



**Reliance Trust Institutional Retirement Trust,
Series Twenty-Three
Investnet Western Asset Core CIT**

Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

with

Independent Auditor's Report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Reliance Trust Company, Trustee for
Reliance Trust Institutional Retirement Trust, Series Twenty-Three

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Envestnet Western Asset Core CIT (the Fund) of Reliance Trust Institutional Retirement Trust, Series Twenty-Three, which comprise the statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, as of December 31, 2022, the related statements of operations and changes in net assets and financial highlights for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. These financial statements and financial highlights are hereinafter collectively referred to as financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2022, and the results of its operations, and changes in its net assets and its financial highlights, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Fund and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement

when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information following the schedule of investments for the year ended December 31, 2022, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses (AFFE) (see Note 4), the monthly net asset values following the financial highlights and additional information following the notes to financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, except for the net asset values at December 31, 2021 and December 30, 2022, has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.



Tulsa, Oklahoma
May 5, 2023

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**Statement of Assets and Liabilities
December 31, 2022**

Assets

Investments in securities, at fair value (cost \$10,585,099)	\$ 9,162,664
Receivable for fund units sold	15,291
Total assets	<u>9,177,955</u>

Liabilities

Payable for investment securities purchased	15,056
Payable for fund units redeemed	235
Accrued expenses	8,187
Total liabilities	<u>23,478</u>

Net assets	<u><u>\$ 9,154,477</u></u>
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**Statement of Operations
For the year ended December 31, 2022**

Expenses

Trustee and advisor fees	\$ 6,294
Professional services and other operating expenses	8,357
Total expenses	<u>14,651</u>
Net investment loss	(14,651)

Realized and unrealized loss on investments

Net realized loss on investments	(289,783)
Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments	(1,722,833)
Net realized and unrealized loss on investments	<u>(2,012,616)</u>

Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations	<u><u>\$ (2,027,267)</u></u>
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**Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the year ended December 31, 2022**

Decrease in net assets resulting from operations

Net investment loss	\$ (14,651)
Net realized loss on investments	(289,783)
Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments	<u>(1,722,833)</u>
Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations	(2,027,267)

Fund unit transactions

Proceeds from units issued	
Class 0	<u>1,309,368</u>
Total proceeds from units issued	1,309,368

Value of units redeemed	
Class 0	<u>(2,921,955)</u>
Total value of units redeemed	<u>(2,921,955)</u>

Net decrease resulting from fund unit transactions	<u>(1,612,587)</u>
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Decrease in net assets	(3,639,854)
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Net assets, beginning of year	<u>12,794,331</u>
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Net assets, end of year	<u><u>\$ 9,154,477</u></u>
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**Financial Highlights
For the year ended December 31, 2022**

Per Unit Operating Performance	Class 0
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$ 11.11
Loss from investment operations:	
Net investment loss ⁽¹⁾	(0.01)
Net realized and unrealized loss on investments ⁽¹⁾	(1.86)
Total loss from investment operations	(1.87)
Net asset value, end of year	\$ 9.24
 Total Return	 (16.83)%
 Supplemental Data	
Ratio to average net assets:	
Expenses	0.15%
Net investment loss	(0.15)%
 Fund Unit Activity	
Units, beginning of year	1,151,258
Issued	137,047
Redeemed	(297,630)
Units, end of year	990,675

⁽¹⁾ Based on average units outstanding.

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**Financial Highlights (continued)
For the year ended December 31, 2022**

Monthly Net Asset Values (NAV) - The NAV by class for the Fund on the last trade date of each month during the fiscal year is as follows (all unaudited except for the December 31, 2021 and December 30, 2022 net asset values):

	<u>Class 0</u>
December 31, 2021	\$ 11.11
January 31, 2022	\$ 10.80
February 28, 2022	\$ 10.57
March 31, 2022	\$ 10.21
April 29, 2022	\$ 9.72
May 31, 2022	\$ 9.81
June 30, 2022	\$ 9.55
July 29, 2022	\$ 9.84
August 31, 2022	\$ 9.52
September 30, 2022	\$ 8.99
October 31, 2022	\$ 8.87
November 30, 2022	\$ 9.28
December 30, 2022	\$ 9.24

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**Schedule of Investments
December 31, 2022**

	Principal Amounts or Units	Cost	Fair Value
Collective Fund - 100.1%			
Western Asset Core Bond CIT- Class G1	1,007,994	\$ 10,585,099	\$ 9,162,664
Total Investments - 100.1%		<u>\$ 10,585,099</u>	9,162,664
Other Assets and Liabilities, Net - (0.1)%			<u>(8,187)</u>
Net Assets - 100.0%			<u>\$ 9,154,477</u>

The following is a summary of the fair value of investments in the Fund based on the inputs used to value them as of December 31, 2022 (see Note 3):

	Fair Value Measurements				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Investments Measured at Net Asset Value*	Total
Collective Fund	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 9,162,664	\$ 9,162,664
Total	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 9,162,664</u>	<u>\$ 9,162,664</u>

*Certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the statement of assets and liabilities.

