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Preliminary Pricing Supplement

Subject To Completion, dated January 23, 2025

(To Prospectus dated December 30, 2022,

Series A Prospectus Supplement dated December 30, 2022 and

Product Supplement No. WF-1 dated March 8, 2023)



BofA Finance LLC

Medium-Term Notes, Series A

Fully and Unconditionally Guaranteed by Bank of America Corporation

Market Linked Securities—Auto-Callable with Contingent Downside

Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Lowest Performing of the Russell 1000® Value Index, the S&P MidCap 400® Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index due January 31, 2030

- Linked to the Lowest Performing of the Russell 1000® Value Index, the S&P MidCap 400® Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index (each referred to as an "Underlying")
- Unlike ordinary debt securities, the Securities do not pay interest, do not repay a fixed amount of principal at maturity and are subject to potential automatic call upon the terms described below. Whether the Securities are automatically called for a fixed call premium or, if not automatically called, the maturity payment amount, will depend, in each case, on the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the relevant Call Date. The Lowest Performing Underlying on any Call Date is the Underlying that has the lowest closing level on that Call Date as a percentage of its Starting Value
- Automatic Call.** If the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on any Call Date is greater than or equal to its applicable Call Value, the Securities will be automatically called for the principal amount plus the Call Premium applicable to that Call Date. The Call Premium applicable to each Call Date will be a percentage of the principal amount that increases for each Call Date based on a simple (non-compounding) return of at least approximately 9.75% per annum (to be determined on the Pricing Date)

Call Date	Call Value	Call Premium*
January 30, 2026.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 9.750% of the principal amount
July 30, 2026.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 14.625% of the principal amount
February 1, 2027.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 19.500% of the principal amount
July 30, 2027.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 24.375% of the principal amount
January 31, 2028.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 29.250% of the principal amount
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January 30, 2029.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 39.000% of the principal amount
July 30, 2029.....	For each Underlying, 100% of its Starting Value	At least 43.875% of the principal amount
January 28, 2030 (the "Final Calculation Day").....	For each Underlying, 75% of its Starting Value	At least 48.750% of the principal amount

* The actual Call Premium applicable to each Call Date will be determined on the Pricing Date

- Maturity Payment Amount.** If the Securities are not automatically called, you will receive a Maturity Payment Amount that will be less than the principal amount per Security. In these circumstances, you will have full downside exposure to the decrease in the level of the Lowest Performing Underlying from its Starting Value, and you will lose more than 25%, and possibly all, of the principal amount of your Securities.
- Investors may lose a significant portion, or all, of the principal amount
- Your return on the Securities will depend **solely** on the performance of the Underlying that is the Lowest Performing Underlying on each Call Date. You will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing Underlyings. Therefore, you will be adversely affected if **any Underlying** performs poorly, even if one or both of the other Underlyings perform favorably
- Any positive return on the Securities will be limited to the applicable Call Premium, even if the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the applicable Call Date significantly exceeds its Starting Value. You will not participate in any appreciation of any Underlying beyond the applicable fixed Call Premium
- All payments on the Securities are subject to the credit risk of BofA Finance LLC ("BofA Finance"), as issuer of the Securities, and Bank of America Corporation ("BAC" or the "Guarantor"), as guarantor of the Securities
- Securities will not be listed on any securities exchange

The initial estimated value of the Securities as of the Pricing Date is expected to be between \$927.25 and \$977.25 per Security, which is less than the public offering price listed below. The actual value of your Securities at any time will reflect many factors and cannot be predicted with accuracy. See "Selected Risk Considerations" beginning on page PS-8 of this pricing supplement and "Structuring the Securities" on page PS-29 of this pricing supplement for additional information.

The Securities have complex features and investing in the Securities involves risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. Potential purchasers of the Securities should consider the information in "Selected Risk Considerations" beginning on page PS-8 herein and "Risk Factors" beginning on page PS-5 of the accompanying product supplement, page S-6 of the accompanying prospectus supplement, and page 7 of the accompanying prospectus.

None of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), any state securities commission, or any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these Securities or determined if this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Public offering price	Underwriting Discount ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Proceeds, before expenses, to BofA Finance
Per Security	\$1,000.00	\$10.75	\$989.25
Total			

(1) Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and BofA Securities, Inc. are the selling agents for the distribution of the Securities and are acting as principal. See "Terms of the Securities—Selling Agents" in this pricing supplement for further information.

(2) In addition, in respect of certain Securities sold in this offering, BofA Securities, Inc. or one of its affiliates may pay a fee of up to \$2.00 per Security to selected securities dealers in consideration for marketing and other services in connection with the distribution of the Securities to other securities dealers.

Wells Fargo Securities

BofA SECURITIES

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Terms of the Securities																																
Issuer:	BofA Finance LLC.																															
Guarantor:	BAC.																															
Underlyings:	The Russell 1000 [®] Value Index (Bloomberg symbol: “RLV”), the S&P MidCap 400 [®] Index (Bloomberg symbol: “MID”) and the Russell 2000 [®] Value Index (Bloomberg symbol: “RUJ”), each a price return index.																															
Pricing Date*:	January 27, 2025.																															
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Maturity Date*:	January 31, 2030, subject to postponement as described below in “—Market Disruption Events and Postponement Provisions”. The Securities are not subject to repayment at the option of any holder of the Securities prior to the Maturity Date.																															
Denominations:	\$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000. References in this pricing supplement to a “ <u>Security</u> ” are to a Security with a principal amount of \$1,000.																															
Automatic Call:	<p>If the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on any Call Date is greater than or equal to its applicable Call Value, the Securities will be automatically called, and on the related Call Settlement Date you will be entitled to receive a cash payment per Security in U.S. dollars equal to the principal amount per Security plus the Call Premium applicable to the relevant Call Date. The last Call Date is the Final Calculation Day, and payment upon an automatic call on the Final Calculation Day, if applicable, will be made on the Maturity Date.</p> <p>Any positive return on the Securities will be limited to the applicable Call Premium, even if the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the applicable Call Date significantly exceeds its applicable Call Value. You will not participate in any appreciation of any Underlying beyond the applicable Call Premium.</p> <p>If the Securities are automatically called, they will cease to be outstanding on the related Call Settlement Date and you will have no further rights under the Securities after such Call Settlement Date. You will not receive any notice from us if the Securities are automatically called.</p>																															
Call Dates* and Call Premiums:	<p>The Call Premium applicable to each Call Date will be a percentage of the principal amount that increases for each Call Date based on a simple (non-compounding) return of at least approximately 9.75% per annum (to be determined on the Pricing Date).</p> <p>The actual Call Premium and payment per Security upon an automatic call that is applicable to each Call Date will be determined on the Pricing Date and will be at least the amounts specified in the table below.</p> <table> <tr> <th><u>Call Date</u></th><th><u>Call Premium</u></th><th><u>Payment per Security upon an Automatic Call</u></th></tr> <tr> <td>January 30, 2026</td><td>At least 9.750% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,097.50</td></tr> <tr> <td>July 30, 2026</td><td>At least 14.625% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,146.25</td></tr> <tr> <td>February 1, 2027</td><td>At least 19.500% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,195.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>July 30, 2027</td><td>At least 24.375% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,243.75</td></tr> <tr> <td>January 31, 2028</td><td>At least 29.250% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,292.50</td></tr> <tr> <td>July 31, 2028</td><td>At least 34.125% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,341.25</td></tr> <tr> <td>January 30, 2029</td><td>At least 39.000% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,390.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>July 30, 2029</td><td>At least 43.875% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,438.75</td></tr> <tr> <td>January 28, 2030</td><td>At least 48.750% of the principal amount</td><td>At least \$1,487.50</td></tr> </table> <p>We refer to January 28, 2030 as the “<u>Final Calculation Day</u>.”</p> <p>The Call Dates are subject to postponement as described below in “—Market Disruption Events and Postponement Provisions”.</p>		<u>Call Date</u>	<u>Call Premium</u>	<u>Payment per Security upon an Automatic Call</u>	January 30, 2026	At least 9.750% of the principal amount	At least \$1,097.50	July 30, 2026	At least 14.625% of the principal amount	At least \$1,146.25	February 1, 2027	At least 19.500% of the principal amount	At least \$1,195.00	July 30, 2027	At least 24.375% of the principal amount	At least \$1,243.75	January 31, 2028	At least 29.250% of the principal amount	At least \$1,292.50	July 31, 2028	At least 34.125% of the principal amount	At least \$1,341.25	January 30, 2029	At least 39.000% of the principal amount	At least \$1,390.00	July 30, 2029	At least 43.875% of the principal amount	At least \$1,438.75	January 28, 2030	At least 48.750% of the principal amount	At least \$1,487.50
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Call Settlement Date:	Three business days after the applicable Call Date (as each such Call Date may be postponed as described below in “—Market Disruption Events and Postponement Provisions”, if applicable); <i>provided</i> that the Call Settlement Date for the last Call Date is the Maturity Date.
Maturity Payment Amount:	<p>If the Securities are not automatically called, you will be entitled to receive on the Maturity Date a cash payment per Security in U.S. dollars equal to the Maturity Payment Amount. The “<u>Maturity Payment Amount</u>” per Security will equal:</p> <p>$\\$1,000 \times \text{Performance Factor of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day}$</p> <p>If the Securities are not automatically called, you will lose more than 25%, and possibly all, of the principal amount of your Securities on the Maturity Date.</p>
Lowest Performing Underlying:	For any Call Date, the “ <u>Lowest Performing Underlying</u> ” will be the Underlying with the lowest Performance Factor on that Call Date.
Performance Factor:	With respect to an Underlying on any Call Date, its closing level on such Call Date <i>divided by</i> its Starting Value (expressed as a percentage).
Closing Level:	With respect to each Underlying, closing level has the meaning set forth under “General Terms of the Securities—Certain Terms for Securities Linked to an Index—Certain Definitions” in the accompanying product supplement.
Starting Value:	<p>With respect to the Russell 1000[®] Value Index: , its closing level on the Pricing Date.</p> <p>With respect to the S&P MidCap 400[®] Index: , its closing level on the Pricing Date.</p> <p>With respect to the Russell 2000[®] Value Index: , its closing level on the Pricing Date.</p>
Ending Value:	With respect to each Underlying, its closing level on the Final Calculation Day.
Call Value:	<p>First through eighth Call Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With respect to the Russell 1000[®] Value Index: , which is 100% of its Starting Value. • With respect to the S&P MidCap 400[®] Index: , which is 100% of its Starting Value. • With respect to the Russell 2000[®] Value Index: , which is 100% of its Starting Value. <p>Ninth Call Date (Final Calculation Day):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With respect to the Russell 1000[®] Value Index: , which is 75% of its Starting Value. • With respect to the S&P MidCap 400[®] Index: , which is 75% of its Starting Value. • With respect to the Russell 2000[®] Value Index: , which is 75% of its Starting Value.
Market Disruption Events and Postponement Provisions:	Each Call Date (including the Final Calculation Day) is subject to postponement due to non-trading days and the occurrence of a market disruption event. In addition, the Maturity Date will be postponed if the Final Calculation Day is postponed and will be adjusted for non-business days. For more information regarding adjustments to the Call Dates and the Maturity Date, see “General Terms of the Securities—Consequences of a Market Disruption Event; Postponement of a Calculation Day—Securities Linked to Multiple Market Measures” and “—Payment Dates” in the accompanying product supplement. For purposes of the accompanying product supplement, each Call Date (including the Final Calculation Day) is a “calculation day” and each Call Settlement Date (including the Maturity Date) is a “payment date.” In addition, for information regarding the circumstances that may result in a market disruption event, see “General Terms of the Securities—Certain Terms for Securities Linked to an Index —Market Disruption Events” in the accompanying product supplement.
Calculation Agent:	BofA Securities, Inc. (“BofAS”), an affiliate of BofA Finance.
Selling Agents:	<p>BofAS and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (“WFS”).</p> <p>Under our distribution agreement with BofAS, BofAS will purchase the Securities from us as principal at the public offering price indicated on the cover of this pricing supplement, less the indicated underwriting discount. BofAS will sell the Securities to WFS at the public offering price of the Securities less a concession of up to \$10.75 per Security. WFS may provide dealers, which may include Wells Fargo Advisors (“WFA”) (the trade name of the retail brokerage business of WFS’s affiliates, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC and Wells Fargo Advisors Financial Network, LLC),</p>

