

**POPULAR TOTAL RETURN FUND, INC.  
POPULAR CENTER, NORTH BUILDING  
Second Level (Fine Arts)  
209 Muñoz Rivera Avenue  
San Juan, PR 00918**

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
To Be Held on Wednesday, July 24, 2024**

To the Shareholders of  
**POPULAR TOTAL RETURN FUND, INC.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the “Annual Meeting”) of Popular Total Return Fund, Inc., (the “Fund”) a Puerto Rico corporation and an open-end, non-diversified investment company registered under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), will be held at Popular Center Lobby, Conference Hall A, 208 Ponce de León Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 10:00 AM, for the following purposes:

1. To elect three Directors of the Fund (PROPOSAL 1);
2. To ratify the selection by the Board of Directors of Ernst & Young LLP as the Fund’s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (PROPOSAL 2); and
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any continuation or adjournment thereof.

These items are discussed in greater detail in the attached Proxy Statement.

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on June 14, 2024, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournments. Shareholders will need to provide adequate proof of ownership of Fund shares to enter the Meeting.

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT REGARDLESS OF THE SIZE OF YOUR HOLDINGS IN THE FUND. WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE COMPLETE AND SIGN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AND RETURN IT PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, WHICH NEEDS NO POSTAGE. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER EXECUTION OF THE PROXIES ARE SET FORTH ON THE ATTACHED PAGE.**

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

By Order of the Board of Directors,



Manuel Rodríguez-Boissén  
Secretary

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING PROXY CARDS

The following general rules for signing proxy cards may be of assistance to you and avoid the time and expense to the Fund involved in validating your vote if you fail to sign your proxy card properly.

1. **Individual Accounts:** Sign your name exactly as it appears in the registration on the proxy card.
2. **Joint Accounts:** Either party may sign, but the name of the party signing should conform exactly to a name shown in the registration.
3. **All Other Accounts:** The capacity of the individuals signing the proxy card should be indicated unless it is reflected in the form of registration. For example:

### Registration

### Valid Signature

#### **Corporate Accounts**

- (1) ABC Corp. .... ABC Corp.
- (2) ABC Corp. .... John Doe, Treasurer
- (3) ABC Corp.  
c/o John Doe, Treasurer. .... John Doe

#### **Trust Accounts**

- (1) ABC Trust ..... Jane B. Doe, Trustee
- (2) Jane B. Doe, Trustee  
u/t/d/ 12/28/78. .... Jane Doe

#### **Custodial of Estate Accounts**

- (1) John B. Smith, Cust.  
f/b/o John B. Smith, Jr. .... John B. Smith
- (2) John B. Smith ..... John B. Smith, Jr., Executor

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**PROXY STATEMENT  
FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
TO BE HELD ON July 24, 2024**

This proxy statement (the “Proxy Statement”) is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Popular Total Return Fund, Inc. (the “Fund”), a Puerto Rico corporation and an open-end, non-diversified investment company registered under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 24, 2024, at Popular Center, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Hall A, 208 Ponce de León Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918 at 10:00 a.m., Atlantic Standard Time, or at any adjournment or postponement thereof (the “Meeting”). At the meeting, the shareholders of the Fund will consider and act upon the following proposals:

1. The election of three (3) directors of the Fund (**Proposal 1**);
2. The ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Fund’s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 2025 (**Proposal 2**); and
3. Consideration and voting upon such other matters as properly may come before the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.

The close of business on June 14, 2024, has been fixed as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting and all adjournments thereof.

