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## Balanced Composite

quality assets. compelling valuations.

## **PHILOSOPHY:**

At ValueWorks we define value investing as buying the bestquality assets at the best possible prices. We like to think of ourselves as bargain hunters: it is our goal to pay only \$0.50 to \$0.75 for \$1.00 worth of assets. We evaluate the component parts of a company, assigning each of its assets a dollar value that, when added together, comprises the underlying value of the company; if this is higher than the company's stock price, we consider it an investment opportunity.

## PROCESS:

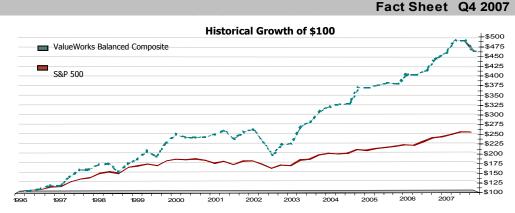
**1. Identification** We monitor the financial markets to identify securities that match our investment criteria—focusing on opportunities that appear misunderstood by the general market.

**2. Appraisal** First we identify the assets; then we appraise them. This allows us to determine the company's *underlying value.* We then decide whether the assets are of high quality and therefore likely to appreciate over time.

**3. Assessment** Here we assess any claims against a company's assets; we then compare the market price of the claims to the company's *underlying value*. If a particular security trades at a discount, we identify factors that could eliminate the valuation gap and increase its price. We then make a decision on the purchase of the security.

**4. Re-Evaluation** We continuously monitor our positions to determine if our original investment thesis still applies, taking necessary action to optimize our portfolio.

**5. Exit** We exit a position when a security either reaches full valuation or changes in its outlook invalidate part of our original thesis.



| Trailing Performance |                             |                            |   |       |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------|--|
|                      | ValueV<br><u>annualized</u> | Vorks<br><u>cumulative</u> | Blended Index*<br>annualized cumulative |       |  |
| 10 year              | 11.21                       | 189.41                     | 6.38                                    | 85.58 |  |
| 5 Year               | 15.75                       | 107.75                     | 8.61                                    | 51.15 |  |
| 3 Year               | 7.68                        | 24.85                      | 6.71                                    | 21.51 |  |
| 1 Year               | 4.07                        | 4.07                       | 6.44                                    | 6.44  |  |

| Va                          | lueWorks' Mark         | et Capture over 5 yrs  |               |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| ValueWo                     | orks Balanced Composit | e S&P 500              | 2007          |
| 115%                        |                        |                        | 2006          |
| 115%                        |                        |                        | 2005          |
| -                           |                        | Up Mkt Capture: 204%   | <b>6</b> 2004 |
|                             |                        |                        | 2003          |
| -                           | 56%                    | Down Mkt Capture: 100% | <b>o</b> 2002 |
| -                           |                        |                        | 2001          |
|                             |                        | -3% -3%                | 2000          |
|                             |                        | -3% -3%                | 1999          |
|                             |                        |                        | 1998          |
| Total gain in<br>up markets |                        | Total loss in          | 1997          |
| up                          | markets                | down markets           | 1996          |

|  | 5 years  | 0.95     | 3.57    |  |  |
|--|----------|----------|---------|--|--|
|  | 5 / 64.5 | 0.50     |         |  |  |
|  | 3 years  | 0.87     | 0.17    |  |  |
| Performance History through 12 31 2007 |          |          |         |  |  |
|  | Gross o  | f Net of | Blended |  |  |
|  | Fees     | Fees     | Index*  |  |  |
| 2007                                   | 4.07     | 2.53     | 6.44    |  |  |
| 2006                                   | 17.34    | 15.59    | 9.98    |  |  |
| 2005                                   | 2.24     | 0.77     | 3.80    |  |  |
| 2004                                   | 19.64    | 18.09    | 7.70    |  |  |
| 2003                                   | 39.08    | 36.88    | 15.50   |  |  |
| 2002                                   | -12.78   | -14.36   | -6.15   |  |  |
| 2001                                   | 4.87     | 3.10     | -1.29   |  |  |

**Measures of Risk/Return** 

vs Blended Index\*

Beta

0.77

10 year

Alpha

9.06

|  |              | -3%       | -3%       | 2000<br>1999 | 6.28<br>31.32 | 4.35<br>28.89 | 1.02<br>9.95 |
|--|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| ┛╷┖                                    |              |           |           | 1999         | 9.13          | 20.09         | 9.95         |
| gain in Total loss in                  |              | 1990      | 34.81     | 32.51        | 21.18         |               |              |
| narkets                                | down markets |           | 1996      | 18.66        | 16.54         | 12.96         |              |
| Historical Quarterly Results vs. Index |              |           |           |              |               |               |              |
| ValueWorks (gross) Blended Index*      |              |           |           |              |               |               |              |
| <u>Q1</u>                              | <u>Q2</u>    | <u>Q3</u> | <u>Q4</u> | <u>Q1</u>    | <u>Q2</u>     | <u>Q3</u>     | <u>Q4</u>    |
| 3.17                                   | 6.87         | 0.17      | -5.78     | 1.07         | 2.87          | 2.49          | -0.11        |
| 6.66                                   | -0.25        | 2.54      | 7.55      | 1.78         | -0.79         | 4.76          | 3.96         |
| -0.12                                  | 1.74         | 1.42      | -0.80     | -1.29        | 2.24          | 1.50          | 1.34         |
| 3.99                                   | 1.51         | 0.48      | 12.79     | 2.17         | -0.37         | 0.67          | 5.09         |
| 1.39                                   | 19.62        | 4.89      | 9.32      | -0.88        | 8.95          | 1.27          | 5.61         |
| 3.02                                   | -12.50       | -14.55    | 13.24     | 0.12         | -4.85         | -6.20         | 5.02         |
| 2.36                                   | 3.90         | -8.07     | 7.26      | -4.42        | 3.13          | -4.92         | 5.32         |
| 9.24                                   | -2.75        | 0.04      | 0.00      | 2.32         | -0.52         | 1.01          | -1.75        |
| 7.37                                   | 10.91        | -6.75     | 18.26     | 2.20         | 3.06          | -2.76         | 7.36         |
|  |              |           |           |              |               |               |              |

7.77

1.07

1.80

2.83

10.54

2.48

-2.86

5.41

2.45

10.84

2.90

5.69

\*The Blended Index is 50% S&P Total Return and 50% Merrill Lynch master Bond Index

2007

2006

2005 2004

2003

2002

2001

2000

1999

1998

1997

1996

7.81

-0.14

4.94

The above benchmark indices are unmanaged indices. Beta was calculated using the S&P 500 as the market proxy. The benchmark performance numbers reflect the reinvestment of dividends and interest but do not reflect the deduction of any fees or expenses. ValueWorks' value investing style is not limited to the securities in any of the above indices and utilizes specific investment techniques which are not utilized in the above indices and which may or may not increase volatility. Returns include all dividends, interest, accrued interest and other cash flows received as they may result from the implementation of a particular investment strategy. Trade date accounting has been used. Results for the full period are time weighted. Accounts are included in composite at the start of the first full period under management. From 1996–Q1 1998 exiting accounts are included through the last full period under management.

1.00

19.26

1.28

-11.27

12.29

4.57

12.95

0.81

6.77

As of 12 31 2007 the Balanced Composite consisted 125 accounts and \$75,914,615 in assets; this represents 19.50% of total accounts and 25.86% of total assets of the firm. These results were generated at other firms prior to 9/30/01. Information on other composites is available on request.

## Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.