# **LLR Partners**



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# Who is LLR?

1	Established PA-based Firm	<ul> <li>Single-strategy firm based in Philadelphia, 107 employees, average partner tenure 18+ years.</li> <li>25-year track record of competitive risk-adjusted returns over several market cycles.</li> </ul>
2	<b>Consistent Strategy</b>	<ul> <li>Invest in the lower middle market → Build scale and professionalize → Sell upmarket.</li> <li>Knowledge Economy theses → Tech-driven origination → Value Creation Team.</li> </ul>
3	Focused on Stewardship	<ul> <li>Firm motto: Leave the firm stronger than when you joined.</li> <li>Supporting responsible investment and diversity, equity &amp; inclusion.</li> </ul>
4	Committed to Pennsylvania	<ul> <li>LLR has invested ~\$894 million in 35 PA-based companies since 1999.</li> <li>SERS, a founding LLR LP, invested in LLR 1–LLR 6.</li> </ul>

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# SERS' investment returns as of June 30, 2024.

		SERS			
	<u>Vintage</u>	<u>Commit</u>	<u>Net IRR</u>	<u>Net TVPI</u>	<u>Net DPI</u>
LLR 1	1999	\$25.0	21.8%	2.1x	2.1x
LLR 2	2004	25.0	12.2	1.8	1.8
LLR 3	2008	30.0	16.5	2.3	2.2
LLR 4	2014	50.0	26.5	2.6	<b>2.1</b> (a)
LLR 5	2018	75.0	<u>20.3</u>	<u>2.1</u>	0.6
		\$205.0	<b>19.2</b> %	<b>2.2</b> x	<b>1.5</b> x
LLR 6 *	2021	50.0	7.4%	1.2x	0.0x(b)

\* Investment Period ended 1/24/24

(a) In September 2024, LLR 4 expects to distribute to SERS ~\$8.8 million, increasing the Net DPI to 2.3x (no guarantees).
(b) By 11/15/24, LLR 6 expects to distribute to SERS ~\$9.6 million to SERS and call capital from SERS of \$2.0 million, increasing the Net DPI to 0.2x (no guarantees).

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# Clear, repeatable and scalable investment strategy.

## Invest

Lower Middle Market Growth Companies

#### Private growth companies in **Knowledge Economy** sectors LLR knows well.

**Established businesses** with annual revenue of \$10M-\$100M in a large, fragmented market.

Seeking **founder-led businesses** where LLR is often the first institutional investor.

**Reasonable entry prices** for growing and primarily profitable companies.

**Diversified portfolio** of 20-25 companies, expected equity investments of \$50M-\$150M.

**Build** Scale and Professionalize with LLR's Resources

LLR's 27-person **Value Creation Team** (VCT) completed **682 projects** and **43 portfolio hires** in 2023.

Helping **professionalize** companies and grow revenue and profit:

- **Revenue:** 20.8% revenue CAGR, on average, for investments since 1/1/18<sup>1</sup>.
- **M&A:** 164 acquisitions since 1/1/18<sup>2</sup> adding \$1.2B of LTM revenue at a 27% average discount to platform entry<sup>3</sup>.
- **Profit:** Aiming to improve margins through growth and operational enhancements.

#### Sell Upmarket to Strategics and PE

#### **31 realizations** since 1/1/18<sup>2</sup>:

•	Strategic	39%
•	PEFund	35%
•	PE-Funded Strategic	19%
•	Public Markets	7%

Seeking to capitalize on ~**\$308 billion<sup>4</sup>** of PE dry powder focused on tech companies.

Historical returns primarily driven by **organic and inorganic revenue growth.** 

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 As of 9/3/24. The portfolio company metrics shown include all LLR Funds' acquisitions and realizations since 1/1/18.
 Average discount to the platform entry multiple is equal to 1– (acquisition multiple divided by platform "portfolio company" entry multiple).
 According to Pitchbook (December 2023).



# Consistent and integrated investment process.



#### **Knowledge Economy Focus**

- Successful investors need to understand market nuances to make timely and effective decisions.
- 46-person Investment Team with significant experience in Knowledge Economy industries.
- Focused on EdTech, FinTech, Healthcare IT, Human Capital Tech, Industrial Tech and Software.



