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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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This [post-effective] amendment designates a new effective date for a previously filed [post-effective amendment] [registration statement].

This form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act and the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering is .

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

Title of Securities Being Registered	Amount Being Registered	Proposed		Amount of Registration Fee(3)
		Maximum Offering Price Per Share(1)	Aggregate Offering Price(2)	
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest, no par value	18,000,000	4.175	\$75,150,000	\$7,567.61

- (1) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. Calculated on the basis of the average high and low prices of Registrant's common shares, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange on June 21, 2016, in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (3) Previously paid.

## BASE PROSPECTUS

### Invesco Senior Income Trust

### 18,000,000 Common Shares

*The Fund.* Invesco Senior Income Trust (the Fund) is a diversified, closed-end management investment company.

*Investment Objective.* The Fund's investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The Fund cannot assure investors that it will achieve its investment objective and you could lose some or all of your investment.

*Investment Strategy.* The Fund will invest primarily in a professionally managed portfolio of interests in floating or variable rate senior loans (Senior Loans) to corporations, partnerships and other entities (Borrowers) which operate in a variety of industries and geographical regions (including domestic and foreign entities). The Fund may invest in participations (Participations) in Senior Loans, may purchase assignments (Assignments) of portions of Senior Loans from third parties and may act as one of the group of lenders originating a Senior Loan (an Original Lender). In normal market conditions, at least 80% of the Fund's total assets are invested in Senior Loans (either as an Original Lender or as a purchaser of an Assignment or Participation) of domestic Borrowers or foreign Borrowers (so long as Senior Loans to foreign Borrowers are U.S. dollar denominated and payments of interest and repayments of principal pursuant to such Senior Loans are required to be made in U.S. dollars). The Fund is not subject to any restrictions with respect to the maturity of Senior Loans held in its portfolio. The Fund is not subject to any restrictions with respect to the maturity of Senior Loans held in its portfolio.

*Offerings.* The Fund may offer, from time to time, up to 18,000,000 common shares of beneficial interest, no par value (Common Shares), in one or more offerings in amounts, at prices and on terms set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (each a Prospectus Supplement). You should read this Prospectus and any related Prospectus Supplement carefully before you decide to invest in the Common Shares.

The Fund may offer Common Shares:

- (i) in at-the-market transactions through one or more selling agents that the Fund may designate from time to time and/or through broker-dealers that have entered into a selected dealer agreement with the Fund's selling agent(s); in such transactions, Common Shares will be sold at market prices, which shall be determined with reference to trades on the NYSE, subject to a minimum price to be established each day by the Fund, which minimum price will not be less than the current net asset value per Common Share plus the per Common Share amount of the commission to be paid;
- (ii) otherwise through agents that the Fund may designate from time to time;
- (iii) to or through underwriters or dealers; or
- (iv) directly to one or more purchasers.

The Prospectus Supplement relating to a particular offering of Common Shares will identify any agents, underwriters or dealers involved in the sale of Common Shares, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or

discount arrangement between the Fund and agents, underwriters or dealers or among underwriters or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. The Fund may not sell Common Shares through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of this Prospectus and a Prospectus Supplement. See Plan of Distribution.

**Investing in Common Shares involves certain risks. An investment in the Fund is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount that you invest. The Fund may invest, subject to limitations under its investment strategy and policies, in securities of below investment grade quality (commonly referred to as junk bonds), which are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal when due. See Risks beginning on page 36 of this Prospectus. Certain of these risks are summarized in Prospectus Summary Special Risk Considerations beginning on page 6 of this Prospectus. You should carefully consider these risks together with all of the other information contained in this Prospectus before making a decision to purchase Common Shares.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

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The Fund's investments in Senior Loans may include up to 5% of its total assets in senior debt obligations that are in the form of notes in addition to investments in loan agreements, Participations and Assignments. The Fund may invest in the Senior Loans of non-U.S. issuers, and may invest up to 5% of its total assets in Senior Loans or other assets which are denominated in non-U.S. dollars.

In normal market conditions, the Fund may also invest up to 20% of its total assets in any combination of (1) warrants and equity securities, in each case the Fund must own or acquire a Senior Loan of the same issuer, (2) junior debt securities or securities with a lien on collateral lower than a senior claim on collateral, (3) high quality short-term debt securities, (4) credit-linked deposits and (5) Treasury Inflation Protected Securities ( U.S. TIPS ) and other inflation-indexed bonds issued by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. The Fund may also invest up to 10% of its total assets in structured notes with rates of return determined by reference to the total rate of return on one or more loans referenced in such notes, collateralized debt and loan obligations, credit-linked notes, credit default swaps and other types of structured investments.

*The Adviser.* Invesco Advisers, Inc. ( Invesco or the Adviser ) is the Fund's investment adviser. The Adviser is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Invesco Ltd. The Adviser is located at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309. The Adviser, a successor in interest to multiple investment advisers, has been an investment adviser since 1976. Invesco has entered into a Sub-Advisory Agreement with certain affiliates to serve as sub-advisers to the Fund, pursuant to which these affiliated sub-advisers may be appointed by Invesco from time to time to provide discretionary investment management services, investment advice, and/or order execution services to the Fund.

*Financial Leverage.* The Fund may utilize financial leverage to the maximum extent allowable under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act ). Under the 1940 Act, the Fund generally may not (1) borrow money greater than 33 1/3% of the Fund's total assets or (2) issue preferred shares greater than 50% of the Fund's total assets. In using a combination of borrowing money and issuing preferred shares, the maximum allowable leverage is somewhere between 33 1/3% and 50% (but in no event more than 50%) of the Fund's total assets based on the relative amounts borrowed or preferred shares issued. Currently, the Fund employs financial leverage by borrowing funds through a credit facility and through the issuance of preferred securities that are senior to the Common Shares. Use of financial leverage creates an opportunity for increased income but, at the same time, creates special risks. There can be no assurance that the Fund's leverage strategy will be successful. The investment advisory fees paid by the Fund will be calculated on the basis of the Fund's Managed Assets, which includes proceeds from the issuance of preferred shares and/or borrowings, so the dollar amount of the management fee paid by the Fund to the Adviser will be higher (and the Adviser will be benefited to that extent) when leverage is utilized. This may create a conflict of interest between the Fund's investment adviser and holders of Common Shares. See Use of Leverage.

*Common Shares.* The Fund's currently outstanding Common Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE ) under the symbol VVR and the Common Shares offered by this Prospectus, subject to notice of issuance, will also be listed on the NYSE. The net asset value per Common Share at the close of business on June 25, 2018 was \$4.90, and the last reported sale price of the Common Shares on the NYSE on such date was \$4.31, representing a discount to net asset value of 12.04%. See Market and Net Asset Value Information.

This Prospectus sets forth the information about the Fund that you should know before investing. You should keep it for future reference. More information about the Fund, including a Statement of Additional Information dated June 28, 2018, and the Fund's Annual and Semiannual Reports, has been filed with the SEC. This information is available upon

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written or oral request without charge from our web site at [www.invesco.com/us](http://www.invesco.com/us). You may also get a copy of any of these materials, request other information about the Fund and make other inquiries by calling (800) 959-4246. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information is incorporated herein by reference. A table of contents for the Statement of Additional Information is on page 68 of this Prospectus. The SEC maintains a web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) that contains the Fund's Statement of Additional Information, material incorporated by reference and other information about SEC registrants, including the Fund.

Common Shares are not deposits or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank or depository institution. Common Shares are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board or any other government agency.



