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# MBSF

Regan Floating Rate MBS ETF

A liquid cash alternative, seeking high yields and low duration by investing in high quality, floating-rate, agency RMBS.



# **Key Facts**

- ► Launch Date February 28, 2024
- ► Ticker MBSF
- ► CUSIP 92046L338
- Exchange NYSE
- ► Lead Market Maker SIG Susquehanna
- ➤ Distributor

  Northern Lights Distributors
- ► Custodian

  Brown Brothers Harriman & Co.
- ► Management Fee 0.49%
- ► Gross Expense Ratio 0.49%
- ► Net Expense Ratio 0.49%
- ► **Distribution**Monthly
- ► Benchmark

  Bloomberg US Mortgage-Backed
  Securities (MBS) Index
- ► Objective

  The Fund seeks to provide current income by investing primarily in floating rate RMBS.

# **Executive Summary**

Regan Capital ("Regan") has been a leading participant in the RMBS market since the Firm's 2011 founding. Senior portfolio managers have over 40 years combined experience in the asset class, and in the aftermath of bank failures and rate hikes seen throughout 2023, responded to the demand for a cash solution that seeks to outperform traditional products, like money market funds and treasury bills, by investing primarily in agency, floating-rate RMBS.

MBSF was launched in an effort to meet the demand for low duration, high quality fixed income and to expand investors' cash solution options in a liquid vehicle. MBSF aims to outperform traditional cash instruments while maintaining high liquidity in an ETF structure.

#### **Fund Focus**

#### Quality



Agency RMBS are backed by either the U.S. government or a government-sponsored entity<sup>1</sup> – doubling as a credit quality enhancement to an overall fixed income allocation in addition to their role as a cash alternative. These securities exhibit low volatility, and their floating rate coupon can mitigate risks of rising interest rates.

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#### Diversification

Agency, floating rate RMBS exhibit low correlation to traditional fixed income. MBSF will target a duration of less than one year, making it an attractive alternative to cash, while also playing a dynamic role within an overall fixed income allocation.

#### Performance

Agency floating rate RMBS trade at yields above treasuries and thus, over time, may outperform traditional cash instruments. Active management by an experienced team aids in sourcing potentially advantageous opportunities and identifying, what management believes, to be mispriced securities in an attempt to outperform cash.



#### Monthly Income

Mortgage borrowers pay both **principal and interest monthly**. These payments flow through the RMBS and to MBSF holders as net income generated by the fund via **monthly dividends**.



# Investors may find that their cash can do more

# **ETF Advantages**

#### Accessibility

Because ETFs trade on an exchange, investors buy and sell via their broker, providing trading flexibility and intraday portfolio management.

#### Liquidity

ETFs can be bought and sold throughout the day, giving investors the ability to execute trades quickly at their discretion.

#### **Relatively Lower Costs**

ETFs have relatively low expense ratios.

#### **Potential Tax Efficiency**

Low portfolio turnover can help manage the impact of capital gains taxes.

#### Transparency

Portfolio holdings are disclosed on a daily basis.

#### No Minimum

Many ETFs tend to have no minimum purchase requirements.

As a result of factors like interest rate hikes, quantitative easing, and multiple bank failures seen throughout 2023, investors' cash management optionality expanded to higher-yielding products.

While cash alternatives like money market funds and treasuries remain popular in the market, agency floating rate residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS) offer a compelling opportunity for investors to diversify their cash allocation into agency RMBS that may earn higher yields than traditional cash alternatives.

We believe the agency floating rate sector offers one of the most affordable and attractive risk reward opportunities in short duration investments.

# Advantages of Floating Rate Agency RMBS

We find the compelling qualities of floating rate agency RMBS make the asset class a viable alternative to cash products like money market funds, with similar risk, minimal volatility and little correlation to fixed income and equity markets.

We believe these attributes may allow MBSF to be an attractive solution for investors looking to add quality, income, and diversification to their cash and fixed income allocations.

### Yield Premium

The asset class currently exhibits a significant yield premium to traditional cash alternatives like Treasury Bills or money market funds. Currently, agency MBS are trading 125 basis points over US Treasury Bills<sup>1</sup>.

