### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549** 

### FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 4, 2024

### Beneficient

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-41715 (Commission File Number) 72-1573705 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

325 North St. Paul Street, Suite 4850 Dallas, Texas 75201 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Zip Code)

(214) 445-4700 Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):		
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered

Shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share

Warrants, each whole warrant exercisable for one share of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and one share of Series A convertible preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Beneficient (the "Company") is furnishing a copy of an investor presentation (the "Presentation") that the Company intends to use, in whole or in part, during the Company's presentation at the Emerging Growth Conference on December 4, 2024. A copy of the Presentation is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information contained in the Presentation is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings and other public announcements that the Company may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in the Presentation, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is warranted.

The information in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth in such filing.

### Item 9.01 Exhibits and Financial Statements.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Description of Exhibit

99.1 Investor Presentation of Beneficient.

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### BENEFICIENT

By: /s/ Gregory W. Ezell
Name: Gregory W. Ezell
Title: Chief Financial Officer

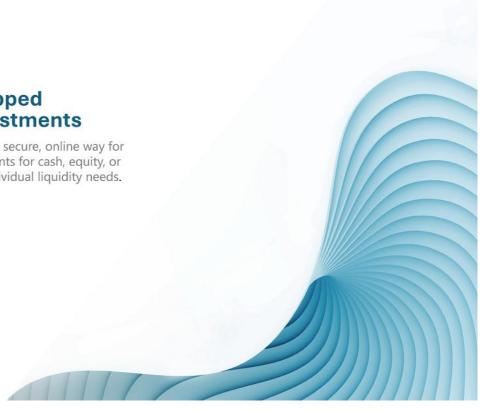
Dated: December 4, 2024



# **Unlocking the Value Trapped** in Alternative Asset Investments

Liquidity The Ben® Way: We've built a rapid, secure, online way for customers to exit alternative asset investments for cash, equity, or debt securities based on the customer's individual liquidity needs.

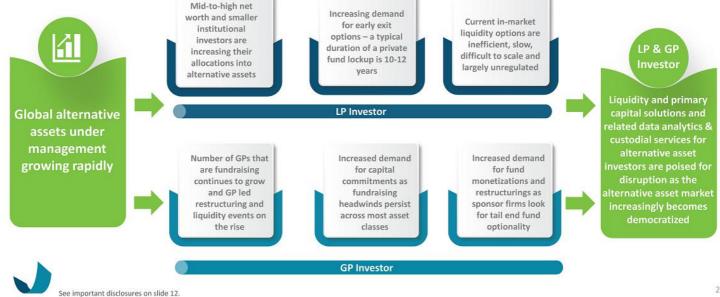




# What Problems Does Ben Solve?

Liquidity for LPs and GPs and primary capital solutions for GPs

AltAccess Online Platform delivering trustee and custody services with data analytics for all owners of professionally managed alternative assets

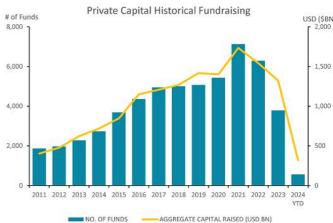


# **Growing Liquidity Needs Coupled with GP Fundraising Needs Represent a Large and Growing Market Opportunity**

The increasing demand for early liquidity is primarily addressed through the secondaries market, which caters to large institutions

The increasing demand for primary capital commitments for GPs is not being fully met by traditional LP capital sources





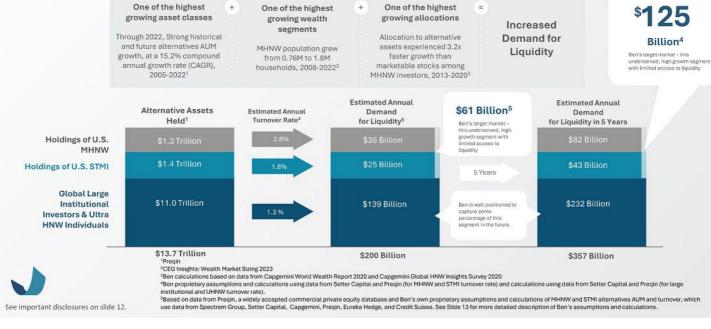
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# LP Liquidity: Ben's Projected Target Market

High-net-worth individual investors and small-to-mid-sized institutional investors represent a growing but traditionally underserved liquidity market



# Liquidity & Primary Capital Solutions for Almost All Asset Types and Vehicles

Provides a modernized & regulated method of delivering liquidity, capital and related services to investors in most alternative assets







# AltAccess®: Ben's Tech Platform for Customer Engagement & Transactions

A first-of-its-kind technology platform, AltAccess serves as the centralizing hub of our business and is an interactive, secure online entry point through which our customers receive end-to-end delivery of liquidity, primary capital and associated services.



