

## ARROWMARK FINANCIAL CORP.

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#### About ArrowMark Financial Corp.

ArrowMark Financial Corp. is an SEC registered non-diversified, closed-end fund listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "BANX." Its investment objective is to provide shareholders with current income. BANX's primary investment objective is to provide stockholders with current income. We attempt to achieve our investment objectives through investments in preferred equity, subordinated debt, convertible securities, regulatory capital relief securities and, to a lesser extent, common equity. Together with banks, we refer to these types of companies as banking-related and intend, under normal circumstances, to invest at least 80% of the value of our net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes in such businesses. There is no guarantee that we will achieve our investment objective. The Fund is managed by ArrowMark Asset Management LLC ("ArrowMark").

ArrowMark Asset Management, LLC is majority owned by ArrowMark Colorado Holdings LLC ("ArrowMark Partners"). ArrowMark Partners is a registered investment adviser. ArrowMark has entered into a staffing agreement (the "Staffing Agreement") with its parent company, ArrowMark Partners and several of its affiliates. Under the Staffing Agreement, ArrowMark Partners provides experienced investment professionals to ArrowMark and provides access to their senior investment personnel. ArrowMark capitalizes on the significant deal origination, credit underwriting, due diligence, investment structuring, execution, portfolio management and monitoring of ArrowMark Partners' investment professionals.

#### **About Destra Capital Advisors**

Founded in 2008, Destra Capital Advisors LLC ("Destra") was built to help independent thought leaders achieve better wealth outcomes by sourcing the next generation of investment solutions. Destra provides secondary market services for eleven listed closed-end funds by responding to investor inquiries, providing information about the Funds and their portfolios, assisting with communication efforts, and speaking with institutional investors and financial advisors.

Destra Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor, is providing secondary market servicing for the Fund. To learn more, visit ir.arrowmarkfinancialcorp.com or contact Destra Capital Advisors at 877-855-3434 or BANX@destracapital.com.



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### ArrowMark Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: BANX) Overview

ArrowMark Financial Corp. (BANX) (the "Fund") SEC registered closed-end investment management fund					
Inception Date	November 13, 2013				
Investment Objective	Provide shareholders with current income. The Fund's strategy has a focus on income generation, capital preservation, and providing risk-adjusted rates of return.				
Investment Adviser	ArrowMark Asset Management LLC ("ArrowMark") and its affiliates are one of the largest and longest- tenured investors in the regulatory capital relief or risk-sharing market, with a 14-year track record of partnering with the leading global bank issuers.				
Investment Positioning	Meaningful floating rate assets (approximately 87%) positions well in an elevated interest rate environment and can be considered as a potential hedge to inflation.				
History	ArrowMark was appointed investment advisor to the Fund in February 2020. Subsequently, the Fund changed its name from StoneCastle Financial Corp. to ArrowMark Financial Corp.				
Total Assets <sup>1</sup>	\$211 million				
Historical Distribution Rate <sup>2</sup>	9.1%				
Premium / (Discount) to NAV	(4.8%)				

Data as of 9/30/2024 unless otherwise indicated. Source: ArrowMark Financial Corp. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. <sup>1</sup>Total Gross Assets. <sup>2</sup>Distribution yield calculation based on last four quarters and includes quarterly and special income distributions but excludes \$0.42 long term capital gains distribution, divided by closing share price as of 11/22/2024. Distributions from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid guarterly. Distributions, if any, of net short-term capital gain and net capital gain (the excess of net long-term capital gain over the short-term capital loss) realized by the Fund, after deducting any available capital loss carryovers, are declared and paid to shareholders at least annually. Income distributions and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. These differences include the treatment of non-taxable distributions, losses deferred due to wash sales and excise tax regulations. Permanent book and tax basis differences relating to shareholder distributions will result in reclassifications within the components of net assets. **ARROWMARK FINANCIAL CORP. (BANX)** 4

### Differentiated Closed-End Fund<sup>1</sup> with a Strong Track Record

9.1% Distribution Yield <sup>2</sup>	RCRS typically issued by large, global banks		11 Industry Focused Credit Analysts		it	14.0% Q3 2024 Portfolio Investment Yield <sup>3</sup>	
Unique investment vehicle dec investments in regulatory o relief securities (86.8% of Tota	apital	investment fi	d by established rm & seasoned ship team		Stror	ng earning performance under ArrowMark leadership⁴	
<ul> <li>Majority of BANX regulatory ca securities issued by banks with Assets &gt; \$500 billion (e.g. glob center banks) and rank as sen unsecured obligations</li> </ul>	n Total pal money	platform with prop sourcing and sign	tment professionals	•	distribu increas 2019)4	has consistently outearned its ution with quarterly EPS having sed by +73% (Q3 2024 vs Q4 . For Q3 2024, EPS of \$0.70 ded the declared distribution of \$0.45 are	
<ul> <li>Reference loan portfolios cons strong credit quality loans, with weighted average rating typica from BB+ to BBB-</li> </ul>	a dollar Ily ranging	dollar rangingsenior management team with decades of experience as credit and risk managersrom sectorDisciplined investment approval process focused on asymmetric, risk-adjusted returns. Regulatory capital relief securities reference loans are individually analyzed by our 11 industry focused credit analysts			Q3 202 distribu approx	utions increased by +25.0% (LTM 24 vs YE 2019) <sup>4,5</sup> . The Q32024 ution represents a yield of cimately 9.1%. <sup>2</sup> All distributions this period have come from net	
<ul> <li>Reference loan portfolios bene strong borrower, geographic, a diversification</li> <li>Regulatory capital relief securi coupons float using a base rate contractual spread</li> </ul>	fit from and sector				income Net as stable	e or realized long-term capital gains set value has remained relatively since Q4 2019 24 portfolio investment yield sed to 14.0% from ~9.6% (Q4 2019) <sup>3</sup>	

