

Investor Presentation for the Fiscal Quarter Ended

March 31, 2022

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Gladstone Capital Overview

Background:

- Founded in 2001, Gladstone Capital was one of the first business development companies (BDC) focused on making loans to lower middle market U.S. businesses (\$3-15MM of EBITDA) and today the investment team remains dedicated to the BDC's activities and performance and thus aligned with the BDC's investors
- Gladstone Capital is funded through publicly traded common stock (*Nasdaq: GLAD*) and is leveraged via various senior unsecured note issues and a bank revolving credit facility
- Managed by Gladstone Management Corporation, an SEC registered investment adviser that manages in excess of \$3.8 billion in assets across four publicly traded yield-oriented funds with significant insider equity holdings and a history of shareholder friendly actions to support fund distributions

Investment Strategy:

- Target current yield investments in growth-oriented companies with proven cashflows, where capital flexibility is highly valued to support attractive investment yields
- Growth equity valuations support proportionately greater equity contributions and reduce the investment risk profile, while revenue growth also provides a path to organic deleveraging and multiple repayment options
- Majority of investments are backed by private equity sponsors, which provide institutional governance, strategic sector insight, experience managing leveraged balance sheets and investment capacity to support the business
- Leverage seasoned origination team to source, structure and pro-actively manage investments to mitigate losses

Investment Profile (as of March 31, 2022):

- \$538 million portfolio at fair value diversified across 45 companies and 13 different industries
- Conservative asset mix with 86% of investments in secured loans, 70% in lower risk 1st lien loans and weighted average EBITDA leverage across core proprietary loan portfolio of 3.7x
- Attractive weighted average portfolio yield of 10.2%, which is modestly leveraged (0.68:1 debt/equity) to support GLAD's net investment income (NII) yield on net asset value which averaged 9.9% for the last four quarters

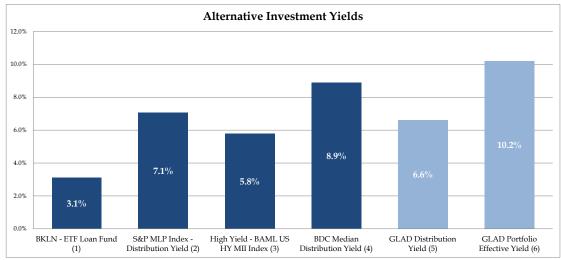
Why Invest in a BDC?

BDCs are regulated by the SEC, which mandates asset diversity, investor transparency via quarterly SEC filings including fair value adjustments of all assets and limits financial leverage to a maximum of 2:1 debt to equity leverage.

BDCs typically operate as regulated investment companies for tax purposes and pay no corporate income taxes, provided they distribute at least 90% of taxable income and all earnings and gains are passed through to investors.

Investment Profile

- Competitive returns Current yields typically exceed other yield-oriented investment alternatives
- Limited interest rate risk Distributions backed by floating rate loans supporting increased distributions as interest rates rise
- Credit protection Distributions generated by a diversified portfolio of secured loans
- Investment liquidity Established public equity market for common stock
- Experienced credit managers Experience and capital base structured to manage loan portfolio through various business cycles to minimize credit losses



- (1) PowerShares Exchange-Traded Fund Trust II Senior Loan Portfolio (BKLN) Yield 3/31/2022
- (2) S&P MLP Index Dividend Yield 3/31/2022
- (3) BAML US High Yield Master II Index Effective Yield 3/31/2022

- (4) Raymond James 4/28/2022 BDC Industry Investment Banking Weekly Newsletter
- (5) GLAD's stock price as of 3/31/2022
- (6) Reported in GLAD's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended 3/31/2022

Gladstone Capital Strategy and Risk Management

Investment Strategy:

- Originate secured debt investments in established lower middle market companies with sustainable margins/cash flows and favorable growth characteristics, which can support a leveraged capital structure
- Target companies with operating cash flow (EBITDA) of \$3-15 million and investments of \$7-30 million
- Maintain industry and borrower diversity across added value businesses with revenue visibility or competitive barriers including specialty manufacturing, industrial or business services, or healthcare services, while avoiding financial services, early stage or high-tech companies, commodity or cyclical businesses