Investor Dashboard Advisor Dashboard

Separate dashboards for customers who prefer to submit their own application and advisors who are submitting applications for their clients make it easy to complete every step of the process.

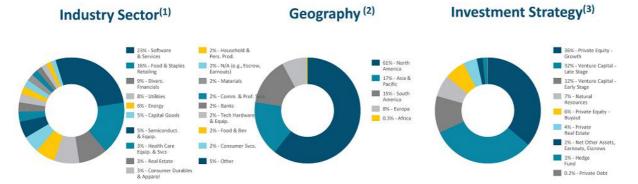
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# Leveraging Digital Technology to Provide Secure & Rapid Exits

Faster timelines are made possible by Ben AltAccess™, with its MAPS technology in a digital secure AT&T NetBond® certified tech platform designed to deliver exit options and related custody and trust services to owners of alternative assets



# **Endowment Model Portfolio Built Through Ben's OptimumAlt Model and Other IP**



### 250 Funds(4)

### 813 Investments(5)

As of September 30, 2024. Represents the characteristics of professionally managed funds and investments in the Collateral (defined as follows) portfolio. The Collateral for the ExAlt Plan Managed Funds are the Company of the Collateral for the Exalt Plan Managed Funds and Exa As of September 30, 2024, Represents the characteristics of professionally managed funds and investments in the Collateral (defined as follows) portfolio. The Collateral for the ExAlt Plan<sup>TML</sup> Coans in the Loan Portfolio is comprised of a diverse portfolio of interest interests (through various investments) including, limited partnership interests and private and debt securities, which include our and our affiliates' cor un former affiliates' cor un former affiliates' cor un former affiliates' correction to the presentage of the presentage reported in the pie charts are loan balances net of any allowance for credit losses was \$315 million, for a total gross loan balance of \$575 million and a loan balance ent of allowance for credit losses was \$315 million, for a total gross loan balance of \$575 million and a loan balance ent of allowance for credit losses of \$260 million.

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Telecommunication Services, and Pharmaceuticals, Blotechnology & Life Sciences. N/A includes investments assets that Ben management has determined do not have an applicable GICS Level 2 classification, such as Net Other Assets,



Escrows, and Earnouts.
(2) Geography reflects classifications determined by Ben management, based on each underlying investment
(3) Investment Strategy Type reflects classifications based on each company's current investment strategy stage as determined by Ben management.
(4) Includes limited partnership interests in funds held directly in the collateral portfolio and funds held indirectly in the collateral portfolio through other entities, including special purpose vehicles and other funds.
(5) Investments reflect the assets listed by the general partner of a fund as held by the fund and have a positive or negative net asset value. Typical assets include portfolio companies, limited partnership interests in assets, which are a fund's cash and other current assets minus liabilities.

# **Beneficient's Strong Management Team**



\*Mr. Welday is a Registered Representative of AltAccess Securities Company, L.P. Member FINRA/SIPC.

# **Experienced Board of Directors**

### Brad K. Heppner

DIRECTOR, CEO AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

30+ years alternative asset and financial institutions experience, Chairman of the Board and CEO, Prior: Founder and CEO of The Crossroads Group; Founder of Capital Analytics; previously with Bain & Company, MacArthur Foundation and Goldman Sachs

### Peter T. Cangany, Jr. DIRECTOR

Insurance entities, audit and accounting. Board of Trustees, Finance Committee Chair. Franklin College. Prior: Partner of Ernst & Young, LLP



### Thomas O. Hicks

Private equity industry pioneer with 30+ years private equity investment experience. Founder and Chairman, Hicks Holdings, LLC. Prior: Founder of Hicks, Muse, Tate and Furst; Co-Founder and Co-Chairman of Hicks & Haas; Board of Directors, Carpenter Technology Corporation.