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	<p>with a selling concession of up to \$2.50 per Security. In addition to the concession allowed to WFA, WFS may pay up to \$0.75 per Security to WFA as a distribution expense fee for each Security sold by WFA.</p> <p>In addition, in respect of certain Securities sold in this offering, BofAS or its affiliates may pay a fee of up to \$2.00 per Security to selected securities dealers in consideration for marketing and other services in connection with the distribution of the Securities to other securities dealers.</p> <p>WFS has advised us that if it, WFA or any of their affiliates makes a secondary market in the Securities at any time up to the Issue Date or during the five-month period following the Issue Date, the secondary market price offered by it, WFA or any of their affiliates will be increased by an amount reflecting a portion of the costs associated with selling, structuring and hedging the Securities that are included in the public offering price of the Securities. Because this portion of the costs is not fully deducted upon issuance, WFS has advised us that any secondary market price it, WFA or any of their affiliates offers during this period will be higher than it otherwise would be outside of this period, as any secondary market price offered outside of this period will reflect the full deduction of the costs as described above. WFS has advised us that the amount of this increase in the secondary market price will decline steadily to zero over this five-month period. If you hold the Securities through an account at WFS, WFA or any of their affiliates, WFS has advised us that it expects that this increase will also be reflected in the value indicated for the Securities on your brokerage account statement. If you hold your Securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS, WFA or any of their affiliates, the value of the Securities on your brokerage account statement may be different than if you held your Securities at WFS, WFA or any of their affiliates.</p>
Events of Default and Acceleration:	<p>If an Event of Default, as defined in the senior indenture relating to the Securities and in the section entitled “Description of Debt Securities of BofA Finance LLC—Events of Default and Rights of Acceleration; Covenant Breaches” on page 54 of the accompanying prospectus, with respect to the Securities occurs and is continuing, the amount payable to a holder of the Securities upon any acceleration permitted under the senior indenture will be equal to the amount described under the caption “Terms of the Securities—Maturity Payment Amount” above, calculated as though the date of acceleration were the Final Calculation Day of the Securities; provided that if the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the date of acceleration is equal to or greater than the Call Value applicable to the scheduled Call Date immediately following the date of acceleration, then the amount payable on the Securities will be calculated as described in the caption “—Automatic Call” above, using the call premium applicable to such Call Date immediately following the date of acceleration, that is prorated to the date of acceleration. In case of a default in the payment of the Securities, whether at their maturity or upon acceleration, the Securities will not bear a default interest rate.</p>
Material Tax Consequences:	<p>For a discussion of the material U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the Securities, see “U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary.”</p>
CUSIP:	09711GNQ4

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Additional Information about BofA Finance, the Guarantor and the Securities

The terms and risks of the Securities are contained in this pricing supplement and in the following related product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus. Information included in this pricing supplement supersedes information in the product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus to the extent that it is different from that information. These documents can be accessed at the following links:

- Product Supplement No. WF-1 dated March 8, 2023:
<https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1682472/000119312523064044/d451936d424b2.htm>
- Series A MTN prospectus supplement dated December 30, 2022 and prospectus dated December 30, 2022:
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These documents have been filed as part of a registration statement with the SEC, which may, without cost, be accessed on the SEC website at www.sec.gov or obtained from BofAS by calling 1-800-294-1322. Before you invest, you should read this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus for information about us, BAC and this offering. Any prior or contemporaneous oral statements and any other written materials you may have received are superseded by this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus. Certain terms used but not defined in this pricing supplement have the meanings set forth in the accompanying product supplement or prospectus supplement. Unless otherwise indicated or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this document to “we,” “us,” “our,” or similar references are to BofA Finance, and not to BAC.

The Securities are our senior debt securities. Any payments on the Securities are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by BAC. The Securities and the related guarantee are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or secured by collateral. The Securities will rank equally in right of payment with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated obligations, except obligations that are subject to any priorities or preferences by law. The related guarantee will rank equally in right of payment with all of BAC's other unsecured and unsubordinated obligations, except obligations that are subject to any priorities or preferences by law, and senior to its subordinated obligations. Any payments due on the Securities, including any repayment of the principal amount, will be subject to the credit risk of BofA Finance, as issuer, and BAC, as guarantor.

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Investor Considerations

The Securities are not appropriate for all investors. The Securities may be an appropriate investment for investors who:

- believe that the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying will be greater than or equal to its applicable Call Value on one of the Call Dates;
- seek the potential for a fixed return if the Lowest Performing Underlying has appreciated or has not depreciated at all as of any of the first eight Call Dates or, with respect to the Final Calculation Day, has not depreciated by more than 25%, in lieu of full participation in any potential appreciation of any or all of the Underlyings;
- are willing to accept the risk that, if the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying is less than its applicable Call Value on each Call Date, they will not receive any positive return on their investment in the Securities;
- are willing to accept the risk that, if the Securities are not automatically called, they will be fully exposed to the decline in the Lowest Performing Underlying from its Starting Value and will lose more than 25%, and possibly all, of the principal amount of their Securities at maturity;
- understand that the term of the Securities may be as short as approximately one year and that they will not receive a higher Call Premium payable with respect to a later Call Date if the Securities are called on an earlier Call Date;
- understand that the return on the Securities will depend solely on the performance of the Underlying that is the Lowest Performing Underlying on each Call Date and that they will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing Underlyings;
- understand that the Securities are riskier than alternative investments linked to only one of the Underlyings or linked to a basket composed of each Underlying;
- understand and are willing to accept the full downside risks of each Underlying;
- are willing to forgo interest payments on the Securities and dividends on securities included in the Underlying; and
- are willing to hold the Securities until maturity.

The Securities may not be an appropriate investment for investors who:

- seek a liquid investment or are unable or unwilling to hold the Securities to maturity;
- require full payment of the principal amount of the Securities at maturity;
- believe that the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying will be less than its applicable Call Value on each Call Date;
- seek a security with a fixed term;
- are unwilling to accept the risk that, if the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying is less than its applicable Call Value on each Call Date, they will not receive any positive return on their investment in the Securities and will lose more than 25%, and possibly all, of the principal amount of their Securities;
- are unwilling to accept the risk that the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day may decline by more than 25% from its Starting Value to its Ending Value;
- are unwilling to purchase securities with an estimated value as of the Pricing Date that is lower than the public offering price and that may be as low as the lower estimated value set forth on the cover page;
- seek current income;
- are unwilling to accept the risk of exposure to the Underlyings;
- seek exposure to a basket composed of each Underlying or a similar investment in which the overall return is based on a blend of the performances of the Underlyings, rather than solely on the Lowest Performing Underlying;
- seek exposure to the upside performance of any or each Underlying beyond the applicable Call Premiums;
- are unwilling to accept the credit risk of BofA Finance, as issuer, and BAC, as guarantor, to obtain exposure to the Underlyings generally, or to obtain exposure to the Underlyings that the Securities provide specifically; or
- prefer the lower risk of conventional fixed income investments with comparable maturities issued by companies with comparable credit ratings.

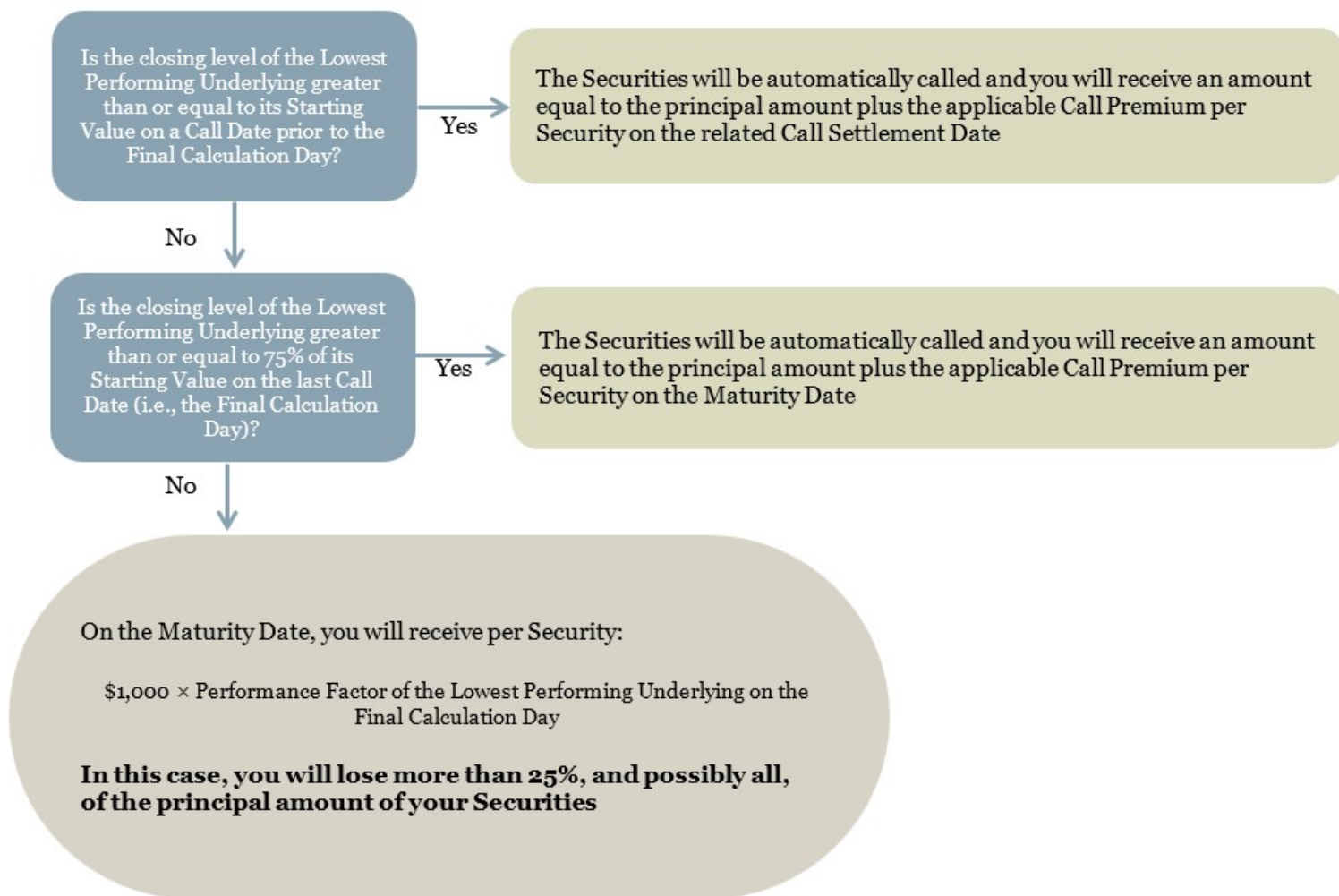
The considerations identified above are not exhaustive. Whether or not the Securities are an appropriate investment for you will depend on your individual circumstances, and you should reach an investment decision only after you and your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisors have carefully considered the appropriateness of an investment in the Securities in light of your particular circumstances. You should also review carefully “Selected Risk Considerations” herein and “Risk Factors” in each of the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus for risks related to an investment in the Securities. For more information about the Underlyings, please see the sections titled “The Russell 1000[®] Value Index,” “The S&P MidCap 400[®] Index” and “The Russell 2000[®] Value Index” below.