*Forward-Looking Statements*

This Prospectus contains or incorporates by reference forward-looking statements, within the meaning of the federal securities laws, that involve risks and uncertainties. These statements describe the Fund's plans, strategies, and goals and the Fund's beliefs and assumptions concerning future economic and other conditions and the outlook for the Fund, based on currently available information. In this Prospectus, words such as anticipates, believes, expects, objectives, goals, future, intends, seeks, will, may, could, should, and similar expressions are used in an effort to identify forward-looking statements, although some forward-looking statements may be expressed differently. The Fund is not entitled to the safe harbor for forward-looking statements pursuant to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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**You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus. The Fund has not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. The Fund is not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information in this Prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this Prospectus. The Fund's business, financial condition and prospects may have changed since that date.**

## PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

*This is only a summary of information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus. This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Fund's common shares (the Common Shares). You should carefully read the more detailed information contained in this Prospectus and any related Prospectus Supplements, especially the information set forth under the headings Investment Objective and Policies and Risks. You may also wish to request a copy of the Fund's Statement of Additional Information, dated June 28, 2018 (the SAI), which contains additional information about the Fund.*

### **The Fund**

Invesco Senior Income Trust (the Fund) is a diversified, closed-end management investment company.

### **The Offering**

The Fund may offer, from time to time, up to 18,000,000 Common Shares, on terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The Fund will offer Common Shares at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (each a Prospectus Supplement).

The Fund may offer Common Shares:

- (i) in at-the-market transactions through one or more selling agents that the Fund may designate from time to time and/or through broker-dealers that have entered into a selected dealer agreement with the Fund's selling agent(s); in such transactions, Common Shares will be sold at market prices, which shall be determined with reference to trades on the NYSE, subject to a minimum price to be established each day by the Fund, which minimum price will not be less than the current net asset value per Common Share plus the per Common Share amount of the commission to be paid;
- (ii) otherwise through agents that the Fund may designate from time to time;
- (iii) to or through underwriters or dealers; or
- (iv) directly to one or more purchasers.

The Prospectus Supplement relating to a particular offering of Common Shares will identify any agents, underwriters or dealers involved in the sale of Common Shares, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between the Fund and agents, underwriters or dealers or among underwriters or the basis upon which

such amount may be calculated. The Fund may not sell Common Shares through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of this Prospectus and a Prospectus Supplement. See Plan of Distribution.

### **Use Of Proceeds**

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Fund intends to invest the net proceeds of an offering of Common Shares in accordance with its investment objective and policies as stated herein. It is currently anticipated that the Fund will be able to invest substantially all of the net proceeds of an offering of Common Shares in accordance with its investment objective and policies within three to six months after the completion of any such offering or the receipt of such proceeds. Pending such investment, it is anticipated that the proceeds will be invested in cash, cash equivalents or other securities, including U.S. government securities, affiliated money market funds or high quality, short-term debt securities. The Fund may also use the proceeds for working capital purposes, including the payment of distributions, interest and operating expenses, although the Fund currently has no intent to issue Common Shares primarily for these purposes.

**Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The investment objective is fundamental and may not be changed without approval of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Fund cannot assure investors that it will achieve its investment objective.

**Investment Policies**

The Fund will invest primarily in a professionally managed portfolio of interests in floating or variable rate senior loans ("Senior Loans") to corporations, partnerships and other entities ("Borrowers") which operate in a variety of industries and geographical regions (including domestic and foreign entities). Senior Loans generally are arranged through private negotiations between a Borrower and several financial institutions ("Lenders") represented in each case by one or more such Lenders acting as agent ("Agent") of the several Lenders. On behalf of the several Lenders, the Agent, which is frequently the commercial bank or other entity that originates the Senior Loan and the person that invites other parties to join the lending syndicate, will be primarily responsible for negotiating the loan agreements ("Loan Agreement") that establish the relative terms, conditions and rights of the Borrower and the several Lenders. In larger transactions it is common to have several Agents; however, generally only one such Agent has primary responsibility for documentation and administration of the Senior Loan. Agents are typically paid a fee or fees by the Borrower for their services.

The Fund may invest in participations ("Participations") in Senior Loans, may purchase assignments ("Assignments") of portions of Senior Loans from third parties and may act as one of the group of Lenders originating a Senior Loan (an "Original Lender"). In normal market conditions, at least 80% of the Fund's total assets are invested in Senior Loans (either as an Original Lender or as a purchaser of an Assignment or Participation) of domestic Borrowers or foreign Borrowers (so long as Senior Loans to foreign Borrowers are U.S. dollar denominated and payments of interest and repayments of principal pursuant to such Senior Loans are required to be made in U.S. dollars). The Fund's investments in Senior Loans may also include up to 5% of its total assets in senior debt obligations that are in the form of notes in addition to investments in Loan Agreements, Participations and Assignments.

The Fund may invest in the Senior Loans of non-U.S. issuers. The Fund may invest up to 5% of its total assets in Senior Loans or other assets which are denominated in non-U.S. dollars.

The Fund is not subject to any restrictions with respect to the maturity of Senior Loans held in its portfolio. The Fund's assets invested in Senior Loans generally consist of Senior Loans with stated maturities of

between three and ten years, and with rates of interest which are redetermined either daily, monthly, quarterly or semi-annually; provided, however, that the Fund may invest up to 5% of its total assets in Senior Loans which permit the Borrower to select an interest rate redetermination period of up to one year. The actual remaining maturity of the Fund's portfolio invested in Senior Loans may vary substantially from the average stated maturity of the Senior Loans held in the Fund's portfolio.

In normal market conditions, the Fund may invest up to 20% of its total assets in any combination of (1) warrants and equity securities, in each case the Fund must own or acquire a Senior Loan of the same issuer, (2) junior debt securities or securities with a lien on collateral lower than a senior claim on collateral, (3) high quality short-term debt securities, (4) credit-linked deposits and (5) Treasury Inflation Protected Securities ( U.S. TIPS ) and other inflation-indexed bonds issued by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. Warrants, equity securities and junior debt securities will not be treated as Senior Loans and thus assets invested in such securities will not count toward the 80% of the Fund's total assets that normally will be invested in Senior Loans.

The Fund also may invest up to 10% of its total assets in structured notes with rates of return determined by reference to the total rate of return on one or more loans referenced in such notes, collateralized debt and loan obligations, credit-linked notes, credit default swaps and other types of structured investments (referred to collectively as structured products). Structured products where the rate of return is determined by reference to a Senior Loan will be treated as senior loans for the purposes of complying with the Fund's policy of normally investing at least 80% of its total assets in Senior Loans.

## Leverage

The Fund may utilize financial leverage to the maximum extent allowable under the 1940 Act. Under the 1940 Act, a Trust generally may not (1) borrow money greater than 33 1/3% of the Fund's total assets or (2) issue preferred shares greater than 50% of the Fund's total assets. In using a combination of borrowing money and issuing preferred shares, the maximum allowable leverage is somewhere between 33 1/3% and 50% (but in no event more than 50%) of the Fund's total assets based on the relative amounts borrowed or preferred shares issued. Currently, the Fund employs financial leverage by borrowing funds through a credit facility and through the issuance of preferred securities that are senior to the Common Shares. Use of financial leverage creates an opportunity for increased income but, at the same time, creates special risks. There can be no assurance that the Fund's leverage strategy will be successful. The investment advisory fees paid by the Fund will be calculated on the basis of the Fund's Managed Assets, which includes proceeds from the issuance of preferred shares and/or borrowings, so the dollar amount of the management fee paid by the Fund to the Adviser will be higher (and the Adviser will be benefited to that extent) when leverage is utilized. This may create a conflict of interest between the Fund's investment adviser and holders of Common Shares. Holders of Common Shares effectively bear the entire investment advisory fee.

The Fund has entered into a \$350 million credit agreement, effective as of December 10, 2015 (as from time to time amended, supplemented, waived or modified, the Credit Agreement), with State Street Bank and Trust Company and the other lending institutions party thereto and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as agent. State Street Bank and Trust Company has the authority to lend a maximum of \$229,166,670 to the Fund, and other lending institutions party thereto may lend up to \$120,833,330 to the Fund. As of June 19, 2018, the Fund had outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement of \$292.5 million representing approximately 18.07% of the Fund's total assets as of such date. The Credit Agreement is secured by assets of the Fund.

