

## **Vertex Fund**

### **Investment Management Team**

**John Thiessen, CFA**  
Portfolio Manager

Mr. John Thiessen is a founding partner and director of Vertex One Asset Management. Mr. Thiessen has overall responsibility for the investment and trading decisions affecting the Vertex Fund, Vertex Offshore Fund and Vertex Growth Fund. He has operated as the lead manager of the Vertex Fund since its inception on February 6, 1998. Mr. Thiessen has significant investment experience with 23 years of equity, fixed income and arbitrage investing. He began his career with the Alberta Treasury Investment Management Division, after which he became an Investment Officer with National Trust. He was a Portfolio Manager with HSBC Asset Management before co-founding Vertex One Asset Management. Mr. Thiessen holds the professional designation of Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and is a member of the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts.

**Craig Chilton, CFA**  
Portfolio Manager

Craig has an extensive background in event-driven arbitrage strategies. Prior to joining Vertex One, he was a Managing Director with CIBC World Markets, where he spent 15 years as a proprietary trader in Toronto, New York and Vancouver. Craig began his finance career in investment banking with Lancaster Financial, and subsequently, Richardson Greenshields. Craig has over 18 years of experience in the investment industry; he is a CFA charterholder and a member of the Vancouver Society of Financial Analysts. He received a Bachelor of Applied Science (Electrical Engineering) from the University of Toronto.

**Tom Savage, CFA, MBA**

Portfolio Manager

Tom's background is in event-driven and arbitrage strategies. He was most recently a proprietary trader with CIBC World Markets, where he spent 4 years developing and executing equity arbitrage and special situations strategies. In his over 8 years of investment experience, he has also worked at Birch Hill Equity Partners and KBSH Capital Management. Tom is a CFA charterholder and member of the Vancouver Society of Financial Analysts. He received a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Queen's University and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

**Emily Wheeler, CFA**

Portfolio Manager

Emily joined Vertex One in February of 2004. She worked previously for Credential Financial (a national wealth management firm affiliated with the Canadian credit union system) and has over seven years of investment industry experience. Emily is a CFA charterholder and a member of the Vancouver Society of Financial Analysts. She received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of British Columbia. Emily is part of the trading and research teams for the funds managed by Vertex One Asset Management.