfolio managers:

Portfolio Manager	Primary Title	With the Fund since
Jeff Kilburg	Founder and CEO of the Adviser since 2012	June 2014
Dan Deming	Managing Director	December 2017

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares. You may conduct transactions by mail (Essential 40 Stock Fund, c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC, 4221 North 203<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 100, Elkhorn NE 68022), or by telephone at 312-448-7230. Investors who wish to purchase or redeem Fund shares through a financial intermediary should contact the financial intermediary directly. The minimum initial investment for Class I shares is \$10,000. The minimum subsequent investment amount for Class I shares is \$1,000. The Fund may waive or reduce its minimum investment amount from time to time in the sole discretion of the Adviser.

**Tax Information.** The Fund's distributions are taxable, and will be taxed as ordinary income or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an individual retirement account.

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

### Investment Strategies, Related Risks and Disclosure of Portfolio Holdings

### **Investment Objective**

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek to track, before fees and expenses, the performance of the Essential 40 Stock Index.

The Fund's investment objective may be changed without the approval of the Fund's shareholders upon 60 days' written notice to shareholders.

### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund, under normal market conditions, invests at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in the common stocks of companies that comprise the Essential 40 Stock Index<sup>TM</sup> (the "Index"), which measures the investment return of the equity securities of forty blue-chip U.S companies. Generally, the Adviser anticipates that the Fund will hold all forty of the securities that comprise the Index in proportion to their weightings in the Index. Under certain circumstances, however, the Fund may purchase a sample of securities in the Index if it is not possible or practicable to replicate the Index. There also may be instances in which the Adviser may choose to underweight or overweight a security in the Index, purchase securities not in the Index that the Adviser believes are appropriate to substitute for certain securities in the Index, or utilize various combinations of other available investment techniques. The circumstances that would cause the Adviser to hold a representative sampling of the Index include, but are not limited to, the following circumstances: the Fund may sell securities that are represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from the Index; the Fund may purchase securities not represented in the Index in anticipation of their addition to the Index; or there may be corporate actions resulting in a cash take-over or bankruptcy which are examples of events that would cause the Adviser to sell a security. The Fund may also temporarily invest in securities not included in the Index that are expected to be correlated with the securities included in the Index. To manage risk, the Fund may also invest in S&P 500 futures and options when the Adviser determines that such investments would benefit the Fund. The Fund will normally limit its investment in S&P 500 futures and options to 5% or less of its net assets, although it can invest up to 20% of its net assets in such instruments.

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The Fund is classified as "diversified" for purposes of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"), which means that it is limited by the 1940 Act with regard to the portion of its assets that may be invested in the securities of a single issuer.

### **Temporary Defensive Positions**

The Fund may, from time to time, take temporary defensive positions that are inconsistent with the Fund's principal investment strategies in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political or other conditions. The Adviser will determine when market conditions warrant temporary defensive measures. For example, during such periods, 100% of the Fund's assets may be invested in short-term, high-quality fixed income investments, eligible U.S. dollar-denominated money market instruments, cash or cash equivalents. Temporary defensive positions may be initiated by the Adviser when market conditions make pursuing its investment strategy used for the Fund inconsistent with the best interests of the Fund. When the Fund takes temporary defensive positions, it may not achieve its investment objective.

### Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

Before investing in the Fund, you should carefully consider your own investment goals, the amount of time you are willing to leave your money invested and the amount of risk you are willing to take. Remember that in addition to possibly not achieving your investment goals, you could lose money by investing in the Fund. The value of your investment in the Fund will go up and down with the prices of the securities in which the Fund invests. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are:

Equity Securities Risk. The Fund invests in common stock, which subjects the Fund and its shareholders to the risks associated with common stock investing. These risks include the financial risk of selecting securities that do not perform as anticipated, the risk that the stock markets in which the Fund invests may experience periods of turbulence and instability, and the general risk that domestic and global economies may go through periods of decline and cyclical change. Many factors affect the performance of each company, including the strength of the company's management or the demand for its product or services. You should be aware that the value of a company's share price may decline as a result of poor decisions made by management or lower demand for the company's products or services. In addition, a company's share price may also decline if its earnings or revenues fall short of expectations. There are overall stock market risks that may also affect the value of the Fund. Over time, the stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods when stock prices rise generally and periods when stock prices decline generally. The value of the Fund's investments may increase or decrease more than the stock markets in general. Of course, the Fund is subject to these same risks to the extent that it invests directly in common stocks.

Futures Risk. The Fund's use of futures contracts involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include (i) leverage risk; (ii) correlation or tracking risk and (iii) liquidity risk. Because futures require only a small initial investment in the form of a deposit or margin, they involve a high degree of leverage. Accordingly, the fluctuation of the value of futures in relation to the underlying assets upon which they are based is magnified. Thus, the Fund may experience losses that exceed losses experienced by funds that do not use futures contracts. There may be imperfect correlation, or even no correlation, between price movements of a futures contract and price movements of investments for which futures are used as a substitute, or which futures are intended to hedge. Lack of correlation (or tracking) may be due to factors unrelated to the value of the investments being hedged, such as speculative or other pressures on the markets in which these instruments are traded. While futures contracts are generally liquid instruments, under certain market conditions they may become illiquid. Futures exchanges may impose daily or intra-day price change limits and/or limit the volume of trading. Additionally, government regulation may further reduce liquidity through similar trading restrictions. As a result, the Fund may be unable to close out its futures contracts at a time which is advantageous. The successful use of futures depends upon a variety of factors, particularly the ability of the adviser to predict movements of the underlying securities markets, which requires different skills than predicting changes in the prices of individual securities. There can be no assurance that any particular futures strategy adopted will succeed.

