

*Since 1992* 

# Performance Summary

June 30, 2020

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**Company Overview** 

# Introduction

#### Who We Are

- Founded in 1992, Cardinal Capital manages assets on behalf of individuals, trusts, corporations, foundations, and endowments
- ➤ Our **primary business** is the management of separate U.S. and non-U.S. equity and Fixed Income portfolios
- ➤ Cardinal is a **fiduciary** which means we have a legal and moral obligation to put our clients' interests first
- ➤ We consult on all aspects of wealth management including estate and retirement planning
- ➤ **Objective**: Exceed the relevant benchmark index return net of fees at significantly reduced risk (lower volatility) over a full market cycle
- ➤ Valuation Oriented Approach that utilizes Cardinal's Multifactor Model to identify strong companies that are statistically undervalued
- ➤ Ownership: 100% employee owned

### **Strategies**

- ➤ U.S. Large Cap equity consists of high-quality, dividend paying stocks that enhance overall portfolio returns with significantly reduced risk
- > Small Cap equity seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing in relatively small U.S. companies with strong balance sheets and positive earnings, acquired at attractive valuations
- ➤ Non-U.S. equity is constructed on the same value oriented methodology as Cardinal's U.S. composite. Geographically Cardinal's Non-U.S. composite allows for up to 20% non-EAFE country exposure
- ➤ **Fixed Income** is made up of laddered portfolios of short to intermediate-term investment grade bonds with an optimal spread over comparable dated U.S. treasuries

# Performance Returns Summary

PRE	LIMIN	ARY P	Perforr	nance	Summ	ary (R	leturns	%)			
Annualized at 06/30/2020	2Q20	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	15-Yr	20-Yr	Since Inception	Inception Date	Beta Since Inception	Alpha Since Inception
U.S. LARGE CAP COMPOSITE											
Cardinal U.S. Large Cap (Gross of Fees)	17.53	7.12	9.83	10.80	12.93	8.73	8.27	10.20	4/30/1992	0.80	1.89
Cardinal U.S. Large Cap (Net of Fees)	17.29	6.24	8.89	9.83	11.93	7.74	7.29	9.23			
S&P 500	20.54	6.69	10.73	10.73	13.99	8.83	5.91	8.95		1.00	0.00
SMALL CAP COMPOSITE											
Cardinal Small Cap Composite (Gross of Fees)	10.69	-2.56	4.63	7.37				10.36	12/31/2010	0.75	3.67
Cardinal Small Cap Composite (Net of Fees)	10.40	-3.52	3.63	6.33				9.20			
Russell 2000	25.41	-6.77	2.02	4.30				5.73		1.00	0.00
NON-U.S. COMPOSITE											
Cardinal Non-U.S. Composite (Gross of Fees)	14.44	-2.79	2.16	3.98	5.99			2.74	7/31/2007	0.86	1.56
Cardinal Non-U.S. Composite (Net of Fees)	13.87	-4.16	1.03	2.84	4.77			1.61			
MSCI EAFE Index	14.88	-5.59	0.81	2.05	5.73			0.02		1.00	0.00
BALANCED COMPOSITE											
Cardinal Balanced Composite (Gross of Fees)	13.42	6.12	7.84	8.61	10.23	7.49	7.36	8.82	10/31/1992	0.79	1.60
<b>Cardinal Balanced Composite (Net of Fees)</b>	13.19	5.26	6.97	7.74	9.36	6.65	6.54	8.07			
Blended Index <sup>2</sup>	15.09	6.56	8.79	8.65	11.56	7.58	5.45	8.12		1.00	0.00

<sup>\*</sup>Performance shown represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Supplemental information, please see full disclosures on pages 27, 28, 29, and 30.

Blended Benchmark = S&P 500 Index 70%, Barclays Int Govt/Credit 25%, 90-day T-Bill 5%

# What Sets Cardinal Capital Apart

- Our primary business is the management of separate U.S. Large Cap, Small Cap and Non-U.S. equity and Fixed Income portfolios for individuals, trusts, corporations, foundations and endowments.
- Cardinal is a fiduciary which means we have a legal and moral obligation to put our clients' interests first.
  - > By contrast, under the SEC's recently adopted "Best Interest" standard, brokers must act in a client's "best interest" when making recommendations of any security transactions. Notably, "best interest" is not defined, but the SEC made clear that it does not create a uniform fiduciary duty for brokers.
- We are SEC registered investment advisors, and invest alongside our clients.
- Our team is comprised of highly qualified and credentialed professionals with a combined 75+ years of investment experience.
- We are 100% employee owned.
- We personally manage all of our clients' accounts.
- Our objective is to exceed the relevant benchmark index return net of fees at significantly reduced risk (lower volatility) over a full market cycle.

