

ASSET ALLOCATION ASSUMPTIONS December 31, 2008

R.V. Kuhns & Associates, Inc. Asset Allocation – Return & Risk Assumptions

The asset allocation process is highly dependent upon the asset class assumptions used to create the modeled portfolios for optimization. R.V. Kuhns & Associates, Inc. (RVK) creates our long-term expected asset class return and risk assumptions through a multistep process that incorporates both the return experience observed historically and forward-looking expected returns produced by looking at a variety of historical relationships and factors. We combine the results of this analysis with a survey of prevailing investment industry opinions to further benchmark our expectations.

This report serves as an explanatory document that provides the background on our asset allocation assumption-setting process as well as a more detailed analysis of our expectations for each asset class. Correlations are generally derived from historical data and are slightly modified in some cases to produce meaningful relationships.

Our forward-looking return and risk assumptions as of 12/31/2008 for the major asset classes are listed below:

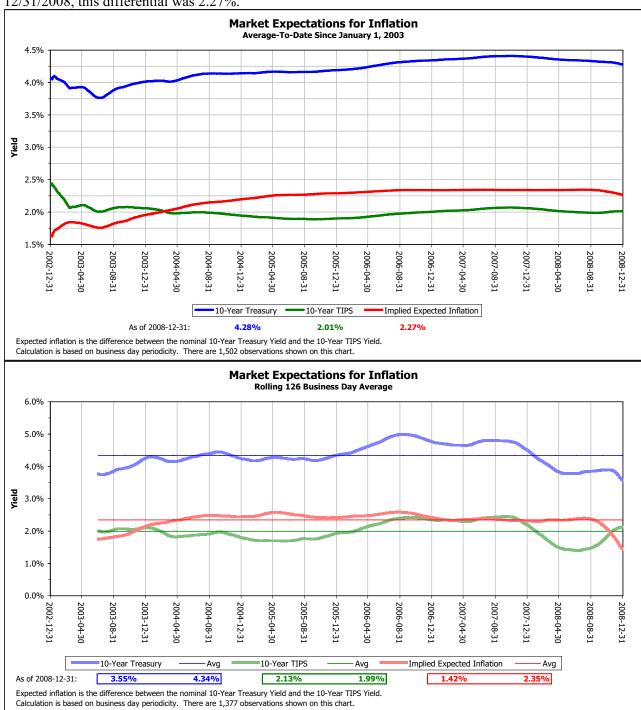
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INFLATION AND CASH

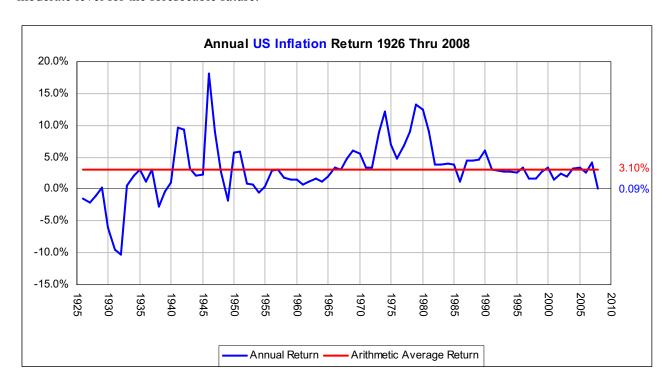
Inflation

RVK looks at the Ibbotson US Inflationⁱ series for a historical measure of the price inflation experienced in the United States. The history of this measure is also compared with the "breakeven inflation rate" – a market price-driven measure given by the difference between the yield-to-maturity of nominal and inflation-linked treasury securities of equivalent maturities. As of 12/31/2008, this differential was 2.27%.

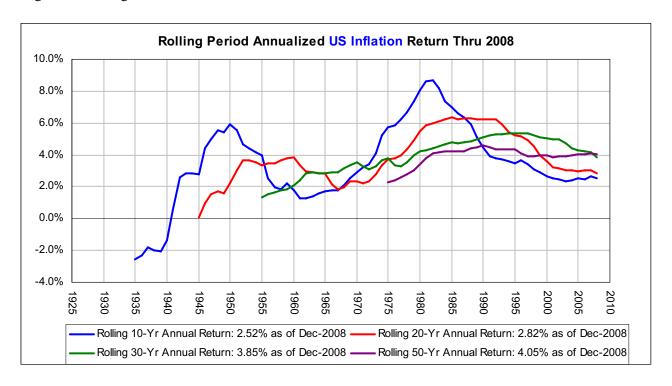


Taking into account the considerable decline in Treasury Yields, it is important to consider an average over the past ten years. The inflation series is a fundamental metric, which helps to provide investors with a gauge of the real returns on their investments (i.e., the return after erosion of purchasing power). The measure drives a number of relationships to many asset class returns based on both historical return observations and forward-looking return expectations.

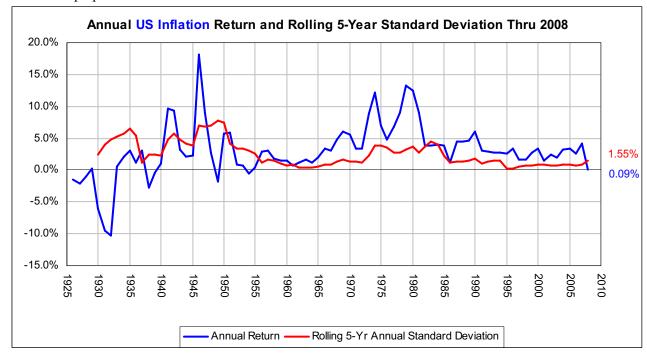
The chart below shows the annual history of this series with its corresponding arithmetic average of 3.10%. While there have certainly been periods where the annual inflation rate has diverged from the arithmetic average, recent history and inflation targets suggest that inflation will stay at a moderate level for the foreseeable future.

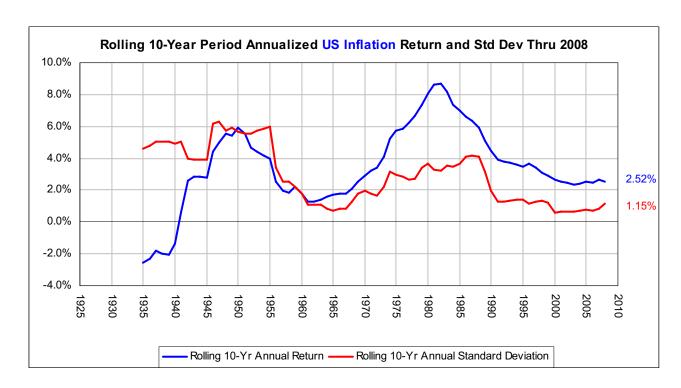


An analysis of Rolling Period Annualized Inflation also reveals that while near-term inflation has been lower, the presence of significant inflationary periods continues to influence the average of longer-term rolling time frames.



An analysis of Rolling Period Inflation Volatility reveals that although the federal funds target rate is at historically low levels, the near-term inflation volatility has remained at low levels consistently over the past 20 years. However with unprecedented rate cuts in 2008, volatility should creep up.





RVK's current forecast for long-term expected inflation is 2.50% with a standard deviation equal to 2.00%.

	2008				2009		Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Inflation	2.50%	1.00%	2.50%	2.50%	2.00%	2.48%	0.00%	1.00%	-0.01%

Cash Equivalents

The historical performance of short-term investments, as measured by the ML US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index, would indicate that cash equivalents should provide returns of approximately 3.45% with a standard deviation equal to approximately 1.81%. Real returns on these investments have averaged approximately 0.62% annually.

We base our cash returns on the historical real return differential over inflation of approximately 0.50% - 0.75% and set our long-term return expectation for cash at 3.25% with a standard deviation equal to 2.00%.

	2008				2009		Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Cash Equivalents	3.25%	1.00%	3.25%	3.25%	2.00%	3.23%	0.00%	1.00%	-0.01%

FIXED INCOME

US Core Fixed Income

RVK models core investment-grade fixed income investments over recent history (since 1976) using the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index. The average annual return for the longest available time period is 8.48% and over the past ten years was 5.28%. The since inception return captures a period of high inflation and more recently, both rapidly declining interest rates and an unprecedented flight to quality that we do not expect will be repeated. Given the low interest rate environment relative to historic levels, we foresee a challenging environment for fixed income instruments over the next 10 years.

The average yield to maturity for the Barclays US Aggregate has been 4.93% over the past ten years. As of 12/31/2008, the Barclays US Aggregate yield to maturity was 4.04%. The option adjusted spread average for the Barclays US Aggregate has been 0.73% over the past ten years, and as of 12/31/2008 was at 2.13%. The average yield to maturity for the Barclays US Treasury: 7-10 Year Index has been 4.41% over the past ten years. We estimate the spread of the Barclays US Aggregate to Treasuries to be 0.80% over the long term. Thus, RVK expects US Core Fixed Income to have a long-term return of 5.25%.

We derive our bond volatility estimate from a combination of the longest historical time period experience of the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index's standard deviation over the past thirty years (5.97%) and the standard deviation over the past ten years (3.69%). Although volatility has steadily decreased over time, we expect that there will be additional volatility experienced in the market with inflation and interest rate levels expected to increase over the coming years.

We expect US Core Fixed Income long-term returns to be 5.25% with a standard deviation of 4.50%.

	2008				2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	
US Core Fixed Income	5.00%	4.25%	4.91%	5.25%	4.50%	5.15%	0.25%	0.25%	0.24%	

Non-US Fixed Income

While Non-US Fixed Income is frequently an opportunistic portfolio holding within a core fixed income portfolio, RVK models the asset class for use by investors desiring more detailed information on our expectations or those desiring a dedicated portfolio allocation. The Citigroup Non-US World Government Bond Index (Citi Non-US WGBI) provides a proxy for this asset class. Average performance differentials between Non-US Fixed Income (Citi Non-US WGBI) and US Core Fixed Income (BC US Aggregate) indicate that, while longest-term arithmetic average annual differentials are close to 2.17% (since 1985), the 5-year average differential is 0.75% through 2008. We estimate that the differential for the purposes of long-term expectations should be 0.30%. The international fixed income market has experienced more volatility in annual returns than domestic fixed income.

The resulting long-term return expectation for Non-US Fixed Income is 5.50% with a standard deviation of 8.75%.

		2008			2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	
Non-US Fixed Income	5.50%	8.75%	5.14%	5.50%	8.75%	5.14%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS)

TIPS are an immature asset class in the United States for which a reliable benchmark has yet to gain sufficient historical data to provide an appropriate performance model. TIPS are inflation-linked securities and the principal is adjusted relative to the index ratio CPI-U. The coupon is fixed relative to principal with semi-annual interest payments and is lower than a nominal bond of similar maturity. Different inflation rate scenarios impact the expected returns and volatility of TIPS owing to the indexing of principal to the inflation rate. The TIPS return expectations are set mindful of our anticipation that inflation expectations are exacerbated due to a historically low federal funds target rate. One of the reasons why the risk is higher for TIPS than US Core Fixed Income is duration. As of 12/31/2008, the duration of the Barclays US Aggregate was 3.71 versus the Barclays US TIPS Index duration of 5.83.

With interest rates at historically low levels, as mentioned above, it would be reasonable to expect TIPS to exceed previous assumption estimates. Mitigating this factor however is the considerable flight to quality which reached TIPS as well.

TIPS will produce a long-term return lower than US Core Fixed Income at 5.00% with a volatility of 4.75%.

