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Market Performance

What a phenomenal year it was for the stock market! Investors in the U.S. Stock Market gained an estimated \$8 Trillion from market gains! Despite numerous apparent headwinds, including the ongoing trade war, slower growth overseas, the continuing Brexit saga, and increased political rhetoric, the S&P 500® Index gained nearly 32%, with broad-based gains that included 20%+ returns for 10 of the 11 major sectors. As shown in the chart, nearly all equity categories, both domestic and abroad, showed significant increases. U.S. Small Stocks gained nearly 26%. Developed International Markets advanced 22% and Emerging Markets increased 18% as slower growth concerns seem to have stabilized. As the year came to an end, momentum was building in the Emerging Markets, making them the best performing category in the fourth quarter. "Growth" stocks once again dominated the market with a 36% return lead by big gains from Apple, Microsoft, and Facebook. "Value" stocks, which are skewed toward the Financial, Healthcare, and Energy sectors were not as strong, but posted solid 26% gains.

Asset Category	Q4 2019	2019
U.S. Large Cap Stocks	9.07	31.49
U.S. Mid Cap Stocks	7.06	30.54
U.S. Small Cap Stocks	9.94	25.52
Developed International Stocks	8.68	22.01
Emerging Market Stocks	12.12	18.42
Intermediate Term Bonds	0.37	6.80
U.S. Value Stocks	7.41	26.54
U.S. Growth Stocks	10.62	36.39

Source: Morningstar Direct. Please see Important Disclosures on page 4 for index definitions.

Key Drivers

2019 was the definition of the old adage that the stock market "climbs a wall of worry". As the year began, we had just experienced a nearly 20% decline in the S&P 500 Index (September to December of 2018) and many were calling for an oncoming recession sometime in 2019 or 2020. The decline had been perpetuated primarily by higher interest rates, driven by seven Fed Funds rate increases in 2017 and 2018, and an escalating trade conflict between the US and China. In response, the Federal Reserve reversed course and began to lower interest rates, buoying the stock market, stabilizing economic growth, and improving the investor psyche. In addition, progress was made on phase one of a trade deal, which was enough to calm market fears and drive stronger returns for the emerging markets in the last few months. A negative change in rhetoric on this front in the early part of 2020 could cause some market disruption, however with an election coming President Trump has an incentive to prevent significant market declines.

Portfolio Performance

We were very pleased with the performance of each model in 2019 as returns ranged from 26% for the most aggressive models to about 13% for our Conservative Balanced model. Shown on page 2 are the funds that make up our FundAdvisor portfolios, followed by their performance on page 3. Some highlights include the Hartford Core Equity and Diamond Hill Large Cap funds, which beat the S&P 500 Index and their peer group averages. The international funds were able to post some of the best outperformance, including MFS International New Discovery, Dodge & Cox International, and Touchstone Sands Emerging Markets Growth, which gained over 27%. As part of our due diligence process, we will be having in depth conversations with managers from each fund in the program over the next several months.

A Historical Perspective

After such a great year, the tone among investors seems to be much more positive and today we are hearing very few calls for an impending recession. However, most market prognosticators continue to call for lower market returns than the 13.5% average annualized return that

we have seen over the last 10 years. That seems reasonable considering the long-term average return has been around 11.48% over the past 92 years. However, it is good to remember that the market rarely follows a straight line and can produce some pretty varied returns. Missing some of the really good years can have a significant detrimental effect on your long-term returns. The chart on this page shows all of the calendar year results for the S&P 500 since the Great Depression segmented by return. A few notable points are:

- The market went up in 67 of the 92 calendar years or 73% of the time
- The average calendar year return was 11.48%
- Returns only ended near the 11% average (between 8-14%) 7 times in 92 years (green box)
- The market gained more than 20% in 35 calendar years, or 38% of the time
- Only 11 of those 20%+ returns were followed by a negative calendar year

