## INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

## December 12, 2017

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

**Quarterly Investment Review** 



Nick A. Khouri, State Treasurer

Prepared by Bureau of Investments Michigan Department of Treasury

## **INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

## **DECEMBER 12, 2017**

## Agenda



9:30 a.m.	Call to Order and Opening Remarks
9:40 a.m.	Approval of the 9/7/17 IAC Meeting Minutes
9:45 a.m.	Executive Summary & Performance for Periods Ending 9/30/17
10:00 a.m.	Current Asset Allocation Review Markets Review and Outlook
10:15 a.m.	Review of Investment Reports  • Fixed Income  • Domestic Equity  • International Equity  • Private Equity  • Real Estate & Infrastructure  • Absolute and Real Return/Opportunistic  Basket Clause – Receive and File
11:00 a.m.	Closing Remarks ~ Adjournment



## 2018 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, March 8, 2018 Thursday, June 7, 2018 Thursday, September 6, 2018 Tuesday, December 11, 2018

All meetings start at 9:30 a.m.

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## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## **MINUTES**

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



Jon M. Braeutigam
Chief Investment Officer
Bureau of Investments

## INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Investment Advisory Committee (IAC) held its quarterly meeting on Thursday, September 7, 2017, at the Bureau of Investments, Great Lakes Conference Room, 2501 Coolidge Road, Suite 400, East Lansing, Michigan.

### Members Present:

L. Erik Lundberg, Acting Chair Reginald G. Sanders Al Pscholka, DTMB Allan Pohl, LARA

In attendance from the Department of Treasury:

Treasurer Nick Khouri	Jon M. Braeutigam	Robert Brackenbury
Gregory J. Parker	Jim Elkins	Peter Woodford
Jack Behar	Brian Liikala	Patrick Moraniec
Dan Quigley	Travis Haney	Woody Tyler
Ann Stange	Tim Reynolds	Giles Feldpausch
Ann Storberg	Karen Stout	Lee Logan
Semone James Howes	Mark Porrell	Barb Becker
Lori Barrett	Annette Russell	Marge McPhee

## Others in attendance:

Max Kotary	Tim McEnery	Joe Hernandez
Molly Jason	Dick Holcomb	Paul Lerg
Chuck Abshagen	Mark Guastella	June Morse
Kerrie VandenBosch	John Ide	David Lebovitz

## **Call to Order**

State Treasurer, Nick Khouri called the September 7, 2017, IAC meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., requesting that Mr. Erik Lundberg act as Chair for the meeting.

## Approval of the June 8, 2017, Minutes

 Mr. Lundberg asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2017, IAC meeting. Mr. Al Pscholka so moved, seconded by Mr. Reginald Sanders, there were no objections – motion carried.

## **Executive Summary Tab –** Performance Review – Mr. Jon Braeutigam

 Mr. Braeutigam discussed the one-year return which essentially matched the peer median return. The three, five, seven, and ten-year returns; however, substantially outperformed the peer median returns.

- He further noted that the ten-year return of 5.7% compared to the ten-year peer median return of 5.3% adds an excess of \$4 billion of value. Therefore, the plan would have over \$4 billion less if the peer median was earned during these time periods. Good job to the entire team that helped produce these returns.
- Mr. Braeutigam stated that the returns fell just slightly below the policy benchmark due to being tactically underweight risk assets verse target allocations.

## Performance and Asset Allocation Tabs – Mr. Greg Parker

- Mr. Parker made three observations: the first observation is that over the past year, the bond portfolio within the long term fixed income portfolio returned 3.4% compared to the benchmark return of -0.3%. The second observation: over the past periods the portfolio is at median or better which is a great accomplishment. And the third observation: historically, going back twenty years or more, the fixed income portfolio has been on a trailing ten year, plus or minus, 20 basis points (bps) annualized to the benchmark. Most recently however long term fixed income has earned over 100 bps annualized on a ten year basis. This is a phenomenal job.
- Mr. Parker explained that within private markets, real estate has beat their peers
  across all time periods, and private equity has outperformed all time periods with the
  exception of the one-year.
- Mr. Parker discussed private equity, which had a ten-year return of 10% (net of fees).
   He noted how valuable private equity has been to the portfolio; if the monies allocated ten years ago to private equity had been allocated to public equities (domestic and international), the plan would be approximately \$5 billion less today.
- Mr. Lundberg noted that private equity stands out as the highest performing asset class over any long period of time. He stated one reason is because it is less liquid, therefore the return is greater if invested prudently.
- There was also discussion on the importance of private equity, negotiating to lower fees, the influx of new investors into the private equity market being good for current investors, the necessity of long-term investing, and keeping good general partner relationships in place. These all play a role in generating good returns from private equity.
- Mr. Parker reviewed asset allocation noting that short-term cash increased by about \$600 million, a little less than one percent over the past twelve months.
- He discussed that over the past twelve months, the net benefit payments to pensioners was approximately \$2 billion.
- He further explained that most asset classes were sources of funds over the past twelve months, with the exception of International Equity in which approximately \$500 million was allocated and real return opportunistic.

• Mr. Braeutigam stated that \$65.6 billion is a record high for the fund, despite the pension plans paying out net benefit payments every year.

## <u>Guest Speaker</u> – Mr. David Lebovitz, Vice President, J.P. Morgan Asset Management Global Market Insights Strategy Team

- Mr. Lebovitz discussed the growth of the markets in the different sectors. He
  discussed international equity noting the growth in this sector; the monitory policy; the
  internal composition of the Fed; fixed income and diversification; real estate and
  macro funds; hedge fund correlations; private equity and private credit.
- Mr. Lebovitz noted the rising rates in the public markets and what this would mean to
  equities. He noted the global growth, the opportunities in fixed income, and the upside
  in equities and international equity exposure.
- Mr. Lebovitz discussed the valuation predictor of future returns.
- There were lengthy discussions on the different topics of his presentation. Several questions were asked and answered during his presentation.

## Fixed Income Review - Mr. Dan Quigley

- Mr. Quigley briefly discussed performance stating that on a relative basis performance
  has been strong. Peers were exceeded across all time periods. Last year was
  especially strong with a relative outperformance of 370 bps.
- Mr. Quigley stated that the division's current position is to reduce high-yield, high-risk assets, moving them into structured assets decreasing loss should crises occur.
- Mr. Quigley further discussed the duration perspective noting avoiding major surprises and major bouts of volatility are a major objective. He also discussed the yield curve.
- Mr. Quigley noted that securities are being considered which pay a better relative value, and have an embedded cheap insurance.

## <u>Domestic Equity Review</u> – Mr. Jack Behar

- Mr. Behar discussed the portfolio noting that performance has been very good over the past year, ending July 31, 2017, outperforming the S&P 1500 by 80 bps on a oneyear basis.
- Mr. Behar discussed the externally managed portfolio, which had a very nice run. He stated they had outperformed the S&P 1500 by 120 bps over the past year due in part to the overlay strategy of the portfolio.
- Mr. Behar reviewed the internally managed portfolios, which are outperforming on a one-year basis ending July 31, 2017.

• Mr. Behar explained how the overlay strategy works and that the results are an increase in the reinvestment rate.

## Review of Investment Reports – Received and Filed

• The International Equity, Private Equity, Real Estate & Infrastructure, Absolute and Real Return/Opportunistic, and the Basket Clause were received and filed.

## **Closing Remarks**

Acting Chair Lundberg thanked everyone for attending the September IAC Meeting.

## **Next Meeting Date and Adjournment**

The next IAC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12, 2017. The meeting was adjourned by Acting Chair Lundberg at 11:05 a.m.

Approved:	
James B. Nicholson, Chair	

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



Gregory J. Parker, CFA
Director of Investments – Public Markets
Director of Asset Allocation
Bureau of Investments

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## September 2017

## **Performance**

An overview.

MPSERS Plan (9/30/17)	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Annualized Returns	13.8%	7.9%	10.3%	10.2%	5.9%
Policy Return	13.7%	8.5%	10.4%	10.5%	6.2%
Peer Median Return*	12.7%	7.2%	9.0%	9.0%	5.4%

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Universe greater than \$10 billion.

- Over the past three, five, seven, and ten years, the returns are significantly higher than peer median returns. When compared to the State Street Universe of public pension plans greater than \$10 billion, the returns are mostly within the top quartile of returns. As notable, over the past three and five years, the returns were the least risky, as measured by standard deviation.
- The ten-year return includes the impact of the global financial crisis. Over a very long horizon, since 1979, the annualized rate of return on the plan assets has been approximately 9.4%.
- Compounding even slightly higher than peer returns on \$67.5 billion of SMRS' assets, significantly adds up over time. For example, the ten-year annualized return of 5.9% compared to the 5.4% peer median return would add approximately \$5.5 billion of value to SMRS' assets over a ten-year period.
- The returns beat the policy benchmark over the past year by 0.1%. Many of the asset classes posted results in excess of their performance benchmark, however a slightly defensive allocation offset some of the positive selectivity.
- For the year ending September 2017, returns exceeded the peer median return by 1.1%. The
  returns of the individual asset classes were better than median returns over this time period and
  a lower weighting to fixed income also helped to achieve returns higher than peers.

## **Asset Allocation**

A low return environment.