	2008				2009		Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
TIPS	4.75%	4.75%	4.64%	5.00%	4.75%	4.89%	0.25%	0.00%	0.25%

Low Duration Fixed Income

RVK sets the assumptions for Low Duration Fixed Income strategies in relation to the expected return on cash equivalents. Low duration strategies include, but are not limited to, the BC 1-3 year maturity Treasury series, BC US Aggregate 1-3 Year, and BC Credit 1-3 Year. This can be done either by looking at historical yield curve relationships, or by examining the historical return experienced by each of the indices. The spread of the average annual arithmetic return between the BC 1-3 Year Treasury Index and the ML US 3-Month T-Bill Index has been 1.19% since 1993. The spread of the average annual arithmetic return between the BC US Aggregate 1-3 Year Index and the ML US 3-Month T-Bill Index has been 1.24% since 1993. The spread of the average annual arithmetic return between the BC Credit 1-3 Year Index and the ML US 3-Month T-Bill Index has been 1.43% since 1993. We estimate accordingly that there is an approximately 0.75% - 1.00% positive differential between Low Duration Fixed Income strategies and Cash Equivalents.

Therefore, we set our long-term return expectation for Low Duration Fixed Income strategies at 4.00% with a standard deviation equal to 2.50%.

	2008				2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	
Low Duration Fixed Income	4.00%	2.50%	3.97%	4.00%	2.50%	3.97%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

Long Duration Fixed Income

Over the longest comparable time period, the average annual yield-to-maturity spread between the BC US Long Gov't/Credit Index and the BC US Aggregate Bond Index has been 0.71%. The average spread between the arithmetic annual returns has been 1.29% since 1976. Over the last 10 years and 20 years, the average annual differentials have been 1.12% and 1.73%, respectively. Over the nearer term the annual differential between the two indices has tightened. Accordingly, we conservatively estimate that there is an approximately 0.25% - 0.50% positive differential between Long Duration Fixed Income strategies and US Core Fixed Income. The average rolling 5-year annual standard deviation for the BC US Long Gov't/Credit Index and the BC US Long-Term Treasury Index has been 3.10% and 5.33% respectively higher than the BC US Aggregate over the last 10 years.

Therefore, we set our long-term return expectation for Long Duration Fixed Income strategies at 5.50% with a standard deviation equal to 8.50%.

	2008			2009			Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Long Duration Bond	5.35%	8.25%	5.03%	5.50%	8.50%	5.16%	0.15%	0.25%	0.13%

High Yield Fixed Income

High Yield Fixed Income can be modeled with an expectation of the credit quality premium added to domestic core fixed income to account for default risk. This premium can be estimated by the difference in the average yield-to-maturity between the BC US Corporate High Yield Index and the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index, which was equal to 6.14%. The option adjusted spread for the BC US Corporate High Yield Index has been 5.61% over the past ten years, and as of 12/31/2008 was at 16.62%. We feel that a more restrained adjustment of 2.00% is appropriate due to the uncertainty in the market and increased default risk.

High Yield Fixed Income is expected to be significantly more volatile than US Core Fixed Income. We estimate that, given the combination of default and recovery risk, a volatility estimate in excess of double that of US Core Fixed Income is reasonable. Added to that risk estimate will be a duration mismatch that exists between the BC US Corporate High Yield Index and the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index. The long-term annual volatility (based on annual returns) since 1984 for the BC US Corporate High Yield Index is 13.96%. However, the annual volatility (based on quarterly returns) has been 4.56% since inception. During the more recent

term, the 5-year annual volatility for the BC US Corporate High Yield Index is 15.48% based on annual returns and 5.25% based on quarterly returns. This suggests that volatility and the associated return premium have increased recently and should persist into the future.

The resulting long-term return expectation for High Yield Fixed Income is 7.25% with a standard deviation of 11.50%.

	2008				2009		Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
High Yield	6.75%	11.00%	6.19%	7.25%	11.50%	6.64%	0.50%	0.50%	0.45%

DOMESTIC EQUITY

Large Cap US Equities

Large Cap US Equities are modeled using the Standard & Poor's 500 Index due to the length of the historical dataset. The annual real return to equities has an arithmetic average of approximately 8.69% since 1926 using the S&P 500 series. The below discussion will look at long-term mean reversion and return decomposition analysis to better understand the potential for future returns.

The following tables look at mean reversion by showing the required real return over the next 10-year period that is necessary for the overall market cycle average return to be equal to the long-term average of 8.69%:

	20-Ye	ar Period		30-Year Period			40-Yea	ar Period
		Return over		Return over				Return over
Return	Last 10	Next 10		Last 20	Next 10		Last 30	Next 10
since 1926	Years	Years		Years	Years		Years	Years
S&P 500 8.69%	-1.74%	20.23%		7.74%	10.62%		8.89%	8.09%

It should be noted that only minor changes would occur to the above analysis if pre-WWII returns were excluded, as the US economy could be considered a more developed nation post-WWII. However, post-WWII returns are quite similar to 1926 since inception returns at 8.04% since 1946 (or 8.14% since 1952).

To test the sensitivity of our analysis to the impact of outlying data and extreme market conditions, we calculated the average arithmetic real return of the two indices without the returns of the two best and two worst performing years, and again without the returns of the three best and three worst performing years. The best and worst years for the indices since inception and corresponding return analysis is summarized in the tables below.

	S&F	P 500					
Best Years	Return	Worst Years	Return				
1933	58.23%	2008	-38.33%				
1954	51.19%	1937	-37.72%				
1928	45.31%	1931	-36.79%				
Annual Return	n Including All	Years:	8.69%				
Annual Return Excluding Two Years: 8.71%							
Annual Return	n Excluding Th	ree Years:	8.83%				

It should be noted that at year-end the domestic equity market is currently in one of the largest declines in stock market history. There remains a high level of uncertainty with respect to the size and length of the decline and subsequent recovery, and thus the potential for future returns. In an attempt to provide historical perspective we have included the table below that details the length and size of historically significant market events (as recorded by the S&P 500):

Historical Event	Period	Event to Trough (%)	Event to Trough (months)	Trough to Break- Even (months)	Event to Trough (years)	Trough to Break- Even (years)
Great Crash	1929	-78%	32	52	2.7	4.3
New Deal	1937	-39%	13	58	1.1	4.8
Oil Crisis	1973	-39%	11	16	0.9	1.3
Black Monday	1987	-21%	2	10	0.2	0.8
Tech Bubble	2000	-44%	30	49	2.5	4.1
Credit Crunch*	2007	-39%	16	?	1.3	?

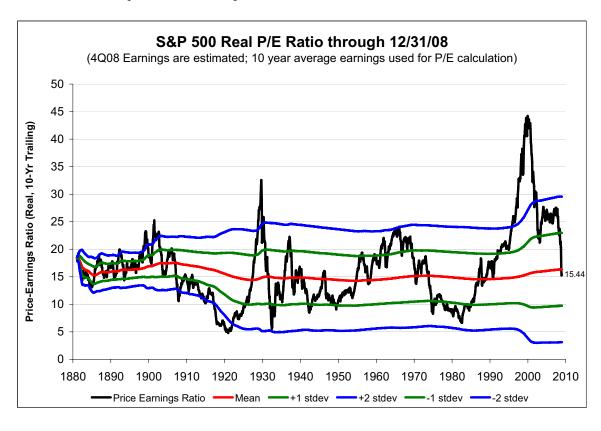
^{*}Assumes 12/31/08 trough for calculation convenience only.

Monthly periodicity.

The Credit Crunch, listed above, is assumed to begin with the market and economic events of August 2007. From August 2007 to December 2008 markets are sixteen months into the current crisis, and fourteen months from the market peak in October 2007.

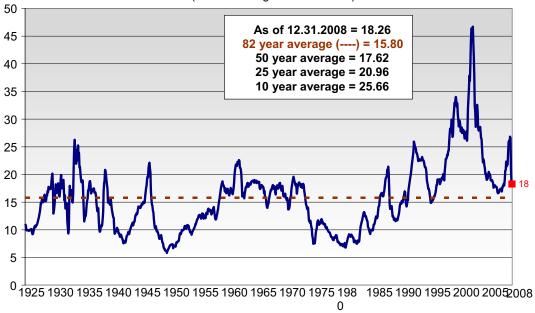
Real equity returns can also be analyzed by decomposing returns into Valuation, Dividend Yield and Earnings Growth.

While P/E ratios are much lower than recent history, given the significant price reductions, the current ratios roughly approximate historical averages. Thus we do not expect Valuation to contribute materially to long-term returns, though it may contribute materially to returns in the interim if dramatic price fluctuations persist.



S&P 500 Price/Earnings Ratio

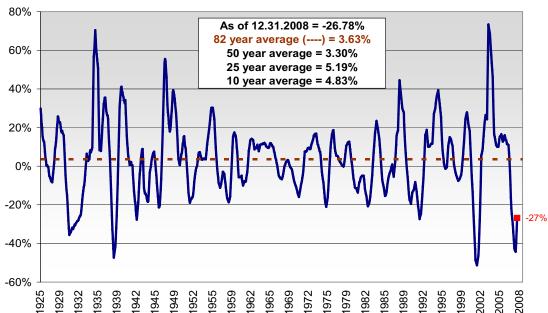
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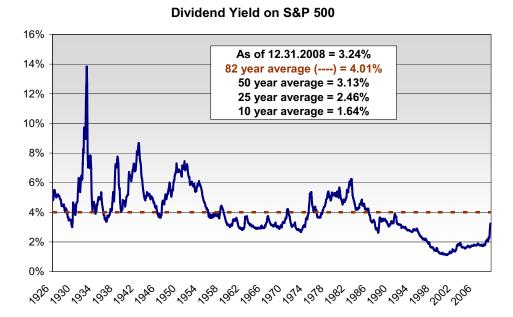
Real earnings growth has fallen significantly from recent double digit rates into negative territory for 2008. While in the short-term earnings growth will likely continue to decline due to current economic conditions, we expect it to stabilize over the long-term. We forecast real earnings growth to be in the range of 2.5% to 3.5% over the long-run.

Y/Y S&P 500 Real Earnings Growth through December 31, 2008

(4Q08 Earnings are estimated)



Dividend yields have increased dramatically to 3.24% in the fourth quarter of 2008, from their historical lows of 1% to 2% experienced in late 90s and early 2000s, mainly due to significant price decreases and stable dividends. We expect dividends to remain a greater portion of equity returns as compared to recent decades and be in the range of 2.5% to 3.5%.



With a dividend yield range of 2.5% to 3.5% and earnings growth range of 2.5% and 3.5%, we expect real equity returns of approximately 5% to 7%.

Based on the above analysis and our survey of the market RVK assumes the real return for Large Cap US Equities is conservatively assumed to be 5.75% over the long-run. The resulting nominal expected return is 8.25%, which is a slight increase relative to the 2008 RVK assumption.

The volatility of Large Cap US Equity returns has been significant. Since 1926 the annual standard deviation of S&P 500 returns was 20.55%. Over a more recent time period since 1960, it has been 17.01%. Accordingly, we scale our expected volatility to align closer to recent history with an assumed standard deviation of 17.00%.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	I(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)
Large Cap US Equity	8.00%	16.50%	6.76%	8.25%	17.00%	6.94%	0.25%	0.50%	0.18%

Small/Mid (SMID) Cap US Equities

Small/Mid Cap US Equities can be modeled using either the Russell 2500 series for periods since 1979 or the Ibbotson Small Company index series since 1926. Over their common timeframes, these two indices have a correlation of 0.94.

The arithmetic real return for small/mid stocks since 1926 has averaged 13.25%. The SMID stock premium (the difference between the S&P 500 and Small/Mid Stock series) has an arithmetic average of 4.75% since 1926. The 20-year average is significantly lower – averaging 1.78%. We believe that there tends to be a premium return to SMID cap equity securities, but we more conservatively estimate this premium at 1.00% over large cap equity securities with a real return expectation of 6.75%. Our resulting return expectation for Small/Mid Cap US Equities is 9.25%.

