

Janus Aspen Series
Flexible Bond Portfolio
Institutional Shares

Prospectus



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This Prospectus describes Flexible Bond Portfolio, a series of Janus Aspen Series (the “Trust”). Janus Capital Management LLC (“Janus Capital”) serves as investment adviser to the Portfolio. The Portfolio currently offers two classes of shares. The Institutional Shares (the “Shares”) are sold under the name of “Janus Aspen Series” and are offered by this Prospectus in connection with investment in and payments under variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance contracts (collectively, “variable insurance contracts”), as well as certain qualified retirement plans.

Janus Aspen Series – Institutional Shares sells and redeems its Shares at net asset value without sales charges, commissions, or redemption fees. Each variable insurance contract involves fees and expenses that are not described in this Prospectus. Refer to the accompanying contract prospectus for information regarding contract fees and expenses and any restrictions on purchases or allocations.

Certain Janus Aspen Series Portfolios have similar investment objectives and similar principal strategies to corresponding Janus retail funds. Although it is anticipated that a Portfolio and its corresponding retail fund will hold similar securities, differences in asset size, expenses, cash flow needs, and other factors may result in differences in investment performance.

This Prospectus contains information that a prospective purchaser of a variable insurance contract or plan participant should consider in conjunction with the accompanying separate account prospectus of the specific insurance company product before allocating purchase payments or premiums to the Portfolio.

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RISK/RETURN SUMMARY

FLEXIBLE BOND PORTFOLIO

Flexible Bond Portfolio (the “Portfolio”) is designed for long-term investors who primarily seek total return.

Investment Objective

Flexible Bond Portfolio seeks to obtain maximum total return, consistent with preservation of capital.

The Portfolio’s Board of Trustees may change this objective or the Portfolio’s principal investment strategies without a shareholder vote. As described below, the Portfolio has a policy of investing at least 80% of its net assets, measured at the time of purchase, in the type of securities suggested by its name. The Portfolio will notify you in writing at least 60 days before making any changes to this policy. If there is a material change to the Portfolio’s objective or principal investment strategies, you should consider whether the Portfolio remains an appropriate investment for you. There is no guarantee that the Portfolio will achieve its investment objective.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Portfolio pursues its investment objective by primarily investing, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its assets in bonds. Bonds include, but are not limited to, government bonds, corporate bonds, convertible bonds, mortgage-backed securities, and zero-coupon bonds. The Portfolio will invest at least 65% of its assets in investment grade debt securities and will maintain an average-weighted effective maturity of five to ten years. The Portfolio will limit its investment in high-yield/high-risk bonds to 35% or less of its net assets. The Portfolio generates total return from a combination of current income and capital appreciation, but income is usually the dominant portion. Due to the nature of the securities in which the Portfolio invests, it may have relatively high portfolio turnover compared to other Portfolios.

In addition to considering economic factors such as the effect of interest rates on the Portfolio’s investments, the portfolio managers apply a “bottom up” approach in choosing investments. This means that the portfolio managers look at securities one at a time to determine if a security is an attractive investment opportunity and if it is consistent with the Portfolio’s investment policies. If the portfolio managers are unable to find such investments, the Portfolio’s uninvested assets may be held in cash or similar investments, subject to the Portfolio’s specific investment policies.

Within the parameters of its specific investment policies, the Portfolio may invest its assets in derivatives (by taking long and/or short positions). The Portfolio may use derivatives for different purposes, including hedging (to offset risks associated with an investment, currency exposure, or market conditions) and to earn income and enhance returns. For more information on derivatives, refer to “Other Types of Investments” in this Prospectus, with further detail in the Statement of Additional Information.

Main Investment Risks

Although the Portfolio may be less volatile than funds that invest most of their assets in common stocks, the Portfolio’s returns and yields will vary, and you could lose money.

Fixed-Income Securities Risk. The Portfolio invests in a variety of fixed-income securities. Typically, the values of fixed-income securities change inversely with interest rates. Therefore, a fundamental risk of these securities is that their value will generally decline as prevailing interest rates rise, which may cause the Portfolio’s net asset value (“NAV”) to likewise decrease, and vice versa. How specific fixed-income securities may react to changes in interest rates will depend on the specific characteristics of each security. For example, while securities with longer maturities tend to produce higher yields, they also tend to be more sensitive to changes in prevailing interest rates and are therefore more volatile than shorter-term securities and are subject to greater market fluctuations as a result of changes in interest rates. Fixed-income securities are also subject to credit risk, which is the risk that the credit strength of an issuer of a fixed-income security will weaken and/or that the issuer will be unable to make timely principal and interest payments and that the security may go into default. In addition, there is a risk that during periods of falling interest rates, certain fixed-income securities with higher interest rates, such as mortgage- and asset-backed securities, may be prepaid by their issuers thereby reducing the amount of interest payments and may result in the Portfolio having to reinvest its proceeds in lower yielding securities. Collateral related to such investments may be subject to a higher degree of credit risk, valuation risk, and liquidity risk.

Market Risk. The value of the Portfolio’s holdings may decrease if the value of an individual company or multiple companies in the Portfolio decreases or if the portfolio managers’ belief about a company’s intrinsic worth is incorrect.

Regardless of how well individual companies perform, the value of the Portfolio's holdings could also decrease if there are deteriorating economic or market conditions, including, but not limited to, a general decline in prices on the stock markets, a general decline in real estate markets, a decline in commodities prices, or if the market favors different types of securities than the types of securities in which the Portfolio invests. If the value of the Portfolio's holdings decreases, the Portfolio's net asset value ("NAV") will also decrease, which means if you sell your shares in the Portfolio you may lose money.

It is also important to note that recent events in the equity and fixed-income markets have resulted, and may continue to result, in an unusually high degree of volatility in the markets, both domestic and international. These events and the resulting market upheavals may have an adverse effect on the Portfolio such as a decline in the value and liquidity of many securities held by the Portfolio, unusually high and unanticipated levels of redemptions, an increase in portfolio turnover, a decrease in net asset value, and an increase in Portfolio expenses. Because the situation is unprecedented and widespread, it may also be unusually difficult to identify both investment risks and opportunities and could limit or preclude the Portfolio's ability to achieve its investment objective. The market's behavior is unpredictable and it is impossible to predict whether or for how long these conditions will continue. Therefore, it is important to understand that the value of your investment may fall, sometimes sharply, and you could lose money.

High-Yield/High-Risk Bond Risk. The Portfolio will limit its investments in high-yield/high-risk bonds, also known as "junk" bonds, to 35% or less of its net assets. High-yield/high-risk bonds may be sensitive to economic changes, political changes, or adverse developments specific to the company that issued the bond. These bonds generally have a greater credit risk than other types of fixed-income securities. The issuers are typically in poor financial health. Because of these factors, the performance and NAV of the Portfolio may vary significantly, depending upon its holdings of high-yield/high-risk bonds.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. Increased portfolio turnover may result in higher costs for brokerage commissions, dealer mark-ups, and other transaction costs. Higher costs associated with increased portfolio turnover may offset gains in the Portfolio's performance.

Derivatives Risk. Derivatives can be highly volatile and involve risks in addition to the risks of the underlying referenced securities. Gains or losses from a derivative can be substantially greater than the derivative's original cost, and can therefore involve leverage. Derivatives can be complex instruments and may involve analysis that differs from that required for other investment types used by the Portfolio. If the value of a derivative does not correlate well with the particular market or other asset class to which the derivative is intended to provide exposure, the derivative may not have the anticipated effect. Derivatives can also reduce the opportunity for gain or result in losses by offsetting positive returns in other investments. Derivatives can be less liquid than other types of investments. Derivatives entail the risk that the counterparty will default on its payment obligations to the Portfolio. If the counterparty to a derivative transaction defaults, the Portfolio would risk the loss of the net amount of the payments that it contractually is entitled to receive. To the extent the Portfolio enters into short derivative positions, the Portfolio may be exposed to risks similar to those associated with short sales, including the risk that the Portfolio's losses are theoretically unlimited.

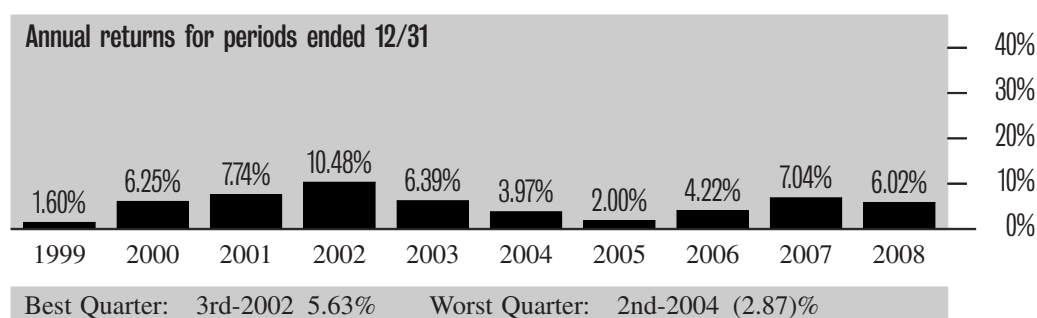
An investment in the Portfolio is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

Performance Information

The following information provides some indication of the risks of investing in Flexible Bond Portfolio by showing how the Portfolio's performance has varied over time. The bar chart depicts the change in performance from year to year during the periods indicated, but does not include charges or expenses attributable to any insurance product, which would lower the performance illustrated. The Portfolio does not impose any sales or other charges that would affect total return computations. Total return figures include the effect of the Portfolio's expenses. The table compares the average annual returns for the Institutional Shares of the Portfolio for the periods indicated to a broad-based securities market index. The index is not actively managed and is not available for direct investment. All figures assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. For certain periods, the Portfolio's performance reflects the effect of expense waivers. Without the effect of these expense waivers, the performance shown would have been lower.

The Portfolio's past performance does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

Flexible Bond Portfolio – Institutional Shares



Average annual total return for periods ended 12/31/08

	1 year	5 years	10 years	Since Inception (9/13/93)
Flexible Bond Portfolio – Institutional Shares	6.02%	4.64%	5.54%	7.02%
Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Bond Index ⁽¹⁾ (reflects no deduction for fees or expenses)	5.24%	4.65%	5.63%	6.02%

(1) The Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (formerly named Lehman Brothers U.S. Aggregate Bond Index) is made up of the Barclays Capital U.S. Government/Corporate Bond Index (formerly named Lehman Brothers Government/Corporate Bond Index), Mortgage-Backed Securities Index, and Asset-Backed Securities Index, including securities that are of investment grade quality or better, have at least one year to maturity, and have an outstanding par value of at least \$100 million. Pursuant to an acquisition, the Lehman Brothers indices were acquired by Barclays Capital.

FEES AND EXPENSES

The following table describes the shareholder fees and annual fund operating expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold Shares of the Portfolio. The fees and expenses shown were determined based on average net assets as of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, and do not reflect any change in expense ratios resulting from a change in assets under management since December 31, 2008. Total net assets as of December 31, 2008, are shown in a footnote to the table. More current total net asset information is available on janus.com/info. It is important for you to know that a decline in the Portfolio's average net assets during the current fiscal year, as a result of market volatility or other factors, could cause the Portfolio's expense ratio to be higher than the fees and expenses shown, which means you could pay more if you buy or hold Shares of the Portfolio. Significant declines in the Portfolio's net assets will increase your Portfolio's total expense ratio, likely significantly.