- Given the historically low rates of return available in the capital markets for safe, short-term bonds, and in order for the assets to earn the long-term actuarial rates of returns, additional risks (primarily equity risk) must be assumed.
- Liquidity is another fundamental risk assumed and it is managed through asset allocation. The
  plans have outstanding capital commitments to fund approximately \$11 billion in illiquid assets,
  primarily in private equity. In the September 2017 quarter, approximately \$1 billion of new
  commitments were made.
- The combined systems paid out approximately \$2.2 billion net of contributions over the past twelve months ending in September 2017.
- Over the past year international equity had a net inflow of \$500 million, Real Return / Opportunistic received an allocation of approximately \$70 million and the allocation to short-term cash increased by approximately \$600 million. Over the past year in round numbers, the allocation to domestic equity was reduced by \$2.4 billion, real estate by \$460 million, and absolute return by \$240 million and private equity by \$230 million.

## **Capital Markets**

Risk assets in focus.

- Capital market assumptions used for determining strategic asset allocations are being reduced
  across the board, and especially for safer, publicly traded fixed income securities. This is the general
  opinion for most consultants, investment banks, and other market participants. The reason for this
  phenomenon is the low interest rate environment caused by the policies of the Federal Reserve and
  other central banks, as well as the run-up in prices for most risk assets over the past five years after
  the depths of the Great Recession.
- While earnings in U.S. equities have made a new plateau, earnings in international markets can grow close to 50% to get back to all-time highs, or 15% to get to longer-term trends. Trading at a valuation multiple discount, and seemingly with some relative strength, international equity represents a leveraged play on continued global growth.
- By the end of October 2017, the S&P 500 had not experienced a pull-back of greater than 3% for almost 250 trading days. The record for such persistent low volatility was set in 1995 at 266 trading days. Extended periods of both low implied and realized market volatility are common, but are rarely a pre-cursor to spikes in volatility. However, its juxtaposition with today's political environment and critical central bank policy changes simply feel wrong to many market participants.

## **Economic Backdrop**

A pretty good U.S. economy.

- The current economic expansion in the U.S. is into its eighth year, ranking it the third longest economic expansion in the past seventy years.
- The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta tracks wage growth of individuals and the trend in wage growth is steadily increasing. Its three-month median wage growth hit 3.4% in October 2017. Inflation hawks are looking for an acceleration in labor costs, potentially leading to a compression in corporate profit margins, however at this time the fear of such conditions is much greater than actual experiences.
- Housing prices in the U.S. are high. This is good for household balance sheets, but may act as a
  headwind for household formations. According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the median sales
  price of new houses sold in the U.S. is \$315,200, up over 22% from the 2007 peak. Low interest
  rates make housing as affordable as it has been in the past eight years, but less affordable compared
  to historical trends going back to the 1980s.

## Investment Update Highlighting the quarter.

(\$ Millions)

## **NEW COMMITMENTS**

## **July 1 – September 30, 2017**

Asset Class	Fund Name / (Managed By)	Commitment
Private Equity		
	Insight Venture Partners X (Insight Venture Associates X, LP)	\$100.0
	Flagship Pioneering VI (Flagship Pioneering Fund VI GP, LLC)	75.0
	Apax Digital Fund (Apax Partners)	50.0
	Science Ventures Fund II (Science Ventures Fund II GP, LLC)	20.0
Real Estate & Inf	rastructure	
	Rialto Absolute Partnership I (Rialto Capital Management, LLC)	75.0
	TSP Fund II, LP (Transwestern Strategic Partners, LLC)	50.0
	TSP Spartan C-II, LLC, (Transwestern Strategic Partners, LLC)	20.0
Absolute and Re	al Return & Opportunistic	
	Barings Asset-Based Income Fund I (Barings Alternative Investments)	300.0
	BSCH Parallel (MLG) I, LP (Blackstone Strategic Capital Holdings)	120.0
	Vida Insurance Credit Opportunity Fund II, LP (Vida Capital Management)	100.0
	SJC Direct Lending Revolver Fund III, LP (Czech Asset Management)	100.0
	Napier Park Aircraft Leasing Rollover Fund I, LLC (Napier Park Global Cap	ital) 77.3

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## **PERFORMANCE**

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Jon M. Braeutigam
Chief Investment Officer
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## Bureau of Investments

## Mission Statement

The Bureau of Investments continually strives to provide quality investment management services, broad professional expertise, and independent advice to the State Treasurer as fiduciary of the State of Michigan Retirement Systems, and various Michigan trust funds and the State's common cash.

## **SMRS Goals**

Maintain sufficient liquidity to pay benefits.

Meet or exceed the actuarial assumption over the long term.

Perform in the top half of the public plan universe over the long term.

Diversify assets to reduce risk.

Exceed individual asset class benchmarks over the long term.

## **MPSERS PENSION**

Periods Ending September 30, 2017 Time-Weighted Rates of Return

	% of Portfolio	Ten Years	r S	Seven Years	en 's 1	Five	ve rs <sup>1</sup>	Three Years 1	ee 's_1	One	ie ar	Current	ent ter
	9/30/17	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank
TOTAL PLAN	100.0	5.9	29	10.2	80	10.3	œ	7.9	22	13.8	25	4.1	6
Median - Greater than \$10 Billion <sup>2</sup> MPSERS Total Plan Policy		5.4		9.0		9.0		7.2		12.7		3.6	
DOMESTIC EQUITIES  Median 2  Median 2	24.8	<b>7.5</b> 7.5	52	13.8	40	<b>14.4</b> 13.7	39	<b>10.1</b> 10.1	48	<b>19.9</b> 18.5	22	<b>5.3</b>	19
INTERNATIONAL EQUITIES  Median <sup>2</sup> International Blended Benchmark <sup>3</sup>	18.3	7.0 1.9 2.0	53	<b>6.8</b> 6.8	45	<b>8.5</b> 8.5	62	<b>6.7</b> 6.0 6.0	31	21.0 19.5	29	<b>6.5</b> 6.3	4
PRIVATE EQUITIES  Median <sup>2</sup> Alternative Blended Benchmark <sup>4</sup>	15.7	9.9 7.1 11.4	6	<b>14.8</b> 10.7 18.5	10	<b>14.2</b> 10.3 17.8	13	<b>10.4</b> 8.2 12.8	19	<b>16.4</b> 12.5 21.3	18	<b>6.0</b> 2.7 3.8	က
<b>BONDS</b> Median <sup>2</sup> Barclays Aggregate	12.4	<b>5.5</b> 4.7 4.3	15	<b>4.1</b> 3.8 3.0	42	<b>3.5</b> 2.4 2.1	15	<b>4.4</b> 3.3 2.7	20	<b>2.9</b> 1.8 0.1	29	<b>1.3</b> 1.0 0.9	25
REAL ESTATE & INFRASTRUCTURE  Median <sup>2</sup> NCREIF - Property Blended Index <sup>5</sup> NCREIF Open Fund Index Net	9.7	<b>4.1</b> 3.6 4.9 4.1	49	<b>11.3</b> 9.8 11.5	41	<b>11.6</b> 10.6 8.9 10.6	31	9.7 8.4 9.8	44	8.0 6.1 5.5 6.7	35	<b>1.8</b> 1.7 1.6 1.6	44
REAL RETURN AND OPPORTUNISTIC 50% (CPI +500 bps) + 50% (8% actuarial rate)	9.0			9.7 7.4		11.0 7.2		<b>8.3</b> 7.1		<b>12.3</b> 7.7		<b>2.8</b> 2.0	
ABSOLUTE RETURN HFRI FOF Cons 1 month lagged CASH EQUIVALENTS 1 Month T-Bill	6.0	<b>0.5</b>		<b>4.9</b> 2.9 <b>0.5</b> 0.1		5.5 3.5 0.6 0.2		2.8 1.7 0.7 0.3		<b>7.8</b> 4.6 <b>1.0</b> 0.6		<b>1.7</b> 0.8 <b>0.4</b> 0.2	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Annualized Returns and Percentile Rank.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comparison universe is the Strate Street Universe comprised of Public Funds greater than \$10 billion on the total plan level and greater than \$10 billion for asset classes.

<sup>3</sup> International blended benchmark is S&P Developed BMI-EPAC 50/50 prior to 1/1/10. S&P Developed BMI-EPAC 75 USD / 25 Local, 1/1/10 to 9/30/10. MSCI ACWI ex USA Gross 10/1/10 to present.

<sup>4</sup> SP 500 + 300 bps thru 12/31/06. Ending market value (EMV) weighted blend of 10 yr yield + 300 bps and SP 500 + 300 bps 12/31/06 to 9/30/09. EMV weighted blend of 10 yr yield + 300 bps current.