The volatility of annual returns for Small/Mid Cap US Equities has been significant. The standard deviation of annual returns, as proxied by the Ibbotson Small Stock Index and the Russell 2500, has been 22.90% and 20.28% respectively over the last 20 years. Accordingly, we estimate an annual volatility of 21.00%.

		2008			2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Small/Mid Cap US Equity	9.00%	20.50%	7.12%	9.25%	21.00%	7.29%	0.25%	0.50%	0.16%	

Broad Market US Equities

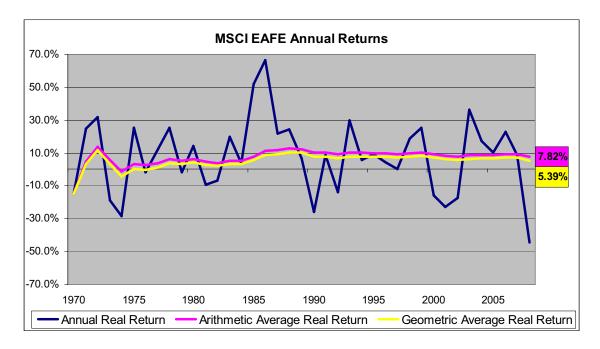
US Equity for the broad market can be represented by the Russell 3000 index. Market capitalization statistics suggest that this index is dominated by the performance of large capitalization securities (accounting for approximately 80% of the total capitalization). We accordingly estimate that broad market equity exposure will experience an annual return of 8.45% with a 17.25% annual volatility.

	2008				2009		.Variance _			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	((Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Broad US Equity	8.20%	17.00%	6.89%	8.45%	17.25%	7.10%	0.25%	0.25%	0.21%	

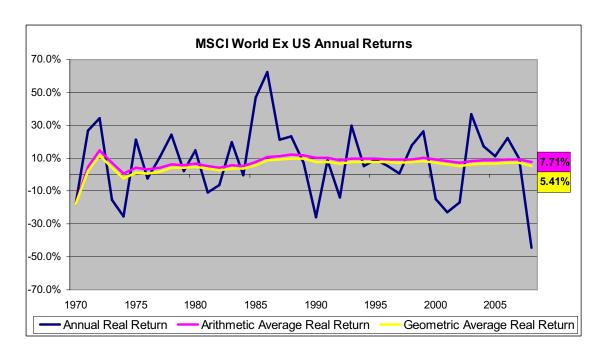
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY

<u>International Equities – Developed Large Cap</u>

International Developed Large Cap Equities are modeled using both the MSCI EAFE and the MSCI World ex US indices since their inception in 1970. As shown in the chart below, the average arithmetic annual real return to international equities for the MSCI EAFE has been 7.82%, while the geometric return has been 5.39%. Many investment professionals expect an international return premium to US stocks. The average annual excess return over the S&P 500 has been 5.27% during this period.



The following chart shows the average arithmetic and geometric real return to international equities for the MSCI World Ex U.S. index. The arithmetic return has been 7.71% and the geometric return has been 5.41%. The average annual excess return over the S&P 500 has been 5.16% during this period.



By performing a mean reversion analysis, we are able to determine the required return over the next ten years necessary to equal the long term averages of the MSCI large cap international equity indices. The table below shows the required real return over the next ten years based on 20, 30 and 40 year historical time periods for both the MSCI EAFE and MSCI World Ex-U.S (based on arithmetic real returns).

	20-Year Period	30-Year Period	40-Year Period
	<u>Return</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Return</u>
Return since	<u>Last 10</u> over Next	Last 20 over Next	<u>Last 30</u> <u>over Next</u>
<u>1970</u>	Years 10 Years	Years 10 Years	Years 10 Years
MSCI EAFE 7.82%	2.07% 13.89%	3.25% 17.56%	8.31% 6.36%
MSCI World Ex-US 7.71%	2.50% 13.19%	3.49% 16.66%	8.12% 6.49%

To test the sensitivity of our analysis to the impact of outlying data and extreme market conditions, we calculated the average arithmetic real return of the two indices without the returns of the two best and two worst performing years, and again without the returns of the three best and three worst performing years. The best and worst years for the indices since inception and corresponding return analysis is summarized in the tables below.

	MS	CI EAFE			MSCI \	Norld Ex US	
Best Years	Return	Worst Years	Return	Best Years	Return	Worst Years	Return
1986	66.27%	2008	-44.45%	1986	62.24%	2008	-44.62%
1985	52.10%	1974	-28.59%	1985	46.93%	1990	-25.63%
2003	36.27%	1990	-26.06%	2003	37.09%	1974	-25.25%
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Annual Return	n Including A	All Years:	7.82%	Annual Retur	n Including /	All Years:	7.71%
Annual Return	n Excluding	Two Years:	7.42%	Annual Retur	n Excluding	Two Years:	6.04%
Annual Return	n Excluding	Three Years:	7.56%	Annual Retur	n Excluding	Three Years:	6.40%

Based on the above analysis and our survey of the market RVK assumes the real return for Developed Large Cap International Equities to be 6.00% over the long-run, which includes a 25 basis point premium over our domestic assumption (although we expect long-term convergence

in these markets). The resulting nominal expected return is 8.50%, which is a slight increase relative to the 2008 RVK assumption.

The volatility of both the MSCI EAFE and World ex US indices has been greater than the S&P 500. Long-term (since 1970) annual volatilities for the MSCI EAFE and MSCI World ex US have been 23.19% and 22.48% respectively. Over the past twenty years, the volatilities for these indices decreased to 21.19% and 21.21% respectively. Our volatility expectations are slightly higher than our 2008 assumption and relative to domestic with an expected standard deviation of 18.00%. Although correlations between US and developed international equity markets have increased over the past decade, we continue to feel that a separate allocation to international equities is warranted from a diversification standpoint.

	2008				2009		Variance_			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Dev'd Large Cap Int'l Equity	8.25%	17.75%	6.82%	8.50%	18.00%	7.04%	0.25%	0.25%	0.21%	

International Equities – Developed Small/Mid Cap

The reference series for international small/mid cap equities has limited historical availability. However, we find this segment attractive and accordingly attempt to model it for potential inclusion in our client portfolios.

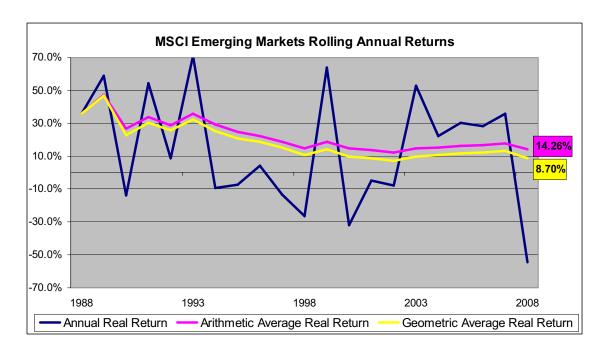
International small/mid-cap equities are modeled with the MSCI EAFE Small Cap Index, which was incepted in 1999. Although there has been a sizeable premium experienced over the MSCI EAFE of 4.14% on average since inception, a more restrained small-cap premium may be expected over long-term periods. We forecast that a 1.00% expected premium over International Large Cap Equities, in line with the premium applied to domestic small cap equities.

Accordingly, we assume an expected forward-looking return to developed small/mid-cap international equity of 9.50%, representing a real return expectation of 7.00%, with an expected standard deviation of 22.00%.

	2008				2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Dev'd Int'l Small/Mid Cap	9.25%	21.75%	7.15%	9.50%	22.00%	7.35%	0.25%	0.25%	0.21%	

Emerging Market Equities

Emerging market equities are modeled with the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, which was incepted in 1988. As shown in the chart below, the average arithmetic annual real return to emerging equities for the MSCI Emerging Markets Index has been 14.26%, while the geometric return since inception has been 8.70%. The average arithmetic annual premium experienced by the MSCI Emerging Markets over the MSCI EAFE has been 10.00% since 1988.



By performing a mean reversion analysis, we are able to determine the required return over the next ten years necessary to equal the long term averages of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index. The table below shows the required real return over the next ten years based on 15, 20 and 25 year time periods (based on arithmetic real returns).

	15-Year Period		20-Yea	r Period		25-Year Period		
	<u>Return</u>			<u>Return</u>			Return	
Return since	<u>Last 5</u> <u>over Next</u>	ı	<u>Last 10</u>	over Next		<u>Last 15</u>	over Next	
<u>1988</u>	Years 10 Years		<u>Years</u>	10 Years		<u>Years</u>	10 Years	
MSCI Emg Mkts 14.26%	12.59% 15.10%		13.57%	14.95%		5.61%	28.57%	

To test the sensitivity of our analysis to the impact of outlying data and extreme market conditions, we calculated the average arithmetic real return of the index without the returns of the two best and two worst performing years, and again without the returns of the three best and three worst performing years. The best and worst years for the index since inception and corresponding return analysis are summarized in the table below.

	MSCI Eme	erging Markets	
Best Years	Return	Worst Years	Return
1993	70.91%	2008	-54.32%
1999	64.05%	2000	-32.09%
1989	58.96%	1998	-26.15%
Annual Returi	n Including A	All Years:	14.26%
Annual Returi			14.75%
Annual Returi	n Excluding	Three Years:	14.53%

RVK assumes a more constrained return assumption for emerging equities on a forward-looking basis. Based on the above analysis and our survey of the market, we assume and expected forward-looking return to Emerging Markets Equities of 10.50% (representing a real return expectation of 8.00% which includes a 200 basis point premium over developed large cap international equities).

The standard deviation of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index has been 35.97% since inception and 38.34% over the last 10 years. Our forward-looking volatility expectations are lower than the historical experience, but much greater than all other equities, with an expected standard deviation of 26.00%.

		2008			2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Emerging Markets Equity	10.00%	25.00%	7.26%	10.50%	26.00%	7.56%	0.50%	1.00%	0.30%	

Broad Market International Equities

International Equity for the broad market can be represented by the MSCI All Country World ex US index. Market capitalization statistics suggest that this index is dominated by the performance of developed country securities (accounting for approximately 83% of the total capitalization), with the remaining allocated to emerging markets. We accordingly estimate that broad international equity exposure will experience an annual return of 8.85% with an 18.10% annual volatility.

	2008				2009		Variance			
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	
Broad International Equity	8.60%	19.15%	6.95%	8.85%	18.10%	7.38%	0.25%	-1.05%	0.43%	

REAL ESTATE, ABSOLUTE RETURN, & PRIVATE EQUITY

Real Estate - Core Properties

Core private equity real estate is facing several headwinds noted in our analysis. First, core real estate has consisted of the highest quality "Class A" real estate, which has benefited significantly from large capital flows and availability of less expensive financing. These dynamics have reversed, as a majority of core private equity funds are facing significant redemption queues (some as high as 10% of their overall net asset values).

The lack of large-scale financing for core real estate buyers, increased exit queues, and impending refinancing hurdles is likely to affect core real estate demand over the short-to-medium term. Since 1978, the vast majority of returns in core real estate have come from income rather than capital appreciation, as evidenced by our analysis. Over the last few years, this has flipped to where capital appreciation became the majority of returns. We anticipate the historical trend to reassert itself, with little to no capital appreciation over the next several years. Therefore, we are reducing our core real estate assumption by 25 basis points to 7.00%, while our standard deviation estimate remains unchanged at 9.25%.

