## Saratoga Investment Corp.

Fiscal Fourth Quarter and Fiscal Year 2021 Shareholder Presentation

May 6, 2021



## Continued Growth and Outperformance in FY21 & Q4

#### Fiscal Year-End and Fourth Quarter 2021 Highlights:

- Continued high quality portfolio and strong performance
  - Investment quality remains strong
    - 93.3% of loan investments with highest internal rating
  - Return on equity of 5.0% for LTM and 12.3% for Q4, beating BDC industry mean of 0.4%
    - Unrealized appreciation of \$5.6 million in Q4, over 95% of Q1 reduction in value now recovered
  - Gross Unlevered IRR of 13.0% on total unrealized portfolio as of February 28, 2021
    - Fair value of \$554.3 million is 1% above total cost of portfolio
    - Gross Unlevered IRR of 16.5% on \$560.5 million of total realizations
- Consistent strong long-term originations contribute to growing assets under management
  - AUM up 14% since last year-end with originations of \$202.3 million in FY 2021 and \$80.2 million in Q4
  - Completed fourth refinancing of the Saratoga CLO, upsized from \$500 million to \$650 million
- Base of liquidity and capital remains strong
  - Year-end liquidity allows growth of AUM by 39% and is mostly long-term
  - Does not include \$50 million 4.375% 5-year unsecured bond issued on March 10, 2021
- Increased dividend by \$0.01 to \$0.43 per share for the quarter ended February 28, 2021, paid on April 22, 2021
- Key performance indicators of Q4 continue to grow from Q3
  - Adjusted NII of \$5.8 million is up 4.5%, Adjusted NII per share of 52c is up 2c, LTM ROE of 5.0% is down from 11.0% and NAV per share of \$27.25 is up 1.5%, or \$0.41, to highest level yet
    - NAV per share has increased 12 of the past 14 quarters



#### Continued Asset Growth and Strong Credit Quality



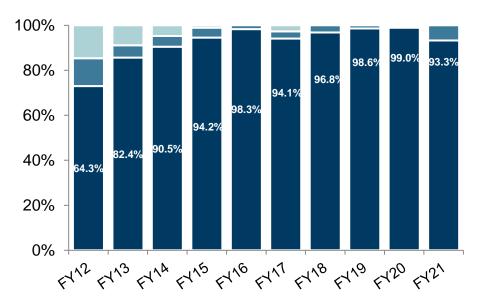
**Asset Base Expansion Trend** 

Investments at Fair Value (\$ million)

Fair value of AUM increased 14% year– over–year

Fair value of \$554m at FY21 is 1% above cost

#### **Overall Credit Quality Remains Strong**



Performing Underperforming Expected Loss of Principal

93% of our SAR loan investments hold our highest internal rating; two on nonaccrual at quarter-end\*

\* Excludes our investment in our CLO and our equity positions



## Q4 FY21: Strong Financial Foundation and Momentum

#### Kev Performance Metrics for the Fiscal Quarter

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For the quarter ended and as of (\$ in millions except per share)	Feb 29, 2020	Nov 30, 2020	Feb 28, 2021	2123120 1130120 2128				
Net investment income	\$1,649	\$4,471	\$4,289	\$5,000				
Adjusted net investment income*	\$6,812	\$5,530	\$5,780	\$10,000				
Net investment income per share	\$0.15	\$0.40	\$0.38	\$0.70				
Adjusted net investment income per share*	\$0.61	\$0.50	\$0.52	\$0.70				
Net investment income yield	2.3%	6.0%	5.7%	13%				
Adjusted net investment income yield*	9.3%	7.4%	7.7%	13%				
Return on Equity – Last Twelve Months	23.6%	11.0%	5.0%	50%				
Fair value of investment portfolio	\$485.6	\$546.9	\$554.3	\$600 \$400				
Total net assets	\$304.3	\$299.9	\$304.2	\$310 \$300 \$290				
Investments in new/existing portfolio companies	\$43.2	\$51.3	\$80.2	\$100 \$0				
Loan Investments held in "Performing" credit ratings	99.0%	92.8%	93.3%	100% 90% 80%				

\*Adjusted for accrued capital gains incentive fee expense, reconciliation to GAAP net investment income, net investment income per share and net investment income yield included in our fiscal fourth quarter 2021 earnings release.



## FY21: Strong Financial Foundation and Momentum

Key Performance Metrics for the Fiscal Year							
For the year ended and as of (\$ in millions except per share)	Feb 28, 2019	Feb 29, 2020	Feb 28, 2021				
Net investment income	\$18,302	\$14,862	\$23,113	\$50,000 \$0			
Adjusted net investment income*	\$18,553	\$23,221	\$22,569	\$50,000 \$0			
Net investment income per share	\$2.60	\$1.59	\$2.07	\$5.00 \$0.00			
Adjusted net investment income per share*	\$2.63	\$2.49	\$2.02	\$5.00 \$0.00			
Net investment income yield	10.5%	6.3%	7.8%	20% 0%			
Adjusted net investment income yield*	10.6%	9.9%	7.6%	20% 			
Return on Equity – Last Twelve Months	10.6%	23.6%	5.0%	\$50 \$0			
Fair value of investment portfolio	\$402.0	\$485.6	\$554.3	\$1,000 \$0			
Total net assets	\$180.9	\$304.3	\$304.2	\$500 \$0			
Investments in new/existing portfolio companies	\$187.7	\$204.6	\$202.3	\$250 \$200 \$150			

Loan Investments held in "strong" credit ratings 98.6%

\*Adjusted for accrued capital gains incentive fee expense, reconciliation to GAAP net investment income, net investment income per share and net investment income yield included in our fiscal fourth quarter 2021 earnings release.