Shareholder fees are those paid directly from your investment and may include sales loads, redemption fees, or exchange fees. The Portfolio is a no-load investment, so you will generally not pay any shareholder fees when you buy or sell Shares of the Portfolio. However, each variable insurance contract involves fees and expenses not described in this Prospectus. Refer to the accompanying contract prospectus for information regarding contract fees and expenses and any restrictions on purchases or allocations.

Annual fund operating expenses are paid out of the Portfolio's assets and include fees for portfolio management, maintenance of shareholder accounts, shareholder servicing, accounting, and other services. You do not pay these fees directly but, as the example shows, these costs are borne indirectly by all shareholders.

This table and the example are designed to assist participants in qualified plans that invest in the Shares of the Portfolio in understanding the fees and expenses that you may pay as an investor in the Shares. **Owners of variable insurance contracts that invest in the Shares should refer to the variable insurance contract prospectus for a description of fees and expenses, as the table and example do not reflect deductions at the separate account level or contract level for any charges that may be incurred under a contract. Inclusion of these charges would increase the fees and expenses described below.**

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (deducted from Portfolio assets) ^{*†}						
	Management Fee ⁽¹⁾	Other Expenses	Acquired Fund ⁽²⁾ Fees and Expenses	Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses		
Flexible Bond Portfolio	0.54%	0.06%	0.00%	0.60%		
<p>* All expenses are shown without the effect of expense offset arrangements. Pursuant to such arrangements, credits realized as a result of uninvested cash balances are used to reduce custodian and transfer agent expenses.</p> <p>† As of December 31, 2008, total net assets (rounded to millions) were as follows: Flexible Bond Portfolio \$342.7. The Financial Highlights section of this Prospectus provides more detailed information with respect to the Portfolio.</p> <p>(1) The "Management Fee" is the investment advisory fee rate paid by the Portfolio to Janus Capital.</p> <p>(2) "Acquired Fund" means any underlying portfolio (including, but not limited to, exchange-traded funds) in which the Portfolio invests or has invested during the period. The Portfolio's "ratio of gross expenses to average net assets" appearing in the Financial Highlights table does not include Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses and may not correlate to the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses shown in the table above. Amounts less than 0.01%, if applicable, are included in Other Expenses to the extent the amount reflected may show 0.00%.</p>						
<p>EXAMPLE:</p> <p>This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Portfolio with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Portfolio for the time periods indicated, reinvest all dividends and distributions, and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of each period. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Portfolio's operating expenses remain the same. Since no sales load applies, the results apply whether or not you redeem your investment at the end of each period. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based upon these assumptions your costs would be as follows:</p>						
			<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u>	<u>5 Years</u>	<u>10 Years</u>
Flexible Bond Portfolio			\$61	\$192	\$335	\$750

PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND RISKS

This section takes a closer look at the Portfolio's principal investment strategies, as well as certain risks of investing in the Portfolio.

Please carefully review the "Risks" section of this Prospectus for a discussion of risks associated with certain investment techniques. The "Glossary of Investment Terms" includes descriptions of investment terms used throughout this Prospectus.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The following questions and answers are designed to help you better understand the Portfolio's principal investment strategies.

1. What is a high-yield/high-risk bond?

A high-yield/high-risk bond (also called a "junk" bond) is a bond rated below investment grade by major rating agencies (i.e., BB+ or lower by Standard & Poor's Ratings Service ("Standard & Poor's") and Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch"), or Ba or lower by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's")) or is an unrated bond of similar quality. It presents greater risk of default (the failure to make timely interest and principal payments) than higher quality bonds.

2. What are U.S. Government securities?

The Portfolio may invest in U.S. Government securities. U.S. Government securities include those issued directly by the U.S. Treasury and those issued or guaranteed by various U.S. Government agencies and instrumentalities. Some government securities are backed by the "full faith and credit" of the United States. Other government securities are backed only by the rights of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury. Others are supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the obligations. Certain other government securities are supported only by the credit of the issuer. For securities not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, the Portfolio must look principally to the agency or instrumentality issuing or guaranteeing the securities for repayment and may not be able to assert a claim against the United States if the agency or instrumentality does not meet its commitment. Although they are high-quality, such securities may involve increased risk of loss of principal and interest compared to government debt securities that are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States.

3. How could interest rates affect the value of my investment?

Generally, a fixed-income security will increase in value when prevailing interest rates fall and decrease in value when prevailing interest rates rise. Longer-term securities are generally more sensitive to interest rate changes than shorter-term securities, but they generally offer higher yields to compensate investors for the associated risks. High-yield bond prices and floating rate debt security prices are generally less directly responsive to interest rate changes than investment grade issues or comparable fixed rate securities, and may not always follow this pattern.

4. How does the Portfolio manage interest rate risk?

The portfolio managers may vary the average-weighted effective maturity of the portfolio to reflect their analysis of interest rate trends and other factors. The Portfolio's average-weighted effective maturity will tend to be shorter when the portfolio managers expect interest rates to rise and longer when the portfolio managers expect interest rates to fall. The Portfolio may also use futures, options, and other derivatives to manage interest rate risk.

5. What is meant by the Portfolio's "average-weighted effective maturity"?

The stated maturity of a bond is the date when the issuer must repay the bond's entire principal value to an investor. Some types of bonds may also have an "effective maturity" that is shorter than the stated date due to prepayment or call provisions. Securities without prepayment or call provisions generally have an effective maturity equal to their stated maturity. Average-weighted effective maturity is calculated by averaging the effective maturity of bonds held by the Portfolio with each effective maturity "weighted" according to the percentage of net assets that it represents.

6. What is meant by the Portfolio's "duration"?

A bond's duration indicates the time it will take investors to recoup their investment. Unlike average maturity, duration reflects both principal and interest payments. Generally, the higher the coupon rate on a bond, the lower its duration will be. The duration of a bond portfolio is calculated by averaging the duration of bonds held by the Portfolio with each

duration “weighted” according to the percentage of net assets that it represents. Because duration accounts for interest payments, the Portfolio’s duration is usually shorter than its average maturity.

RISKS

Because Flexible Bond Portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in fixed-income securities or income-generating securities, it is subject to risks such as credit risk and decreased value due to interest rate increases. The Portfolio’s performance may also be affected by risks to certain types of investments, such as foreign (non-U.S.) securities and derivative instruments.

The Portfolio is an actively managed investment portfolio and is therefore subject to the risk that the investment strategies employed for the Portfolio may fail to produce the intended results.

Janus Capital manages many funds and numerous other accounts. Management of multiple accounts may involve conflicts of interest among those accounts, and may create potential risks, such as the risk that investment activity in one account may adversely affect another account. For example, short sale activity in an account could adversely affect the market value of long positions in one or more other accounts (and vice versa). Additionally, Janus Capital is the adviser to the Janus “funds of funds,” which are funds that invest primarily in other mutual funds managed by Janus Capital. Because Janus Capital is the adviser to the Janus “funds of funds” and the funds, it is subject to certain potential conflicts of interest when allocating the assets of a Janus “fund of funds” among such funds. To the extent that a Portfolio is an underlying fund in a Janus “fund of funds,” a potential conflict of interest arises when allocating the assets of the Janus “fund of funds” to that Portfolio. Purchases and redemptions of fund shares by a Janus “fund of funds” due to reallocations or rebalancings may result in a fund having to sell securities or invest cash when it otherwise would not do so. Such transactions could accelerate the realization of taxable income if sales of securities resulted in gains and could also increase a fund’s transaction costs. Large redemptions by a Janus “fund of funds” may cause a fund’s expense ratio to increase due to a resulting smaller asset base. A further discussion of potential conflicts of interest and a discussion of certain procedures intended to mitigate such potential conflicts are contained in the Portfolio’s Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CERTAIN RISKS

The following questions and answers are designed to help you better understand some of the risks of investing in the Portfolio.

1. Are there special risks associated with investments in high-yield/high-risk bonds?

High-yield/high-risk bonds (or “junk” bonds) are bonds rated below investment grade by the primary rating agencies such as Standard & Poor’s, Fitch, and Moody’s or are unrated bonds of similar quality. The value of lower quality bonds generally is more dependent on credit risk and default risk than investment grade bonds. Issuers of high-yield/high-risk bonds may not be as strong financially as those issuing bonds with higher credit ratings and are more vulnerable to real or perceived economic changes, political changes, or adverse developments specific to the issuer. In addition, the junk bond market can experience sudden and sharp price swings.

The secondary market on which high-yield securities are traded may be less liquid than the market for investment grade securities. The lack of a liquid secondary market may have an adverse impact on the market price of the security. Secondary markets for high-yield securities are less liquid than the market for investment grade securities; therefore, it may be more difficult to value the securities because valuation may require more research, and elements of judgment may play a larger role in the valuation because there is less reliable, objective data available.

Please refer to the “Explanation of Rating Categories” section of this Prospectus for a description of bond rating categories.

2. What is meant by “credit quality” and what are the risks associated with it?

Credit quality measures the likelihood that the issuer or borrower will meet its obligations on a bond. One of the fundamental risks is credit risk, which is the risk that an issuer will be unable to make principal and interest payments when due, or default on its obligations. Higher credit risk may negatively impact a Portfolio’s returns. U.S. Government securities are generally considered to be the safest type of investment in terms of credit risk. Municipal obligations generally rank between U.S. Government securities and corporate debt securities in terms of credit safety. Corporate debt securities, particularly those rated below investment grade, present the highest credit risk.

3. How is credit quality measured?

Ratings published by nationally recognized statistical rating agencies such as Standard & Poor's, Fitch, and Moody's are widely accepted measures of credit risk. The lower a bond issue is rated by an agency, the more credit risk it is considered to represent. Lower rated instruments and securities generally pay higher yields to compensate investors for the associated risk. Please refer to the "Explanation of Rating Categories" section of this Prospectus for a description of bond rating categories.

4. How could the Portfolio's investments in foreign securities affect its performance?

Within the parameters of its specific investment policies, the Portfolio may invest in foreign debt and equity securities either indirectly (e.g., depositary receipts, depositary shares, and passive foreign investment companies) or directly in foreign markets, including emerging markets. Investments in foreign securities, including those of foreign governments, may involve greater risks than investing in domestic securities because the Portfolio's performance may depend on factors other than the performance of a particular company. These factors include:

- currency risk
- political and economic risk
- regulatory risk
- foreign market risk
- transaction costs

5. What is "industry risk"?

Industry risk is the possibility that a group of related securities will decline in price due to industry-specific developments. Companies in the same or similar industries may share common characteristics and are more likely to react similarly to industry-specific market or economic developments. The Portfolio's investments, if any, in multiple companies in a particular industry increase the Portfolio's exposure to industry risk.

6. How does the Portfolio try to reduce risk?

The Portfolio may use short sales, futures, options, swap agreements (including, but not limited to, equity, interest rate, credit default, and total return swaps), and other derivative instruments individually or in combination to "hedge" or protect its portfolio from adverse movements in securities prices and interest rates. The Portfolio may also use a variety of currency hedging techniques, including the use of forward currency contracts, to manage currency risk. There is no guarantee that derivative investments will benefit the Portfolio. The Portfolio's performance could be worse than if the Portfolio had not used such instruments.

GENERAL PORTFOLIO POLICIES

Unless otherwise stated, the following general policies apply to the Portfolio. Except for the Portfolio's policies with respect to investments in illiquid securities and borrowing, the percentage limitations included in these policies and elsewhere in this Prospectus and/or the SAI normally apply only at the time of purchase of a security. So, for example, if the Portfolio exceeds a limit as a result of market fluctuations or the sale of other securities, it will not be required to dispose of any securities.