Concentration of Ownership: As of December 31, 2022, the Fund has three unaffiliated investors holding 10% or more of the outstanding units of the Fund, representing 36%, 35% and 16% of the total units outstanding.

Supplementary Information: Total investment purchases, sales proceeds, and realized loss for the year ended December 31, 2022, were:

	Purchases at Cost	Sales Proceeds	Realized Loss
Collective Fund	\$ 1,142,892	\$ 2,767,023	\$ (289,783)

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Note 1 - Organization and Investment Objective

Organization - Reliance Trust Institutional Retirement Trust, Series Twenty-Three (the Trust) is intended to constitute an exempt trust under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code), as amended, and a group trust within the meaning of Rev. Rul. 81-100, as clarified and amended. The Trust is exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Reliance Trust Company (Reliance or the Trustee) serves as Trustee of the Trust. The Trustee has ultimate responsibility for the management, investments and operations of the Trust. The Trust is comprised of one fund, the Envestnet Western Asset Core CIT (the Fund). The Fund is designed to be used as an investment vehicle by qualified retirement plans and certain plans maintained by governmental employers.

Reliance is chartered by the State of Georgia and regulated by the Georgia Department of Banking and Finance. Reliance is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Reliance Financial Corporation, both of which are headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. Reliance Financial Corporation is a holding company which owns several financial services companies. Reliance Financial Corporation and its affiliates have been in business since 1975. Reliance Financial Corporation is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. (NYSE: FIS).

The Trustee has engaged Envestnet Retirement Solutions, LLC (the Advisor) to provide investment advice and recommendations with respect to investment of the Fund's assets.

While the Trustee generally relies on the Advisor to manage the Fund's assets, the Trustee maintains ultimate fiduciary authority over the management and operations of, and investments made in, the Fund. The Advisor is engaged pursuant to an Investment Services Agreement. Reliance also serves as the custodian of the Trust's assets and the fund administrator of the Trust. FIS Transfer Agency serves as transfer agent for the Trust.

Investment objective - The Fund seeks to maximize total return from a high-quality, U.S. dollar denominated core fixed-income portfolio.

Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The Fund is an investment company and follows the accounting and reporting guidance in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic No. 946.

Net Asset Value (NAV) - Units of the Fund are valued each day on which the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is open for trading in accordance with the valuation procedures established by the Trustee. The NAV per unit is calculated as of close of trading on the NYSE (generally, 4:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern time). The NAV per unit is computed by dividing the total fair value of the assets of the Fund, less its liabilities, by the total number of units outstanding at the time of such computation. Net investment income and realized gains from security transactions are not distributed to participants but are retained within the Fund and included in the determination of unit values.

Fund unit transactions - The Fund sells new units and repurchases outstanding units on a daily basis. Unit purchases and redemptions are transacted at the NAV of the Fund determined as of the close of business each day. A summary of the Fund unit activity for the Fund is included with its financial highlights.

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Investment valuation - Investments are valued at their current fair value determined as follows:

Investments in collective funds - The Fund may invest in other collective investment funds that may or may not be affiliated with the Trustee. The Trustee or unrelated trustee estimates the fair value of investments in collective funds that have calculated net asset value per unit in accordance with the specialized accounting guidance for investment companies. Accordingly, as a practical expedient, investments in other such funds are valued at their net asset value as reported by the investee funds. The Fund has the ability to redeem its investments in the other funds at net asset value without restrictions.

When the valuation method described above is not reflective of fair value, investments are valued at fair value following procedures and/or guidelines determined by or under the direction of the valuation committee established by the Trustee. In light of the judgement involved in fair value decisions, there can be no assurance that a fair value assigned to a particular investment is accurate.

Investment transactions and investment income - The Fund records security transactions on a trade date basis. Dividend income is recorded net of applicable withholding taxes on the ex-dividend date. Net realized gains and losses on investments are determined by the average cost method. Interest income and expenses are recorded daily on the accrual basis.