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#### Long-Term Accretive NAV Growth

\$350

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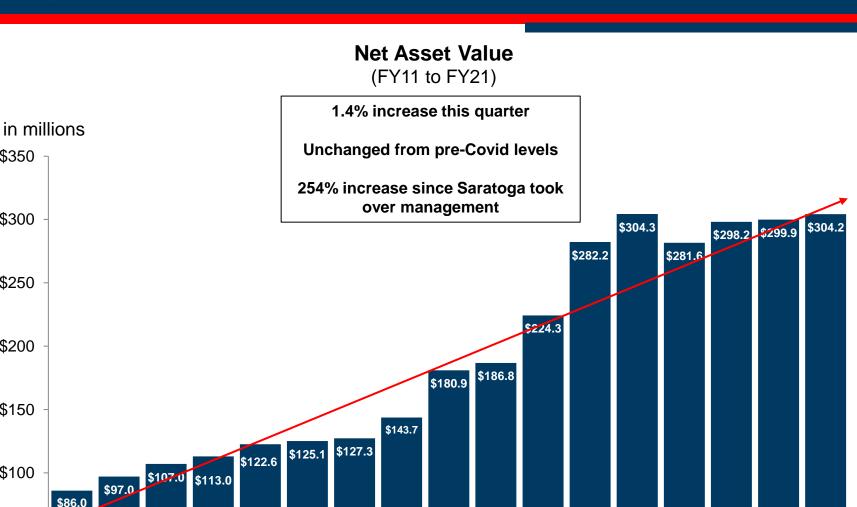
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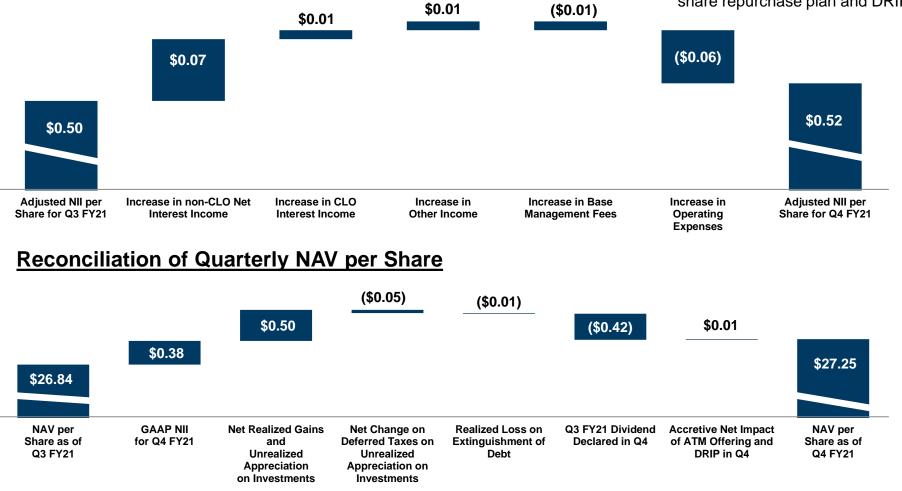


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## Quarterly Reconciliation of NII and NAV per Share

**Reconciliation of Quarterly Adjusted NII per Share** 

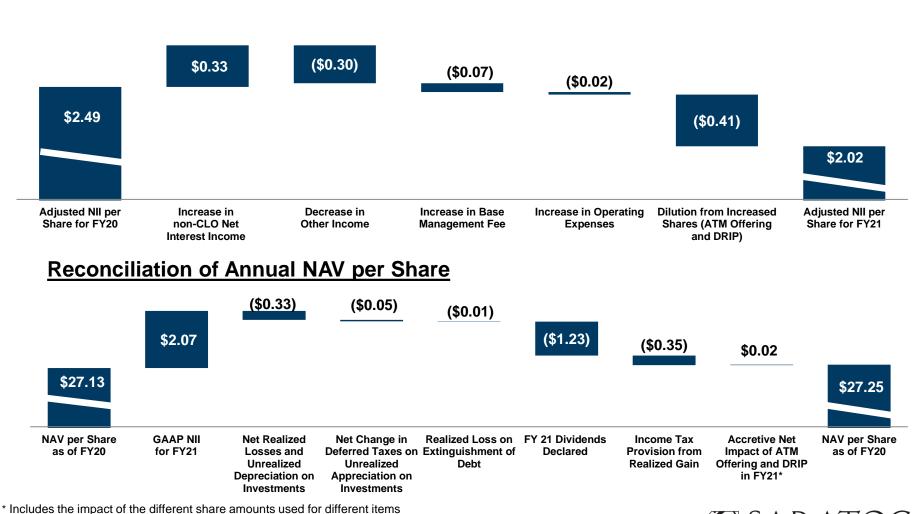
- Impacts are shown net of incentive fee
- Zero net accretion / dilution from share repurchase plan and DRIP





## Annual Reconciliation of NII and NAV per Share

**Reconciliation of Annual Adjusted NII per Share** 



\* Includes the impact of the different share amounts used for different items (weighted average basic common shares outstanding for the full year earnings numbers and actual common shares outstanding at the end of the year) in the per common share data calculation and rounding impacts.