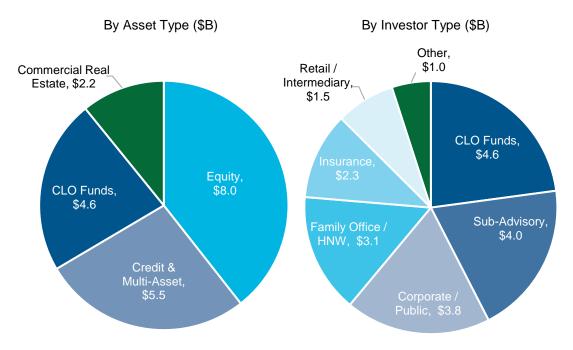
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## ArrowMark Partners has significant capabilities and expertise as a well-established investment manager

#### **ArrowMark Partners At-A-Glance**

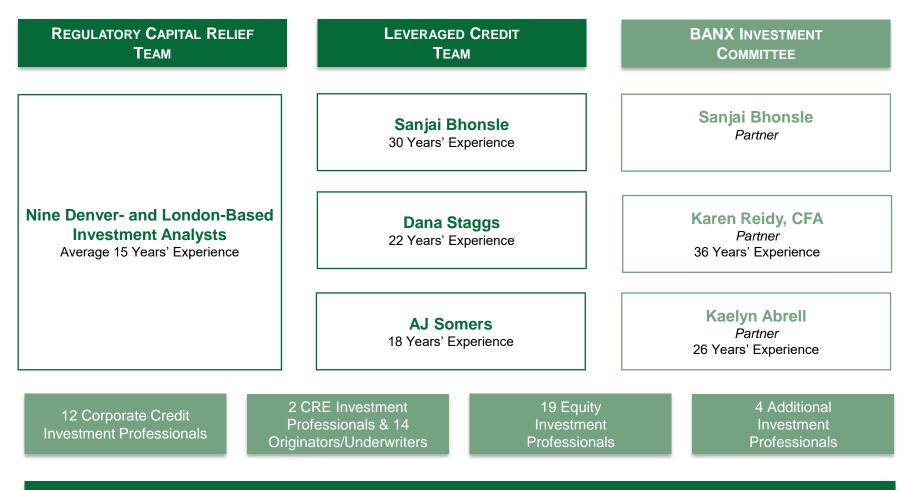
- Active investment process, driven by fundamental research and analysis
- Specialized expertise in nuanced credit and inefficient equity markets
- Manage alternative, traditional, and customized investment strategies in public and private vehicles
- 100 employees
- 46 tenured investment professionals
- 100% employee-owned
- 50% of firm partners are women and/or minorities
- Headquartered in Denver, CO with presence in California, London, and New York

#### \$20.3 billion in Assets Under Management<sup>1</sup>



As of 9/30/2024. <sup>1</sup>CRE AUM includes real estate related assets originated and/or currently managed or advised by ArrowMark or its affiliate. Other includes sovereign wealth, not-forprofit institutions, union, multi-employer and internal capital. Firm level track record is available upon request.

### Partnership with an Experienced, Senior Investment Team



ArrowMark Partners' 46 Investment Professionals Average 18 Years' Experience and have a presence in Denver, London, New York, and San Francisco

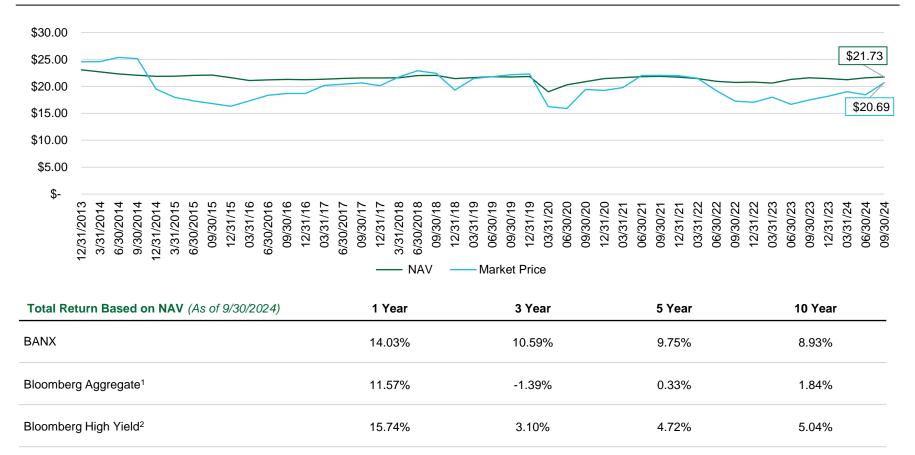


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# BANX has produced a relatively stable and consistent NAV from a high-quality investment portfolio