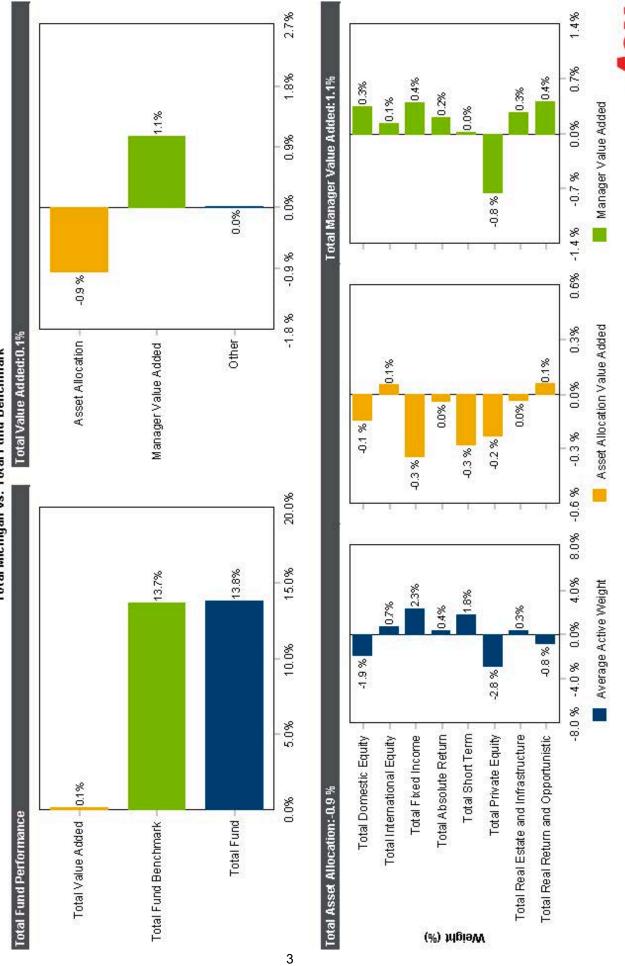
<sup>5</sup> NCREIF - Property Blended Index is NPI minus 75 bps prior to October 2005, NPI minus 130 bps current.

Source: State Street Analytics; the NCREIF - NPI (Property Index) source is NCREIF; the S&P BMI-EPAC Index source is S&P.

1 Year Ending September 30, 2017

## **Total Fund Attribution**

Total Michigan vs. Total Fund Benchmark



## Cumulative and Consecutive Total Fund Returns

			MPS	ERS						
		Cumula	Cumulative For Yea	ars Ending 9/30/17	9/30/17					
	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year	6 Year	7 Year	8 Year	9 Year	10 Year
MPSERS	13.8	10.6	6.7	8.6	10.3	10.8	10.2	10.0	8.1	5.9
Public Plan - Median (> \$10 billion)*	12.7	11.1	7.2	8.1	9.0	10.1	0.6	9.1	7.7	5.4
Rank	25	78	22	4	<b>∞</b>	36	œ	17	25	29
bp Difference - Median	108	-47	65	162	135	7	125	06	46	45
		Con	Consecutive Fo	or Years Ending	ding					
	09/17	09/16	09/15	09/14	09/13	09/12	09/11	04/10	60/60	80/60
MPSERS	13.8	9.7	5.6	15.6	12.5	13.4	9.9	8.8	-6.1	-12.3
Public Plan - Median (> \$10 billion)*	12.7	8.6	-0.2	11.0	12.7	15.9	2.3	10.3	-0.2	-14.6
Rank	25	96	4	က	22	84	4	84	83	23
bp Difference - Median	108	-216	278	458	-23	-242	429	-144	-590	234

			MSE	ERS						
		Cumula	Cumulative For Yea	ears Ending 9/30/17	9/30/17					
	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year	6 Year	7 Year	8 Year	9 Year	10 Year
MSERS	13.8	10.7	6.7	8.6	10.3	10.8	10.2	10.0	8.0	5.8
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	11.2	7.2	8.0	8.9	6.6	8.9	9.2	7.7	5.4
Rank	24	92	20	4	12	36	4	20	35	39
bp Difference - Median	132	-49	74	174	143	87	126	80	53	36
		Con	Consecutive Fo	or Years Ending	ding					
	09/17	09/16	09/15	09/14	09/13	09/12	09/11	04/10	60/60	80/60
MSERS	13.8	9.7	5.6	15.5	12.5	13.4	6.5	8.5	-6.3	-12.4
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	9.8	-0.5	10.8	12.7	16.0	1.9	10.5	0.2	-14.4
Rank	24	83	က	က	52	82	2	98	87	29
bp Difference - Median	132	-222	302	472	-20	-259	456	-195	-643	199

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Public Funds Universe

## Cumulative and Consecutive Total Fund Returns

			MSF	PRS						
		Cumula	Cumulative For Yea	ars Ending	Ending 9/30/17					
	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year	6 Year	7 Year	8 Year	9 Year	10 Year
MSPRS	13.8	10.7	7.9	9.7	10.3	10.8	10.2	10.0	8.0	5.8
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	11.2	7.2	8.0	8.9	6.6	8.9	9.2	7.7	5.4
Rank	24	22	21	4	4	37	4	20	35	39
bp Difference - Median	132	-49	73	171	140	82	126	79	56	36
		Con	Consecutive Fo	or Years Ending	ding					
	09/17	09/16	09/15	09/14	09/13	09/12	09/11	04/10	60/60	80/60
MSPRS	13.8	9.7	2.5	15.5	12.4	13.3	6.7	8.5	-6.5	-12.2
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	8.6	-0.5	10.8	12.7	16.0	1.9	10.5	0.2	-14.4
Rank	24	83	က	က	53	83	4	98	88	21
bp Difference - Median	132	-223	301	464	-25	-272	482	-196	-665	223

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		Cumulat	Cumulative For Years Ending 9/30/17	ars Ending	9/30/17					
	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year	6 Year	7 Year	8 Year	9 Year	10 Year
MJRS	13.9	10.7	6.7	9.6	10.1	10.7	10.1	9.7	7.8	9.5
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	11.2	7.2	8.0	8.9	6.6	8.9	9.2	7.7	5.4
Rank	23	75	19	4	16	38	18	38	49	43
bp Difference - Median	139	-45	75	159	124	62	114	20	7	21
		Cons	Consecutive For	or Years Ending	ding					
	09/17	09/16	09/15	09/14	09/13	09/12	09/11	04/10	60/60	80/60
MJRS	13.9	9.7	2.5	14.9	12.1	13.9	6.1	7.0	-6.4	-11.7
Public Plan - Median (> \$1 billion)*	12.5	9.8	-0.5	10.8	12.7	16.0	1.9	10.5	0.2	-14.4
Rank	23	68	က	က	62	22	9	100	87	12
bp Difference - Median	139	-222	299	407	-59	-206	417	-344	-651	273

\*State Street Public Funds Universe

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## **ASSET ALLOCATION REVIEW**

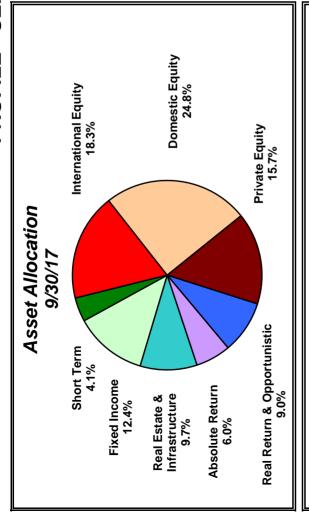
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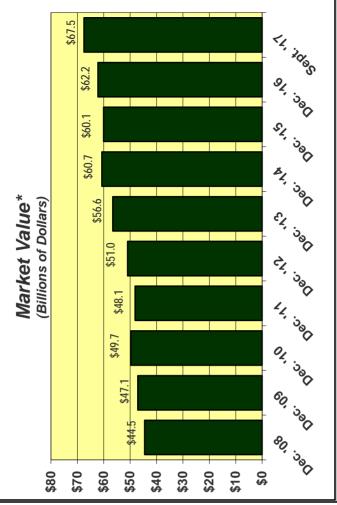


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# STATE OF MICHIGAN RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

## **PROFILE - SEPTEMBER 2017**





### 100.0% 15.9% 15.3% 13.2% 10.6% 8.8% 6.5% 4.0% 9/30/16 9,802 9,457 8,112 6,564 5,397 3,978 2,459 \$15,842 \$61,611 Asset Allocation By Market Value 5.7% 12.4% 9.7% %0.6 %0.9 4.1% 8.3% 100.0% (In Millions) 9/30/17 10,590 12,351 6,554 4,038 6,070 \$67,496 8,341 2,801 \$16,751 Investment Strategies Real Return & Opport. International Equity Real Estate & Infra. Absolute Return **Domestic Equity** Private Equity Short Term\*\*\* Fixed Income TOTAL

100.0%	\$67,496	\$7,306	\$60,190	TOTAL Military Bension Eurol
0.4%	266	_	265	MJRS - (closed)
2.3%	1,529	143	1,386	MSPRS
20.2%	13,677	1,917	11,760	MSERS - (closed)
77.1%	\$52,024	\$5,245	\$46,779	MPSERS
%	Mkt. Value	Mkt. Value	Mkt. Value	
	Combined	OPEB**	Pension Plan	
		(in Millions)	<u>ii)</u>	
	30/17	Market Value By Plan ~ 9/30/17	ırket Value L	Ма

