

VAN METER ASSOCIATES MULTI-CAP

Objective

We seek total return from a combination of capital appreciation, dividend and interest income.

Strategy

A flexible allocation across equity and debt securities focused on assets that we believe trade demonstrably below their historical median valuation in some important respect.

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Investment Discipline

Van Meter Associates Multi-Cap Strategy is managed with a combination of top down analysis and fundamental research.

Management seeks to limit risk and enhance return in two ways:

- 1) Identifying under-priced securities
- 2) Identifying under-priced asset categories.

We analyze potential risk and return primarily by locating mean-reverting relationships and attempting to assess where a security or asset class lies in its cycle. We consider not only stocks and bonds (paper assets broadly construed) but tangible assets (as they relate to personal brokerage accounts) and cash as asset classes.

We seek to limit risk by concentrating purchases in our highest conviction ideas across the spectrum of asset classes. We attempt to identify and take positions in securities and asset classes that trade demonstrably below their historical median valuation in some important respect. We also seek to avoid purchasing assets that are demonstrably above their median valuation in the same manner.

Our bias is to be invested to the client's maximum allocation to equities when it is possible to do so with a margin of valuation safety. Rising cash balances have and would continue to indicate that we cannot find ideas in which we have strong conviction.

Top Holdings per asset class as of October 1, 2009

Stocks

Large Cap

4% Coca Cola (KO)
4% Kinross Gold CP (KGC)
4% Barrick Gold Corp. (ABX)
4% Gold Corp (GG)
4% Agnico-Eagle (AEM)
3% Pfizer (PFE)
3% Wal-Mart (WMT)
3% National Oilwell Varco (NOV)
3% Devon Energy (DVN)

Mid Cap

3% Petrohawk Energy Corp (HK)
3% Tesoro Corp (TSO)

Small Cap

5% BLADEX (BLX)
3% Shaw Group (SHAW)
3% Wilbros Group (WG)
3% JAKKS Pacific (JAKK)
3% Alliant Energy (LNT)

Commodity Linked

Agriculture (7.5%)

Rogers Agri Index ETN
(RJA)

Metals (7.5%)

iPath Platinum TR sub-index
(PGM)

Fixed Income

Sovereign (7.5%)

Templeton (TEI)

Money Market

22.5%