**The Fund will furnish, without charge, a copy of the Fund’s annual report to any shareholder upon request. Such requests should be directed to the Fund at Popular Center, North Building, Second Level (Fine Arts), 209 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918, or by calling toll free at (787) 754-4488.**

**If you will be attending the Meeting in person, we respectfully request that you bring your brokerage-account statement and proxy card, along with a government-issued identification card—and, in the case of corporate, trust, custodian or estate accounts, a copy of a resolution designating you as an authorized representative of such account—in order to verify your identity for admittance to the Meeting. Failure to comply may result in your being denied admittance to the Meeting. Only the registered shareholder—or, in the case of corporate, trust, custodian or estate accounts, a single representative of the registered shareholder—may attend the Meeting.**

In addition to the solicitation of proxies by mail, officers of the Fund and officers and regular employees of ALPS Fund Services, Inc., the Fund’s administrator (in such capacity, the “Administrator”), affiliates of Banco Popular de Puerto Rico (“Banco Popular”), and/or other representatives of the Fund may also solicit proxies by telephone, telefax or in person. The costs of solicitation and the expenses incurred in connection with preparing this Proxy Statement and its enclosures will be paid by the Fund. The Fund will reimburse brokerage firms and others for their expenses in forwarding solicitation materials to the beneficial owners of shares. This Proxy Statement is expected to be mailed to Shareholders on or about June 28, 2024.

If the enclosed proxy is executed and returned in time to be voted at the Meeting, the shares represented thereby will be voted in accordance with the instructions marked thereon. Unless instructions to the contrary are marked thereon, the proxy will be voted “FOR” the election of the Directors of the Fund, “FOR” the ratification of the selection of the independent registered public accounting firm, and “FOR” any other matters deemed appropriate. Any Shareholder who has given a proxy has the right to revoke it at any time prior to its exercise, either by attending the Meeting and voting his or her shares of common stock (“Shares”) in person or by submitting a letter of revocation or a later-dated proxy to the Fund at the above address prior to the date of the Meeting.

The presence at the Meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of one-third of the outstanding Shares of the Class A common stock and Class C common stock, taken together as a single class, will constitute a quorum at the Meeting. For purposes of determining the presence of a quorum for transacting business at the Meeting, abstentions and “broker non-votes” (that is, a proxy from a broker or nominee indicating that such person has declined to exercise its discretionary authority on a particular matter with respect to which the broker or nominee has discretionary power) will be treated as Shares that are present at the Meeting but that have not been voted. In the event that a quorum is not present at the Meeting, or in the event that a quorum is present but sufficient votes to approve any of the proposals are not received, the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments of the Meeting to permit further solicitations of proxies. In determining whether to adjourn the Meeting, the following factors will be considered: the nature of the proposals that are the subject of the Meeting; the percentage of votes actually cast; the percentage of negative votes actually cast; the nature of any further solicitation; and the information to be provided to Shareholders with respect to the reasons for the solicitation. Any adjournment will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the Shares represented at the Meeting in person or by proxy. A shareholder vote may be taken on the proposals in this Proxy Statement prior to such adjournment if sufficient votes have been received and it is otherwise appropriate.

Approval of the election of the four Board Nominees as Directors of the Fund contemplated in Proposal 1 below requires the affirmative plurality vote of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy. Approval of the ratification of the selection of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm contemplated in Proposal 2 below requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy.

### **VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF**

The close of business on June 14, 2024 has been fixed as the record date for the determination of Shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting and all adjournments thereof (the “Record Date”).

Each Shareholder is entitled to one vote for each full share and an appropriate fraction of a vote for each fractional share held. The Class A Shares and Class C shares vote together as a single class. On the Record Date, there were 2,543,713.051 Class A Shares and 98,732.316 Class C Shares, respectively, outstanding.

As of June 14, 2024, 1,510,840.769 and 10,701.533 Class A and Class C Shares, respectively, were held of record by National Financial Services, Inc., as clearing agent for Popular Securities, LLC, representing approximately 331 and 7, respectively, brokerage accounts; 266,822.579 Class A Shares were held of record by Merrill Lynch representing approximately 34 brokerage accounts; 22,507.811 Class A Shares were held of record by Wells Fargo Clearing Services LLC representing approximately 6 brokerage accounts; and 743,541.892 and 88,030.783 Class A and Class C Shares, respectively, were held of record by Pershing representing approximately 74 and 23, respectively, brokerage accounts.