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Determining Timing and Amount of Payment on the Securities

The timing and amount of the payment you will receive will be determined as follows:



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Structure-related Risks

Your investment may result in a loss; there is no guaranteed return of principal. There is no fixed principal repayment amount on the Securities at maturity. If the Securities are not automatically called, you will lose 1% of the principal amount for each 1% that the Ending Value of the Lowest Performing Underlying is less than its Starting Value. In that case, you will lose a significant portion or all of your investment in the Securities.

Any positive investment return on the Securities is limited. You will not participate in any increase in the levels of the Underlyings. Any positive investment return is limited to the applicable Call Premium, if any, regardless of the extent to which the closing level of any Underlying on any Call Date exceeds its applicable Call Value. In contrast, a direct investment in the securities included in the Underlyings would allow you to receive the benefit of any appreciation in their values. Thus, any return on the Securities will not reflect the return you would realize if you actually owned those securities and received the dividends paid or distributions made on them. The return on the Securities may be less than a comparable investment directly in the securities included in or held by the Underlyings. There is no guarantee that the Securities will be called for more than the principal amount, and it is possible you will not receive any positive return on the Securities.

The Securities do not bear interest. Unlike a conventional debt security, no interest payments will be paid over the term of the Securities, regardless of the extent to which the closing level of any Underlying exceeds its Starting Value or applicable Call Value on any Call Date.

The Call Premium or Maturity Payment Amount, as applicable, will not reflect the levels of the Underlyings other than on the Call Dates. The levels of the Underlyings during the term of the Securities other than on the Call Dates will not affect payments on the Securities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, investors should generally be aware of the performance of the Underlyings while holding the Securities, as the performance of the Underlyings may influence the market value of the Securities. The calculation agent will determine whether the Securities will be automatically called, and will calculate the Call Premium or the Maturity Payment Amount, as applicable, by comparing only the applicable Call Value, as applicable, to the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the applicable Call Date. No other levels of the Underlyings will be taken into account. As a result, if the Securities are not automatically called, you will receive less than the principal amount at maturity even if the level of each Underlying was always above its applicable Call Value prior to the Final Calculation Day.

The Securities are subject to a potential automatic call, which would limit your ability to receive further payment on the Securities. The Securities are subject to a potential automatic call. The Securities will be automatically called if, on any Call Date, the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying is greater than or equal to its applicable Call Value. If the Securities are automatically called, you will be entitled to receive the principal amount and the applicable Call Premium with respect to the applicable Call Date, and no further amounts will be payable with respect to the Securities. In this case, you will lose the opportunity to receive payment of any higher call premium that otherwise would be payable after the date of the automatic call. If the Securities are called, you may be unable to invest in other securities with a similar level of risk that could provide a return that is similar to the Securities.

Because the Securities are linked to the lowest performing (and not the average performance) of the Underlyings, you may not receive any return on the Securities and may lose a significant portion or all of your principal amount even if the closing level of one Underlying is always greater than or equal to its applicable Call Value. Your Securities are linked to the lowest performing of the Underlyings, and a change in the level of one Underlying may not correlate with changes in the level of the other Underlying(s). The Securities are not linked to a basket composed of the Underlyings, where the depreciation in the level of one Underlying could be offset to some extent by the appreciation in the level of the other Underlying(s). In the case of the Securities, the individual performance of each Underlying would not be combined, and the depreciation in the level of one Underlying would not be offset by any appreciation in the level of the other Underlying(s). Even if the closing level of an Underlying is at or above its applicable Call Value on a Call Date, the Securities will not be automatically called, and you will not receive the Call Premium with respect to that Call Date, if the closing level of one or both of the other Underlyings is below its applicable Call Value on that day.

Your return on the Securities may be less than the yield on a conventional debt security of comparable maturity. Any return that you receive on the Securities may be less than the return you would earn if you purchased a conventional debt security with the same Maturity Date. As a result, your investment in the Securities may not reflect the full opportunity cost to you when you consider factors, such as inflation, that affect the time value of money.

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A Call Settlement Date and the Maturity Date may be postponed if a Call Date is postponed. A Call Date (including the Final Calculation Day) with respect to an Underlying will be postponed if the applicable originally scheduled Call Date is not a trading day with respect to any Underlying or if the calculation agent determines that a market disruption event has occurred or is continuing with respect to that Underlying on that Call Date. If such a postponement occurs with respect to an Call Date other than the Final Calculation Day, then the related Call Settlement Date will be postponed. If such a postponement occurs with respect to the Final Calculation Day, the Maturity Date will be the later of (i) the initial Maturity Date and (ii) three business days after the last Final Calculation Day as postponed.

Any payment on the Securities is subject to our credit risk and the credit risk of the Guarantor, and actual or perceived changes in our or the Guarantor's creditworthiness are expected to affect the value of the Securities. The Securities are our senior unsecured debt securities. Any payment on the Securities will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Guarantor. The Securities are not guaranteed by any entity other than the Guarantor. As a result, your receipt of the payment on an automatic call or the Maturity Payment Amount at maturity will be dependent upon our ability and the ability of the Guarantor to repay our respective obligations under the Securities on the applicable payment date, regardless of the closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying as compared to its applicable Call Value, as applicable. No assurance can be given as to what our financial condition or the financial condition of the Guarantor will be at any time after the Pricing Date of the Securities. If we and the Guarantor become unable to meet our respective financial obligations as they become due, you may not receive the amount(s) payable under the terms of the Securities.

In addition, our credit ratings and the credit ratings of the Guarantor are assessments by ratings agencies of our respective abilities to pay our obligations. Consequently, our or the Guarantor's perceived creditworthiness and actual or anticipated decreases in our or the Guarantor's credit ratings or increases in the spread between the yield on our respective securities and the yield on U.S. Treasury securities (the "credit spread") prior to the Maturity Date of your Securities may adversely affect the market value of the Securities. However, because your return on the Securities depends upon factors in addition to our ability and the ability of the Guarantor to pay our respective obligations, such as the levels of the Underlyings, an improvement in our or the Guarantor's credit ratings will not reduce the other investment risks related to the Securities.

We are a finance subsidiary and, as such, have no independent assets, operations or revenues. We are a finance subsidiary of the Guarantor, have no operations other than those related to the issuance, administration and repayment of our debt securities that are guaranteed by the Guarantor, and are dependent upon the Guarantor and/or its other subsidiaries to meet our obligations under the Securities in the ordinary course. Therefore, our ability to make payments on the Securities may be limited.

Valuation- and Market-related Risks

The public offering price you pay for the Securities will exceed their initial estimated value. The range of initial estimated values of the Securities that is provided on the cover page of this preliminary pricing supplement, and the initial estimated value as of the Pricing Date that will be provided in the final pricing supplement, are each estimates only, determined as of a particular point in time by reference to our and our affiliates' pricing models. These pricing models consider certain assumptions and variables, including our credit spreads and those of the Guarantor, the Guarantor's internal funding rate, mid-market terms on hedging transactions, expectations on interest rates, dividends and volatility, price-sensitivity analysis, and the expected term of the Securities. These pricing models rely in part on certain forecasts about future events, which may prove to be incorrect. If you attempt to sell the Securities prior to maturity, their market value may be lower than the price you paid for them and lower than their initial estimated value. This is due to, among other things, changes in the levels of the Underlyings, changes in the Guarantor's internal funding rate, and the inclusion in the public offering price of the underwriting discount and the hedging related charges, all as further described in "Structuring the Securities" below. These factors, together with various credit, market and economic factors over the term of the Securities, are expected to reduce the price at which you may be able to sell the Securities in any secondary market and will affect the value of the Securities in complex and unpredictable ways.

The initial estimated value does not represent a minimum or maximum price at which we, BAC, BofAS or any of our other affiliates or WFS or its affiliates would be willing to purchase your Securities in any secondary market (if any exists) at any time. The value of your Securities at any time after issuance will vary based on many factors that cannot be predicted with accuracy, including the performance of the Underlyings, our and BAC's creditworthiness and changes in market conditions.

We cannot assure you that a trading market for your Securities will ever develop or be maintained. We will not list the Securities on any securities exchange. We cannot predict how the Securities will trade in any secondary market or whether that market will be liquid or illiquid.

The Securities are not designed to be short-term trading instruments, and if you attempt to sell the Securities prior to maturity, their market value, if any, will be affected by various factors that interrelate in complex ways, and their market value may be less than the principal amount. The following factors are expected to affect the value of the Securities: levels of the Underlyings at such time; volatility of the Underlyings; economic and other conditions generally; interest rates; dividend yields; exchange rate movements and volatility; our and the Guarantor's financial condition and creditworthiness; and time to maturity.