General Market Risk. Domestic economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, political events, terrorism, war, natural disasters, disease/virus epidemics and other events are among the factors affecting the securities markets in which the Fund invests. There is risk that these and other factors may adversely affect the Fund's performance. These events could reduce consumer demand or economic output, result in market closure, travel restrictions or quarantines, and generally have a significant impact on the economy. These events could also impair the information technology and other operational systems upon which the Fund's service providers, including the Adviser, rely, and could otherwise disrupt the ability of employees of the Fund's service providers to perform essential tasks on behalf of the Fund. Governmental and quasi-governmental authorities and regulators throughout the world have in the past responded to major economic disruptions with a variety of significant fiscal and monetary policy changes, including but not limited to, direct capital infusions into companies, new monetary programs and dramatically lower interest rates. An unexpected or quick reversal of these policies, or the ineffectiveness of these policies, could increase volatility in securities markets, which could adversely affect the Fund's investments. Accordingly, you should consider your own investment goals, time horizon, and risk tolerance before investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund may not be appropriate for all investors and is not intended to be a complete investment program. An investment in the Fund is not a deposit in the bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. You may lose money by investing in the Fund.

Large-Capitalization Securities Risk. While large cap companies may be less volatile than those of mid- and small-cap companies, they still involve risk. Large-capitalization companies usually cannot respond as quickly as smaller companies to competitive challenges, and their growth rates tend to lag the growth rates of well-managed smaller companies during strong economic periods. Further, the Fund may underperform funds that invest primarily in stocks of smaller capitalization companies during periods when the stocks of such companies are in favor.

Management Risk. Management risk is the risk that the investment process used by the Fund's portfolio manager could fail to achieve the Fund's investment goal and cause an investment in the Fund to lose value. The Adviser's reliance on its strategy and its judgments about the potential appreciation of a particular option or security in which the Fund invests may prove to be incorrect. Given the Fund is going to attempt to tract the Index, the Fund does not follow traditional methods of active investment management, which may involve buying and selling securities based upon analysis of economic and market factors.

New Index Provider Risk. The index provider for the Index has a limited history of experience as an index provider or investment adviser for a registered fund, which may create additional risks for investing in the Fund. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve the Fund's investment objective notwithstanding the performance of any or all of the foregoing or their respective affiliates or principals in other transactions including, without limitation, arrangements similar in nature to the Fund.

*Options Risk.* The Fund may invest in options. When the Fund purchases an option on a security or index it may lose the entire premium paid if the underlying security or index does not increase in value. The Fund is also exposed to default by the option writer who may be unwilling or unable to perform its contractual obligations to the Fund.

#### **Other Risks**

Cyber Security Risk. As the use of technology has become more prevalent in the course of business, the Fund has become more susceptible to operational, financial and information security risks resulting from cyber-attacks and/or technological malfunctions. Cyber-attacks include, among other things, the attempted theft, loss, misuse, improper release, corruption or destruction of, or unauthorized access to, confidential or highly restricted data relating to the Fund and its shareholders; and attempted compromises or failures to systems, networks, devices and applications relating to the operations of the Fund and its service providers. Cyber security breaches may result from unauthorized access to digital systems (e.g., through "hacking" or malicious software coding) or from outside attacks, such as denial-of-service attacks on websites (i.e., efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users).

### Portfolio Holdings Information

A description of the policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund's portfolio holdings is available in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"). Currently, disclosure of the Fund's holdings is required to be made quarterly within 60 days of the end of each fiscal quarter in the annual and semi-annual reports to Fund shareholders and in the quarterly holdings report on Form N-Q. The annual and semi-annual reports for the Fund is available by contacting the Fund, c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC, 4221 North 203rd Street, Suite 100, Elkhorn, NE 68022 or calling 1-844-767-3863.

### Management of the Fund

### The Adviser

The Trust, on behalf of the Fund has entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement ("Advisory Agreement") with KKM Financial LLC, located at 141 W. Jackson Blvd, Suite 1711 Chicago, IL 60604, under which the Adviser manages the Fund's investments subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees. The Adviser offers both high net worth individual and institutional clients portfolio management services in a variety of alternative investment offerings and is a registered investment adviser. As of May 31, 2023, the Adviser has approximately \$270 million in assets under management. Of the \$270 million, approximately \$165 million are discretionary assets and \$105 million are non-discretionary assets. Under the Advisory Agreement, the Fund compensates the Adviser for its investment advisory services at the annual rate of 0.50% of the Fund's average daily net assets, payable on a monthly basis.

Subject to the general supervision of the Board of Trustees, the Adviser is responsible for managing the Fund in accordance with its investment objective and policies using the approach discussed in the "Overview" section of this Prospectus. The Adviser also maintains related records for the Fund.

Fund Expenses. The Fund is responsible for its own operating expenses. Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Adviser and the Trust on behalf of the Fund, the Adviser has agreed to reduce its management fees and/or pay expenses of the Fund to ensure that the total amount of Fund operating expenses (excluding any front-end or contingent deferred loads, brokerage fees and commissions, acquired fund fees and expenses, borrowing costs (such as interest and dividend expense on securities sold short), taxes and extraordinary expenses such as litigation) do not exceed 0.70% of the Fund's average net assets for Class I shares through September 30, 2023. This operating expense limitation agreement can be terminated only by, or with the consent of, the Board of Trustees. The Adviser is permitted to receive reimbursement from the Fund for fees it waived and Fund expenses it paid, subject to the limitation that: (1) the reimbursement for fees and expenses will be made only if payable within three years from the date the fees and expenses were initially waived or reimbursed; and (2) the reimbursement may not be made if it would cause the expense limitation in effect at the time of the waiver or currently in effect, whichever is lower, to be exceeded.