### **PROPOSAL 1: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF THE FUND**

**The purpose of Proposal 1 is to elect three (3) members of the Board of Directors of the Fund.**

#### **Nominees for the Board of Directors of the Fund**

The Board of Directors of the Fund (the “Board”) currently consists of the following three individuals (each, a “Director”): Enrique Vila del Corral, Jorge Vallejo and Carlos Pérez. Of the three current Directors of the Fund, no director is an “interested person” of the Fund as defined in the 1940 Act (the “Independent Directors”). Enrique Vila de Corral is the Chairman of the Board. All three current Directors are standing for re-election (each, a “Board Nominee”). The Board Nominees elected at the meeting will serve from the time of their election until their respective successors are elected and qualified or until their earlier death or removal.

All of the Board Nominees currently serve as Directors of the Fund and all were previously elected by the Shareholders of the Fund. The Board Nominees were recommended by the Independent Directors. Each of the Board Nominees has consented to being named in this Proxy Statement and to serve as a Director if elected.

#### **Directors’/Nominees’ Biographical Information**

The table below identifies the Board Nominees and sets forth certain biographical and other information relating to the Board Nominees. Such information includes each Board Nominee's address and year of birth, principal occupations for at least the last five years, length of time served, total number of registered investment companies and investment portfolios overseen in the Popular complex (the "Popular Family of Funds") and any currently held public company and other investment company directorships. Each Board Nominee was nominated unanimously by the Directors of the Fund. Enrique Vila del Corral was selected to serve as the Chairman of the Board.

| <b>Name, Address and Year of Birth</b>                                                                                                                 | <b>Position(s) Held with the Funds (Length of Service)</b> | <b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Number of Investment Portfolios in the Popular Family of Funds Overseen</b> | <b>Public Company and Other Investment Company Directorships Held by Director During the Past Five Years</b> |
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| <b><i>Independent Directors</i></b>                                                                                                                    |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                |                                                                                                              |
| <b>Enrique Vila del Corral</b><br>Professional Offices<br>Park ROC Company<br>Building, Carr. San<br>Roberto #1000, Rio<br>Piedras, PR 00926<br>(1945) | Director<br>(since 2001)                                   | Private Investor since 2001; Managing Partner of various special partnerships involved in real estate development and leasing of commercial office space; Director of Popular Family of Funds and Puerto Rico Investors Tax-Free Family of Funds; Director of V. Suarez Group of Companies.                 | 4                                                                              | 7 <sup>1</sup>                                                                                               |
| <b>Jorge Vallejo</b><br>Vallejo & Vallejo,<br>1610 Ponce de León<br>Ave., Parada 23,<br>Santurce, PR 00912<br>(1954)                                   | Director<br>(since 2001)                                   | Managing Partner of Vallejo & Vallejo, a real estate appraisal and consulting firm in San Juan Puerto Rico, from April 1992 to 2020; Director of Popular Family of Funds and Puerto Rico Investors Tax-Free Family of Funds.                                                                                | 4                                                                              | 7 <sup>1</sup>                                                                                               |
| <b>Carlos Pérez</b><br>Pediatrix Medical<br>Group, Metro Office<br>Park #6 (Edif.<br>Toshiba) Calle 1<br>Suite 202, Guaynabo,<br>PR 00968<br>(1953)    | Director<br>(since 2001)                                   | President of the Caribbean and Latin American Region of Pediatrix Medical Group since 2002; Director of the University of Puerto Rico's Hospital of Carolina since September 2013; Member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Puerto Rico from 2014 to 2017; Director of Popular Family of Funds. | 4                                                                              | None                                                                                                         |

Based on each Board Nominee's experience, qualifications, attributes or skills on an individual basis and in combination with those of the other Board Nominees, each Board Nominee should serve as a Director of the Board. Among the attributes common to all Board Nominees are their ability to review critically, evaluate, question and discuss information provided to them, to interact effectively with the Adviser, other service providers, counsel and the independent registered public accounting firm, and to exercise effective business judgment in the performance of their duties as Directors. A Director's ability to perform his or her duties effectively may have been attained through such Director's educational background or professional training; business, consulting, public service or academic positions; experience from service as a Director of the Fund and the other funds in the Popular Family of Funds (and any predecessor funds), other investment funds, public companies, or non-profit entities or other organizations; and/or other life experiences.