Deal Sourcing:

- Origination team provides regional coverage of middle market PE firms, investment banks and other deal sources
- Leverage seasoned investment team and dedicated lower middle market focus to deliver an elevated level of expertise to win investor-oriented financing solutions and actively manage ongoing investment portfolio risks
- Highly selective screening process where under 5% of deals reviewed ultimately close and the bulk of investments are backed by private equity (~70% of the portfolio at 3/31/22)

Due Diligence:

• Thorough multi-disciplinary "equity like" underwriting approach – blending internal industry experience, onsite visits and management assessments, supplemented with third party financial reviews, industry assessments, management background checks, and legal and insurance investigations, etc.

Risk Management:

- Gladstone Capital requires board level participation in portfolio companies to monitor operating performance and outlook to proactively manage risk profile
- Ongoing senior management reviews, quarterly third party expert investment valuations which are subject to quarterly oversight by Gladstone Capital's audit committee and independent board members

Attractive Lower Middle Market Dynamics

Why we target lower middle market ("LMM") companies

- Greater industry diversity and more consistent flow of growth-oriented investment opportunities across the vast array of U.S. based businesses
- Lower middle market companies typically sell for lower cash flow multiples, which translates into reduced financial leverage and better asset collateral coverage
- Smaller investment size attracts less competition from larger funds or commercial banks which supports more attractive investment returns at lower relative leverage levels
- More receptive to equity co-investments, providing an opportunity to selectively participate in anticipated growth and equity appreciation

Trends Enhancing Opportunity for Non-Bank Lenders

- A PE Sponsor's ability to scale LMM acquisitions and achieve their targeted equity returns often hinge on the support of a financing solution tailored to the business or deal framework which require a more experienced and responsive lender able to flex to the circumstances even if at a slightly higher financing cost
- The ability to provide simplified and expedient "one-stop" financing solutions serves to expedite transaction closing and reduce execution risk
- Regulations and shifting market conditions have curtailed commercial bank capacity to hold leveraged investments
 and scale diminishes their flexibility to respond to changing business conditions or LMM opportunities
- Most private debt funds focused on senior loans to larger borrowers (>\$10 million EBITDA) with higher minimum investment thresholds to achieve costs efficiencies and meet deployment objectives of their institutional investor base

LMM investment strategy can provide attractive investment upside and is well suited for non-bank investment flexibility

Gladstone Capital 3/31/2022 Quarter Summary

Originations/Portfolio Activity:

- Invested \$11 million during the quarter, which consisted of small add-on investments to existing portfolio companies.
- Received \$50.9 million in exits and repayments, resulting in a \$39.9 million decline in assets for the period; however, subsequent closings have made up much of this run-off.

Portfolio Yield / Net Investment Income (NII):

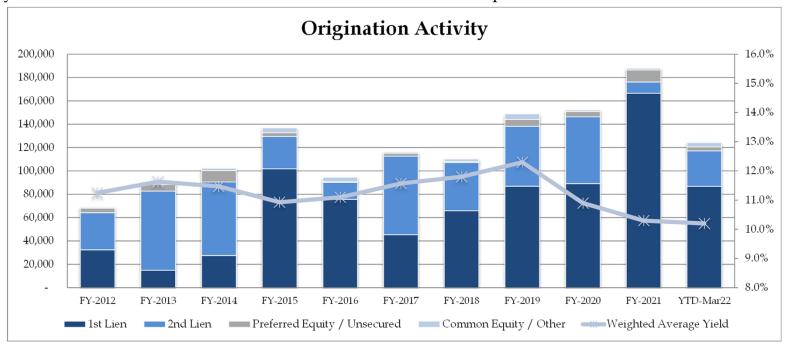
- The weighted average yield on the loan portfolio fell slightly to 10.2%; however, the portfolio average balance increased by \$20 million so interest income at \$13.0 million was largely unchanged from the prior quarter.
- Other income increased by \$1.0 million to \$4.3 million which included a \$3.2 million exit fee which supported the 6.8% increase in total investment income to \$17.3 million.
- Total expenses increased by \$1.6 million, quarter over quarter, driven by an increase in the net management fees associated with the decline in new deal closing fee credits compared to the prior quarter.
- Net investment income for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 was \$8.7 million, a decrease of 5.1%, as compared to the prior quarter, or \$0.25 per share and covered the dividends paid of \$0.195 by 130%.