#### Innovative, Tech-Driven Origination Strategy

- In today's market, successful investors need a deal-sourcing edge.
- 15-person Origination Team helps us create, surround and win investment opportunities.
- ~27,000 private companies and ~7,400 referral sources in LLR's proprietary database.



#### **Repeatable and Tailored Value Creation Plans**

- It's no longer sufficient to simply pick good companies; successful investors must find ways to help drive growth.
- VCT is comprised of 27 experienced professionals covering various operating and functional disciplines.
- LLR's VCT advises our companies and helps accelerate growth and enhance profitability.

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# LLR 7 has closed four investments, deploying ~\$263M.

Company	Description	Investment
KEEPS	KEEPS provides information services and data analytics solutions for automotive dealerships' service centers.	\$76.5M in January 2024
<i>_=turbo</i> tenant	TurboTenant provides rental property management software designed for single- family rental landlords.	\$50.3M in March 2024
R nonstop	Nonstop Health provides technology-enabled healthcare cost containment solutions for small and mid-size employers.	\$90.0M in August 2024
SOLTIS Investment Advisors	Soltis, a Registered Investment Adviser, provides comprehensive wealth management services to high-net-worth clients and institutional retirement plans.	\$46.0M in August 2024

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### Focused on stewardship.

Community Engagement	<ul> <li>50 sessions of</li> <li>6 weeks of end</li> <li>5 months of the</li> </ul>	support for an AchieveAbility family of employment workshops mergency childcare services ransportation to work & school for a parent ackpacks for our back-to-school drive	PHILABUNDANCE	<ul> <li>80,000 meals donated to people in need</li> <li>4 school guidance counselors funded</li> <li>2 Philadelphia schools renovated</li> </ul>
<b>Responsible</b> Investment	Most Recent Scores: FY '23	$\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$ Policy, Governance & Strategy <sup>(1)</sup>	$\star \star \star \star$ Direct – Private Equity <sup>(1)</sup>	$\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$ Confidence Building Measures <sup>(1)</sup>
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	Diversity in Action.	ERICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Persylated + New Jerkewar SECO Servery Opportunity Key Partnerships	% Racially Diverse       27%         % Women       32%         % Racially Diverse and/or Women       51%         LLR Diversity & Inclusion Data	

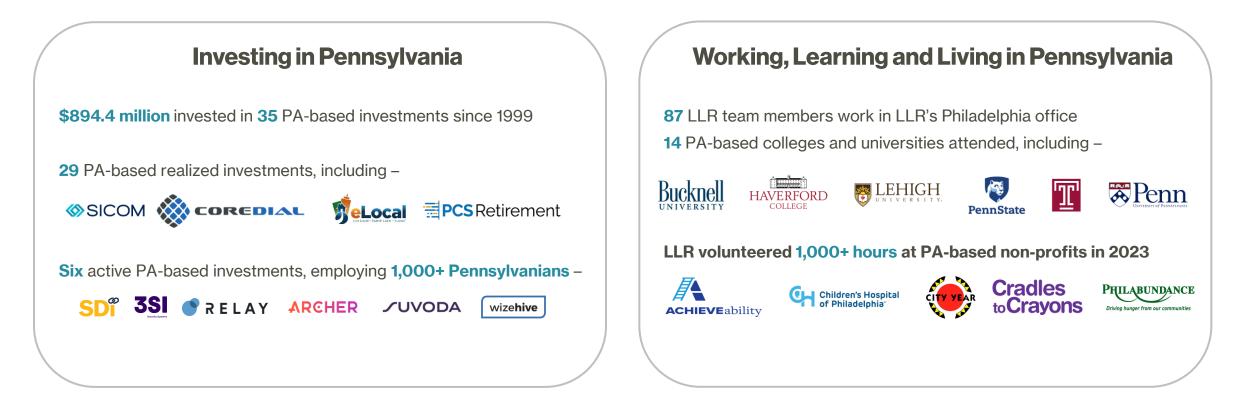
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1) Scores issued by PRI for FY 2023 (Report available upon request). Modules are scored from 1 to 5 stars. The lowest score is 1 star, allocated to those whose responsible investment behavior is at the lower end of what is expected from signatories. The highest score is 5 stars and awarded to those signatories who demonstrate leading practices within the investment industry. (https://www.unpri.org/reporting-and-assessment/how-investors-are-assessed-on-their-reporting/3066.article).