For the most recent fiscal year ended May 31, 2023, the Adviser received an advisory fee net of fee waivers and expense reimbursements equal to 0.00% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' renewal of the Advisory Agreement is available in the Fund's annual report to shareholders dated May 31, 2023.

### Portfolio Managers

Jeff Kilburg. Mr. Kilburg is the CEO & Founder of KKM Financial, LLC ("KKM") a boutique registered investment adviser based in Chicago, IL. Mr. Kilburg started his career at the Chicago Board Options Exchange ("CBOE") in Chicago. After learning equity options from Mercury Founders Jon and Pete Najarian at the CBOE, Mr. Kilburg was offered an opportunity in the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") bond option pit. Subsequently, he joined a specialist group in the 30-year pit, JLS Group. In early 1999, he decided to launch a floor operation of his own at the CBOT. In 2012, he transitioned his floor operations into a SEC registered investment advisory firm.

Mr. Kilburg is a graduate of the Mendoza College of Business at The University of Notre Dame as he was a recipient of a four-year football scholarship under Lou Holtz.

Dan Deming. Mr. Deming serves as Managing Director at KKM Financial, LLC ("KKM"). Mr. Deming's responsibilities include managing the day-to-day operations of the firm which include; developing and executing the firm's business plan, strategic initiatives, advisory group oversight, technology, and compliance. Mr. Deming has over 30 years of market experience. Prior to KKM, Mr. Deming served as investment advisor representative for Equity Armor Investments, LLC. His responsibilities included overseeing client accounts, portfolio construction, and supporting the sub-advising team. Mr. Deming started his career at the CBOE (Chicago Board Options Exchange) as a trader in the S&P 100 Index (OEX) pit in April of 1988. In 2008, Mr. Deming transitioned into the CBOE's VIX Index option pit. During his time at the CBOE, Mr. Deming also served on the Arbitration Committee. Over the past 10 years, Mr. Deming has become one of the options industry's more recognized faces in the media, making regular appearances on Bloomberg TV, TD Ameritrade Network, CNN, BNN Bloomberg, Sky News Business, Fox Business News, Business First AM, and CBOE TV. Several news outlets such as; CNBC, Reuters, Wall Street Journal, Bloomberg News, the AP and Dow Jones press, contact Mr. Deming on a regular basis to provide written and quoted market commentary. Working as a liaison with the CBOE, representing both the exchange and his firm, Mr. Deming has served as a guest panelist for several volatility based derivatives symposiums and international trading conferences. Mr. Deming is a graduate of Michigan State University and holds a Series 65 license.

### **Share Price**

Shares of the Fund are sold at net asset value ("NAV"). The NAV of the Fund's shares is determined at the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on each day the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open. NAV is computed by determining, on a per class basis, the aggregate market value of all assets of the Fund, less its liabilities, divided by the total number of shares outstanding ((assets-liabilities)/number of shares = NAV). The NYSE is closed on weekends and New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. The NAV takes into account, on a per class basis, the expenses and fees of the Fund, including management, administration, and distribution fees, which are accrued daily. The determination of NAV for a share class for a particular day is applicable to all applications for the purchase of shares, as well as all requests for the redemption of shares, received by the Fund (or an authorized broker or agent, or its authorized designee) before the close of trading on the NYSE on that day.

Generally, the Fund's securities listed on an exchange are valued each day at the last quoted sales price on each security's primary exchange. Securities traded or dealt in upon one or more securities exchanges (whether domestic or foreign) for which market quotations are readily available and not subject to restrictions against resale shall be valued at the last quoted sales price on the primary exchange or, in the absence of a sale on the primary exchange, at the mean between the current bid and ask prices on such exchanges. Securities primarily traded in the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotation System ("NASDAQ") National Market System for which market quotations are readily available shall be valued using the NASDAQ Official Closing Price. Securities that are not traded or dealt in any securities exchange and for which over-the-counter market quotations are readily available generally shall be valued at the last sale price or, in the absence of a sale, at the mean between the current bid and ask price on such over-the-counter market. Debt securities not traded on an exchange may be valued at prices supplied by a pricing agent(s) based on broker or dealer supplied valuations or matrix pricing, a method of valuing securities by reference to the value of other securities with similar characteristics, such as rating, interest rate and maturity.

If market quotations are not readily available, securities will be valued at their fair market value as determined using the "fair value" procedures approved by the Board. Fair value pricing involves subjective judgments and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security may be materially different than the value that could be realized upon the sale of that security. The fair value prices can differ from market prices when they become available or when a price becomes available. The Board has retained responsibility for all fair value determinations. The Fund's Board with the assistance of a fair value team composed of one or more officers from each of the (i) Trust, (ii) administrator, and (iii) Advisor. The Board may also enlist third party consultants such as an audit firm or financial officer of a security issuer on an as-needed basis to assist in determining a security-specific fair value. The Board reviews and ratifies the this process and fair value prices at least quarterly to assure reliable results.

The Fund may use independent pricing services to assist in calculating the value of the Fund's securities.

If trading in a portfolio security is halted and does not resume before the Fund calculates its NAV, the Adviser may need to price the security using the Fund's fair value pricing guidelines. The determination of fair value involves subjective judgments. As a result, using fair value to price a security may result in a price materially different from the prices used by other mutual funds to determine net asset value, or from the price that may be realized upon the actual sale of the security.

### Class I Shares

The Trust has adopted a multiple class plan that allows the Fund to offer one or more classes of shares. The Fund has registered two classes of shares—Class I shares and Class A shares. Currently, only Class I shares are being offered.

