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Global Market Review

First Quarter 2019





Quarterly Market Review

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This report features world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the past quarter. It begins with a global overview, then features the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets.

The report leads with our quarterly topic of "Why Should You Diversify Globally?", and illustrates the impact of globally diversified investing.

Overview:

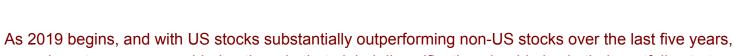
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some investors are reconsidering the role that global diversification should play in their portfolio strategy.

Why Should You Diversify Globally?

For the five-year period ending March 31, 2019, the S&P 500 Index had an annualized return of 10.9% while the MSCI World ex USA Index returned 2.7%, and the MSCI Emerging Markets Index returned 4.1%. As US stocks have outperformed international and emerging markets stocks over the last several years, some investors might be reconsidering the wisdom of investing outside the US.

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While there are many reasons why a US-based investor may prefer a degree of home bias in their equity allocation, using return differences over a period of five years as the sole input into this decision may result in missing opportunities that the global markets offer. While international and emerging markets stocks have delivered disappointing returns relative to the US over the last few years, it is important to remember that:

- Non-US stocks help provide valuable diversification benefits.
- Recent performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

THERE'S A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY IN EQUITIES

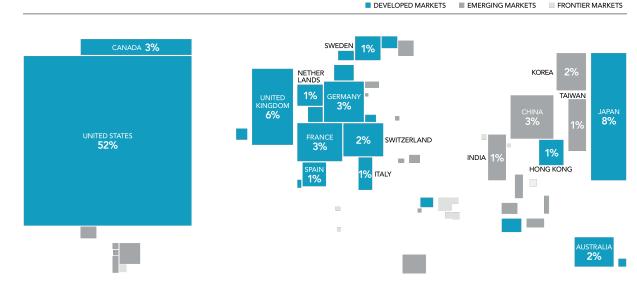
The global equity market is large and represents a world of investment opportunities. As shown in **Exhibit 1**, nearly half of the investment opportunities in global equity markets lie outside

the US. Non-US stocks, including developed and emerging markets, account for 48% of world market capitalization¹ and represent thousands of companies in countries all over the world. A portfolio investing solely within the US would not be exposed to the performance of those markets.

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Exhibit 1. World Equity Market Capitalization



Why Should You Diversify Globally?

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THE LOST DECADE

We can examine the potential opportunity cost associated with failing to diversify globally by reflecting on the period in global markets from 2000–2009. During this period, often called the "lost decade" by US investors, the S&P 500 Index recorded its worst ever 10-year performance with a total cumulative return of –9.1%. However, looking beyond US large cap equities, conditions were more favorable for global equity investors as most equity asset classes outside the US generated positive returns over the course of the decade. (See Exhibit 2.) Expanding beyond this period and looking at performance for each of the 11 decades starting in 1900 and ending in 2010, the US market outperformed the world market in five decades and underperformed in the other six.² This further reinforces why an investor pursuing the equity premium should consider a global allocation. By holding a globally diversified portfolio, investors are positioned to capture returns wherever they occur for planning more reliable outcomes.

Exhibit 2. Global Index Returns, January 2000–December 2009

	Total Cumulative Return (%)
S&P 500 Index	-9.10
MSCI World ex USA Index (net div.)	17.47
MSCI World ex USA Value Index (net div.)	48.71
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Index (net div.)	94.33
MSCI Emerging Markets Index (net div.)	154.28
MSCI Emerging Markets Value Index (net div.)	212.72

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PICK A COUNTRY?

Are there systematic ways to identify which countries will outperform others in advance? **Exhibit 3** illustrates the randomness in country equity market rankings (from highest to lowest) for 22 different developed market countries over the past 20 years. This graphic conveys how difficult it would be to execute a strategy that relies on picking the best country and the resulting importance of diversification.