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# **Committed to Pennsylvania.**

#### Headquartered in Philadelphia, LLR is one of Pennsylvania's largest private equity firms



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# Thank you for your support and consideration.

- Long-tenured team executing the same investment strategy for 25 years.
- LLR is not flashy, no gimmicks single investment strategy.
- Significant GP commit in each LLR fund with no fee waivers LLR 7 GP commit will be 6.5% to 7.5% of the fund.
- Competitive returns with attractive DPIs.
- LLR is based in PA and has made a meaningful contribution to the growth of the Commonwealth.
- SERS and LLR have been partners since 1999 LLR has delivered for SERS and SERS has delivered for LLR.

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## **Definitions**.

- "LTM Revenue" was determined using GAAP revenue pro forma for acquisition(s) for the last twelve months prior to the close of the transaction. If the transaction was consummated on the last business day of the month or following, the LTM period includes the month of close.
- "Net DPI" represents the distributions to Limited Partners as of 6/30/24 divided by the capital paid-in by the Limited Partners as of 6/30/24. Multiple fund limited partners pay a discounted carried interest rate and/or a discounted management fee. Net DPI is presented using the highest management fee and carried interest rate for the applicable fund. Investors may experience different net returns than presented based on the specific costs associated with the individual fund vehicle through which they commit and certain other factors.
- "Net IRR" represents the pre-tax annual compound percentage return net of management fees, carried interest and fund expenses borne by fund investors. At the fund level, Net IRR is computed using a standard Microsoft Excel"XIRR" formula based on the dates and amounts of cash flows (including tax distributions and non-resident state income taxes and on the raxes paid on behalf of the fund by the portfolio company) between the fund and the portfolio company excluding bridge loans made to and repayments received from portfolio companies. (but does include interest rate and/or a discounted management fee. Where an overall fund-level Net IRR is presented, this Net IRR reflects the weighted average IRR for Limited Partners using the highest management fee and carried interest rate for the applicable fund. In certain LLR funds have used, and are expected to continue to call, capital later than it otherwise would have, if a line of credit than on the en used. This causes the Net IRR to be higher (and, potentially, materially higher) than if the same fund called capital from its limited partners at the time the investments in the portfolio companies were made or when fees and expenses were incurred. "Net IRR" at the fund level is presented two ways: once showing the Net IRR in a hypothetical basis without use of a line of credit, which is notated as "Net IRR without Line of Credit." For individual portfolio companies, Net IRR bave been calculated as follows: (1) The gross investment cash flows for a portfolio company each, a "Negative Cash Flow") are used as a starting point, excluding bidge loans made to and repayments made by the portfolio company on behalf of the fund) and the fair market value of such portfolio companies (but focusing the Agragated Cash Flow")) are used as a starting point, excluding bridge loans made to and repayments methed by the portfolio company on behalf of the fund) and the fair market value of such portfolio companies (but focus) and the cash flows form the fund (and the portfolio companie
- "Net TVPI" represents (i) the sum of (a) the distributions to Limited Partners as of 6/30/24 and (b) Limited Partners' Capital Accounts as of 6/30/24, divided by (ii) the capital paid-in by the Limited Partners as of 6/30/24. Multiple fund limited partners pay a discounted carried interest rate and/or a discounted management fee. Net TVPI is presented using the highest management fee and carried interest rate for the applicable fund. Investors may experience different net returns than presented based on the specific costs associated with the individual fund vehicle through which they commit and certain other factors. At the fund-level, Net TVPI is calculated consistently with Net MOIC.
- "Realized Investments" include those investments where (i) all or a substantial portion of the operating business has been sold (with the unsold portion (if any) being denoted as "Unrealized Value") or (ii) there has been a permanent impairment resulting in the investment being fully written off (valued at zero).
- "Revenue CAGR" is calculated as follows: (Current LTM Revenue / Entry LTM Revenue)^(1/Hold as of Reference Date))-1 for each of the specific four categories listed (e.g., Company-Building). The figures presented are based on actual historical data and are not pro forma.
- "Vintage Year" was determined by the General Partner in accordance with Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS) and represents the year in which the Fund's first capital call occurred.