On October 26, 2012, the Fund issued in the aggregate 1,250 Variable Rate Term Preferred Shares (VRTP), each with a liquidation preference of \$100,000 per share, pursuant to an offering exempt from registration

under the 1933 Act. VRTP Shares are a floating-rate form of preferred shares with a mandatory redemption date. On May 1, 2017, the Fund began a periodic optional redemption of VRTP Shares and fully redeemed the VRTP Shares on June 19, 2018. On June 14, 2018, the Fund issued in the aggregate 1,250 Variable Rate Demand Preferred Shares ( VRDP ), with an aggregate liquidation value of \$125,000,000, pursuant to an offering exempt from registration under the 1933 Act. A portion of the proceeds from the issuance of the VRDP Shares were used to fully redeem the VRTP Shares. VRDP Shares are a form of preferred shares issued via private placement and not publicly available. VRDP Shares include a liquidity feature that allows VRDP shareholders to have their shares purchased by a liquidity provider with whom the Fund has contracted in the event that VRDP Shares are not able to be successfully remarketed. The Fund is required to redeem any VRDP Shares that are still owned by the liquidity provider after 180 days of continuous, unsuccessful remarketing. The Fund pays an annual



remarketing fee of 0.10% on the aggregate principal amount of all VRDP Shares outstanding.

Dividends on the VRDP Shares are set at a rate established by a remarketing agent; therefore, the market value of the VRDP Shares is expected to approximate its liquidation preference. In the event that VRDP shares are unable to be successfully remarketed, the dividend rate will be the maximum rate which is designed to escalate according to a specified schedule in order to enhance the remarketing agent's ability to successfully remarket the VRDP Shares.

Subject to certain conditions, VRDP Shares may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at any time at the option of the Fund. The Fund may also redeem certain of the VRDP Shares if the Fund fails to maintain certain asset coverage requirements and such failures are not cured by the applicable cure date. The redemption price per share is equal to the sum of the liquidation preference per share plus any accumulated but unpaid dividends.

The Fund's total leverage as of June 19, 2018 represented approximately 25.79% of the Fund's total assets as of such date. See Use of Leverage.

Financial leverage may also be achieved through the purchase of certain derivative instruments. The Fund's use of derivative instruments exposes the Fund to special risks.

## Management Of The Fund

Invesco Advisers, Inc. ( Invesco or the Adviser ) is the Fund's investment adviser. The Adviser is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Invesco Ltd. The Adviser is located at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309. The Adviser, a successor in interest to multiple investment advisers, has been an investment adviser since 1976.

Under an investment advisory agreement between the Adviser and the Fund (the Advisory Agreement ), the Fund pays the Adviser a monthly advisory fee based on the annual rate of 0.85% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets. Managed Assets, for purposes of the advisory fee, means the Fund's net assets, plus assets attributable to outstanding preferred shares and the amount of any borrowings incurred for the purpose of leverage (whether or not such borrowed amounts are reflected in the Fund's financial statements for purposes of GAAP).

Invesco has entered into a Sub-Advisory Agreement with certain affiliates to serve as sub-advisers to the Fund, pursuant to which these

affiliated sub-advisers may be appointed by Invesco from time to time to provide discretionary investment management services, investment advice, and/or order execution services to the Fund. These affiliated sub-advisers, each of which is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the Advisers Act ) are:

Invesco Asset Management Deutschland GmbH ( Invesco Deutschland )

Invesco Asset Management Limited ( Invesco Asset Management )

Invesco Asset Management (Japan) Limited ( Invesco Japan )

Invesco Hong Kong Limited ( Invesco Hong Kong )

Invesco Senior Secured Management, Inc. ( Invesco Senior Secured )

Invesco Canada Ltd. ( Invesco Canada );

(each a Sub-Adviser and collectively, the Sub-Advisers ).

Invesco and each Sub-Adviser is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Invesco

Ltd.

The only fees payable to the Sub-Advisers under the Sub-Advisory Agreement are for providing discretionary investment management services. For such services, Invesco will pay each Sub-Adviser a fee, computed daily and paid monthly, equal to (i) 40% of the monthly compensation that Invesco receives from the Fund, multiplied by (ii) the fraction equal to the net assets of such Fund as to which such Sub-Adviser shall have provided discretionary investment management services for that month divided by the net assets of such Fund for that month. Pursuant to the Sub-Advisory Agreement, this fee is reduced to reflect contractual or voluntary fee waivers or expense limitations by Invesco, if any, in effect from time to time. In no event shall the aggregate monthly fees paid to the Sub-Advisers under the Sub-Advisory Agreement exceed 40% of the monthly compensation that Invesco receives from the Fund pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, as reduced to reflect contractual or voluntary fees waivers or expense limitations by Invesco, if any.

#### **Distributions**

The Fund intends to make regular monthly distributions of all or a portion of its net investment income to its common shareholders (the Common Shareholders ). The Fund expects to pay its Common Shareholders annually all or substantially all of its investment company taxable income to avoid the imposition of income and excise taxes on certain undistributed amounts by a regulated investment company ( RIC ) under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ). Various factors will affect the level of the Fund s net investment company taxable income. The Fund may from time to time distribute less than the entire amount of income earned in a particular period. The undistributed income would be available to supplement future distributions. As a result, the distributions paid by the Fund for any particular month may be more or less than the amount of income actually earned by the Fund during that period. Undistributed income will add to the Fund s net asset value and, correspondingly, distributions from undistributed income, if any, will reduce the Fund s net asset value.

In addition, the Fund intends to distribute, on an annual basis, all or substantially all of any net capital gains to its Common Shareholders. The Fund may also declare and pay capital gains distributions more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on the Fund.

If, for any calendar year, the total distributions made exceed the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profit, the excess will, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, be treated as a tax-deferred return of capital to each Common Shareholder up to the amount of the Common Shareholder's basis in his or her Common Shares, and thereafter as gain from the sale of Common Shares. The amount treated as a tax-deferred return of capital will reduce the Common Shareholder's adjusted basis in his or her Common Shares, thereby increasing his or her potential gain or reducing his or her potential loss on the subsequent sale of his or her Common Shares. To the extent the Fund's distribution policy results in distributions in excess of its net investment income and net capital gain, such distributions will decrease its total assets and increase its expense ratio to a greater extent than would have been the case if distributions were limited to these amounts. Distributions in any year may or may not include a substantial return of capital component.

The Fund reserves the right to change its distribution policy and the basis for establishing the rate of distributions at any time and may do so without prior notice to Common Shareholders.

Shareholders will automatically have all dividends and distributions reinvested in Common Shares issued by the Fund or Common Shares of the Fund purchased in the open market in accordance with the Fund's dividend reinvestment plan unless an election is made to receive cash. See "Distributions" and "Dividend reinvestment plan."

### **Listing And Symbol**

The Fund's currently outstanding Common Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") under the symbol "VVR" and the Common Shares offered by this Prospectus, subject to notice of issuance, will also be listed on the NYSE. The net asset value per Common Share at the close of business on June 25, 2018 was \$4.90, and the last reported sale price of the Common Shares on the NYSE on such date was \$4.31, representing a discount to net asset value of 12.04%. See "Market and Net Asset Value Information."

### **Special Risk Considerations**

Investment in the Fund involves special risk considerations, which are summarized below. The Fund is designed as a long-term investment and not as a trading vehicle. The Fund is not intended to be a complete investment program. The Fund's performance and the value of its

investments will vary in response to changes in interest rates, inflation and other market factors. See **Risks** for a more complete discussion of the special risk considerations associated with an investment in the Fund.

*Senior Loan Risks.* Senior Loans, like most other debt obligations, are subject to the risk of default. Default in the payment of interest or principal on a Senior Loan results in a reduction in income to the Fund, a reduction in the value of the Senior Loan and a potential decrease in the Fund's net asset value. The risk of default increases in the event of an economic downturn or a substantial increase in interest rates. An increased risk of default could result in a decline in the value of Senior Loans and in the Fund's net asset value. Issuers of Senior Loans may have either issued debt securities that are rated lower than investment grade, i.e., rated lower than **Baa** by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ( **Moody's** ) or **BBB** by Fitch Ratings, Ltd. ( **Fitch** ), or, if they had issued debt securities, such debt securities would likely be rated lower than investment grade. Debt securities rated lower than investment grade are frequently called **junk bonds**, and are generally considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuing company's ability to meet principal and interest payments. Because the primary source of income for the Fund is the interest and principal payments on the Senior Loans in which it invests,

any payment default by an issuer of a Senior Loan would have a negative impact on the Fund's ability to pay dividends on the Common Shares or the preferred shares, and could result in the redemption of some or all of the preferred shares.