In addition, concentrating a portfolio in any one country can expose investors to huge variations in returns. The difference between the best- and worst-performing countries can be significant. For example, since 1998, the average return of the best-performing developed market country was approximately 44%, while the average return of the worst-performing country was approximately –16%. Diversification means an investor's portfolio is unlikely to be the best or worst performing relative to any individual country, but diversification also provides a means to achieve a more consistent outcome and more importantly helps reduce and manage catastrophic losses that can be associated with investing in just a small number of stocks or a single country.

A DIVERSIFIED APPROACH

Over long periods of time, investors may benefit from consistent allocation of portfolios to both US and non-US equities. While both asset classes offer the potential to earn positive expected returns in the long run, they may perform quite differently over short periods.

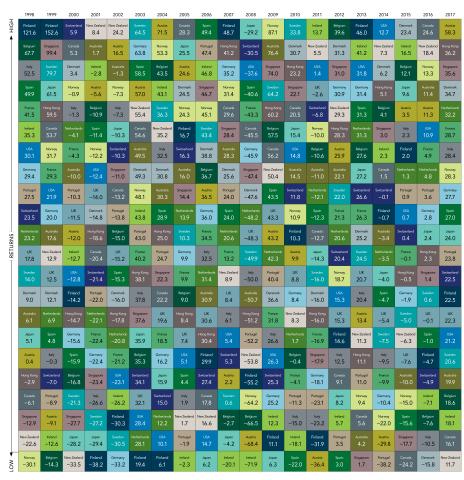
While the performance of different countries and asset classes will vary over time, there is no reliable evidence that this performance can be predicted in advance. An approach to equity investing that uses the global opportunity set available to investors can provide diversification benefits as well as potentially higher expected returns, as well as greater peace of mind from planning longterm outcomes with more confidence.



Why Should You Diversify Globally?

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Exhibit 3. Equity Returns of Developed Markets



Source: MSCI country indices (net dividends) for each country listed. Does not include Israel, which MSCI classified as an emerging market prior to May 2010. MSCI data © MSCI 2019, all rights reserved. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Indices are not available for direct investment; therefore, their performance does not reflect the expenses associated with the management of an actual portfolio.

Source: Dimensional Fund Advisors LP.

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Quarterly Market Summary

Index Returns

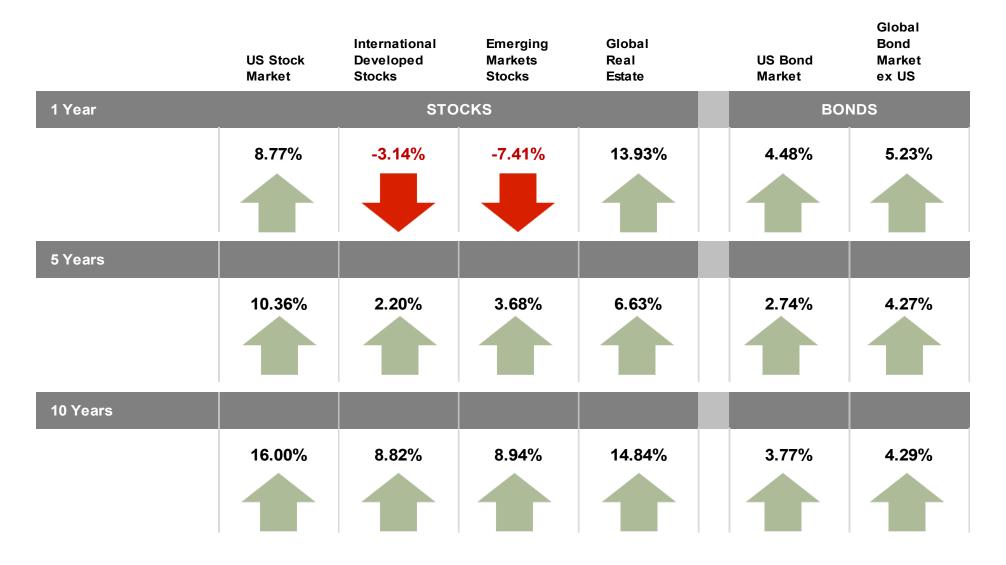
	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
Q1 2019		STO	скѕ		ВО	NDS
	14.04%	10.45%	9.92%	14.07%	2.94%	2.96%
Since Jan. 2001						
Avg. Quarterly Return	2.0%	1.4%	2.9%	2.6%	1.1%	1.1%
Best	16.8%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	4.6%	4.6%
Quarter	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2001 Q3	2008 Q4
Worst	-22.8%	-21.2%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-3.0%	-2.7%
Quarter	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2016 Q4	2015 Q2

