

If DEOPX Were a Stock

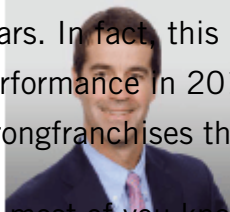




If DEOPX Were a Stock, We Would Be Buyers

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That said, we are more excited about the current setup for the Fund than we have been in years. In fact, this reminds us of the setup for the Fund following a bout of under-performance in 2015 and 2016, when macro forces gave us buying opportunities in some strong franchises that went on to outperform.



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As most of you know, we have a focus on stories of compounding growth. Recent market weakness has dragged down performance of such stories and brought us depressed multiples years. The Fund is a quality-oriented investor with attractive multiyear runways. We've held cash during market slumps and have recently used it to add to some existing names and establish new positions. It's walk through some examples:

relatively short window for measuring

- **American Tower Corp (AMT):** AMT remains one of the highest return, most durable performance and we recognize our businesses we follow and should be able to grow at an outsized rate as it benefits concentrated approach can yield significant from secular tailwinds in the wireless industry (namely the shift to 5G networks). All deviations from the market. Nonetheless, we told, we believe the business is capable of compounding cash flow at an 8-10% clip with little risk while continuing to grow the dividend (yields ~2.8%) at a commensurate rate.

- **Live Nation Entertainment Inc. (LYV):** Despite nearly every operating metric being at an all-time high and a 2023 artist pipeline as large as the company has seen, the stock has retreated nearly 35% this year alongside consumer concerns and broader multiple compression for the market. Though an economic slowdown seems unavoidable, we think this is a compelling opportunity to add exposure to a near monopoly operating in an industry with extremely attractive secular growth drivers.
- **Lamar Advertising Co (LAMR):** We recently added to LAMR in the low \$80's and continue to think the stock is a good deal. Outdoor advertising demand remains very strong driven by new categories (e.g. sports betting) and the ongoing digitization of boards. The stock trades for only 12x adjusted funds from operations (AFFO) for next year and yields 5.2% (and the dividend is up 17% over 2021).
- **Sherwin-Williams Co (SHW):** We think SHW is in the early stages of outperformance as the company has finally caught up to the raw material/supply chain headwinds it has faced for the last 18 months. With improving volumes and several price increases, gross margins should return to historical norms in 2023, which would drive earnings per share (EPS) over \$10. At 21x forward EPS, we think shares are attractively priced.

