William Blair SICAV – Global Leaders fund

Short Commentary – July 2022:

Outperformance versus MSCI ACWI IMI (net) was primarily driven by a combination of allocation and stock selection effects across most sectors. The overweight allocation to information technology, coupled with positive stock selection within healthcare and industrials aided relative performance. Within healthcare, Charles River Laboratories bolstered performance. Atlas Copco and DSV, within industrials, were an additional source of outperformance. Partially offsetting these effects was an overweight allocation to healthcare, coupled with negative stock selection within energy. Within Energy, Reliance Industries hampered relative results. From a geographic perspective, an underweight allocation to US and overweight allocation to Europe ex UK detracted from performance.

During the period, information technology, industrials, and consumer discretionary exposure increased. Communication services, financials, and energy exposure decreased. From a geographic perspective, a notable adjustment was an increase to Europe ex UK, offset by a decrease to Asia ex Japan.

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