Portfolio Performance and Valuation:

- Net Assets from Operations came in at \$8.3 million for the quarter, or \$0.24 per share, driven by an increase in earnings and small net unrealized portfolio depreciation and contributed to the \$0.05 per share increase in NAV to \$9.49 per share as of March 31, 2022.
- Overall leverage performance improved as the core portfolio leverage decreased slightly to 3.7x with no non-performing assets as of 3/31/22.

Gladstone Capital Origination Activity

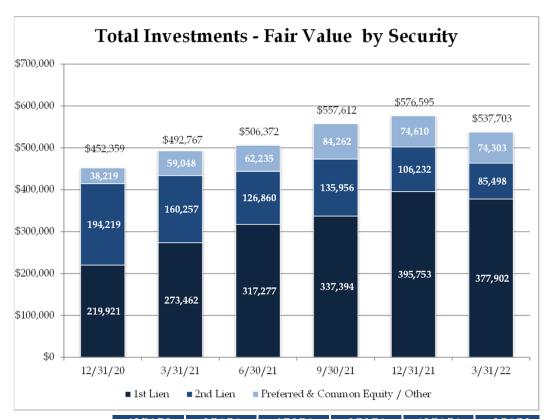
• Originations for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 declined with the overall market activity and net of exits and repayments resulted in a \$40 million decline in investments for the period.



Gladstone Capital Quarterly Net Investment																		
	3	/31/2020	6	/30/2020	9	/30/2020	12	2/31/2020	3	3/31/2021	6	/30/2021	9	/30/2021	12	/31/2021	3	3/31/2022
New Investments at Cost	\$	19,000	\$	53,500	\$	20,650	\$	29,000	\$	72,000	\$	37,992	\$	-	\$	106,918	\$	-
Disbursements to Existing Portfolio Companies		10,792		2,177		1,252		98		-		15,200		27,551		3,876		10,775
Sales, Repayments, Other Exits at Cost		(26,405)		(17,084)		(22,635)		(34,142)		(47,912)		(54,428)		(2,791)		(96,799)		(50,858)
Net New Investments at Cost	\$	3,387	\$	38,593	\$	(733)	\$	(5,044)	\$	24,088	\$	(1,236)	\$	24,760	\$	13,995	\$	(40,083)
Number of New Portfolio Company Investments		1		2		1		2		3		3		0		6		0
Number of Portfolio Company Exits		4		2		1		3		3		3		1		5		2
Total Portfolio Companies		48		48		48		47		47		47		46		47		45

Gladstone Capital Portfolio Trends

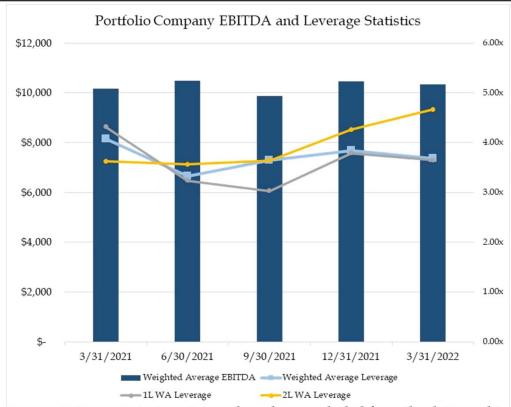
- Net originations have generally maintained pace with the surge of portfolio exits over the past several quarters while generating realized gains of \$19.8 million over the past four quarters.
- PE sponsor demand for flexible first lien/unitranche financing continues to dominate new originations while legacy 2nd lien assets roll-off, lifting 1st lien assets to over 70% of the portfolio at 3/31/22.
- 90% of our loan portfolio are subject to floating rates which are expected to increase above the average LIBOR floor rates in the coming quarters.
- We have made equity co-investments in four of the six new originations in the December 2021 quarter as we rebuild the equity portfolio realized gains over the past year.
- The current loan portfolio valuations represent 95% of cost, while equity investments have appreciated to 149.5% of cost and in total the investment portfolio is valued at 100% of cost as of 3/31/22.