## \$2.8

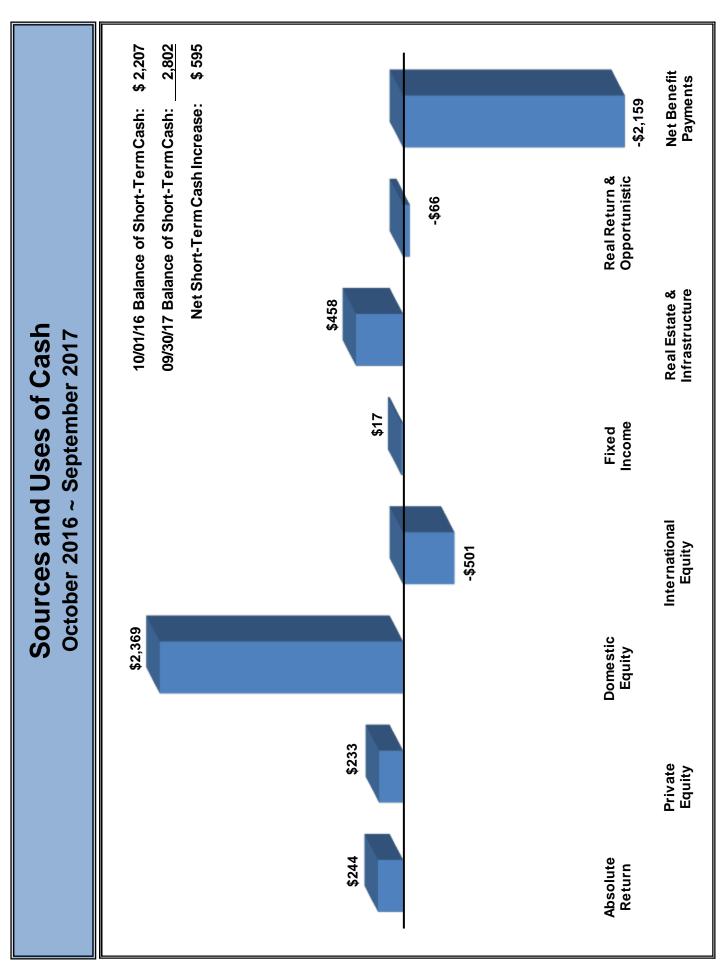
5.6% of Total Funds Short Term Equivalents (in Billions) 1.0 Short Term in Other Inv. Strategies Short Term Strategy\*\*\* **TOTAL SHORT TERM**  \*The combined net payout for the plans for FY 2016 was \$2.1 billion with \$22 billion with \$

Pensions & Investments Survey - February 6, 2017 Issue

18th Largest DB Public Pension Fund in the U.S.

19th Largest DB Pension Fund in the U.S.

\*\*OPEB - Other Post Employment Benefits



A negative number in an asset category indicates a use of cash, a positive number indicates a source of cash.

Dollars in millions

				Asset		Allocation Targets As of 9/30/17	n Targ /17	ets					
		MPSERS			MSERS			MSPRS			MJRS		SMRS
Asset Class	Actual 9/30/17	Target 9/30/18	Target* 9/30/19	Actual 9/30/17	Target 9/30/18	Target* 9/30/19	Actual 9/30/17	Target 9/30/18	Target* 9/30/19	Actual 9/30/17	Target 9/30/18	Target* 9/30/19	Ranges
Broad U.S. Equity	24.8%	27.0%	28.0%	24.8%	27.0%	28.0%	24.8%	27.0%	28.0%	24.8%	27.0%	28.0%	20% - 50%
Private Equity	15.7%	16.5%	18.0%	15.7%	16.5%	18.0%	15.7%	16.5%	18.0%	15.7%	16.5%	18.0%	10% - 25%
Broad Int'l Equity	18.3%	16.0%	16.0%	18.3%	16.0%	16.0%	18.3%	16.0%	16.0%	18.3%	16.0%	16.0%	10% - 20%
U.S. Fixed Income Core	12.4%	12.0%	10.5%	12.4%	12.0%	10.5%	12.4%	12.0%	10.5%	12.4%	12.0%	10.5%	8% - 25%
Real Estate / Infrastructure	9.7%	10.5%	10.0%	9.7%	10.5%	10.0%	9.7%	10.5%	10.0%	%2'6	10.5%	10.0%	0% - 15%
Real Return / Opportunistic	%0.6	%0.6	9.5%	%0.6	%0.6	9.5%	%0.6	%0.6	9.5%	%0.6	%0.6	9.5%	0% - 15%
Absolute Return	%0.9	%0:9	%0.9	%0:9	%0:9	%0.9	%0:9	%0.9	%0:9	%0:9	%0.9	%0.9	0% - 12%
Cash	4.1%	3.0%	2.0%	4.1%	3.0%	2.0%	4.1%	3.0%	2.0%	4.1%	3.0%	2.0%	1% - 9%
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
*Complies with basket clause and international restrictions.	use and intern	ational restric	tions.						<b>V</b>				

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## MARKETS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



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## **CAPITAL MARKETS**

## Return and Risk Assumptions, Benchmark and Outlook

A starting point.

MPSERS Plan	Assumed Return* (Arithmetic)	Standard Deviation*	Trailing 10-Year (Benchmark**)	Tactical (Short Term) Expectations***
Private Equity	11.5%	24.0%	11.3%	Hold
International Equity	9.5%	20.0%	1.1%	Add
Domestic Equity	8.0%	17.0%	7.3%	Trim
Real Estate (Core)	6.2%	12.5%	5.1%	Hold
Absolute Return	5.5%	9.0%	0.9%	Hold
Real Ret/Opportunistic	8.8%	12.1%	7.3%	Add
Long-Term Fixed	2.8%	4.0%	4.5%	Hold
Short-Term	2.3%	1.0%	0.6%	Hold

- \* Aon Hewitt Investment Consultants 2016 Long-Term Return/Risk Assumptions
- \*\* Investment Policy Statement; Annualized Returns
- \*\*\* Actual investments may differ due to changing conditions and the availability of new information

## Overview

Fearing a calm market.

- Capital market assumptions used for determining strategic asset allocations are being reduced
  across the board, and especially for safer, publicly traded fixed income securities. This is the general
  opinion for most consultants, investment banks, and other market participants. The reason for this
  phenomenon is the low interest rate environment caused by the policies of the Federal Reserve and
  other central banks, as well as the run-up in prices for most risk assets over the past five years after
  the depths of the Great Recession.
- While earnings in U.S. equities have made a new plateau, earnings in international markets can grow another 40% to get back to all-time highs, or 25% to get to longer-term trends. Trading at a valuation multiple discount, and seemingly with some relative strength, international equity represents a leveraged play on continued global growth.
- For U.S. equities, valuation metrics are very much above average and the absolute returns over the next cycle will not likely be as strong as the historical average of 11 – 12% year-over-year total returns.
- Rather than tighten monetary policy through setting short-term rates, on the near-term horizon the
  Fed is looking to adjust the size of its balance sheet. Although the pace and scope of the plan is
  likely to adjust with the market, unwinding the balance sheet is just as unprecedented as the QE
  programs were originally, which increases the likelihood for at least some market impacts.
- Volatility in the U.S. equity market continues to get priced at historically low levels. Through July 2017, the Vix Index and trailing thirty-day price volatility of the S&P 500 Index were both measured in the lowest percentiles going back twenty years. Extended periods of both low implied and realized market volatility are quite common, and are rarely a pre-cursor to spikes in volatility. However, its juxtaposition with today's political environment and critical central bank policy changes simply feel wrong to many market participants.

## **International Equity**

A compelling case.

- For the first time since December 2012, international equities out-returned the domestic market year-over-year, beating it by nearly 3%. Over the past three, five, seven, and ten years ending June 2017, the international market index, MSCI ACWI ex USA, underperformed the S&P 1500 index by -8.2%, -7.0%, -8.3%, and -5.7% annualized respectively.
- Within international equities, emerging markets have now outperformed developed markets over the past one, three, and ten years by 4.1%, 0.3%, and 0.7% annualized respectively. Over the past five and seven years, developed has outperformed emerging by 4.3% and 3.8%.
- International equity small-cap stocks slightly beat the broader MSCI ACWI ex USA index last year by 0.3%. However, over the past three, five, seven, and ten years the outperformance of international small caps has been more significant, averaging around 2 – 3% on an annualized basis. The plan is overweight small caps with an allocation of approximately 21.6%.
- The plan is underweight international equity against a global benchmark (approximately 40% versus 48%) though close to the weight of peers; 17.8% versus peer median of 17.7%.
- Based on a price-to-earnings valuation multiple, excluding non-earning companies, developed international equity markets trade at approximately an 18% discount to the U.S. counterparts, while emerging markets trade at close to a 30% discount.
- While earnings in U.S. equities have made a new plateau, earnings in international markets can grow another 40% to get back to all-time highs, or 25% to get to longer-term trends. Trading at a valuation multiple discount, and seemingly with some relative strength, international equity represents a leveraged play on continued global growth.

## **Domestic Equity**

High valuations.