Cash Position

The Portfolio may not always stay fully invested. For example, when the portfolio managers believe that market conditions are unfavorable for profitable investing, or when they are otherwise unable to locate attractive investment opportunities, the Portfolio's cash or similar investments may increase. In other words, cash or similar investments generally are a residual – they represent the assets that remain after the Portfolio has committed available assets to desirable investment opportunities. When the Portfolio's investments in cash or similar investments increase, it may not participate in market advances or declines to the same extent that it would if the Portfolio remained more fully invested. To the extent the Portfolio invests its uninvested cash through a sweep program, it is subject to the risks of the account or fund into which it is investing, including liquidity issues that may delay the Portfolio from accessing its cash.

In addition, the Portfolio may temporarily increase its cash position under certain unusual circumstances, such as to protect its assets or maintain liquidity in certain circumstances, for example, to meet unusually large redemptions. The Portfolio's cash position may also increase temporarily due to unusually large cash inflows. Under unusual circumstances

such as these, the Portfolio may invest up to 100% of its assets in cash or similar investments. In this case, the Portfolio may take positions that are inconsistent with its investment objective. As a result, the Portfolio may not achieve its investment objective.

Portfolio Turnover

In general, the Portfolio intends to purchase securities for long-term investment, although, to a limited extent, the Portfolio may purchase securities in anticipation of relatively short-term price gains. Short-term transactions may also result from liquidity needs, securities having reached a price or yield objective, changes in interest rates or the credit standing of an issuer, or by reason of economic or other developments not foreseen at the time of the investment decision. The Portfolio may also sell one security and simultaneously purchase the same or a comparable security to take advantage of short-term differentials in bond yields or securities prices. Portfolio turnover is affected by market conditions, changes in the size of the Portfolio, the nature of the Portfolio's investments, and the investment style of the portfolio managers. Changes are normally made in the Portfolio's holdings whenever the portfolio managers believe such changes are desirable. Portfolio turnover rates are generally not a factor in making buy and sell decisions.

Due to the nature of the securities in which Flexible Bond Portfolio invests, it may have relatively high portfolio turnover compared to other Portfolios. Increased portfolio turnover may result in higher costs for brokerage commissions, dealer mark-ups, and other transaction costs. Higher costs associated with increased portfolio turnover may offset gains in the Portfolio's performance. The "Financial Highlights" section of this Prospectus shows the Portfolio's historical turnover rates.

Counterparties

Portfolio transactions involving a counterparty are subject to the risk that the counterparty or a third party will not fulfill its obligation to the Portfolio ("counterparty risk"). Counterparty risk may arise because of the counterparty's financial condition (i.e., financial difficulties, bankruptcy, or insolvency), market activities and developments, or other reasons, whether foreseen or not. A counterparty's inability to fulfill its obligation may result in significant financial loss to the Portfolio. The Portfolio may be unable to recover its investment from the counterparty or may obtain a limited recovery, and/or recovery may be delayed.

The Portfolio may be exposed to counterparty risk through participation in various programs including, but not limited to, lending its securities to third parties, cash sweep arrangements whereby the Portfolio's cash balance is invested in one or more money market funds, as well as investments in, but not limited to, repurchase agreements, debt securities, and derivatives, including various types of swaps, futures, and options. The Portfolio intends to enter into financial transactions with counterparties that Janus Capital believes to be creditworthy at the time of the transaction. There is always the risk that Janus Capital's analysis of a counterparty's creditworthiness is incorrect or may change due to market conditions. To the extent that the Portfolio focuses its transactions with a limited number of counterparties, it will have greater exposure to the risks associated with one or more counterparties.

Other Types of Investments

Unless otherwise stated within its specific investment policies, the Portfolio may also invest in other types of domestic and foreign securities and use other investment strategies, as described in the "Glossary of Investment Terms." These securities and strategies are not principal investment strategies of the Portfolio. If successful, they may benefit the Portfolio by earning a return on the Portfolio's assets or reducing risk; however, they may not achieve the Portfolio's investment objective. These securities and strategies may include:

- equity securities
- other debt securities
- exchange-traded funds
- pass-through securities including mortgage- and asset-backed securities and mortgage dollar rolls
- zero coupon, pay-in-kind, and step coupon securities
- various derivative transactions (which could comprise a significant percentage of the Portfolio's holdings) including, but not limited to, options, futures, forwards, swap agreements (such as equity, interest rate, credit default, and total return swaps), participatory notes, structured notes, and other types of derivatives individually or in combination for hedging

purposes or for nonhedging purposes such as seeking to enhance return, to protect unrealized gains, or to avoid realizing losses; such techniques may also be used to gain exposure to the market pending investment of cash balances or to meet liquidity needs

- short sales (no more than 10% of a portfolio's net assets may be invested in short sales other than against the box)
- securities purchased on a when-issued, delayed delivery, or forward commitment basis
- bank loans, which may be acquired through loan participations and assignments (no more than 20% of the Portfolio's total assets)
- entering into transactions to manage the Portfolio's realization of capital gains and to offset such realization of capital gains with capital losses where the portfolio managers believe it is appropriate; such techniques may result in increased transaction costs paid by the Portfolio and may be limited under the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations

Mortgage- and Asset-Backed Securities

The Portfolio may purchase fixed or variable rate mortgage-backed securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae"), the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac"), or other governmental or government-related entities. The Portfolio may purchase other mortgage- and asset-backed securities through single- and multi-seller conduits, collateralized debt obligations, structured investment vehicles, and other similar securities. Asset-backed securities may be backed by automobile loans, equipment leases, credit card receivables, or other collateral. In the event the underlying securities fail to perform, these investment vehicles could be forced to sell the assets and recognize losses on such assets, which could impact the Portfolio's yield and your return.

Unlike traditional debt instruments, payments on these securities include both interest and a partial payment of principal. Prepayments of the principal of underlying loans may shorten the effective maturities of these securities and may result in the Portfolio having to reinvest proceeds at a lower interest rate.

In addition to prepayment risk, investments in mortgage-backed securities, including those comprised of subprime mortgages, and investments in other asset-backed securities comprised of under-performing assets may be subject to a higher degree of credit risk, valuation risk, and liquidity risk.

Short Sales

To a limited extent, a portfolio may engage in short sales. A short sale is generally a transaction in which a portfolio sells a security it does not own or have the right to acquire (or that it owns but does not wish to deliver) in anticipation that the market price of that security will decline. To complete the transaction, a portfolio must borrow the security to make delivery to the buyer. A portfolio is then obligated to replace the security borrowed by purchasing the security at the market price at the time of replacement. A short sale is subject to the risk that if the price of the security sold short increases in value, a portfolio will incur a loss because it will have to replace the security sold short by purchasing it at a higher price. In addition, a portfolio may not always be able to close out a short position at a particular time or at an acceptable price. A lender may request, or market conditions may dictate, that the securities sold short be returned to the lender on short notice, and a portfolio may have to buy the securities sold short at an unfavorable price. If this occurs at a time that other short sellers of the same security also want to close out their positions, it is more likely that a portfolio will have to cover its short sale at an unfavorable price and potentially reduce or eliminate any gain, or cause a loss, as a result of the short sale. Because there is no upper limit to the price a borrowed security may reach prior to closing a short position, a portfolio's losses are potentially unlimited in a short sale transaction. A portfolio's gains and losses will also be decreased or increased, as the case may be, by the amount of any dividends, interest, or expenses, including transaction costs and borrowing fees, the portfolio may be required to pay in connection with a short sale. Such payments may result in a portfolio having higher expenses than a portfolio that does not engage in short sales and may negatively affect the portfolio's performance.

A portfolio may also enter into short positions through derivative instruments such as option contracts, futures contract and swap agreements which may expose the portfolio to similar risks. To the extent that the portfolio enters into short derivative positions, the portfolio may be exposed to risks similar to those associated with short sales, including the risk that the portfolio's losses are theoretically unlimited.

Due to certain foreign countries' restrictions, a portfolio will not be able to engage in short sales in certain foreign countries where it may maintain long positions. As a result, a portfolio's ability to fully implement a short selling strategy that could otherwise help the portfolio pursue its investment goals may be limited.

Although Janus Capital believes that its rigorous "bottom up" approach will be effective in selecting short positions, there is no assurance that Janus Capital will be successful in applying this approach when engaging in short sales.

Swap Agreements

The Portfolio may utilize swap agreements as a means to gain exposure to certain common stocks and/or to "hedge" or protect its portfolio from adverse movements in securities prices and interest rates. Swap agreements are two-party contracts to exchange one set of cash flows for another. Swap agreements entail the risk that a party will default on its payment obligations to the Portfolio. If the other party to a swap defaults, the Portfolio would risk the loss of the net amount of the payments that it contractually is entitled to receive. If the Portfolio utilizes a swap at the wrong time or judges market conditions incorrectly, the swap may result in a loss to the Portfolio and reduce the Portfolio's total return. Various types of swaps such as credit default, equity, interest rate, and total return swaps are described in the "Glossary of Investment Terms."

Securities Lending

The Portfolio may seek to earn additional income through lending its securities to certain qualified broker-dealers and institutions. The Portfolio may lend portfolio securities on a short-term or long-term basis, in an amount equal to up to one-third of its total assets as determined at the time of the loan origination. When the Portfolio lends its securities, it receives collateral (including cash collateral), at least equal to the value of securities loaned. There is the risk that when portfolio securities are lent, the securities may not be returned on a timely basis, and the Portfolio may experience delays and costs in recovering the security or gaining access to the collateral. If the Portfolio is unable to recover a security on loan, the Portfolio may use the collateral to purchase replacement securities in the market. There is a risk that the value of the collateral could decrease below the cost of the replacement security by the time the replacement investment is made, resulting in a loss to the Portfolio.

Illiquid Investments

The Portfolio may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid investments. An illiquid investment is a security or other position that cannot be disposed of quickly in the normal course of business. For example, some securities are not registered under U.S. securities laws and cannot be sold to the U.S. public because of SEC regulations (these are known as "restricted securities"). Under procedures adopted by the Portfolio's Board of Trustees, certain restricted securities that are determined to be liquid will not be counted toward this 15% limit.

Special Situations

The Portfolio may invest in companies that demonstrate special situations or turnarounds, meaning companies that have experienced significant business problems but are believed to have favorable prospects for recovery. For example, a special situation or turnaround may arise when, in the opinion of the portfolio managers, the securities of a particular issuer will be recognized by the market and appreciate in value due to a specific development with respect to that issuer. Special situations may include significant changes in a company's allocation of its existing capital, a restructuring of assets, or a redirection of free cash flow. For example, issuers undergoing significant capital changes may include companies involved in spin-offs, sales of divisions, mergers or acquisitions, companies emerging from bankruptcy, or companies initiating large changes in their debt to equity ratio. Companies that are redirecting cash flows may be reducing debt, repurchasing shares, or paying dividends. Special situations may also result from: (i) significant changes in industry structure through regulatory developments or shifts in competition; (ii) a new or improved product, service, operation, or technological advance; (iii) changes in senior management or other extraordinary corporate event; (iv) differences in market supply of and demand for the security; or (v) significant changes in cost structure. The Portfolio's performance could suffer from its investments in "special situations."

MANAGEMENT OF THE PORTFOLIO

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Janus Capital Management LLC, 151 Detroit Street, Denver, Colorado 80206-4805, is the investment adviser to the Portfolio. Janus Capital is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Portfolio's investment portfolio and furnishes continuous advice and recommendations concerning the Portfolio's investments. Janus Capital also provides certain administrative and other services and is responsible for other business affairs of the Portfolio.