In particular, Mr. Vila's vast experience and understanding of accounting and finance principles are strong attributes for the Board and provide critical insight into financial matters to the Board. Mr. Vallejo's profound understanding of the Puerto Rico real estate market and his extensive board experience, which includes services on board of

1 The Investment Companies are as follows: Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund I, Inc., Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund II, Inc., Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund III, Inc., Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund IV, Inc., Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund V, Inc., Puerto Rico Residents Tax Free Fund VI, Inc. and Puerto Rico Residents Bond Fund I, Inc.

the Popular Family of Funds and the Puerto Rico Investors Tax-Free Family of Funds is of great benefit to the Board's initiatives. Finally, Dr. Perez's experience as an executive of a regional medical group and his experience as a director of both public and private entities provide a depth of experience for the Board.

Based on the discussion of the specific experience, qualifications, attributes or skills of each Director set forth above, the Board has concluded that each of the Board Nominees should continue to serve as Directors of the Fund.

### **Board Leadership Structure and Oversight**

The Board currently consists of three Directors, all of whom are Independent Directors. The Board has overall responsibility for the oversight of the Fund. Among other things, the Directors (i) monitor the quality of the advisory services provided by the Adviser; (ii) review annually the fees paid to the Adviser for its services; (iii) monitor potential conflicts of interest between the Fund and the Adviser; (iv) monitor distribution activities, custody of assets and the valuation of securities; and (v) oversee the Fund's compliance program. In performing their duties, Directors receive detailed information about the Fund and the Adviser on a regular basis and meet at least quarterly with management of the Adviser to review reports relating to the Fund's operations. The Directors' role is to provide oversight and not to provide day-to-day management.

The Board has engaged the Adviser to manage the Fund on a day-to-day basis. The Board is responsible for overseeing the Adviser, other service providers, the operations of the Fund and associated risks in accordance with the provisions of the 1940 Act, Puerto Rico law, other applicable laws, the Fund's charter, and the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Board reviews, on an ongoing basis, the Fund's performance, operations and investment strategies and techniques. The Board also conducts reviews of the Adviser and its role in running the operations of the Fund.

The Board has one (1) standing Committee: the Audit Committee. The Chairman of the Audit Committee, Enrique Vila del Corral, is an Independent Director.

None of the Directors or their immediate family members have an affiliation or business connection with the Adviser, the Fund's principal underwriter (Popular Securities, LLC) or any of their affiliated persons, and they do not own any stock or other securities issued by the Adviser or the Fund's principal underwriter.

The role of the Chairman of the Board is to preside at all meetings of the Board and to act as a liaison with service providers, officers, attorneys and other Directors generally between meetings. The Chairman of the Audit Committee performs a similar role with respect to the Audit Committee. The Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee may also perform such other functions as may be delegated by the Board or the Audit Committee, respectively, from time to time.

The Board has regular meetings four times a year and may hold special meetings if required before their next regular meeting. The Audit Committee meets regularly to conduct the oversight functions delegated to the Audit Committee by the Board and reports its findings to the Board.

The Board has determined that its leadership structure is appropriate for the Fund because it enables the Board to exercise informed and independent judgment over matters under its purview, allocates responsibility to the Audit Committee in a manner that fosters effective oversight, and allows the Board to devote appropriate resources to specific issues in a flexible manner as they arise. The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure as well as its overall structure, composition and functioning and may make changes in its discretion at any time.

### ***Compensation of Directors***

No officer, director or employee of the Adviser or of any affiliate thereof receives any compensation from the Fund for serving as an officer or Director of the Fund. The Fund pays each Director who is not an "interested person" of the Fund under the 1940 Act a fee of \$1,000 per board and committee meeting attended, together with such Director's actual travel and out-of-pocket expenses relating to attendance at meetings.