Class I shares may be purchased at NAV without the imposition of any sales charges. This means that 100% of your initial investment is placed into shares of the Fund. The Fund offers Class I shares primarily for direct investment by investors such as pension and profit-sharing plans, employee benefit trusts, endowments, foundations, corporations and high net worth individuals. Class I shares may also be offered through certain financial intermediaries (including broker-dealers) and their agents in fee based and other programs. In these programs financial intermediaries have made arrangements with the Fund and are authorized to buy and sell shares of the Fund that charge their customers transaction or other distribution or service fees with respect to their customers' investments in the Fund. Class I shares are sold at NAV without an initial sales charge, and are not subject to 12b-1 distribution fees. The minimum initial investment for Class I shares is \$10,000. The minimum subsequent investment amount for Class I shares of the Fund is \$1,000. The Fund may waive or reduce its minimum investment amount from time to time in the sole discretion of the Adviser.

#### How to Purchase Shares

Purchase by Mail. To purchase the Fund's shares by mail, simply complete and sign the Account Application and mail it, along with a check made payable to the "Essential 40 Stock Fund," as applicable to:

via regular mail:

Essential 40 Stock Fund c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC P.O. Box 541150 Omaha, NE 68154 via overnight mail:

Essential 40 Stock Fund c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC 4221 North 203rd Street, Suite 100 Elkhorn, NE 68022

Purchase through Brokers. You may invest in the Fund through brokers or agents who have entered into selling agreements with the Fund's distributor. The brokers and agents are authorized to receive purchase and redemption orders on behalf of the Fund. The Fund will be deemed to have received a purchase or redemption order when an authorized broker or its designee receives the order. The broker or agent may set their own initial and subsequent investment minimums. You may be charged a fee if you use a broker or agent to buy or redeem shares of the Fund. Finally, various servicing agents use procedures and impose restrictions that may be in addition to, or different from those applicable to investors purchasing shares directly from the Fund. You should carefully read the program materials provided to you by your servicing agent. Such brokers are authorized to designate other intermediaries to receive purchase and redemption orders on the Fund's behalf.

Purchase by Wire. If you wish to wire money to make an investment in the Fund, please call the Fund at 1-844-767-3863 for wiring instructions and to notify the Fund that a wire transfer is coming. Any commercial bank can transfer same-day funds via wire. The Fund will normally accept wired funds for investment on the day received if they are received by the Fund's designated bank before the close of regular trading on the NYSE. Your bank may charge you a fee for wiring same-day funds.

Automated Clearing House (ACH) Purchase. Current shareholders may purchase additional shares via the Automated Clearing House ("ACH"). To have this option added to your account, please send a letter to the Fund requesting this option and supply a voided check for the bank account. Only bank accounts held at domestic institutions that are ACH members may be used for these types of transactions.

You may not use ACH transactions for your initial purchase of Fund shares. ACH purchases will be effective at the closing price per share on the business day after the order is placed. The Fund may alter, modify or terminate this purchase option at any time.

Shares purchased by ACH will not be available for redemption until the transactions have cleared. Shares purchased via ACH transfer may take up to 15 days to clear.

Automatic Investment Plan. You may participate in the Fund's Automatic Investment Plan, an investment plan that automatically moves money from your bank account and invests it in the Fund through the use of electronic funds transfers or automatic bank drafts. You may elect to make subsequent investments by transfers of a minimum of \$100 on specified days of each month into your established Fund account. Please contact the Fund at 1-844-767-3863 for more information about the Fund's Automatic Investment Plan. Minimum initial investment requirements may be waived for Automatic Investment Plan investors, at the Fund's discretion.

The Fund, however, reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any application to purchase shares. Applications will not be accepted unless they are accompanied by a check drawn on a U.S. bank, thrift institutions, or credit union in U.S. funds for the full amount of the shares to be purchased. After you open an account, you may purchase additional shares by sending a check together with written instructions stating the name(s) on the account and the account number, to the above address. Make all checks payable to "Essential 40 Stock Fund". The Fund will not accept cash, third party checks (except for properly endorsed IRA rollover checks), counter checks, starter checks, traveler's checks, money orders, credit card checks, and checks drawn on non-U.S. financial institutions will not be accepted. Cashier's checks, bank official checks, and bank money orders are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may be accepted under certain circumstances. In such cases, a 15-business day hold will be applied to the funds (which means that you may not redeem your shares until the holding period has expired).

*Note:* Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC, the Fund's transfer agent, will charge a \$25 fee against a shareholder's account, in addition to any loss sustained by the Fund, for any check or electronic payment returned to the transfer agent for insufficient funds.

Anti-Money Laundering Program. The USA PATRIOT Act requires financial institutions, including the Fund, to adopt certain policies and programs to prevent money-laundering activities, including procedures to verify the identity of customers opening new accounts. As requested on the application, you should supply your full name, date of birth, social security number and permanent street address. Mailing addresses containing a P.O. Box will not be accepted. This information will assist the Fund in verifying your identity. Until such verification is made, the Fund may temporarily limit additional share purchases. In addition, the Fund may limit additional share purchases or close an account if it is unable to verify a shareholder's identity. As required by law, the Fund may employ various procedures, such as comparing the information to fraud databases or requesting additional information or documentation from you, to ensure that the information supplied by you is correct.

In order to ensure compliance with these laws, the Account Application asks for, among other things, the following information for all "customers" seeking to open an "account" (as those terms are defined in rules adopted pursuant to the USA PATRIOT Act):

- full name;
- date of birth (individuals only);
- Social Security or taxpayer identification number; and
- permanent street address (P.O. Box only is not acceptable).

Accounts opened by entities, such as corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships or trusts, will require additional documentation.

Please note that if any information listed above is missing, your Account Application will be returned and your account will not be opened. In compliance with the USA PATRIOT Act and other applicable anti-money laundering laws and regulations, the Transfer Agent will verify the information on your application as part of the Program. The Fund reserves the right to request additional clarifying information and may close your account if such clarifying information is not received by the Fund within a reasonable time of the request or if the Fund cannot form a reasonable belief as to the true identity of a customer. If you require additional assistance when completing your Account Application, please contact the Transfer Agent at 1-844-767-3863.