Janus Capital (together with its predecessors) has served as investment adviser to Janus Fund since 1970 and currently serves as investment adviser to all of the Janus funds, acts as subadviser for a number of private-label mutual funds, and provides separate account advisory services for institutional accounts.

Janus Capital furnishes certain administrative, compliance, and accounting services for the Portfolio, and may be reimbursed by the Portfolio for its costs in providing those services. In addition, employees of Janus Capital and/or its affiliates serve as officers of the Trust, and Janus Capital provides office space for the Portfolio and pays the salaries, fees, and expenses of all Portfolio officers and those Trustees who are considered interested persons of Janus Capital. As of the date of this Prospectus, none of the members of the Board of Trustees ("Trustees") are "affiliated persons" of Janus Capital as that term is defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act").

MANAGEMENT EXPENSES

The Portfolio pays Janus Capital an investment advisory fee and incurs expenses not assumed by Janus Capital, including any transfer agent and custodian fees and expenses, legal and auditing fees, printing and mailing costs of sending reports and other information to existing shareholders, and Independent Trustees' fees and expenses. The Portfolio's investment advisory fee is calculated daily and paid monthly. The Portfolio's advisory agreement details the investment advisory fee and other expenses that the Portfolio must pay.

The following table reflects the Portfolio's contractual investment advisory fee rate (expressed as an annual rate), as well as the actual investment advisory fee rate paid by the Portfolio to Janus Capital (gross and net of fee waivers, if applicable). The rate shown is a fixed rate based on the Portfolio's average daily net assets.

<i>Portfolio Name</i>	<i>Average Daily Net Assets of the Portfolio</i>	<i>Contractual Investment Advisory Fee (%) (annual rate)</i>	<i>Actual Investment Advisory Fee (%) (for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008)</i>
Flexible Bond Portfolio	First \$300 Million	0.55	0.54 ⁽¹⁾
	Over \$300 Million	0.45	

(1) Janus Capital has agreed to limit the Portfolio's total operating expenses (excluding brokerage commissions, interest, dividends, taxes, and extraordinary expenses including, but not limited to, acquired fund fees and expenses) to a certain level until at least May 1, 2010. Application of the expense waiver and its effect on annual fund operating expenses is reflected, when applicable, in the Annual Fund Operating Expenses table in the "Fees and Expenses" section of this Prospectus, and additional information is included under "Expense Limitation" below. The waiver is not reflected in the contractual fee rate shown.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Trustees' approval of the Portfolio's investment advisory agreement will be included in the Portfolio's next annual or semiannual report to shareholders, following such approval. You can request the Portfolio's annual or semiannual reports (as they become available), free of charge, by contacting your plan sponsor, broker-dealer, or financial institution, or by contacting a Janus representative at 1-877-335-2687. The reports are also available, free of charge, at janus.com/info.

Expense Limitation

Janus Capital has contractually agreed to waive the advisory fee payable by the Portfolio in an amount equal to the amount, if any, that the Portfolio's normal operating expenses in any fiscal year, including the investment advisory fee, but excluding brokerage commissions, interest, dividends, taxes, and extraordinary expenses including, but not limited to, acquired fund fees and expenses, exceed the annual rate shown below. For information about how the expense limit affects the total expenses of the Portfolio, see the Annual Fund Operating Expenses table in the "Fees and Expenses" section of this Prospectus. Janus Capital has agreed to continue the waiver until at least May 1, 2010. Mortality risk, expense risk, and other charges imposed by participating insurance companies are also excluded from the expense limitation noted.

<i>Portfolio Name</i>	<i>Expense Limit Percentage (%)</i>
Flexible Bond Portfolio	0.90

INVESTMENT PERSONNEL

Flexible Bond Portfolio

Co-Portfolio Managers Gibson Smith and Darrell Watters jointly share responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Portfolio, with no limitation on the authority of one co-portfolio manager in relation to the other.

Gibson Smith is Co-Chief Investment Officer of Janus Capital. He is Executive Vice President and Co-Portfolio Manager of Flexible Bond Portfolio, which he has co-managed since May 2007. Mr. Smith is also Portfolio Manager of other Janus accounts. He joined Janus Capital in 2001 as a fixed-income analyst. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Colorado.

Darrell Watters is Executive Vice President and Co-Portfolio Manager of Flexible Bond Portfolio, which he has co-managed since May 2007. Mr. Watters is also Portfolio Manager of other Janus accounts and performs duties as a fixed-income analyst. He joined Janus Capital in 1993 as a municipal bond trader. Mr. Watters holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Colorado State University.

Information about the compensation structure, other accounts managed, and the range of ownership of securities for the portfolio managers is included in the SAI.

OTHER INFORMATION

Classes of Shares

The Portfolio currently offers two classes of shares. Only Institutional Shares are offered by this Prospectus. Institutional Shares are sold under the name Janus Aspen Series. The Shares are available only in connection with investment in and payments under variable insurance contracts, as well as certain qualified retirement plans. Service Shares of the Portfolio are offered only in connection with investment in and payments under variable insurance contracts, as well as certain qualified retirement plans that require a fee from Portfolio assets to procure distribution and administrative services to contract owners and plan participants. Because the expenses of each class may differ, the performance of each class is expected to differ. If you would like additional information about the Service Shares, please call 1-800-525-0020.

Closed Fund Policies

The Portfolio may limit sales of its Shares to new investors if Janus Capital and the Trustees believe continued sales may adversely affect the Portfolio's ability to achieve its investment objective. If sales of the Portfolio are limited, it is expected that existing shareholders invested in the Portfolio would be permitted to continue to purchase Shares through their existing Portfolio accounts and to reinvest any dividends or capital gains distributions in such accounts, absent highly unusual circumstances. Requests for new accounts into a closed portfolio would be reviewed by management, taking into consideration eligibility requirements and whether the addition to the portfolio is believed to negatively impact existing portfolio shareholders. The closed portfolio may decline opening new accounts, including eligible new accounts, if it would be in the best interests of the portfolio and its shareholders. Additional information regarding general policies and exceptions can be found in the closed funds' prospectuses.

Pending Legal Matters

In the fall of 2003, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), the Office of the New York State Attorney General ("NYAG"), the Colorado Attorney General ("COAG"), and the Colorado Division of Securities ("CDS") announced that they were investigating alleged frequent trading practices in the mutual fund industry. On August 18, 2004, Janus Capital announced that it had reached final settlements with the SEC, the NYAG, the COAG, and the CDS related to such regulators' investigations into Janus Capital's frequent trading arrangements.

A number of civil lawsuits were brought against Janus Capital and certain of its affiliates, the Janus funds, and related entities and individuals based on allegations similar to those announced by the above regulators and were filed in several state and federal jurisdictions. Such lawsuits alleged a variety of theories for recovery including, but not limited to, the federal securities laws, other federal statutes (including ERISA), and various common law doctrines. The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred these actions to the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland (the "Court") for coordinated proceedings. On September 29, 2004, five consolidated amended complaints were filed with the Court, four of which still remain: (i) claims by a putative class of investors in certain Janus funds asserting claims on behalf of the investor class (Marini, et al. v. Janus Investment Fund, et al., U.S. District Court, District of Maryland, Case No. 04-CV-00497); (ii) derivative claims by investors in certain Janus funds ostensibly on behalf of such funds (Steinberg et al. v. Janus Capital Management, LLC et al., U.S. District Court, District of Maryland, Case No. 04-CV-00518); (iii) claims on behalf of participants in the Janus 401(k) plan (Wangberger v. Janus Capital Group Inc., 401(k) Advisory Committee, et al., U.S. District Court, District of Maryland, Case No. JFM-05-2711); and (iv) claims by a putative class of shareholders of Janus Capital Group Inc. ("JCGI") asserting claims on behalf of the shareholders (Wiggins, et al. v. Janus Capital Group Inc., et al., U.S. District Court, District of Maryland, Case No. 04-CV-00818). Each of the complaints initially named JCGI and/or Janus Capital as a defendant. In addition, the following were also named as defendants in one or more of the actions: Janus Investment Fund ("JIF"), Janus Aspen Series ("JAS"), Janus Adviser Series ("JAD"), Janus Distributors LLC, INTECH Investment Management LLC ("INTECH") (formerly named Enhanced Investment Technologies, LLC), Bay Isle Financial LLC ("Bay Isle"), Perkins Investment Management LLC ("Perkins") (formerly named Perkins, Wolf, McDonnell and Company, LLC), the Advisory Committee of the Janus 401(k) plan, and the current or former directors of JCGI.

On August 25, 2005, the Court entered orders dismissing most of the claims asserted against Janus Capital and its affiliates by fund investors in the Marini and Steinberg cases (actions (i) and (ii) above) except certain claims under Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and under Section 36(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). On December 30, 2008, the Court granted partial summary judgment in Janus Capital's favor with respect to Plaintiffs' damage demand as it relates to what was categorized as "approved" market timing based on the

Court's finding that there was no evidence that investors suffered damages that exceed the \$50 million they are entitled to receive under the regulatory settlement. The Court did not grant summary judgment on the remaining causes of action and requested the parties to submit additional briefing with respect to what was categorized as "unapproved" market timing. Having completed the supplemental briefing, the parties are awaiting a ruling from the Court. On August 15, 2006, the Wangberger complaint in the 401(k) plan class action (action (iii) above) was dismissed by the Court with prejudice. The plaintiff appealed that dismissal decision to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, which remanded the case back to the Court for further proceedings. Finally, a Motion to Dismiss the Wiggins suit (action (iv) above) was granted and the matter was dismissed in May 2007. Plaintiffs appealed that dismissal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit where the appeal is pending.

In addition to the lawsuits described above, the Auditor of the State of West Virginia ("Auditor"), in his capacity as securities commissioner, initiated administrative proceedings against many of the defendants in the market timing cases (including JCGI and Janus Capital) and, as a part of its relief, is seeking disgorgement and other monetary relief based on similar market timing allegations (In the Matter of Janus Capital Group Inc. et al., Before the Securities Commissioner, State of West Virginia, Summary Order No. 05-1320). In September 2006, JCGI and Janus Capital filed their answer to the Auditor's summary order instituting proceedings as well as a Motion to Discharge Order to Show Cause. This action is pending.

During 2007, two lawsuits were filed against Janus Management Holdings Corporation ("Janus Holdings"), an affiliate of JCGI, by former Janus portfolio managers, alleging that Janus Holdings unilaterally implemented certain changes to compensation in violation of prior agreements (Edward Keely v. Janus Holdings, Denver District Court, Case No. 2007CV7366; Tom Malley v. Janus Holdings, Denver District Court, Case No. 2007CV10719). These complaints allege some or all of the following claims in addition to other allegations: (1) breach of contract; (2) willful and wanton breach of contract; (3) breach of good faith and fair dealing; and (4) estoppel. Janus Holdings filed Answers to these complaints denying any liability for these claims and intends to vigorously defend against the allegations.

Additional lawsuits may be filed against certain of the Janus funds, Janus Capital, and related parties in the future. Janus Capital does not currently believe that these pending actions will materially affect its ability to continue providing services it has agreed to provide to the Janus funds.