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Long-Term Market Summary

Index Returns

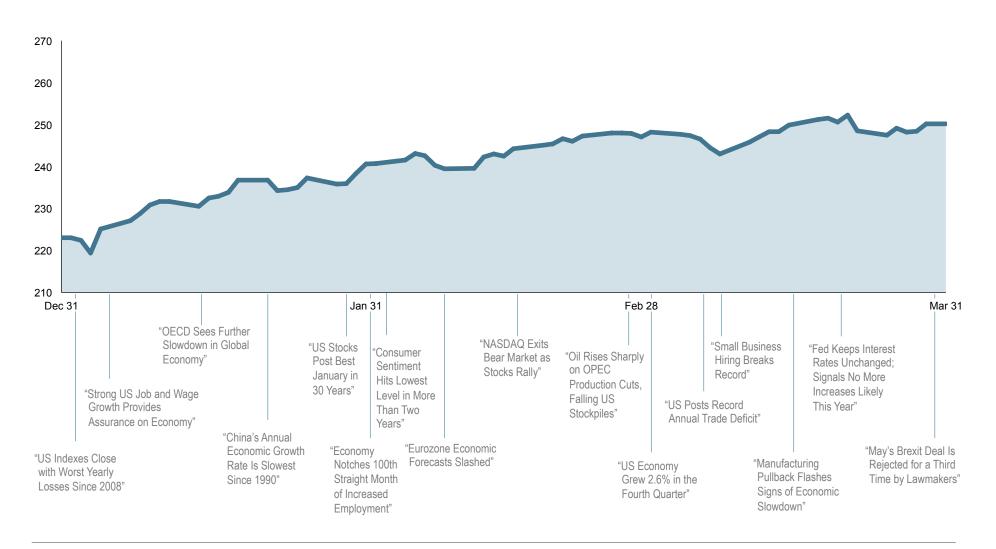


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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from Q1 2019

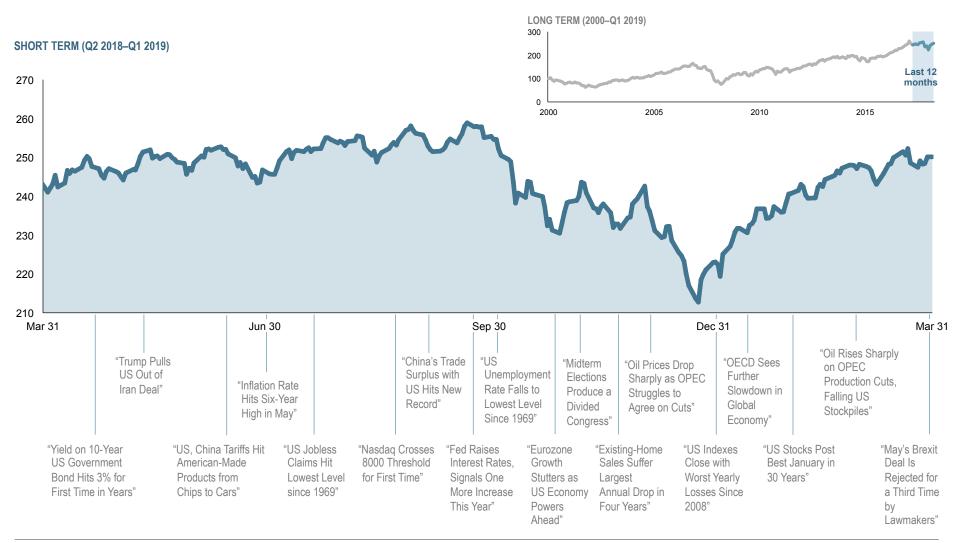


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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from past 12 months



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Impact of Diversification

First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

These portfolios illustrate the performance of different global stock/bond mixes and highlight the benefits of diversification. Mixes with larger allocations to stocks are considered riskier but have higher expected returns over time.



