David Shubs - Equity Completion

November 2018

Investment Objective

This portfolio is predominantly an all equity portfolio with a close eye on capital preservation. The strategy is designed to preserve capital in difficult times and over the longer term, provide capital growth and income in the form of dividends. The long-term target asset allocation for the portfolio is 75% North American equity, 20% international equity and a small portion of cash.

Manager Comments

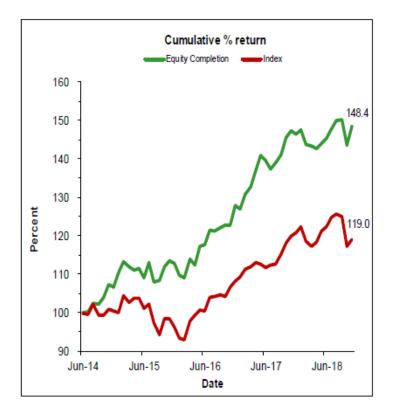
Only one month ago I wrote that world equity markets had one of their most volatile months in almost a decade. I am writing the same narrative 30 days later. The TSX index swung 3.9% only to end up 1.1%. The Dow Jones swung 8.0% only to end up 1.7% (Thomson Reuters, November 30, 2018).

A quick timeline of the month's market movement is: On November 6th, the Democrats won the house and republicans won senate. The US market moved up approximately 2.0% (Thomson Reuters, November 7, 2018). This was followed by 2 and a half weeks of selling led by a tech selloff in US, continued trade war escalation the saga of how the Brexit agreement will play out, oil price decline of 20% and reduced forecasts for worldwide economic growth. The market then started to rally on November 28 when the U.S. Fed Chair indicated that rate hikes may be near end. The TSX index increased 1.5%, and the Dow Jones moved approximately 2.5% (Thomson Reuters, November 28, 2018)

These ups and downs are becoming the norm vs. the exception. As such, it is more important than ever to understand the businesses that we own, what information could fundamentally change to their operating environment and quickly determine what is noise and what is news. Having this understanding allowed us to add to some of our positions in the month and find some potentially new opportunities. With the markets down and fear in the room, once the research is done and the thesis is firm, it could be a great time to go shopping.

Portfolio Facts

Portfolio Manager - David Shubs
Investment Approach - Fundamental & Quantitative
Risk Profile - Medium to High
Return Objective - Capital Growth and Dividend Income
Minimum Investment - \$250,000
Portfolio Inception Date – June 2014
Base Currency – Dual
Benchmark - 5% DEX 91-day T-Bill + 50% S&P/TSX
Composite + 35% S&P 500 (CAD) + 10% MSCI EAFE (CAD)



	1 Mo	3 Мо	6 Mo	1 Yr	2 Yr	3yr	Since Inception
Strategy	3.3%	(1.1)%	3.1%	0.7%	10.0%	9.3%	9.3%
Benchmark	1.4%	(5.3)%	(1.8)%	(0.6)%	5.6%	6.6%	4.0%

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