Conflicts of Interest

The Shares offered by this Prospectus are available only to variable annuity and variable life separate accounts of insurance companies that are unaffiliated with Janus Capital and to certain qualified retirement plans. Although the Portfolio does not currently anticipate any disadvantages to policy owners because the Portfolio offers its Shares to such entities, there is a possibility that a material conflict may arise. The Trustees monitor events in an effort to identify any disadvantages or material irreconcilable conflicts and to determine what action, if any, should be taken in response. If a material disadvantage or conflict is identified, the Trustees may require one or more insurance company separate accounts or qualified plans to withdraw its investments in the Portfolio or substitute Shares of another Portfolio. If this occurs, the Portfolio may be forced to sell its securities at disadvantageous prices. In addition, the Portfolio may refuse to sell its Shares to any separate account or qualified plan or may suspend or terminate the offering of the Portfolio's Shares if such action is required by law or regulatory authority or is in the best interests of the Portfolio's shareholders. It is possible that a qualified plan investing in the Portfolio could lose its qualified plan status under the Internal Revenue Code, which could have adverse tax consequences on insurance company separate accounts investing in the Portfolio. Janus Capital intends to monitor such qualified plans, and the Portfolio may discontinue sales to a qualified plan and require plan participants with existing investments in the Portfolio to redeem those investments if a plan loses (or in the opinion of Janus Capital is at risk of losing) its qualified plan status.

Distribution of the Portfolio

The Portfolio is distributed by Janus Distributors LLC ("Janus Distributors"), which is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"). To obtain information about FINRA member firms and their associated persons, you may contact FINRA at www.finra.org, or 1-800-289-9999.

DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES

DISTRIBUTIONS

To avoid taxation of the Portfolio, the Internal Revenue Code requires the Portfolio to distribute all or substantially all of its net investment income and any net capital gains realized on its investments at least annually. The Portfolio's income from certain dividends, interest, and any net realized short-term capital gains are paid to shareholders as ordinary income dividends. Net realized long-term capital gains are paid to shareholders as capital gains distributions, regardless of how long Shares of the Portfolio have been held. Distributions are made at the class level, so they may vary from class to class within a single Portfolio.

Distribution Schedule

Dividends for the Portfolio are normally declared and distributed in June and December. Capital gains are normally declared and distributed in June. However, in certain situations it may be necessary for a Portfolio to declare and distribute capital gains in December. If necessary, dividends and net capital gains may be distributed at other times as well.

How Distributions Affect the Portfolio's NAV

Distributions are paid to shareholders as of the record date of a distribution of the Portfolio, regardless of how long the shares have been held. Undistributed dividends and net capital gains are included in the Portfolio's daily NAV. The share price of the Portfolio drops by the amount of the distribution, net of any subsequent market fluctuations. For example, assume that on December 31, the Portfolio declared a dividend in the amount of \$0.25 per share. If the Portfolio's share price was \$10.00 on December 30, the Portfolio's share price on December 31 would be \$9.75, barring market fluctuations.

TAXES

Taxes on Distributions

Because Shares of the Portfolio may be purchased only through variable insurance contracts and qualified plans, it is anticipated that any income dividends or net capital gains distributions made by the Portfolio will be exempt from current federal income taxation if left to accumulate within the variable insurance contract or qualified plan. Generally, withdrawals from such contracts or plans may be subject to federal income tax at ordinary income rates and, if made before age 59½, a 10% penalty tax may be imposed. The federal income tax status of your investment depends on the features of your qualified plan or variable insurance contract. Further information may be found in your plan documents or in the prospectus of the separate account offering such contract.

Taxation of the Portfolio

Dividends, interest, and some capital gains received by the Portfolio on foreign securities may be subject to foreign tax withholding or other foreign taxes. If the Portfolio is eligible, it may from year to year make the election permitted under Section 853 of the Internal Revenue Code to pass through such taxes to shareholders as a foreign tax credit. If such an election is not made, any foreign taxes paid or accrued will represent an expense to the Portfolio.

The Portfolio does not expect to pay any federal income or excise taxes because it intends to meet certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code including the distribution each year of all its net investment income and net capital gains. In addition, because the Shares of the Portfolio are sold in connection with variable insurance contracts, the Portfolio intends to satisfy the diversification requirements applicable to insurance company separate accounts under the Internal Revenue Code.

SHAREHOLDER'S GUIDE

Investors may not purchase or redeem Shares of the Portfolio directly. Shares may be purchased or redeemed only through variable insurance contracts offered by the separate accounts of participating insurance companies or through qualified retirement plans. **Refer to the prospectus for the participating insurance company's separate account or your plan documents for instructions on purchasing or selling of variable insurance contracts and on how to select the Portfolio as an investment option for a contract or a qualified plan.**

With certain limited exceptions, the Portfolio is available only to U.S. citizens or residents.

PRICING OF PORTFOLIO SHARES

The per share NAV for each class is computed by dividing the total value of assets allocated to the class, less liabilities allocated to that class, by the total number of outstanding shares of the class. The Portfolio's NAV is calculated as of the close of the regular trading session of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (normally 4:00 p.m. New York time) each day that the NYSE is open ("business day"). However, the NAV may be calculated earlier if trading on the NYSE is restricted, or as permitted by the SEC. The value of the Portfolio's holdings may change on days that are not business days in the United States and on which you will not be able to purchase or redeem the Portfolio's shares.

All purchases and redemptions will be duly processed at the NAV next calculated after your request is received in good order by the Portfolio or its agents. In order to receive a day's price, your order must be received in good order by the Portfolio (or insurance company or plan sponsor) or its agents by the close of the regular trading session of the NYSE.

Securities held by the Portfolio are generally valued at market value. Certain short-term instruments maturing within 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value. If a market quotation for a security is not readily available or is deemed unreliable, or if an event that is expected to affect the value of the security occurs after the close of the principal exchange or market on which the security is traded, and before the close of the NYSE, a fair value of the security (except for short-term instruments maturing within 60 days or less) will be determined in good faith under policies and procedures established by and under the supervision of the Portfolio's Trustees. Such events include, but are not limited to: (i) a significant event that may affect the securities of a single issuer, such as a merger, bankruptcy, or significant issuer-specific development; (ii) an event that may affect an entire market, such as a natural disaster or significant governmental action; and (iii) a non-significant event such as a market closing early or not opening, or a security trading halt. The Portfolio may use a systematic fair valuation model provided by an independent pricing service to value foreign equity securities in order to adjust for stale pricing, which may occur between the close of certain foreign exchanges and the close of the NYSE. While fair value pricing may be more commonly used with foreign equity securities, it may also be used with, among other things, thinly-traded domestic securities or fixed-income securities.

Due to the subjective nature of fair value pricing, the Portfolio's value for a particular security may be different from the last quoted market price. Fair value pricing may reduce arbitrage activity involving the frequent buying and selling of mutual fund shares by investors seeking to take advantage of a perceived lag between a change in the value of the Portfolio's portfolio securities and the reflection of such change in the Portfolio's NAV, as further described in the "Excessive Trading" section of this Prospectus. While funds that invest in foreign securities may be at a greater risk for arbitrage activity, such activity may also arise in funds which do not invest in foreign securities, for example, when trading in a security held by a portfolio is halted and does not resume prior to the time the portfolio calculates its NAV (referred to as "stale pricing"). Portfolios that hold thinly-traded securities, such as certain small-capitalization securities, may be subject to attempted use of arbitrage techniques. To the extent that the Portfolio's valuation of a security is different from the security's market value, short-term arbitrage traders may dilute the NAV of the Portfolio, which negatively impacts long-term shareholders. The Portfolio's fair value pricing and excessive trading policies and procedures may not completely eliminate short-term trading in certain omnibus accounts and other accounts traded through intermediaries.

The value of the securities of other open-end funds held by the Portfolio, if any, will be calculated using the NAV of such underlying funds, and the prospectuses for such open-end funds explain the circumstances under which they use fair value pricing and the effects of using fair value pricing.

PAYMENTS TO FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES BY JANUS CAPITAL OR ITS AFFILIATES

From its own assets, Janus Capital or its affiliates may pay fees to selected insurance companies, qualified plan service providers or their affiliates, or other financial intermediaries that distribute, market, or promote the Portfolio or perform services for contract owners and plan participants. The amount of these payments is determined from time to time by

Janus Capital, may be substantial, and may differ for different financial intermediaries. Janus Capital and its affiliates consider a number of factors in making payments to financial intermediaries.

Janus Capital or its affiliates may pay fees, from their own assets, to selected insurance companies, qualified plan service providers, and other financial intermediaries for providing recordkeeping, subaccounting, transaction processing, and other shareholder or administrative services (including payments for processing transactions via National Securities Clearing Corporation (“NSCC”) or other means) in connection with investments in the Janus funds. These fees are in addition to any fees that may be paid by the Janus funds for these types of services or other services.

In addition, Janus Capital or its affiliates may also share certain marketing expenses with intermediaries, or pay for or sponsor informational meetings, seminars, client awareness events, support for marketing materials, or business building programs for such intermediaries, to raise awareness of the Portfolio. Such payments may be in addition to, or in lieu of, the fees described above. These payments are intended to promote the sales of Janus funds and to reimburse financial intermediaries, directly or indirectly, for the costs that they or their salespersons incur in connection with educational seminars, meetings, and training efforts about the Janus funds to enable the intermediaries and their salespersons to make suitable recommendations, provide useful services, and maintain the necessary infrastructure to make the Janus funds available to their customers.

Participating insurance companies that purchase the Portfolio’s Shares may perform certain administrative services relating to the Portfolio and Janus Capital, or the Portfolio may pay those companies for such services.

The receipt of (or prospect of receiving) fees or reimbursements and other forms of compensation described above may provide a financial intermediary and its salespersons with an incentive to favor sales of Janus funds’ shares over sales of other mutual funds (or non-mutual fund investments), or to favor sales of one class of Janus funds’ shares over sales of another Janus funds’ share class, with respect to which the financial intermediary does not receive such payments or receives them in a lower amount.

The payment arrangements described above will not change the price a contract owner or plan participant pays for shares or the amount that a Janus fund receives to invest on behalf of the contract owner or plan participant. You should consider whether such arrangements exist when evaluating any recommendations from an intermediary to purchase or sell Shares of the Portfolio and when considering which share class of the Portfolio is most appropriate for you. Please contact your insurance company or plan sponsor for details on such arrangements.

PURCHASES

Purchases of Shares may be made only by the separate accounts of insurance companies for the purpose of funding variable insurance contracts or by qualified plans. Refer to the prospectus of the appropriate insurance company separate account or your plan documents for information on how to invest in the Shares of the Portfolio. Participating insurance companies and certain other designated organizations are authorized to receive purchase orders on the Portfolio’s behalf. As discussed under “Payments to financial intermediaries by Janus Capital or its affiliates,” Janus Capital and its affiliates may make payments to selected insurance companies, qualified plan service providers, or their affiliates, or other financial intermediaries that were instrumental in the acquisition of accounts in the Portfolio or that provide services in connection with investments in the Portfolio. You may wish to consider such arrangements when evaluating any recommendation of the Portfolio.

The Portfolio reserves the right to reject any purchase order, including exchange purchases, for any reason. The Portfolio is not intended for excessive trading. For more information about the Portfolio’s policy on excessive trading, refer to “Excessive Trading.”

The Portfolio may discontinue sales to a qualified plan and require plan participants with existing investments in the Shares to redeem those investments if the plan loses (or in the opinion of Janus Capital, is at risk of losing) its qualified plan status.

In compliance with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (“USA PATRIOT Act”), your insurance company or plan sponsor is required to verify certain information on your account application as part of its Anti-Money Laundering Program. You will be required to provide your full name, date of birth, social security number, and permanent street address to assist in verifying your identity. You may also be asked to provide documents that may help to establish your identity. Until verification of your

identity is made, your insurance company or plan sponsor may temporarily limit additional share purchases. In addition, your insurance company or plan sponsor may close an account if they are unable to verify a shareholder's identity. Please contact your insurance company or plan sponsor if you need additional assistance when completing your application or additional information about the insurance company or plan sponsor's Anti-Money Laundering Program.