Conflict-related Risks

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Trading and hedging activities by us, the Guarantor and any of our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, may create conflicts of interest with you and may affect your return on the Securities and their market value. We, the Guarantor or one or more of our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, may buy or sell the securities held by or included in the Underlyings, or futures or options contracts on the Underlyings or those securities, or other listed or over-the-counter derivative instruments linked to the Underlyings or those securities. While we, the Guarantor or one or more of our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, may from time to time own securities represented by the Underlyings, except to the extent that BAC's or Wells Fargo & Company's (the parent company of WFS) common stock may be included in the Underlyings, as applicable, we, the Guarantor and our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, do not control any company included in the Underlyings, and have not verified any disclosure made by any other company. We, the Guarantor or one or more of our other affiliates, including BofAS, or WFS and its affiliates, may execute such purchases or sales for our own or their own accounts, for business reasons, or in connection with hedging our obligations under the Securities. These transactions may present a conflict of interest between your interest in the Securities and the interests we, the Guarantor and our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, may have in our or their proprietary accounts, in facilitating transactions, including block trades, for our or their other customers, and in accounts under our or their management. These transactions may adversely affect the levels of the Underlyings in a manner that could be adverse to your investment in the Securities. On or before the Pricing Date, any purchases or sales by us, the Guarantor or our other affiliates, including BofAS or others on its behalf, and WFS and its affiliates (including for the purpose of hedging some or all of our anticipated exposure in connection with the Securities), may affect the levels of the Underlyings. Consequently, the levels of the Underlyings may change subsequent to the Pricing Date, which may adversely affect the market value of the Securities.

We, the Guarantor or one or more of our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, also expect to engage in hedging activities that could affect the levels of the Underlyings on the Pricing Date. In addition, these hedging activities, including the unwinding of a hedge, may decrease the market value of your Securities prior to maturity, and may affect the amounts to be paid on the Securities. We, the Guarantor or one or more of our other affiliates, including BofAS, and WFS and its affiliates, may purchase or otherwise acquire a long or short position in the Securities and may hold or resell the Securities. For example, BofAS may enter into these transactions in connection with any market making activities in which it engages. We cannot assure you that these activities will not adversely affect the levels of the Underlyings, the market value of your Securities prior to maturity or the amounts payable on the Securities.

If WFS, BofAS or an affiliate of either selling agent participating as a dealer in the distribution of the Securities conducts hedging activities for us in connection with the Securities, such selling agent or participating dealer will expect to realize a projected profit from such hedging activities, and this projected profit will be in addition to any discount, concession or fee received in connection with the sale of the Securities to you. This additional projected profit may create a further incentive for the selling agents or participating dealers to sell the Securities to you.

There may be potential conflicts of interest involving the calculation agent, which is an affiliate of ours. We have the right to appoint and remove the calculation agent. One of our affiliates will be the calculation agent for the Securities and, as such, will make a variety of determinations relating to the Securities, including the amounts that will be paid on the Securities. Under some circumstances, these duties could result in a conflict of interest between its status as our affiliate and its responsibilities as calculation agent.

Underlying-related Risks

Any payments on the Securities and whether the Securities are automatically called will depend upon the performance of the Underlyings, and therefore the Securities are subject to the following risks, each as discussed in more detail in the accompanying product supplement.

- **Changes that affect the Indices may adversely affect the value of the Securities and any payments on the Securities.**
- **We and our affiliates have no affiliation with any index sponsor and have not independently verified their public disclosure of information.**

The Securities are subject to risks associated with small-size capitalization companies. The stocks comprising the RUJ are issued by companies with small-sized market capitalization. The stock prices of small-size companies may be more volatile than stock prices of large capitalization companies. Small-size capitalization companies may be less able to withstand adverse economic, market, trade and competitive conditions relative to larger companies. Small-size capitalization companies may also be more susceptible to adverse developments related to their products or services.

The Securities are subject to risks associated with mid-size capitalization companies. The stocks comprising the MID are issued by companies with mid-sized market capitalization. The stock prices of mid-size companies may be more volatile than stock prices of large capitalization companies. Mid-size capitalization companies may be less able to withstand adverse economic, market, trade and competitive conditions relative to larger companies. Mid-size capitalization companies may also be more susceptible to adverse developments related to their products or services.

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Tax-related Risks

The U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of the Securities are uncertain, and may be adverse to a holder of the Securities. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary” below and “U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary” beginning on page PS-36 of the accompanying product supplement.

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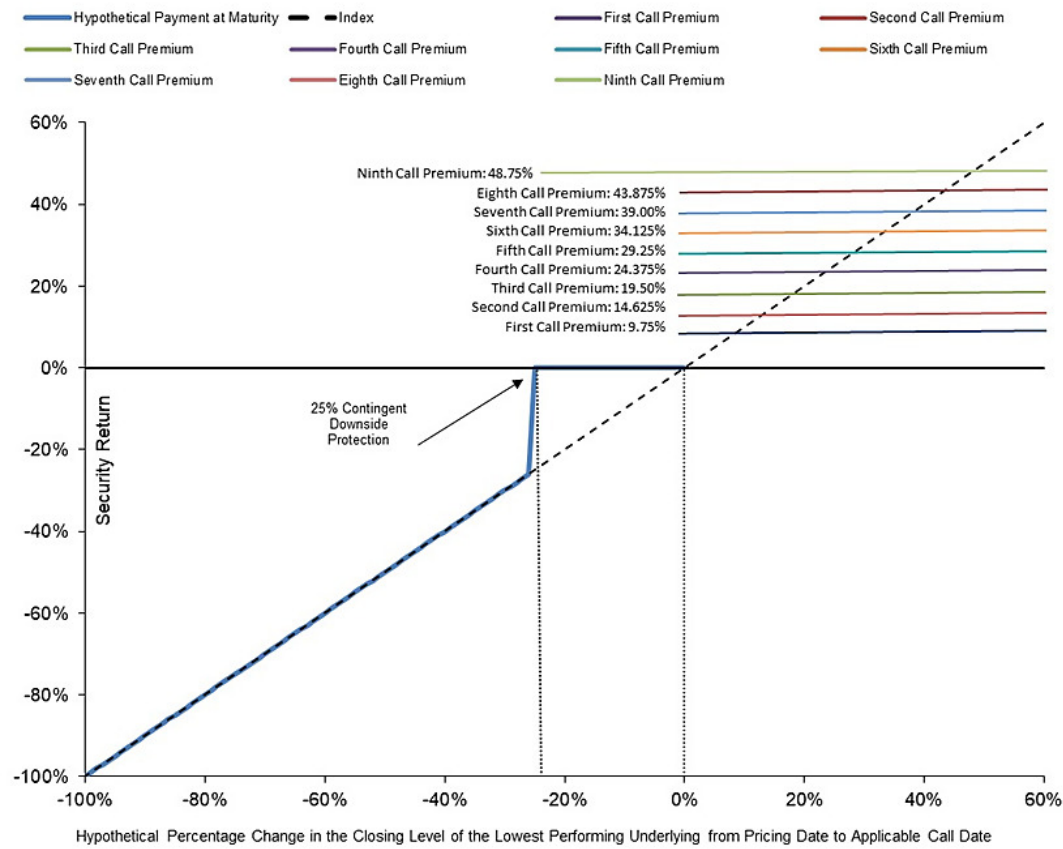
Hypothetical Examples and Returns

The payout profile, hypothetical returns and examples below illustrate hypothetical payments upon an automatic call or at maturity for a \$1,000 principal amount security on a hypothetical offering of securities under various scenarios, with the assumptions set forth in the table below. The terms used for purposes of these hypothetical examples do not represent the actual Starting Value or Call Values of any Underlying. The hypothetical Starting Value of 100.00 for each Underlying has been chosen for illustrative purposes only and does not represent the actual Starting Value of any Underlying. The actual Starting Value and Call Values for each Underlying will be determined on the Pricing Date and will be set forth under “Terms of the Securities” above. For historical data regarding the actual closing levels of the Underlyings, see the historical information set forth herein. The payout profile, return table and examples below assume that an investor purchases the Securities for \$1,000 per Security. These examples are for purposes of illustration only and the values used in the examples may have been rounded for ease of analysis. The actual amount you receive at stated maturity or upon automatic call and the resulting pre-tax total rate of return will depend on the actual terms of the Securities.

Hypothetical Call Premiums:	9.750% for the first Call Date, 14.625% for the second Call Date, 19.500% for the third Call Date, 24.375% for the fourth Call Date, 29.250% for the fifth Call Date, 34.125% for the sixth Call Date, 39.000% for the seventh Call Date, 43.875% for the eighth Call Date and 48.750% for the ninth Call Date (assuming that a Call Premium is equal to the lowest possible Call Premium that will be determined on the Pricing Date)
Hypothetical Starting Value:	For each Underlying, 100.00
Hypothetical Call Values:	With respect to each Underlying on the first through eighth Call Dates, 100.00 (100% of its hypothetical Starting Value); and with respect to each Underlying on the final Call Date (which is also the Final Calculation Day), 75.00 (75% of its hypothetical Starting Value)

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Hypothetical Payout Profile



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Hypothetical Returns

If the Securities are automatically called:

Hypothetical Call Date on which Securities are automatically called	Hypothetical payment per Security on related Call Settlement Date	Hypothetical pre-tax total rate of return
1st Call Date	\$1,097.50	9.750%
2nd Call Date	\$1,146.25	14.625%
3rd Call Date	\$1,195.00	19.500%
4th Call Date	\$1,243.75	24.375%
5th Call Date	\$1,292.50	29.250%
6th Call Date	\$1,341.25	34.125%
7th Call Date	\$1,390.00	39.000%
8th Call Date	\$1,438.75	43.875%
9th Call Date	\$1,487.50	48.750%

If the Securities are not automatically called:

Hypothetical Performance Factor of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day ⁽¹⁾	Hypothetical Maturity Payment Amount per Security	Hypothetical pre-tax total rate of return
74.00%	\$740.00	-26.00%
50.00%	\$500.00	-50.00%
25.00%	\$250.00	-75.00%
0.00%	\$0.00	-100.00%

⁽¹⁾ The Performance Factor of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day is equal to its Ending Value divided by its Starting Value (expressed as a percentage).

Hypothetical Examples Of Payment Upon An Automatic Call Or At Maturity

Example 1. The closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the first Call Date is greater than its applicable Call Value, and the Securities are automatically called on the first Call Date:

	Russell 1000 [®] Value Index	S&P MidCap 400 [®] Index	Russell 2000 [®] Value Index
Hypothetical Starting Value:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical Call Value on the first Call Date:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical closing level on first Call Date:	140.00	135.00	130.00
Performance Factor on first Call Date (closing level on first Call Date divided by Starting Value):	140.00%	135.00%	130.00%

Step 1: Determine which Underlying is the Lowest Performing Underlying on the first Call Date.

In this example, the Russell 2000[®] Value Index has the lowest Performance Factor on the first Call Date and is, therefore, the Lowest Performing Underlying on the first Call Date.