The following table sets forth the aggregate compensation paid by the Fund to its non-interested Directors for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 and the total compensation paid to such Directors by all investment companies advised or co-advised by the Adviser (the "Fund Complex") for the calendar year ended December 31, 2023. The Fund does not accrue any retirement benefits for its Directors as part of its expenses.

| <b>Name of Non-Affiliated Director</b> | <b>Aggregate Compensation from Fund<sup>(1)</sup></b> | <b>Total Compensation from all Funds Advised or Co-Advised by Adviser<sup>(2)</sup></b> |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enrique Vila del Corral                | \$6,000.00                                            | \$70,000.00                                                                             |
| Carlos Perez                           | \$6,000.00                                            | \$18,000.00                                                                             |
| Jorge Vallejo                          | \$6,000.00                                            | \$63,000.00                                                                             |

<sup>(1)</sup> For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the calendar year ended December 31, 2023.

### *Shares Owned by the Board Nominees*

Information relating to each Board Nominee's Share ownership in the Fund and in all registered investment companies in the Fund Complex that are currently overseen by each respective Director (the "Supervised Funds") as of December 31, 2023 is set forth in the chart below.

| <b>Name</b>             | <b>Dollar Range of Equity Securities in Fund</b> | <b>Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities in Supervised Funds</b> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enrique Vila del Corral | None                                             | None                                                                   |
| Carlos Perez            | \$10,000 – \$50,000                              | \$10,000 – \$50,000                                                    |
| Jorge Vallejo           | \$10,000 – \$50,000                              | \$10,000 – \$50,000                                                    |

As of March 31, 2024, none of the Independent Directors of the Fund or their immediate family members owned beneficially or of record any securities of the Fund's Adviser or principal underwriter, or of any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entities.

### *Attendance of Directors at Shareholders' Meetings*

The Fund currently does not have a formal policy regarding Director's attendance at Shareholder meetings. During the last fiscal year, the Fund held a Shareholder meeting on July 27, 2023 at which 1 Director attended.

### *Shareholder Communications*

The Board has established a process for shareholders to communicate with the Board. Shareholders may contact the Board by mail. Correspondence should be addressed to Fund at Popular Center, North Building, Second Floor (Fine Arts), 209 Muñoz Rivera Avenue San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918. Shareholder communication to the Board should include the following information: (a) the name and address of the shareholder; (b) the number of shares owned by the shareholder; (c) the Fund of which the shareholder owns shares; and (d) if these shares are owned indirectly through a broker, financial intermediary or other record owner, the name of the broker, financial intermediary or other record owner. All correspondence received as set forth above shall be reviewed by the Secretary of the Fund and reported to the Board.

### *Board Meetings*

The Board met a total of 4 times during the Fund's most recent fiscal year, all of which were regular meetings. Each of the Directors attended at least 75% of the aggregate number of meetings held by the Board during the most recent fiscal year.

### *Standing Committees of the Board*

The Board has one (1) standing Committee: the Audit Committee. The members of the Audit Committee of the Fund are Enrique Vila del Corral, Jorge Vallejo and Carlos Pérez, each of whom is an Independent Director. The responsibilities of the Audit Committee are to approve, and recommend to the Board the approval, the selection, retention, termination and compensation of the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm (the "Independent Registered

Public Accounting Firm”) and to oversee the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm’s work. The Audit Committee met 2 times during the Fund’s most recent fiscal year.

The Board has elected not to have a standing Nominating Committee due to the Board’s small size. Therefore, responsibilities typically delegated to a Nominating Committee are handled by the Board as a whole which identifies and evaluates nominees in accordance with the Fund’s by-laws. In addition, the Board handles any persons nominated for election as directors by a Shareholder in accordance with the process and requirements outlined in the Fund’s by-laws.

### *Officers of the Fund*

The following is a list of the current executive officers of the Fund, all of whom have been elected by the Directors to serve until their respective successors are elected and who also serve in the same capacity for the other Funds in the Popular Family of Funds:

| <b><u>Name, Address and<br/>Year of Birth</u></b>                                                                                                                             | <b><u>Position(s) Held with the Funds<br/>(Length of Service)</u></b> | <b><u>Principal Occupation(s) During<br/>the Past Five Years</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Angel M. Rivera Garcia</b><br>Banco Popular de Puerto Rico,<br>208 Ponce de Leon Ave., Popular<br>Center, North Tower. 4th Floor,<br>San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918<br>(1960) | President (since 2023)                                                | Mr. Rivera has over 20 years of investment portfolio management and financial services experience. Prior to joining Popular Asset Management LLC as Subsidiary President in 2023, Mr. Rivera spent the last 7 years working in the Corporate Treasury of Popular, Inc. responsible for managing the investment portfolio and wholesale funding for the holding company and its subsidiaries. He also serves as portfolio manager for various Puerto Rico investment companies advised and co-advised by the Advisor. Before that, he worked as Fixed Income Portfolio Manager for Popular Asset Management, then a division of Banco Popular of Puerto Rico. Mr. Rivera holds an MBA from Northwestern University- Kellogg School of Management, BBA from the University of Puerto Rico, and the Chartered Financial Analyst and Financial Risk Manager designations. |
| <b>James A. Gallo</b><br>Senior Principal Consultant, Fund<br>Officers<br>ACA Group<br>3 Canal Plaza, 3rd Floor<br>Portland, ME 04101<br>(1964)                               | Treasurer (since 2022)                                                | Mr. Gallo has served as Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer of each of the Popular Family of Funds since December 2022. Mr. Gallo has been a Senior Principal Consultant at Foreside Management Services, LLC, since May 2022. Prior to joining Foreside, Mr. Gallo was a Director of Fund Services at Bank of New York Mellon from 2002 to 2021.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Lucas Foss</b><br>SS&C<br>1290 Broadway, Suite 100<br>Denver, Colorado 80203<br>(1977)                                                                                     | Chief Compliance Officer<br>(since 2021)                              | Mr. Foss has been the Chief Compliance Officer of for the Popular Family of Funds since 2021. Mr. Foss currently serves as Vice President and Fund Chief Compliance Officer at SS&C/ALPS Fund Services, Inc. Prior to joining ALPS in November 2017, Mr. Foss served as the Director of Compliance at Transamerica Asset Management beginning in July 2014.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

| <b>Name, Address and<br/>Year of Birth</b>                                                                                                                                        | <b>Position(s) Held with the Funds<br/>(Length of Service)</b> | <b>Principal Occupation(s) During<br/>the Past Five Years</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>Manuel Rodríguez Boissén,<br/>Esq.</b><br>Pietrantoní Méndez & Álvarez<br>LLC, 208 Ponce de León Ave.,<br>Popular Center, 19th Floor, San<br>Juan, Puerto Rico 00918<br>(1977) | Secretary (since 2018)                                         | Mr. Rodríguez-Boissén has been an attorney at Pietrantoní Méndez & Álvarez LLC, legal counsel to the Fund, since 2002 and a Member since 2012. Mr. Rodríguez-Boissén's practice focuses on public-private partnerships, corporate and public finance and regulatory compliance for clients engaged in the financial services industry, including the Popular Family of Funds. |

### **Required Vote**

Approval of the election of the four Board Nominees as Directors of the Fund requires the affirmative plurality vote of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING THE “INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS,” UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE SHAREHOLDERS VOTE “FOR” THE PROPOSAL TO ELECT THE FOUR BOARD NOMINEES AS DIRECTORS OF THE FUND.**

### **PROPOSAL 2: RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Audit Committee has selected Ernst & Young LLP (the “Auditor”), with offices located at San Juan, Puerto Rico, as the Fund’s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025. The Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm is responsible for auditing the financial statements of the Fund. The Board considers the selection of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm to be an important matter of Shareholder concern and is submitting the selection of the Auditor for ratification by the Shareholders.