# What Sets Cardinal Capital Apart

- Valuation oriented approach that utilizes Cardinal's Multifactor Model to identify strong companies that are statistically undervalued to their own historical metrics.
  - We are long-term investors our firm has been independently verified that it has complied with all composite construction requirements of the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS® standards) on a firm wide basis for 27 years.
  - Cardinal's U.S. Large Cap Core Composite has returned 17.5% (gross) more than the Standard & Poor's 500 Index over the past 27 years while managing risk/volatility to less than 80% of the Standard & Poor's risk/volatility.
  - > Cardinal was named "Top Guns Manager" of the <u>Decade</u> (1999-2009) by PSN.
  - > We do not outsource our thinking by investing in mutual funds, which in many cases are over diversified in their holdings and have return cannibalizing fees and expenses.
- We do <u>not</u> collect commissions; we only earn a fee that is based on your account value.
- We are committed to providing our clients the highest quality investment management services.

# **Awards Won in 2020**





Cardinal Capital's Small Cap Equity Composite received PSN's 3-Star, 2-Star and 1-Star recognition for its Small Cap Core equity portfolio for the 3-year period ending March 31, 2020, marking the strategy's position among the <u>top ten</u> performers for its peer group which includes both U.S. based and non-U.S. based managers and their products.

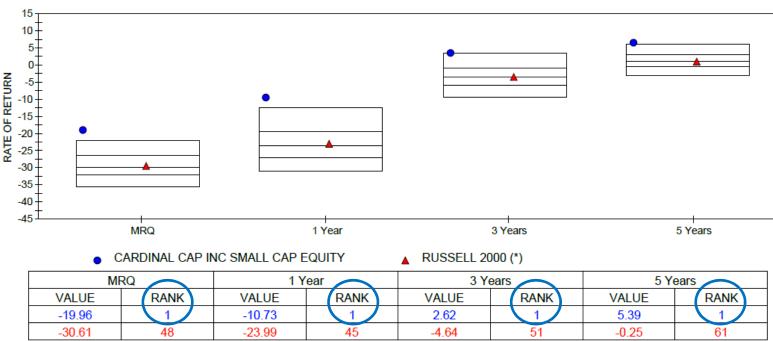


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#### TOP GUNS PSN SMALL CAP CORE UNIVERSE PERIODS ENDING March 31, 2020



Cardinal Capital Management's US Small Cap Portfolio ranks in the top 1% nationally for the QTR, Year, Three Year, and Five Year Periods as of March 31, 2020



Criteria: The PSN universes were created using the information collected through the PSN investment manager questionnaire and use only gross of fee returns. Mutual fund and commingled fund products are not included in the universe. PSN Top Guns investment managers must claim that they are GIPS compliant. The top ten performers for the latest three-year period become the 3 STAR TOP GUNS.

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# **Awards Won in 2019**



Cardinal Capital's Balanced Composite was awarded the highest Top Guns designation of 6-Stars and was among the top 10 performers within its peer group reporting to PSN for the five year period ending December 31, 2019.



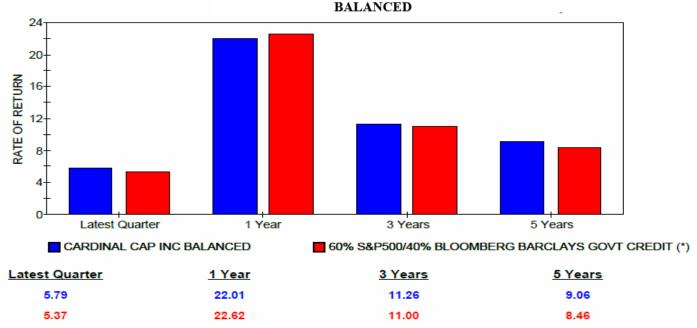
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#### TOP GUNS PSN US BALANCED UNIVERSE PERIODS ENDING December 31, 2019



# CARDINAL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.



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#### Awards Won in 2018 & 2017



Top Financial Advisers 2018 The Financial Times 300 list, produced independently by the *Financial Times* in collaboration with Ignites Research, a subsidiary of the FT that provides business intelligence on the asset management industry. Applicants were graded on six factors: assets under management (AUM); AUM growth rate; years in existence; advanced industry credentials of the firm's advisers; online accessibility; and compliance records. Neither the RIA firms nor their employees pay a fee to The *Financial Times* in exchange for inclusion in the FT 300. The final FT 300 represents an impressive cohort of elite RIA firms, as the "average" practice in this year's list has been in existence for over 22 years and manages \$4 billion in assets. The FT 300 Top RIAs hail from 38 states and Washington, D.C.









Cardinal Capital's Non-U.S. Portfolio was awarded a 5-Stars Top Guns designation, making the strategy's position among the top ten performers for its peer group for 4Q 2018.

In 3Q 2018 our Non-US Equity portfolio was recognized in two categories for performance-Bull & Bear Masters and 1-Star Top Guns Award.

