# William Blair



## A Trusted Advisor to Taft-Hartley Plans

William Blair is dedicated to helping Taft-Hartley funds and, ultimately, plan members achieve their investment objectives. We oversee more than \$2.8 billion¹ of Taft-Hartley assets. We provide dedicated client service and portfolio management expertise across U.S. equity, non-U.S. equity, and emerging markets debt strategies. We have included some useful information below:

William Blair is a Chicago-based, 100% active employee-owned investment firm founded by William McCormick Blair in 1935. Our core strengths are:

#### **Commitment to Clients**

William Blair's professionals strive to meet and exceed client expectations every day. Since 1935, our commitment to clients has been embodied by our founder's credo: "When our clients succeed, the firm's success will follow."

#### **Stability and Consistency**

With long-tenured portfolio managers and research analysts, our portfolios have been managed by stable investment teams, providing for consistent application of our time-tested investment philosophies.

#### **Trusted Experience**

We understand the investment objectives of labor and management trustees, as well as members, administrators, and consultants. Our long-term performance results are driven by a passion for and dedication to intensive fundamental research. This rigorous, collaborative process leverages the intellectual capital of our investment teams, allowing us to offer a wide range of investment solutions to meet client needs and support fair labor practice and job creation. We take pride in the depth of our knowledge and acuity of our insight.

The *Pensions & Investments (P&I)* Best Places to Work in Money Management list is published in December each year and is based on employee surveys and an employer questionnaire. William Blair Investment Management (WBIM) was listed among investment management firms with 100 to 499 employees. P&I partners with Best Companies Group to conduct the survey and tabulate the rankings. WBIM pays a licensing fee to use the P&I digital reprint and logo badge.

The Chicago Tribune Top Workplaces list is published in November each year and is based on results of an employee feedback survey compiled by Energage. William Blair was listed in the large company category.

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#### A Recognized Workplace

William Blair was named one of *Pensions & Investments*' Best Places to Work in Money Management in 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024, and one of the *Chicago Tribune*'s Best Places to Work in Chicago in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

#### Firm Statistics

(as of 12/31/24)

### \$71.6 billion

Total assets under management

1,915

Employees (333 in Investment Management)

## 217 partners 53 in Investment Management

106

Investment professionals

30

Portfolio managers

53

Dedicated Investment Management analysts

## 26 years

Average industry experience for portfolio managers

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>mathrm{As}$  of 12/31/24; includes separate accounts and commingled assets.