		2008			2009		Variance		
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)
Real Estate - Core – Property	7.25%	9.25%	6.85%	7.00%	9.25%	6.60%	-0.25%	0.00%	-0.25%

Real Estate – Value Added Properties

While value-added and opportunistic real estate face the same obstacles that core real estate faces, these vehicles are inherently more flexible in their approaches. It should be noted that a significant portion of value-added and opportunistic private equity real estate returns have been generated by loose credit standards available on inexpensive terms. Additionally, many of these strategies employed sales of properties to core real estate funds and public REITs that are likely to be reduced in the short-to-medium term. However, vintage 2009 funds will benefit from decreased real estate pricing currently in the market. As a result, we believe these dynamics counteract one another. As a result, we are maintaining our value-added real estate return and standard deviation assumptions at 10.00% and 18.50%, respectively.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)
Real Estate - Value Added	10.00%	18.50%	8.48%	10.00%	18.50%	8.48%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Real Estate – Opportunistic Properties

As noted above, we believe that financing and exit strategies will be curtailed for opportunistic private equity real estate funds over the next 5-10 years. Additionally, opportunistic funds derived the vast majority of their returns from capital appreciation rather than income. For example, many funds traditionally focused on real estate development and public-to-private transactions, neither of which are likely to be significant strategies over the short-to-medium

term. However, similar to value-added funds, opportunistic funds are flexible in their approaches, allowing them to take advantage of several different strategies. Most recently, distressed debt, REIT recapitalizations, and other deals to bridge the lack of financing in the market have been targets of these funds. Additionally, pricing for opportunistic deals has fallen significantly, providing greater downside protection than in the recent past. In addition, we believe that several value-added and opportunistic real estate managers will reduce their asset management and incentive compensation with new funds, thereby increasing net returns to investors for the same amount of gross return. Thus, we are maintaining our opportunistic real estate return and standard deviation assumptions at 12.00% and 27.75%, respectively.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)
Real Estate - Opportunistic	12.00%	27.75%	8.71%	12.00%	27.75%	8.71%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Global Real Estate Securities – REITS

Public real estate investment vehicles (i.e., REITs) have corrected substantially over the past year.

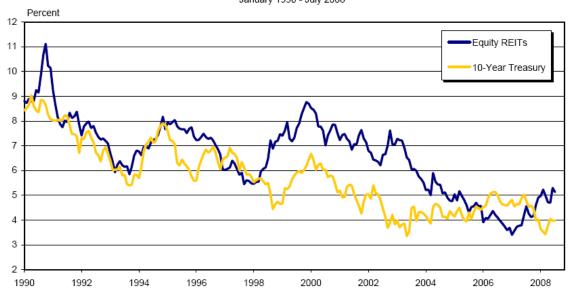
	Global	l Compo	site	Nor	th Amer	ica		Asia			Europe	
	Return	Compon	ents	Return	n Compo	nents	Retur	n Compo	onents	Returi	n Compo	nents
Period	Total	Price	Income	Total	Price	Income	Total	Price	Income	Total	Price	Income
Annual (includi	ng current	year to d	late)									
1999	8.87	3.71	5.16	-4.38	-11.27	6.89	32.16	28.23	3.92	-3.23	-6.88	3.65
2000	13.23	7.92	5.31	31.24	22.67	8.57	1.15	-1.91	3.07	8.12	4.24	3.87
2001	-3.81	-7.85	4.04	9.98	4.09	5.90	-17.22	-19.55	2.33	-6.12	-9.41	3.29
2002	2.82	-2.38	5.20	2.42	-3.79	6.21	-7.15	-10.58	3.44	21.69	16.81	4.88
2003	40.69	33.47	7.23	37.70	29.65	8.05	44.83	38.47	6.36	44.68	38.72	5.96
2004	37.96	31.97	6.00	33.51	26.88	6.63	36.85	32.24	4.61	52.73	46.95	5.78
2005	15.35	10.67	4.69	13.21	8.09	5.12	23.37	18.63	4.73	9.43	6.03	3.39
2006	42.35	37.50	4.85	36.26	30.89	5.38	36.49	32.15	4.34	66.99	62.79	4.20
2007	-6.96	-9.98	3.02	-14.92	-18.25	3.33	14.80	11.67	3.13	-24.50	-26.63	2.13
2008	-47.72	-50.21	2.49	-40.63	-43.88	3.25	-52.48	-54.43	1.94	-51.13	-53.30	2.17
2009	1.00	0.97	0.03	-3.81	-3.86	0.05	2.69	2.69	0.00	9.30	9.28	0.01

Source: NAREIT

As demonstrated by the chart above, price returns from REITs are highly volatile. The income component is much more stable, although it does vary somewhat from peak to trough. While real estate fundamentals had a significant impact on the price returns of REITs in 2008 (-50.21%), several other factors were also at work behind this very large move. First, REITs are relatively thinly-traded, with an overall global market capitalization of less than \$1 trillion. Investors that wanted to sell for whatever reason (e.g., forced liquidations, hedge fund redemptions, forced pension fund rebalancing) were negatively impacted by the lack of purchasers. Because REITs are the most liquid real estate investment proxy, sellers turned to sales of this asset class first before significantly exploring sales of their private equity real estate investments (i.e., core, value-added, and opportunistic private equity real estate funds) and direct investments. Additionally, a significant fear premium developed in the market, as tightening credit markets led to sellers divesting their holdings and REIT managers cutting dividend yields in order to preserve cash. The overall view of the real estate analyst community further exacerbated this problem, heightening fears of a protracted downturn.

Equity REIT Dividend Yield v. 10-Year Constant Maturity Treasury Yield

January 1990 - July 2008



Source: NAREIT

In 1991 and 2000, equity REIT dividend yields had risen significantly from their lows, portending significant returns in REITs over the subsequent 5-10 year period. Therefore, the recent increase in REIT dividend yields from their 2007 lows, may signal more attractive returns over the 5-10 year period.

Given the substantial correction in REIT pricing, as well as the relatively steady income yield from REITs, our REIT assumption is increasing by 25 basis points to 7.75%. However, given the unprecedented volatility in REITs over the past 12 months, we are also increasing our volatility assumption by 50 basis points to 16.50%. This is predicated upon our belief that REIT volatility may subside, but not completely back to pre-2008 levels.

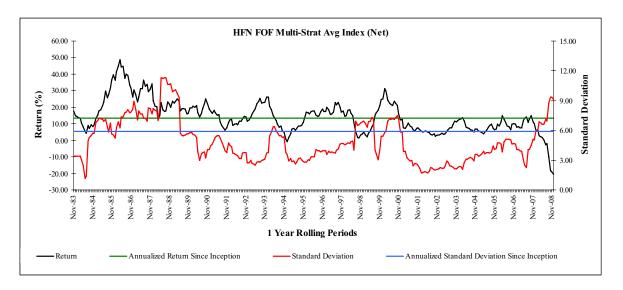
		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	I(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)	(Arithmetic)	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	(Compound)
REITS	7.50%	16.00%	6.33%	7.75%	16.50%	6.51%	0.25%	0.50%	0.18%

Absolute Return Strategies

Absolute Return strategies provide a diversified bundle of hedge fund investments such as long/short equity, macro and arbitrage strategies. RVK advocates significant diversification through multi-manager products in this area as individual strategies can rapidly swing in and out of favor. To dampen cyclicality and diversify return and risk sources, Absolute Return managers will tactically allocate among a range of individual strategies through multiple managers.

Hedge Fund.Net Fund of Funds Multi-Strategy Average Index (HFN FOF Multi-Strat Avg Index) provides a peer group average of multi-manager funds pursuing diversified strategies. It is not a perfect index (a characteristic of many manager-reported indices) but it provides a guideline for benchmarking absolute return strategies in terms of long-term return and risk characteristics.

The annual return of the HFN FOF Multi-Strat Avg Index since its inception in 1982 has averaged 13.31% and the standard deviation of monthly returns has been 5.90% (as of 12/31/2008). The chart below plots these since inception averages against the rolling one-year return and risk, highlighting the more recent period of volatility relative to historical norms.



Recognizing the challenges of benchmarking this asset class, we also analyzed the subset of multi-strategy fund-of-funds managers most commonly utilized by RVK's clients as well as the broader available universe of managers monitored by RVK. This exercise is necessary to validate the consistency between the datasets. Generally, investment managers employed by our clients in this space have provided a return premium versus the index over the long-term, and have experienced lower volatility.

The credit crisis and broad market turmoil witnessed in calendar year 2008 has presented the need for a number of highly qualitative assessments in order to evaluate forward-looking return and risk assumptions for the absolute return asset class. A broad sell-off of even high quality securities was witnessed in 2008, and continues to persist into 2009, as investors unwind leveraged positions and respond to margin calls. This deleveraging process has been largely spurred by worsening credit conditions and hedge fund investor redemption requests, and has challenged market liquidity. Increased costs of financing and reductions in the amount of leverage utilized (and available) may limit the return potential of hedge funds going forward, having the most significant impact on highly-leveraged strategies such as fixed income arbitrage. RVK-approved managers typically do not employ leverage at the fund-of-funds level, and tend to avoid investments in highly-leveraged underlying funds. With a broad opportunity set available, hedge fund-of-funds managers cite the potential for attractive returns, on an unlevered basis, from a number of areas, including distressed mortgages, bank debt, and emerging market equities.

As a result of the current market environment, the hedge fund industry has experienced—and is expected to continue to experience—contraction in terms of the number of hedge funds, as well as among prime brokers and credit counterparties. Given the significant growth in the number of

hedge funds—due in large part to the low barriers of entry in the space—this is a natural and healthy process. Large, institutional-quality firms with stable investor bases should be able to withstand the contraction, and the reduction of participants in the hedge fund trading universe may mean less efficient markets and better opportunities to generate alpha. However, the pressure of investor redemptions, stemming from irrational forces as well as from normal rebalancing activity by plan sponsors, will continue to place strain on even top tier managers in the near-term, magnified by mismatches of investor withdrawal terms with the investment withdrawal terms of underlying hedge funds.

The hedge fund space has also been affected by the heightened regulatory environment of late. In September 2008, a temporary ban on the short-selling of nearly 800 financial entities and mandatory reporting of short positions were announced in the U.S., with the U.K and other countries following suit. As a result, securities (particularly lower-quality companies) on the banned list rallied sharply and hedge fund managers' abilities to generate alpha in short portfolios was impaired, as even securities not covered by regulation experienced short squeezes. The unpredictability of such government actions also had broader impact, increasing risk aversion and perpetuating the deleveraging process. The U.S. ban has since expired, and no further restrictions have been announced; however heightened regulations for hedge funds are expected. Future regulation is anticipated to focus on improving transparency and taking steps to eliminate excessive risk-taking, including amounts of leverage utilized and sources and stability of financing counterparties. There is uncertainty as to what such regulation will entail specifically; however it is not expected to be a major impediment to hedge fund investing from a fund of funds perspective.

In the face of these pressures, we evaluate the forward-looking opportunity set for hedge fund managers. Uncertainty regarding the severity and duration of the current economic slowdown persists and is expected to continue to challenge asset classes broadly. However, as with any market dislocation, attractive longer-term investment opportunities exist, and hedge funds should be well-poised to capitalize on these given their expertise and flexibility to invest across a range of strategies, asset classes, and geographies. To this point, the table below identifies prior periods of negative performance for the HFN Index, on a quarterly basis, and details the subsequent performance during the following one, three, and five year periods.