In the case of collateralized Senior Loans, there is no assurance that sale of the collateral would raise enough cash to satisfy the Borrower's payment obligation or that the collateral can or will be liquidated. In the event of bankruptcy, liquidation may not occur and the court may not give Lenders the full benefit of their senior positions. If the terms of a Senior Loan do not require the Borrower to pledge additional collateral in the event of a decline in the value of the original collateral, the Fund will be exposed to the risk that the value of the collateral will not at all times equal or exceed the amount of the Borrower's obligations under the Senior Loans. To the extent that a Senior Loan is collateralized by stock in the Borrower or its subsidiaries, such stock may lose all of its value in the event of bankruptcy of the Borrower. Uncollateralized Senior Loans involve a greater risk of loss.

Senior Loans in which the Fund invests may not have been rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, will not be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or any state securities commission and will not be listed on any national securities exchange. Although the Fund will generally have access to financial and other information made available to the Lenders in connection with Senior Loans, the amount of public information available with respect to Senior Loans will generally be less extensive than that available for rated, registered or exchange-listed securities. As a result, the performance of the Fund and its ability to meet its investment objective is more dependent on the analytical ability of the Adviser than would be the case for an investment company that invests primarily in rated, registered or exchange-listed securities.

Senior Loans generally are not listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system and no active trading market exists for many Senior Loans. As a result, many Senior Loans are illiquid, meaning that the Fund may not be able to sell them quickly at a fair price. The market for illiquid securities is more volatile than the market for liquid securities. The risks of illiquidity are particularly important when the Fund's operations require cash, and may in certain circumstances require that the Fund borrow to meet short-term cash requirements. To the extent that a secondary market does exist for certain Senior Loans, the market may be subject to irregular trading activity, wide bid/ask spreads and extended trade settlement periods. The substantial portion of the Fund's assets invested in Senior Loans may restrict the ability of the Fund to dispose of its investments in a timely fashion and at a fair price, and could result in capital losses to the Fund and holders of Shares. The

market for Senior Loans could be disrupted in the event of an economic downturn or a substantial increase or decrease in interest rates. This could result in increased volatility in the market and in the Fund's net asset value per Share. Illiquid securities are also difficult to value.

If legislation or state or federal regulations impose additional requirements or restrictions on the ability of financial institutions to make loans, the availability of Senior Loans for investment by the Fund may be adversely affected. In addition, such requirements or restrictions could reduce or eliminate sources of financing for certain Borrowers. This would increase the risk of default. If legislation or federal or state regulations require financial institutions to dispose of Senior Loans that are considered highly leveraged transactions or subject Senior Loans to increased regulatory scrutiny, financial institutions may determine to sell such Senior Loans. Such sales could result in prices that, in the opinion of the Adviser, do not represent fair value. If the Fund attempts to sell a Senior Loan at a time when a financial institution is engaging in such a sale, the price the Fund could get for the Senior Loan may be adversely affected.

Selling Lenders and other persons positioned between the Fund and the Borrower will likely conduct their principal business activities in the banking, finance and financial services industries. The Fund may be more at risk to any single economic,

political or regulatory occurrence affecting such industries. Persons engaged in such industries may be more susceptible to, among other things, fluctuations in interest rates, changes in the Federal Open Market Committee's monetary policy, governmental regulations concerning such industries and concerning capital raising activities generally and fluctuations in the financial markets generally.

Should an Agent or Lender positioned between the Fund and a Borrower become insolvent or enter FDIC receivership or bankruptcy, where the Fund is an Original Lender or has purchased an Assignment, any interest of such person in the Senior Loan and in any loan payment held by such person for the benefit of the Fund should not be included in the person's estate. If, however, these items are included in their estate, the Fund would incur costs and delays in realizing payment and could suffer a loss of principal or interest. See Risks Senior Loan Risks.

*Participations Risk.* The Fund may purchase Participations in Senior Loans. Under a Participation, the Fund generally will have rights that are more limited than the rights of Lenders or of persons who acquire a Senior Loan by Assignment. In a Participation, the Fund typically has a contractual relationship with the Lender selling the Participation but not with the Borrower. As a result, the Fund assumes the credit risk of the Lender selling the Participation in addition to the credit risk of the Borrower. In the event of the insolvency of the Lender selling the Participation, the Fund may be treated as a general creditor of the Lender and may not have a senior claim to the Lender's interest in the Senior Loan. Certain Participations in Senior Loans are illiquid, meaning the Fund may not be able to sell them quickly at a fair price. Illiquid securities are also difficult to value.

*Limited Secondary Market For Senior Loans.* Although it is growing, the secondary market for Senior Loans is currently limited. Senior Loans, at present, generally are not readily marketable and may be subject to restrictions on resale. Interests in Senior Loans generally are not listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system and no active trading market may exist for many of the Senior Loans in which the Fund will invest. To the extent that a secondary market may exist for certain of the Senior Loans in which the Fund invests, such market may be subject to irregular trading activity, wide bid/ask spreads and extended trade settlement periods. Senior Loans are thus relatively illiquid, which illiquidity may impair the Fund's ability to realize the full value of its assets in the event of a voluntary or involuntary liquidation of such assets. Liquidity relates to the ability of the Fund to sell an investment in a timely manner. The market for relatively illiquid securities tends to be more volatile than the market for more liquid securities. The Fund has no limitation on the amount of its assets which may be invested in securities which are not readily marketable or are subject to restrictions on resale.



The substantial portion of the Fund's assets invested in Senior Loan interests may restrict the ability of the Fund to dispose of its investments in a timely fashion and at a fair price, and could result in capital losses to the Fund and its Common Shareholders. However, many of the Senior Loans in which the Fund expects to purchase interests are of a relatively large principal amount and are held by a relatively large number of owners which should, in the Adviser's opinion, enhance the relative liquidity of such interests.

*Warrants, Equity Securities and Junior Debt Securities Risks.* Warrants, equity securities and junior debt securities have a subordinate claim on a Borrower's assets as compared with Senior Loans. As a result, the values of warrants, equity securities and junior debt securities generally are more dependent on the financial condition of the Borrower and less dependent on fluctuations in interest rates than are the values of many debt securities. The values of warrants, equity securities and junior debt securities may be more volatile than those of Senior Loans and thus may increase the volatility of the Fund's net asset value.

*Risks of Investment in Non-U.S. Issuers.* The Fund may invest in Senior Loans and debt securities of Borrowers that are organized or located in countries other than the United States, provided that such Senior Loans and debt securities are

denominated in U.S. dollars and provide for the payment of interest and repayment of principal in U.S. dollars. Investments in non-U.S. issuers involve special risks, including that non-U.S. issuers may be subject to less rigorous accounting and reporting requirements than U.S. issuers, less rigorous regulatory requirements, differing legal systems and laws relating to creditors' rights, the potential inability to enforce legal judgments and foreclose on collateral, possible restrictions on expatriation and repatriation of capital and the potential for political, social and economic adversity.

*Market Risk.* Market risk is the possibility that the market values of securities owned by the Fund will decline. The net asset value of the Fund will change with changes in the value of its portfolio securities, and the value of the Fund's investments can be expected to fluctuate over time. The financial markets in general are subject to volatility and may at times experience extreme volatility and uncertainty, which may affect all investment securities, including debt securities and derivative instruments. Volatility may be greater during periods of general economic uncertainty.

