

# DISCIPLINED U.S. GROWTH EQUITY

## QUARTERLY COMMENTARY

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Large Cap Growth stocks (as represented by the Russell 1000 Growth Index) rose 16.7% during the quarter.
- The Glenmede Disciplined U.S. Growth Equity strategy outperformed the Russell 1000 Growth Index by +13.5% net of fees for the quarter.
- The strategy had stock selection outperformance in 3 of 9 sectors versus the index. The most positive relative contributions were in the Information Technology (semiconductors and hardware) and Consumer Staples sectors. The most negative relative contributions were in the Industrials and Health Care sectors.

The Glenmede Disciplined U.S. Growth Equity Composite had a total return for Second Quarter 2026 of +30.2% (net of fees). The Composite outperformed the Russell 1000 Growth Index by a spread of about +13.5%.

For the Second Quarter 2026, S&P 500 and Russell 1000 Growth Indexes had total returns of +15.2% and +16.7%, respectively. Information Technology stocks led the surge in equity markets with many indexes reaching new record highs. Despite ongoing issues with Iran and inflation concerns, investor sentiment was boosted by strong first quarter results with about 83% of Russell 1000 Growth companies reporting positive earnings surprises. In the quarter, crude oil prices fell by about 25% and stock market volatility as measured by the CBOE VIX declined to about 16 versus over 25 at prior quarter end. In the past 30 days, many street analysts have raised their 2026 and 2027 EPS estimates for Russell 1000 companies (68% positive revisions). The Russell 1000 Growth Index outperformed the Russell 1000 Value Index (+13.9%) by about +2.9%. The best performing sectors in the Russell 1000 Growth Index were Information Technology (+21.8%) and Industrials (+21.3%). The worst performing sectors were Energy (-1.8%) and Consumer Staples (+0.2%).

For the Second Quarter, the portfolio benefited from relative underexposures to the Magnificent 7. The strategy had net negative contributions from multi-factor stock selection models, notably from valuation metrics. Underperforming factors included price/earnings, dividend yield, price/free cash flow, margin-related and earnings estimate revisions. Outperforming factors included price momentum (12-Month), earnings growth, trading/volume/liquidity, and price/sales. For First Quarter earnings, about 93% of the portfolio holdings reported positive EPS surprises. In the Second Quarter 2026, the strategy had stock selection outperformance in 3 of 9 sectors versus the index. The most positive relative contributions were in the Information Technology (semiconductors and hardware) and Consumer Staples sectors. The most negative relative contributions were in the Industrials and Health Care sectors. Industry group biases had net negative impact on performance, including the overweighting of health care stocks.

The latest estimate of U.S. real GDP for First Quarter reflected an increase to +2.1% versus +0.5% for the Fourth Quarter which was impacted by the partial U.S. government shutdown. The First Quarter reflected gains in personal consumption expenditures (+0.5%), nonresidential fixed investment (+10.6%), exports (+10.9%) and federal expenditures (+9.4%). Detractors included imports (+11.8%) and residential investment (-7.8%). For 2026, many economists project real GDP growth of +1.5% to +2.5% and CPI of about 3% to 4%, respectively. We expect positive corporate profit growth supported by increased productivity, consumer spending, relatively stable inflation, and prudent Fed monetary policy. However, the Middle East and other geopolitical risks can have significant global economic and financial impacts. Currently, our leading industry group indicators target overweightings in Health Care, Industrials, Energy and Real Estate, and underweightings in Consumer Staples, Communication Services and Information Technology. In comparison to last quarter, Energy increased as oil inventories declined and option adjusted spreads widened (less optimism priced into energy companies). Financials (Banks) improved with increases in building permits and more favorable relative price/book. Industrials improved as U.S. and Japanese industrial production strengthened and positive earnings estimate revisions. Utilities increased based on stronger economic data (increases in job openings, inflation and mutual fund flows), relative price/book and return on equity metrics. Consumer Staples decreased with higher energy and materials prices, lower profitability metrics and reduced expected growth. Real Estate decreased with higher food prices, transportation costs, mortgage interest and debt/equity ratios. Information Technology (Hardware) decreased with price appreciation and higher valuations (profits to enterprise value, taxes paid to market value). We believe this strategy is well positioned with its multifactor approach favoring stocks with more attractive valuations, high cash flows, strong fundamentals, positive earnings/revenue estimate trends and favorable technicals.

The "Magnificent Seven" stocks are a group of high-performing and influential companies in the U.S. stock market. The list includes: Apple, Microsoft, Amazon, Alphabet (Google), Tesla and Nvidia.

## Disciplined U.S. Growth Equity Composite Performance (%)

| As of 6/30/2026     | QTD  | YTD  | 1 YEAR | 3 YEAR* | 5 YEAR* | 10 YEAR* | SINCE INCEPTION* (12/31/02) |
|---------------------|------|------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Glenmede (Gross)    | 30.4 | 25.5 | 38.1   | 26.2    | 15.8    | 18.2     | 14.2                        |
| Glenmede (Net)      | 30.2 | 25.1 | 37.2   | 25.3    | 14.9    | 17.3     | 13.4                        |
| Russell 1000 Growth | 16.7 | 5.3  | 17.7   | 22.6    | 13.7    | 18.6     | 13.2                        |

\*Annualized

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The Glenmede Disciplined U.S. Growth Equity Equity Composite objective is to provide maximum long-term return with reasonable risk to principal, by investing in domestic stocks of the Russell 1000 Growth universe. The Russell 1000 Growth Index is an unmanaged, market value weighted index, which measures performance of the largest 1,000 companies in the market. Returns include the reinvestment of dividends and other income. One cannot invest directly in an index. **Prior to 12/31/2024, the strategy was known as Glenmede Quantitative U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity.**

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