Period Returns (%)

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Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*	10-Year STDEV ¹
100% Stocks	3.2	11.3	7.0	12.6	13.9
75/25	3.1	8.8	5.5	9.6	10.4
50/50	2.9	6.2	4.0	6.6	7.0
25/75	2.5	3.7	2.4	3.5	3.5
100% Treasury Bills	2.1	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.2

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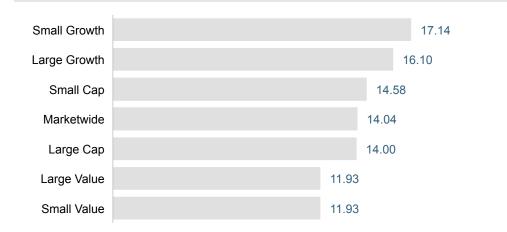
US Stocks First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

US equities outperformed both non-US developed and emerging markets.

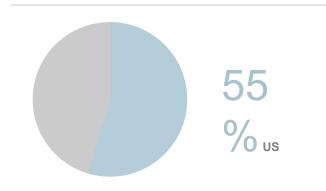
Small caps outperformed large caps in the US.

Value underperformed growth across large and small cap stocks.

Ranked Returns for the Quarter (%)



World Market Capitalization—US



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Large Growth	12.8	16.5	13.5	17.5
Large Cap	9.3	13.5	10.6	16.1
Large Value	5.7	10.5	7.7	14.5
Small Growth	3.9	14.9	8.4	16.5
Small Cap	2.1	12.9	7.1	15.4
Small Value	0.2	10.9	5.6	14.1
Marketwide	8.8	13.5	10.4	16.0

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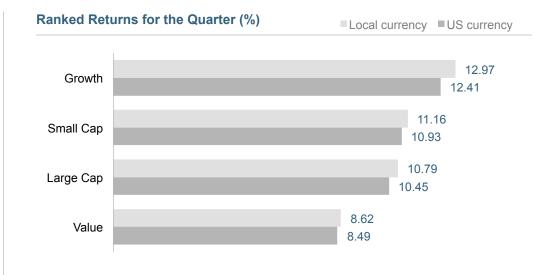
International Developed Stocks

First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

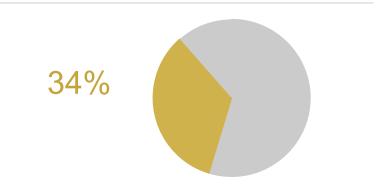
In US dollar terms, developed markets outside the US outperformed emerging markets but underperformed the US equity market during the quarter.

Small caps outperformed large caps in non-US developed markets.

Value underperformed growth across large and small cap stocks.



World Market Capitalization—International Developed



Period Returns (%)				* Annualized
Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Growth	-0.8	7.4	3.7	9.4
Large Cap	-3.1	7.3	2.2	8.8
Value	-5.5	7.1	0.7	8.3
Small Cap	-8.7	7.3	3.7	12.3

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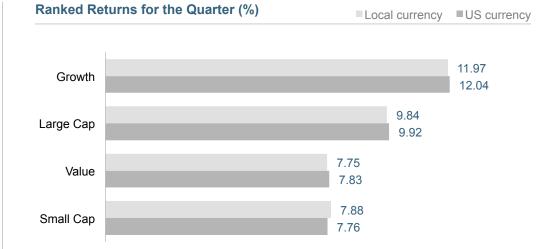
Emerging Markets Stocks

First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

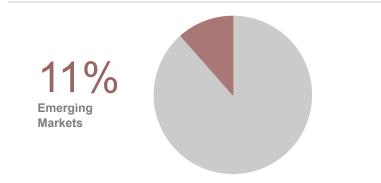
In US dollar terms, emerging markets underperformed developed markets, including the US.