*Credit Risk.* Credit risk refers to an issuer's ability to make timely payments of interest and principal when due. Senior Loans, like other debt obligations, are subject to the credit risk of nonpayment. The ability of issuers of debt obligations to make timely payments of interest and principal may be adversely affected by general economic downturns. Nonpayment would result in a reduction of income to the Fund, and a potential decrease in the net asset value of the Fund. The Adviser continuously monitors the issuers of securities held in the Fund.

The Fund will rely on the Adviser's judgment, analysis and experience in evaluating the creditworthiness of an issuer. In its analysis, the Adviser may consider the credit ratings of NRSROs in evaluating securities, although the Adviser does not rely primarily on these ratings. Credit ratings of NRSROs evaluate only the safety of principal and interest payments, not the market risk. In addition, ratings are general and not absolute standards of quality, and the creditworthiness of an issuer may decline significantly before an NRSRO lowers the issuer's rating. A rating downgrade does not require the Fund to dispose of a security.

Medium-grade obligations (for example, bonds rated BBB by Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (S&P)) possess speculative characteristics so that changes in economic conditions or other circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the issuer to make principal and interest payments than in the case of higher-rated securities. Securities rated below investment grade are considered speculative by NRSROs

with respect to the issuer's continuing ability to pay interest and principal.

Securities that are in the lower-grade categories generally offer higher yields than are offered by higher-grade securities of similar maturities, but they also generally involve greater risks, such as greater credit risk, market risk, volatility and liquidity risk. In addition, the amount of available information about the financial condition of certain lower-grade issuers may be less extensive than other issuers, making the Fund more dependent on the Adviser's credit analysis than a fund investing only in higher-grade securities.

Secondary market prices of lower-grade securities generally are less sensitive than higher-grade securities to changes in interest rates and are more sensitive to general adverse economic changes or specific developments with respect to the particular issuers. A significant increase in interest rates or a general economic downturn may significantly affect the ability of issuers of lower-grade securities to pay interest and to repay principal, or to obtain additional financing, any of which could severely disrupt the market for lower-grade securities and adversely affect the market value of such securities. Such events also could lead to a higher incidence of default by issuers of lower-grade securities. In addition, changes in credit risks, interest rates, the credit markets or periods of general economic uncertainty can be expected to result in increased volatility in the price of the lower-grade securities and the net asset value of the Fund. Adverse publicity and investor perceptions, whether or not based on rational analysis, may affect the value, volatility and liquidity of lower-grade securities.

In the event that an issuer of securities held by the Fund experiences difficulties in the timely payment of principal and interest and such issuer seeks to restructure the terms of its borrowings, the Fund may incur additional expenses and may determine to invest additional assets with respect to such issuer or the project or projects to which the Fund's securities relate. Further, the Fund may incur additional expenses to the extent that it is required to seek recovery upon a default in the payment of interest or the repayment of principal on its portfolio holdings and the Fund may be unable to obtain full recovery on such amounts.

Investments in debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Fund. Federal income tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as when the Fund may cease to accrue interest, original issue discount or market discount, when and to what extent deductions may be taken for bad debts or worthless securities, how payments received on obligations in default should be allocated between principal and interest and whether certain exchanges of debt obligations in a workout context are taxable. These and other issues will be addressed by the Fund, in the event it invests in or holds such securities, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its status as a RIC.

*Interest Rate Risk.* When interest rates decline, the value of a portfolio invested in Senior Loans may rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a portfolio invested in Senior Loans may decline. Interest rates are near historical lows and, as a result, it is likely that they will rise. Because floating or variable rates on Senior Loans only reset periodically, changes in prevailing interest rates may cause some fluctuations in the Fund's net asset value. Similarly, a sudden and significant increase in market interest rates may cause a decline in the Fund's net asset value. A material decline in the Fund's net asset value may impair the Fund's ability to maintain required levels of asset coverage. **These risks may be greater in the current market environment because certain interest rates are near historically low levels, which may increase the Fund's exposure to risks associated with rising interest rates.** Rising interest rates could have unpredictable effects on the markets and may expose markets in which the Fund invests to heightened volatility.

*Income Risk.* The income you receive from the Fund is based primarily on prevailing interest rates, which can vary widely over the short and long term. If interest rates decrease, your income from the Fund may decrease as well. The Fund invests primarily in Senior Loans whose interest rates reset frequently. If market interest rates fall, these interest rates will be reset at lower levels, reducing the Fund's income.

*Call Risk.* If interest rates fall, it is possible that issuers of fixed-income securities with high interest rates will prepay or call their securities before their maturity dates. In this event, the proceeds from the called securities would likely be reinvested by the Fund in securities bearing the new, lower interest rates, resulting in a possible decline in the Fund's income and distributions to shareholders.

*Financial Leverage Risk.* There can be no assurance that a financial leveraging strategy will be utilized by the Fund or that, if utilized, it will be successful during any period in which it is employed. Leverage creates risks for holders of Common Shares, including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of, and distributions on, the Common Shares and the risk that fluctuations in distribution rates on any preferred shares and costs of borrowings may affect the return to holders of Common Shares. To the extent the income derived from investments purchased with proceeds received from leverage exceeds the cost of leverage, the Fund's distributions will be greater than if leverage had not been used. Conversely, if the income from the investments purchased with such proceeds is not sufficient to cover the cost of the financial leverage, the amount available for distribution to holders of Common Shares will be less than if leverage had not been used. In the latter case, the Fund may nevertheless maintain its leveraged position if such action is deemed to be appropriate based on market conditions. These risks may be greater in the current market environment because interest rates are near historically low levels. Interest payments on the Fund's outstanding borrowings and dividends on the Fund's outstanding preferred shares are based on variable rate formulas and as a result the Fund's leverage costs will increase in a rising interest rate environment. The costs of an offering of preferred shares and/or borrowing program will be borne by holders of Common Shares and consequently, will result in a reduction of the net asset value of Common Shares.

At times, the distribution rate on the Fund's preferred shares may exceed the Fund's return after expenses on the investment of proceeds from the preferred shares, resulting in a lower rate of return to Common Shareholders than if the preferred shares were not outstanding. Holders of preferred shares, voting as a class, shall be entitled to elect two of the Fund's Trustees. Under the 1940 Act, if at any time distributions on the preferred shares are unpaid in an amount equal to two full years distributions thereon, the holders of all outstanding preferred shares,

voting as a class, will be allowed to elect a majority of the Fund's Trustees until all distributions in arrears have been paid or declared and set apart for payment.

The investment advisory fees paid by the Fund will be calculated on the basis of the Fund's Managed Assets, which includes proceeds from the issuance of preferred shares and/or borrowings, so the dollar amount of the management fee paid by the Fund to the Adviser will be higher (and the Adviser will be benefited to that extent) when leverage is utilized. This may create a conflict of interest between the Adviser and holders of Common Shares as providers of the credit facility or holders of preferred securities do not bear the investment advisory fee, rather, holders of Common Shares bear the portion of the investment advisory fee attributable to the assets purchased with the proceeds from the issuance of preferred shares and/or borrowings. This means that holders of Common Shares effectively bear the entire investment advisory fee.

Any lender in connection with a credit facility may impose specific restrictions as condition to borrowing. Similarly, to the extent the Fund issues preferred shares, the Fund currently intends to seek an AAA or equivalent credit rating from one or more rating agencies on any preferred shares it issues and the Fund may be subject

to investment restrictions of the rating agency as a result. Such restrictions imposed by a rating agency or lender may include asset coverage or portfolio composition requirements that are more stringent than those imposed on the Fund by the 1940 Act. It is not anticipated that these covenants or guidelines will impede the Adviser or each Sub-Adviser in managing its respective portion of the Fund's portfolio in accordance with its investment objectives and policies. See Description of Capital Structure Preferred Shares and Description of Capital Structure Borrowings

Financial leverage may also be achieved through the purchase of certain derivative instruments. The Fund's use of derivative instruments exposes the Fund to special risks.