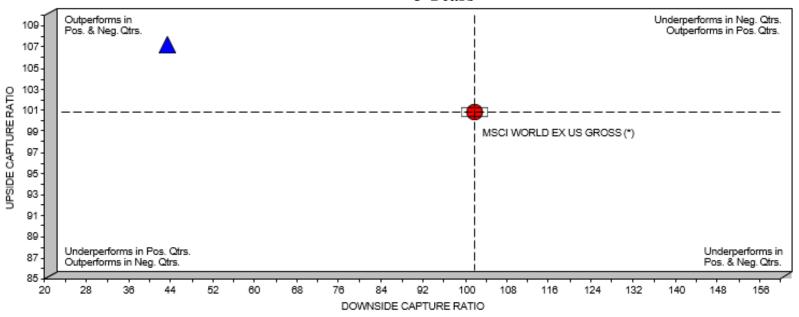
Cardinal Capital's Small Cap Core Equity Portfolio garnered 5-Stars and was among the top 10 performers within its peer group reporting to PSN in 2Q 2017.

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# **Top Guns PSN International Equity Universe**

# Period Ending September 30, 2018 Bull & Bear Master Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. Non-Us Equity





#### ▲ CARDINAL CAP INC NON-US EQUITY

#### MSCI WORLD EX US GROSS (\*)

ROR	R-Squared	Up Capture Ratio	Down Capture Ratio	Upside/Downside Ratio
3 YEARS	3 YEARS	3 YEARS	3 YEARS	3 YEARS
11.74	0.81	106.35	42.04	2.53
9.87	1.00	100.00	100.00	1.00

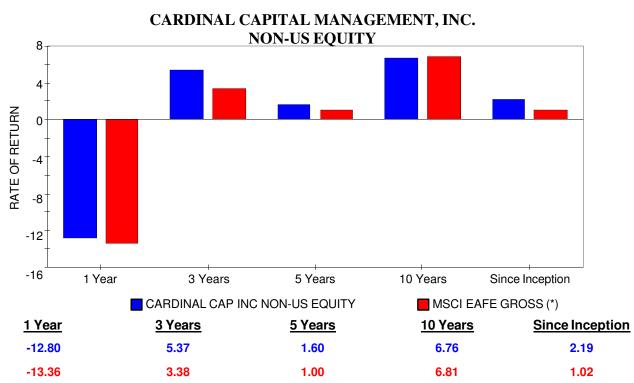
(\*) Style Benchmark

The PSN International Equity universe is comprised of 302 firms and 968 products

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#### TOP GUNS PSN EAFE UNIVERSE PERIODS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018





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# **Awards Won in 2016**

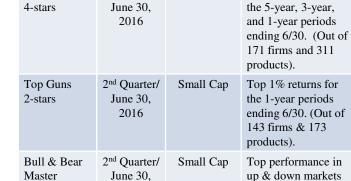
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Awara	Perioa	Composite	Description
Top Guns 4-stars	3rd Quarter/ Sept 30, 2016	Balanced	Top 10% returns for the 7-year, 5-year, 3- year, and 1-year periods ending 9/30. (Out of 171 firms and 311 products).
Top Guns	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter/	Balanced	Top 10% returns for







2016





1-stars	Quarter / June 30, 2016	Cap	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter ending 6/30. (Out of 219 firms and 371 products).
Top Guns 5-stars	1st Quarter/ March 31, 2016	Small Cap	Top 10% returns for the 5-year period ending 3/31. (Out of 142 firms and 172 products).
Bull & Bear Master	1st Quarter/ March 31, 2016	Small Cap	Top performance in up & down markets with over 100% Up Market Capture Ratio & less than 100% Down Capture Ratio.
Top Guns 2-stars	1st Quarter/ March 31, 2016	Balanced	Top 10% returns for the 1-year period ending 3/31. (Out of 176 firms and 314 products).

Composite

U.S. Large

**Description** 

Top 1% returns for the

Period

2nd

Award

Top Guns



with 100.26% Up Market Capture Ratio & 39.3% Down Capture Ratio.

# **Cardinal Capital's Team**

#### Glenn C. Andrews, CFA

#### President, Chief Investment Officer

- ➤ 40+ years of financial management and investment experience
- ➤ Former Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer of Medco Research, Inc. and BioStratum, Inc.
- ➤ Former Treasurer of Burroughs-Wellcome/ Glaxo Wellcome
- Past President of the CFA Society of North Carolina
- ➤ MBA, BS University of Tennessee
- ➤ Wellcome executive management program, London Business School

#### Wes Andrews, CFP®

#### Vice President

- ➤ 20+ years of financial services experience
- Former VP in Equity-Linked & Hybrid Origination at Lehman Brothers
- Former VP in Fixed Income Capital Markets at Citigroup
- ➤ MBA Georgetown University
- ➤ JD University of Miami
- > FINRA / NASD License: Series 65
- ➤ CERTIFIED FINANICAL PLANNER<sup>TM</sup>

#### Kathleen Warren, CFP®

#### Vice President

- ➤ 13+ years of financial services experience
- ➤ Former Associate in Private Banking at Credit Suisse
- Former Sales Assistant at Thomas Weisel Partners
- ➤ MBA UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School
- ➤ BA Wake Forest University
- ➤ CERTIFIED FINANICAL PLANNER<sup>TM</sup>
- FINRA / NASD License: Series 65