Note: Ultimus Transfer gent will charge the additional following fees:

Shareholder Fees	
Annual IRA Custodial Fee	\$25.00
Removal of excess contribution or Roth conversion/recharacterization	\$25.00
Outbound Wire	\$15.00
Returned ACH/Bounced Check	\$15.00
IRA Withdrawal Fee (transfer or redemption)	\$25.00
Overnight Delivery	\$35.00
Statement Retrieval Fee	\$25.00

- \* Open account fee to be charged through tax reporting season the year following account liquidation.
- \*\* An authentication is generally required at initial login for each unique devise and when making updates to security options.
- \*\*\* Highly complex report development is subject to hourly programming fees.
- \*\*\*\* Fee may be passed through to shareholders of the Funds)

#### Inactive Accounts

If shareholder-initiated contact does not occur on your account within the timeframe specified by the law in your state of record, or if Fund mailings are returned as undeliverable during that timeframe, the assets of your account (shares and/or any uncashed checks) may be transferred to your last known recorded state of residence as unclaimed property, in accordance with specific state law.

NOTE: If you fail to initiate such contact, your property will be escheated to your last known state of residency after which you will need to claim the property from that state.

#### How to Redeem Shares

The Fund typically expects that it will take up to 7 days following the receipt of your redemption request to pay out redemptions from cash, cash equivalents, proceeds from the sale of Fund shares, any line of credit, and then from the sale of portfolio securities. These redemption payment methods will be used in regular and stressed market conditions.

You may redeem all or any portion of the shares credited to your account by submitting a written request for redemption to:

### via regular mail:

Essential 40 Stock Fund c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC P.O. Box 541150 Omaha, NE 68154

#### via overnight mail:

Essential 40 Stock Fund c/o Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC 4221 North 203rd Street, Suite 100 Elkhorn, NE 68022

Redemptions by Telephone. The telephone redemption privilege is automatically available to all new accounts. If you do not want the telephone redemption privilege, you must indicate this in the appropriate area on your account application or you must write to the Fund and instruct it to remove this privilege from your account.

The proceeds will be sent by mail to the address designated on your account or wired directly to your existing account in a bank or brokerage firm in the United States as designated on your application. To redeem by telephone, call 1-844-767-3863. The redemption proceeds normally will be sent by mail or by wire within three business days after receipt of your telephone instructions. If you own an IRA, you will be asked whether or not the Fund should withhold federal income tax.

The Fund reserves the right to suspend the telephone redemption privileges with respect to your account if the name(s) or the address on the account has been changed within the previous 30 days. Neither the Fund, the transfer agent nor their respective affiliates will be liable for complying with telephone instructions they reasonably believe to be genuine or for any loss, damage, cost or expenses in acting on such telephone instructions and you will be required to bear the risk of any such loss. The Fund or the transfer agent, or both, will employ reasonable procedures to determine that telephone instructions are genuine. If the Fund and/or the transfer agent do not employ these procedures, they may be liable to you for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent instructions. These procedures may include, among others, requiring forms of personal identification prior to acting upon telephone instructions, providing written confirmation of the transactions and/or tape recording telephone instructions.

Based on market activity and call volumes, you may encounter longer than usual wait times. In order to receive the current day's NAV for your trade, the request must be received prior to the market close. Please allow sufficient time to ensure you are able to submit your transaction request. Neither the Fund nor its transfer agent will be held liable if you are unable to place your trade due to high call volume.

Redemptions through Broker. If shares of the Fund are held by a broker-dealer, financial institution or other servicing agent, you must contact that servicing agent to redeem shares of the Fund. The servicing agent may charge a fee for this service.

Redemptions by Wire. You may request that your redemption proceeds be wired directly to your bank account. The Fund's transfer agent imposes a \$15 fee for each wire redemption and deducts the fee directly from your account. Your bank may also impose a fee for the incoming wire.

Systematic Withdrawal Plan. If your individual accounts, IRA or other qualified plan account have a current account value of at least \$10,000, you may participate in the Fund's Systematic Withdrawal Plan, an investment plan that automatically moves money to your bank account from the Fund through the use of electronic funds transfers. You may elect to make subsequent withdrawals by transfers of a minimum of \$100 on specified days of each month into your established bank account. Please contact the Fund at 1-844-767-3863 for more information about the Fund's Systematic Withdrawal Plan.

**Redemptions in Kind:** The Fund reserves the right to honor requests for redemption or repurchase orders made by a shareholder during any 90-day period by making payment in whole or in part in portfolio securities ("redemption in kind") if the amount of such a request is large enough to affect operations (if the request is greater than the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the Fund's net assets at the beginning of the 90-day period). The securities will be chosen by the Fund and valued using the same procedures as used in calculating the Fund's NAV. A shareholder may incur transaction expenses in converting these securities to cash a securities redeemed in-kind remain at the risk of the market until they are sold and the shareholder will bear market risk until the securities are converted to cash.

When Redemptions are Sent: Once the Fund receives your redemption request in "good order" as described below, it will issue a check based on the next determined NAV following your redemption request. The redemption proceeds normally will be sent by mail or by wire within three business days after receipt of a request in "good order." If you purchase shares using a check and soon after request a redemption, your redemption proceeds will not be sent until the check used for your purchase has cleared your bank.

**Good Order:** Your redemption request will be processed if it is in "good order." To be in good order, the following conditions must be satisfied:

- The request should be in writing, unless redeeming by telephone, indicating the number of shares or dollar amount to be redeemed:
- The request must identify your account number;
- The request should be signed by you and any other person listed on the account, exactly as the shares are registered; and
- If you request that the redemption proceeds be sent to a person, bank or an address other than that of record or paid to someone other than the record owner(s), or if the address was changed within the last 30 days, or if the proceeds of a requested redemption exceed \$50,000, the signature(s) on the request must be medallion signature guaranteed by an eligible signature guarantor.