*Risks of Using Derivative Instruments.* A derivative instrument often has risks similar to its underlying instrument and may have additional risks, including imperfect correlation between the value of the derivative and the underlying instrument or instrument being hedged, risks of default by the other party to certain transactions, magnification of losses incurred due to changes in the market value of the securities, instruments, indices or interest rates to which they relate, and risks that the derivatives may not be liquid. The use of derivatives involves risks that are different from, and potentially greater than, the risks associated with other portfolio investments. Derivatives may involve the use of highly specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analyses different from those associated with other portfolio investments. Certain derivative transactions may give rise to a form of leverage. Leverage associated with derivative transactions may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so to satisfy its obligations or to meet earmarking or segregation requirements, pursuant to applicable SEC rules and regulations, or may cause the Fund to be more volatile than if the Fund had not been leveraged. The Fund could suffer losses related to its derivative positions as a result of unanticipated market movements, which losses may potentially be unlimited. Although the Adviser may seek to use derivatives to further the Fund's investment objective, the Fund is not required to use derivatives and may choose not to do so and there is no assurance that the use of derivatives will achieve this result. See Risks Risks of Using Derivative Instruments.

*Liquidity Risk.* Liquidity relates to the ability of a fund to sell a security in a timely manner at a price which reflects the value of that security. The market for Senior Loans is generally considered to be less liquid than the market for corporate debt obligations. To the extent the Fund owns or may acquire illiquid or restricted securities, these securities may involve special registration requirements, liabilities and costs, and liquidity and valuation difficulties.



The effects of adverse publicity and investor perceptions may be more pronounced for securities for which no established retail market exists as compared with the effects on securities for which such a market does exist. An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for such securities and adversely affect the value of outstanding securities or the ability of the issuers to repay principal and interest. Further, the Fund may have more difficulty selling such securities in a timely manner and at their stated value than would be the case for securities for which an established retail market does exist.

The markets for lower-grade securities may be less liquid than the markets for higher-grade securities. To the extent that there is no established retail market for some of the lower-grade securities in which the Fund may invest, trading in such securities may be relatively inactive. Prices of lower-grade securities may decline rapidly in the event a significant number of holders decide to sell. Changes in expectations regarding an individual issuer of lower-grade securities generally could reduce market liquidity for such securities and make their sale by the Fund at their current valuation more difficult.

From time to time, the Fund's investments may include securities as to which the Fund, by itself or together with other funds or accounts managed by the Adviser, holds a major portion or all of an issue of securities. Because there may be

relatively few potential purchasers for such investments and, in some cases, there may be contractual restrictions on resales, the Fund may find it more difficult to sell such securities at a time when the Adviser believes it is advisable to do so.

*Risks of Structured Products.* The Fund may invest in structured products, CDOs, CBOs, CLOs, structured notes, credit-linked notes and other types of structured products. Holders of structured products bear risks of the underlying investments, index or reference obligation and are subject to counterparty risk. The Fund may have the right to receive payments to which it is entitled only from the structured product, and generally does not have direct rights against the issuer or the entity that sold assets to the special purpose trust. While certain structured products enable the investor to acquire interests in a pool of securities without the brokerage and other expenses associated with directly holding the same securities, investors in structured products generally pay their share of the structured product's administrative and other expenses. When investing in structured products, it is impossible to predict whether the underlying index or prices of the underlying securities will rise or fall, but prices of the underlying indices and securities (and, therefore, the prices of structured products) will be influenced by the same types of political and economic events that affect particular issuers of securities and capital markets generally. Certain structured products may be thinly traded or have a limited trading market and may have the effect of increasing the Fund's illiquidity to the extent that the Fund, at a particular point in time, may be unable to find qualified buyers for these securities.

CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs are typically privately offered and sold, and thus, are not registered under the securities laws. As a result, investments in CDOs may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities; however an active dealer market may exist for CDOs allowing a CDO to be considered liquid in some circumstances. In addition to the general risks associated with fixed income securities discussed herein, CDOs carry additional risks including, but not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default; (iii) the possibility that the CDOs are subordinate to other classes; and (iv) the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results.

Investments in structured notes involve risks including income risk, credit risk and market risk. Where the Fund's investments in structured notes are based upon the movement of one or more factors, including currency exchange rates, interest rates, referenced bonds and stock indices, depending on the factor used and the use of multipliers or deflators, changes in interest rates and movement of the factor may cause

significant price fluctuations. Additionally, changes in the reference instrument or security may cause the interest rate on the structured note to be reduced to zero and any further changes in the reference instrument may then reduce the principal amount payable on maturity. Structured notes may be less liquid than other types of securities and more volatile than the reference instrument or security underlying the note.

*Unrated Securities Risk.* Many lower-grade securities are not listed for trading on any national securities exchange, and many issuers of lower-grade securities choose not to have a rating assigned to their obligations by any NRSRO. As a result, the Fund's portfolio may consist of a higher portion of unlisted or unrated securities as compared with an investment company that invests solely in higher-grade, listed securities. Unrated securities are usually not as attractive to as many buyers as are rated securities, a factor which may make unrated securities less marketable. These factors may limit the ability of the Fund to sell such securities at their fair value. The Fund may be more reliant on the Adviser's judgment and analysis in evaluating the creditworthiness of an issuer of unrated securities.

*Repurchase Agreements and Reverse Repurchase Agreements Risk.* The Fund may invest in repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements. In its purchase of repurchase agreements, the Fund does not bear the risk of a decline in the value of the underlying security unless the seller defaults under its repurchase obligation. In the event of the bankruptcy or other default of a seller of a repurchase agreement, the Fund could experience both delays in liquidating the underlying securities and losses, including possible decline in the value of the underlying security during the period while the Fund seeks to enforce its rights thereto, possible lack of access to income on the underlying security during this period, and expenses of enforcing its rights.

The Fund's use of reverse repurchase agreements involve many of the same risks involved in the Fund's use of financial leverage, as the proceeds from reverse repurchase agreements generally will be invested in additional securities. There is a risk that the market value of the securities acquired in the reverse repurchase agreement may decline below the price of the securities that the Fund has sold but remains obligated to repurchase. In addition, there is a risk that the market value of the securities retained by the Fund may decline. If the buyer of securities under a reverse repurchase agreement were to file for bankruptcy or experience insolvency, the Fund may be adversely affected. Also, in entering into reverse repurchase agreements, the Fund would bear the risk of loss to the extent that the proceeds of the reverse repurchase agreement are less than the value of the underlying securities. In addition, due to the interest costs associated with reverse repurchase agreements, the Fund's net asset value will decline, and, in some cases, the investment performance of the Fund would be less favorable than it would have been if the Fund had not used such instruments.

*U.S. Government Securities Risk.* U.S. Government securities historically have not involved the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities, although, as a result, the yields available from U.S. Government debt securities are generally lower than the yields available from other securities. Like other debt securities, however, the values of U.S. Government securities change as interest rates fluctuate. On August 5, 2011, S&P lowered its long-term sovereign credit rating on the U.S. to AA+ from AAA. Any further downgrades of the U.S. credit rating could increase volatility in both stock and bond markets, result in higher interest rates and higher Treasury yields and increase the costs of all kinds of debt. These events could have significant adverse effects on the economy generally and could result in significant adverse impacts on securities issuers and the Fund. The Adviser cannot predict the effects of these or similar events in the future on the U.S. economy and securities markets or on the Fund's portfolio.

*Recent Market Developments Risk.* Global and domestic financial markets have experienced periods of severe turmoil. The debt and equity capital markets in the United States have been negatively impacted by significant write-offs in the financial services sector relating to sub-prime mortgages and the re-pricing of credit risk, among other things. These events, along with the deterioration of the housing market, the failure of major financial institutions and the resulting United States federal government actions led to worsening general economic conditions, which materially and adversely impacted the broader financial and credit markets and reduced the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole and financial firms in particular. Such market conditions may increase the volatility of the value of securities owned by the Fund, may make it more difficult for the Fund to accurately value its securities or to sell its securities on a timely basis and may adversely affect the ability of the Fund to borrow for investment purposes and increase the cost of such borrowings, which would reduce returns to the holders of Common Shares. These developments adversely affected the broader economy, and may continue to do so, which in turn may adversely affect issuers of securities owned by the Fund. Such developments could, in turn, reduce the value of securities owned by the Fund and adversely affect the net asset value of the Common Shares. Recently markets have witnessed more stabilized economic

activity as expectations for an economic recovery increased. However, risks to a robust resumption of growth persist. A return to unfavorable economic conditions or sustained economic slowdown could adversely impact the Fund's portfolio.