During the Fund’s fiscal period ended March 31, 2024 (i) there were no disagreements with the Auditor on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of the Auditor, would have caused them to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreements in connection with their reports on the Fund’s financial statements for such period, and (ii) there were no “reportable events” of the kind described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### **Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees and Other Matters**

The table below shows the amounts paid by the Fund to the Auditor or Pricewaterhousecoopers LLP as the Fund’s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2022 and March 31, 2023, respectively, the Fund’s prior Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for accounting services for the periods indicated:

|                                  | <b>Fees Paid to the Auditor for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31,</b> |             |             |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                  | <b>2024</b>                                                         | <b>2023</b> | <b>2022</b> |
| <b>Popular Total Return Fund</b> | \$51,550.00                                                         | \$53,667.00 | \$47,000.00 |

### **Audit Committee’s Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

The Audit Committee of the Fund complies with applicable laws and regulations with regards to the pre-approval of services. Audit, audit-related and tax compliance services provided to the Fund on an annual basis require specific pre-approval by the Fund's Audit Committee. As noted above, the Fund's Audit Committee must also approve other non-audit services provided by the Fund's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm to the Fund and to the Fund's Adviser that relate directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund.

### **Required Vote**

Approval of the ratification of the selection of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING THE "INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS," UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THE PROPOSAL TO RATIFY THE SELECTION OF THE FUND'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.**

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **Broker Discretionary Votes, Broker Non-Votes and Abstentions**

Proposal 1 and Proposal 2 are considered "routine" proposals and thus broker discretionary votes will be allowed. A broker discretionary vote is a proxy ballot that a broker may cast on behalf of the Shareholder if such Shareholder does not provide the broker with a specific voting instruction. A broker may vote your Shares to the extent such broker (i) has transmitted this proxy and all related soliciting material to you, (ii) exercises investment discretion for you pursuant to an advisory contract, (iii) has been designated in writing by you to receive soliciting material; and (iv) has not received instruction from you as to how to vote your Shares.

Abstentions and "broker non-votes" (*i.e.*, a proxy from a broker or nominee indicating that such person has declined to exercise its discretionary authority on a particular matter with respect to which the broker or nominee has discretionary power) will be treated as Shares that are present at the Meeting for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum for transacting business at the Meeting but that have not been voted. If a proxy that is properly executed and returned by a broker and such broker has declined to exercise its discretion to vote represents a "broker non-vote," the Shares represented thereby will be considered to be present at the Meeting for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum for the transaction of business but will not have an effect on the vote of the proposals requiring either a plurality vote or majority vote of the outstanding shares present at the meeting because such "broker non-votes" are not entitled to vote on such matters. If a proxy that is properly executed and returned is unmarked or marked with an abstention (collectively "Abstentions") and the vote required for the proposal is a plurality vote of the outstanding shares present at the meeting, such Shares will have no effect on the outcome of the vote. If a proxy that is properly executed and returned is unmarked or marked with an Abstention and the vote required for the proposal is a majority vote of the outstanding shares present and the meeting, such Shares will be treated as a vote "against" the proposal.

Accordingly, broker-non-votes will not be counted in determining the number of Shares necessary for approval of Proposal 1 and Proposal 2 and will not have an impact on the vote of such proposals. Abstentions will have the same effect as a vote "against" Proposal 1. Abstentions will not have an impact on the vote for Proposal 2.

Unless instructions to the contrary are marked thereon, the Proxy will be voted "FOR" the election of the Directors of the Fund, "FOR" the ratification of the selection of the independent registered public accounting firm of the Fund, and "FOR" any other matters deemed appropriate. Approval of Proposal 1 requires the affirmative plurality vote of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy. Approval of Proposal 2 requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the outstanding Shares present at the Meeting, in person or by proxy. Broker non-votes will not have an effect on the vote of such proposals. Abstentions will have the effect of a vote "against" Proposal 1 and will not have an effect on the vote of Proposal 2. Each proposal is an independent proposal and is not contingent on the adoption of another proposal.

## **Investment Adviser, Administrator and Distributor**

The address of the Adviser is: Popular Asset Management LLC, Popular Center, North Building, Second Level (Fine Arts), 209 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918. The address of the Administrator is: ALPS Fund Services, Inc., 1290 Broadway Suite 1000, Denver, Colorado 80203. The address of the Distributor is: Popular Securities, LLC, Twelfth Floor, Popular Center Building, 208 Ponce de León Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918.

## **OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING**

The Directors do not intend to present any other business at the Meeting, nor are they aware that any Shareholder intends to do so. If, however, any other matters are properly brought before the Meeting, in accordance with the Fund's By-Laws, the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy will vote thereon in accordance with their judgment.

