

# **EJF Investments Limited**

## **FACTSHEET**

Monthly NAV Performance													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2019 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.35	0.41	1.77	5.61	0.83	0.26	0.56	0.62	0.21	0.04	0.13	0.63	11.88
2018 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	8.28	0.70	0.12	2.70	2.10	1.62	0.50	2.39	0.08	0.32	0.22	(1.13)	19.08
2017 Monthly Performance (inclusive of dividends) (%)	0.51*	2.96	3.65	0.24	2.85	0.34	0.90	1.37	0.54	4.92	0.59	2.53	23.47

## **Company Overview**

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

## Target Investments

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

# **Manager Monthly Commentary**

NAV: EJFI's December 2019 NAV was £121.0 million or GBp189 per share, representing a monthly gain of 0.63%, resulting in a year-to-date total return of 11.88%.

Market: The month of December saw 26 U.S. bank M&A deals announced, bringing the number of transactions to 266 for 2019. This compares to 256 deals announced in 2018. The median P/TBV for deal valuations was 171.2%. This compares to a 2018 P/TBV of 149.9%, or an increase of 21.3% yearover-year. We continue to believe that we will see an elevated amount of M&A activity in the near term due to the changing regulatory environment and continued positive banking trends.

Portfolio Activity: On 18 December 2019, the Company committed to an investment in TruPS Financials Note Securitization 2019-2 Ltd ("TFINS 2019-2") which is its eighth risk retention investment. The transaction closed in January 2020 and the Company invested approximately £12.6 million in the preferred shares of TFINS 2019-2. The underlying collateral of TFINS 2019-2 mainly consists of trust preferred securities, surplus notes, and senior notes issued by 34 U.S. banks and 24 U.S. insurance companies and their holding companies with an aggregate par value of approximately \$338.4 million. EJF CDO Manager LLC (the "CDO Manager") will serve as the collateral manager for TFINS 2019-2 and will earn a management fee as well as an incentive management fee, subject to certain conditions, which the Company will indirectly benefit from via the Company's 49% ownership interest in the CDO Manager, contributing to December's positive performance. Anticipated return scenarios estimate that this investment will generate a gross return in the high single digits over the estimated life of the Investment.

During the month of December, EJFI also made a small investment of approximately £1.3 million in a subordinated note issued by OakNorth Bank plc, a specialist U.K. bank with approximately £2.6 billion total assets. The note carries a 7.75% coupon, has a 2028 maturity and is non-callable prior to Shareholder letter published by EJF https://www.ejfi.com/media/1366/looking-for-yield-in-all-the-wrong-places\_final.pdf

Pipeline: The Company currently has £17.0 million in unrestricted cash and, with currency volatility expected to moderate post the UK general election, is evaluating several pipeline opportunities consistent with its investment mandate in the U.S. and European financial sectors for deployment.

### Based on the Company's 31 December 2019 unaudited financials.

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## EJFI Key Facts (at 31 December 2019)

Ticker Symbol	EJFI LN
NAV/Share	GBp189 (\$2.51 equivalent)
Share Price	GBp171
Share Price Premium/(Discount) to NAV	(9.5)%
EJFI NAV	£121.0 million
Market Cap	£109.7 million
Gross Asset Value	£138.8 million¹
Target Return <sup>2</sup>	8%-10% total return
Quarterly Dividend <sup>2</sup>	GBp2.675 per share (GBp10.7 per share p.a.)
Currency <sup>3</sup>	GBP (hedged)
Manager	EJF Investments Manager LLC (the "Manager")
ZDP Shares	Ticker: EJFZ LN  Number of Shares: 15 million  Maturity: December 2022  Capital Entitlement: GBp132.25 per share  GRY: 5.75%  f EJFI which includes the net asset value of

<sup>1</sup>The Gross Asset Value of EJFI which includes the net asset value of underlying subsidiaries less any intercompany debtors.

<sup>2</sup>The Company is targeting an annual dividend of 10.7 pence per share for the financial year to 31 December 2019, to be distributed evenly in four quarterly payments. The Company may pay a special dividend in excess of this amount, at the Board's discretion.

<sup>3</sup>The Company's base currency is denominated in GBP, though all of the Company's investments are currently in USD. These investments are hedged to reduce NAV volatility arising from exchange rate movements and necessitate margin to be posted to collateralise any negative mark-to-market movement of the hedge instruments.

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



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

### Securitisations & Related Investments

- £79.1 million investment in the equity tranches of five securitisations sponsored by EJF Capital LLC
- £9.4 million investment in EJF CDO Manager LLC (49% ownership interest)
- £8.4 million investment in portfolio of TruPS CDO securities

## Specialty Finance Investments

- £7.7 million investment in a bridge loan to an affiliate of a publicly listed insurer
- £4.3 million investment in portfolio of high interest rate loans to
   U.S. law firms engaged in mass tort litigation
- £4.3 million investment in specialist U.K. bank sub debt

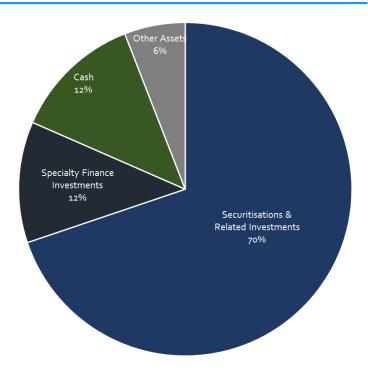
### Cash

- £17.0 million unrestricted cash
- £o.4 million restricted cash

# Other Assets

- £6.7 million foreign currency derivative
- £1.5 million of other assets





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