*Eurozone Risk.* The European financial markets have recently experienced volatility and adverse trends due to concerns about economic downturns or rising government debt levels in several European countries, including Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal and Spain. Continuing uncertainty as to the status of the Euro and the European Monetary Union (the EMU) has created significant volatility in currency and financial markets generally. Investing in Euro-denominated securities entails risk of being exposed to a currency that may not fully reflect the strengths and weaknesses of the disparate European economies. In addition, it is possible that the Euro could be abandoned in the future by countries that have adopted its use. The effects of the collapse of the Euro, or of the exit of one or more countries from the EMU, on the United States and global economy and securities markets could have a significant adverse impact on the value and risk profile of the Fund's investments. If one or more EMU countries were to stop using the Euro as its primary currency, the Fund's investments in such countries may be redenominated into a different or newly adopted currency. As a result, the value of those investments could decline significantly and unpredictably. In addition, securities or other investments that are redenominated may be subject to foreign currency risk, liquidity risk and valuation risk to a greater extent than similar investments currently denominated in Euros. To the extent a currency used for redenomination purposes is not specified in respect of certain EMU-related investments, or should the Euro cease to be used entirely, the currency in which such investments are denominated may be unclear, making such investments particularly difficult to value or dispose of. The Fund may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek judicial or other clarification of the denomination or value of such securities.

*Legislation and Regulation Risk.* The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act), which was signed into law in July 2010, has resulted in a significant revision of the U.S. financial regulatory framework. The Dodd-Frank Act covers a broad range of topics. The regulation of various types of derivative instruments pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act may adversely affect the Fund or its counterparties. The ultimate impact of the Dodd-Frank Act, and any resulting regulation, is not yet certain and issuers of securities in which the Fund invests may also be affected by the new legislation and regulation in ways that are currently unknown and unforeseeable.

On December 11, 2015, the SEC published a proposed rule that, if adopted, would change the regulation of the use of derivative instruments

and financial commitment transactions by registered investment companies. The SEC sought public comments on numerous aspects of the proposed rule, and as a result the nature of any final regulations is uncertain at this time. Such regulations could limit the implementation of the Fund's use of derivatives and impose additional compliance costs on the Fund, which could have an adverse impact on the Fund. At any time after the date of this prospectus, legislation may be enacted that could negatively affect the assets of the Fund or the issuers of such assets. Changing approaches to regulation may have a negative impact on the Fund or entities in which the Fund invests. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which the Fund itself is regulated. There can be no assurance that future legislation, regulation or deregulation will not have a material adverse effect on the Fund or will not impair the ability of the Fund to achieve its investment objectives. See Risks Legislation and Regulation Risk.

*Portfolio Turnover Risk.* The Fund's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year, as well as within a given year. Portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Fund. A higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Fund. High

portfolio turnover may result in an increased realization of net short-term capital gains by the Fund which, when distributed to Common Shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income. Additionally, in a declining market, portfolio turnover may create realized capital losses.

*When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Transactions Risk.* Securities purchased on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis may expose the Fund to counterparty risk of default as well as the risk that securities may experience fluctuations in value prior to their actual delivery. The Fund generally will not accrue income with respect to a when-issued or delayed delivery security prior to its stated delivery date. Purchasing securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis can involve the additional risk that the price or yield available in the market when the delivery takes place may not be as favorable as that obtained in the transaction itself.

*Repurchase Agreement Risk.* A repurchase agreement exposes the Fund to the risk that the party that sells the security may default on its obligation to repurchase it. The Fund may lose money because it cannot sell the security at the agreed-upon time and price or the security loses value before it can be sold. In the event of the bankruptcy or other default of a seller of a repurchase agreement, the Fund could experience both delays in liquidating the underlying securities and losses. In such an event, the Fund would be subject to risks associated with possible decline in the value of the underlying security during the period in which the Fund seeks to enforce its rights thereto, possible lack of access to income on the underlying security during this period, and expenses of enforcing its rights. In addition, the exercise of the Fund's right to liquidate the collateral underlying the repurchase agreement could involve certain costs or delays and, to the extent that proceeds from any sale upon a default of the obligation to repurchase were less than the repurchase price, the Fund could suffer a loss.

*Securities Lending Risk.* Securities lending is subject to the risk that loaned securities may not be available to the Fund on a timely basis and the Fund may therefore lose the opportunity to sell the securities at a desirable price. Any loss in the market price of securities loaned by the Fund that occurs during the term of the loan would be borne by the Fund and would adversely affect the Fund's performance. Also, there may be delays in recovery, or no recovery, of securities loaned or even a loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially while the loan is outstanding.

*Risk of Failure to Qualify as a RIC.* To qualify for the favorable U.S. federal income tax treatment generally accorded to RICs, the Fund must, among other things, derive in each taxable year at least 90% of its gross



income from certain prescribed sources, meet certain asset diversification tests and distribute for each taxable year at least 90% of its investment company taxable income (generally, ordinary income plus the excess, if any, of net short-term capital gain over net long-term capital loss). If for any taxable year the Fund does not qualify as a RIC, all of its taxable income for that year (including its net capital gain) would be subject to tax at the applicable corporate income tax rate without any deduction for distributions to shareholders, and such distributions would be taxable as ordinary dividends to the extent of the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits. See Risks Risk of Failure to Qualify as a RIC.

*Potential Conflicts of Interest.* The Adviser provides a wide array of portfolio management and other asset management services to a mix of clients and may engage in ordinary course activities in which their respective interests or those of their clients may compete or conflict with those of the Fund. For example, the Adviser may provide investment management services to other funds and accounts that follow investment objectives similar to that of the Fund. In certain circumstances, and subject to its fiduciary obligations under the Advisers Act, the Adviser may have to allocate a limited investment opportunity among its clients, which include closed-end funds, open-end funds, other commingled funds and other accounts. The Adviser has adopted policies and procedures designed to address such situations and other potential conflicts of interests. See *Portfolio Managers Potential Conflicts of Interest* in the SAI.

*Market Discount Risk.* The Fund's net asset value will be reduced immediately following an offering of the Common Shares due to the costs of such offering, which will be borne entirely by the Fund. The sale of Common Shares by the Fund (or the perception that such sales may occur) may have an adverse effect on prices of Common Shares in the secondary market. An increase in the number of Common Shares available may put downward pressure on the market price for Common Shares. The Fund may, from time to time, seek the consent of Common Shareholders to permit the issuance and sale by the Fund of Common Shares at a price below the Fund's then current net asset value, subject to certain conditions, and such sales of Common Shares at price below net asset value, if any, may increase downward pressure on the market price for Common Shares. These sales, if any, also might make it more difficult for the Fund to sell additional Common Shares in the future at a time and price it deems appropriate. Common Shares of the Fund are designed primarily for long-term investors; investors in Common Shares should not view the Fund as a vehicle for trading purposes.

*Maintenance of Leverage Risk.* Issuance of additional Common Shares will result in an increase in the assets of the Fund. To the extent that the Fund desires to maintain its level of leverage, as a percentage of the assets of the Fund, the Fund will be required to increase its borrowings or issue additional preferred shares. The Fund may incur costs in connection with issuing additional leverage, and there can be no assurance that the Fund can obtain additional leverage at favorable rates. An inability by the Fund to maintain its leverage, as a percentage of the assets of the Fund, or to do so at favorable rates, may negatively impact the Fund's financial performance, including its ability to sustain current levels of distributions on Common Shares. There is no guarantee that the Fund will maintain leverage at the current rate, and the Board reserves the right to raise, decrease, or eliminate the Fund's leverage exposure.