REDEMPTIONS

Redemptions, like purchases, may be effected only through the separate accounts of participating insurance companies or through qualified plans. Please refer to the appropriate separate account prospectus or plan documents for details.

Shares of the Portfolio may be redeemed on any business day on which the Portfolio's NAV is calculated. Redemptions are duly processed at the NAV next calculated after your redemption order is received in good order by the Portfolio or its agents. Redemption proceeds will normally be sent the business day following receipt of the redemption order.

The Portfolio reserves the right to postpone payment of redemption proceeds for up to seven calendar days. Additionally, the right to require the Portfolio to redeem their Shares may be suspended, or the date of payment may be postponed beyond seven calendar days, whenever: (i) trading on the NYSE is restricted, as determined by the SEC, or the NYSE is closed (except for holidays and weekends); (ii) the SEC permits such suspension and so orders; or (iii) an emergency exists as determined by the SEC so that disposal of securities or determination of NAV is not reasonably practicable.

Redemptions In-Kind

Shares normally will be redeemed for cash, although the Portfolio retains the right to redeem some or all of its shares in-kind under unusual circumstances, in order to protect the interests of remaining shareholders, to accommodate a request by a particular shareholder that does not adversely affect the interests of the remaining shareholders, or in connection with the liquidation of a portfolio, by delivery of securities selected from its assets at its discretion. However, the Portfolio is required to redeem shares solely for cash up to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the NAV of the Portfolio during any 90-day period for any one shareholder. Should redemptions by any shareholder exceed such limitation, the Portfolio will have the option of redeeming the excess in cash or in-kind. In-kind payment means payment will be made in portfolio securities rather than cash. If this occurs, the redeeming shareholder might incur brokerage or other transaction costs to convert the securities to cash.

EXCESSIVE TRADING

Excessive Trading Policies and Procedures

The Trustees have adopted policies and procedures with respect to short-term and excessive trading of Portfolio shares ("excessive trading"). The Portfolio is intended for long-term investment purposes only, and the Portfolio will take reasonable steps to attempt to detect and deter short-term excessive trading. Transactions placed in violation of the Portfolio's excessive trading policies may be cancelled or revoked by the Portfolio by the next business day following receipt by the Portfolio. The trading history of accounts determined to be under common ownership or control within any of the Janus funds may be considered in enforcing these policies and procedures. As described below, however, the Portfolio may not be able to identify all instances of excessive trading or completely eliminate the possibility of excessive trading. In particular, it may be difficult to identify excessive trading in certain omnibus accounts and other accounts traded through intermediaries (such as insurance companies or plan sponsors). By their nature, omnibus accounts, in which purchases and redemptions of the Portfolio's shares by multiple investors are aggregated by the intermediary and presented to the Portfolio on a net basis, may effectively conceal the identity of individual investors and their transactions from the Portfolio and its agents. This makes the elimination of excessive trading in the accounts impractical without the assistance of the intermediary.

The Portfolio attempts to deter excessive trading through at least the following methods:

- trade monitoring;
- fair valuation of securities as described under "Pricing of Portfolio Shares;" and
- redemption fees (where applicable on certain classes of certain Portfolios).

Generally, a purchase and redemption of Shares from the same Portfolio within 90 calendar days (i.e., “round trip”) may result in enforcement of the Portfolio’s excessive trading policies and procedures with respect to future purchase orders, provided that the Portfolio reserves the right to reject any purchase request as explained above.

The Portfolio monitors for patterns of shareholder frequent trading and may suspend or permanently terminate the exchange privilege (if permitted by your insurance company or plan sponsor) of any investor who makes more than one round trip in the Portfolio over a 90-day period, and may bar future purchases into the Portfolio and any of the other Janus funds by such investor. The Portfolio’s excessive trading policies generally do not apply to (i) a money market portfolio, although money market portfolios at all times reserve the right to reject any purchase request (including exchange purchases, if permitted by your insurance company or plan sponsor) for any reason without prior notice, and (ii) transactions in the Janus funds by a Janus “fund of funds,” which is a fund that primarily invests in other Janus mutual funds.

The Portfolio’s Trustees may approve from time to time a redemption fee to be imposed by any Janus fund, subject to 60 days’ notice to shareholders of that fund.

Investors who place transactions through the same insurance company or plan sponsor on an omnibus basis may be deemed part of a group for the purpose of the Portfolio’s excessive trading policies and procedures and may be rejected in whole or in part by the Portfolio. The Portfolio, however, cannot always identify or reasonably detect excessive trading that may be facilitated by insurance companies or plan sponsors or made difficult to identify through the use of omnibus accounts by those intermediaries that transmit purchase, exchange, and redemption orders to the Portfolio, and thus the Portfolio may have difficulty curtailing such activity. Transactions accepted by an insurance company or plan sponsor in violation of the Portfolio’s excessive trading policies may be cancelled or revoked by the Portfolio by the next business day following receipt by the Portfolio.

In an attempt to detect and deter excessive trading in omnibus accounts, the Portfolio or its agents may require intermediaries to impose restrictions on the trading activity of accounts traded through those intermediaries. Such restrictions may include, but are not limited to, requiring that trades be placed by U.S. mail, prohibiting future purchases by investors who have recently redeemed Portfolio shares, requiring intermediaries to report information about customers who purchase and redeem large amounts, and similar restrictions. The Portfolio’s ability to impose such restrictions with respect to accounts traded through particular intermediaries may vary depending on the systems capabilities, applicable contractual and legal restrictions, and cooperation of those intermediaries.

Certain transactions in Portfolio shares, such as periodic rebalancing (no more frequently than quarterly) or those which are made pursuant to systematic purchase, exchange, or redemption programs generally do not raise excessive trading concerns and normally do not require application of the Portfolio’s methods to detect and deter excessive trading.

The Portfolio also reserves the right to reject any purchase request (including exchange purchases) by any investor or group of investors for any reason without prior notice, including, in particular, if the trading activity in the account(s) is deemed to be disruptive to the Portfolio. For example, the Portfolio may refuse a purchase order if the portfolio managers believe they would be unable to invest the money effectively in accordance with the Portfolio’s investment policies or the Portfolio would otherwise be adversely affected due to the size of the transaction, frequency of trading, or other factors.

The Portfolio’s policies and procedures regarding excessive trading may be modified at any time by the Portfolio’s Board of Trustees.

Excessive Trading Risks

Excessive trading may present risks to the Portfolio’s long-term shareholders. Excessive trading into and out of the Portfolio may disrupt portfolio investment strategies, may create taxable gains to remaining Portfolio shareholders, and may increase Portfolio expenses, all of which may negatively impact investment returns for all remaining shareholders, including long-term shareholders.

Portfolios that invest in foreign securities may be at a greater risk for excessive trading. Investors may attempt to take advantage of anticipated price movements in securities held by a portfolio based on events occurring after the close of a foreign market that may not be reflected in the portfolio’s NAV (referred to as “price arbitrage”). Such arbitrage opportunities may also arise in portfolios which do not invest in foreign securities, for example, when trading in a security held by a portfolio is halted and does not resume prior to the time the portfolio calculates its NAV (referred to as “stale

pricing”). Portfolios that hold thinly-traded securities, such as certain small-capitalization securities, may be subject to attempted use of arbitrage techniques. To the extent that the Portfolio’s valuation of a security differs from the security’s market value, short-term arbitrage traders may dilute the NAV of the Portfolio, which negatively impacts long-term shareholders. Although the Portfolio has adopted fair valuation policies and procedures intended to reduce the Portfolio’s exposure to price arbitrage, stale pricing, and other potential pricing inefficiencies, under such circumstances there is potential for short-term arbitrage trades to dilute the value of Portfolio shares.

Although the Portfolio takes steps to detect and deter excessive trading pursuant to the policies and procedures described in this Prospectus and approved by the Board of Trustees, there is no assurance that these policies and procedures will be effective in limiting excessive trading in all circumstances. For example, the Portfolio may be unable to completely eliminate the possibility of excessive trading in certain omnibus accounts and other accounts traded through intermediaries. Omnibus accounts may effectively conceal the identity of individual investors and their transactions from the Portfolio and its agents. This makes the Portfolio’s identification of excessive trading transactions in the Portfolio through an omnibus account difficult and makes the elimination of excessive trading in the account impractical without the assistance of the intermediary. Moreover, the contract between an insurance company and the owner of a variable insurance contract may govern the frequency with which the contract owner may cause the insurance company to purchase or redeem shares of the Portfolio. Although the Portfolio encourages intermediaries to take necessary actions to detect and deter excessive trading, some intermediaries may be unable or unwilling to do so, and accordingly, the Portfolio cannot eliminate completely the possibility of excessive trading.

Shareholders that invest through an omnibus account should be aware that they may be subject to the policies and procedures of their insurance company or plan sponsor with respect to excessive trading in the Portfolio.

AVAILABILITY OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS INFORMATION

The Mutual Fund Holdings Disclosure Policies and Procedures adopted by Janus Capital and all mutual funds managed within the Janus fund complex are designed to be in the best interests of the portfolios and to protect the confidentiality of the portfolios’ holdings. The following describes policies and procedures with respect to disclosure of portfolio holdings.

- **Full Holdings.** The Portfolio is required to disclose its complete holdings in the quarterly holdings report on Form N-Q within 60 days of the end of each fiscal quarter, and in the annual report and semiannual report to portfolio shareholders. These reports (i) are available on the SEC’s website at <http://www.sec.gov>; (ii) may be reviewed and copied at the SEC’s Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. (information on the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330); and (iii) are available without charge, upon request, by calling a Janus representative at 1-877-335-2687 (toll free). Portfolio holdings (excluding cash investments, derivatives, short positions, and other investment positions), consisting of at least the names of the holdings, are generally available on a calendar quarter-end basis with a 30-day lag. Holdings are generally posted approximately two business days thereafter under the Characteristics tab at janus.com/info.
- **Top Holdings.** The Portfolio’s top portfolio holdings, in order of position size and as a percentage of the Portfolio’s total portfolio, are available monthly with a 15-day lag and on a calendar quarter-end basis with a 15-day lag. Most portfolios disclose their top ten portfolio holdings. However, certain portfolios disclose only their top five portfolio holdings.
- **Other Information.** The Portfolio may occasionally provide security breakdowns (e.g., industry, sector, regional, market capitalization, and asset allocation), top performance contributors/detractors, and specific portfolio level performance attribution information and statistics monthly with a 30-day lag and on a calendar quarter-end basis with a 15-day lag.

Full portfolio holdings will remain available on the Janus websites at least until a Form N-CSR or Form N-Q is filed with the SEC for the period that includes the date as of which the website information is current. Portfolios disclose their short positions, if applicable, only to the extent required in regulatory reports. Janus Capital may exclude from publication all or any portion of portfolio holdings or change the time periods of disclosure as deemed necessary to protect the interests of the Janus funds. Under extraordinary circumstances, exceptions to the Mutual Fund Holdings Disclosure Policies and Procedures may be made by Janus Capital’s Chief Investment Officer(s) or their delegates. Such exceptions may be made without prior notice to shareholders. A summary of the portfolio holdings disclosure policies and procedures, which includes a discussion of any exceptions, is contained in the Portfolio’s SAI.