When You Need Medallion Signature Guarantees: If you wish to change the bank or brokerage account that you have designated on your account, you may do so at any time by writing to the Fund with your signature guaranteed. A medallion signature guarantee assures that a signature is genuine and protects you from unauthorized account transfers. You will need your signature guaranteed if:

- you request a redemption to be made payable to a person not on record with the Fund;
- you request that a redemption be mailed to an address other than that on record with the Fund;
- the proceeds of a requested redemption exceed \$50,000;
- any redemption is transmitted by federal wire transfer to a bank other than the bank of record; or
- your address was changed within 30 days of your redemption request.

Signatures may be guaranteed by any eligible guarantor institution (including banks, brokers and dealers, credit unions, national securities exchanges, registered securities associations, clearing agencies and savings associations). Further documentation will be required to change the designated account if shares are held by a corporation, fiduciary or other organization. *A notary public cannot guarantee signatures*.

**Retirement Plans:** If you own an IRA or other retirement plan, you must indicate on your redemption request whether the Fund should withhold federal income tax. Unless you elect in your redemption request that you do not want to have federal tax withheld, the redemption will be subject to withholding.

**Low Balances:** If at any time your account balance falls below \$50,000 for Class I shares, the Fund may notify you that, unless the account is brought up to at least \$50,000 for Class I shares within 60 days of the notice; your account could be closed. After the notice period, the Fund may redeem all of your shares and close your account by sending you a check to the address of record. Your account will not be closed if the account balance drops below required minimum due to a decline in NAV.

#### **Internet Transactions**

To establish internet transaction privileges, you must enroll through the website. You automatically have the ability to establish internet transaction privileges unless you decline the privileges on your New Account Application or IRA Application. You will be required to enter into a user's agreement through the website in order to enroll in these privileges. To purchase shares through the website, you must also have ACH instructions on your account. Redemption proceeds may be sent to you by check to the address or record, or if your account has existing bank information, by wire or ACH. Only bank accounts held at domestic financial institutions that are ACH members can be used for transactions through the Fund's website. Transactions through the website are subject to the same minimums and maximums as other transaction methods. Please call 1-844-767-3863 for assistance with establishing online access.

You should be aware that the internet is an unsecured, unstable, unregulated and unpredictable environment. Your ability to use the website for transactions is dependent upon the internet and equipment, software, systems, data and services provided by various vendors and third parties. While the Fund and its service providers have established certain security procedures, the Fund, their distributor and their transfer agent cannot assure you that trading information will be completely secure.

There may also be delays, malfunctions, or other inconveniences generally associated with this medium. There also may be times when the website is unavailable for Fund transactions or other purposes. Should this happen, you should consider purchasing or redeeming shares by another method. Neither the Fund nor their transfer agent, distributor nor Advisor will be liable for any such delays or malfunctions or unauthorized interception or access to communications or account information.

### **Tools to Combat Frequent Transactions**

The Fund discourages and does not accommodate market timing. Frequent trading into and out of the Fund can harm all Fund shareholders by disrupting the Fund's investment strategies, increasing Fund expenses, decreasing tax efficiency and diluting the value of shares held by long-term shareholders. The Fund is designed for long-term investors and is not intended for market timing or other disruptive trading activities. Accordingly, the Fund's Board has approved policies that seek to curb these disruptive activities while recognizing that shareholders may have a legitimate need to adjust their Fund investments as their financial needs or circumstances change. The Fund currently uses several methods to reduce the risk of market timing. These methods include:

- Committing staff to review, on a continuing basis, recent trading activity in order to identify trading activity that may be contrary to the Fund's "Market Timing Trading Policy;" and
- Rejecting or limiting specific purchase requests.

Though these methods involve judgments that are inherently subjective and involve some selectivity in their application, the Fund seeks to make judgments and applications that are consistent with the interests of the Fund's shareholders.

The Fund reserves the right to reject or restrict purchase or exchange requests for any reason, particularly when the shareholder's trading activity suggests that the shareholder may be engaged in market timing or other disruptive trading activities. Neither the Fund nor the Adviser will be liable for any losses resulting from rejected purchase or exchange orders. The Adviser may also bar an investor who has violated these policies (and the investor's financial adviser) from opening new accounts with the Fund.

Although the Fund attempts to limit disruptive trading activities, some investors use a variety of strategies to hide their identities and their trading practices. There can be no guarantee that the Fund will be able to identify or limit these activities. Omnibus account arrangements are common forms of holding shares of the Fund. While the Fund will encourage financial intermediaries to apply the Fund's Market Timing Trading Policy to their customers who invest indirectly in the Fund, the Fund is limited in its ability to monitor the trading activity or enforce the Fund's Market Timing Trading Policy with respect to customers of financial intermediaries. For example, should it occur, the Fund may not be able to detect market timing that may be facilitated by financial intermediaries or made difficult to identify in the omnibus accounts used by those intermediaries for aggregated purchases, exchanges and redemptions on behalf of all their customers. More specifically, unless the financial intermediaries have the ability to apply the Fund's Market Timing Trading Policy to their customers through such methods as implementing short-term trading limitations or restrictions, the Fund may not be able to determine

whether trading by customers of financial intermediaries is contrary to the Fund's Market Timing Trading Policy. Brokers maintaining omnibus accounts with the Fund have agreed to provide shareholder transaction information to the extent known to the broker to the Fund upon request. If the Fund or its transfer agent or shareholder servicing agent suspects there is market timing activity in the account, the Fund will seek full cooperation from the service provider maintaining the account to identify the underlying participant. At the request of the Adviser, the service providers may take immediate action to stop any further short-term trading by such participants.