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Impacts are shown net

of incentive fee

## Dry Powder Remains Available

(As of Feb 28, 2	2021)	Total Borrowing Capacity	Outstanding	Available Liquidity	Remaining Maturity Period	Fixed / Floating Rate
Secured Revo Credit Faci	•	\$45.0 million	\$0.0 million	\$45.0 million	4.5 Years	Floating
SBA	SBIC I	\$124.0 million	\$124.0 million	\$0.0 million	2-8 years	Fixed
Debentures	SBIC II	\$175.0 million	\$34.0 million	\$141.0 million	9-10 years	Fixed
Publicly-	SAF	\$60.0 million	\$60.0 million	\$0.0 million	4.5 Years	Fixed
Traded Notes (at par value)	SAK	\$43.1 million	\$43.1 million	\$0.0 million	4 Years	Fixed
Private Not (at par valu		\$20.0 million	\$20.0 million	\$0.0 million	4-6 Years	Fixed
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Total Available Liquidity (at quarter-end): \$215.9 million

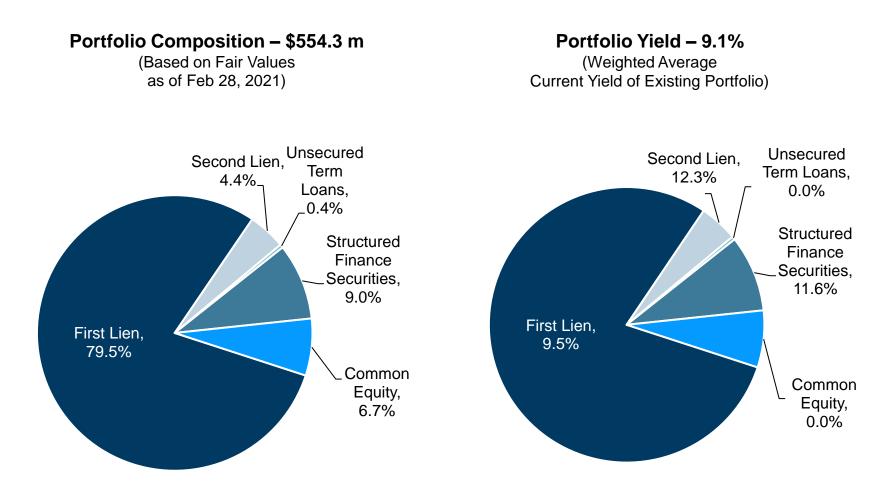
Ability to grow AUM by 39% without any new external financing as of Feb 28, 2021

- \$104m of SBIC II debentures currently available and undrawn on \$69m of capital for new and existing SBIC II investments. SBIC II debentures are generally not available to support existing BDC or SBIC I investments
- The above available liquidity does not include the \$50m 4.375% 5-year unsecured bond offering completed on March 10, 2021

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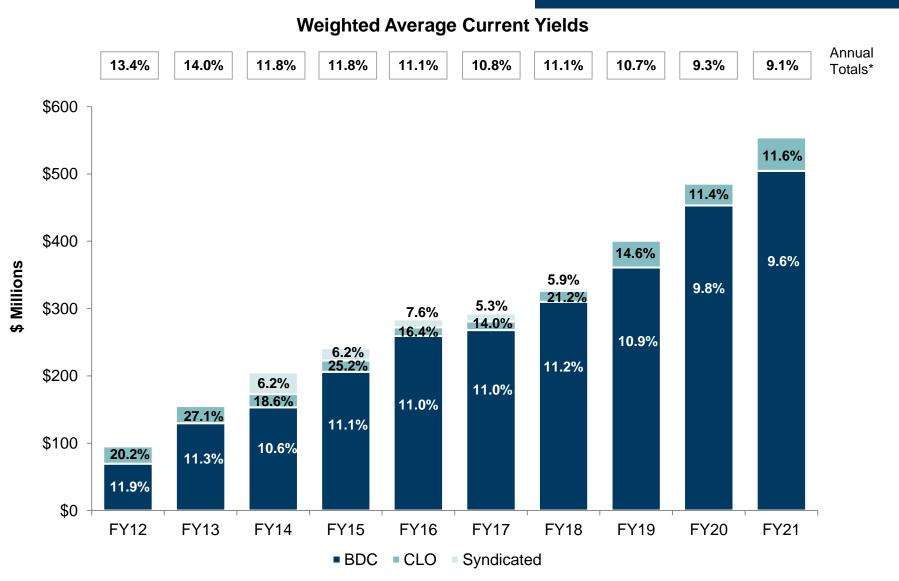
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#### Portfolio Composition and Yield





#### Yield of BDC Remains Healthy

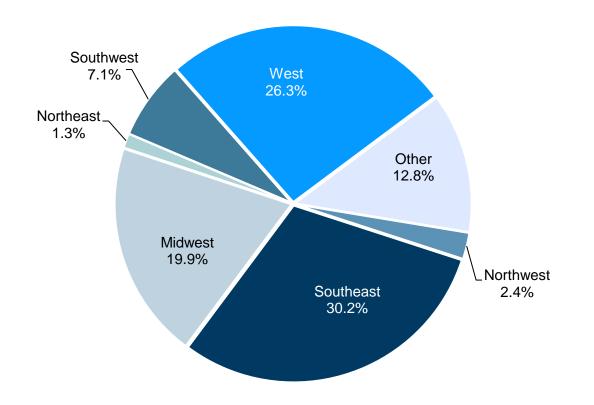


\* Annual total yields on full portfolio. BDC, CLO and Syndicated yields are annualized and calculated on fair value of interest earning assets.