Step 2: Determine the payment upon automatic call.

Because the hypothetical closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the first Call Date is greater than its hypothetical applicable Call Value, the Securities are automatically called on the first Call Date and you will receive on the related Call Settlement Date the principal amount of your Securities plus a Call Premium of 9.75% of the principal amount. Even though the Lowest Performing Underlying on the first Call Date appreciated by 30.00% from its Starting Value to its closing level on the first Call Date in this example, your return is limited to the Call Premium of 9.75% that is applicable to such Call Date.

On the Call Settlement Date, you would receive \$1,097.50 per Security.

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Example 2. The Securities are not automatically called prior to the last Call Date (the Final Calculation Day). The closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day is greater than its applicable Call Value, and the Securities are automatically called on the Final Calculation Day:

	Russell 1000 [®] Value Index	S&P MidCap 400 [®] Index	Russell 2000 [®] Value Index
Hypothetical Starting Value:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical Call Value on the first through eighth Call Dates:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical closing levels on Call Dates prior to the Final Calculation Day:	Various (all below applicable Call Value)	Various (all below applicable Call Value)	Various (all below applicable Call Value)
Hypothetical Call Value on the Final Calculation Day:	75.00	75.00	75.00
Hypothetical closing level on Final Calculation Day (i.e., the Ending Value):	92.00	80.00	77.00
Performance Factor on Final Calculation Day (Ending Value <i>divided by</i> Starting Value):	92.00%	80.00%	77.00%

Step 1: Determine which Underlying is the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day.

In this example, the Russell 2000[®] Value Index has the lowest Performance Factor on the Final Calculation Day and is, therefore, the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day.

Step 2: Determine the payment upon automatic call.

Because the hypothetical closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on each Call Date prior to the last Call Date (which is the Final Calculation Day) is less than its hypothetical applicable Call Value, the Securities are not called prior to the Final Calculation Day. Because the hypothetical closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day is greater than its hypothetical applicable Call Value, the Securities are automatically called on the Final Calculation Day and you will receive on the related Call Settlement Date (which is the Maturity Date) the principal amount of your Securities plus a Call Premium of 48.75% of the principal amount.

On the Call Settlement Date (which is the Maturity Date), you would receive \$1,487.50 per Security.

Example 3. The Securities are not automatically called. The Ending Value of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day is less than its Call Value on the Final Calculation Day and the Maturity Payment Amount is less than the principal amount:

	Russell 1000 [®] Value Index	S&P MidCap 400 [®] Index	Russell 2000 [®] Value Index
Hypothetical Starting Value:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical Call Value on the first through eighth Call Dates:	100.00	100.00	100.00
Hypothetical closing levels on Call Dates prior to the Final Calculation Day:	Various (all below applicable Call Value)	Various (all above applicable Call Value)	Various (all above applicable Call Value)
Hypothetical Call Value on the Final Calculation Day:	75.00	75.00	75.00
Hypothetical Ending Value:	50.00	110.00	120.00
Performance Factor on Final Calculation Day (Ending Value <i>divided by</i> Starting Value):	50.00%	110.00%	120.00%

Step 1: Determine which Underlying is the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day.

In this example, the Russell 1000[®] Value Index has the lowest Performance Factor and is, therefore, the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day.

Step 2: Determine the Maturity Payment Amount based on the Ending Value of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day.

Because the hypothetical closing level of the Lowest Performing Underlying on each Call Date (including the Final Calculation Day) is less than its respective hypothetical applicable Call Value, the Securities are not automatically called. Because the hypothetical Ending Value of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day is less than its hypothetical applicable Call Value, you would lose a portion of the principal amount of your Securities and receive the Maturity Payment Amount equal to:

$$= \$1,000 \times \text{Performance Factor of the Lowest Performing Underlying on the Final Calculation Day}$$

$$= \$1,000 \times 50.00\% = \$500.00$$

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On the Maturity Date, you would receive \$500.00 per Security, resulting in a loss of 50.00%. As this example illustrates, if any Underlying depreciates below its applicable Call Value on the Final Calculation Day, you will incur a loss on the Securities at maturity, even if one or both of the other Underlyings has appreciated or has not declined below its applicable Call Value.

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All disclosures contained in this pricing supplement regarding the Underlyings, including, without limitation, their make-up, method of calculation, and changes in their components, have been derived from publicly available sources. The information reflects the policies of, and is subject to change by, each of FTSE Russell, the sponsor of each of the RLV and the RUJ, and S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC (“SPDJI”), the sponsor of the MID. We refer to FTSE Russell and SPDJI as the “Underlying Sponsors”. The Underlying Sponsors, which license the copyright and all other rights to the respective Underlyings, have no obligation to continue to publish, and may discontinue publication of, the Underlyings. The consequences of either Underlying Sponsor discontinuing publication of the applicable Underlying are discussed in “General Terms of the Securities — Discontinuance of an Index” in the accompanying product supplement. None of us, the Guarantor, the calculation agent, or BofAS accepts any responsibility for the calculation, maintenance or publication of any Underlying or any successor index. None of us, the Guarantor, BofAS or any of our other affiliates makes any representation to you as to the future performance of the Underlyings. You should make your own investigation into the Underlyings.

The Russell 1000® Value Index

The Russell 1000® Value Index (the “Index”) measures the capitalization-weighted price performance of the stocks included in the Russell 1000® Index that are determined by FTSE Russell to be value oriented, with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted and historical growth. The Russell 1000® Index tracks 1,000 U.S. large-capitalization stocks listed on eligible U.S. exchanges (the “Russell 1000 Stocks”). The Index is reported by Bloomberg L.P. under the ticker symbol “RLV.”

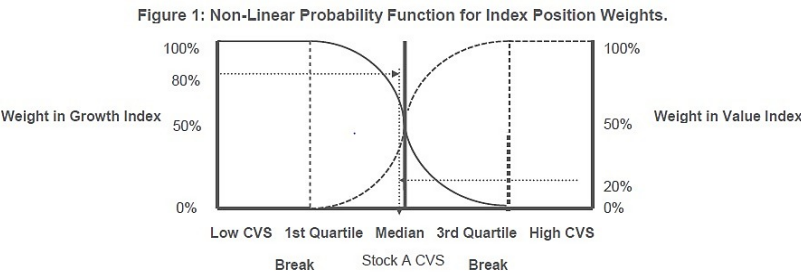
FTSE Russell’s Value and Growth Style Methodology

FTSE Russell uses a “non-linear probability” method to assign stocks to the Index and the Russell 1000® Growth Index (the “Growth Index”), an index that measures the capitalization-weighted price performance of the Russell 1000 Stocks determined by FTSE Russell to be growth oriented, with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted and historical growth. FTSE Russell uses three variables in the determination of value and growth. For value, book-to-price (B/P) ratio is used, while for growth, two variables- I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2-year) and sales per share historical growth (5-year)-are used. The term “probability” is used to indicate the degree of certainty that a stock is value or growth based on its relative book-to-price (B/P) ratio, I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2 year) and sales per share historical growth (5 year).

First, the Russell 1000 Stocks are ranked by their adjusted book-to-price ratio (B/P), their I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2 year) and sales per share historical growth (5 year). These rankings are then converted to standardized units, where the value variable represents 50% of the score and the two growth variables represent the remaining 50%. Next, these units are combined to produce a composite value score (“CVS”).

The Russell 1000 Stocks are then ranked by their CVS, and a probability algorithm is applied to the CVS distribution to assign growth and value weights to each stock. In general, a stock with a lower CVS is considered growth, a stock with a higher CVS is considered value and a stock with a CVS in the middle range is considered to have both growth and value characteristics, and is weighted proportionately in the Growth Index and the Index. Stocks are always fully represented by the combination of their growth and value weights (e.g., a stock that is given a 20% weight in the Index will have an 80% weight in the Growth Index). Style index assignment for non-pricing vehicle share classes will be based on that of the pricing vehicle and assigned consistently across all additional share classes.

Stock A, in the figure below, is a security with 20% of its available shares assigned to the Index and the remaining 80% assigned to the Growth Index. The growth and value probabilities will always sum to 100%. Hence, the sum of a stock’s market capitalization in the Growth Index and the Index will always equal its market capitalization in the Russell 1000® Index.



In the figure above, the quartile breaks are calculated such that approximately 25% of the available market capitalization lies in each quartile. Stocks at the median are divided 50% in each of the Growth Index and the Index. Stocks below the first quartile are 100% in the Growth Index. Stocks above the third quartile are 100% in the Index. Stocks falling between the first and third quartile breaks are

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included in both the Growth Index and the Index to varying degrees, depending on how far they are above or below the median and how close they are to the first or third quartile breaks.

Roughly 70% of the available market capitalization is classified as all growth or all value. The remaining 30% have some portion of their market value in either the Index or the Growth Index, depending on their relative distance from the median value score. Note that there is a small position cutoff rule. If a stock's weight is more than 95% in one style index, its weight is increased to 100% in that index.

In an effort to mitigate unnecessary turnover, FTSE Russell implements a banding methodology at the CVS level of the growth and value style algorithm. If a company's CVS change from the previous year is greater than or equal to ± 0.10 and if the company remains in the Russell 1000[®] Index, then the CVS remains unchanged during the next reconstitution process. Keeping the CVS static for these companies does not mean the probability (growth/value) will remain unchanged in all cases due to the relation of a CVS score to the overall index. However, this banding methodology is intended to reduce turnover caused by smaller, less meaningful movements while continuing to allow the larger, more meaningful changes to occur, signaling a true change in a company's relation to the market.

In calculating growth and value weights, stocks with missing or negative values for B/P, or missing values for I/B/E/S growth (negative I/B/E/S growth is valid), or missing sales per share historical growth (6 years of quarterly numbers are required), are allocated by using the mean value score of the Russell 1000[®] Index, the Russell Global Sectors (or, beginning in September 2020, the Industry Classification Benchmark ("ICB")) industry, subsector or sector group of the Russell 1000[®] Index into which the company falls. Each missing (or negative B/P) variable is substituted with the industry, subsector or sector group independently. An industry must have five members or the substitution reverts to the subsector, and so forth to the sector. In addition, a weighted value score is calculated for securities with low analyst coverage for I/B/E/S medium-term growth. For securities with coverage by a single analyst, 2/3 of the industry, subsector, or sector group value score is weighted with 1/3 the security's independent value score. For those securities with coverage by two analysts, 2/3 of the independent security's value score is used and only 1/3 of the industry, subsector, or sector group is weighted. For those securities with at least three analysts contributing to the I/B/E/S medium-term growth, 100% of the independent security's value score is used.