# **Cardinal Capital's Team**

#### Lisa Wainwright, CPA

#### **Business Analyst**

- ➤ 20+ years of public accounting, investment reconciliation, and tracking experience
- Former audit manager at Ernst & Young and senior auditor at Delioitte & Touche
- Primary responsibilities include trading, client performance and verification, reporting, and compliance support
- ➤ BS in Accounting from Auburn University
- Member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the NC Association of Certified Public Accountants

#### **Sharon Sowell**

#### **Business Analyst**

- > 19+ years of financial services experience
- ➤ Formerly with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney as senior assistant operations manager
- Primary responsibilities include daily account activity monitoring, trading, database reporting, and compliance support
- ➤ BA in Spanish and French from Wartburg College
- Notary Public

# **Investment Approach**

- Cardinal Capital employs a value approach that is predicated on selecting stocks for investment from those selling at low prices versus observable metrics such as cash flow and earnings.
- Cardinal Capital's objective is to construct portfolios that are high quality and well diversified by industry sector with excellent long-term absolute and risk-adjusted returns.
- Our investment process is entirely bottom-up. We begin with Cardinal Capital's proprietary statistical model that is systematic and unbiased in identifying stocks trading at significant discounts or premiums to their normal price value relationships. We use portfolio weightings to avoid concentration risk. We do not believe in the predictive ability required to correctly time markets. We keep portfolios fully invested in attractively priced assets.

# **Investment Approach**

# **Description**

 We have developed a multi-factor valuation model that incorporates both absolute and relative valuation concepts

Once targets are identified, we perform our own independent, fundamental research to validate or deny the potential investment opportunity

Propose purchase/sale to investment committee presided over by our Chief Investment Officer

#### **Mechanics**

- Proprietary model screens > 22,000 companies
- Candidates returned are at least one standard deviation cheap on multiple metrics
- ➤ Identify targets based on the following:
  - high quality
  - competitive advantages
  - growth & value
- > Investment committee meets weekly
- Unanimity required for approval
- If approved, trade is executed for 1-4% of the portfolio (2% on average)



**Quantitative** 

**Analysis** 

Fundamental

Research

# **Cardinal Capital's Multifactor Model**

**Our Approach-** Cardinal Capital's Multifactor Model is systematic and unbiased in identifying stocks trading at significant discounts or premiums to their normal price value relationships.

#### **R&D** and **Process**

- ➤ Research & Development: Cardinal's Model is grounded in solid academic research, with extensive back-testing to ensure effective use of its output, and applied on a consistent basis over time
- ➤ **Process**: Each week we run the model against the *Compustat* database of more than 22,000 operating companies in order to identify stocks trading at >1 standard deviation cheap across multiple metrics

# **Implicit Assumption**

- Regression to the mean: Our valuation model implicitly assumes that price changes more than the value, and that price value relationships will return to normal
- Low Turnover: Process generally takes several years to reach >1 standard deviation rich; resulting in a turnover rate of less than 20%

# **Buy / Sell Signals**

- > 1 Standard Deviation: Stocks > 1 standard deviation above or below normal price relationships are at levels seen 17% of the time or less so *ceteris paribus* we expect those stocks to revert to the mean
- ➤ Correlation: Our model is based on observed price / value relationships; through the use of statistical correlation we can determine which are most significant

# **Cardinal Capital's Multifactor Model**

#### **Benefits**

- **Bottom Up:** Our valuation model does not depend on explicit forecasts of future earnings growth rates, etc.
- > Management by Exception: The model directs attention to stocks of opportunity so less time is spent on research
- Unbiased: The model casts a broad net without prejudice or preconceptions, which allows for new understandings of changing companies and situations to emerge

#### Limitations

- Backward Looking: Our model is based on observed data
- > Factors may not correlate well with stock price movements for specific companies or industries; thus we use statistical correlations to understand which factors most influence performance
- ➤ **Absolute valuations** may lead to selling biggest winners in a portfolio prematurely; however, adjusting for market levels and peer comparison helps avoid this situation

# **Fundamental Research**

**Our Approach-** Cardinal Capital's method is systematic, micro economic rather than macro in character and relies on business analysis skills rather than precise estimates of earnings or growth rates

# Using the Output of the Model

- > The output is sorted into *industry groups*
- > If for instance the Model produces a total of 100 stocks not presently owned with 70% from financial services, this would lead us to conclude that the market concerns are much more related to industry matters than specific company events
- > Conversely, if only three pharmaceuticals make the list, this observation may help guide inquiry into whether industry or company specific events are the principal cause of the low valuation

# The Future Will Look Like the Past

- > What is the cause of the stock's low price? Is the cause of the valuation decline due to a transitory issue or have the company's profitability and growth prospects entered secular decline?
- This is where company and business analysis begins
- Cardinal seeks to profit from resolution of transitory issues and avoid cases of secular decline