#### Diversified Across Geography

**Investments Diversified Geographically** 



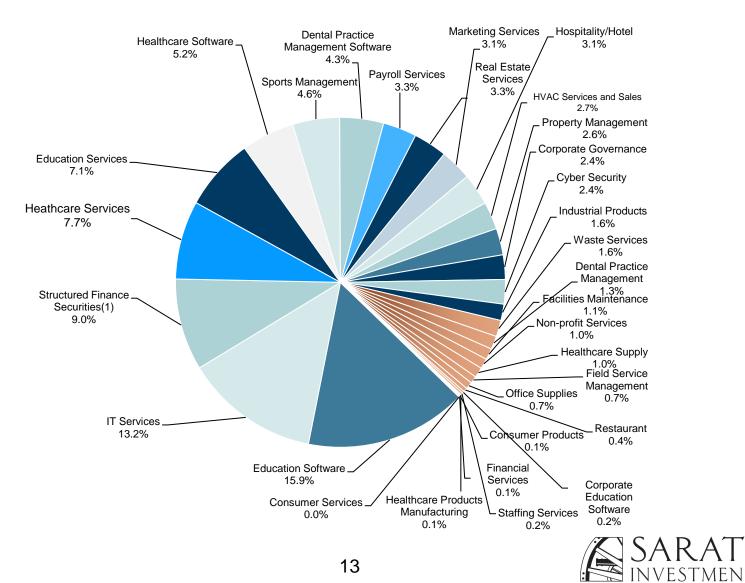


#### **Diversified Across Industry**



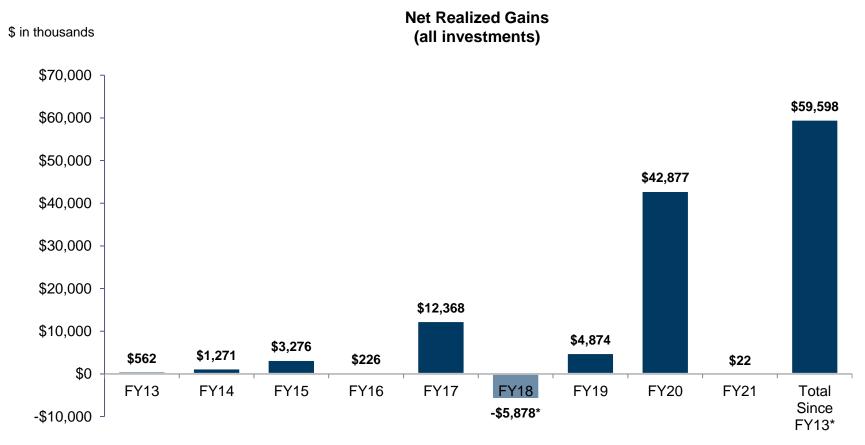
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#### Investments across 31 distinct industries



## Net Realized Gains Help Protect Shareholder Capital

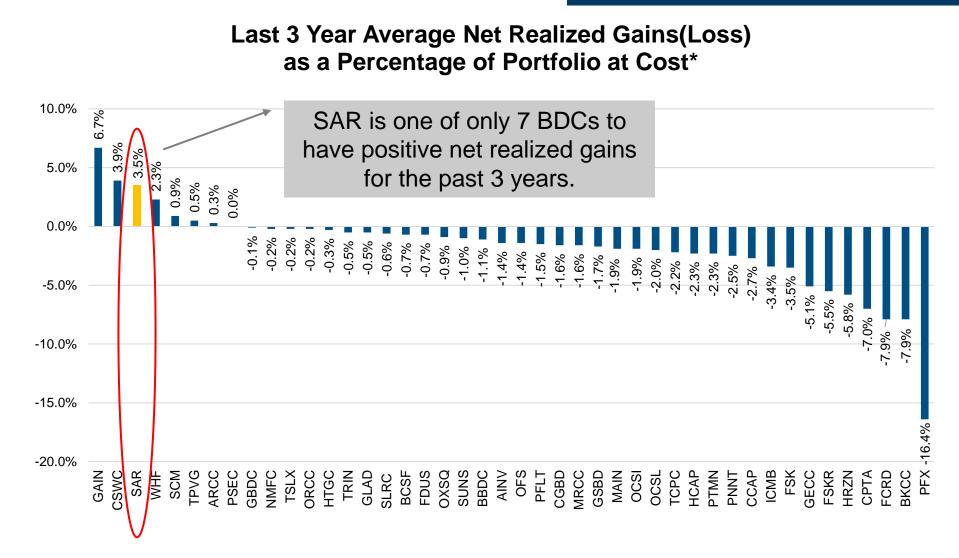
#### Cumulative net realized gains reflect portfolio credit quality



\* Reflects realized loss on My Alarm Center investment of \$7.7m less \$1.8m in other realized gains in FY18. Reflects investments originated by Saratoga management (excludes Elyria legacy investment)



#### Strong Net Realized Gains Flow from Disciplined Underwriting

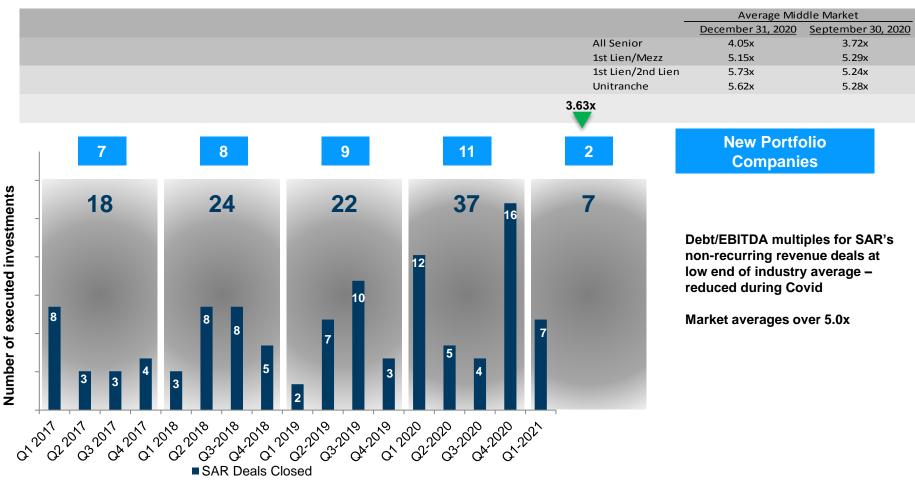


Source: Ladenburg Thalmann Sector Update 3/29/21 - calculated as three year average realized gains as proportion of average cost



