



# One Liberty Properties (OLP)

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## Key Metrics

|                             |      |                                            |       |                                      |            |
|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Current Price:</b>       | \$20 | <b>5 Year CAGR Estimate:</b>               | 12.0% | <b>Market Cap:</b>                   | \$425 M    |
| <b>Fair Value Price:</b>    | \$24 | <b>5 Year Growth Estimate:</b>             | 2.0%  | <b>Ex-Dividend Date<sup>1</sup>:</b> | 06/17/2023 |
| <b>% Fair Value:</b>        | 85%  | <b>5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:</b> | 3.3%  | <b>Dividend Payment Date:</b>        | 07/06/2023 |
| <b>Dividend Yield:</b>      | 9.0% | <b>5 Year Price Target:</b>                | \$26  | <b>Years of Dividend Growth:</b>     | 0          |
| <b>Dividend Risk Score:</b> | F    | <b>Retirement Suitability Score:</b>       | C     | <b>Rating:</b>                       | Buy        |

## Overview & Current Events

One Liberty Properties is a self-administered, self-managed real estate investment trust that acquires, owns, and manages a diversified portfolio of retail, industrial, office and other properties. Almost all of One Liberty's leases are net leases, where the tenant is responsible for real estate taxes, insurance, and ordinary maintenance and repairs. One Liberty was incorporated in 1982 and became a public trust in 1983. One Liberty trades on the NYSE under the ticker symbol OLP and is headquartered in Great Neck, New York. OLP has a market capitalization of \$425 million.

One Liberty's current portfolio comprises 119 properties in 31 states. The portfolio is currently at 97.8% occupancy. The trust's contractual rental income currently sits at \$70.7 million. Industrial properties account for 56.4% of contractual rental income, with retail at 28.5%, restaurants at 5.0%, health & fitness at 4.6%, theaters at 3.1% and others at 2.4%.

One Liberty Properties reported first quarter 2023 results on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for the period ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The trust reported rental income of \$23.0 million, compared to \$21.5 million in Q1 2022.

Adjusted funds from operations was \$10.8 million, up slightly compared to the same prior year period. Adjusted FFO per share was flat at \$0.50.

One Liberty sold a restaurant property in New York for \$4.1 million during the quarter.

At the quarter end, OLP had \$7.0 million of cash and cash equivalents, total assets of \$771 million and total debt of \$418 million. One Liberty's liquidity was roughly \$87.9 million, including \$80.0 million available under the credit facility.

## Growth on a Per-Share Basis

| Year                      | 2013   | 2014   | 2015   | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2019   | 2020   | 2021   | 2022   | 2023          | 2028          |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>AFFO</b>               | \$1.75 | \$1.84 | \$1.92 | \$1.99 | \$2.09 | \$2.13 | \$1.98 | \$1.90 | \$1.95 | \$1.98 | <b>\$1.89</b> | <b>\$2.09</b> |
| <b>DPS</b>                | \$1.42 | \$1.50 | \$1.58 | \$1.66 | \$1.74 | \$1.80 | \$1.80 | \$1.80 | \$1.80 | \$1.80 | <b>\$1.80</b> | <b>\$1.89</b> |
| <b>Shares<sup>2</sup></b> | 15.1   | 15.7   | 16.1   | 16.9   | 18.1   | 18.6   | 19.1   | 19.6   | 20.3   | 20.4   | <b>21.1</b>   | <b>24.0</b>   |

One Liberty Properties has grown fairly consistently over the long-term, but in recent years that growth has faltered as AFFO peaked in 2018. One Liberty has grown their AFFO on average by 1.4% and -1.1% over the last nine and five years, respectively.

Their share count has also grown fairly consistently at roughly 3.4% over the last decade. Given this, we estimate that One Liberty can grow adjusted FFO from here on out at roughly 2.0% annually.

The trust is focusing on reducing their retail exposure and increasing their industrial exposure, which should pay off with the long-term trends in e-commerce and the demand for warehouses and distribution facilities increasing. Year-over-year, since 2016, OLP has reduced the percent of contractual rental income exposed to retail properties and increased the exposure to industrial properties. Additionally, a portfolio of industrial properties is likely to be valued at a higher multiple than a portfolio of retail properties, especially restaurants and theatres.