# **Fundamental Research**

# **Objective Decision Rules**

- A number of objective decision rules have been developed to identify the stocks most likely to be attractive for further analysis and ultimate purchase
- ➤ Market Cap: large cap: >\$4.0 billion; & small cap: <\$4.0 billion
- **Position Size**: assuming that alpha opportunities are the same for all stocks that pass the 1 standard deviation screen, we do not typically exceed 4% for any one position, which provides diversification
- Bias for dividend paying stocks
- > The following considerations are closely scrutinized:
  - > Changed Business Conditions,
  - > Insider Trading,
  - Financial Strength, and
  - > Size and Duration of Oligopolistic Moat
- > We exclude non-operating companies such as REITs
- > Companies or industries in secular decline or with negative earnings are eliminated from consideration

# **Fixed Income Composite**

#### **Approach to Fixed Income Investing**

- > Cardinal Capital builds a ladder of short to intermediate-term bonds (10-year maximum maturity) to meet client cash flow requirements and purchase with the intention of holding these quality bonds until maturity
- > To maximize the risk reduction and cash flow attributes of bond investments, Cardinal Capital focuses on individual, marketable, high quality bonds in constructing client portfolios
- > Currently, the average duration on our bond portfolio is 2.5 years

### **Representative Taxable Fixed Income Holdings**

Issuer	Maturity	Coupon	Moody's Rating	S&P Rating
National Rural Utilities	9/15/2020	3.00%	A2	A
Bank of Nova Scotia	1/13/2021	4.38%	A1	A+
John Deere	3/6/2023	2.80%	A2	A

# **Fixed Income Composite**

# **Objective Decision Rules for Fixed Income**

- A number of objective decision rules have been developed to guide our approach to Fixed Income investing.
- For taxable investments, we seek bonds rated investment grade from issuers with low business and event risk.
- For tax exempt bonds, we confine our interest to issues backed by taxing power or essential service revenues. We require an underlying investment grade rating regardless of the existence of bond insurance.
- > Stretching for yield, using leverage or lowering credit quality undermines the primary attributes of Fixed Income investments: low risk and cash flow assurance.
- > Similarly, we do <u>not</u> invest in high yield or junk bonds since they are full of equity risk. We prefer to invest directly in equities with funds that can accept equity risk.
- > Bond funds, packaged products or pooled securities are generally avoided since we prefer to more closely match the bond portfolio's characteristics with the needs of our clients.
- > We make active use of the secondary market. This frequently allows us to acquire high quality bonds at more attractive yields than the new issue market provides.

2.

**Cardinal Capital Performance** 

# Cardinal's U.S. Large Cap Core Composite Net Returns

Cardinal Capital
Large Cap Core Composite Net
S&P 500 Index

<u>2010</u>	2011	2012	2013	<u>2014</u>	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	YTD 2020	
12.31%	2 1107	11.08%	27 5601	11 570/	0.200/	12 9607	10 ((0)	2 9207	27 41 07	-3.96%	
12.51%	3.44%	11.00%	27.50%	11.5/%	0.38%	12.80%	10.00%	-3.82%	27.41%	-3.90%	
15.06%	2.12%	15.98%	32.40%	13 69%	1.41%	11.98%	21.84%	-4.38%	31.49%	-3.08%	_
13.0070	2.12/0	13.7070	J2.70 /0	13.07/0	1.71/0	11.7070	21.07/0	7.30 /0	51.77/0	-3.00 /0	

					3-Year E	x-Post Stan	dard Devia	tion			
Large Cap Core Composite	18.94%	16.82%	13.13%	10.63%	8.46%	9.86%	9.69%	9.11%	9.98%	11.30%	15.24%
S&P 500 Index	21.85%	18.70%	15.09%	11.94%	8.98%	10.48%	10.59%	9.92%	10.80%	11.93%	16.71%
Total Firm Assets \$Mil (period end) Composite Statistics:	160.4	166.7	203.6	258.2	273.8	290.4	336.3	426.8	415.5	480.8	456.0
Assets \$Mil (period end)	55.7	61.7	76.6	103.4	117.1	126.7	141.9	182	171.7	214.8	196.4
Portfolios at period end	96	121	143	155	166	175	183	198	206	222	210
Dispersion	1.51%	1.40%	1.50%	1.39%	0.93%	0.60%	1.33%	1.03%	0.90%	1.54%	N/A

- 1) Cardinal Capital Management Inc. is an independent registered investment management firm established in 1992, that manages equity, fixed income and balanced assets for U.S. clients.
- The Large Cap Core Composite includes all discretionary portfolios that invest in large cap U.S. equities with the goal of providing long-term capital growth and steady dividend income.

  The account minimum for the composite is \$125,000. This composite is a combination of the Equity Taxable and Equity Tax Deferred Composites.
- Return calculations are for all discretionary fee-paying equity portfolios in excess of \$125,000 managed in this style. Minimum account balance established October 1, 1997.