Value outperformed growth across small cap stocks but underperformed in large caps.

Small caps underperformed large caps.



World Market Capitalization—Emerging Markets



Period Returns (%)

* Annualized

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Value	-5.3	9.5	2.2	7.8
Large Cap	-7.4	10.7	3.7	8.9
Growth	-9.5	11.8	5.0	10.0
Small Cap	-12.4	6.0	1.8	10.4

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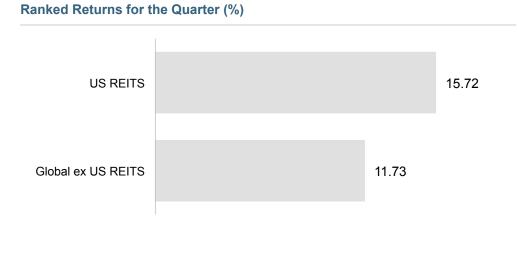


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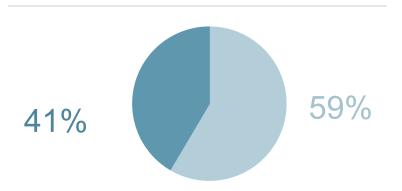
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

US real estate investment trusts outperformed non-US REITs in US dollar terms.



Total Value of REIT Stocks



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
US REITS	19.7	5.3	8.9	18.5
Global ex US REITS	4.8	4.3	5.0	12.2

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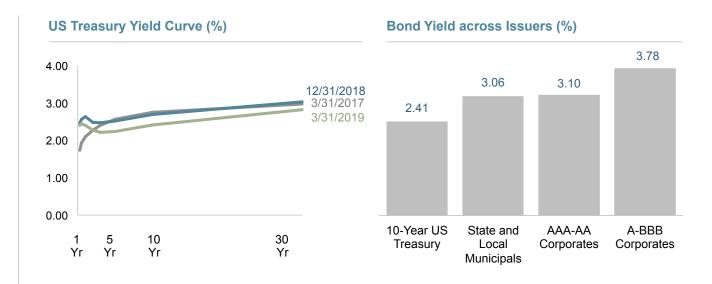
Fixed Income First Quarter 2019 Index Returns

Interest rates decreased in the US Treasury fixed income market during the first quarter. The yield on the 5year Treasury note declined 28 basis points (bps), ending at 2.23%. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note decreased 28 bps to 2.41%. The 30year Treasury bond yield fell 21 bps to finish at 2.81%.

On the short end of the curve, the 1month T-bill yield was relatively unchanged at 2.43%, while the 1-year T-bill yield dipped 23 bps to 2.40%. The 2-year Treasury note finished at 2.27% after a 21 bps decrease.

In terms of total returns, short-term corporate bonds gained 1.83%. Intermediate-term corporate bonds had a total return of 3.82%.

Total returns for short-term municipal bonds were 1.33%, while intermediate munis gained 2.78%. Revenue bonds outperformed general obligation bonds.



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond Index	2.9	5.4	2.7	3.7	4.7
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index	2.9	4.5	2.0	2.7	3.8
Bloomberg Barclays US Government Bond Index Long	4.6	6.2	1.5	5.4	5.2
Bloomberg Barclays US High Yield Corporate Bond Index	7.3	5.9	8.6	4.7	11.3
Bloomberg Barclays US TIPS Index	3.2	2.7	1.7	1.9	3.4
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years	0.3	-2.0	0.4	-1.0	0.7
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD)	1.2	3.1	1.6	1.7	1.7
ICE BofAML 1-Year US Treasury Note Index	0.8	2.4	1.2	0.9	0.7
ICE BofAML US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	0.6	2.1	1.2	0.7	0.4

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Global Fixed Income

First Quarter 2019 Yield Curves

Interest rates in the global developed markets generally decreased during the quarter.