#### Portfolio Diversification

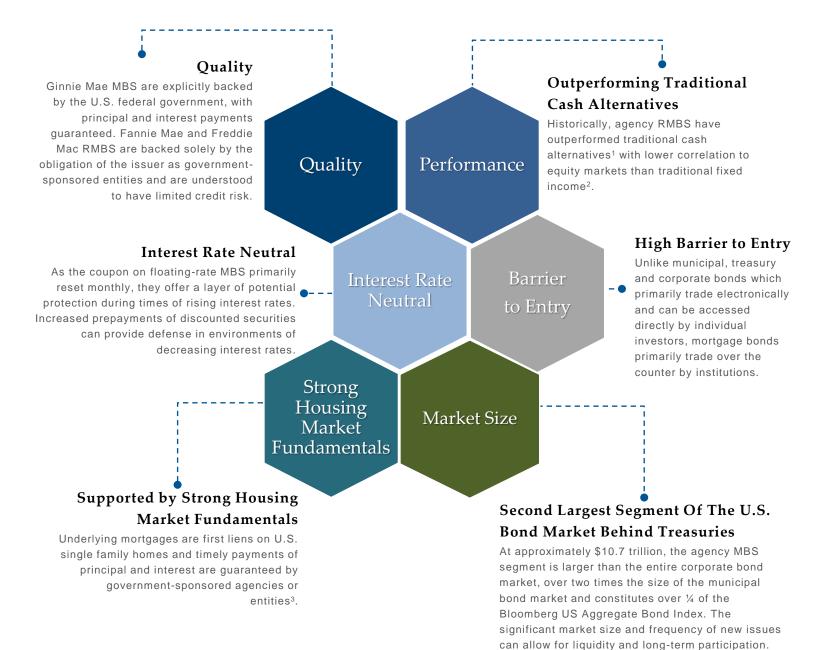
Agency MBS offer diversification benefits due to their low correlation to equities and traditional fixed income, especially during times of market stress.

## Quality

The portfolio will primarily be invested in government agency-backed assets that have comparable risk profiles to traditional cash alternative products like treasury bills. Additionally, these bonds trade at a spread over treasury bills, providing the potential for additional return with similar risk.

# Highlights of Asset Class

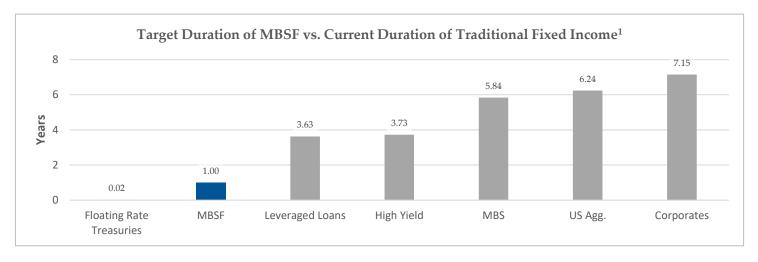
Floating-rate agency MBS are securities issued, secured, or collateralized by government sponsored entities (Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac) or by a government agency (Ginnie Mae). Coupons on MBS are floating rate and are collateralized with a mix of floating and fixed rate residential mortgage loans.



See disclosures for glossary of indices. Note that investors cannot directly invest in an index. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. There is no guarantee that any investment strategy will achieve its objectives, generate profits or avoid losses. 1.) Based on data showing Total Return of the Bloomberg US MBS Index versus Bloomberg US Treasury Total Return Index, measured from (1/30/1976 – 3/5/2024). Data sourced from Bloomberg. 2.) Measured by correlation of the S&P 500 Index, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index and the Bloomberg US MBS Index. The S&P 500 index representing the broader equity market, the Agg index representing the broader fixed income market, and the MBS index representing agency MBS. Data sourced from Bloomberg as 3/6/2024. 3.) Source: Webbs Hill Advisors statistical data as of January 31, 2024.