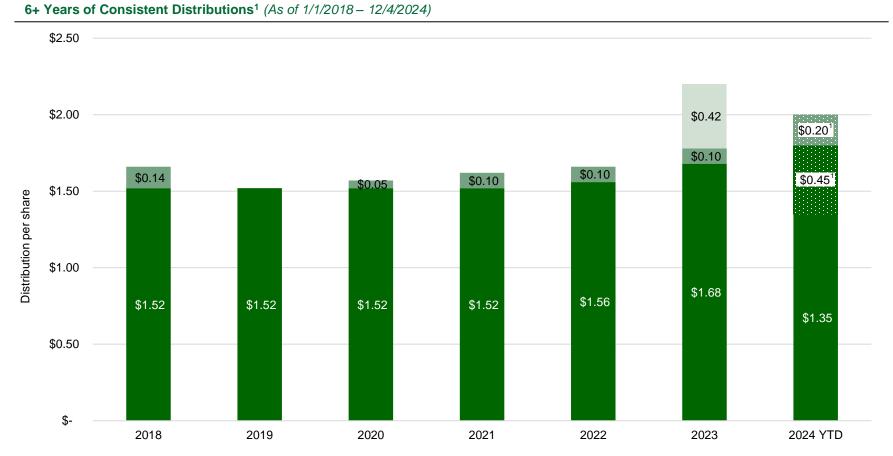




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### Historically provided relatively stable declared distribution



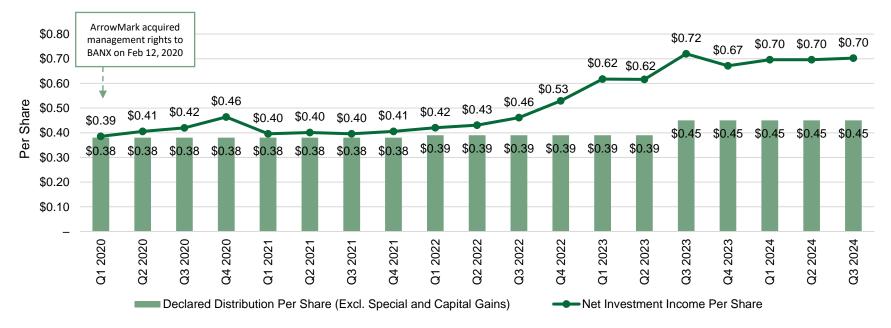
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Data as of 12/4/2024. Source: ArrowMark Financial Corp. <sup>1</sup>Distributions from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid quarterly. Distributions, if any, of net short-term capital gain and net capital gain (the excess of net long-term capital gain over the short-term capital loss) realized by the Fund, after deducting any available capital loss carryovers are declared and paid to shareholders at least annually. Income distributions and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. These differences include the treatment of non-taxable distributions, losses deferred due to wash sales and excise tax regulations. Permanent book and tax basis differences relating to shareholder distributions will result in reclassifications within the components of net assets. <sup>1</sup>Per the 12/4/2024 press release, a \$0.45 per share quarterly distribution and a \$0.20 per share special distribution will be payable 1/3/2025 to shareholders of record on 12/26/2024.

#### Quarterly Declared Distributions (Excl. Special and Capital gains) and Net Investment Income

All quarterly declared distributions (excluding special and long-term capital gains distributions) have been more than covered by net investment income

- Net investment income growth has ramped since Q3 2022, benefiting from:
  - Percentage mix shift of portfolio to higher yielding regulatory capital relief securities
  - Rising interest rate environment, benefits from floating rate assets
- ArrowMark raised declared distributions to \$0.39 and \$0.45 per share in Q1 2022 and Q3 2023, respectively
- Some of the excess earnings over declared distributions have been returned to shareholders in the form of Special Distributions



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### BANX NAV shows low correlation with key asset classes

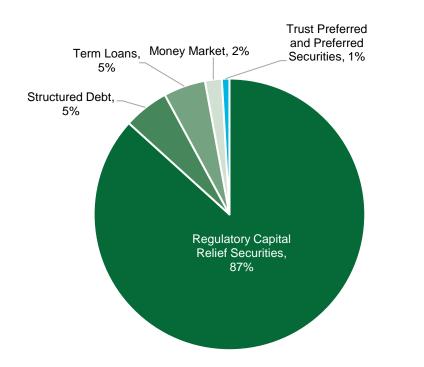
#### BANX Net Asset Value ("NAV") Correlation (October 2019 – September 2024)

