Small-Mid Cap Value

QUARTERLY UPDATE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018



Investment Objective

Long-term total return > Russell 2500 Value index plus 200 to 400 bps

Strategy Highlights

River Road's Small-Mid Cap Value (SMID) Strategy focuses on companies between \$250 MM and \$10 B in market capitalization. The SMID Strategy employs the same bottomup, fundamentally driven investment process as the firm's Small Cap Value Strategy.

- Bottom-up, fundamentally driven stock selection
- Balanced diversification
- Structured sell discipline

Low Volatility Returns

- Target volatility < Russell 2500 Value
- Ranked among the top 17% of peers over the prior five-year period¹

Beta vs S&P 500 (Trailing 5 YR)1



Portfolio Managers



J. Justin Akin
15 years of experience;
managed Portfolio since 2012
Centre College, BS



19 years of experience; managed Portfolio since inception

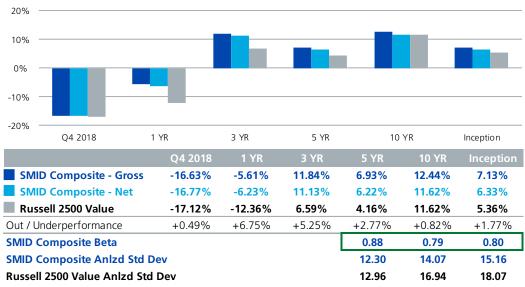
University of Louisville, BS Babson College, MBA

R. Andrew Beck



James C. Shircliff, CFA
45 years of experience;
managed Portfolio since inception
University of Louisville, BS

Performance Summary



Performance is shown gross and net of fees. Inception date: March 1, 2007. Out/underperformance compares Small-Mid Cap Value gross performance and Russell 2500 Value. Volatility, measured as beta and standard deviation, is based on trailing 60 month gross of fee composite performance. Average peer beta presented; peer information provided for the eVestment US Small-Mid Cap Value Equity Universe as of the date of publication and is subject to change. eA collects information directly from investment management firms and other sources believed to be reliable from which it conducts quarterly reviews to classify all products and create peer universes. River Road does not pay eA to be included in the universe, and may not be included in the universe, but does pay for access to this service and data. Source: River Road Asset Management LLC, eVestment Alliance (eA), FactSet Research Systems Inc., Russell Investment Group, and Standard and Poor's. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Please see reverse side for important disclosure information.

Portfolio Review

U.S. stocks plummeted in Q4 as lofty valuations, rising fed rates, and declining growth expectations intersected with a festering trade war and partial government shutdown. The toxic combination weighed heavily on investor sentiment with **the S&P 500 posting its second worst December on record (-9.03%) and biggest yearly drop (-4.38%) since 2008**. Although the index failed to technically reach bear market territory, on Christmas Eve it **closed within 64 bps of a -20% decline from its September 20 high-water mark**.

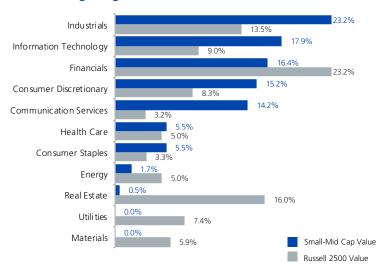
Unfortunately, small caps did plunge into bear market territory with the Russell 2000 index declining <u>-26.89%</u> from its August 31 peak, before modestly rebounding into year end. From a style perspective, across all market caps, **growth stocks lagged value for the quarter but remained well ahead for the year**. For the first time since 2008, all nine style boxes delivered negative returns for the year.

Outperformance in the Portfolio during Q4 was driven by positive sector allocation, primarily an underweight position in Energy and overweight allocation to Communication Services. The top contributing holding in the Portfolio during the quarter was **Air Transport Services Group Inc. (ATSG)**, the premier lessor of the midsize freighter Boeing 767. Late in the quarter, **Amazon (AMZN) expanded the scope and duration of its long-term aircraft leasing and services contracts with ATSG**. Amazon will also receive additional warrants at strike prices significantly higher than the warrants AMZN received in 2016 (\$21.53 versus \$9.73). This agreement not only extends ATSG's contracts with AMZN to 2028 or beyond but also enables AMZN to own up to **39.9%** of ATSG. This mutually beneficial partnership will improve ATSG's cash flow visibility while Amazon gains critical airlift capability necessary to execute its e-commerce strategy.