- The broad U.S. stock market return for one year ending June 2017 was 18.1%. Growth in earnings and dividend yield accounted for roughly 11.1% of the return, and the rest due to multiple expansion. Leading up to the second quarter of 2017, year-over-year earnings growth of U.S. equities had averaged close to 0% over the past few years. However, growth in U.S. equity earnings has seemingly resumed as the outsized losses incurred in the energy sector last year have worked their way through the data.
- Valuation metrics are very much above average and the absolute returns over the next cycle will not likely be as strong as the historical average of 11 – 12% year-over-year total returns.
- Over the past year ending June 2017, small-cap stocks significantly out-returned large-cap stocks by 6.7%. Over the past three, five, seven, and ten years, however, large-cap stocks have had higher returns than small-cap stocks by 2.3%, 0.9%, 1.1%, and 0.3% annualized respectively. Small-cap stocks continue to look expensive both relative to large cap-stocks and in absolute terms.
- Over the past year, value style underperformed growth by 4.5%. Timing style factors is difficult at best, however in June 2016 it was remarked that after a ten year period of growth dominance, historically value has outperformed growth for the next five years by 10% annualized. The relative returns of value stocks still have a long way to go to get back to historical averages.

## **Interest Rates**

New Fed policies.

- At its June 2017 meeting, the Federal Reserve Board voted to raise its key interest rate for the third time in the past twelve months. At the time of the last hike, the market was pricing in the probability of at least two additional rate hikes in 2017, however since then, economic factors have changed enough that the market is indicating that the June adjustment was the last one for 2017.
- Rather than tighten monetary policy through setting short-term rates, on the near-term horizon the
  Fed is looking to adjust the size of its balance sheet. Although the pace and scope of the plan is
  likely to adjust with the market, unwinding the balance sheet is just as unprecedented as the QE
  programs were originally, which increases the likelihood for at least some market impacts.
- The 10-year U.S. Treasury ended June 2017 at 2.3%, about 80 basis points (bps) higher than one year prior and in line with the three rate hikes. The curve is at average steepness, potentially an indicator of continued economic growth.
- Spreads on both investment-grade and high-yield corporates continue to tighten. Investment-grade spreads are at slightly below historic averages while spreads on high-yield bonds are more than 110 bps tighter than average. The plan continues to sell into the high-yield market strength.
- The ten-year breakeven rates at the end of June 2017 were priced just below 1.7%, and below the long-term inflation target of the Federal Reserve.
- The Barclays Aggregate Index's sensitivity to changes in interest rates is fairly high. At the end of June 2017, the Index had a modified duration of 6.0.

## **Real Estate**

Bond-like behavior.

- On a total return basis, the publicly traded FTSE NAREIT REITs Index was up fractionally over the past year ending June 2017, with about 3.8% of the return due to dividends.
- The REIT Index is priced slightly cheap compared to bonds, while other valuation metrics indicate
  that the index is very expensively priced. In other words, real estate is not expected to deliver high
  absolute returns over the longer term. However stretched the valuations have become, timing of the
  softer than normal returns is tricky.
- Due to the importance that dividends play with REITS, the index has acted as a proxy for interest
  rates over the past several years. As rates have increased, and as the prospect for additional rate
  increases have gone up, these bond substitutes have predictably struggled in terms of price.

## **Commodities**

Weakening dollar.

- Commodities broadly lost approximately 10% in value over the twelve-months ending June 2017 as measured by the Thomson Reuters CRB Commodity Index. Crude oil prices are down approximately 12% year-over-year as production is again outstripping supply. However, recently, energy prices have stabilized as production from Venezuela has gone off-line due to the country's destabilization.
- In the weeks following the U.S. presidential election, the dollar strengthened by more than 5% as it was believed that new stimulative policies would be adopted. Since the start of the year, however, that hope has since faded and the dollar at the end of June 2017 is almost exactly at the same level as it was one year prior as measured by the DXY index. The only difference is that a year ago, the dollar was holding value and perhaps on a slightly positive trend, today the price trend of the dollar is decidedly weaker.

## **ECONOMIC OUTLOOK**

## Select Historic Economic Growth with Forecasts

An eye to 2017.

Real GDP % Growth Actual/Forecasts	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
World	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.4
U.S.	2.9	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.1
Developed (G8)	3.1	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.1
Asia	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.8
EMEA	1.7	1.6	2.5	2.6	2.7
Europe	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.5
Latin America	-0.4	-1.2	1.1	2.3	2.7
China	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.3

\*Source: Bloomberg

## **Economic Overview**

A very healthy jobs market.

- The most recent reading of the annualized U.S. GDP growth was 2.6%, just slightly below the
  consensus estimate of 2.7%. Current estimates for 2018 GDP growth for the U.S. is 2.3%.
  Coincidental economic indicators such as the Institute for Supply Management's Manufacturing and
  Non-Manufacturing PMI Indexes are well above 50, indicating that the U.S. economy is likely to
  continue to grow.
- Inflation as measured by the headline Consumers Price Index hit a level of 2.7% during the first quarter of 2017, however since that time inflation has trended lower as the latest reading measured 1.7% in July. Most measures of inflation are weak, and inflation is not expected to increase meaningfully in the near term.
- The jobs market is very healthy. The national unemployment rate is 4.3% and the three-month average figure for initial jobless claims is near its lowest level since 1973. In March 2017, there were 6.2 million job openings in the U.S. according to the Labor Department, an all-time record.
- The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta tracks wage growth of individuals and the trend in wage growth
  is accelerating. Its three-month median wage growth hit 3.3% in July 2017. Inflation hawks are
  looking for an acceleration in labor costs, potentially leading to a compression in corporate profit
  margins, however at this time the fear of such conditions is much greater than actual experiences.
- Housing prices in the U.S are high. This is good for household balance sheets, but may act as a
  headwind for household formations. According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census the median sales
  price of new houses sold in the U.S. is \$310,800, up over 18% from the 2007 peak. Low interest
  rates make housing as affordable as it has been in the past eight years, but less affordable compared
  to historical trends going back to the 1980s.
- There are increasing concerns that oil and gas production, particularly from U.S. shale, will increase too much, more than offsetting announced OPEC cuts. The Baker Hughes U.S. rig count bottomed in May 2016, however by the end of June 2017 the number of rigs had doubled.

# Annual Total Returns of Key Asset Classes 1997 - 2016

	Best	<b>←</b>																						<b>♦</b> Worst
2016	U.S.	Equity	11.93%	Real	Estate	7.97%	Corp.	Bonds	5.63%	Int'I	Equity	4.50%	Hedge	Funds	2.30%	Infla-	tion	2.10%	Gov't	Bonds	1.05%	Cash		0.27%
2015	Real	Estate	13.32%	U.S.	Equity	1.01%	Gov't	Bonds	%98.0	Infla-	tion	%99'0	Hedge	Funds	0.51%	Cash		0.01%	Corp.	Bonds	.0.77%	Int'I	Equity	-5.67%
2014	U.S.	Equity	13.08%	Real	Estate	11.81%	Corp.	Bonds	7.53%	Gov't	Bonds	4.92%	Hedge	Funds	3.41%	Infla-	tion	0.68%	Cash		0.04%	Int'l	Equity	-3.87%
2013	U.S.	Equity	32.80%	Int'l	Equity	15.29%	Real	Estate	10.99%	Hedge	Funds	7.69%	Infla-	tion	1.49%	Cash		0.07%	Corp.	Bonds	-2.01%	Gov't	Bonds	-2.60%
2012	Int'l	Equity	16.83%	U.S.	Equity	16.17%	Real	Estate	10.54%	Corp.	Bonds	9.37%	Hedge	Funds	4.06%	Gov't	Bonds	2.02%	Infla-	tion	1.70%	Cash		0.11%
2011	Real	Estate	14.26%	Gov't	Bonds	9.02%	Corp.	Bonds	8.35%	Infla-	tion	2.96%	U.S.	Equity	1.75%	Cash		0.10%	Hedge	Funds	-3.55%	Int'I	Equity	-13.71%
2010	U.S.	Equity	16.38%	Real	Estate	13.11%	Int'I	Equity	11.15%	Corp.	Bonds	8.46%	Gov't	Bonds	5.52%	Hedge	Funds	5.07%	Infla-	tion	1.50%	Cash		0.13%
2009	Int'I	Equity	41.44%	U.S.	Equity	27.24%	Corp.	Bonds	16.05%	Hedge	Funds	9.65%	Infla-	tion	2.72%	Cash		0.19%	Gov't	Bonds	-2.19%	Real	Estate	-16.86%
2008	Gov't	Bonds	12.38%	Cash		2.05%	Infla-	tion	0.10%	Corp.	Bonds	-3.07%	Real	Estate	-6.46%	Hedge	Funds	-19.86%	U.S.	Equity	-36.72%	Int'I	Equity	-45.52%
2007	Int'l	Equity	16.65%	Real	Estate	15.84%	Gov't	Bonds	8.67%	Hedge	Funds	7.68%	U.S.	Equity	5.47%	Corp	Bonds	5.10%	Cash		5.03%	Infla-	tion	4.06%
2006	Int'I	Equity	26.65%	Real	Estate	16.59%	U.S.	Equity	15.34%	Hedge	Funds	9.21%	Cash		4.81%	Corn	Bonds	4.27%	Gov't	Bonds	3.46%	Infla-	tion	2.55%
2005	Real	Estate	20.06%	Int'l	Equity	16.62%	U.S.	Equity	5.65%	Hedge	Funds	5.13%	Infla-	tion	3.42%	Cash		3.06%	Gov't	Bonds	2.65%	Corp.	Bonds	1.95%
2004	Int'I	Equity	20.90%	Real	Estate	14.48%	U.S.	Equity	11.78%	Hedge	Funds	5,83%	Corp.	Bonds	5.25%	Gov't	Bonds	3.48%	Infla-	tion	3.25%	Cash		1.33%
2003	Int'I	Equity	40.82%	U.S.	Equity	29.58%	Hedge	Funds	9.01%	Real	Estate	8.99%	Corp.	Bonds	7.69%	Gov't	Bonds	2.36%	Infla-	tion	1.88%	Cash		1.16%
2002	Gov't	Bonds	11.50%	Corp.	Bonds	10.52%	Real	Estate	6.74%	Hedge	Funds	3.57%	Infla-	tion	2.39%	Cash		1.79%	Int'l	Equity	-14.95%	U.S.	Equity	-21.30%
2001	Corp.	Bonds	10.40%	Real	Estate	7.28%	Gov't	Bonds	7.24%	Cash		4.43%	Hedge	Funds	3.11%	Infla-	tion	1.55%	U.S.	Equity	-10.64%	Int'I	Equity	-19.74%
2000	Gov't	Bonds	13.23%	Real	Estate	12.24%	Corp.	Bonds	9.40%	Cash		6.16%	Hedge	Funds	5.77%	Infla-	tion	3.39%	U.S.	Equity	%86'9-	Int'I	Equity	-15.31%
1999	Int'I	Equity	26.97%	U.S.	Equity	20.27%	Hedge	Funds	18.93%	Real	Estate	11,36%	Cash		4.83%	Infla-	tion	2.68%	Corp.	Bonds	-1.94%	Gov't	Bonds	-2.25%
1998	U.S.	Equity	26.33%	Int'l	Equity	19.97%	Real	Estate	16.24%	Gov't	Bonds	9,85%	Corp.	Bonds	8.59%	Cash		5.24%	Infla-	tion	1.60%	Hedge	Funds	-1.61%
1997	U.S.	Equity	32.94%	Hedge	Funds	14.95%	Real	Estate	13.91%	Corp.	Bonds	10.23%	Gov't	Bonds	9.58%	Cash		5.35%	Int'I	Equity	1.77%	Infla-	tion	1.70%
	Best	<b>←</b>												5	5									Worst