	ArrowMark Financial Corp	Bloomberg US Treasury Bills TR USD	Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD	Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR USD	Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield TR USD	FTSE WGBI NonUSD USD	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan USD	ICE BofA Fxd Rate Pref TR USD	S&P 500 TR USD	S&P 500 Sec/Financials TR USD	MSCI EAFE GR USD	MSCI EM GR USD	FTSE Nareit All Equity REITS TR USD	Bloomberg Commodity TR USD	LBMA Gold Price PM USD
ArrowMark Financial Corp	1				BAN	<pre>K Monthly</pre>	NAV Cor	relation vs	7						
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Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR USD		0.24	0.95	1											
Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield TR USD		0.23	0.95	0.7	1										
FTSE WGBI NonUSD USD	0.05	0.9	0.99	0.7	0.7	1									
Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan USD	-0.03	0.9	0.35	-0.08	0.31	0.31	1								
ICE BofA Fxd Rate Pref TR USD	0.37	0.1	0.72	0.81	0.85	0.68	0.56	1							
S&P 500 TR USD	0.38	0	0.55	0.63	0.84	0.63	0.61	0.77	1						
S&P 500 Sec/Financials TR USD	0.47	-0.05	0.37	0.49	0.78	0.5	0.64	0.71	0.87	1					
MSCI EAFE GR USD	0.41	0.06	0.57	0.7	0.78	0.7	0.61	0.76	0.89	0.87	1				
MSCI EM GR USD	0.52	0.05	0.54	0.67	0.73	0.67	0.61	0.69	0.71	0.66	0.79	1			
FTSE Nareit All Equity REITS TR USD	0.02	0.61	0.67	0.81	0.64	0.61	0.77	0.87	0.78	0.84	0.68	0.65	1		
Bloomberg Commodity TR USD	0.42	-0.26	-0.03	0.13	0.47	0.17	0.26	0.41	0.5	0.47	0.48	0.39	0.39	1	
LBMA Gold Price PM USD	0.13	0.2	0.41	0.53	0.22	0.57	0.12	0.21	0.16	0.02	0.2	0.36	0.22	0.14	1

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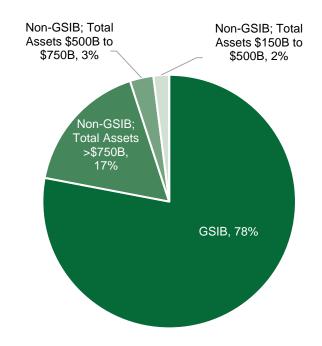
### Regulatory capital relief securities comprise majority of total assets

#### Fund Exposure (9/30/2024)



#### **Regulatory Capital Relief Issuers by Bank Type**<sup>1</sup> (9/30/2024)</sup>

G-SIBs (Globally Systemic Important Banks) are large, global banking institutions subject to more stringent regulatory oversight



G-SIB: Globally Systemic Important Banks per Financial Stability Board as of 11/27/2023. As of 9/30/2024, BANX G-SIB issuers consist of banks with >\$800 billion in Total Assets with a median and mean Total Assets of over \$1.6 trillion in assets Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment loss.



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### What are regulatory capital relief securities?

Diversified Pools of Performing Reference Loans	<ul> <li>Credit risk from a portfolio of loans and revolving lines of credit ("reference portfolio") extended to investment grade and near investment grade borrowers is transferred to holders of regulatory capital relief securities</li> <li>Performance of regulatory capital relief securities is underpinned by the performance of these loans</li> <li>Reference loans are originated with the intention to be held on the balance sheet as part of the issuing bank's core lending book</li> <li>Geographic, sector, and individual borrower diversification enforced by transaction guidelines</li> </ul>
Structural Alignment with Issuing Banks	<ul> <li>Issuers service loans and retain material exposure to underlying reference loans through the transaction structure</li> <li>Loan officers and account managers are typically unaware of any regulatory capital relief securities risk transfer of loans they manage. Banks and their employees are incentivized to maintain underwriting discipline in an effort to minimize defaults and, if defaults occur, maximize recoveries</li> <li>Investors benefit from the issuing bank's borrower relationships as well as their underwriting, monitoring, and workout resources</li> </ul>
Income-Driven Returns with Low Correlation	<ul> <li>Performance primarily driven by income from floating-rate coupons</li> <li>Historical returns characterized by resilience during periods of market and/or macroeconomic stress</li> <li>Low historical correlation to most traditional and alternative asset classes</li> </ul>
Effective Tool for Large, Global Bank Issuers	<ul> <li>Transactions are a core balance sheet optimization tool and complement other efforts to optimize capital levels, reduce balance sheet concentrations, manage lending capacity, and respond to regulatory and/or accounting changes</li> <li>Enable banks to maintain core lending activities that are often prerequisites to gaining investment and commercial banking business</li> <li>Benefits reinforced by issuance growth and issuer expansion across the U.K., Europe, Canada, U.S., and Asia</li> </ul>

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment loss. Please review the "Certain Risk Factors" and "Potential Conflicts of Interest" sections in the Partnership's Memorandum for a more complete description of the risks and conflicts of interest associated with investing in the Partnership.