	12/31/20	3/31/21	6/30/21	9/30/21	12/31/21	3/31/22
First Lien Debt	48.6%	55.5%	62.7%	60.5%	68.6%	70.3%
Second Lien Debt	42.9%	32.5%	25.1%	24.4%	18.4%	15.9%
Equity / Other	8.4%	12.0%	12.3%	15.1%	12.9%	13.8%

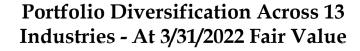
Portfolio Metrics

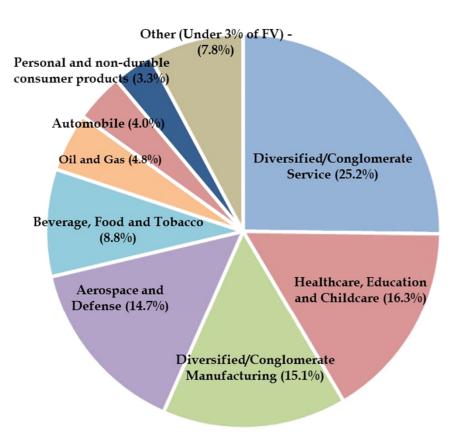
Consistent with GLAD's LMM focus, the core loan portfolio continues to represent companies with and average EBITDA of approx. \$10 million and an average leverage multiple of 3.7x EBITDA



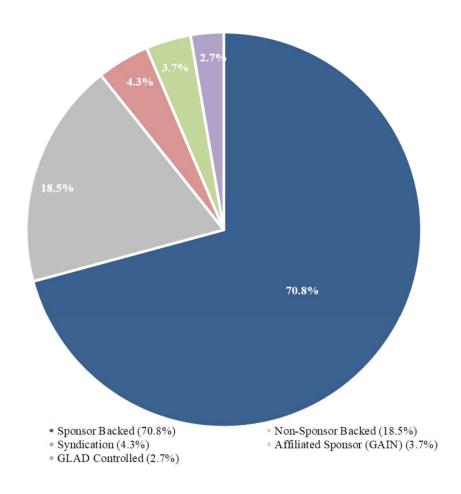
*For the purposes of this presentation, certain investments have been excluded from the data used to develop the above analysis. Those exclusions include investments: (i) originated as Syndications; (ii) co-investments with GAIN; (iii) investments under \$4 million; (iv) equity only investments; (v) one negative EBITDA business; (vi) two oil and gas investments that saw outsized impacts from COVID-19; (vii) two investments that have outsized TTM EBITDA, and skews weighted average EBITDA; and (viii) restructured LWO Acquisitions Company LLC. Additionally, investment EBITDA and Leverage are weighted based on the size of the principal outstanding.

Industry and Deal Sources Are Diversified





Deal Source Composition - At 3/31/2022 Fair Value



Portfolio Composition

Portfolio Characteristics As Of:	June 30, 2021	Se	eptember 30, 2021	De	ecember 31, 2021	March 31, 2022
Total Portfolio - FV # of Portfolio Companies	\$ 506,372 47	\$	557,612 46	\$	576,595 47	\$ 537,703 45
Average Investment Size - FV Top 5 Investments % FV WAVG Investment Yield**	\$ 10,774 26.8% 10.5%	\$	12,122 29.8% 10.3%	\$	12,268 26.3% 10.3%	\$ 11,949 29.5% 10.2%
1st Lien FV 2nd Lien FV Equity / Other FV	\$ 317,277 126,860 62,235	\$	337,394 135,956 84,262	\$	395,753 106,232 74,610	\$ 377,902 85,498 74,303
Proprietary % of FV Syndicated % of FV	94.0% 6.0%		94.3% 5.7%		95.5% 4.5%	95.7% 4.3%
Fixed Rate Debt % Cost Variable Rate Debt % of Cost	12.9% 87.1%		12.2% 87.8%		11.5% 88.5%	9.1% 90.9%
Performing % FV (Debt) Non-Performing % FV (Debt)	98.5% 1.6%		100.0% 0.0%		100.0% 0.0%	100.0% 0.0%
Accrued Potential Success Fees	\$ 10,500	\$	11,700	\$	11,400	\$ 12,100