		Return	Risk	
	R.E.	9.78%	8.48%	
	US Eq.	7.68%	15.29%	
	Corp.	5.93%	5.07%	
2016	Gov't.	4.93%	4.09%	
IS 1997 -				
Innualized Returns 1997 -	Int'I.	4.72%	17.31%	
Annualize				
	Hedge	4.24%	%01.9	
	Cash	2.19%	0.62%	
	Infl.	2.14%	1.27%	
		Return	Risk	

- Hedge Funds are represented by the HFRI FOF Conservative Index - Inflation is represented by the U.S. Consumer Price Index - International Equity is represented by the MSCI EAFE Index 2000 Forward - Int'l Equity is represented MSCI - AC World EX-USA Index - Cash is represented by 30-day T-Bills

- U.S. Equity is represented by the S&P 1500 - Real Estate is represented by the NPI - Corporate Bonds are represented by the Barclays Capital - Credit Index - Government Bonds are represented by the Barclays Capital U.S. Government

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

## FIXED INCOME REVIEW

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## **Performance**

Annualized Returns	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
MPSERS Plan	2.9%	4.4%	3.5%	4.1%	5.5%
Bloomberg Barclays US Agg	0.1%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	4.3%
Peer Median Return	1.8%	3.3%	2.4%	3.8%	4.7%
Percentile Rank vs. Peers*	29	20	15	42	15

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Universe greater than \$1 billion

- The outperformance to the benchmark over the past year was due to several key allocation decisions. Overweight allocations to corporate credit and structured securities, coupled with an underweight to Treasuries and Agency RMBS, boosted performance. In addition to this, the portfolio had a shorter duration than the benchmark, which helped avoid price declines in a rising rate environment.
- In addition, externally managed strategies such as High Yield Credit and Structured Fixed Income experienced strong returns during the previous year. High Yield had a one year return of 7.8%, while Structured Fixed Income returned 6.1%. Overall, the externally managed portfolio returned 5.0% year-over-year (YOY), accounting for roughly 75% of the one-year outperformance.

## **Strategy Update**

The goal of the Long-Term Fixed Income Division portfolio is to meet or exceed the returns of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index while satisfying the overall characteristics of a core fixed income portfolio; income, liquidity, principal preservation, and diversification from equity market risk.

- The Core-plus strategy implemented to achieve this goal includes:
  - Core: As of September 30, 2017, the allocation to U.S. Treasuries, investment-grade corporate bonds, government-guaranteed U.S. Agency Debentures, Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS), and Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities (CMBS) was approximately 69.9%. This includes a 19.2% allocation to U.S. Treasuries, TIPS, and cash.
  - Plus: A strategic, out-of-benchmark allocation to high-yield corporate debt, securitized credit, and global fixed income strategies as market opportunities allow. This allocation increases the portfolio yield and total return but will result in lower liquidity.

## **Tactical Update**

 The allocation to high-yield strategies was 6.8% at the end of the quarter, down from a peak of 14.0% in 2016.

- The allocation to securitized credit, primarily in CMBS, non-agency RMBS, and CLO securities, has increased to 20.6% of the portfolio. The combination of high coupon income (often floating rate) and low duration in these investments is desirable at this point in the interest rate cycle.
- In addition, there is an increased allocation to floating rate securities, including AAA CLO
  investments and investment-grade floating rate corporate bonds. This allocation
  accounts for approximately 15% of portfolio assets and should position the portfolio to
  outperform in a rising interest rate environment.
- The allocation to U.S. TIPS increased during the quarter to 6.2% of the division portfolio.
   This allocation will outperform nominal U.S. Treasuries in a rising rate environment if increases in interest rates are driven partially by increased inflation expectations.

## **Market Environment and Outlook**

- The U.S. Treasury rates increased across the yield curve on a YOY basis. The yield on the 10-year Treasury increased from 1.6% to 2.3% during the past twelve months while 2-year Treasury yields rose from 0.8% to 1.5%. Short-term rate increases were driven by tightening from the Federal Reserve. The FOMC has increased the Fed Funds rate by 75 bp since December of 2016 to 1.25%. As of September 30, the markets expect a 70% chance of an additional 25 bps of tightening in December of 2017.
- Inflation expectations remain below historical averages, with ten-year breakeven inflation
  expectations ending September 2017 at 1.9%. The portfolio has maintained an allocation
  to U.S. TIPS as it is believed that these securities will outperform nominal Treasuries
  should expectations revert to their long-term average.
- Credit markets have experienced strong performance recently with High Yield total returns exceeding 26% since the market bottomed in February of 2016. High-yield spreads ended the quarter at 347 bps, almost 500 bps tighter over the previous nineteen months. Investment-grade spreads are also lower, tightening roughly 115 bps during the same time period. The portfolio has reduced its allocation to corporate credit by roughly 10% YOY as spread levels have moved below their historical averages.
- The spread securitized assets such as CMBS, ABS, and CLO securities look relatively attractive within the fixed income opportunity set. Spreads on BBB CMBS securities ended the quarter at 353 bps. These spreads are wide of their five-year average and the portfolio has increased its allocation to this sector in 2017.

## Conclusion

The portfolio remains defensively positioned for rising interest rates. The duration remains short of the benchmark with a focus on intermediate securities. This position is offset through a larger allocation to structured and corporate debt securities which increases the interest income of the portfolio. The strategy is to continue the targeting of these types of investments that offer attractive yield pick-ups for the portfolio as it is likely that price appreciation opportunities are limited in a low-yield environment.

## SMRS Long-Term Fixed Income by Strategy 9/30/17

	Amount	Total	% of Total
Core	(\$ in Millions)		
LTFID Internal Dodge & Cox Prudential Investment Grade Credit Total Core	\$4,838 241 231	\$5,310	63.7%
Securitized Debt			
Met West Securitized Ops Principal CMBS Napier Park ABS Income Napier Park Strategic Loan Napier Park CLO Debt TICP CLO Debt	\$491 620 153 49 204 203		
Total Securitized Debt		\$1,720	20.6%
High Yield			
Columbia Management Prudential High Yield	\$302 263	\$564	6.8%
Total High Yield		<b>Ψ304</b>	0.0 /6
Tactical			
Pyramis Loomis Core Plus	\$296 225		
Total Tactical		\$520	6.2%
Global			
T. Rowe Global Multi-Sector	\$227		
Total Global		\$227	2.7%

TOTAL \$8,341 100.0%

NOTE: Totals may not be exact because of rounding.