Householding. To reduce expenses, the Fund mail only one copy of the Prospectus and each annual and semi-annual report to those addresses shared by two or more accounts. If you wish to receive individual copies of these documents, please call the Fund at 1-844-767-3863 on days the Fund are open for business or contact your financial institution. The Fund will begin sending you individual copies thirty days after receiving your request.

### Distribution of Fund Shares

#### The Distributor

Northern Lights Distributors, LLC (the "Distributor") is located at 4221 North 203rd Street, Suite 100, Elkhorn, NE 68022, and serves as distributor and principal underwriter to the Fund. The Distributor is a registered broker-dealer and member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"). Shares of the Fund are offered on a continuous basis.

### Additional Compensation to Financial Intermediaries

The distributor, its affiliates and the Adviser, out of its own resources, and without additional cost to the Fund or its shareholders, may provide additional cash payments or non-cash compensation to intermediaries who sell shares of the Fund. Such payments and compensation are in addition to service fees paid by the Fund, if any. These additional cash payments are generally made to intermediaries that provide shareholder servicing, marketing support and/or access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the intermediary. Cash compensation may also be paid to intermediaries for inclusion of the Fund on a sales list, including a preferred or select sales list, in other sales programs or as an expense reimbursement in cases where the intermediary provides shareholder services to the Fund's shareholders. The Adviser may also pay cash compensation in the form of finder's fees that vary depending on the dollar amount of the shares sold.

#### Distributions and Taxes

### Tax Status, Dividends and Distributions

Any sale or exchange of the Fund's shares may generate tax liability (unless you are a tax-exempt investor or your investment is in a qualified retirement account). When you redeem your shares you may realize a taxable gain or loss. This is measured by the difference between the proceeds of the sale and the tax basis for the shares you sold. (To aid in computing your tax basis, you generally should retain your account statements for the period that you hold shares in the Fund.)

The Fund intends to distribute substantially all of its net investment income and net capital gains annually. The distributions will be reinvested in shares of the Fund unless you elect to receive cash. Dividends from net investment income (including any excess of net short-term capital gain over net long-term capital loss) are taxable to investors as ordinary income, while distributions of net capital gain (the excess of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss) are generally taxable as long-term capital gain, regardless of your holding period for the shares. Any dividends or capital gain distributions you receive from the Fund will normally be taxable to you when made, regardless of whether you reinvest dividends or capital gain distributions or receive them in cash. Certain dividends or distributions declared in October, November or December will be taxed to shareholders as if received in December if they are paid during the following January. Each year the Fund will inform you of the amount and type of your distributions. IRAs and other qualified retirement plans are exempt from federal income taxation until retirement proceeds are paid out to the participant.

Your redemptions, including exchanges, may result in a capital gain or loss for federal income tax purposes. A capital gain or loss on your investment is the difference between the cost of your shares, including any sales charges, and the amount you receive when you sell them. The Fund must report to the IRS and furnish to shareholders the cost basis information for shares purchased and sold. The Fund has chosen average cost as its standing (default) tax lot identification method for all shareholders, which means this is the method the Fund will use to determine which specific shares are deemed to be sold when there are multiple purchases on different dates at differing NAVs, and the entire position is not sold at one time. Shareholders may, however, choose a method other than the Fund's standing method at the time of their purchase or upon sale of covered shares. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors to determine the best IRS-accepted cost basis method for their tax situation and to obtain more information about how cost basis reporting applies to them. Shareholders also should carefully review the cost basis information provided to them by the Fund and make any additional basis, holding period or other adjustments that are required when reporting these amounts on their federal income tax returns.

On the account application, you will be asked to certify that your social security number or taxpayer identification number is correct and that you are not subject to backup withholding for failing to report income to the IRS. If you are subject to backup withholding or you did not certify your taxpayer identification number, the IRS requires the Fund to withhold a percentage of any dividend, redemption or exchange proceeds. The Fund reserves the right to reject any application that does not include a certified social security or taxpayer identification number. If you do not have a social security number, you should indicate on the purchase form that your application to obtain a number is pending. The Fund is required to withhold taxes if a number is not delivered to the Fund within seven days.

This summary is not intended to be and should not be construed to be legal or tax advice. This summary is general in nature and should not be regarded as an exhaustive presentation of all possible tax ramifications. The tax considerations relevant to a specific shareholder depend upon its specific circumstances, and this summary does not attempt to discuss all potential tax considerations that could be relevant to a prospective shareholder with respect to the Fund or its investments. This general summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code, the Federal Income Tax Regulations promulgated thereunder, and administrative and judicial interpretations thereof as of the date hereof, all of which are subject to change (potentially on a retroactive basis). You should consult your own independent tax advisors to determine the tax consequences of owning the Fund's shares.

Other Reporting and Withholding Requirements. Payments to a shareholder that is either a foreign financial institution ("FFI") or a non-financial foreign entity ("NFFE") within the meaning of the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA") may be subject to a 30% withholding tax on: (a) income and dividends paid by the Fund and (b) certain capital gain distributions and the gross proceeds arising from the sale of Fund shares paid by the Fund after December 31, 2018. FATCA withholding tax generally can be avoided: (a) by an FFI, subject to any applicable intergovernmental agreement or other exemption, if it either enters into a valid agreement with the IRS or otherwise complies with the specific requirements and provisions of an applicable intergovernmental agreement, in each case to, among other requirements, to collect and report required information about certain direct and indirect ownership of foreign financial accounts held by U.S. persons with the FFI and (b) by an NFFE, if it: (i) certifies that it has no substantial U.S. persons as owners or (ii) if it does have such owners, reports information relating to them. The Fund may disclose the information that it receives from its shareholders to the IRS, non-U.S. taxing authorities or other parties as necessary to comply with FATCA. Withholding also may be required if a foreign entity that is a shareholder of the Fund fails to provide the Fund with appropriate certifications or other documentation concerning its status under FATCA.

