

# EJF Investments Limited

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Monthly NAV Performance													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2022 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.13	1.34	2.22	4.01	0.72								8.66
2021 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	1.99	0.15	2.12	0.44	(2.09)	2.80	(0.01)	0.55	3.06	(0.16)	3.25	(1.43)	11.02
2020 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.47	0.18	(13.57)	0.58	3.33	0.15	1.25	0.34	0.40	(0.73)	1.16	0.25	(7.02)
2019 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.35	0.41	1.77	5.61	0.83	0.26	0.56	0.62	0.21	0.04	0.13	0.63	11.88
2018 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	8.28	0.70	0.12	2.70	2.10	1.62	0.50	2.39	0.08	0.32	0.22	(1.13)	19.08
2017 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.51*	2.96	3.65	0.24	2.85	0.34	0.90	1.37	0.54	4.92	0.59	2.53	23.47

<sup>\*</sup>This performance reflects the period 1 January through 9 February, the Exchange Offer Completion Date.

EJF Capital LLC AUM¹	\$8.2 Billion	

EJFI Annualised Performance since inception<sup>2</sup>

EJFI Key Facts (at 31 May 2022)

12.44%

# Manager Monthly Commentary

**NAV** and **Portfolio:** EJFI's May 2022 NAV was £110.5 million or GBp181 per share, representing a gain for the month of 0.72% and a year-to-date total return of 8.66%.

**Portfolio Activity:** Portfolio returns of 70 bps were driven by interest accruals on securitisations and gains on the MSR investment in Seneca as the U.S. 10-year Treasury bond rates continued to rise. As previously noted, this serves to further reduce the probability of repayments of underlying mortgages. Foreign exchange rate movements provided additional gains of 27 bps from USD strengthening against Sterling.

As detailed in the RNS dated 10 May, additional hedging was put in place and as at 23 June 2022 USD 78.3m of approximately USD 158.6m exposure is hedged.

**Market:** The banking sector outperformed the broader equity markets in May, although continued uncertainty around the path of future monetary policy heightened market concerns of a potential future recession.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed") raised short-term interest rates by 50 basis points on May 4, 2022, marking the first Fed rate hike of larger than 25 basis points in 20 years. In addition, the Fed started reducing its balance sheet in June 2022 through the sale of up to \$95 billion of combined U.S. Treasury and MBS securities per month. At month-end, the Fed Fund futures were pricing in nearly eight additional 25 basis point interest rate hikes in 2022. While there are market concerns of a potential recession due to the Fed tightening financial conditions aggressively over the next twelve months, credit quality broadly remains healthy throughout the financial services industry. The only area that we currently see credit weakness in is non-prime consumer credit performance in securitizations and reports from public companies. Although the tangible evidence of credit stress in the non-prime consumer area is apparent, we believe commercial lending fundamentals remain healthy and both loan growth and convexity to rising rates should allow for outperformance in small and medium sized banking institutions, particularly institutions with unique growth business models.

As commercial banks continue to see strong loan growth combined with the expectation for higher interest rates, many banks are expecting revenue generation to expand dramatically over the course of the year which should benefit the securitisation portfolio.

**Corporate:** the Company's Annual General Meeting was held on 22 June and all resolutions were duly passed. The full text and details of the resolutions passed, together with the explanatory notes, are set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting dated 27 May 2022, which is available at https://www.ejfi.com/.

**Dividend:** The Board has a target dividend of 10.7 pence for the year ending 31 December 2022 and a quarterly dividend of 2.675 pence per ordinary share was declared on 26 April 2022. The dividend had an ex-dividend date of 5 May 2022 and was paid on 31 May 2022.

# Ticker Symbol **EJFILN** NAV/Share GBp181 (\$2.28 equivalent) **Share Price** GBp122 Share Price Premium/(Discount) (32.6)% to NAV **EJFI NAV** £111.3 million Market Cap £74.6 million **Gross Asset Value** £136.5 million Target Return 8%-10% total return GBp2.675 per share Quarterly Dividend<sup>1</sup> (GBp10.7 per share p.a.) 8.77% (share price) Dividend Yield 5.91% (NAV) GBP<sup>2</sup> Currency<sup>2</sup> Ticker: EJFZ LN Shares: 5m, Maturity: 11/2022 Capital Entitlement: GBp132.25 2022 ZDP Shares GRY: 5.75% Current NAV: GBp128.6 Current Share Price: GBp128.0 Ticker: EJFo LN Shares: 17m, Maturity: 6/2025 Capital Entitlement: GBp140.0 2025 ZDP Shares GRY: 7.00% Current NAV: GBp114.0 Current Share Price: GBp116.5

AUM includes \$3.1 billion of CDO managed assets and \$125.3 million of uncalled capital as at 31 March 2022
 Based on the Company's 31 May 2022 unaudited financials.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Company targets an annual dividend of 10.7 pence per share for the financial year to 31 December 2022, to be distributed evenly in four quarterly payments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Company's base currency is denominated in GBP, though most of the Company's investments are currently in USD. As of 31 May 2022, USD 78.3m of approximately USD 158.6m exposure is hedged.



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# Existing Portfolio Description<sup>1</sup>

# Securitisations & Related Investments

- £90.2 million investment in the equity tranches of seven securitisations sponsored by EJF Capital LLC
- £8.0 million investment in EJF CDO Manager LLC (49% ownership interest)
- £1.3 million investment in portfolio of TruPS CDO securities

# **Specialty Finance Investments**

- £1.2 million investment in portfolio of high interest rate loans to U.S. law firms engaged in mass tort litigation
- £9.9 million investment in a portfolio of mortgage servicing rights
- £2.9 million investment in liquid UK bank debt securities
- £4.8 million investment in FinTech debt securities

### Cash

- £14.4 million unrestricted cash
- £3.3 million restricted cash²

# Other Assets

- £0.5 million of other assets
- Based on the Company's 31 May 2022 unaudited financials.
- 2. Net of an unrealised loss on forward currency contracts of £2.4 million.

# Specialty Finance Investments 13.8% Securitisations & Related Investments 72.9%

# **Company Overview**

EJF Investments Ltd (together with its subsidiary, "EJFI" or the "Company") is a closed-ended investment company investing in opportunities created in the U.S. banking and insurance sectors by regulatory and structural changes impacting the financial services sector. The Company seeks to generate risk adjusted shareholder returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of long-term, cash-flow generating assets, which may include structured debt and equity, loans, bonds, preference shares, convertible notes and private equity, in both cash and synthetic formats issued by entities domiciled in the U.S and Europe.

# Target Investments

The Company seeks to achieve its investment objective primarily by investing in assets that have been impacted by regulatory and structural changes to the finance industry. These target investments consist primarily of: (a) Securitisation and Related Investments; and (b) Specialty Finance Investments.

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