HFN FOF Multi-Strat Avg Index (Net) Worst Quarters Since 1982

108 "Qtr Return" Observations, Average Return +3.24 10 "Down Qtr Return" Observations, Average Return -3.49 98 "Up Qtr Return" Observations, Average Return +3.93

	Year	Qtr	Qtr Return	Annualized Return 1 Year Later	Annualized Return 3 Years Later	Annualized Return 5 Years Later
1	2008	Q3	-10.04	?	?	?
2	2008	Q4	-9.93	?	?	?
3	1998	Q3	-5.12	16.59	14.71	11.36
4	2008	Q1	-3.81	?	?	?
5	1994	Q1	-1.67	4.01	12.60	11.47
6	2004	Q2	-1.55	5.90	9.87	?
7	1994	Q4	-1.13	13.54	16.17	15.19
8	2006	Q2	-0.81	13.38	?	?
9	2002	Q3	-0.65	9.38	8.34	8.89
10	2005	Q2	-0.21	10.46	7.91	?

Average: -3.49 10.47 11.60 11.73

Absolute Return managers typically strive to achieve a consistent positive return over a risk-free (T-bills) rate, typically 4% to 6%. The forward-looking investment opportunity set for Absolute Return strategies is attractive over the long-term, however near-term challenges related to the continued deleveraging process and redemption pressures coupled with uncertainty regarding further potential regulation of the industry and the impact of a reduction in use of leverage, leads us to a reasonable (if conservative) equity-like return expectation of 8.00%.

We estimate that the volatility experienced by Absolute Return managers will be more characteristic of fixed income than equities. Historically, the volatility of Absolute Return strategies has been substantially low (below 5%). However, we have witnessed a marked increase since the beginning of this recent credit crisis in mid-2007. Volatility due to the deleveraging process and unprecedented level of government intervention is expected to subside, however the potential for near-term persistence leads us to expect volatility of 7.75% going forward, a sizeable increase from our 2008 assumption set.

The table below summarizes the long-term forward-looking assumption set based on this 2009 analysis, and also highlights from our previous assumptions.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Absolute Return	8.00%	6.50%	7.80%	8.00%	7.75%	7.72%	0.00%	1.25%	-0.08%

Private Equity

Private Equity is a long-term investment for which asset class expectations are notoriously difficult to set. Market participants expect a premium return over equity investments to account for illiquidity and risk. Given the long-term nature of the investment, the typical investment structure of a closed-end limited partnership, valuation issues, and performance monitoring complexities, a return premium expectation with a high volatility estimate makes sense. In addition, a premium exists for managers consistently producing above median returns, which has been reflected in our assumed expected return.

Our current assumption calls for a 425 basis point premium over our arithmetic US large cap return assumption (approximately 180 basis points on a compound basis), which reflects our view that manager selection is likely to add a premium above the pooled returns observed. These premiums have decreased by 25 basis points from our 2008 assumptions, reflecting the increase of our US large cap equity assumption. Accordingly, our 2009 return expectation for private equity remains at 12.50%. Inherent in this assumption is our belief that tightened credit markets will continue to have a downward effect on private equity returns, largely mitigated by the attractiveness of the current pricing environment. The recent market turmoil and mark-to-market activities have created an environment where transaction values have declined substantially compared with the previous decade, resulting in a true buyers-market. The volatility of returns is expected to be high to account for premiums resulting from the asset class's lack of liquidity and infrequent valuation activity. We believe this volatility to be consistent with that of micro cap equities or emerging markets, and accordingly base this at 29.75%.

		2008	_		2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Private Equity	12.50%	29.75%	8.76%	12.50%	29.75%	8.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

OTHER ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS

RVK typically looks at other alternative investments including real assets such as Commodities and Real Return Strategies on a case-by-case basis. We derive our expectations for these asset classes significantly from manager expectations and benchmark them to market indicators.

Commodities -- Balanced

Commodities (limited energy exposure – represented by the DJ-AIG Commodity Index) investments are expected to produce annual returns of 7.75% with a volatility of 19.00%. The arithmetic mean of annual returns of the DJ-AIG Commodity Index since January 1991 is 6.73% with a volatility of 19.29%. Our assumption reflects a lower return and risk profile than the assumption for energy-weighted commodities based on greater diversification and limitation in the index of more volatile energy securities.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Commodities - Balanced	7.50%	19.00%	5.86%	7.75%	19.00%	6.11%	0.25%	0.00%	0.25%

Real Return Strategies

Real Return Strategies are expected to produce annual returns of 7.00% with a volatility of 9.25%. For Real Return Strategies, we assume a broadly diversified portfolio of marketable alternative investments with an inflation-hedging focus. Our modeling assumes a portfolio that includes Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS), commodities, and public real estate, as well as the actual portfolios employed by a host of practitioners in the asset class. Return targets for these investments are generally CPI + 4% to CPI + 5%. The primary driver of our return and risk assumption is a weighted average of other assumptions for the underlying asset classes typically found in these strategies, with the weights determined by an examination of the current and historical weights in practitioner portfolios.

		2008			2009			Variance	
Asset Class	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %	Return (Arithmetic) %	Risk (Standard Deviation) %	Return (Compound) %
Real Return Strategy	6.75%	8.50%	6.41%	7.00%	9.25%	6.60%	0.25%	0.75%	0.19%

All arithmetic mean returns shown above are calculated by taking the arithmetic average of the *n* one-year compound returns (based on monthly or quarterly data as appropriate for the index) over the stated analysis period. All volatilities shown above are calculated by taking the standard deviation of the *n* one-year compound returns (based on monthly or quarterly data as appropriate for the index) over the stated analysis period. All average annual premium and real return calculations shown above are the arithmetic average of the *n* one-year arithmetic differences between two indices (for return premiums) or an index and the Consumer Price Index - Urban (for real returns) over the stated analysis period. Where shown, geometric returns are compounded over the analysis period, and then shown on an annualized basis.

ⁱ The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, is used to measure inflation, which is the rate of change of consumer goods prices. Unfortunately, the inflation rate as derived by the CPI is not measured over the same period as the other asset returns. All of the security returns are measured from one month-end to the next month-end. CPI commodity prices are collected during the month. Thus, measured inflation rates lag the other series by about one-half month. Prior to January 1978, the CPI (as compared with CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, was used. For the period 1978 through 1987, the index uses the year 1967 in determining the items comprising the basket of goods. Following 1987, a three-year period, 1982 through 1984, was used to determine the items making up the basket of goods. For additional info, please refer to the DOL web page @ http://stats.bls.gov.

Correlations

The correlation assumptions process remains aligned with practices utilized previously, which are largely quantitative in nature, though marginal improvements were explored and implemented. In general, the historical index relationships are the foundation, though recent trends serve as a forecasting tool to adjust on the margins. There were significant changes made to the Real Estate Value Added and Opportunistic, as well as Private Equity assumptions. The numbers for these asset classes now utilize the best index data available to approximate correlation relationships, as opposed to the qualitative process formerly employed. There were also adjustments to Real Return assumptions. This asset class now applies a more appropriate blend of indices based on underlying strategy. Other changes include a move from a domestic centric REITS assumption to a global index, hence the increased correlations with international markets, as well as a migration from the HFRI to HFN indices.

Insert Correlation Matrix Here



MEMORANDUM

To: 401(k) Committee

From: Manager Research Group, R.V. Kuhns & Associates, Inc.

Re: Manager Review: Hotchkis & Wiley Mid-Cap Value

Date: February 4, 2008

The purpose of this memo is to provide a comprehensive review of Hotchkis & Wiley's (Hotchkis) Mid-Cap Value strategy. This memo presents a detailed analysis of recent and long-term performance, a summary of Hotchkis' investment style, perspectives on recent underperformance, and, lastly, a recommendation for how to proceed.

Analysis of Recent Underperformance

For the year ended December 31, 2007, Hotchkis' Mid-Cap Value fund net performance trailed the Russell Mid Cap Value by 15.5%¹, ranking in the 99th percentile of its Mid Cap Value peer universe. Using traditional attribution analysis, the underperformance in the year can be largely attributed to poor security selection (-10.1%)². Stock selection decisions in the Consumer Discretionary sector represented the largest detractor to performance (-7.5%), but was also negative in the Financials (-1.9%), Health Care (-0.6%), and Industrials (-0.6%) sectors. The strategy's housing-related holdings posed the greatest hindrance as two of the top five individual detractors to performance were home builders: Centex and Pulte. Sector allocation decisions were also negative with an overweight to Consumer Services (-2.1%) and an underweight to Energy (-1.6%) dampening relative returns.

The negative performance realized in 2007 can be primarily attributed to the second half of the year, as the year-to-date return as of June 30, 2007, trailed the benchmark by only 1.5%. However, longer-term performance is comparatively stronger. The table below provides annualized performance and universe ranks over several trailing periods as of December 31, 2007, and calendar year performance since 2001.

	1	1	3	5	10	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
	Quarter	Year	Years	Years	Years	2000	2003	2004	2003	2002	2001
Hotchkis:Mid Cap Vl;I (HWMIX)	-10.54	-16.96	2.35	15.89	12.71	16.58	10.75	25.36	55.54	-9.44	15.52
R Mid Cap Value Index	-5.97	-1.42	10.11	17.92	10.18	20.22	12.65	23.71	38.07	-9.65	2.33
Difference	-4.57	-15.54	-7.76	-2.03	2.53	-3.64	-1.90	1.65	17.47	0.21	13.19
US Equity Mid-Cap Value Funds (MF) Median	-4.62	1.65	8.85	15.97	10.06	15.60	10.06	20.16	35.71	-12.10	8.00
Percentile Rank	95	99	98	51	6	36	41	6	10	27	28

Overall, Mid-Cap Value's performance consistency has been favorable; the vast majority (83%) of rolling three-year periods have finished in the universe's first quartile, with 90% of the three-year periods falling in above median. The following table depicts the distribution of quarterly universe rank based on rolling three-year periods.

	nning Tillee-Teal I	Performance (40 of le Rankings as of 1	osci valions)	
Strategy	1 st Quartiie	2nd Quartile	3rd Quartile	4th Quartile
H & W Mid-Cap Value	83%	8%	0%	10%

¹ Performance numbers shown represent the Hotchkis Mid-Cap Value mutual fund (HWMIX).

² Please refer to *Attachment 2*. Returns represent contribution to overall portfolio return, with selection and interaction effects combined.

Summary of Hotchkis' Investment Style

Firm wide, assets under management equal \$27.7 billion, all of which are U.S. equity managed in the value investment style. The investment staff is organized by industry coverage and supports all of the firm's products.

Hotchkis' investment process is driven by bottom-up fundamental research, focusing on companies which they deem as currently selling below the present value of their future cash flows. Hotchkis believes they can find and exploit these valuation opportunities through a number of ways, the most important of which is through the determination of "normal" earnings. The belief is that the average investor tends to extrapolate current market trends too far into the future which leads investors to become irrationally optimistic or pessimistic about a company's prospects. Reversion to the mean suggests that as a company earns a particularly high rate of return in a line of business, its high earnings will attract competitors to that line of business. The competitors will challenge the pricing flexibility of the company and limit its subsequent returns. Conversely, as capital tends to leave depressed economic industries, competitive pressures lessen allowing profitability to return to normal levels. It is the difference between a company's price based on over-extrapolation and price based on "normal" earnings that creates an investment opportunity.

Delving deeper into Hotchkis' investment process, these investment opportunities are initially identified by valuation and financial strength screens and through the investment team's normal workflow. Approximately 500-600 stocks move on to the initial review stage where the analysts conduct a preliminary assessment to determine whether additional research is justified. Approximately 100-200 stocks are then subject to further analysis, involving a detailed industry assessment based on the Porter's Five Forces framework. The company analysis focuses on several important financial factors including: competitive position, growth potential, future profitability, and free cash flow. The culmination of the analysis is a financial model that encapsulates the analyst's estimate of normal earnings power. These earning projections are utilized in a three-stage dividend discount model (DDM) to set a target price. Stocks are then ranked across the market on the basis of return potential for inclusion in the portfolio.