  Calculations are time-weighted total rate of return and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Trade date accounting is used. All reporting is in U.S. Dollars. Results for timeperiods less than 1 year are not annualized. All net returns are actual, not model.
- 4) The composite was created June 30, 2009. The Large Cap Core Composite has an inception date of 4/30/1992.
- 5) Composite Dispersion is asset-weighted standard deviation and is calculated for accounts in the composite the entire year.
- 6) A complete list and description of composites and policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations are available upon request.
- 7) Performance results are net of management fees, transaction costs, and foreign tax withheld. Management fees are 1.0% on the first \$2 million per annum, .8% on the next \$3 million per annum, over \$5 million negotiable. Actual investment fees are used to calculate net of fee returns.
- 8) No inference should be drawn that similar investment returns will be achieved in future periods. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
- 9) Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS Standards. Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the period 4/1/1992 through 6/30/2020.
- 10) Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. The Large Cap Core composite has been examined for the periods 4/30/1992 through 6/30/2020.

  The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.
- 11) Accounts moved to new custodian in the 4Q09 and up until 2/15/2010, had commissions waived through 6/30/2010.

# **Cardinal's Small Cap Composite Investment Net Returns**

Cardinal Capital	
Small Cap Composite Net Return	
Russell 2000	

<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Y1D 2020</u>
-2.57%	15.82%	34.00%	8.69%	2.63%	16.14%	13.79%	-3.86%	22.12%	-11.83%
-4.18%	16.35%	38.83%	4.89%	-4.42%	21.32%	14.65%	-11.03%	25.52%	-12.93%

			3-Y	ear Ex-Po	st Standa	rd Deviati	on			
Small Cap Composite	N/A	N/A	14.21%	10.76%	11.56%	12.18%	11.21%	12.95%	13.43%	17.07%
Russell 2000	N/A	N/A	16.45%	13.12%	13.96%	15.76%	13.91%	15.79%	15.72%	22.60%
Total Firm Assets \$Mil (period end) Composite Statistics:	166.7	203.6	258.2	273.8	290.4	336.3	426.8	415.5	480.8	456.0
Assets \$Mil (period end)	2.6	5.6	9.2	13.0	21.0	29.3	46.0	42.7	52.2	40.5
Portfolios at period end	23	29	42	46	67	93	112	127	133	114
Dispersion	0.54%	0.93%	0.90%	0.71%	0.58%	1.36%	1.00%	0.65%	0.98	N/A

- 1) Cardinal Capital Management Inc. is an independent registered investment management firm established in 1992, that manages equity, fixed income and balanced assets for U.S. clients.
- 2) The Small Cap Composite seeks long-term capital appreciation from US companies with market caps less than \$4B, strong balance sheets and positive earnings at attractive valuations.
- 3) Return calculations are for all discretionary fee-paying equity portfolios in excess of \$50,000 managed in this style. Calculations are time-weighted total rate of return and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Trade date accounting is used. All reporting is in U.S. Dollars. Results for timeperiods less than 1 year are not annualized.
- 4) The management fee schedule is as follows: 1.5% on the first \$2 million per annum, 1.2% on the next \$3 million per annum, over \$5 million negotiable, all paid quarterly in arrears. Actual investment advisory fees incurred by clients may vary.
- 5) The composite was created December 31, 2010.
- 6) Composite Dispersion is asset-weighted standard deviation and is calculated for accounts in the composite the entire year.
- 7) A complete list and description of composites and additional information regarding policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations and reporting returns are available upon request.
- 8) Performance results are net of management fees and transaction costs. Actual investment fees are used to calculate net of fee returns.
- 9) No inference should be drawn that similar investment returns will be achieved in future periods. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
- 10) The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. The three-year annualized standard deviation is not presented for 2011 and 2012 due to less than 36 months of composite and benchmark data.
- 11) Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS Standards. Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the period 4/1/1992 through 6/30/2020. The verification reports are available upon request.
- 12) Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. Verification does not ensure the accuracy of any specific composite presentation.

# Cardinal's Non-U.S. Composite Investment Net Returns

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	2014	<u>2015</u>	2016	2017	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	YTD 2020
Cardinal Capital											
<b>Non-US Equity Composite Net</b>	6.61%	-9.96%	16.57%	10.15%	-5.57%	-4.18%	4.04%	26.28%	-13.64%	20.12%	-9.52%
MSCI EAFE NET	7.75%	-12.14%	17.32%	22.78%	-4.90%	-0.82%	1.01%	25.02%	-13.78%	22.01%	-11.34%
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					3-Year	Ex-Post Star	idard Devia	tion			
Non-US Equity Composite	22.58%	20.44%	18.02%	14.02%	10.79%	10.35%	10.75%	10.09%	11.09%	11.30%	14.66%
MSCI EAFE NET	26.24%	22.43%	19.37%	16.25%	13.02%	12.46%	12.47%	11.83%	11.24%	10.80%	14.96%
Total Firm Assets \$Mil (period end) Composite Statistics:	160.4	166.7	203.6	258.2	273.8	290.4	336.3	426.8	415.5	480.8	456.0
Assets \$Mil (period end)	14.0	15.9	20.9	27.4	35.4	42.5	44.3	70.2	62.0	75.3	51.0
Portfolios at period end	55	68	68	77	84	89	94	105	114	122	95
Dispersion	2.68%	1.05%	0.96%	1.29%	0.97%	1.05%	1.15%	0.92%	0.78%	0.79%	N/A