The bottom contributing holding in the Portfolio during Q4 was **Conduent Inc. (CNDT)**, a global business process outsourcer with expertise in transaction processing, customer care, HR services, analytics, and automation. **During the quarter, CNDT increased its litigation reserve with the state of Texas from \$38 MM to \$110 MM (\$0.52 per CDNT share) as a result of unsuccessful settlement discussions.** We were previously aware of this lawsuit and became comfortable with the risk after we read the report written by the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Government's Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The investigation concluded the state of Texas did not "properly review each prior-authorization request for medical necessity" and it is "ultimately responsible for contractor compliance." HHS later billed Texas for \$133 MM of unnecessary payments charged to Medicaid. The state of Texas is suing CNDT for \$2 B (\$9.50/share). The trial is set for May 2019. We believe a settlement is the most likely outcome.

We were able to identify numerous high quality investments during the recent market weakness and, despite strong relative performance in 2018, we believe the Portfolio is well positioned coming into 2019. According to FactSet, the Portfolio's price to cash flow (**valuation**) is **11.3x versus 11.5x** for the benchmark; return on equity (**quality**) is **12.8% versus 9.1%**; and the Portfolio's long-term earnings growth estimate (**growth**) is **49.7% versus 49.4%**.

Sector Weightings



Characteristics

	RRAM SMID	Russell 2500 Value
Number of Holdings	62	1,748
Price / Earnings ¹	13.5	14.2
Price / Cash Flow	11.3	11.5
Price / Book	1.44	1.49
ROE (5 YR Avg)	12.8	9.1
EPS Growth (5 YR)	3.7	5.9
Cash Flow Growth (5 YR)	8.0	4.9
LT Growth Estimate	9.7	9.4
Wtd Avg Mkt Cap (B)	\$3.44	\$4.36
Wtd Med Mkt Cap (B)	\$2.33	\$3.86

Portfolio Contribution

Top Contributors				
		Weight	to Return	
ATSG	Air Transport Services Group Inc.	1.70%	+0.34%	
TECD	Tech Data Corp.	1.68%	+0.19%	
GNW	Genworth Financial Inc. (CI A)	1.03%	+0.12%	
ATNI	ATN International Inc.	0.25%	+0.06%	
VVI	Viad Corp.	1.01%	+0.04%	
Bottom Contributors				
CNDT	Conduent Inc.	1.84%	-1.24%	
AVYA	Avaya Holdings Corp.	2.12%	-0.87%	
GLIBA	GCI Liberty Inc. (Cl A)	4.16%	-0.84%	
DISCK	Discovery Inc. (CI C)	2.93%	-0.66%	
LKQ	LKQ Corp.	2.63%	-0.66%	

Top 10 Portfolio Holdings

Symbol	Company	% of Portfolio
WTM	White Mountains Insurance Group Ltd.	4.51%
GLIBA	GCI Liberty Inc. (Cl A)	4.04%
TWNK	Hostess Brands Inc. (Cl A)	3.55%
CNNE	Cannae Holdings Inc.	3.35%
LEXEA	Liberty Expedia Holdings Inc. (CI A)	3.24%
SABR	Sabre Corp.	2.98%
LBRDK	Liberty Broadband Corp. (Cl C)	2.91%
LKQ	LKQ Corp.	2.86%
PINC	Premier Inc. (CI A)	2.71%
ATSG	Air Transport Services Group Inc.	2.70%

GICS sector breakdown reflects percent of equity; stocks without a reported sector are not presented. ¹Excludes negative earnings. Source: River Road Asset Management LLC, eVestment Alliance (eA), FactSet Research Systems Inc., Russell Investment Group, and Standard and Poor's.

Average Contribution

Portfolio contribution calculated for the Q4 2018 period. For the purpose of assessing top and bottom contributors, the contribution of child securities is aggregated with that of the parent for corporate actions that occurred during the most recent calendar quarter. The holdings identified do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended. To receive information regarding the methodology for calculating the top/bottom contributors or a list showing every holding's contribution to the overall Small-Mid Cap Value Composite and/or representative portfolio performance contact Thomas D. Mueller, CFA, CPA at (502) 371-4100 or thomas.mueller@riverroadam.com. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

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