### Patrick J. Donegan

DIRECTOR

Almost 30 years of experience in banking legal expertise and capital markets regulatory pliance. Senior Adviser, Premier Consulting Partners, Inc. Prior: Global Chief Compliance Officer, OKX Group 2023-2024; Chief Compliance Officer, Signature Bank 2015 - 2023.



### Bruce W. Schnitzer

30+ years private equity investment experience, insurance and other specialty financial services. Chairman, Wand Partners; Chairman, The Institute of Human Origins. Prior: President and COO of Marsh, Inc.; CPO of Marsh, McLennan Companies, Inc.; Head of M&A for Morgan Guaranty Trust Company (J.P. Morgan)

### **Derek Fletcher**

Derek Fletcher
DIRECTOR PRESIDENT of FIDRIN TRUST COMPANY AND CHIEF FIDUCIARY OFFICER
25+ years of sophisticated estate planning, wealth structuring and fiduciary advisory services.
Prior: US Trust - Bank of America Private Wealth Management; Winstead, PC; Coopers & Lybrand





Karen J. Wendel

30+ years in banking, technology M&A, cybersecurity, private equity, corporate governance, risk management and the emerging blockchain and DeFi space. President and CEO, TrustChains, LIC. Prior: President and Chief Revenue Officer, Fabrik; CEO, Bayesian Qualified Custody; Chief Revenue Officer, Kingdom Trust; CEO, SDBIC.



# **Ben's Competitive Strengths**

### √Technology/IP

Ben's structures, systems and methodologies are designed to enable us to finance alternative assets at attractive valuations for Ben and to service our clients in a seamless, efficient manner. Our patent-pending intellectual property embedded in Ben's systemwide intelligence includes computer implemented algorithmic systems, copywritten AltAccess software enterprise applications and the ExAlt Plan product loan structure for delivering liquidity and primary capital to our customers.



### √ Publicly Traded Stock as Currency

Ben's balance sheet strategy is built on the fiduciary financings we make by utilizing our stock as currency.

# √ Tradable Exposure to OptimumAlt Alternative Assets

Ben's business model is designed to provide economic exposure to some of the most exciting, sought-after private funds and private company names worldwide by following the theory of the portfolio endowment model and utilizing our patent-pending computer implemented technologies branded as OptimumAlt.

### √ Statutory/Regulatory

Ben openly sought and embraced regulation, transparency and oversight. Customers can rapidly and efficiently engage and transact with Ben over AltAccess, and they do so knowing that their activities are within a regulated, secure customer transaction ecosystem.





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# **Important Disclosures**

### This presentation is for educational and informational purposes only

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## **Ben Assumptions & Calculations for Projected Target Market (Slide 4)**

- Estimates of holdings by investor classifications based on (i) historical North American private capital assets under management (AUM) data from Preqin (excludes hedge funds) and historical North America hedge fund AUM data from Eureka Hedge; (ii) market segment data including the percentage of hedge fund assets held by individuals (CitiBusiness Advisory), the percentage of private capital assets held by family offices and wealthy individuals (Preqin, Private Equity Spotlight, February 2016), the percentage of total global assets held by small, mid- and ultra-high net worth individuals (Capgemini and Credit Suisse); and (iii) assets held by North American high net worth individuals, including the percentage of such assets held by MHNW investors (Capgemini). Such estimates the following assumptions of Ben: (i) calculations of market segmentation based on estimates from third-party sources described above; (ii) large institutions hold 80% of the total institutional AUM; (iii) the percentage of MHNW wealth allocated to alternative assets is 16% (based on a range of estimates from Oliver Wyman, Knight Frank, Campden Research, UBS, and KKR); and (iv) MHNW and UHNW alternative asset AUM may be understated, and large institution and STMI alternative asset AUM may be proportionally overstated and, therefore, require adjustment.
- Turnover rates and estimated annual demand for liquidity based on the turnover rate of large institutional investors, calculated based on global private assets under management by vintage (excluding funds of funds and secondaries) reported by Preqin and the total secondary market volume reported in the Setter Capital Volume Report, FY 2021. Ben assumes (i) that MHNW investors would seek approximately two times the turnover rate of large institutional investors and (ii) that STMI investors would seek approximately one-and-a-half times the turnover rate of large institutional investors.





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