### Regulatory capital relief securities offer investors a diversified pool of performing reference loans with strong credit quality

Typical	Reference Portfolio Characteristics	Large Corporate Security		
Reference Loans Description	<ul> <li>Originated with the intention to be held on the issuing bank's balance sheet</li> <li>Performing at the time of security issuance</li> <li>Remain part of the bank's core loan portfolio after issuance</li> </ul>	0.28% Average Borrower Exposure		
Credit Investme Quality grade we	<ul> <li>Investment grade / near investment grade weighted average</li> <li>Individual exposures range from AA to</li> </ul>	<b>91%</b> Borrowers Domiciled in North America & Developed Euro		
	<ul> <li>B-; nothing below B- at issuance</li> <li>Limits on the size of individual and aggregate exposures to sub-investment grade borrowers</li> </ul>	<b>58%</b> Revolvers as % of Portfolio	<b>3.3x</b> Average Net Leverage	
Diversification Guidelines	<ul><li>Geographic</li><li>Sector</li><li>Borrower</li></ul>	<b>BBB-</b> Weighted Average Credit Quality		

The investments described herein are noted for illustration purposes only. It should not be assumed that this example or future investments will be profitable. If any assumptions used do not prove to be true, results may vary substantially. Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment loss. Characteristics are based on the composition of the loan pool at issuance in 2023. <sup>2</sup>Credit quality based on issuing bank's internal rating methodology.

Security Reference Portfolio<sup>1</sup>

			becurity Reference Portfolio
Issuing Bank	entivized to Maintain Disciplined Underwriting Processes and Standards Unhedged exposure outside the		
Retention	<ul> <li>security structure</li> <li>Senior tranche</li> <li>Equity tranche of mezzanine-only tranche issuances</li> </ul>	Unhedged Exposure	Senior tranche
Security A	Attributes Align with Investors' Objectives	(retained by issuer)	(retained by issuer)
Coupon	<ul> <li>Floating rate</li> <li>Base rate plus a contractual spread</li> <li>Paid/distributed quarterly</li> <li><u>Not</u> subject to potential discretionary suspension</li> </ul>		
Duration	<ul> <li>0.25 years</li> </ul>	ľ	Equity and/or mezzanine tranche(s)
Expected Maturity	<ul> <li>3 to 5 years for new issues</li> </ul>		(external investors)
Issuer	<ul> <li>Established global financial institutions in the U.K., Europe, Canada, U.S., and Asia</li> </ul>		

**Security Reference Portfolio** 

Denotes the regulatory capital relief security

The above characteristics are hypothetical and do not represent a particular investment.

### Risk sharing an effective tool for Banks' balance sheet management

	Under Basel II (\$mm)	<b>Under Basel III</b> (\$mm)	Under Basel III with a Regulatory Capital Relief Transaction (\$mm)	
Reference Portfolio	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Risk-Weighted Assets	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$500	
Portfolio Yield to the Bank (assumes 5% weighted average coupon)	\$50	\$50	i \$50 I	Reduced
Coupon Paid to Investors	n/a	n/a	I -\$9 I	50%
Bank Cost of Capital	-\$34.8	-\$42.6	I -\$36.3	
Net Interest Margin	\$15.2	\$7.4	\$4.7	
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	4.0%	10.5%	10.5%	
Required Tier 1 Capital	\$40	\$105	\$52.5	
Return on Tier 1 Capital	38.0%	7.0%	9.0%	
	capital negat	+27 • \$52	urn on Tier 1 Capital increases % from 7.0% to 9.0% .5mm of Tier 1 Capital can be eployed	

The above example is hypothetical and does not represent the economics of a particular bank. Small changes to any of the assumptions incorporated in the example may lead to a significant change in outputs. Assumptions in the example include: 1) 100% risk weighting for exposures to corporate credit; 2) 50% reduction in risk weighted assets for the bank through the issuance of a regulatory capital relief security with a \$90mm equity tranche and 10% coupon; 3) 5% weighted average coupon for the reference portfolio; 4) 3% debt cost of capital and 15% equity cost of capital.