Selection of Stocks Underlying the Index

The Index is a sub-index of the Russell 3000[®] Index. To be eligible for inclusion in the Russell 3000[®] Index and, consequently, the Index, a company must meet the following criteria as of the "rank day" (except that initial public offerings ("IPOs") are considered for inclusion on a quarterly basis):

- U.S. Equity Market. The company must be determined to be part of the U.S. equity market, meaning that its home country is the United States. If a company incorporates in, has a stated headquarters location in, and also trades in the same country (ADRs and ADSs are not eligible), the company is assigned to its country of incorporation.

The rank day occurs on the last business day of April with membership eligibility determined using public information available on the rank day and market capitalizations calculated at market close. If any of the three criteria do not match, FTSE Russell then defines three Home Country Indicators ("HCIs"): country of incorporation, country of headquarters and country of the most liquid exchange as defined by two-year average daily dollar trading volume from all exchanges within a country. After the HCIs are defined, the next step in the country assignment involves an analysis of assets by location. FTSE Russell cross-compares the primary location of the company's assets with the three HCIs. If the primary location of assets matches any of the HCIs, then the company is assigned to its primary asset location.

If there is not enough information to determine a company's primary location of assets, FTSE Russell uses the primary location of the company's revenue for the same cross-comparison and assigns the company to the appropriate country in a similar fashion. FTSE Russell uses an average of two years of assets or revenue data for analysis to reduce potential turnover.

If conclusive country details cannot be derived from assets or revenue, FTSE Russell assigns the company to the country in which its headquarters are located unless the country is a Benefit Driven Incorporation ("BDI") country. If the country in which its headquarters are located is a BDI country, the company is assigned to the country of its most liquid stock exchange. The BDI countries are Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Bonaire, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Channel Islands, Cook Islands, Curacao, Faroe Islands, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Liberia, Marshall Islands, Panama, Saba, Sint Eustatius, Sint Maarten and Turks and Caicos Islands.

- U.S. Eligible Exchange. The following exchanges and markets are deemed to be eligible U.S. exchanges: the Chicago Board Options Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange, NYSE American, The Nasdaq Stock Market and NYSE Arca. Stocks that are not traded on an eligible U.S. exchange (Bulletin Board, Pink Sheet and over-the-counter securities, including securities for which prices are displayed on the FINRA Alternative Display Facility) are not eligible for inclusion.
- Minimum Closing Price. A stock must have a close price at or above \$1.00 (on its primary exchange), subject to exceptions to reduce turnover.
- Minimum Total Market Capitalization. Companies with a total market capitalization less than \$30 million are not eligible for inclusion.

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- **Minimum Free Float.** Companies with 5.5% or less of their shares available in the free float as defined by FTSE Russell are not eligible for inclusion.
- **Company Structure.** Companies structured in the following ways are not eligible for inclusion: royalty trusts, U.S. limited liability companies, closed-end investment companies, business development companies (and other companies that are required to report Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, as defined by the SEC), blank-check companies, special-purpose acquisition companies (SPACs), limited partnerships, exchange-traded funds and mutual funds.
- **UBTI.** Real estate investment trusts and publicly traded partnerships that generate or have historically generated unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) and have not taken steps to block UBTI to equity holders are not eligible for inclusion. Information used to confirm UBTI impact includes the following publicly available sources: 10-K, SEC Form S-3, K-1, company annual report, dividend notices or company website.
- **Security Types.** The following types of securities are not eligible for inclusion: preferred and convertible preferred stock, redeemable shares, participating preferred stock, warrants, rights, installment receipts and trust receipts.
- **Minimum Voting Rights.** As of August 2017, more than 5% of a company’s voting rights (aggregated across all of its equity securities, including, where identifiable, those that are not listed or trading) must be in the hands of unrestricted shareholders. Existing constituents have a 5 year grandfathering period to comply or they will be removed from the Index in September 2022.
- **Multiple Share Classes.** If an eligible company trades under multiple share classes, each share class is reviewed independently for eligibility for inclusion. Share classes in addition to the primary share class must meet the following minimum size, liquidity and float requirements to be eligible: (i) total market cap must be larger than \$30 million; (ii) average daily dollar trading value must exceed that of the global median; and (iii) more than 5% of shares must be available in the free float as defined by FTSE Russell.

Securities of eligible companies are included in the Index based on total market capitalization. Total market capitalization is determined by multiplying total outstanding shares by the market price (generally, the last price traded on the primary exchange of the share class with the highest two-year trading volume, subject to exceptions) as of the rank day (except that IPOs are considered for inclusion on a quarterly basis). Common stock, non-restricted exchangeable shares and partnership units/membership interests (but not operating partnership units of umbrella partnership real estate investment trusts) are used to calculate a company’s total market capitalization. If multiple share classes of common stock exist, they are combined to determine total shares outstanding; however, in cases where the common stock share classes act independently of each other (e.g., tracking stocks), each class is considered for inclusion separately. For merger and spin-off transactions that are effective between rank day and the Friday prior to annual reconstitution in June, the market capitalizations of the impacted securities are recalculated and membership is reevaluated as of the effective date of the corporate action.

The 4,000 securities with the greater total market capitalization become members of the Russell 3000[®] Index. The Index is a subset of the Russell 3000[®] Index. Market capitalization breakpoints are determined by the breaks between the rankings of companies (based on descending total market capitalization). Market capitalization breakpoints for the Index are determined by the break between the companies ranked #1 through #1,000. New members are assigned on the basis of the breakpoints, and existing members are reviewed to determine if they fall within a cumulative 5% market cap range around these new market capitalization breakpoints. If an existing member’s market cap falls within this cumulative 5% of the market capitalization breakpoint, it will remain in the Index rather than be moved to a different Russell index.

After membership is determined, a security’s shares are adjusted to include only those shares available to the public (“free float”). The purpose of this adjustment is to exclude from market calculations the capitalization that is not available for purchase and is not part of the investable opportunity set. Stocks in the Index are weighted by their available (also called float-adjusted) market capitalization. The following types of shares are removed from total market capitalization to arrive at free float or available market capitalization, based on information recorded in SEC corporate filings: officers’ and directors’ holdings, private holdings exceeding 10% of shares outstanding, institutional holdings exceeding 30% of shares outstanding, shares held by publicly listed companies, shares held by an Employee Stock Ownership Plan or a Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan; shares locked up during an IPO; direct government holdings; and indirect government holdings exceeding 10% of shares outstanding.

Reconstitution occurs on the fourth Friday of June. However, at times this date is too proximal to exchange closures and abbreviated exchange trading schedules when market liquidity is exceptionally low. A full calendar for reconstitution is published each spring.

Corporate Actions and Events Affecting the Index

FTSE Russell applies corporate actions to the Index on a daily basis. FTSE Russell applies the following methodology guidelines, among others, when adjusting the Index in response to corporate actions:

- **“No Replacement” Rule.** Securities that leave the Index for any reason (e.g., mergers, acquisitions or other similar corporate activity) are not replaced. Thus, the number of securities in the Index over a year will fluctuate according to corporate activity.
- **Statement of Principles and Adjustments for Specific Corporate Events.** FTSE Russell has stated as general principles that the treatment of corporate events (a) should reflect how such events are likely to be dealt with in investment portfolios to maintain the portfolio structure in line with the target set out in the index objective and index methodology and (b) should normally be

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designed to minimize the trading activity required by investors to match the index performance. No assurance can be provided that corporate actions and events will be treated by FTSE Russell in a manner consistent with its statement of general principles.

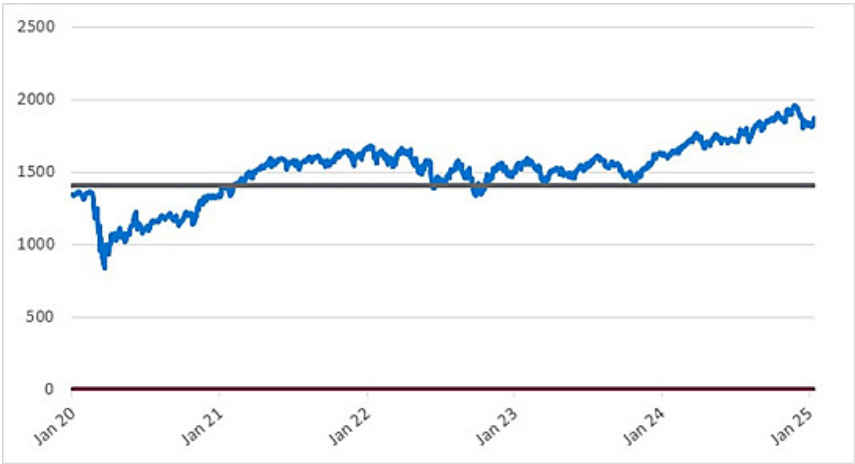
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- Changes to Shares Outstanding and Free Float. The Index will be reviewed quarterly for updates to shares outstanding and to free floats used within the calculation of the Index. In March, September and December, shares outstanding and free float will be updated to reflect changes greater than 1% for cumulative shares in issue changes and changes greater than 3% (or 1%, for constituents with a free float of 15% or below) for cumulative free float changes. In June, the shares and free float updates will be implemented regardless of size. Shares and free float updates can be triggered in some cases by certain events, such as some primary or secondary offerings.

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Historical Performance of the RLV

The following graph sets forth the daily historical performance of the RLV in the period from January 2, 2020 through January 16, 2025. We obtained this historical data from Bloomberg L.P. We have not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of the information obtained from Bloomberg L.P. The horizontal line in the graph represents the RLV's hypothetical Call Value on the Final Calculation Day of 1,404.7125, which is 75% of the RLV's hypothetical Starting Value of 1,872.95, which was its closing level on January 16, 2025. The actual Starting Value and Call Value on the Final Calculation Day will be determined on the Pricing Date.



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The S&P MidCap 400® Index

The MID is intended to provide a benchmark for the performance of publicly traded mid-sized U.S. companies. The MID tracks the stock price movement of 400 companies with mid-sized market capitalizations, ranging from \$7.4 billion to \$20.5 billion. The calculation of the level of the MID is based on the relative value of the aggregate market value of the common stocks of 400 companies as of a particular time compared to the aggregate average market value of the common stocks of 400 similar companies on the base date of June 28, 1991.

The MID includes companies from eleven main groups: Information Technology; Industrials; Financials; Consumer Discretionary; Health Care; Real Estate; Materials; Utilities; Consumer Staples; Communication Services; and Energy. The MID sponsor, SPDJI, may from time to time, in its sole discretion, add companies to, or delete companies from, the MID to achieve the objectives stated above.

SPDJI calculates the MID by reference to the prices of the constituent stocks of the MID without taking account of the value of dividends paid on those stocks. As a result, the return on the Securities will not reflect the return you would realize if you actually owned the MID constituent stocks and received the dividends paid on those stocks.

Computation of the MID

While SPDJI currently employs the following methodology to calculate the MID, no assurance can be given that SPDJI will not modify or change this methodology in a manner that may affect the payment on the Securities.