## **SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS**

As provided for in the Fund's By-Laws, at any annual or special meeting of Shareholders, proposals by Shareholders and persons nominated for election as Directors by Shareholders shall be considered only if advance notice thereof has been timely given as provided herein and such proposals or nominations are otherwise proper for consideration under applicable law and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Fund. Notice of any proposal to be presented by any Shareholder including the nomination of any person by any Shareholder for election as a Director of the Fund at any meeting of Shareholders shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Fund at its principal executive office not less than thirty (30) nor more than fifty (50) days prior to the date of the meeting; *provided, however*, that if the date of the meeting is first publicly announced or disclosed less than forty (40) days prior to the date of the meeting, such notice shall be given not more than ten (10) days after such date is first so announced or disclosed. Public notice shall be deemed to have been given more than forty (40) days in advance of the annual meeting if the Fund shall have previously disclosed, in the Fund's By-Laws or otherwise, that the annual meeting in each year is to be held on a determinable date, unless and until the Board determines to hold the meeting on a different date. Any Shareholder who gives notice of any such proposal shall deliver therewith the text of the proposal to be presented and a brief written statement of the reasons why such Shareholder favors the proposal and setting forth such Shareholder's name and address, the number and class of all Shares of each class of stock of the Fund beneficially owned by such Shareholder and any material interest of such Shareholder in the proposal (other than as a Shareholder). Any Shareholder desiring to nominate any person for election as a Director of the Fund shall deliver with such notice a statement in writing setting forth the name of the person to be nominated, the number and class of all Shares of the Fund beneficially owned by such person, the information regarding such person as would be required by paragraphs (a), (e) and (f) of Item 401 of Regulation S-K adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (or the corresponding provisions of any regulation subsequently adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission), such person's signed consent to serve as a Director of the Fund if elected, such Shareholder's name and address and the number and class of all Shares of the Fund beneficially owned by such Shareholder. The person presiding at the meeting, in addition to making any other determinations that may be appropriate to the conduct of the meeting, shall determine whether such notice has been duly given and shall direct that proposals and nominees not be considered if such notice has not been given.

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PROXIES BE RETURNED PROMPTLY. SHAREHOLDERS THAT DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING ARE THEREFORE URGED TO COMPLETE, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.**

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

By Order of the Board of Directors,



Manuel Rodríguez-Boissén, Esq.  
Secretary

**POPULAR TOTAL RETURN FUND, INC.  
POPULAR CENTER, NORTH BUILDING  
Second Level (Fine Arts)  
209 Muñoz Rivera Avenue  
San Juan, PR 00918**

**PROXY**

The undersigned hereby appoints Enrique Vila del Corral, Javier Rubio, or any one of them, to act as the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with power of substitution, to vote all shares of the stock of Popular Total Return Fund, Inc., (the “Fund”) a Puerto Rico corporation and an open-end, non-diversified investment company registered under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 10:00 AM, at Popular Center, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Hall A, and at any continuation or adjournment thereof, with the same force and effect as the undersigned might or could do if personally present thereat, as set forth below and in their discretion upon any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

1. To elect four directors of the Fund, to serve until the 2025 annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Nominees:     Jorge I. Vallejo  
                     Carlos A. Pérez  
                     Enrique Vila del Corral

- ☐ For all nominees listed above (except as marked below):
- ☐ To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee, write that nominee's name in the space provided below:

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- ☐ Withhold authority as to all nominees.

2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as independent registered public accounting firm of the Fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025.  
(Check one box).

- ☐ FOR                      ☐ AGAINST                      ☐ ABSTAIN

**THE PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

**SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS MADE HEREIN. IF NO SPECIFICATION IS MADE AS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL ITEM HEREIN, IT IS INTENDED THAT SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF THE NAMED NOMINEES AND FOR THE OTHER PROPOSALS SPECIFIED HEREIN.**

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of (a) the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 24, 2024, and (b) the accompanying Proxy Statement.

WITNESS the signature of the undersigned this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Shareholder)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

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(Title, if applicable)