<sup>1</sup> Estimate

<sup>2</sup> In millions

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## Valuation Analysis

| Year        | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020  | 2021 | 2022 | Now         | 2028        |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|-------------|-------------|
| Avg. P/AFFO | 12.7 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 12.0 | 14.2 | 10.0  | 14.3 | 13.5 | <b>10.6</b> | <b>12.5</b> |
| Avg. Yld.   | 6.2% | 6.7% | 6.7% | 7.0% | 7.0% | 7.0% | 6.4% | 10.0% | 6.7% | 6.6% | <b>7.9%</b> | <b>7.3%</b> |

The trust's P/AFFO of 10.6 is discounted compared to its nine- and five-year historic average valuations of 12.4 and 12.8 times AFFO. With an increasing portfolio of industrial properties, the multiple is likely to expand, and we believe the trust is undervalued right here. We see fair value at 12.5 times AFFO, in between its historic valuation average. This implies the potential for a valuation tailwind.

## Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

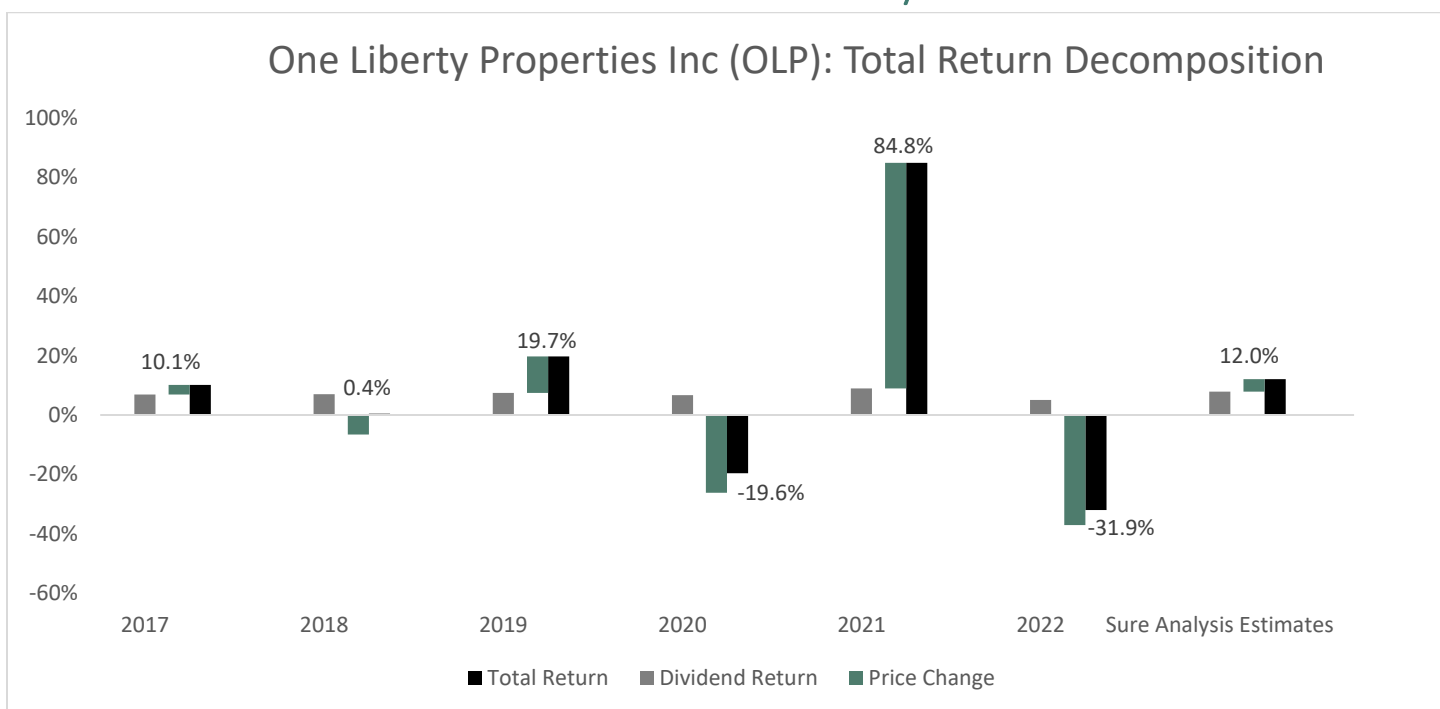
| Year   | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023       | 2028       |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|------------|
| Payout | 81%  | 82%  | 82%  | 83%  | 83%  | 85%  | 91%  | 95%  | 92%  | 91%  | <b>95%</b> | <b>91%</b> |

Despite choppy AFFO results year-over-year, One Liberty has maintained a fairly covered dividend payout, until 2019 where the coverage became somewhat under threat with a ratio higher than 90%. The payout ratio today remains about 95%, so it is something to keep an eye on, but if the trust continues executing successfully on their industrial property strategy, we see the payout ratio moderating in the future. The trust's competitive advantage lies in its dedicated management with insider ownership of more than 10%, aligning management with shareholders and, according to the CEO, "dramatically differentiates" the trust from its competitors.