#### Exercising Disciplined Investment Judgment While Growing Origination Pace

#### SAR Debt Multiples/Deals Closed (2017-2021) Portfolio leverage with non-recurring revenue underwriting is 3.63x<sup>1</sup>



\*Calendar guarters, not fiscal

<sup>1</sup>Excludes 18 loans underwritten using recurring revenue metrics. These recurring revenue loans would have significantly different portfolio leverage statistics.

\*8 of the 37 deals closed in calendar 2020 were liquidity draws related to COVID.

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## Pipeline Growth Interrupted by COVID-19

New business opportunities severely impacted by COVID-19 but seeing substantial rebound in volume of inquiries

Calendar*	2017	Δ	2018	Δ	2019	Δ	2020	Δ	LTM Q1 2021	
Deals Sourced	722	17%	846	2%	863	28%	619	7%	575	<ul> <li>65% of deal flow from private equity sponsors</li> <li>35% of deals from private companies without institutional ownership</li> <li>Saratoga maintains investment discipline which is demonstrated by passing on ~60 deals a year that other firms close</li> </ul>
Term Sheets (excludes follow-ons)	49	49%	73	5%	77	58%	32	63%	52	<ul> <li>We are seeing increasing term sheets issued in Q1 2021 thus far as compared to last year that was significantly impacted by COVID</li> <li>~ 85% of term sheets are issued for transactions involving a private equity sponsor</li> </ul>
Deals Executed (new and follow-on)	18	33%	24	8%	22	32%	29	3%	28	<ul> <li>Includes follow-on investments which reliably augment portfolio growth</li> <li>YTD 2020 and LTM Q1 2021 deals executed excludes 8 and 4 COVID related liquidity draws, respectively</li> </ul>
New Portfolio Companies	7		8		9		11		10	<ul> <li>Ten new portfolio companies during LTM Q1 2021</li> <li>Saratoga new portfolio company investments average ~ 1.7% of deals reviewed</li> </ul>



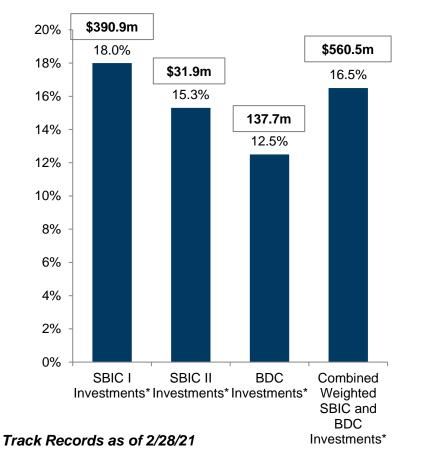
#### **Demonstrated Strong Track Record**

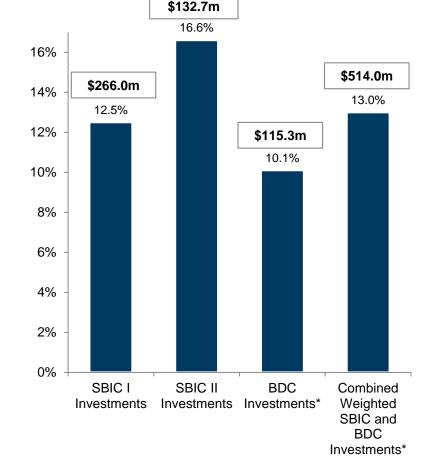
#### **Realized Investments**

#### (Gross Unlevered IRR%)

#### Unrealized Investments<sup>1</sup>

(Gross Unlevered IRR%)





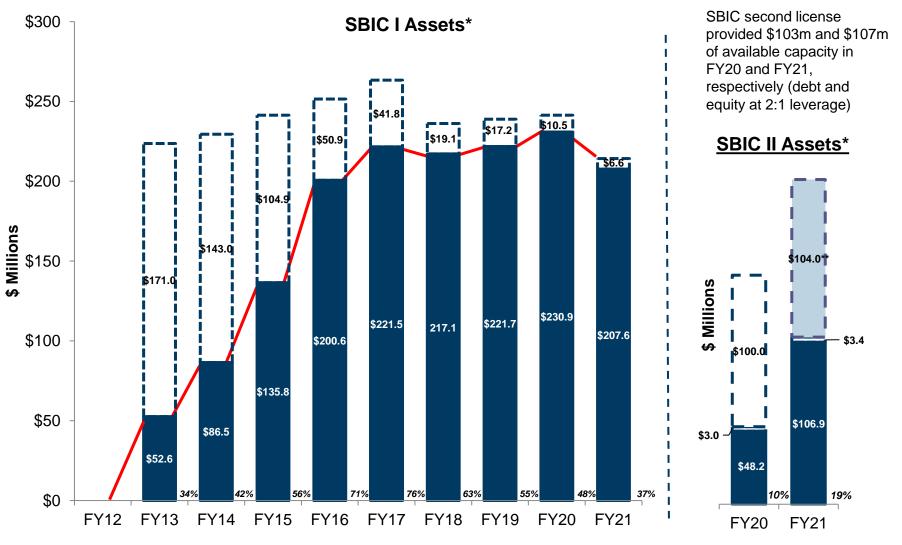
<sup>1</sup> IRRs for unrealized investments include fair value and accrued interest as of 2/28/2021

\* SBIC I and SBIC II investments represent all investments in the specific funds. BDC investments exclude investments existing when Saratoga management took over, and corporate financing investments.