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### Statement of Assets and Liabilities (unaudited)

	<u>September 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>
Assets		
Unaffiliated Investments in securities, at fair value cost:		
\$197,882,783 and \$202,773,752 respectively)	\$ 194,138,087	\$ 196,381,090
Affiliated Investments in securities, at fair value cost:		
\$14,714,671 and \$14,706,678 respectively)	11,182,150	11,091,504
Receivable for Investments sold	-	-
Interest and dividends receivable	3,723,786	4,041,128
Foreign cash (cost: \$361,055 and \$986,210 respectively)	404,202	985,893
Cash	1,147,021	790,655
Unrealized appreciation on forward currency exchange contracts	208,068	11,336
Prepaid assets	470,125	541,294
Total assets	211,273,439	213,842,900
Liabilities		
Loan payable	55,500,000	58,800,000
Investment Payable	-	-
Dividends payable	41	37
Investment advisory fee payable	926,787	932,544
Loan interest payable	20,807	59,210
Unrealized depreciation on forward currency exchange contracts	-	95,917
Payable for securities purchased	8,408	8,408
Delaware franchise tax payable	-	42,364
Accrued expenses payable	98,897	295,986
Total liabilities	56,554,940	60,234,466
Net Assets	\$ 154,718,499	\$ 153,608,434
Net Assets consist of:		
Common stock at par (\$0.001 per share)	\$ 7,121	\$ 7,119
Paid-in-Capital	156,439,968	156,401,818
Total distributable earnings / (loss)	(1,728,590)	(2,800,503)
Net Assets	<u> </u>	\$ 153,608,434
Net Asset Value Per Share:		
Common Stock Shares Outstanding	7,120,782	7,118,920
Net asset value per common share	\$ 21.73	\$ 21.58
Market price per share	\$ 20.69	\$ 18.44
Market price premium/(discount) to net asset value per share	-4.79%	-14.55%

### Statement of Operations (unaudited)

	For The Three Months Ended September 30, 2024	For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2024
Interest from unaffiliated investments	\$ 7,310,819	\$ 7,130,256
Interest from affiliated investments	315,940	323,946
Dividends	3,934	1,121
Origination fee income	32,277	32,130
Other income (service fees and due diligence fees)	22,517	30,662
Total Investment Income	7,685,486	7,518,115
Expenses		
Investment advisory fees	926,787	932,544
Interest expense	1,119,307	1,045,715
Directors' fees	53,541	52,960
Transfer agent, custodian fees and administrator fees	79,231	76,376
Bank administration fees	74,205	73,398
Professional fees	217,137	182,337
Investor relations fees	50,166	49,227
Delaware franchise tax	23,913	21,182
Insurance expense	19,481	19,270
Valuation fees	51,507	47,486
Printing	-	-
Miscellaneous fees (proxy etc.)	90,865	85,547
Total expenses	2,706,140	2,586,042
Less: Advisory fee waiver	(20,734)	(20,734)
Net expenses after waivers	2,685,406	2,565,308
Net Investment Income	5,000,080	4,952,807
Realized and Unrealized Gain / (Loss) on Investments and Foreign Currency Transactions		
Net realized gain / (loss) on investments	(843,829)	1,054,910
Net realized gain from forward foreign currency contracts	(2,602,984)	216,111
Net realized gain / (loss) from foreign currency translations	(318,281)	347,966
Net change in net unrealized appreciation / (depreciation) on unaffiliated investments	2,647,966	(761,596)
Net change in net unrealized appreciation / (depreciation) affiliated on investments	82,653	(376)
Net change in unrealized appreciation / (depreciation) on forward currency contracts	292,648	(213,499)
Net change in unrealized appreciation / (depreciation) on foreign currency translations	17,173	5,703
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss) on investments, forward foreign currency contracts		
and foreign currency translations	(724,654)	649,219
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting From Operations	\$ 4,275,426	\$ 5,602,026

### Financial Highlights (unaudited)

	For The Three Months Ended September 30, 2024	For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2024		
Per Share Operating Performance				
Net Asset Value, beginning of period	\$ 21.58	\$ 21.24		
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup>	0.70	0.70		
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(0.10)	0.09		
Total from investment operations	0.60	0.79		
Less distributions to shareholders				
From net investment income	(0.45)	(0.45)		
Total distributions	(0.45)	(0.45)		
Net asset value, end of period	<u> </u>	\$ 21.58		
Per share market value, end of period	\$ 20.69	\$ 18.44		
Total Investment Return (2)				
Based on market value	<b>14.67%</b>	-0.53%		
Based on net asset value	2.91%	4.13%		
Ratios and Supplemental Data				
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	\$ 154.7	<u>    \$  153.6</u>		
Ratios (as a percentage to average net assets):				
Expenses before waivers <sup>(3)(4)*</sup>	6.99%	6.21%		
Expenses after waivers <sup>(5)*</sup>	6.94%	6.16%		
Net investment income <sup>(6)*</sup>	12.92%	13.11%		
Portfolio turnover rate **	3%	4%		
Revolving Credit Agreement				
Total revolving credit agreement outstanding (000's)	\$ 55,500	\$ 58,800		
Asset coverage per \$1,000 for revolving credit agreement <sup>(7)</sup>	3,788	3,612		

(1) Based on the average shares outstanding during quarter.

(2) Reflects reinvestment of distributions at the price obtained under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan. Total return does not include sales load and offering expenses and are not annualized.

(3) Excluding interest expense, the ratio would have been 4.05% and 3.85%.

