

LOOMIS SAYLES FULL DISCRETION TEAM EXPANDS PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT RESOURCES ON HIGH YIELD STRATEGIES, LOOMIS SAYLES HIGH INCOME FUND

BOSTON (March 27, 2019) – Loomis, Sayles & Company, an affiliate of Natixis Investment Managers, announced today an expansion of the portfolio management team overseeing all high yield strategies and accounts managed by the Full Discretion Team. Portfolio Managers Brian Kennedy and Todd Vandam were added to the team’s high yield strategies, including the Loomis Sayles High Income Fund (NEHYX).

Co-led by Matt Eagan and Elaine Stokes, the Full Discretion Team currently oversees \$67 billion in assets under management, of which \$14 billion is in high yield strategies. Full Discretion portfolios are managed with a consistent investment philosophy and the flexible, long-term, benchmark-agnostic, value-driven approach founded by Dan Fuss and built by the team over the last 40 years. The team’s strategies emphasize the “plus sectors” and draw upon the full array of Loomis Sayles research.

“Brian and Todd are tenured portfolio managers and their addition to the team’s high yield strategies reflects our commitment to deep team management,” said Jae Park, chief investment officer at Loomis Sayles. “Brian and Todd have been integral members of the Full Discretion Team for decades and we believe their insights and expertise will continue to bring value to our clients as they work in close partnership with Elaine and Matt on high yield portfolios.”

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION: BRIAN KENNEDY

Brian Kennedy is a vice president of Loomis, Sayles & Company and co-portfolio manager of the firm’s multisector institutional strategies and mutual funds.

Brian started his investment industry career in 1990 as a senior fund accountant at the Boston Company. He joined Loomis Sayles in 1994 as a securitized and government bond trader. He transitioned to the high yield trading desk in 2001, where he initiated Loomis Sayles’ trading of bank loans, while also trading high yield, convertibles, derivatives and equities. Brian first joined the full discretion investment team as product manager in 2009. In 2013, he was promoted to co-portfolio manager of the investment grade bond products and in 2016 he was promoted again to co-portfolio manager of the multisector suite of products.

Brian co-manages a variety of mutual fund and institutional strategies, including the Loomis Sayles Bond, Strategic Income, Investment Grade Bond, Investment Grade Fixed Income, High Income, Fixed Income, Multisector Income, and Strategic Monthly Income Funds, as well as the multisector and core plus full discretion institutional accounts. The Loomis Sayles Bond Fund received the 2009 Morningstar Fund Manager of the Year award in the fixed income category. Brian earned a BS from Providence College and an MBA from Babson College.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION: TODD P. VANDAM, CFA

Todd Vandam is a vice president of Loomis, Sayles & Company and co-portfolio manager of the Loomis Sayles Strategic Alpha and High Income Funds as well as several US high yield and global high yield institutional strategies. He also heads up the firm’s high yield sector team. Todd began his career at Loomis Sayles in 1994 on the high yield trading desk. He was later promoted to high yield credit strategist for the full discretion team and held that position until 2016. Prior to joining Loomis Sayles, Todd completed the US Army Airborne and US Army Ranger Schools. He was a Field Artillery Officer in the US Army, most recently working as a Fire Support Officer stationed in Panama. Todd is a member of CFA Society Boston. He earned a BA in business and economics from Brown University.

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ABOUT LOOMIS SAYLES

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**Total strategy assets include all assets managed by the respective team.*

***Includes the assets of Loomis, Sayles & Co., LP, and Loomis Sayles Trust Company, LLC. Loomis Sayles Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Loomis, Sayles & Company, LP.*

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¹ *Cerulli Quantitative Update: Global Markets 2018 ranked Natixis Investment Managers as the 16th largest asset manager in the world based on assets under management as of December 31, 2017.*

² *Net asset value as of December 31, 2018. Assets under management ("AUM"), as reported, may include notional assets, assets serviced, gross assets and other types of non-regulatory AUM. AUM does not include Vega Investment Managers, which was transferred to Natixis Wealth Management in December 2018.*

Established in 1988, the Morningstar Fund Manager of the Year award recognizes portfolio managers who demonstrate excellent investment skill and the courage to differ from the consensus to benefit investors. To qualify for the award, managers' funds must have not only posted impressive returns for the year, but the managers also must have a record of delivering outstanding long-term performance and of aligning their interests with shareholders'. The Fund Manager of the Year award winners are chosen based on Morningstar's proprietary research and in-depth evaluation by its fund analysts.