Given Hotchkis' longer-term focus, turnover averages 25%-50% annually. Portfolios are constructed with 50-100 holdings, with industry and individual security weights limited to an absolute 15% and 5%, respectively. The portfolios tend to have a beta greater than one (five-year beta equals 1.21 against the Russell Mid Cap Value index) and upside/downside capture greater than 100% (against the Russell Mid Cap Value, five-year upside capture equals 109.5% and five-year downside capture equals 137.4%).

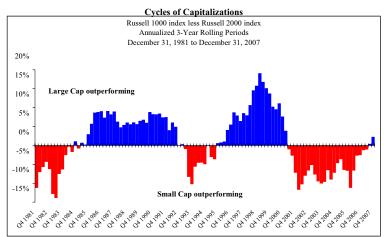
The result of the process is that Hotchkis' portfolio often appears at odds with the current market sentiment, as the chief aim of the strategy is to identify low-expectation and out-of-favor stocks. The portfolio's recent allocation to home builders is an apt example. Because Hotchkis is willing to be an early investor in out-of-favor stocks, the portfolio can contain holdings with longer recovery times than a typical investor would feel comfortable with purchasing. The home builders' thesis is closely tied to this notion, as they believed the group was trading at a discount to "normal" earnings unwarranted relative to similar industries and historic pricing. Please see *Attachment 3* for a document prepared by Hotchkis, entitled "Home builders – Frequently Asked Questions", that provides further insight into their positions.

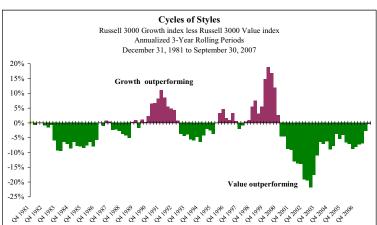
Perspectives on Recent Underperformance

When analyzing a manager's investment performance, it is important to consider the results within the context of the broader market environment in which they were realized. From time to time, the way a manager views the world falls "out-of-favor" as stocks with characteristics he/she values becomes unattractive to others. For example, many valuation-sensitive managers endured weak relative returns in the late-1990s as their valuation discipline kept them out of the soaring internet companies (however they were eventually rewarded for sticking to their discipline). Using this construct, it is easy to attribute performance to certain biases in a manager's process.

After several years of small cap stocks outperforming large cap stocks, and value stocks outperforming growth stocks, 2007 is poised to define itself as an inflection point in market leadership (please see charts below detailing the rolling three-year annualized performance of relevant cap and style indices). Additionally, many investors have

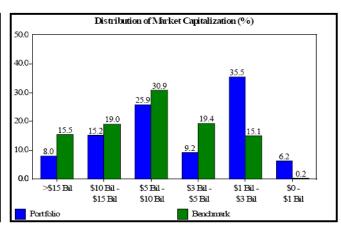
started to favor "quality" stocks, or those associated with high dividend yields, ROE's and S&P quality ratings. Given Hotchkis' focus on value stocks with depressed earnings and ROE's, many of the high-quality growth companies that are becoming more attractive to investors will most likely serve as a headwind for their strategy.





As demonstrated in the "Cycles of Capitalizations" chart above, large cap and small cap have experienced defined cycles, most recently dominated by small cap. In fact, this was the first quarter since the second quarter of 2001 that large cap beat small on a three-year basis. This also serves as a headwind for Hotchkis, as their portfolios tend to have a smaller capitalization orientation than the market. Although it is just a single snapshot in time, the cap histogram below illustrates Hotchkis' underrepresentation of stocks in the upper cap range: the portfolio has a 27% overweight to stocks in the \$0 billion to \$3 billion range, and an 11% underweight to stocks with a market cap greater than \$10 billion.

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Benchmark
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap (\$MM)	6,571	8,795
Median Mkt. Cap. (\$MM)	2,642	3,918
Price/Earnings ratio	13.96	15.13
Price/Book ratio	1.88	2.02
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	3.45	12.83
Current Yield (%)	2.52	2.77
Beta (5 yrs, monthly periodicity)	1.21	1.00
Number of Stocks	51	485



While the strategy's exposure to home builders has been a very transparent detractor, the sources of the underperformance have been more diverse. Although Hotchkis employs a bottom-up stock selection process, a look at the portfolio's current sector allocations (please see table below) illustrate Hotchkis' current positioning and identifies trends in the portfolio's composition.

As shown in the table, the second largest active weight in the portfolio is the 13.4% overweight to the traditional growth sector of Technology. Consistent with the description of the process presented earlier, the current portfolio holds Technology companies selling at attractive valuations compared to historic numbers (CA and EDS, for example). In a similar vein, the overweights to the consumer-oriented sectors reflect Hotchkis' view that the market has become overly pessimistic, and has discounted these companies too deeply (Safeway, Jones Apparel, etc.). Also detracting from returns is the strategy's 6.1% underweight to Oil & Gas (the top performing sector in 2007). As commodity prices and cyclical stocks have hit all-time highs, Hotchkis has viewed their stock prices as overvalued.

Conversely, on a year-to-date basis, the underweight to Financial stocks have been the single largest contributor to performance as those stocks have sold off of record highs.

H & W Mid-Can Value Sector Weightings As of December 31, 2007 (ICB Classification) Russell H&W Sector Mid Cap Value Difference Allocation _ Allocation 5.1% **Basic Materials** 5.4% -0.3% 9.3% Consumer Goods 11.4% -2.1% Consumer Services 26.3% 9.3% 17.0% 27.1% 27.8% Financials -0.7%-1.8% Health Care 0.0%1.8% 6.5% -6.6% Industrials 13.1% Oil & Gas 1.4% 7.5% -6.1% Technology 19.4% 6.0% 13.4% -2.4% 0.0%2.4% Utilities 4.9% 15.0% -10.1% Other 0.0%0.2% -0.2%

These contrarian exposures are not unusual for a manager like Hotchkis. In the late 1990s, the firm maintained overweights to Oil & Gas, Basic Materials, Industrials, and Utilities, while underweighting Technology and Health Care.

Attached to the memo are several documents that provide greater detail of the firm and strategy under analysis. The first document is a summary report generated from the eVestment Alliance database (*Attachment 1*). The second is an attribution report generated by Hotchkis (*Attachment 2*). The third (*Attachment 3*) is a response from Hotchkis addressing their home builders exposure. All are intended to enrich the analysis.

Recommendations

Given the dramatic underperformance of the Hotchkis Mid-Cap Value fund during the last two quarters of 2007, we believe the fund deserves a very serious and critical review. We are typically hesitant to recommend termination based on a short-term period of underperformance, especially when there have been no changes to a successful investment strategy and process. Such timing can lock-in the poor short-term performance.

However, in the case of a 401(k) plan, the implications of significant short-term underperformance on participant behavior also need to be considered. One of the reasons we tend to favor managers with below average downside risk in 401(k) plans is that participants often will react to a fund's short-term underperformance by exiting the fund and reinvesting in one that has done well recently. This kind of performance chasing has proven to be detrimental to investor returns over the long-term. Given this consideration, we believe it is prudent for the Committee to review the available mid-cap value options to determine whether a change makes sense. Included with these materials is a mid-cap value search prepared by our research team. We look forward to reviewing these materials with you at the upcoming meeting.

Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC

December 31, 2007

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Number of Portfolio Managers: Number of Analysts: % Employee Owned:

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ASSET & ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Current Totals	Assets (\$Mil)	Accounts		Historical Assets (\$Mil)	Prior QTR	YE 2007	YE 2006
Total Firmwide	\$27,693.0	158		Total Firmwide	\$33,085.0	\$27,693.0	\$35,565.0
Total Taxable	\$488.0	15		Total Taxable	\$2,303.0	\$488.0	
Total Tax-Exempt	\$27,204.0	143		Total Tax-Exempt	\$30,782.0	\$27,204.0	\$35,565.0
Total Institutional	\$18,025.0	153		Total Institutional	\$20,434.0	\$18,025.0	\$22,081.0
Accounts Gained	Number	Dollars (\$Mil)	% Firm Assets	Assets By Region (\$Mil)	Assets By Acc	ount Domicile	
Current QTR	2	\$97.0	0.3%	United States	\$26,0	007.0	
In 2007	2	\$97.0	0.3%	United Kingdom		-	
In 2006	27	\$1,447.0	4.9%	Continental Europe	\$1,0	76.0	
				Japan		-	
Accounts Lost	Number	Dollars (\$Mil)	% Firm Assets	Asia ex-Japan			

Current QTR 15 \$444.0 1.0% Australia In 2007 15 \$444.0 1.0% Hong Kong In 2006 27 \$362.9 1.2% Singapore Canada \$83.0 In U.S. In Non-U.S. Assets By Type (\$Mil) Africa/Middle East \$27,668.0 Equity ---Fixed Income Latin America Other \$25.0 Balanced ---

Top 3 Largest Accounts Aggregate Size (\$Mil) \$4,255.0 \$2.963.0 1) Other 2) Other 3) Sub-Advised \$2,398.0

OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

% Minority/Female Owned:

GIPS & INSURANCE INFORMATION % Employee Owned: 55.0% Firm GIPS Compliant: Effective Date: Yes % Publicly Held: 0.0% Audited: Effective Date: % Parent Owned: 0.0% Parent Company Name: Errors & Omissions Insurance: Yes

Coverage (\$Mil): \$15 Fiduciary Liability Insurance: Coverage (\$Mil): Yes Firm Bonded: Coverage (\$Mil): \$3 Yes

FIRM BACKGROUND NARRATIVE

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Hotchkis and Wiley was founded in 1980. Merrill Lynch Investment Managers acquired the firm in 1996, as the founding partners sought liquidity for their investment. Five years later, management bought the U.S. equity business back. Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC (HWCM), an SEC registered investment advisor which commenced operations on October 9, 2001, is an independent firm with the same domestic (U.S.) equity investment team in place and offering the same disciplined investment process and high-quality client service. HWCM is a limited liability company the primary members of which are HWCap Holdings (approximately 55%), a limited liability company whose members are current and retired employees of HWCM, and Stephens-H&W (approximately 41%), a limited liability company whose primary member is SF Holding Corp., which is a diversified holding company. Hotchkis and Wiley (UK) Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of HWCM based in London and is regulated by the Financial Services Authority. All investment management function of HW-UK is sub-advised to HWCM. Stephens-H&W, LLC, a minority shareholder of HWCM, is affiliated with certain entities that are broker-dealers, financial advisors, investment bankers or otherwise involved in the financial services or investment industry. HWCM is operated independently from its affiliated broker-dealer and investment banking entities. HWCM generally does not trade through affiliated broker-dealers unless directed by the client.