(4) Ratio of expenses before waivers to average managed assets equals 5.05% and 4.88%.

(5) Ratio of expenses after waivers to average managed assets equals 5.09% and 4.84%.

(6) Ratio of net investment income to average managed assets equals 9.40% and 9.81%.

(7) Calculated by subtracting the Company's total liabilities (excluding the loan) from the Company's total assets and dividing the amount by the loan outstanding in 000's.

\* Annualized

\*\*Not-annualized



ArrowMark Financial Corp. (BANX) Portfolio and Performance Regulatory Capital Relief Overview Financials Key Personnel

#### SANJAI BHONSLE | CHAIRMAN & CEO

Mr. Bhonsle was elected Chairman & CEO of ArrowMark Financial Corp. in February 2020.

Mr. Bhonsle joined ArrowMark Partners in October 2012 and serves as Partner and Portfolio Manager for ArrowMark's Partners leveraged loan investments and collateralized loan obligation funds. Prior to joining the firm, he founded MB Consulting Partners in 2009, where he specialized in financial and operational restructuring advisory to stressed and distressed middle-market companies. With decades of restructuring experience, he has led numerous assignments across various industries.

Sanjai was a Senior Portfolio Manager at GSO Capital Partners, a subsidiary of The Blackstone Group, and member of the Investment and Management Committee (2005-2009). Prior to joining GSO Capital Partners, Sanjai was an Assistant Portfolio Manager for RBC Capital Partners' debt investment group and was a member of the Investment Committee (2001-2005). He also led the group's restructuring efforts related to distressed investments and represented the firm's interests on creditor committees. From 1999-2001, Sanjai was a Senior Investment Analyst at Indosuez Capital Partners. Sanjai received a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and an MBA from the Eli Broad Graduate School of Management at Michigan State University.

#### DANA STAGGS | PRESIDENT

Mr. Staggs was elected President of ArrowMark Financial Corp in June 2022.

Mr. Staggs joined ArrowMark in June of 2017 and is a team member of ArrowMark's Private Capital Solutions group where he sources, structures, and manages private debt and non-control private equity investments. Prior to joining ArrowMark Partners in 2017, he worked in similar capacities at firms to include Goldman Sachs & Co., Barclays Private Credit Partners LLC and GE Capital. Mr. Staggs previously served over 10 years as a surface warfare officer in the U.S. Navy, having attained the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from the United States Naval Academy and an MBA from The Mason School of Business at the College of William and Mary.

#### PATRICK J. FARRELL | CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Mr. Farrell was re-elected as ArrowMark Financial Corp.'s Chief Financial Officer in February 2020. He has served in this role since April 2014. Mr. Farrell is responsible for all financial and accounting activities at ArrowMark Financial.

Mr. Farrell has served as Chief Financial Officer at StoneCastle Partners, LLC since 2014. Mr. Farrell has served as a Director of StoneCastle Trust Co. since January 2021. He has over forty years of hands-on management experience in finance and accounting, specifically focused on domestic and off-shore mutual funds, bank deposit account programs, investment advisory and broker dealer business.

Previously, Mr. Farrell was CFO/COO of the Emerging Managers Group, LP, a specialty asset management firm focused on offshore mutual funds. Prior to that, Pat was CFO at Reserve Management. Earlier in his career, Pat held financial positions at Lexington Management, Drexel Burnham Lambert, Alliance Capital and New York Life Investment Management, all focused on investment advisory activities. He began his career as an auditor at Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. in New York. Pat holds a BS in Business Administration-Accounting from Manhattan College.

Mr. Farrell is a Certified Public Accountant in New York State and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

#### **RICK GROVE | CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

Mr. Grove was elected Chief Compliance Officer of ArrowMark Financial Corp. in February 2020.

He is a Principal and Chief Compliance Officer at ArrowMark Partners. He is also the Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary for Meridian Fund, Inc. Before joining ArrowMark Partners in 2008, he was Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer for Black Creek Global Advisors (2007-2008). Prior to that position, Rick served as Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer for Madison Capital Management (2005-2007), Assistant Vice President and Director of Compliance at Janus Capital Group (1993-2005), and Fund Accountant for Oppenheimer Funds (1992-1993). Rick graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor's degree in Accounting.

Risks are inherent in all investing. The following summarizes some, but not all, of the risks that should be considered for the Company. For additional information about the risks associated with investing in the Company, please see the Company's prospectus as well as other Company regulatory filings.

**Investment and Market Risk:** An investment in the Company's common shares ("Common Shares") is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal invested. Common Shares at any point in time may be worth less than the original investment, even after taking into account the reinvestment of Company dividends and distributions. The Company expects to utilize leverage, which will magnify investment risk.