### Financial Highlights

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the period of the Fund's operations. Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund share. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in the Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been derived from the financial statements audited by RSM US LLP whose report, along with the Fund's financial statements, are included in the Fund's May 31, 2023 annual report, which is available at no charge upon request.

Per Share Data and Ratios for a Share of Beneficial Interest Outstanding Throughout Each Year Presented.

Class I	Yea	or the r Ended 31, 2023	Ye	For the ear Ended ay 31, 2022	For the Year Ended May 31, 2021	Yea	or the or Ended or 31, 2020	Yea	for the ar Ended y 31, 2019
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$	13.32	\$	14.76	\$ 10.32	\$	10.17	\$	10.42
Activity From Investment Operations: Net investment income <sup>(a)</sup>		0.23		0.18	0.18		0.18		0.17
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments		(0.42)		0.01	 4.42		0.12 <sup>(f)</sup>		(0.29))
Total from investment operations		(0.19)		0.19	 4.60		0.30		(0.12)
Distributions to shareholders from:									
Net investment income		(0.16)		(0.20)	(0.16)		(0.15)		(0.13)
Net realized gains		(0.95)		(1.43)					-
Total distributions		(1.11)		(1.63)	(0.16)		(0.15)		(0.13)
Paid in capital from redemption fees			_		<u>-</u>	_		_	0.00(g)
Net Asset Value, End of Year	\$	12.02	\$	13.32	\$ 14.76	\$	10.32	\$	10.17
Total return(b)		(1.27)	/ <sub>0</sub>	0.89%	44.82%		2.76%		(1.08)%
Ratios/Supplemental Data									
Net assets, at end of year (000s) Ratio of expenses to average net assets <sup>(f)</sup>	\$	50,498	\$	30,587	41,678	\$	35,254	\$	28,341
before reimbursement(c)		1.24%	D	1.29%	1.27%		1.31%		1.58%
net of reimbursement Ratio of net investment income to average net assets		0.71% 1.87%		0.70% 1.29%	0.70% 1.48%		0.70% 1.63%		0.70% 1.56%
Portfolio turnover rate		55%		21%	102%		39%		17%

<sup>(</sup>a) Per share amounts are calculated using the average shares method, which appropriately presents the per share data for the year.

<sup>(</sup>f) Ratio of expenses to average net assets (excluding interest expense):

before reimburseme	nt <sup>(c)</sup>	1.23%	6 1.29%	1.27%	1.31%	1.58%
net of reimbursemen	it	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%

<sup>(</sup>b) Total returns are historical in nature and assume changes in share price, reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions, if any, and excludes sales charges. Had the Adviser not waived or reimbursed a portion of the Fund's expenses, total returns would have been lower.

<sup>(</sup>c) Represents the ratio of expenses to average net assets absent fee waivers by the Adviser.

<sup>(</sup>d) The amount of net realized gain per share does not agree with the amount reported in the Statement of Operations due to the timing of shareholder transactions.

<sup>(</sup>e) Amount represents less than \$0.005.

PRIVACY POLICY FACTS	WHAT DOES NORTHERN LIGHTS FUND TRUST II ("NLFT II") DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?				
Why?	Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.				
What?	The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us.  This information can include:  Social Security number  Account transactions  Income  Account balances  Investment experience  When you are no longer our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.				
How?	All financial companies need to share a customer's personal information to run their everyday business - to process transactions, maintain customer accounts, and report to credit bureaus. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customer's personal information; the reasons NLFT II chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.				
	Can you limit				

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does NLFT II share?	Can you limit this sharing?
For our everyday business purposes such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
For our marketing purposes to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
For joint marketing with other financial companies	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes information about your creditworthiness	No	We don't share
For nonaffiliates to market to you	No	We don't share
Questions? Call 631-490-4300		

Who we are	
Who is providing this notice?	Northern Lights Fund Trust II
What we do	
How does NLFT II protect my personal information?	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.
How does NLFT II collect my personal information?	<ul> <li>We collect your personal information, for example, when you</li> <li>open an account</li> <li>give us your income information</li> <li>provide account information</li> <li>give us your contact information</li> <li>We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.</li> </ul>
Why can't I limit all sharing?	<ul> <li>Federal law gives you the right to limit only</li> <li>sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes—information about your creditworthiness</li> <li>affiliates from using your information to market to you</li> <li>sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you</li> <li>State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.</li> </ul>
Definitions Affiliates	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.  • NLFT II has no affiliates.
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.  • NLFT II does not share with nonaffiliates so they can market to you.
Joint marketing	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products and services to you.  • Our joint marketing partners include other financial service companies.

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### FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can find more information about the Fund in the following documents:

#### Statement of Additional Information

The SAI provides additional details about the investments and techniques of the Fund and certain other additional information. A current SAI is on file with the SEC and is incorporated into this Prospectus by reference. This means that the SAI is legally considered a part of this Prospectus even though it is not physically within this Prospectus.

### Annual and Semi-Annual Reports

The Fund's annual and semi-annual reports provide the most recent financial reports and portfolio listings. The annual report contains a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that affected the Fund's performance during the Fund's last fiscal year.

You can obtain a free copy of these documents, request other information, or make general inquiries about the Fund by calling the Fund (toll-free) at 1-844-767-3863, on the Fund's website, <a href="www.kkmfinancial.com">www.kkmfinancial.com</a> or by writing to:

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You can review and copy information, including the Fund's financial reports and SAI, at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. You can obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling (202) 551-8090. Reports and other information about the Fund are also available:

- free of charge from the SEC's EDGAR database on the SEC's Internet website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>;
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