## **SMRS**

## Fixed Income Holdings Portfolio Characteristics

**Benchmark: Barclays Aggregate** 

## 9/30/17

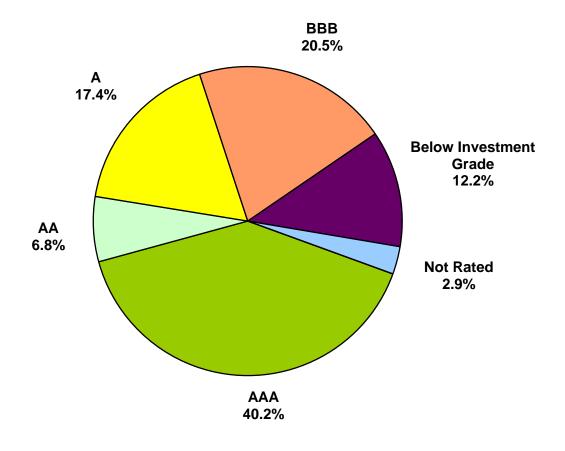
Characteristic	Portfolio	Benchmark
Average Maturity (Yrs)	7.0	7.9
Modified Duration (Yrs)	4.9	5.8
Spread Duration (Yrs)	5.6	6.4
Coupon (%)	3.1	3.1
Yield to Maturity (%)	3.3	2.5
Credit Rating	Α	AA
VaR (%)	4.2	4.6
Tracking Error	134 bps	0
Beta (vs S&P 500)	0.03	-0.04

## Commentary

<u>Objectives</u>	<u>Highlights</u>
Income:	The coupon income matches the benchmark. Roughly 15% of the portfolio is invested in floating-rate securities so coupon income would increase relative to the benchmark if the yield curve continues to flatten.
Liquidity:	19.2% of the portfolio is invested in cash, U.S. Treasuries, and TIPS. These investments can be liquidated via same-day trading.
Principal Preservation:	The portfolio has a large allocation to U.S. Treasuries and carries an investment-grade credit rating.
Diversification:	The beta of the portfolio is uncorrelated with equity market movements, in line with the bond index.

## **SMRS**

## Fixed Income By Rating Total U.S. Long-Term Fixed Income 9/30/17

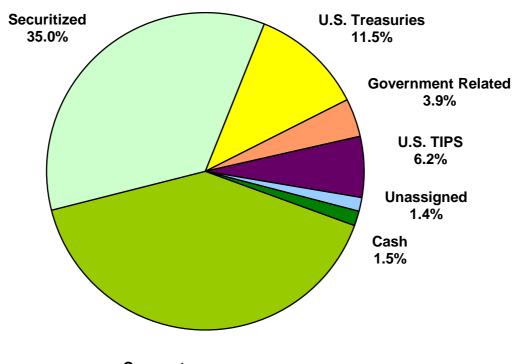


	Market \	/alue in Mil	lions	
		9	9/30/17	
	Assets	Percent	Benchmark	Difference
AAA	\$3,357	40.2%	70.6%	-30.4%
AA	565	6.8%	4.9%	1.9%
Α	1,447	17.4%	10.8%	6.6%
BBB	1,710	20.5%	12.3%	8.2%
Not Rated	240	2.9%	1.4%	1.5%
* Below Investment Grade	1,022	12.2%	0.0%	12.2%
Total Investments	\$8,341	100.0%	100.0%	

Benchmark: Barclays US Aggregate

## **SMRS**

## Fixed Income By Asset Type Total U.S. Long-Term Fixed Income 9/30/17

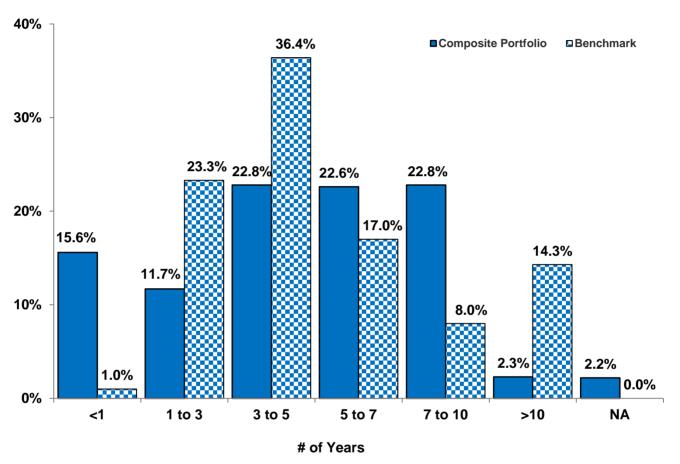


Corporate	)
40.5%	

	Market \	/alue in Mil	lions	
		g	)/30/17	
	Assets	Percent	Benchmark	Difference
Corporate	\$3,380	40.5%	25.5%	15.0%
Securitized	2,914	35.0%	30.5%	4.5%
U.S. Treasuries	959	11.5%	37.0%	-25.5%
Government Related	325	3.9%	7.0%	-3.1%
U.S. TIPS	520	6.2%	0.0%	6.2%
Unassigned	119	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%
Cash	124	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%
Total Investments	\$8,341	100.0%	100.0%	

Benchmark: Barclays US Aggregate

SMRS
Duration Distribution
Fixed Income Composite Versus Benchmark
9/30/17



Source: Factset

Market Value in Millions									
<u>Duration</u>	Assets	Portfolio Weight	Benchmark Weight	Portfolio Duration*	Benchmark Duration*				
<1	\$1,298	15.6%	1.0%	0.8	1.0				
1 to 3	974	11.7%	23.3%	1.4	2.1				
3 to 5	1,903	22.8%	36.4%	3.8	4.3				
5 to 7	1,885	22.6%	17.0%	5.9	6.0				
7 to 10	1,906	22.8%	8.0%	8.1	7.9				
>10	193	2.3%	14.3%	15.2	15.6				
NA	182	2.2%	0.0%	0.0	0.0				
Total	\$8,341	100.0%	100.0%	4.8	5.6				
* Effective Duration									

## **SMRS Internal/External Manager Performance – Net of Fees**

## 9/30/17 Total Fixed Income Performance, Net of Fees (MPSERS)

	Market Value	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Total Fixed Income	\$8,340,944,562	2.7%	4.2%	3.4%	3.9%	5.3%
Bloomberg/Barclays Aggregate Bond Index	N/A	0.1%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	4.3%
Internal Fixed Income	\$4,837,547,967	1.4%	3.9%	3.0%	3.5%	5.1%
External Fixed Income	\$3,503,396,595	5.0%	4.7%	3.8%	4.7%	5.5%
Fixed Income Core	\$240,579,528	2.2%	3.4%	2.7%	3.7%	5.0%
Dodge & Cox Core	240,579,528	2.2%	3.4%	3.3%	4.0%	5.2%
Bloomberg/Barclays Aggregate Bond Index	N/A	0.1%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	4.3%
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Investment Grade Credit	\$231,115,032	2.7%	4.5%	3.8%	4.9%	5.8%
Prudential Investment Grade	231,115,032	2.7%	4.5%	4.0%	5.1%	6.6%
Bloomberg/Barclays Credit Index	N/A	2.0%	3.9%	3.2%	4.4%	5.5%
Tastial Final Income	<b>\$500.500.570</b>	4.00/	0.00/			
Tactical Fixed Income	\$520,539,572	4.3%	3.8%			
Loomis Sayles CorePlus	224,869,630	2.4%	3.0%			
Pyramis Tactical Bond Fund  Bloomberg/Barclays Aggregate Bond Index	295,669,942 N/A	3.5% <i>0.1%</i>	4.8% 2.7%	 2.1%	3.0%	 4.3%
Bioomberg/Barciays Aggregate Bond index	IV/A	0.1%	2.170	2.170	3.0%	4.3%
High Yield Fixed Income	\$564,427,510	7.8%	6.4%			
Columbia Management High Yield	301,568,012	7.5%	6.5%			
Prudential High Yield	262,859,498	8.1%	6.4%			
Bloomberg/Barclays US HY BA/B 2% Cap	N/A	7.7%	5.6%			
Structured Fixed Income	\$1,719,932,826			-	-	-
Principal CMBS	619,563,913	3.6%	4.0%	7.0%	10.1%	
MetWest Securitized Opportunities	490,944,188	6.7%	3.7%			
Napier Park ABS Income	153,299,847	14.5%				
Napier Park Strategic Loan LP	49,256,600	N/A				
Napier Park CLO Debt	204,322,790	N/A				
TICP CLO Debt	202,545,487	N/A				
Bloomberg/Barclays Aggregate Bond Index	N/A	0.1%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	4.3%
Blended CMBS Benchmark	N/A	-1.9%	4.2%	3.0%	5.4%	
Global Fixed Income	\$226,802,127	3.9%		-	-	
T. Rowe Global Multi-Sector	226,802,127	3.9%				
Custom GMS Benchmark	N/A	3.0%				

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

# DOMESTIC EQUITY REVIEW

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



Jack A. Behar, CFA
Senior Investment Manager
Domestic Equity Division

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Performance**

<b>Total Domestic Equity, Gross</b>	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Annualized Returns	19.9%	10.1%	14.4%	14.0%	7.5%
S&P 1500	18.6%	11.0%	14.3%	14.4%	7.6%
Peer Median Return	18.5%	10.1%	13.7%	13.8%	7.5%
Percent Rank vs. Peers *	22	48	39	40	52

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Universe greater than \$1 billion

- Total Domestic Equity outperformed its peer group over one, five, and seven years during the period ending September 30, while matching comparable pension funds over the past three and ten years.
  - Based on a recent assessment by Aon, the Total Domestic Equity portfolio is estimated to have a 15-20 basis points (bps) cost advantage over its peers, further improving its relative performance over the past one, three, and five years.
- Total Domestic Equity outperformed the S&P 1500 over the past one and five years, while underperforming over three, seven, and ten year periods.
  - Recent results are being driven by several factors, including:
    - Outperformance of SMRS' internally managed portfolios which, as a group, are outpacing the benchmark by 240 bps over the past year.
    - Outperformance of SMRS' externally managed portfolios, particularly Ark Investments, Fisher Investments, Seizert Capital Partners, and Bivium Capital Partners.
    - The addition of Mellon Capital's overlay strategy to the division's portfolio.
    - Overweight to financial stocks
    - Underweight to the energy sector
- Investments in Apple, JP Morgan, and U.S. Bank helped drive returns over the past year.
   Detractors included Verizon Communications, CVS Health, and Gilead Sciences.