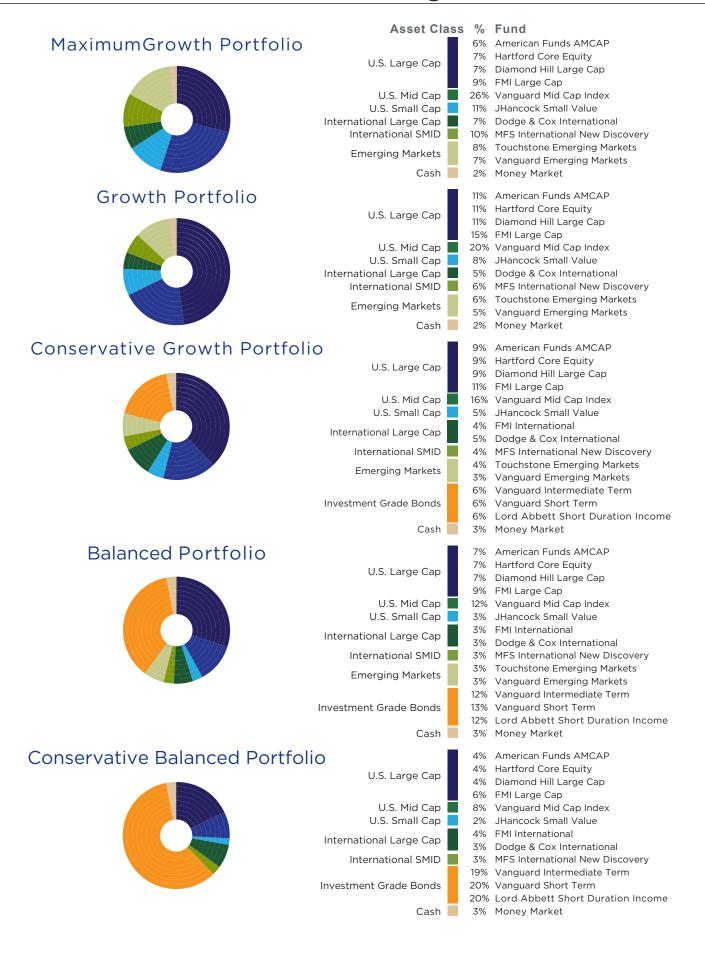
Annual Returns for the S&P 500 Index Since 1928															
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Over the past 92 years, the S&P 500 has averaged a return of 11.48%however, the index has returns near this average only 7 times.										1961 1963 1967 1975 1976 1980 1982	26.87 22.76 23.89 37.23 23.93 32.50 21.55 22.56				
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Source: Bloomberg, Federal Reserve of St. Louis and Morningstar Direct. Data from 1928 - 2018. (92018 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. The information contained herein: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; Q. may not be copied or distributed, and (3) is not harmanted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. Performance shown is historical and is no guarantee of future results. Investing in securities carriers risk including the possible loss of principal. The \$8P 500 Index is comprised of 500 U.S. stocks and is an indicator of the performance of the overall U.S. stock market. Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, a division of \$8P Global, is the source and owner of the registered trademarks related to the \$8P 500 Index. An investor cannot invest in an index and index returns are not indicative of the performance of any specific investment. This illustration is for informational purposes only and is not intended to constitute specific investment advice, individual circumstances may vary. The information contained									1997 1998 1999 2003 2009 2013 2017	33.35 28.58 21.04 28.67 26.47 32.39 21.83					
herein is based upon data obtained from sources believed to be reliable, however there is no guarantee of its accuracy or completeness.										2019	31.49				

Final Thoughts

We think that caution is warranted given the market run-up over the past decade and that the market's risk/reward profile has likely become more balanced. We can't say what the near-term will bring, but stock valuations are fair and it makes sense to expect more moderate returns going forward. We are mindful that recent gains may have borrowed from the future and acknowledge that many asset classes, including stocks, have been floating on cheap money for a long time. However, we believe that trying to time the stock market has proven to be a difficult task and therefore encourage you to re-evaluate your appetite for risk and investment time horizon. Better decisions tend to be made when times are good than when the market is declining. Our FundAdvisor program offers five models with varying levels of risk and return. Please contact your Investment Executive to discuss your current positioning and your plans for the future.

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Returns Net of Fees as of December 31, 2019

5 1/1 N	Fund / In	dex Perfo	rmance at	Net Asset	Up	Down	Expense Ratio		
Fund / Index Name	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*	Capture	Capture	Gross	Net ³
Large Cap									
American Funds AMCAP F3	26.70	26.70	15.13	10.89	13.03	97.89	99.66	0.37	0.37
Diamond Hill Large Cap I	32.18	32.18	12.84	10.31	12.09	96.50	103.97	0.67	0.67
Hartford Core Equity Y ¹	33.84	33.84	17.16	12.70	14.56	98.90	90.18	0.48	0.45
FMI Large Cap Institutional	23.79	23.79	12.45	9.56	11.63	88.20	90.50	0.66	0.66
Benchmark: S&P 500 Index	31.49	31.49	15.27	11.70	13.56	100.00	100.00	-	-
Mid Cap and Small Cap									
Vanguard Mid Cap Index Admiral	31.03	31.03	12.36	9.25	13.08	82.11	65.78	0.05	0.05
Benchmark: Russell Mid Cap® Index	30.54	30.54	12.06	9.33	13.19	82.21	65.37	-	-
JHancock Small Cap Value I	26.60	26.60	4.87	6.86	11.20	92.03	90.61	1.23	1.22
Benchmark: Russell 2000® Index	25.52	25.52	8.59	8.23	11.83	100.00	100.00	-	-
International									
FMI International Institutional	17.23	17.23	7.11	6.89	-	-	-	0.76	0.76
Dodge & Cox International Stock	22.77	22.77	7.66	3.67	5.76	108.03	108.76	0.63	0.63
MFS International New Discovery I	22.86	22.86	13.27	8.45	9.19	88.33	65.50	1.05	1.05
Benchmark: MSCI EAFE Index	22.01	22.01	9.56	5.67	5.50	100.00	100.00		
Emerging Markets									
Touchstone Sands Cptl Emerg Mkts Gr Y ²	27.32	27.32	15.15	7.10	-	-	-	1.36	1.36
Vanguard Emerging Mkts Stock ldx Adm	20.31	20.31	10.53	5.01	3.45	100.13	101.18	0.14	0.14
Benchmark: MSCI EM Index	18.42	18.42	11.57	5.61	3.68	100.00	100.00		
Intermediate Gov't/Credit									
Vanguard Interm-Term Bond	10.18	10.18	4.53	3.53	4.77	169.31	193.17	0.07	0.07
Benchmark: BBgBarc US Govt/Credit Index	6.80	6.80	3.24	2.57	3.05	100.00	100.00	-	-
Short-Term Bond									
Lord Abbett Short Duration Income	5.63	5.63	3.25	2.91	3.47	182.90	15.96	0.39	0.39
Vanguard Short-Term Investment-Grade Adm	5.84	5.84	2.96	2.56	2.76	172.87	136.82	0.10	0.10
Benchmark: FTSE USBIG Govt/Corp 1-3 Yr	4.00	4.00	2.11	1.64	1.51	100.00	100.00	-	-

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