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#### SBIC I Fully Funded - SBIC II Mostly Available



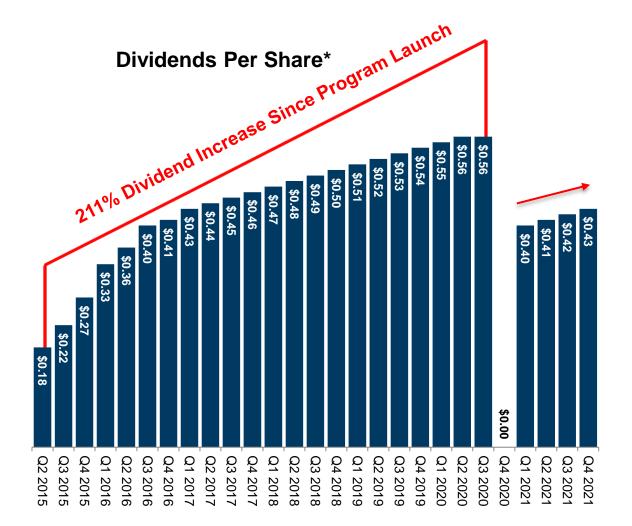
\* At Fair Value for SBIC I and II assets

\*\* Represents current debenture capacity based on \$69.0m committed capital in SBIC II



## Long-Term Dividend Growth

- Established dividend policy to pay regular quarterly cash dividends to stockholders pursuant to dividend reinvestment plan ("DRIP") in 2014
- Increased dividend by 211% since program launch until year-end deferral
- Q4 FY21 dividend of \$0.43 declared and paid for the quarter ended February 28, 2021, an increase of \$0.01



\*Excludes special dividend of \$0.20 per share paid on September 5, 2016



### SAR LTM Total Return In Line with BDC Index

LTM Total Return (%) (Apr 2020 to Apr 2021) SAR 153% v BDC Index 121%



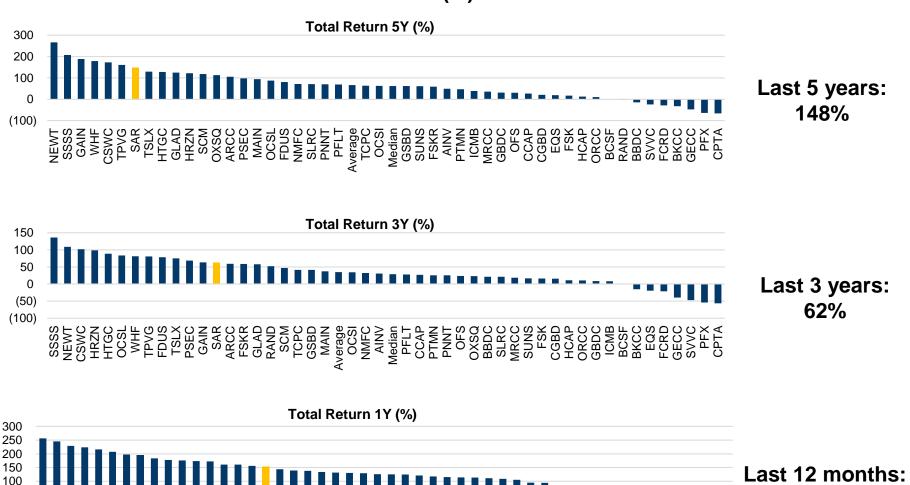


## Long-Term Performance at Top of BDC Industry

**BDC Total Return (%)** 

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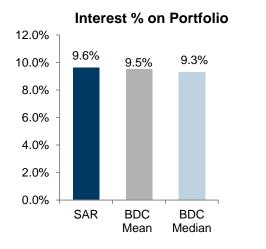


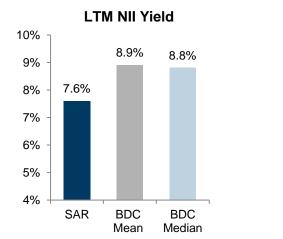
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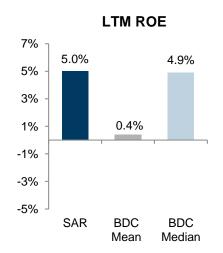
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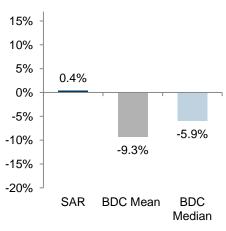
## Strongly Differentiated Outperformance

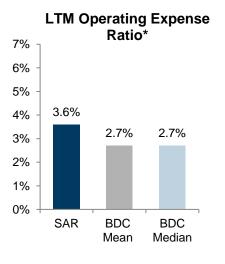






LTM NAV Per Share Growth





Source: SNL Financial / Company Filings / Raymond James report as of 4/2/21

\* LTM Operating Expense Ratio defined as total operating expenses, net of interest and debt financing expenses and income and excise taxes, divided by average total assets. Total Operating expenses divided by net assets is 11.6%.