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FIRM'S PRODUCT LINEUP			
Product Name	Product Type	eA Universe	Assets Product (\$mil) Inception Status
Large Cap Fundamental Value	US Equity	eA Large Cap Value Equity	\$14,000.0 7/1/1980 Closed
Large Cap Diversified Value	US Equity	eA Large Cap Value Equity	\$8,631.0 4/1/2000 Active
Mid-Cap Value	US Equity	eA Mid Cap Value Equity	\$4,005.0 1/1/1997 Active
Small Cap Value	US Equity	eA Small Cap Value Equity	\$932.0 10/1/1985 Closed
All Cap Value	US Equity	eA All Cap Value Equity	\$99.0 11/1/2002 Closed



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Mid-Cap Value

Product Snapshot

Asset Class: U.S. Equity

eA Universe: eA Mid Cap Value Equity Marketing Contact: Kristin Kevorkian Smith Title: Managing Director

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Primary Capitalization: Primary Style Emphasis: Mid Cap Value

Preferred Benchmark: Russell MidCap Value

Total Product Assets (\$Mil): \$4,005.0 **Total Product Accounts:**

Product Offered As: SA,MF:Inst,MF:Retail

Separate Account Minimum (\$Mil): \$25 00

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ASSET & ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Current Totals Assets (\$Mil) Assets by Vehicle Type (\$Mil) Accounts \$1,041.0 Total In Product \$4,005.0 11 Separate Account: Commingled Fund: 0 0

Total Taxable \$4,005.0 Mutual Fund - Institutional: Mutual Fund - Retail: \$2,963.0 Total Tax-Exempt 11 \$1.042.0 Total Institutional 10

Accounts Gained Number Dollars (\$Mil) % Product Assets Accounts Lost Number Dollars (\$Mil) % Product Assets Current QTR Current QTR 0.0% 0 \$79.3 1.3% 0 5 0 5 \$79.3 1.3% In 2007 0 0.0% In 2007 In 2006 0 0 0.0% In 2006 0 0 0.0%

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Strategy Snapshot Fundamental Characteristics **Market Capitalization Breakdown** Primary Capitalization: Mid Cap Current Cash Position: 2.1% Primary Style Emphasis: Annl. Turnover (By Wgt.): 44% \$15-50 billion: Value Secondary Style Emphasis: Deep Value Current P/E (12-mo Trail): 13.7x \$7.5-15 billion: Preferred Benchmark: Russell MidCap Value Current P/B (12-mo Trail): 1.18x \$1.5-7.5 billion: Number of Holdings: Current P/S (12-mo Trail): 0.58x \$750 million-1.5 billion: International Securities Utilized: No 5 Year ROE: \$400-750 million: Wgtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap (\$Mil): \$6,526 <\$400 million:

Median Mkt. Cap (\$Mil):

Derivatives Utilized: No Available Under Social Restrictions: Yes

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Risk Benchmark: Russell MidCap Value Separate Account Composite - Gross of Fees Performance For: Citigroup 3-Month T-Bill **Data Frequency:** Monthly Risk-Free Benchmark:

Returns **Trailing Periods** Product Excess Std Dev **Tracking Error** Info Ratio **Sharpe Ratio Bmrk Alpha Beta** -14.49 1 Year -15.93 -1.445.56 -2.61 -1.43 2 Year -0.53 8.85 -9.38 12.73 -10.80 1.30 5.11 -1.84 -0.41 3 Year 3.40 10.10 -6.70 12.25 -8.19 1.25 4.62 -1.45 -0.06 4 Year 8.84 13.35 -4.51 12.12 -6.19 1.20 4.60 -0.98 0.45 5 Year 17.27 17.91 -0.64 13.49 -3.80 1.21 5.07 -0.13 1.06 6 Year 12.43 12.79 -0.36 15.63 -2.65 1.22 5.44 -0.07 0.62 7 Year 13.06 11.24 1.82 16.13 -0.16 1.20 6.15 0.30 0.63 8 Year 16.72 12.20 4.52 16.39 2.74 1.14 6.32 0.72 0.82 9 Year 16 89 10.76 6.13 16.66 4 52 1.13 7 13 0.86 0.81 10 Year 13.95 10.18 3.77 17.49 2.56 1.13 7.29 0.52 0.59 Since Inception (1/1997) 15.62 12.19 3.43 **Calendar Years** MRQ **YTD** 2007 2006 2005 2004 2003 2002 2001 Product Returns -10.14 -15.93 -15.93 17.70 11.73 26.94 58.01 -8.92 16.90 Benchmark Returns: -5.97 -1.44 -1.4420.21 12.64 23.70 38.06 -9.66 2.34 Excess Returns -4 17 -14 49 -14.49-2.52-0.913.24 19.95 0.74 14.56

FEE INFORMATION <u>Available</u> Min. Size (\$Mil) Vehicle Type **Minimum Fee** Separate Account Open \$25.0 Not Available Commingled Fund HWMIX \$1.0 Mutual Fund Fees By Acct. Size \$25M \$50M \$75M \$100M Separate Account \$210,000 \$397,500 \$585,000 \$772,500 80 bps 78 bps 84 bps 77 bps Commingled Fund --- bps --- bps --- bps --- bps Mutual Fund \$510,000 \$255,000 \$765,000 \$1.020.000 102 bps 102 bps 102 bps 102 bps

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION **Team Description** Avg. Yrs. @ Firm No. Avg. Yrs. Exp. Portfolio Managers 16 10 3 Analysts 6 3 2 2 Traders 9 **Professional Turnover** Port Mgrs. **Analysts** Current Professionals Gained: 0 0 QTR In 2007 0 0 In 2006 Current Professionals Lost: 0 0 QTR In 2007 0 0 In 2006



Mid-Cap Value Product Trends

Asset Class:

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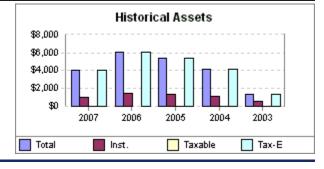
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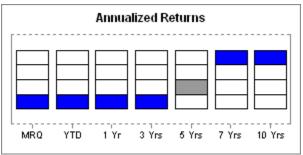
Primary Capitalization: Mid Cap
Primary Style Emphasis: Value
Preferred Benchmark: Russell MidCap Value
Total Product Assets (\$Mil): \$4,005.0
Total Product Accounts:** 11
Product Offered As: SA,MF:Inst,MF:Retail
Separate Account Minimum (\$Mil): \$25.00

HISTORICAL PRODUCT ASSETS (\$MIL)								
Category	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003			
Total	\$4,005	\$6,131	\$5,430	\$4,124	\$1,331			
Institutional	\$1,042	\$1,415	\$1,317	\$1,125	\$525			
Taxable	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0			
Tax-Exempt	\$4,005	\$6,131	\$5,430	\$4,124	\$1,331			



UNIVERSE RANKING ANALYSIS vs. eA MID CAP VALUE EQUITY UNIVERSE

Annualized I	Annualized Returns (Periods Ending December 31, 2007)							
Percentile	MRQ	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7 Yrs	10 Yrs	
5th	0.33	14.19	14.19	15.94	21.62	15.48	13.87	
25th	-3.02	6.84	6.84	12.20	19.36	13.05	12.35	
Median	-4.14	3.10	3.10	10.49	17.42	11.50	11.00	
75th	-5.90	-0.50	-0.50	8.48	15.85	10.25	9.75	
95th	-9.16	-8.16	-8.16	5.82	13.08	8.12	7.30	
Product	-10.14	-15.93	-15.93	3.40	17.27	13.06	13.95	
Rank	(96)	(99)	(99)	(98)	(51)	(25)	(4)	



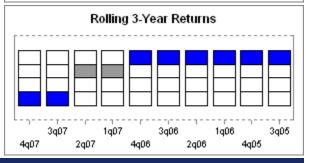
Calendar Year Returns

	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Median	3.10	17.29	11.37	21.04	36.52
Product Rank	-15.93 (99)	17.70 (47)	11.73 (47)	26.94 (9)	58.01 (5)
	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Median	-10.51	10.02	19.15	5.48	2.67
Product Rank	-8.92 (34)	16.90 (25)	45.92 (4)	18.21 (21)	-9.38 (87)



Rolling 3-Year Returns (Periods Ending)

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	12/2007	9/2007	6/2007	3/2007	12/2006
Median	10.49	16.45	17.74	16.73	16.74
Product Rank	3.40 (98)	11.79 (96)	17.92 (45)	16.97 (45)	18.63 (19)
	9/2006	6/2006	3/2006	12/2005	9/2005
Median	18.75	19.74	27.39	23.06	24.70
Product Rank	22.58 (6)	24.28 (7)	35.66 (4)	30.87 (3)	35.00 (3)





Mid-Cap Value Universe Rank

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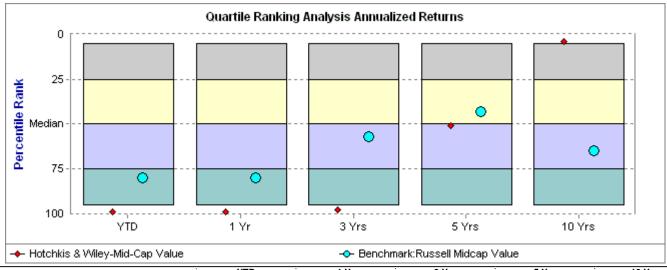
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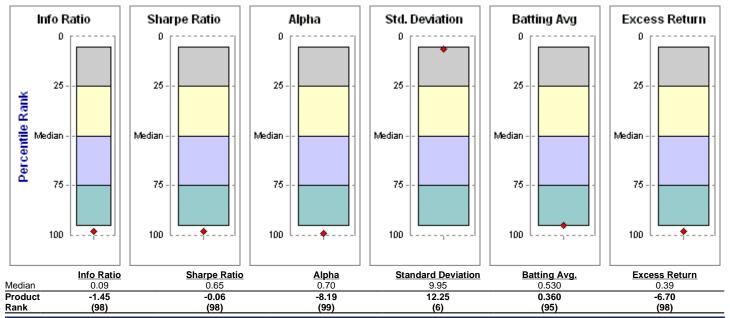
Separate Account Minimum (\$Mil): \$25.00

PEER GROUP STATISTICS AND RANKING vs. eA MID CAP VALUE EQUITY UNIVERSE



	YT	D	1 Y	′r	3 Y	rs	5 Y	rs	10 Y	′rs
Firm/Product	Return	Rank								
Hotchkis & Wiley-Mid-Cap Value	-15.93	99	-15.93	99	3.40	98	17.27	51	13.95	4
Benchmark:Russell Midcap Value	-1.44	80	-1.44	80	10.10	57	17.91	43	10.18	65
Median	3.10		3.10		10.49		17.42		11.00	

THREE YEAR STATISTICS vs. eA MID CAP VALUE EQUITY UNIVERSE vs. RUSSELL MIDCAP VALUE





Risk vs. Reward

Mid-Cap Value

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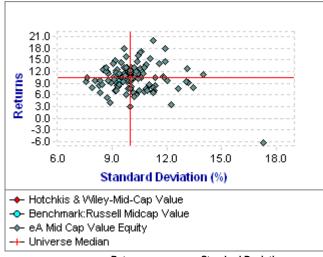
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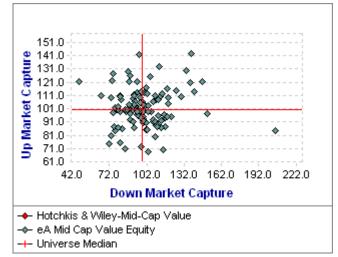
RISK VS. RETURN AND MARKET CAPTURE ANALYSIS: 3 YEARS vs. eA MID CAP VALUE EQUITY UNIVERSE



 Returns
 Standard Deviation

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 12.25

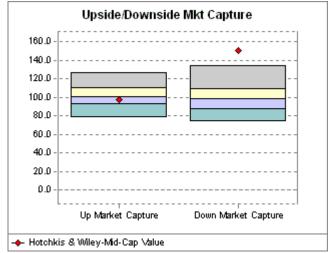
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Product

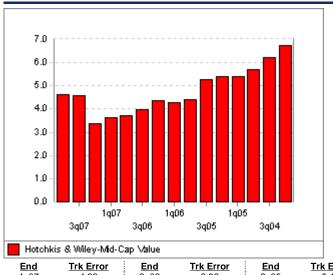
Up Market Capture 97.15 # of Up Periods 24 Down Market Capture 150.76 # of Down Periods 12