- 1) Cardinal Capital Management Inc. is an independent registered investment management firm established in 1992, that manages equity, fixed income and balanced assets for U.S. clients.
- 2) The Non-US Equity Composite includes all discretionary portfolios that invest in Non-US equities with the goal of providing long-term capital growth through investing outside the US and steady dividend income. The account minimum for the composite is \$125,000.
- 3) Return calculations are for all discretionary fee-paying equity portfolios in excess of \$125,000 managed in this style. Calculations are time-weighted total rate of return and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Trade date accounting is used. All reporting is in U.S. Dollars. Results for timeperiods less than 1 year are not annualized. Net returns are actual.
- 4) Composite performance is presented net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest, and capital gains. Withholding taxes may vary according to the investor's domicile. As of June 2007 the MS Net Index consisted of the following 21 developed market country indices: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Benchmark performance is presented net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest, and capit
- 5) The Non-US Equity Composite was created July 31, 2007 and has an inception date of 7/31/07.
- 6) Composite Dispersion is asset-weighted standard deviation and is calculated for accounts in the composite the entire year.
- 7) A complete list and description of composites and policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations are available upon request.
- 8) Performance results are net of management fees, transaction costs, and foreign tax withheld. Management fees are 1.5% on the first \$2 million per annum, 1.2% on the next \$3 million per annum, over \$5 million negotiable. Actual investment fees are used to calculate net of fee returns.
- 9) No inference should be drawn that similar investment returns will be achieved in future periods. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
- 10) Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS Standards. Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the period 4/1/1992 through 6/30/2020.
- 11) Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are design calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. The Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. Non-US Equity Composite has been examined for the periods 07/31/2007 through 6/30/2020. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.
- 12) Accounts moving to new custodian in the 4Q09 and up until 2/15/2010, had commissions waived through 6/30/2010.

# **Cardinal's Balanced Composite Investment Net Returns**

# Cardinal Capital Balanced Composite Net Return BLENDED INDEX NET

2010	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	2019	YTD 2020
10.009	<u>6 3.71%</u>	8.85%	20.98%	9.01%	0.45%	9.75%	14.54%	-3.03%	21.04%	-2.77%

Blended Benchmark = S&P500 70%, Barclays Int Govt/Credit 25%, FTSE USBIG 3-Mo. Treasury Bill 5%

	3-Year Ex-Post Standard Deviation										
Balanced Composite	13.01%	11.57%	9.35%	7.97%	6.60%	7.77%	7.55%	7.05%	7.65%	8.47%	11.64%
BLENDED INDEX NET	15.45%	13.16%	10.41%	8.35%	6.36%	7.35%	7.34%	6.82%	7.44%	8.27%	11.71%
Total Firm Assets \$Mil (period end)	160.4	166.7	203.6	258.2	273.8	290.4	336.3	426.8	415.5	480.8	456.0
Composite Statistics:											
Assets \$Mil (period end)	50.4	49.1	49.0	56.1	53.4	47.9	50.8	56.7	50.1	55.7	51.7
Portfolios at period end	81	77	68	67	61	59	59	60	61	58	54
Dispersion	2.14%	1.46%	0.98%	3.69%	1.58%	0.61%	2.01%	2.50%	1.01%	3.45%	N/A

- 1) Cardinal Capital Management Inc. is an independent registered investment management firm established in 1992, that manages equity, fixed income and balanced assets for U.S. clients.
- 2) The Balanced Composite includes approximately 70% large cap U.S. equities, 25% high-quality bonds of laddered maturities and 5% cash.
- 3) Return calculations are for all discretionary fee-paying equity portfolios in excess of \$125,000 managed in this style. Calculations are time-weighted total rate of return and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Trade date accounting is used. All reporting is in U.S. Dollars. Results for timeperiods less than 1 year are not annualized.
- 4) The management fee schedule is as follows: .85% on the first \$2 million per annum, .68% on the next \$3 million per annum, over \$5 million negotiable, all paid quarterly in arrears. Actual investment advisory fees incurred by clients may vary.
- 5) The composite was created October 31, 1992 and has an inception date of 10/31/92.
- 6) Composite Dispersion is asset-weighted standard deviation and is calculated for accounts in the composite the entire year.
- 7) A complete list and description of composites and additional information regarding policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing compliant presentations and reporting returns are available upon request.
- 8) Performance results are net of management fees and transaction costs. Actual investment fees are used to calculate net of fee returns.
- 9) Blended Benchmark is reviewed and rebalanced on a Quarterly basis. Effective November 1, 2019, Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. retroactively changed one of the components of the Blended Benchmark for the Balanced Co from the 90day T-Bill, which makes up 5% of the Blended Benchmark, to the FTSE USBIG 3-Mo. Treasury Bill. Cardinal Capital Management changed performance systems and the 90day T-Bill is not available on this platforr Additional information regarding the benchmark change is available upon request.
- 10) No inference should be drawn that similar investment returns will be achieved in future periods. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.
- 11) Accounts moving to new custodian in the 4Q09 and up until 2/15/2010, had commissions waived through 6/30/2010.
- 12)Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS Standards. Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the period 4/1/1992 through 6/30/2020. A copy of the verification reports are available upon request.
- 13)Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. Verification does not ensure the accuracy of any specific composite presentation.