SHAREHOLDER COMMUNICATIONS

Your insurance company or plan sponsor is responsible for providing annual and semiannual reports, including the financial statements of the Portfolio that you have authorized for investment. These reports show the Portfolio's investments and the market value of such investments, as well as other information about the Portfolio and its operations. Please contact your insurance company or plan sponsor to obtain these reports. The Trust's fiscal year ends December 31.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Portfolio's financial performance through December 31 of the fiscal years shown. Items "Net asset value, beginning of period" through "Net asset value, end of period" reflect financial results for a single Portfolio Share. The gross expense ratio reflects expenses prior to any expense offset arrangement and the net expense ratio reflects expenses after any expense offset arrangement. Both expense ratios reflect expenses after contractual waivers, if applicable. The information shown for the fiscal periods ended December 31 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, whose report, along with the Portfolio's financial statements, is included in the Annual Report, which is available upon request, and incorporated by reference into the Statement of Additional Information.

The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in the Institutional Shares of the Portfolio (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions) but do not include charges and expenses attributable to any insurance product. If these charges and expenses had been included, the performance for the periods shown would be lower. "Total return" information may include adjustments in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. As a result, returns may differ from returns for shareholder transactions.

Flexible Bond Portfolio – Institutional Shares

	Years ended December 31				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$11.46	\$11.24	\$11.36	\$12.14	\$12.49
Income from investment operations:					
Net investment income/(loss)	0.53	0.53	0.54	0.60	0.66
Net gain/(loss) on securities (both realized and unrealized)	0.14	0.24	(0.08)	(0.36)	(0.18)
Total from investment operations	0.67	0.77	0.46	0.24	0.48
Less distributions:					
Dividends (from net investment income)	(0.52)	(0.55)	(0.56)	(0.59)	(0.68)
Distributions (from capital gains)	—	—	(0.02)	(0.43)	(0.15)
Total distributions	(0.52)	(0.55)	(0.58)	(1.02)	(0.83)
Net asset value, end of period	\$11.61	\$11.46	\$11.24	\$11.36	\$12.14
Total return	5.93%	7.04%	4.22%	2.00%	3.97%
Net assets, end of period (in thousands)	\$309,504	\$297,919	\$264,656	\$278,324	\$404,522
Average net assets for the period (in thousands)	\$306,207	\$279,676	\$264,990	\$321,856	\$525,932
Ratio of gross expenses to average net assets ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	0.60%	0.61%	0.64%	0.57%	0.59%
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets ⁽³⁾	0.60%	0.61%	0.64%	0.57%	0.59%
Ratio of net investment income/(loss) to average net assets	4.56%	4.91%	4.63%	4.18%	4.28%
Portfolio turnover rate	169%	138% ⁽⁴⁾	163% ⁽⁴⁾	171% ⁽⁴⁾	171%

(1) The expense ratio reflects expenses prior to any expense offset arrangements.

(2) The effect of non-recurring costs assumed by Janus Capital is included in the ratio of gross expenses to average net assets and was less than 0.01%.

(3) The expense ratio reflects expenses after any expense offset arrangements.

(4) Excluding mortgage dollar roll transactions. If mortgage dollar roll transactions had been included, the portfolio turnover rate would have been 139% in 2007, 165% in 2006, and 177% in 2005.

GLOSSARY OF INVESTMENT TERMS

This glossary provides a more detailed description of some of the types of securities, investment strategies, and other instruments in which the Portfolio may invest. The Portfolio may invest in these instruments to the extent permitted by its investment objective and policies. The Portfolio is not limited by this discussion and may invest in any other types of instruments not precluded by the policies discussed elsewhere in this Prospectus.

I. EQUITY AND DEBT SECURITIES

Bank loans include institutionally-traded floating and fixed-rate debt securities generally acquired as a participation interest in or assignment of a loan originated by a lender or financial institution. Assignments and participations involve credit, interest rate, and liquidity risk. Interest rates on floating rate securities adjust with interest rate changes and/or issuer credit quality. If a Portfolio purchases a participation interest, it may only be able to enforce its rights through the lender and may assume the credit risk of both the borrower and the lender. Additional risks are involved in purchasing assignments. If a loan is foreclosed, a Portfolio may become part owner of any collateral securing the loan and may bear the costs and liabilities associated with owning and disposing of any collateral. The Portfolio could be held liable as a co-lender. In addition, there is no assurance that the liquidation of any collateral from a secured loan would satisfy a borrower's obligations or that any collateral could be liquidated. A Portfolio may have difficulty trading assignments and participations to third parties or selling such securities in secondary markets, which in turn may affect the Portfolio's NAV.

Bonds are debt securities issued by a company, municipality, government, or government agency. The issuer of a bond is required to pay the holder the amount of the loan (or par value of the bond) at a specified maturity and to make scheduled interest payments.

Commercial paper is a short-term debt obligation with a maturity ranging from 1 to 270 days issued by banks, corporations, and other borrowers to investors seeking to invest idle cash. A Portfolio may purchase commercial paper issued in private placements under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act").

Common stocks are equity securities representing shares of ownership in a company and usually carry voting rights and earn dividends. Unlike preferred stock, dividends on common stock are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of the issuer's board of directors.

Convertible securities are preferred stocks or bonds that pay a fixed dividend or interest payment and are convertible into common stock at a specified price or conversion ratio.

Debt securities are securities representing money borrowed that must be repaid at a later date. Such securities have specific maturities and usually a specific rate of interest or an original purchase discount.

Depository receipts are receipts for shares of a foreign-based corporation that entitle the holder to dividends and capital gains on the underlying security. Receipts include those issued by domestic banks (American Depositary Receipts), foreign banks (Global or European Depositary Receipts), and broker-dealers (depository shares).

Equity securities generally include domestic and foreign common stocks; preferred stocks; securities convertible into common stocks or preferred stocks; warrants to purchase common or preferred stocks; and other securities with equity characteristics.

Exchange-traded funds are index-based investment companies which hold substantially all of their assets in securities with equity characteristics. As a shareholder of another investment company, the Portfolio would bear its pro rata portion of the other investment company's expenses, including advisory fees, in addition to the expenses the Portfolio bears directly in connection with its own operations.

Fixed-income securities are securities that pay a specified rate of return. The term generally includes short- and long-term government, corporate, and municipal obligations that pay a specified rate of interest, dividends, or coupons for a specified period of time. Coupon and dividend rates may be fixed for the life of the issue or, in the case of adjustable and floating rate securities, for a shorter period.

High-yield/high-risk bonds are bonds that are rated below investment grade by the primary rating agencies (i.e., BB+ or lower by Standard & Poor's and Fitch, or Ba or lower by Moody's). Other terms commonly used to describe such bonds include "lower rated bonds," "non-investment grade bonds," and "junk bonds."

Mortgage- and asset-backed securities are shares in a pool of mortgages or other debt instruments. These securities are generally pass-through securities, which means that principal and interest payments on the underlying securities (less

servicing fees) are passed through to shareholders on a pro rata basis. These securities involve prepayment risk, which is the risk that the underlying mortgages or other debt may be refinanced or paid off prior to their maturities during periods of declining interest rates. In that case, the Portfolio may have to reinvest the proceeds from the securities at a lower rate. Potential market gains on a security subject to prepayment risk may be more limited than potential market gains on a comparable security that is not subject to prepayment risk.

Mortgage dollar rolls are transactions in which a Portfolio sells a mortgage-related security, such as a security issued by GNMA, to a dealer and simultaneously agrees to purchase a similar security (but not the same security) in the future at a predetermined price. A “dollar roll” can be viewed as a collateralized borrowing in which a Portfolio pledges a mortgage-related security to a dealer to obtain cash.

Pass-through securities are shares or certificates of interest in a pool of debt obligations that have been repackaged by an intermediary, such as a bank or broker-dealer.

Passive foreign investment companies (PFICs) are any foreign corporations which generate certain amounts of passive income or hold certain amounts of assets for the production of passive income. Passive income includes dividends, interest, royalties, rents, and annuities. To avoid taxes and interest that a Portfolio must pay if these investments are profitable, the Portfolio may make various elections permitted by the tax laws. These elections could require that a Portfolio recognize taxable income, which in turn must be distributed, before the securities are sold and before cash is received to pay the distributions.

Pay-in-kind bonds are debt securities that normally give the issuer an option to pay cash at a coupon payment date or give the holder of the security a similar bond with the same coupon rate and a face value equal to the amount of the coupon payment that would have been made.

Preferred stocks are equity securities that generally pay dividends at a specified rate and have preference over common stock in the payment of dividends and liquidation. Preferred stock generally does not carry voting rights.

Real estate investment trust (REIT) is an investment trust that operates through the pooled capital of many investors who buy its shares. Investments are in direct ownership of either income property or mortgage loans.

Rule 144A securities are securities that are not registered for sale to the general public under the 1933 Act, but that may be resold to certain institutional investors.

Standby commitment is a right to sell a specified underlying security or securities within a specified period of time and at an exercise price equal to the amortized cost of the underlying security or securities plus accrued interest, if any, at the time of exercise, that may be sold, transferred, or assigned only with the underlying security or securities. A standby commitment entitles the holder to receive same day settlement, and will be considered to be from the party to whom the investment company will look for payment of the exercise price.

Step coupon bonds are high-quality issues with above-market interest rates and a coupon that increases over the life of the bond. They may pay monthly, semiannual, or annual interest payments. On the date of each coupon payment, the issuer decides whether to call the bond at par, or whether to extend it until the next payment date at the new coupon rate.

Strip bonds are debt securities that are stripped of their interest (usually by a financial intermediary) after the securities are issued. The market value of these securities generally fluctuates more in response to changes in interest rates than interest-paying securities of comparable maturity.

Tender option bonds are relatively long-term bonds that are coupled with the option to tender the securities to a bank, broker-dealer, or other financial institution at periodic intervals and receive the face value of the bond. This investment structure is commonly used as a means of enhancing a security's liquidity.

U.S. Government securities include direct obligations of the U.S. Government that are supported by its full faith and credit. Treasury bills have initial maturities of less than one year, Treasury notes have initial maturities of one to ten years, and Treasury bonds may be issued with any maturity but generally have maturities of at least ten years. U.S. Government securities also include indirect obligations of the U.S. Government that are issued by federal agencies and government sponsored entities. Unlike Treasury securities, agency securities generally are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. Some agency securities are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the Treasury, others are

supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the agency's obligations, and others are supported only by the credit of the sponsoring agency.

Variable and floating rate securities have variable or floating rates of interest and, under certain limited circumstances, may have varying principal amounts. Variable and floating rate securities pay interest at rates that are adjusted periodically according to a specified formula, usually with reference to some interest rate index or market interest rate (the "underlying index"). The floating rate tends to decrease the security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates.

Warrants are securities, typically issued with preferred stock or bonds, which give the holder the right to buy a proportionate amount of common stock at a specified price. The specified price is usually higher than the market price at the time of issuance of the warrant. The right may last for a period of years or indefinitely.

Zero coupon bonds are debt securities that do not pay regular interest at regular intervals, but are issued at a discount from face value. The discount approximates the total amount of interest the security will accrue from the date of issuance to maturity. The market value of these securities generally fluctuates more in response to changes in interest rates than interest-paying securities.

II. FUTURES, OPTIONS, AND OTHER DERIVATIVES

Credit default swaps are a specific kind of counterparty agreement that allows the transfer of third party credit risk from one party to the other. One party in the swap is a lender and faces credit risk from a third party, and the counterparty in the credit default swap agrees to insure this risk in exchange for regular periodic payments.

Equity-linked structured notes are derivative securities which are specially designed to combine the characteristics of one or more underlying securities and their equity derivatives in a single note form. The return and/or yield or income component may be based on the performance of the underlying equity securities, an equity index, and/or option positions. Equity-linked structured notes are typically offered in limited transactions by financial institutions in either registered or non-registered form. An investment in equity-linked notes creates exposure to the credit risk of the issuing financial institution, as well as to the market risk of the underlying securities. There is no guaranteed return of principal with these securities, and the appreciation potential of these securities may be limited by a maximum payment or call right. In certain cases, equity-linked notes may be more volatile and less liquid than less complex securities or other types of fixed-income securities. Such securities may exhibit price behavior that does not correlate with other fixed-income securities.