**Regulatory Capital Relief Securities Risk:** Regulatory capital relief securities are subject to several risks. In particular, to all capital securities, banking regulators could change or amend existing banking regulations which could affect the regulatory treatment of regulatory capital relief securities, where stricter regulation could make regulatory capital relief securities less desirable, or undesirable, for banks to issue, reducing the supply of new investments. Should an adverse regulatory development occur in the future, it would likely result in the bank issuer of such securities being able to redeem an investment early, which subjects the Company to reinvestment risk. Regulatory capital relief securities remain subject to the same sector specific and other risks as any banking-related investment that the Company may acquire, including, but not limited to, credit risk, interest rate risk, prepayments, adverse changes in market value or liquidity and the quality of the loans extended by each bank to its clients.

Preferred and Debt Securities Risk: Preferred and debt securities in which the Company invests are subject to various risks, including credit risk, interest rate risk, call/prepayment risk and reinvestment Annual Report | ArrowMark Financial Corp. 28 risk. In addition, preferred securities are subject to certain other risks, including deferral and omission risk, subordination risk, limited voting rights risk and special redemption rights risk.

**Credit Risk:** The Company is subject to credit risk, which is the risk that an issuer of a security may be unable or unwilling to make dividend, interest and principal payments when due and the related risk that the value of a security may decline because of concerns about the issuer's ability or willingness to make such payments.

Leverage Risk: The use of leverage by the Company can magnify the effect of any losses. If the income and gains from the securities and investments purchased with leverage proceeds do not cover the cost of leverage, the return on the Common Shares will be less than if leverage had not been used. Moreover, leverage involves risks and special considerations for holders of Common Shares including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of the Common Shares than a comparable portfolio without leverage, and the risk that fluctuations in interest rates on reverse repurchase agreements, borrowings and short-term debt or in the dividend rates on any preferred shares issued by the Company will reduce the return to the holders of Common Shares or will result in fluctuations in the dividends paid on the Common Shares. There is no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful.

**Call/Prepayment and Reinvestment Risk**: If an issuer of a security exercises an option to redeem its issue at par or prepay principal earlier than scheduled, the Company may be forced to reinvest in lower yielding securities. A decline in income could affect the Common Shares' market price or the overall return of the Company.

### **Risk Considerations**

**Risks of Concentration in the Banking industry/Financial Sector:** Because the Company concentrates in the banking industry and may invest up to 100% of its managed assets in the banking industry and financials sector, it will be more susceptible to adverse economic or regulatory occurrences affecting the banking industry and financials sector, such as changes in interest rates, loan concentration and competition.

**Regulatory Risk:** Financial institutions, including community banks, are subject to various state and federal banking regulations that impact how they conduct business, including but not limited to how they obtain funding. Changes to these regulations could have an adverse effect on their operations and operating results and our investments. We expect to make long-term investments in financial institutions that are subject to various state and federal regulations and oversight. Congress, state legislatures and the various bank regulatory agencies frequently introduce proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking industry in response to the Dodd-Frank Act, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "CFPB") rulemaking or otherwise. The likelihood and timing of any proposals or legislation and the impact they might have on our investments in financial institutions affected by such changes cannot be determined and any such changes may be adverse to our investments. Federal banking regulators recently proposed amended regulatory capital regulations in response to The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") and Basel III protocols which would impose even more stringent capital requirements. In the event that a regulated bank falls below certain capital adequacy standards, it may become subject to regulatory intervention including, but not limited to, being placed into a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)-administered receivership or conservatorship. The effect of inadequate capital can have a potentially adverse consequence on the institution's financial condition, its ability to operate as a regulated financial institution and may have a material adverse impact on our investments.

Interest Rate Risk: The market value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase and, conversely, tends to increase as interest rates decline. In addition, because of the conversion feature, the market value of convertible securities tends to vary with fluctuations in the market value of the underlying common stock. Contingent convertible securities provide for mandatory conversion into common stock of the issuer under certain circumstances. Since the common stock of the issuer may not pay a dividend, investors in these instruments could experience a reduced income rate, potentially to zero; and conversion would deepen the subordination of the investor, hence worsening standing in a bankruptcy. In addition, so me such instruments have a set stock conversion rate that would cause a reduction in value of the security if the price of the stock is below the conversion price on the conversion date.

**Convertible Securities/Contingent Convertible Securities Risk:** The Company is subject to credit risk, which is the risk that an issuer of a security may be unable or unwilling to make dividend, interest and principal payments when due and the related risk that the value of a security may decline because of concerns about the issuer's ability or willingness to make such payments.

Illiquid and Restricted Securities Risk: Investment of the Company's assets in illiquid and restricted securities may restrict the Company's ability to take advantage of market opportunities. Illiquid and restricted securities may be difficult to dispose of at a fair price at the times when the Company believes it is desirable to do so. The market price of illiquid and restricted securities generally is more volatile than that of more liquid securities, which may adversely affect the price that the Company pays for or recovers upon the sale of such securities. Illiquid and restricted securities are also more difficult to value, especially in challenging markets. The risks associated with illiquid and restricted securities may be particularly acute in situations in which the Company's operations require cash and could result in the Company borrowing to meet its short-term needs or incurring losses on the sale of illiquid or restricted securities.



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