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# Disclaimer and Verification Letters

# **Independent Verifier's Report**



#### Verification Report

Board of Directors Cardinal Capital Management, Inc.

We have verified whether Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. (the "Firm") (1) has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS\*) on a firm-wide basis for the periods from April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020, and (2) designed its policies and procedures to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards as of June 30, 2020. The Firm's management is responsible for compliance with the GIPS standards and the design of its policies and procedures. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our verification. We conducted this verification in accordance with the required verification procedures of the GIPS standards. We also conducted such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the Firm has, in all material respects:

- Complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis for the periods from April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020; and
- Designed its policies and procedures to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards as of June 30, 2020.

A verification covering the periods from April 1, 1992 through March 31, 2017 was performed by another verification firm, whose report expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

This report does not relate to or provide assurance on any composite compliant presentation of the Firm and does not ensure the accuracy of any specific composite compliant presentation.

Adviser Compliance Associates, LLC

Adviser Compliance Associates, LLC ACA Performance Services Division August 13, 2020 ACA Compliance Group acquired Ashland Partners' GIPS® verification and investment performance practice, our previous verification firm, effective June 30, 2017. ACA has verified the compliance of Cardinal Capital with the requirements of GIPS® from April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

# **Independent Verifier's Report**



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Ashland Partners & Company LLP

#### Independent Accountant's Verification Report

Board of Directors

Cardinal Capital Management, Inc.:

We have examined whether (1) Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. (the "Firm") has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS® standards) on a firm-wide basis for the periods from April 1, 1992, to March 31, 2017, and (2) the Firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance results in compliance with the GIPS standards as of March 31, 2017. The Firm's management is responsible for compliance with the GIPS standards and the design of its policies and procedures. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

#### Scope of Worl

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Firm's compliance with the previously mentioned requirements; evaluating the design of the Firm's policies and procedures previously referred to; and performing the procedures for a verification required by the GIPS standards and such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, in all material respects,

- the Firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firmwide basis for the periods from April 1, 1992, to March 31, 2017; and
- the Firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards as of March 31, 2017.

This report does not relate to any composite presentation of the Firm that may accompany this report, and accordingly, we express no opinion on any such performance.

Ashland Partners & Company LLP

Ashland Partners & Company LLP May 17, 2017 Ashland Partners has verified the compliance of Cardinal with the requirements of the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) from April 1, 1992 through March 31, 2017

# **Award Disclaimers**

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# Disclaimer

Performance results represent composite results for the Non-US equity strategy, and the Domestic tax exempt/tax deferred and/or taxable equity strategy managed by Cardinal Capital Management, Inc. ("Cardinal") during the corresponding time periods. The performance results reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other account earnings, and are net account transaction and custodial charges, and Cardinal's investment management fee except for those performance returns that are compared to other similarly benchmarked managers (for example, managers whose performance is compared to the S&P 500 Composite Index – see description below) in charts which results were prepared utilizing investment managers database and the eVestment Alliance investment managers database which are reported gross of investment management fees, including Cardinal management fee- (see Gross of Fees disclosure below). Past performance may not be indicative of future results. Therefore, no current or prospective client should assume that future performance will be profitable, or equal either the Cardinal performance results reflected or any corresponding historical benchmark index. The S&P 500 Composite Index (the "S&P) is a market capitalization-weighted index of 500 widely held stocks often used as a proxy for the stock market. Standard & Poor's chooses the member companies for the S&P based on the market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. Included are the common stocks of industrial, financial, utility, and transportation companies. The historical performance results of the S&P (and those of or all indices) do not reflect the deduction of transaction and custodial charges, nor the deduction of an investment management fee, the incurrence of which would have the effect of decreasing indicated historical performance results. The historical S&P performance results (and those of all other indices) are provided exclusively for comparison purposes only, so as to provide general comparative information to assist an individual client or prospective client in determining whether the performance of a Cardinal portfolio meets, or continues to meet, his/her investment objective(s). It should not be assumed that Cardinal account holdings will correspond directly to the S&P or any other comparative index. The Cardinal performance results do not reflect the impact of taxes. For reasons including variances in portfolio account holdings, variances in the investment management fee incurred, market fluctuation, the date on which a client engaged Cardinal's investment management services, and account contributions or withdrawals, the performance of a specific client's account may have varied substantially from the indicated Cardinal portfolio performance results.

Information pertaining to Cardinal's advisory operations, services, and fees is set forth in Cardinal's current disclosure statement a copy of which is available from Cardinal upon request.

Gross of Fees (charts from PSN and eVestment Alliance investment managers database) Comparative managers' investment performance is shown in these charts gross of their management fees and Cardinal's investment performance is shown gross of Cardinal's investment management fees (as described in Cardinal's written disclosure statement), the incurrence of which will have the effect decreasing the composite performance results (for example: an advisory fee of 1% compounded over a 10-year period would reduce a 10% return to a 9% annual return).

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