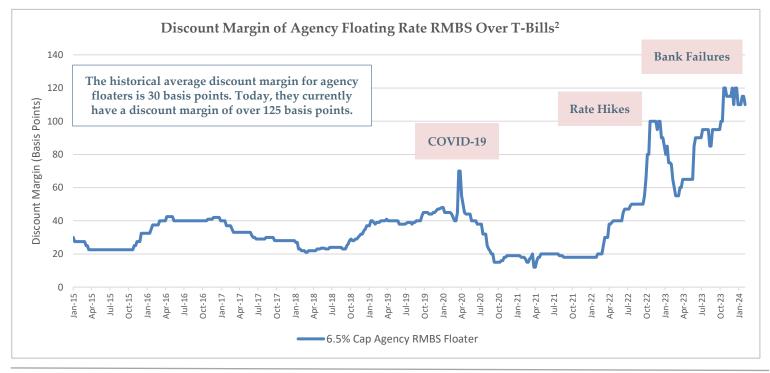
# Today's Opportunity

We believe agency floating rate MBS can be an attractive option for investors during times of market uncertainty. In environments of heightened interest rate volatility, securities with longer duration profiles are more adversely affected.



# Currently Trading at Attractive Valuations

Agency floating rate MBS are at historically wide spreads. This is largely due to their two largest buyers, U.S. commercial banks and the Federal Reserve, being out of the market for much of the last 18 months.

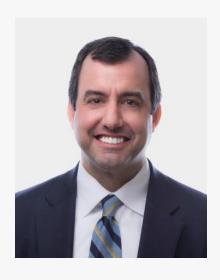


# Seasoned Management Team

As a 100% employee-owned investment boutique, our mission is to provide active management in markets where inefficiencies exist. The collective experience of Regan's team of 18 has positioned the Firm to deliver comprehensive portfolio management, client service, and fixed income solutions through a variety of investment vehicles.

# **Skyler Weinand, CFA**Managing Partner & CIO

— Prior to forming Regan Capital in May 2011, Mr. Weinand was head of residential and consumer asset-backed securities trading at Cantor Fitzgerald from July 2007 to March 2011, where he generated in excess of \$132 million in revenue off of a \$15 million balance sheet. From July 2005 to June 2007, Mr. Weinand was responsible for trading a \$2+ billion mortgage-backed securities portfolio at Sit Investment Associates. Prior to that, Mr. Weinand was employed with GMAC-RFC from 2001 to 2005, where he was responsible for portfolio valuation on a \$1 billion MBS subordinate book, structuring CDOs and structuring the first re-performing securitizations to come to market. Mr. Weinand is a graduate of the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota with B.S. Degrees in Finance and Management Information Systems.





**Chris Hall** Senior Portfolio Manager

— Prior to joining Regan in June 2013, Mr. Hall was Partner and Co-Head of Sales at Auriga USA, LLC, a broker-dealer located in New York City. Mr. Hall served as Director of Fixed Income Sales at KeyBanc Capital Markets, where he focused on selling residential and asset-backed securities to money managers, hedge funds, and insurance companies. From 2005-2008, Mr. Hall was Vice President of Mortgage Derivatives Institutional Trading at Cantor Fitzgerald, and started his career in 2002 at Merrill Lynch & Co. Mr. Hall is a graduate of Williams College with a B.A. in Economics.

#### For more information

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The Regan Floating Rate MBS ETF (ticker: MBSF) is available for purchase through the New York Stock Exchange.

Investors should consider the investment objective, risks, and charges and expenses of the Fund(s) before investing. The prospectus contains this and other information about the Fund(s) and should be read carefully before investing. The prospectus may be obtained by calling the Fund toll-free at (844)-988-6273 or at <a href="https://www.regancapital.com/etf-mbsf">www.regancapital.com/etf-mbsf</a>. Regan Floating Rate MBS ETF is distributed by Northern Lights Distributors, LLC member FINRA/SIPC. Regan Capital, LLC is not affiliated with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC.