^{**}Weighted average yield on interest bearing debt investments (excludes non-accruals and reserves on interest receivables)

Note: \$'s are in (000's)

Representative Portfolio Investments

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Quarterly Financial Summary

	Three Months Ended							
In Thousands, except per share data	Jui	ne 30, 2021	Sept	tember 30, 2021	Dece	ember 31, 2021	M	larch 31, 2022
Income:								
Interest Income	\$	12,746	\$	13,245	\$	12,866	\$	12,962
Other Investment Income		920		1,116		3,301		4,298
Total Investment Income		13,666		14,361		16,167		17,260
Expenses:								
Fees to Advisor & Admin		3,196		3,756		3,063		4,749
Interest Expense		2,886		3,066		3,007		3,020
Operating Expense		858		700		937		796
Total Expenses		6,940		7,522		7,007		8,565
Net Investment Income (NII)	\$	6,604	\$	6,839	\$	9,160	\$	8,695
Weighted Average Shares*		33,766		34,304		34,304		34,304
NII Per WAVG Share	\$	0.196	\$	0.199	\$	0.267	\$	0.253
Realized/Unrealized Gains (Loss) per Share	\$	0.336	\$	0.755	\$	0.086	\$	(0.011)
Dividend Per WAVG Share	\$	0.195	\$	0.195	\$	0.195	\$	0.195
NAV Per Share	\$	8.53	\$	9.28	\$	9.30	\$	9.49
Return on Equity (NII)**		9.7%		9.3%		9.6%		9.9%
Portfolio at Fair Value		506,372		557,612		576,595		537,703
Debt***		209,463		237,111		251,138		214,736
Net Asset Value		292,506		318,439		323,853		325,467
Debt-to-Equity		71.6%		74.5%		81.4%		68.5%

^{*}Total Shares outstanding at 3/31/2022 was 34,304,371

Note: The financial information above is not comprehensive and is without notes, so readers should obtain and carefully review GLAD's Forms 10-K and 10-Q for the corresponding reporting periods as filed with the SEC.

^{**}Return on Equity (NII) defined as: LTM net investment income divided by LTM average net assets

^{***}Debt includes Line of Credit and Long Term Debt

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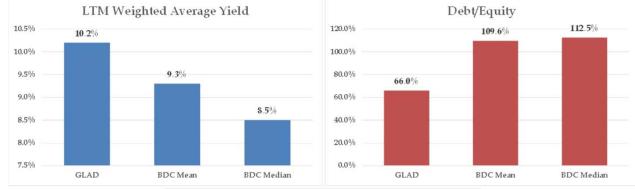
Capital Base and Liquidity

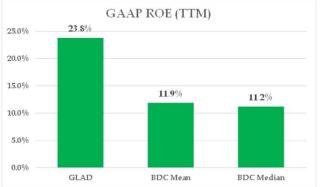
- Liabilities declined to \$223 million as of 3/31/2022, consisting primarily of \$150 million of 5.125% senior notes due 2026 and \$50.0 million of 3.75% senior notes due 2027.
- Total leverage declined during the quarter to 68% of Net Assets which was in line with a decline in assets.
- As of 3/31/2022, advances under our floating rate bank line of credit decreased to \$17.4 million and we had in excess of \$130 million of borrowing availability to grow our investment portfolio and capitalize on our conservative leverage position to increase net interest income.

ROE Performance

- Despite the shift to 1st lien assets and modest financial leverage, the portfolio generated an average ROE yield (NII) of 9.9% for the twelve months ended March 2022.
- NAV appreciation of \$39.8 million for the twelve months ending March 31, 2022 lifted the GAAP ROE for the period to 23.8% significantly outpacing the average BDC returns. (1)
- With 90% of our debt investments subject to floating rates and 90% of our debt at fixed rates, we expect net interest income to increase by \$5.2 million if LIBOR or its replacement rises by 2.0%.

(1) BDC ROE Source: Raymond James BDC Industry Weekly Newsletters





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