## Establishing Competitive Edge vs. Other BDCs

#### **Outstanding performance characteristics**

Strong long-term dividend	Increased quarterly dividend by 211% since program launched until recent deferral; Latest dividend declared of 43c per share for the quarter ended February 28, 2021, representing current dividend yield of 6.7% with room to grow; significant management ownership of 14.8%
Strong return on equity	LTM ROE of 5.0% factors in both investment income and net gains/losses, beating the BDC industry average of 0.4%. Seven-year average ROE of 11.4%.
Low-cost available liquidity	Borrowing capacity still at hand through SBIC II debentures, credit facility and cash – can grow current asset base by 39% as of quarter ended February 28, 2021 with most of it in cash or sub-2% cost liquidity (SBIC II debentures) that will be accretive to earnings. Completed \$50m 5-year 4.375% bond offering subsequent to year-end
Solid earnings per share and NII Yield	Attractive and growing NII per share generated from strong risk-adjusted portfolio returns and favorable capital structure
Commitment to AUM expansion	Fair value of AUM increased 1% from last quarter and 14% from year-end, with over 95% of Q1FY21 fair value reduction being recovered.
Well-positioned for changes in interest rates	Approx. 95% of our investments have floating interest rates with floors of 1.0% or higher. Floors of new investments reset at higher levels than current rates this year. Debt primarily at fixed rates and long-term. Upgraded to "BBB+" investment grade rating recently.
Limited oil & gas exposure	Will not be facing significant write-downs as a result of major direct exposure to energy/oil/gas investments
Attractive risk profile	SAR and SBIC leverage is below market averages, 93% of credits are the highest quality, 80% of investments are first lien 24

- Expand our asset base without sacrificing credit quality while benefitting from scale
- Increase our capacity to source, analyze, close and manage our investments by adding to our management team and processes
- Utilize benefits of fully deploying available financing to build scale and increase our AUM and net investment income/yield, enabling us to achieve growth in:
  - Net Asset Value
  - Return on Equity
  - Earnings per Share
  - Stock Values





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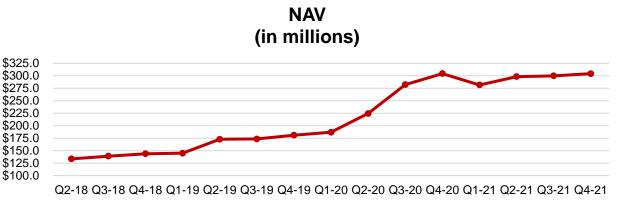
#### KPIs – Balance Sheet – Q4 FY21

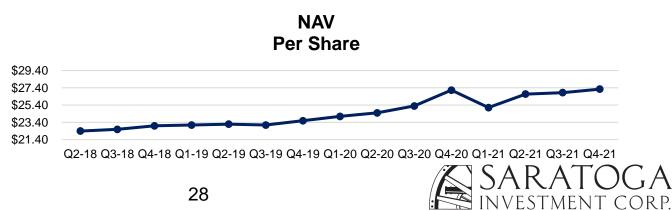
Period	Po	nvestment ortfolio millions)
Q3-18	\$	338.8
Q4-18	\$	342.7
Q1-19	\$	343.4
Q2-19	\$	392.9
Q3-19	\$	443.8
Q4-19	\$	402.0
Q1-20	\$	409.5
Q2-20	\$	486.9
Q3-20	\$	487.0
Q4-20	\$	485.6
Q1-21	\$	482.9
Q2-21	\$	508.1
Q3-21	\$	546.9
Q4-21	\$	554.3

		NAV
Period	(in 1	millions)
Q2-18	\$	133.5
Q3-18	\$	138.8
Q4-18	\$	143.7
Q1-19	\$	144.8
Q2-19	\$	172.7
Q3-19	\$	173.3
Q4-19	\$	180.9
Q1-20	\$	186.8
Q2-20	\$	224.3
Q3-20	\$	282.2
Q4-20	\$	304.3
Q1-21	\$	281.6
Q2-21	\$	298.2
Q3-21	\$	299.9
Q4-21	\$	304.2

	NAV
Period	Per Share
Q2-18	\$ 22.40
Q3-18	\$ 22.60
Q4-18	\$ 23.00
Q1-19	\$ 23.10
Q2-19	\$ 23.20
Q3-19	\$ 23.10
Q4-19	\$ 23.60
Q1-20	\$ 24.10
Q2-20	\$ 24.50
Q3-20	\$ 25.30
Q4-20	\$ 27.13
Q1-21	\$ 25.11
Q2-21	\$ 26.68
Q3-21	\$ 26.84
Q4-21	\$ 27.25

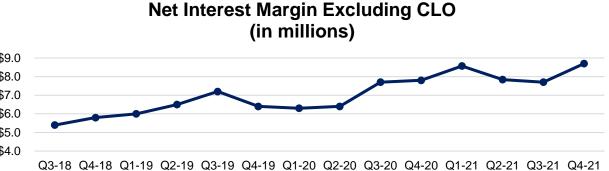
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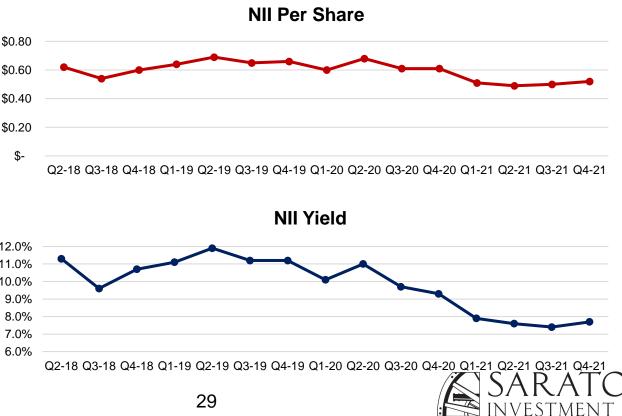