*Dilution Risk.* The voting power of current Common Shareholders will be diluted to the extent that current Common Shareholders do not purchase Common Shares in any future offerings of Common Shares or do not purchase sufficient Common Shares to maintain their percentage interest. If the Fund is unable to invest the proceeds of such offering as intended, the Fund's per Common Share distribution may decrease and the Fund may not participate in market advances to the same extent as if such proceeds were fully invested as planned. If the Fund sells Common Shares at a price below net asset value pursuant to the consent of Common Shareholders, shareholders will experience a dilution of the aggregate net asset value per Common Share because the sale price will be less than the Fund's then-current net asset value per Common Share. Similarly, were the expenses of the offering to exceed the amount by which the sale price exceeded the Fund's then current net asset value per Common Share, shareholders would experience a dilution of the aggregate net asset value per Common Share. This dilution will be experienced by all shareholders, irrespective of whether they purchase Common Shares in any such offering.

*Anti-takeover Provisions.* The Fund's Declaration of Trust and Bylaws include provisions that could limit the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Fund or to change the composition of its Board of Trustees. Such provisions could limit the ability of shareholders to sell their shares at a premium over prevailing market prices by discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control of the Fund. See Anti-Takeover and Other Provisions in the Fund's Governing Documents.

**Anti-Takeover Provisions  
In The Fund's Governing  
Documents**

The Fund's Certificate of Trust, as amended, the Fund's Second Amended and Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the Declaration of Trust ) and the Fund's Second Amended and Restated By-Laws (collectively, the Governing Documents ) include provisions that could limit the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Fund or convert the Fund to an open-end fund. These provisions could have the effect of depriving the Common Shareholders of opportunities to sell their Common Shares at a premium over the then-current market price of the Common Shares. See Anti-Takeover and Other Provisions in the Fund's Governing Documents and Risks Anti-Takeover Provisions.

**Administrator**

The Fund has entered into a master administrative services agreement with the Adviser, pursuant to which the Adviser performs or arranges for the provision of accounting and other administrative services to the Fund that are not required to be performed by the Adviser under the Advisory Agreement.

**Custodian, Dividend  
Disbursing Agent and  
Transfer Agent**

The custodian for the Fund is State Street Bank and Trust Company, 225 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2801.

The transfer agent and dividend paying agent for the Fund is Computershare Trust Company, N.A., P.O. Box 43078, Providence, Rhode Island 02940-3078.

## SUMMARY OF FUND EXPENSES

The following table contains information about the costs and expenses that Common Shareholders will bear directly or indirectly. The table is based on the capital structure of the Fund as of February 28, 2018 (except as noted below). The purpose of the table and the example below is to help you understand the fees and expenses that you, as a holder of Common Shares, would bear directly or indirectly.

### Common Shareholder Transaction Expenses

Sales load paid by you (as a percentage of offering price)	(1)
Offering expenses borne by Common Shareholders (as a percentage of offering price)	(1)
Dividend Reinvestment Plan fees <sup>(2)</sup>	None

	<b>Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Common Shares<sup>(3)</sup></b>
<b>Annual Expenses</b>	
Management fees <sup>(4)</sup>	1.20%
Interest payments on borrowed funds <sup>(5)</sup>	1.03%
Administration Fee <sup>(6)</sup>	0.28%
Other Expenses	0.13%
Total Other expenses <sup>(7)</sup>	0.41%
<b>Total Annual Expenses</b>	<b>2.64%</b>

- (1) If Common Shares to which this Prospectus relates are sold to or through underwriters, the Prospectus Supplement will set forth any applicable sales load and the estimated offering expenses borne by the Fund.
- (2) Common Shareholders will pay service fee of \$2.50 and brokerage charges if they direct the Plan Agent to sell Common Shares held in a dividend reinvestment account. See Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Based upon average net assets applicable to Common Shares during the fiscal year ended February 28, 2018.
- (4) The Fund pays the Adviser an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.85% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets. The fee shown above is based upon outstanding leverage of 26.46% of the Fund's total assets. If leverage of more than 26.46% of the Fund's total assets is used, the management fees shown would be higher.
- (5) Based upon the Fund's outstanding borrowings and outstanding preferred shares as of February 28, 2018 of approximately \$292,500,000 and \$75,000,000, respectively, and the average daily weighted interest rate for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2018 of 2.37% and dividends on preferred shares at an annual rate of 2.71%, respectively.
- (6) Administration fee is 0.20% on average managed assets.
- (7) Total Other expenses are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year.

### Example

As required by relevant Securities and Exchange Commission regulations, the following example illustrates the expenses that you would pay on a \$1,000 investment in Common Shares, assuming (1) Total annual expenses of

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2.64% of net assets attributable to Common Shares and (2) a 5% annual return\*:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Total Expenses paid by Common Shareholders <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 27	\$ 82	\$ 140	\$ 297

\* **The Example should not be considered a representation of future expenses or returns. Actual expenses may be higher or lower than those assumed. Moreover, the Fund's actual rate of return may be higher or lower than the hypothetical 5% return shown in the example.** The example assumes that all dividends and distributions are reinvested at net asset value.

- (1) The example above does not include sales loads or estimated offering costs. In connection with an offering of Common Shares, the Prospectus Supplement will set forth an Example including sales load and estimated offering costs.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The financial highlights show the Fund's financial history for the past 10 fiscal years. The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance. The information in this table is derived from the Fund's financial statements for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2018, audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund, whose report on such financial statements, together with the financial statements of the Fund, are included in the Fund's annual report to shareholders for the period ended February 28, 2018, and are incorporated by reference into the SAI. The information for each of the prior fiscal years and periods has also been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, except that information prior to May 31, 2010 was audited by other independent registered public accountants.

The following schedule presents financial highlights for a common share of the Trust outstanding throughout the periods indicated.

	Year ended February 28, 2017	Year ended February 29, 2016	Year ended February 28, 2015	Year ended February 28, 2014	Year ended February 28, 2013	Year ended February 29, 2012	Seven months ended February 28, 2011	Year ended July 31, 2010	Year ended June 30, 2009
Net Income	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.17	\$ 4.89	\$ 5.03	\$ 4.65	\$ 3.98	\$ 3.98
Net Realized Gain (Loss)	0.29	0.31	0.32	0.31	0.34	0.31	0.17	0.29	0.29
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments	0.63	(0.74)	(0.20)	0.13	0.28	(0.14)	0.39	0.72	0.72
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	0.92	(0.43)	0.12	0.44	0.61	0.15	0.55	0.98	0.98
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	(0.26)	(0.32)	(0.32)	(0.36)	(0.33)	(0.29)	(0.17)	(0.29)	(0.29)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	(0.03)							(0.02)	(0.02)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	(0.29)	(0.32)	(0.32)	(0.36)	(0.33)	(0.29)	(0.17)	(0.31)	(0.31)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	\$ 4.93	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.17	\$ 4.89	\$ 5.03	\$ 4.65	\$ 4.65
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	\$ 4.72	\$ 3.76	\$ 4.68	\$ 5.03	\$ 5.57	\$ 4.69	\$ 5.01	\$ 4.65	\$ 4.65
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Other	22.59%	(8.31)%	2.90%	8.69%	12.93%	3.48%	12.14%		



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42)%	34.22%	(13.48)%	(0.46)%	(3.34)%	26.86%	(0.35)%	11.70%	38.95%
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45	\$ 888,270	\$ 773,748	\$ 908,720	\$ 945,510	\$ 930,435	\$ 879,696	\$ 904,599	\$ 836,919	\$ 7
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60%	69%	55%	63%	99%	103%	94%	50%	57%
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.64%(e)	2.37%	2.34%	2.20%	2.18%	2.06%	2.00%(f)	2.14%(f)(g)	2.28%(f)(h)
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.61%(e)	1.58%	1.69%	1.65%	1.63%	1.65%	1.69%(f)	1.72%(f)(g)	1.89%(f)(h)
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.64%(e)	2.38%	2.34%	2.2%	2.18%	2.06%
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.66%(e)	6.15%	6.57%	6.22%	5.98%	6.86%
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