Longer-term bonds generally outperformed shorter-term bonds.

Nominal rates in Germany and Japan are negative out to approximately 10 years.

Changes in Yields (bps) since 12/31/2018							
	1Y	5Y	10Y				
US	20.7	26.5	29.1				
UK	10.2	19.5	26.4				

17.9

5.6

33.6

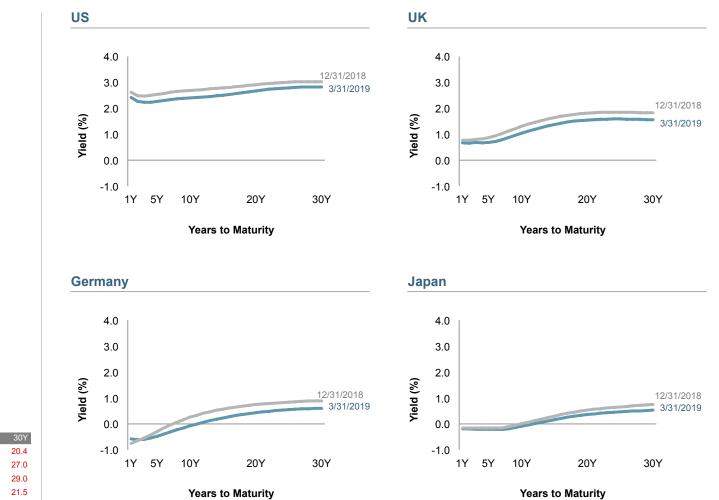
9.5

17.9

3.4

Germany

Japan



24.5

26.4

31.0

16.8







Wealth Stress Testing

In these uncertain times, you may know a friend, family member or colleague who may have a difficult situation, or who wonders whether they are getting the right advice, or simply needs sound professional advice but doesn't get it. That's not uncommon. Studies suggest that over 80 percent of "middle-class millionaires" would value a second opinion.*

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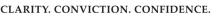
Paul earned pioneering designations as a Certified Financial Planner (CFP®), a ChFC® (Chartered Financial Consultant), and as a ATA (Accredited Tax Advisor). A graduate with distinction from the University of Rochester, Paul earned an MBA in Finance from the Simon Business School. His professional education includes MFP (Master of Science in Financial Planning) and MSFS (Master of Science in Financial Services). Finally, Marquis Who's Who presented Paul with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award.

THE PROFESSIONAL WEALTH MANAGEMENT PROCESS								
Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	Periodic			
Wealth Envisionment Session	Strategy Planning Sessions	Planning Commitment Session	Investment Planning Sessions	Wealth Planning Sessions	Strategy Progress Sessions			

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What to expect from wealth stress testing

We will meet with your friends and family in a conversation to explore their opportunities and concerns to see if we can help. If there is a fit, we will invite them back for a conversation about our findings. We may confirm whether they are on the right track with their existing financial advisors. Or if we are not the right fit, we will suggest another qualified professional firm that may be more appropriate. Either way, they will receive advice regarding their current wealth planning situation—easily a value of \$5,000 or more.

STRESS TESTING CONVERSATION



INTEGRATIVE WEALTH MANAGEMENT

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

- Strategic planning
- Goal monitoring
- Performance evaluation
- Risk evaluation
- Portfolio structuring
- Manager due diligence

WEALTH PLANNING

• Wealth enhancement, including tax minimization and liability restructuring

- Asset Protection
- Security of Heirs
- Legacy Planning
- Charitable Impact

RELATIONSHIP CONSULTATIONS

- Regularly scheduled calls, emails, reviews and in-person meetings
- Professional network, including accounting, tax, legal, insurance, actuarial and benefits experts







Let us help those you care about. Contact us today.

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