Equity swaps involve the exchange by two parties of future cash flow (e.g., one cash flow based on a referenced interest rate and the other based on the performance of stock or a stock index).

Forward contracts are contracts to purchase or sell a specified amount of a financial instrument for an agreed upon price at a specified time. Forward contracts are not currently exchange-traded and are typically negotiated on an individual basis. A Portfolio may enter into forward currency contracts for investment purposes or to hedge against declines in the value of securities denominated in, or whose value is tied to, a currency other than the U.S. dollar or to reduce the impact of currency appreciation on purchases of such securities. It may also enter into forward contracts to purchase or sell securities or other financial indices.

Futures contracts are contracts that obligate the buyer to receive and the seller to deliver an instrument or money at a specified price on a specified date. The Portfolio may buy and sell futures contracts on foreign currencies, securities, and financial indices including indices of U.S. Government, foreign government, equity, or fixed-income securities. A Portfolio may also buy options on futures contracts. An option on a futures contract gives the buyer the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a futures contract at a specified price on or before a specified date. Futures contracts and options on futures are standardized and traded on designated exchanges.

Indexed/structured securities are typically short- to intermediate-term debt securities whose value at maturity or interest rate is linked to currencies, interest rates, equity securities, indices, commodity prices, or other financial indicators. Such securities may be positively or negatively indexed (e.g., their value may increase or decrease if the reference index or instrument appreciates). Indexed/structured securities may have return characteristics similar to direct investments in the underlying instruments and may be more volatile than the underlying instruments. The Portfolio bears the market risk of an investment in the underlying instruments, as well as the credit risk of the issuer.

Interest rate swaps involve the exchange by two parties of their respective commitments to pay or receive interest (e.g., an exchange of floating rate payments for fixed rate payments).

Inverse floaters are debt instruments whose interest rate bears an inverse relationship to the interest rate on another instrument or index. For example, upon reset, the interest rate payable on the inverse floater may go down when the underlying index has risen. Certain inverse floaters may have an interest rate reset mechanism that multiplies the effects of change in the underlying index. Such mechanism may increase the volatility of the security's market value.

Options are the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a specified amount of securities or other assets on or before a fixed date at a predetermined price. A Portfolio may purchase and write put and call options on securities, securities indices, and foreign currencies. A Portfolio may purchase or write such options individually or in combination.

Participatory notes are derivative securities which are linked to the performance of an underlying Indian security and which allow investors to gain market exposure to Indian securities without trading directly in the local Indian market.

Total return swaps involve an exchange by two parties in which one party makes payments based on a set rate, either fixed or variable, while the other party makes payments based on the return of an underlying asset, which includes both the income it generates and any capital gains over the payment period.

III. OTHER INVESTMENTS, STRATEGIES, AND/OR TECHNIQUES

Cash sweep program is an arrangement in which a Portfolio's uninvested cash balance is used to purchase shares of affiliated or non-affiliated money market funds or cash management pooled investment vehicles at the end of each day.

Industry concentration for purposes under the 1940 Act is the investment of more than 25% of a Portfolio's total assets in an industry or group of industries.

Market capitalization is the most commonly used measure of the size and value of a company. It is computed by multiplying the current market price of a share of the company's stock by the total number of its shares outstanding. Market capitalization is an important investment criterion for certain portfolios, while others do not emphasize investments in companies of any particular size.

Nondiversification is a classification given to a portfolio under the 1940 Act. Portfolios are classified as either "diversified" or "nondiversified." To be classified as "diversified" under the 1940 Act, a portfolio may not, with respect to 75% of its total assets, invest more than 5% of its total assets in any issuer and may not own more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of an issuer. A portfolio that is classified under the 1940 Act as "nondiversified," on the other hand, is not subject to the same restrictions and therefore has the flexibility to take larger positions in a smaller number of issuers than a portfolio that is classified as "diversified." This gives a "nondiversified" portfolio more flexibility to focus its investments in companies that the portfolio managers and/or investment personnel have identified as the most attractive for the investment objective and strategy of a portfolio but also may increase the risk of a portfolio.

Repurchase agreements involve the purchase of a security by the Portfolio and a simultaneous agreement by the seller (generally a bank or dealer) to repurchase the security from the Portfolio at a specified date or upon demand. This technique offers a method of earning income on idle cash. These securities involve the risk that the seller will fail to repurchase the security, as agreed. In that case, the Portfolio will bear the risk of market value fluctuations until the security can be sold and may encounter delays and incur costs in liquidating the security.

Reverse repurchase agreements involve the sale of a security by the Portfolio to another party (generally a bank or dealer) in return for cash and an agreement by the Portfolio to buy the security back at a specified price and time. This technique will be used primarily to provide cash to satisfy unusually high redemption requests, or for other temporary or emergency purposes.

Short sales in which the Portfolio may engage may be either "short sales against the box" or other short sales. Short sales against the box involve selling short a security that the Portfolio owns, or the Portfolio has the right to obtain the amount of the security sold short at a specified date in the future. The Portfolio may also enter into a short sale to hedge against anticipated declines in the market price of a security or to reduce portfolio volatility. If the value of a security sold short increases prior to the scheduled delivery date, the Portfolio loses the opportunity to participate in the gain. For short sales, the Portfolio will incur a loss if the value of a security increases during this period because it will be paying more for the security than it has received from the purchaser in the short sale. If the price declines during this period, the Portfolio will realize a short-term capital gain. Although the Portfolio's potential for gain as a result of a short sale is limited to the price at which it sold the security short less the cost of borrowing the security, its potential for loss is theoretically unlimited because there is no limit to the cost of replacing the borrowed security.

When-issued, delayed delivery, and forward commitment transactions generally involve the purchase of a security with payment and delivery at some time in the future – i.e., beyond normal settlement. A Portfolio does not earn interest on such securities until settlement and bears the risk of market value fluctuations in between the purchase and settlement dates. New issues of stocks and bonds, private placements, and U.S. Government securities may be sold in this manner.

EXPLANATION OF RATING CATEGORIES

The following is a description of credit ratings issued by three of the major credit rating agencies. Credit ratings evaluate only the safety of principal and interest payments, not the market value risk of lower quality securities. Credit rating agencies may fail to change credit ratings to reflect subsequent events on a timely basis. Although Janus Capital considers security ratings when making investment decisions, it also performs its own investment analysis and does not rely solely on the ratings assigned by credit agencies.

STANDARD & POOR'S RATINGS SERVICE

<i>Bond Rating</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
Investment Grade	
AAA . . . . .	.Highest rating; extremely strong capacity to pay principal and interest.
AA . . . . .	.High quality; very strong capacity to pay principal and interest.
A . . . . .	.Strong capacity to pay principal and interest; somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changing circumstances and economic conditions.
BBB . . . . .	.Adequate capacity to pay principal and interest; normally exhibit adequate protection parameters, but adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances more likely to lead to a weakened capacity to pay principal and interest than for higher rated bonds.
Non-Investment Grade	
BB . . . . .	.Less vulnerable to nonpayment than other speculative issues; major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
B . . . . .	.More vulnerable to nonpayment than obligations rated 'BB', but capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation; adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair the obligor's capacity or willingness to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
CCC . . . . .	.Currently vulnerable to nonpayment, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.
CC . . . . .	.Currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment.
C . . . . .	.Currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment; a bankruptcy petition may have been filed or similar action taken, but payments on the obligation are being continued.
D . . . . .	.In default.

FITCH, INC.

<i>Bond Rating</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
Investment Grade	
AAA . . . . .	.Highest credit quality. Denotes the lowest expectation of credit risk. Exceptionally strong capacity for payment of financial commitments.
AA . . . . .	.Very high credit quality. Denotes expectations of very low credit risk. Very strong capacity for payment of financial commitments.
A . . . . .	.High credit quality. Denotes expectations of low credit risk. Strong capacity for payment of financial commitments. May be more vulnerable to changes in circumstances or in economic conditions than is the case for higher ratings.
BBB . . . . .	.Good credit quality. Currently expectations of low credit risk. Capacity for payment of financial commitments is considered adequate, but adverse changes in circumstances and economic conditions are more likely to impair this capacity than is the case for higher ratings.
Non-Investment Grade	
BB . . . . .	.Speculative. Indicates possibility of credit risk developing, particularly as the result of adverse economic change over time. Business or financial alternatives may be available to allow financial commitments to be met.
B . . . . .	.Highly speculative. May indicate distressed or defaulted obligations with potential for extremely high recoveries.
CCC . . . . .	.May indicate distressed or defaulted obligations with potential for superior to average levels of recovery.
CC . . . . .	.May indicate distressed or defaulted obligations with potential for average or below-average levels of recovery.
CMay indicate distressed or defaulted obligations with potential for below-average to poor recoveries.
DIn default.

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<i>Bond Rating</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
Investment Grade	
AaaHighest quality, smallest degree of investment risk.
Aa . . . . .	.High quality; together with Aaa bonds, they compose the high-grade bond group.
A . . . . .	.Upper to medium-grade obligations; many favorable investment attributes.
Baa . . . . .	.Medium-grade obligations; neither highly protected nor poorly secured. Interest and principal appear adequate for the present but certain protective elements may be lacking or may be unreliable over any great length of time.
Non-Investment Grade	
Ba . . . . .	.More uncertain, with speculative elements. Protection of interest and principal payments not well safeguarded during good and bad times.
B . . . . .	.Lack characteristics of desirable investment; potentially low assurance of timely interest and principal payments or maintenance of other contract terms over time.
Caa . . . . .	.Poor standing, may be in default; elements of danger with respect to principal or interest payments.
Ca . . . . .	.Speculative in a high degree; could be in default or have other marked shortcomings.
C . . . . .	.Lowest rated; extremely poor prospects of ever attaining investment standing.

Unrated securities will be treated as non-investment grade securities unless the portfolio managers determine that such securities are the equivalent of investment grade securities. When calculating the quality assigned to securities that receive different ratings from two or more agencies ("split rated securities"), the security will receive: (i) the middle rating from the three reporting agencies if three agencies provide a rating for the security; (ii) the lowest rating if only two agencies provide a rating for the security; or (iii) the rating assigned if only one agency rates the security.

SECURITIES HOLDINGS BY RATING CATEGORY

During the year ended December 31, 2008, the percentage of securities holdings for Flexible Bond Portfolio by rating category based upon a weighted monthly average was:

Flexible Bond Portfolio

<i>Bonds and Loans—S&P Rating:</i>	
AAA	61.75%
AA	2.66%
A	10.79%
BBB	16.45%
BB	4.09%
B	2.39%
CCC	—
CC	—
C	—
Not Rated	0.37%
Preferred Stock	—
Cash and Options	1.50%
Total	100.00%

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The Statement of Additional Information provides detailed information about the Portfolio and is incorporated into this Prospectus by reference. You may review and copy information about the Portfolio (including the Portfolio's Statement of Additional Information) at the Public Reference Room of the SEC or get text only copies, after paying a duplicating fee, by sending an electronic request by e-mail to publicinfo@sec.gov or by writing to or calling the Public Reference Room, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102 (1-202-942-8090). Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may also be obtained by calling this number. You may also obtain reports and other information about the Portfolio from the Electronic Data Gathering Analysis and Retrieval (EDGAR) Database on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>.



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