## KPIs – Income Statement – Q4 FY21 (continued)

	Net Inte Marg			
Period	(in mill			
Q3-18	\$	5.4		
Q4-18	\$	5.8		
Q1-19	\$	6.0		
Q2-19	\$	6.5	\$9.0	
Q3-19	\$	7.2	-	
Q4-19	\$	6.4	\$8.0	
Q1-20	\$	6.3	\$7.0	
Q2-20	\$	6.4		
Q3-20	\$	7.7	\$6.0	
Q4-20	\$	7.8	ድር ሳ	
Q1-21	\$	8.6	\$5.0	
Q2-21	\$	7.8	\$4.0	
Q3-21	\$	7.7	<b>\$\$</b>	Q3-18 Q4-18 (
Q4-21	\$	8.7		Q3-10 Q4-10 C
Period	NII Per	Share		
Q2-18	\$	0.62		
Q3-18	\$	0.54		
Q4-18	\$	0.60	\$0.80	
Q1-19	\$	0.64		
Q2-19	\$	0.69	\$0.60	
Q3-19	\$	0.65	φ0.00	
Q4-19	\$	0.66	<b>.</b>	
Q1-20	\$	0.60	\$0.40	
Q2-20	\$	0.68		
Q2-20 Q3-20	\$	0.60	\$0.20	
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Q4-20			•	
Q1-21	\$	0.51	\$-	
Q2-21	\$	0.49		Q2-18 Q3-18 C
Q3-21	\$	0.50		
Q4-21	\$	0.52		
Period	NII Yi			
Q2-18		11.3%		
Q3-18		9.6%		
Q4-18		10.7%	12.0%	
Q1-19		11.1%	11.0%	
Q2-19		11.9%		
Q3-19		11.2%	10.0%	
Q4-19		11.2% 11.2%	9.0%	
Q1-20		10.1%	8.0%	
Q2-20		11.0%	7.0%	
Q3-20		9.7%		
Q4-20		9.3%	6.0%	
Q1-21		7.9%		Q2-18 Q3-18 Q
Q2-21		7.6%		
Q3-21		7.4%		
Q4-21		7.7%		
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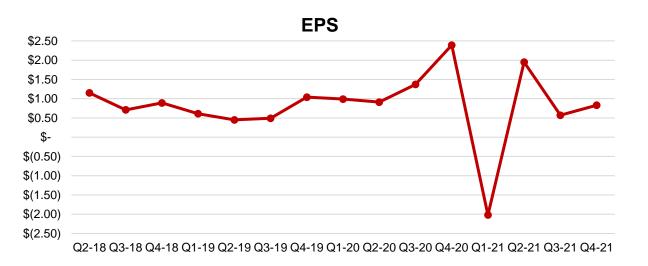




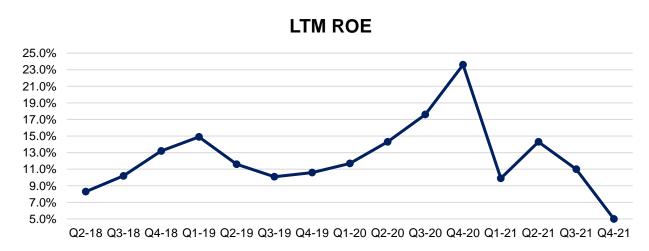
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## KPIs –Income Statement– Q4 FY21 (continued)

Period	EPS
Q2-18	\$ 1.15
Q3-18	\$ 0.71
Q4-18	\$ 0.89
Q1-19	\$ 0.61
Q2-19	\$ 0.45
Q3-19	\$ 0.49
Q4-19	\$ 1.04
Q1-20	\$ 0.99
Q2-20	\$ 0.91
Q3-20	\$ 1.37
Q4-20	\$ 2.39
Q1-21	\$ (2.02)
Q2-21	\$ 1.95
Q3-21	\$ 0.57
Q4-21	\$ 0.83



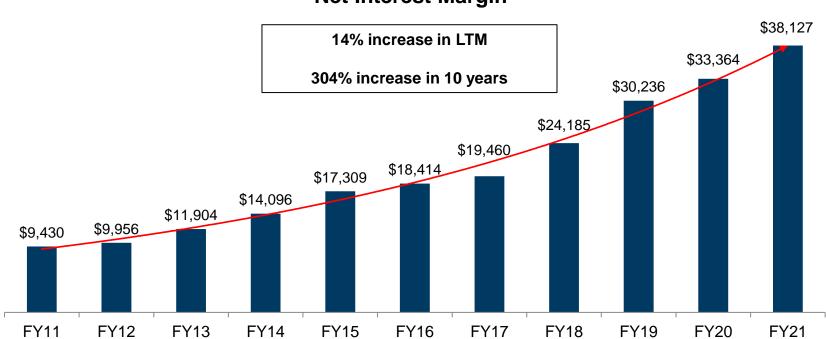
Period	LTM ROE
Q2-18	8.3%
Q3-18	10.2%
Q4-18	13.2%
Q1-19	14.9%
Q2-19	11.6%
Q3-19	10.1%
Q4-19	10.6%
Q1-20	11.7%
Q2-20	14.3%
Q3-20	17.6%
Q4-20	23.6%
Q1-21	9.9%
Q2-21	14.3%
Q3-21	11.0%
Q4-21	5.0%



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## SAR has almost quadrupled its Net Interest Margin since taking over management



#### Net Interest Margin