## Final Thoughts & Recommendation

One Liberty Properties has struggled to grow adjusted funds from operations in recent years, but it has been successfully pivoting its portfolio from retail-heavy to industrial-heavy, which has also caused an increase in the valuation. We estimate the trust can grow AFFO by roughly 2.0% annually, combined with a strong 9.0% dividend yield, and the potential for a valuation tailwind. With forecasted annualized total returns of 12.0%, we rate shares as a buy.

## Total Return Breakdown by Year



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## Income Statement Metrics

| Year             | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  | 2016  | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022  |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Revenue          | 51    | 60    | 66    | 71    | 76    | 79    | 85    | 82    | 83    | 92    |
| Gross Profit     | 47    | 56    | 59    | 61    | 65    | 68    | 71    | 68    | 69    | 77    |
| Gross Margin     | 93.1% | 92.2% | 90.3% | 86.9% | 85.5% | 85.3% | 83.4% | 83.4% | 83.3% | 83.2% |
| SG&A Exp.        | 8     | 9     | 10    | 11    | 11    | 12    | 12    | 14    | 14    | 15    |
| D&A Exp.         | 12    | 14    | 16    | 17    | 20    | 22    | 21    | 22    | 22    | 23    |
| Operating Profit | 27    | 32    | 33    | 32    | 32    | 31    | 36    | 31    | 32    | 37    |
| Op. Margin       | 53.9% | 52.6% | 50.4% | 45.7% | 42.3% | 39.3% | 42.3% | 38.2% | 38.1% | 40.5% |
| Net Profit       | 18    | 22    | 21    | 24    | 24    | 21    | 18    | 27    | 39    | 42    |
| Net Margin       | 35.1% | 36.6% | 31.2% | 34.6% | 31.8% | 26.1% | 21.3% | 33.5% | 47.0% | 45.7% |
| Free Cash Flow   | 27    | 32    | 34    | 30    | 44    | 43    | 36    | 35    | 49    | 44    |

## Balance Sheet Metrics

| Year               | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Total Assets       | 572  | 590  | 646  | 733  | 743  | 781  | 775  | 776  | 753  | 783  |
| Cash & Equivalents | 17   | 20   | 13   | 17   | 14   | 15   | 11   | 13   | 16   | 7    |
| Goodwill & Int.    | 26   | 27   | 29   | 33   | 31   | 27   | 26   | 25   | 21   | 20   |
| Total Liabilities  | 322  | 335  | 384  | 442  | 444  | 482  | 483  | 484  | 447  | 466  |
| Long-Term Debt     | 301  | 305  | 349  | 404  | 402  | 448  | 447  | 442  | 408  | 426  |
| Total Equity       | 249  | 254  | 260  | 290  | 297  | 297  | 291  | 291  | 305  | 316  |
| LTD/E Ratio        | 1.21 | 1.20 | 1.34 | 1.39 | 1.35 | 1.51 | 1.54 | 1.52 | 1.34 | 1.35 |

## Profitability & Per Share Metrics

| Year             | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021  | 2022  |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Return on Assets | 3.4% | 3.8% | 3.3% | 3.5% | 3.3% | 2.7% | 2.3% | 3.5% | 5.1%  | 5.5%  |
| Return on Equity | 7.4% | 8.8% | 8.0% | 8.9% | 8.2% | 7.0% | 6.1% | 9.4% | 13.0% | 13.6% |
| ROIC             | 3.5% | 4.0% | 3.5% | 3.7% | 3.5% | 2.9% | 2.4% | 3.7% | 5.4%  | 5.8%  |
| Shares Out.      | 15.1 | 15.7 | 16.1 | 16.9 | 18.1 | 18.6 | 19.1 | 19.6 | 20.3  | 20.45 |
| Revenue/Share    | 3.39 | 3.86 | 4.09 | 4.18 | 4.21 | 4.26 | 4.43 | 4.18 | 4.08  | 4.51  |
| FCF/Share        | 1.78 | 2.03 | 2.14 | 1.78 | 2.46 | 2.29 | 1.90 | 1.79 | 2.40  | 2.16  |

Note: All figures in millions of U.S. Dollars unless per share or indicated otherwise.

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