Historically, the market value of any component stock of the MID was calculated as the product of the market price per share and the number of then outstanding shares of such component stock. In March 2005, SPDJI began shifting the MID halfway from a market capitalization weighted formula to a float-adjusted formula, before moving the MID to full float adjustment on September 16, 2005. SPDJI's criteria for selecting stocks for the MID did not change with the shift to float adjustment. However, the adjustment affects each company's weight in the MID.

Under float adjustment, the share counts used in calculating the MID reflect only those shares that are available to investors, not all of a company's outstanding shares. Float adjustment excludes shares that are closely held by control groups, other publicly traded companies or government agencies.

In September 2012, all shareholdings representing more than 5% of a stock's outstanding shares, other than holdings by "block owners," were removed from the float for purposes of calculating the MID. Generally, these "control holders" will include officers and directors, private equity, venture capital and special equity firms, other publicly traded companies that hold shares for control, strategic partners, holders of restricted shares, ESOPs, employee and family trusts, foundations associated with the company, holders of unlisted share classes of stock, government entities at all levels (other than government retirement/pension funds) and any individual person who controls a 5% or greater stake in a company as reported in regulatory filings. However, holdings by block owners, such as depository banks, pension funds, mutual funds and ETF providers, 401(k) plans of the company, government retirement/pension funds, investment funds of insurance companies, asset managers and investment funds, independent foundations and savings and investment plans, will ordinarily be considered part of the float.

Treasury stock, stock options, equity participation units, warrants, preferred stock, convertible stock, and rights are not part of the float. Shares held in a trust to allow investors in countries outside the country of domicile, such as depository shares and Canadian exchangeable shares, are normally part of the float unless those shares form a control block. If a company has multiple classes of stock outstanding, shares in an unlisted or non-traded class are treated as a control block.

For each stock, an investable weight factor ("IWF") is calculated by dividing the available float shares by the total shares outstanding. Available float shares are defined as the total shares outstanding less shares held by control holders. This calculation is subject to a 5% minimum threshold for control blocks. For example, if a company's officers and directors hold 3% of the company's shares, and no other control group holds 5% of the company's shares, SPDJI would assign that company an IWF of 1.00, as no control group meets the 5% threshold. However, if a company's officers and directors hold 3% of the company's shares and another control group holds 20% of the company's shares, SPDJI would assign an IWF of 0.77, reflecting the fact that 23% of the company's outstanding shares are considered to be held for control. As of July 31, 2017, companies with multiple share class lines are no longer eligible for inclusion in the MID. Constituents of the MID prior to July 31, 2017 with multiple share class lines will be grandfathered in and continue to be included in the MID. If a constituent company of the MID reorganizes into a multiple share class line structure, that company will remain in the MID at the discretion of the S&P Index Committee in order to minimize turnover.

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The MID is calculated using a base-weighted aggregate methodology. The level of the MID reflects the total market value of all 400 component stocks relative to the base date of June 28, 1991. An indexed number is used to represent the results of this calculation in order to make the level easier to work with and track over time. The actual total market value of the component stocks on the base date has been set to an indexed level of 100. This is often indicated by the notation June 28, 1991 = 100. In practice, the daily calculation of the MID is computed by dividing the total market value of the component stocks by the “index divisor.” By itself, the MID divisor is an arbitrary number. However, in the context of the calculation of the MID, it serves as a link to the original base period level of the MID. The MID divisor keeps the MID comparable over time and is the manipulation point for all adjustments to the MID, which is index maintenance.

Index Maintenance

Index maintenance includes monitoring and completing the adjustments for company additions and deletions, share changes, stock splits, stock dividends, and stock price adjustments due to company restructuring or spinoffs. Some corporate actions, such as stock splits and stock dividends, require changes in the common shares outstanding and the stock prices of the companies in the MID, and do not require index divisor adjustments.

To prevent the level of the MID from changing due to corporate actions, corporate actions which affect the total market value of the MID require an index divisor adjustment. By adjusting the MID divisor for the change in market value, the level of the MID remains constant and does not reflect the corporate actions of individual companies in the MID. Index divisor adjustments are made after the close of trading and after the calculation of the MID closing level.

Changes in a company’s shares outstanding of 5.00% or more due to mergers, acquisitions, public offerings, tender offers, Dutch auctions, or exchange offers are made as soon as reasonably possible. Share changes due to mergers or acquisitions of publicly held companies that trade on a major exchange are implemented when the transaction occurs, even if both of the companies are not in the same headline index, and regardless of the size of the change. All other changes of 5.00% or more (due to, for example, company stock repurchases, private placements, redemptions, exercise of options, warrants, conversion of preferred stock, notes, debt, equity participation units, at-the-market offerings, or other recapitalizations) are made weekly and are announced on Fridays for implementation after the close of trading on the following Friday. Changes of less than 5.00% are accumulated and made quarterly on the third Friday of March, June, September, and December, and are usually announced two to five days prior.

If a change in a company’s shares outstanding of 5.00% or more causes a company’s IWF to change by five percentage points or more, the IWF is updated at the same time as the share change. IWF changes resulting from partial tender offers are considered on a case by case basis.

Historical Performance of the MID

The following graph sets forth the daily historical performance of the MID in the period from January 2, 2020 through January 16, 2025. We obtained this historical data from Bloomberg L.P. We have not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of the information obtained from Bloomberg L.P. The horizontal line in the graph represents the MID’s hypothetical Coupon Barrier and hypothetical Call Value on the Final Calculation Day of 2,420.0175, which is 75% of the MID’s hypothetical Starting Value of 3,226.69, which was its closing level on January 16, 2025. The actual Starting Value, Coupon Barrier and Call Value on the Final Calculation Day will be determined on the Pricing Date.



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The Russell 2000® Value Index

The Russell 2000® Value Index measures the capitalization-weighted price performance of the stocks included in the Russell 2000® Index that are determined by FTSE Russell to be value oriented, with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth. The Russell 2000® Index tracks 2,000 U.S. small-capitalization stocks listed on eligible U.S. exchanges (the “Russell 2000 Stocks”). The Russell 2000® Value Index is reported by Bloomberg L.P. under the ticker symbol “RUJ.”

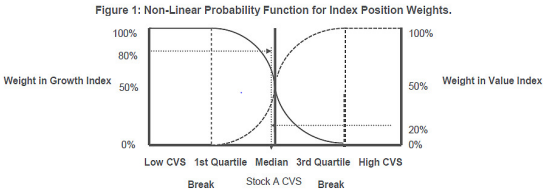
FTSE Russell’s Value and Growth Style Methodology

FTSE Russell uses a “non-linear probability” method to assign stocks to the Russell 2000® Value Index and the Russell 2000® Growth Index (the “Growth Index”), an index that measures the capitalization-weighted price performance of the Russell 2000 Stocks determined by FTSE Russell to be growth oriented, with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted and historical growth. FTSE Russell uses three variables in the determination of value and growth. For value, book-to-price (B/P) ratio is used, while for growth, two variables—I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2-year) and sales per share historical growth (5-year)—are used. The term “probability” is used to indicate the degree of certainty that a stock is value or growth based on its relative book-to-price (B/P) ratio, I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2 year) and sales per share historical growth (5 year).

First, the Russell 2000 Stocks are ranked by their adjusted book-to-price ratio (B/P), their I/B/E/S forecast medium-term growth (2 year) and sales per share historical growth (5 year). These rankings are then converted to standardized units, where the value variable represents 50% of the score and the two growth variables represent the remaining 50%. Next, these units are combined to produce a composite value score (“CVS”).

The Russell 2000 Stocks are then ranked by their CVS, and a probability algorithm is applied to the CVS distribution to assign growth and value weights to each stock. In general, a stock with a lower CVS is considered growth, a stock with a higher CVS is considered value and a stock with a CVS in the middle range is considered to have both growth and value characteristics, and is weighted proportionately in the Growth Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index. Stocks are always fully represented by the combination of their growth and value weights (e.g., a stock that is given a 20% weight in the Russell 2000® Value Index will have an 80% weight in the Growth Index). Style index assignment for non-pricing vehicle share classes will be based on that of the pricing vehicle and assigned consistently across all additional share classes.

Stock A, in the figure below, is a security with 20% of its available shares assigned to the Russell 2000® Value Index and the remaining 80% assigned to the Growth Index. The growth and value probabilities will always sum to 100%. Hence, the sum of a stock’s market capitalization in the Growth Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index will always equal its market capitalization in the Russell 2000® Index.



In the figure above, the quartile breaks are calculated such that approximately 25% of the available market capitalization lies in each quartile. Stocks at the median are divided 50% in each of the Growth Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index. Stocks below the first quartile are 100% in the Growth Index. Stocks above the third quartile are 100% in the Russell 2000® Value Index. Stocks falling between the first and third quartile breaks are included in both the Growth Index and the Russell 2000® Value Index to varying degrees, depending on how far they are above or below the median and how close they are to the first or third quartile breaks.

Roughly 72% of the available market capitalization is classified as all growth or all value. The remaining 30% have some portion of their market value in either the Russell 2000® Value Index or the Growth Index, depending on their relative distance from the median value score. Note that there is a small position cutoff rule. If a stock’s weight is more than 95% in one style index, its weight is increased to 100% in that index.

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In an effort to mitigate unnecessary turnover, FTSE Russell implements a banding methodology at the CVS level of the growth and value style algorithm. If a company's CVS change from the previous year is greater than or equal to ± 0.10 and if the company remains in the Russell 2000[®] Index, then the CVS remains unchanged during the next reconstitution process. Keeping the CVS static for these companies does not mean the probability (growth/value) will remain unchanged in all cases due to the relation of a CVS score to the overall index. However, this banding methodology is intended to reduce turnover caused by smaller, less meaningful movements while continuing to allow the larger, more meaningful changes to occur, signaling a true change in a company's relation to the market.

In calculating growth and value weights, stocks with missing or negative values for B/P, or missing values for I/B/E/S growth (negative I/B/E/S growth is valid), or missing sales per share historical growth (6 years of quarterly numbers are required), are allocated by using the mean value score of the Industry Classification Benchmark ("ICB") industry, subsector or sector group of the Russell 2000[®] Index into which the company falls. Each missing (or negative B/P) variable is substituted with the industry, subsector or sector group independently. An industry must have five members or the substitution reverts to the subsector, and so forth to the sector. In addition, a weighted value score is calculated for securities with low analyst coverage for I/B/E/S medium-term growth. For securities with coverage by a single analyst, 2/3 of the industry, subsector, or sector group value score is weighted with 1/3 the security's independent value score. For those securities with coverage by two analysts, 2/3 of the independent security's value score is used and only 1/3 of the industry, subsector, or sector group is weighted. For those securities with at least three analysts contributing to the I/B/E/S medium-term growth, 100% of the independent security's value score is used.