#### Important Risks

- Exchange Traded Fund investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. Investments in asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities include additional risks that
  investors should be aware of, including credit risk, prepayment risk, possible illiquidity, and default, as well as increased susceptibility to adverse economic
  developments. Investments in debt securities typically decrease when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. Investments in
  lower-rated and nonrated securities present a greater risk of loss of principal and interest than higher-rated securities do. The Fund is newly formed and has no
  operating history. An investment in the Fund is not a deposit of any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by any government agency. There is no guarantee that any
  investment strategy will achieve its objectives, generate profits, or avoid losses.
- The Fund may effect creations and redemptions in cash and therefore may recognize gains that may not have been recognized if it were to distribute portfolio securities in-kind. Investments in shares may be less tax-efficient that an investment in an ETF that distributes portfolio securities entirely in-kind.
- Diversification does not ensure a profit or guarantee against loss.
- While the shares of ETFs are tradeable on secondary markets, they may not readily trade in all market conditions and may trade at significant discounts in periods of
  market stress. ETFs trade like stocks, are subject to investment risk, fluctuate in market value and may trade at prices above or below the ETF's net asset value.
   Brokerage commissions and ETF expenses will reduce returns.
- As a result of its active trading strategy, the Fund may incur higher levels of brokerage fees and commissions, and cause higher levels of current tax liability to shareholders in the Fund.

#### Glossary

- Coupon: The annual interest rate paid on a bond, expressed as a percentage of the face value and paid from the issue date until maturity.
- Market Price: The current price at which shares are bought and sold.
- NAV: The dollar value of a single share, based on the value of the underlying assets of the fund minus its liabilities, divided by the number of shares outstanding.
   Calculated at the end of each business day.
- Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS): Investment products similar to bonds. Each MBS consists of a bundle of home loans and other real estate debt bought from the banks that issued them. Investors in mortgage-backed securities receive periodic payments similar to bond coupon payments.
- SEC 30-Day Yield: The yield is calculated with a standardized formula and represents net investment income earned by a fund over a 30-day period, expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the fund's share price. The yield includes the effect of any fee waivers and/or reimbursements. Without waivers, yields would be reduced. This is also referred to as the "standardized yield", "30-Day Yield" and "Current Yield". The unsubsidized SEC 30-Day Yield does not reflect the effect of any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements.
- Yield to Maturity: The rate of return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the maturity date. YTM is considered a long-term bond yield expressed as an annual rate. The calculation of YTM takes into account the current market price, par value, coupon interest rate and time to maturity. It is also assumed that all coupons are reinvested at the same rate.
- **Duration**: Measures the sensitivity of bond prices to changes in interest rates. Bonds with a higher duration experience greater price volatility from interest rate movements.
- Floating Rate: is an investment with interest payments that float or adjust periodically based upon a predetermined benchmark.
- Discount Margin: is the rate of return on a floating-rate bond above the value of a fixed-rate bond that an investor stands to earn by taking on extra risk.
- · Volatility is a measure of the rate of fluctuations in the price of a security over time. It indicates the level of risk associated with the price changes of a security.
- · Correlation is a statistical measure of how two securities move in relation to another. Index used for comparison is The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index.
- Treasury Bill (T-Bill) is a short-term U.S. government debt obligation backed by the Treasury Department with a maturity of one year or less.
- The Bloomberg US Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) Index tracks fixed-rate agency mortgage-backed pass-through securities guaranteed by Ginnie Mae (GNMA), Fannie Mae (FNMA), and Freddie Mac (FHLMC).
- The Bloomberg US Treasury Total Return Index measures US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate, nominal debt issued by the US Treasury
- The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index is a broad-based flagship benchmark that measures the investment grade, US dollar denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. The index includes Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, fixed rate agency MBS, ABS and CMBS (agency and non-agency).
- The Bloomberg USD High-Yield Corporate Bond Index is a rules-based, market-value-weighted index engineered to measure publicly issued non-investment grade USD fixed-rate, taxable and corporate bonds.
- The Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan 100 Index is designed to measure the performance of the 100 largest facilities in the US leveraged loan market.
   Underpinned by PitchBook | LCD data, the index brings transparency to the performance, activity, and key characteristics of the most tradeable loans in the market.
- The Bloomberg US Corporate Total Return Index measures the investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market.
- The Bloomberg Barclays US Treasury Floating Rate Index measures the performance of floating rate bonds issued by the US Treasury.

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