Use of estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Guarantees and indemnifications - Under the Fund's organizational documents, each trustee, officer, employee and agent of the Trust is indemnified, to the extent permitted by law, against certain liabilities that may arise in the performance of their duties to the Fund.

Additionally, in the ordinary course of business, the Fund may enter into contracts or agreements that contain a variety of indemnifications and warranties. Future events could occur that may lead to the application of these provisions against the Fund. The Fund's maximum exposure under these provisions is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund. However, based on experience, the Trustee considers that risk of loss to be remote and has not recorded any contingent liabilities in the Fund's financial statements for those indemnifications.

Income tax status - The Trust has received a determination from the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) that the Trust is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code. As long as the Trust maintains its tax exemption, the Fund is not liable for federal or state income taxes. The Trust's federal fiduciary tax returns for tax years for which the applicable statutes of limitations have not expired are subject to examination by the IRS.

Subsequent events - The Trustee has evaluated the effect of subsequent events on the Fund's financial statements through May 5, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that there are no material subsequent events that would require disclosure or adjustment in the Fund's financial statements through this date.

Note 3 - Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price a fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Various methods are used in determining the fair value of the Fund's investments. The Trustee has performed an analysis of

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the significance and character of these methods to the fair value determination. These methods are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical investments.
- Level 2 - Other significant observable methods (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, credit risk, and others).
- Level 3 - Significant unobservable methods (including the Trustee's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The methods or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. A summary of the methods used as of December 31, 2022, in valuing the Fund's investments carried at fair value is included in Note 2.

The aggregate fair value of the investments in the Fund by input level used as of December 31, 2022, is included following the schedule of investments.

Note 4 - Fees and Expenses

Trustee and advisor fees - The Trustee receives an annual fee of 3.25 basis points for trustee and management services provided to the Fund. The Advisor receives an annual fee of 3.00 basis points to provide investment advice and recommendations with respect to investment of the Fund's assets. These fees are based on the average daily value of the Fund and are accrued daily, paid monthly in arrears and charged against the assets invested in the Fund. Such fees for the year ended December 31, 2022, are included in the statement of operations for the Fund.

Professional services and other operating expenses - In addition to the fees described above, the Fund bears expenses related to its operation, including, but not limited to, audit, custody, tax and legal services. Expenses incurred in connection with the investment and reinvestment of Fund assets, including, without limitation, transfer agency fees, brokerage commission and other expenses, are also charged against the Fund.

Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses (AFFE) - When assets of the Fund are invested in other investment vehicles, such as other collective funds or open-end funds, those investment vehicles will incur fees and expenses, which will be reflected in the operating results and value of the Fund's investment in such investment vehicle, and are separate and distinct from the fees and expenses of the Fund described above. The weighted average AFFE ratio for the Fund for the year ended December 31, 2022, is 0.35%.

Note 5 - Related Party Transactions

The Trustee is a non-depository bank that provides trust and custodial services for ERISA-qualified retirement plans as well as trust and investment services to business pension and retirement plans. The Trustee is responsible for managing the Trust's investment and business affairs.

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Note 6 - Risks Associated with Investing in the Fund

In the normal course of business, the Fund trades financial instruments and enters into financial transactions where risk of potential loss exists. Refer to the Trust's Offering Statement for a discussion of various risk factors that may be associated with an investment in the Fund.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine that began at the end of February 2022 and the resulting sanctions and restrictions imposed in response by various countries, including the U.S., have generated volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets. Reliance Trust Company is actively monitoring the conflict and its economic effects in Russia, Ukraine, and in regional and global markets. The extent and duration of the hostilities, the impact of existing and future sanctions, market disruptions and volatility, and the result of any diplomatic negotiations cannot be predicted. These and any related events could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Fund's investments, and therefore the Fund's performance.

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**Additional Information
(Unaudited)**

Pursuant to section 103(a)(2) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and Department of Labor regulation 2520.103-5(c), a bank or similar institution which holds assets of a plan in a common or collective trust must transmit and certify certain information that is needed by the plan administrator to comply with the annual reporting requirements of ERISA. This information includes a copy of the annual statement of assets and liabilities of the trust for the fiscal year of such trust that ends with or within the plan year for which the plan's annual report is made. In compliance with such regulation, Reliance hereby provides the enclosed annual report of the Trust.

Pursuant to Department of Labor regulation section 2520.103-5(d), Reliance further certifies that the information contained in this annual report if the Trust is an accurate and complete reflection of our records.