MARKET CAPTURE ANALYSIS: 3 YEARS



	Up Market Capture	Down Market Capture
Median	100.64	98.28
Product	97.15	150.76
Rank	(64)	(1)

TRACKING ERROR: ROLLING 3-YEAR PERIODS



End	Trk Error	<u>End</u>	Trk Error	End	Trk Error
4q07	4.62	3q06	3.96	2q05	5.41
3q07	4.59	2q06	4.38	1q05	5.41
2q07	3.35	1q06	4.29	4q04	5.69
1q07	3.63	4q05	4.40	3q04	6.21
4q06	3.70	3q05	5.25	2q04	6.74



Mid-Cap Value

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Analysis As of Date: 12/2007 Data Frequency: Monthly

Style Analysis

KEY FACTS

Primary Capitalization: Mid Cap Primary Style Emphasis: Value

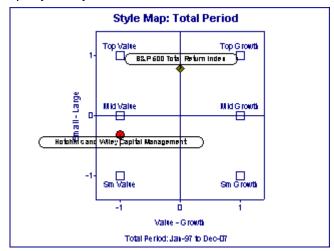
Preferred Benchmark: Russell MidCap Value

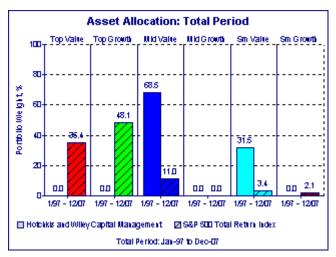
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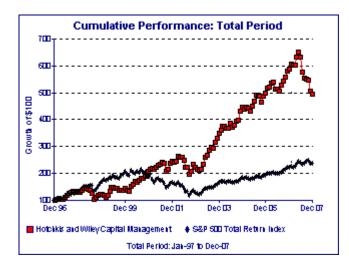
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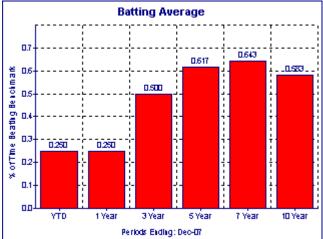
Product Offered As: SA,MF:Inst,MF:Retail

Separate Account Minimum (\$Mil): \$25.00











HOTCHKIS AND WILEY MID-CAP VALUE FUND

Equity Performance Attribution Analysis

Year-to-date ended December 31, 2007



PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION Year-to-date ended December 31, 2007

	Portfolio - Equity Only		Russe	ell Midcap \	Value	Attribution Analysis			
	Average		Contrib.	Average		Contrib.	Sector	Stock	
	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Return</u>	to Return	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Return</u>	to Return	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Selection</u>	<u>Active</u>
Telecommunication Services	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.02%	-3.42%	-0.10%	0.05%	0.00%	0.05%
Information Technology	15.45	-3.86	-0.57	7.50	-2.75	-0.36	-0.37	0.27	-0.10
Industrials	12.49	5.05	0.51	9.17	11.18	0.54	0.43	-0.58	-0.15
Materials	6.99	22.08	1.50	7.04	27.19	1.60	-0.11	-0.18	-0.28
Consumer Staples	3.16	8.85	0.25	7.18	8.49	0.62	-0.34	0.04	-0.30
Health Care	0.74	-51.36	-0.54	3.00	1.99	0.20	-0.10	-0.62	-0.71
Utilities	3.64	24.98	0.79	14.71	12.79	1.77	-1.13	0.32	-0.81
Financials	27.59	-24.83	-6.72	30.30	-19.10	-5.63	0.33	-1.89	-1.56
Energy	1.77	42.16	0.60	5.88	45.55	2.02	-1.63	-0.01	-1.64
Consumer Discretionary	28.17	-36.75	-12.28	13.20	-14.55	-2.07	-2.08	-7.48	-9.56
							-4.94	-10.12	-15.06

TOP AND BOTTOM FIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE* Year-to-date ended December 31, 2007

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	, =					Russell	Russell
	Ending	Total	Contrib.		<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Midcap</u>	Midcap Val
	Weight	<u>Return</u>	to Return	Projected P/E (FY2)†	11.9x	15.1x	13.4x
Flowserve Corp.	0.77%	92.19%	1.44%	Price / Cash Flow†	5.2x	9.8x	7.5x
Dow Jones & Co. Inc.	0.00	57.05	1.27	Price / Book†	1.2x	2.5x	1.7x
Agrium Inc.	0.00	68.90	0.85	Market Capitalization	\$6.5 b	\$9.4 b	\$8.9 b
BMC Software Inc.	3.57	10.68	0.60	Market Cap Median	\$2.7 b	\$4.2 b	\$3.9 b
FPL Group Inc.	2.90	27.91	0.57	R-Squared	0.82		
				# of Holdings	51		
0	0.400/	07.440/	4.050/	Total Net Assets	\$ 2,954,381,052		
Conseco Inc.	3.16%	-37.14%	-1.25%				
Centex Corp.	1.92	-54.92	-1.30	SYMBOLS			
Citadel Broadcasting Corp.	1.13	-66.50	-1.33	Class A	Class C Cl	ass I Cla	ass R
Jones Apparel Group Inc.	3.34	-51.02	-1.68	HWMAX			VMRX
Pulte Homes Inc.	2.00	-67.88	-2.23			1111	

^{*}The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to purchase or sell a particular security. It should not be assumed that securities bought or sold in the future will be profitable or will equal the performance of the securities in this portfolio.

†Weighted Harmonic Average (ratio of aggregate portfolio capitalization to aggregate portfolio earnings)

Performance Attribution is an analysis of the portfolio's return relative to a selected benchmark and is calculated using daily holding information within FactSet (and does not reflect the payment of transaction costs, fees and expenses of the Fund). Attribution is broken down into two main groups: allocation (the portion of the portfolio's excess return that is attributable to over- or underweighting a sector or industry relative to the benchmark), and security selection (the portion of the portfolio's excess return that is derived from choosing different securities from the benchmark). Returns calculated using this buy-and-hold methodology could differ from actual portfolio returns when there is a significant difference between the trade price and the closing price of any given security.

Contributors to Performance measures the impact that each security has on the portfolio's total return and is calculated using daily holding information within FactSet by multiplying the beginning weight for a given security by its total return on a daily basis, and geometrically linked for any given period (and does not reflect the payment of transaction costs, fees and expenses of the Fund). Returns calculated using this buy-and-hold methodology could differ from actual portfolio returns when there is a significant difference between the trade price and the closing price of any given security.

Projected price-to-earnings ratio is the projected P/E ratios of the companies invested in the portfolio, which ratios represent current market price per share divided by a company's

estimated future earnings-per-share. Projected earnings are consensus analyst forecasts; actual P/E ratios may differ from projected P/E ratios. The projected P/E ratios of the portfolio and indices may not have any relation to the performance of the portfolio. Sources: Firstcall, IDC

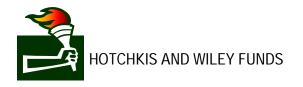
Price-to-cash flow is the price of each stock in the portfolio divided by its cash flow. Sources: Compustat, IDC

Price-to-book ratio is the price of a stock divided by its book value. Sources: Compustat, IDC

Market capitalization of a company is calculated by multiplying the number of outstanding shares by the current market price of a share. Weighted average market capitalization is the weighted average of the market capitalizations of the companies constituting the relevant portfolio.

Median market capitalization is the capitalization of the median stock in the portfolio. Sources: Compustat, IDC, FactSet

3-year annualized R-Squared versus Russell Midcap Index: Proportion of a Fund's total variance that is market-related or is explained by variations in the market with a range limit of 0.0 to 1.0. An R-Squared of 1.0 indicates perfect diversification as defined by the benchmark and zero non-market risk. An R-Squared of 0.0 indicates no diversification with a very high but unspecified non-market risk. Source: Wilshire Mentor



In response to recent volatility and client inquiries, we hope you find this "FAQ" beneficial

HOMEBUILDERS - Frequently Asked Questions

Why does Hotchkis and Wiley continue to own homebuilder stocks today?

We invest in stocks that we believe offer attractive, risk-adjusted return potential in the context of a diversified portfolio. When a stock declines in price, the natural tendency is to sell it. Successful value managers discipline themselves to fight this urge because they feel it is generally the wrong time to sell. In fact, it may be the time to buy more.

The large decline in the price of homebuilder's stocks has been painful and, we realize, a difficult test of our clients' patience. Why do we continue to hold them?

Many of the large homebuilders currently trade at a discount to their book value and many smaller builders trade for significantly less than book value at this time. Book value is a rough proxy for the replacement cost of these companies. Buying companies below replacement cost provides a margin of safety especially when the assets are tangible (such as land or homes). Only twice in the last twenty years have homebuilders traded at this low level.

In terms of long-term earnings power, the homebuilders are trading at a very low multiple of "normal" earnings. Our large cap homebuilders' trade for less than 10 times normal earnings compared to a market that is priced at nearly twice this level.

The risk profile of homebuilders has increased as conditions in the housing and mortgage markets have deteriorated rapidly. However, we take comfort in the balance sheets of homebuilders because these companies generate strong free cash flow as they convert inventories to cash in a down market. Within the sector, we hold what we feel to be the stronger homebuilders that should have the financial resources to withstand this current downturn. In a few cases, we own some smaller homebuilders that may have additional stress but may offer much higher return potential. As a result, we have limited our position sizes in recognition of the elevated risk profile.

What attracted Hotchkis and Wiley to homebuilders in the first place?

Homebuilding is an essential component of the U.S. economy. Demand for housing is growing due to population growth and demographic changes. Over the next ten years the U.S. population will increase by approximately 30 million people which is roughly equal to the entire population of Canada. Most of this growth will be concentrated in the coastal and sunbelt states where the major homebuilders have substantial operations. Unlike many cyclical industries, homebuilding is not subject to foreign competition. In addition, homebuilders do not have large pension or environmental liabilities.

Homebuilding, like oil exploration or mineral extraction, is a capital intensive business that is subject to earnings cycles. Over the last twenty years, the average profitability of homebuilders was about the same as the S&P 500, albeit more cyclical. Although the long-term earnings profile was similar to the broader market, homebuilders were trading at a discount that was unwarranted relative to other cyclical industries in our opinion.

What went wrong with Hotchkis and Wiley's positions and/or thesis on the homebuilders?

When we first bought the homebuilders, earnings were strong and investors were fearful of a downturn; consequently, the multiple for these stocks was quite low. We certainly expected the profitability of homebuilders to decline, but not as quickly or as sharply as we have experienced in 2006 and 2007.

The dramatic change in the availability of credit, combined with the higher-than-expected level of excess housing supply, has severely tested the financial strength of many of the homebuilders. Although the valuations are now more attractive, the risk profile has increased and, in some cases, to a concerning level. Nevertheless, we still believe the U.S. economy will need new housing over the long-term and that the stronger homebuilders should supply this housing at a normal level of profitability. Given the low valuation, we believe we should be well rewarded when the recovery begins. In the meantime, we have now limited our exposure as evidenced by our diminished weights as of June 30, 2007.

Does Hotchkis and Wiley plan to change its process in recognition of its experience?

At this stage, it is too early to make a determination that there is something wrong with the process or that there is a change we can make that would have kept us out of homebuilding stocks in 2005. Making process changes are important decisions. Change by itself does not necessarily improve performance or reduce risk. With the benefit of time, we will certainly review our experience and make appropriate changes that we believe would strengthen our investment process to provide the results that you, our clients, expect and desire.

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