Selection of Stocks Comprising the Russell 2000[®] Index

All companies eligible for inclusion in the Russell 2000[®] Index must be classified as a U.S. company under FTSE Russell's country-assignment methodology. If a company is incorporated, has a stated headquarters location, and trades in the same country (American Depositary Receipts and American Depositary Shares are not eligible), then the company is assigned to its country of incorporation. If any of the three factors are not the same, FTSE Russell defines three Home Country Indicators ("HCIs"): country of incorporation, country of headquarters, and country of the most liquid exchange (as defined by a two-year average daily dollar trading volume) from all exchanges within a country. Using the HCIs, FTSE Russell compares the primary location of the company's assets with the three HCIs. If the primary location of its assets matches any of the HCIs, then the company is assigned to the primary location of its assets. If there is insufficient information to determine the country in which the company's assets are primarily located, FTSE Russell will use the country from which the company's revenues are primarily derived for the comparison with the three HCIs in a similar manner. FTSE Russell uses the average of two years of assets or revenues data to reduce potential turnover. If conclusive country details cannot be derived from assets or revenues data, FTSE Russell will assign the company to the country of its headquarters, which is defined as the address of the company's principal executive offices, unless that country is a Benefit Driven Incorporation ("BDI") country, in which case the company will be assigned to the country of its most liquid stock exchange. BDI countries include: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Bonaire, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Channel Islands, Cook Islands, Curacao, Faroe Islands, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Liberia, Marshall Islands, Panama, Saba, Sint Eustatius, Sint Maarten, and Turks and Caicos Islands. For any companies incorporated or headquartered in a U.S. territory, including Puerto Rico, Guam, and U.S. Virgin Islands, a U.S. HCI is assigned.

All securities eligible for inclusion in the Russell 2000[®] Index must trade on a major U.S. exchange. Stocks must have a closing price at or above \$1.00 on their primary exchange on the last trading day in May to be eligible for inclusion during annual reconstitution. However, in order to reduce unnecessary turnover, if an existing member's closing price is less than \$1.00 on the last day of May, it will be considered eligible if the average of the daily closing prices (from its primary exchange) during the month of May is equal to or greater than \$1.00. Initial public offerings are added each quarter and must have a closing price at or above \$1.00 on the last day of their eligibility period in order to qualify for index inclusion. If an existing stock does not trade on the "rank day" but does have a closing price at or above \$1.00 on another eligible U.S. exchange, that stock will be eligible for inclusion. The rank day occurs on the last business day of April with membership eligibility determined using public information available on the rank day and market capitalizations calculated at market close.

An important criterion used to determine the list of securities eligible for the Russell 2000[®] Index is total market capitalization, which is defined as the market price as of the last trading day in May for those securities being considered at annual reconstitution times the total number of shares outstanding. Where applicable, common stock, non-restricted exchangeable shares and partnership units/membership interests are used to determine market capitalization. Any other form of shares such as preferred stock, convertible preferred stock, redeemable shares, participating preferred stock, warrants and rights, installment receipts or trust receipts, are excluded from the calculation. If multiple share classes of common stock exist, they are combined. In cases where the common stock share classes act independently of each other (e.g., tracking stocks), each class is considered for inclusion separately. If multiple share classes exist, the pricing vehicle will be designated as the share class with the highest two-year trading volume as of the rank day.

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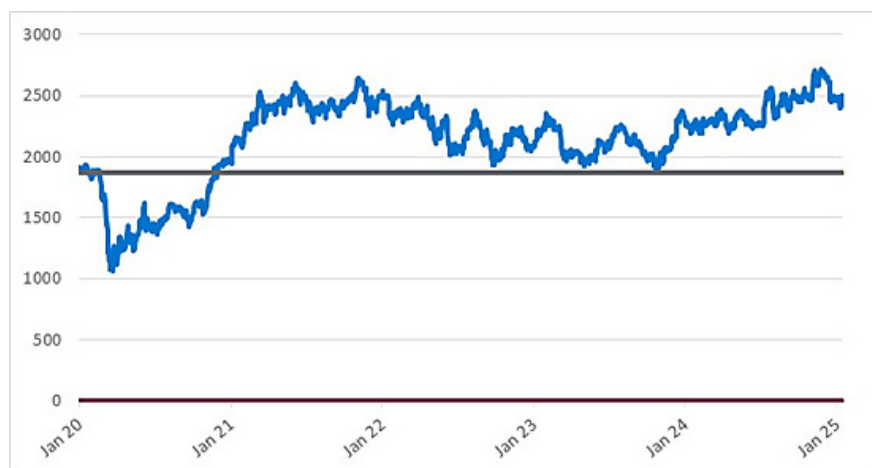
Companies with a total market capitalization of less than \$30 million are not eligible for the Russell 2000[®] Index. Similarly, companies with only 5% or less of their shares available in the free float as defined by FTSE Russell are not eligible for the Russell 2000[®] Index. Royalty trusts, limited liability companies, closed-end investment companies (companies that are required to report Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, as defined by the SEC, including business development companies), blank check companies, special purpose acquisition companies, and limited partnerships are also ineligible for inclusion. Bulletin board, pink sheets, and over-the-counter traded securities are not eligible for inclusion. Exchange traded funds and mutual funds are also excluded.

Annual reconstitution is a process by which the Russell 2000[®] Index is completely rebuilt. Based on closing prices of the company's common stock on its primary exchange on the rank day of each year, FTSE Russell reconstitutes the composition of the Russell 2000[®] Index using the then existing market capitalizations of eligible companies.

Reconstitution of the Russell 2000[®] Index occurs on the fourth Friday of June. In addition, FTSE Russell adds initial public offerings to the Russell 2000[®] Index on a quarterly basis based on total market capitalization ranking within the market-adjusted capitalization breaks established during the most recent reconstitution. After membership is determined, a security's shares are adjusted to include only those shares available to the public. This is often referred to as "free float." The purpose of the adjustment is to exclude from market calculations the capitalization that is not available for purchase and is not part of the investable opportunity set.

Historical Performance of the RUJ

The following graph sets forth the daily historical performance of the RUJ in the period from January 2, 2020 through January 16, 2025. We obtained this historical data from Bloomberg L.P. We have not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of the information obtained from Bloomberg L.P. The horizontal line in the graph represents the RUJ's hypothetical Call Value on the Final Calculation Day of 1,873.80225, which is 75% of the RUJ's hypothetical Starting Value of 2,498.403, which was its closing level on January 16, 2025. The actual Starting Value and Call Value on the Final Calculation Day will be determined on the Pricing Date.



This historical data on the RUJ is not necessarily indicative of the future performance of the RUJ or what the value of the Securities may be. Any historical upward or downward trend in the level of the RUJ during any period set forth above is not an indication that the level of the RUJ is more or less likely to increase or decrease at any time over the term of the Securities.

Before investing in the Securities, you should consult publicly available sources for the levels of the RUJ.

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Structuring the Securities

The Securities are our debt securities, the return on which is linked to the performance of the Underlyings. The related guarantee is BAC's obligation. Any payments on the Securities, including payment of the Maturity Payment Amount, depend on the credit risk of BofA Finance and BAC and on the performance of the Underlyings. As is the case for all of our and BAC's respective debt securities, including our market-linked securities, the economic terms of the Securities reflect our and BAC's actual or perceived creditworthiness at the time of pricing. In addition, because market-linked securities result in increased operational, funding and liability management costs to us and BAC, BAC typically borrows the funds under these types of securities at a rate, which we refer to in this pricing supplement as BAC's internal funding rate, that is more favorable to BAC than the rate that it might pay for a conventional fixed or floating rate debt security. This generally relatively lower internal funding rate, which is reflected in the economic terms of the Securities, along with the fees and charges associated with market-linked securities, typically results in the initial estimated value of the Securities on the Pricing Date being less than their public offering price.

The initial estimated value range of the Securities is set forth on the cover page of this preliminary pricing supplement. The final pricing supplement will set forth the initial estimated value of the Securities as of the Pricing Date.

In order to meet our payment obligations on the Securities, at the time we issue the Securities, we may choose to enter into certain hedging arrangements (which may include call options, put options or other derivatives) with BofAS or one of our other affiliates. The terms of these hedging arrangements are determined based upon terms provided by BofAS and its affiliates, and take into account a number of factors, including our and BAC's creditworthiness, interest rate movements, the volatility of the Underlying, the tenor of the Securities and the hedging arrangements. The economic terms of the Securities and their initial estimated value depend in part on the terms of these hedging arrangements.

BofAS has advised us that the hedging arrangements will include hedging related charges, reflecting the costs associated with, and our affiliates' profit earned from, these hedging arrangements. Since hedging entails risk and may be influenced by unpredictable market forces, actual profits or losses from these hedging transactions may be more or less than any expected amounts.

For further information, see "Selected Risk Considerations" beginning on page PS-8 above and "Use of Proceeds" on page 17 of the accompanying prospectus.

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U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary

You should consider the U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of an investment in the Securities, including the following:

- There is no statutory, judicial, or administrative authority directly addressing the characterization of the Securities.
- You agree with us (in the absence of an administrative determination, or judicial ruling to the contrary) to characterize and treat the Securities for all tax purposes as single financial contracts with respect to the Underlyings. In the opinion of Sidley Austin LLP, our tax counsel, the U.S. federal income tax characterization and treatment of the Securities described herein is a reasonable interpretation of current law.
- Under this characterization and tax treatment of the Securities, a U.S. Holder (as defined on page 71 of the accompanying prospectus) generally will recognize capital gain or loss upon maturity or upon a sale, exchange or redemption of the Securities. This capital gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if you held the Securities for more than one year.
- No assurance can be given that the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) or any court will agree with this characterization and tax treatment.
- Under current IRS guidance, withholding on “dividend equivalent” payments (as discussed in the accompanying product supplement), if any, will not apply to Securities that are issued as of the date of this pricing supplement unless such Securities are “delta-one” instruments. Based on our determination that the Securities are not delta-one instruments, Non-U.S. Holders should not be subject to withholding on dividend equivalent payments, if any, under the Securities.
- Under current law, while the matter is not entirely clear, individual Non-U.S. Holders, and entities whose property is potentially includible in those individuals’ gross estates for U.S. federal estate tax purposes (for example, a trust funded by such an individual and with respect to which the individual has retained certain interests or powers), should note that, absent an applicable treaty benefit, the Securities are likely to be treated as U.S. situs property, subject to U.S. federal estate tax. These individuals and entities should consult their own tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal estate tax consequences of investing in the Securities.

You should consult your own tax advisor concerning the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you of acquiring, owning, and disposing of the Securities, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local, foreign, or other tax jurisdiction and the possible effects of changes in U.S. federal or other tax laws. You should review carefully the discussion under the section entitled “U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary” beginning on page PS-36 of the accompanying product supplement.