#### Asset Class Goal

To provide the SMRS with long-term equity market returns or better, by investing in a diversified and attractively priced portfolio of companies at an index-like cost.

### **Strategy Update**

- SMRS has an index-like cost structure and a value orientation, both of which are predictors of future relative performance according to academic studies.
- The Domestic Equity Portfolio remains overweight to both the financial sector and to defensive stocks, equal-weighted to technology and underweight commodity related companies.
  - Attractively priced financial and defensive stocks offset each other from an interest rate risk standpoint, paving the way for potential outperformance in any rate environment.
  - Commodity bellwethers such as Exxon Mobil and Chevron are expensive and may struggle in a stronger dollar environment, as the Fed slowly raises rates.
  - The division's exposure to technology stocks with significant competitive advantages such as Apple, Facebook, and Square has helped to propel performance on a yearto-date basis, providing a diversifying source of alpha.
  - Total Domestic Equity's portfolio would outperform the S&P 1500 by ~13% were it to appreciate to the market multiple of 19.4X from where it stands now at 17.1X. It is expected for the Total Domestic Equity multiple to at least partially converge with that of the S&P 1500 over the next five years.
  - If PE ratios do not converge, we expect long-term outperformance based on a higher dividend yield than the benchmark alongside higher rates of earnings reinvestment.

### **Market Environment and Outlook**

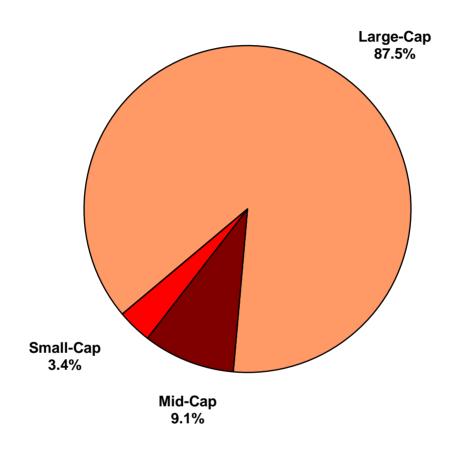
- At ~22x normalized levels of profitability, equity markets remain rich relative to history, but are still reasonably priced for an environment where bond yields are 4% or lower.
  - The equity risk premium remains wide relative to its historical norm, giving stocks room to appreciate in a continued low interest rate environment, while potentially providing a valuation cushion in the event of modestly higher rates.
- Assuming 4.5% long term expected earnings growth (roughly in line with nominal GDP), and the market's average long-term return on equity of 14.5%, the S&P 1500 is expected to pay out 70% of its earnings.
  - This equates to a 3.1% total shareholder yield, or 1.2% in share count reductions via buybacks on top of the current 1.9% S&P 1500 dividend yield.
  - The market is thus poised to return an estimated 7.6% (3.1% shareholder yield plus 4.5% earnings growth) in an environment where multiples do not change.
- This compares favorably to the 30-year U.S. Treasury at 2.9%, and unfavorably to the historical compound annual return for the S&P 500 from 1928 2016 of 9.5%.

# SMRS Domestic Equity Strategies 9/30/17

Markets	Amount	Total	% of Total
Internal Indexed	(\$ in Millions)		
Indexed Portfolios	\$7,625		
Total Indexed		\$7,625	45.5%
Internal Active			
Active Portfolios	\$4,982		
Total Internal Active		\$4,982	29.7%
External Active			
Los Angeles Capital Fisher Investments Seizert Capital Partners Clarkston Capital Partners Mellon Capital ARK Investments Bivium Capital Attucks Asset Management Munder Capital Management Northpointe Capital	\$1,188 682 535 512 459 361 178 166 33 30		
Total External Active		\$4,144	24.8%

Total Domestic Equity \$16,751 100.0%

# SMRS Domestic Equity Exposure By Market Cap 9/30/17



Market Value in Millions						
		9/30/17				
	Assets	Percent	S&P 1500			
Large-Cap (>\$10B)	\$14,657	87.5%	89.1%			
Mid-Cap (>\$4 <\$10B)	1,524	9.1%	5.6%			
Small-Cap (<\$4B)	570	3.4%	5.3%			
Total Domestic Equity	\$16,751	100.0%	100.0%			

### **SMRS**

# Domestic Equities Composite 9/30/17

Date:	<u>9/30/17</u>	<u>6/30/17</u>	<u>3/31/17</u>	<u>12/31/16</u>
Assets (\$ in Millions):	\$16,751	\$17,392	\$16,905	\$16,059
Number of Securities:	1,271	1,278	1,300	1,322
Active Share:	41%	44%	40%	37%

Benchmark: S&P 1500

Description: The Domestic Equities Composite combines both the SMRS' Actively Managed Composite

and its index funds.

Characteristics:	<u>SMRS</u>	S&P 1500	S&P 1500 <u>Value</u>
Weighted Average Capitalization (\$ in Billions)	\$194.7	\$159.2	\$120.2
P/E FY1	17.1x	19.4x	17.0x
P/E upside to S&P 1500	13.3%	0.0	13.6%
Price/Book	3.8x	3.0x	2.0x
Beta	1.12	1.00	1.01
Tracking Error	1.8%		3.2%
Dividend Yield	2.1%	1.9%	2.3%
Buyback Yield	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%
Reinvestment Rate	6.9%	4.4%	4.4%
Return on Equity	21.5%	15.6%	11.8%

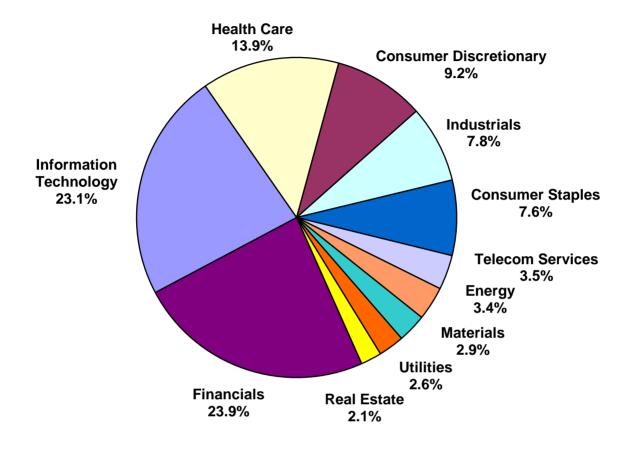
# TOP TEN EXPOSURES - Domestic Equities 9/30/17

(\$ in Billions\* - \$ in Millions\*\*)

	Portfolio	Market	FY1	Market
	<u>Weight</u>	Capitalization*	P/E	<u>Value**</u>
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	12.8%	\$241.4	19.2	\$2,144.1
Apple, Inc.	3.8%	790.1	17.1	636.5
Facebook, Inc. Class A	3.5%	496.5	32.2	586.2
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. Class B	3.1%	452.3	26.4	519.2
Verizon Communications, Inc.	2.8%	201.9	13.1	469.0
U.S. Bancorp	2.4%	89.3	15.6	402.0
Aflac, Inc.	1.9%	32.1	12.2	318.2
Microsoft Corporation	1.8%	575.1	23.4	301.5
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF***	1.8%	N/A	40.4	301.5
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	<u>1.8%</u>	105.9	9.3	<u>301.5</u>
TOTAL	<u>35.6%</u>			<u>\$5,979.7</u>

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Long-term treasury ETF held in portfolio as part of Mellon Capital overlay strategy.

# SMRS Domestic Equity By Sector 9/30/17



Market Value in Millions							
		9/30/17					
	Assets	Percent	Benchmark	Difference			
Financials	\$4,008	23.9%	14.8%	9.1%			
Information Technology	3,874	23.1%	22.6%	0.5%			
Health Care	2,325	13.9%	14.0%	-0.1%			
Consumer Discretionary	1,542	9.2%	11.9%	-2.7%			
Industrials	1,313	7.8%	10.9%	-3.1%			
Consumer Staples	1,266	7.6%	7.8%	-0.2%			
Telecom Services	583	3.5%	2.0%	1.5%			
Energy	573	3.4%	5.9%	-2.5%			
Materials	485	2.9%	3.3%	-0.4%			
Utilities	431	2.6%	3.3%	-0.7%			
Real Estate	351	2.1%	3.5%	-1.4%			
Total	\$16,751	100.0%	100.0%				

Benchmark: S&P 1500

# SMRS Actively Managed Composite 9/30/17

Date:	<u>9/30/17</u>	<u>6/30/17</u>	<u>3/31/17</u>	<u>12/31/16</u>
Assets (\$ in Millions):	\$9,126	\$9,455	\$9,181	\$8,734
Number of Securities:	950	977	981	980
Active Share:	75%	78%	72%	66%

Benchmark: S&P 1500

Description: The Actively Managed Composite is designed to add consistent alpha by investing in

managers with value-added, but diverse strategies. While the expectation is that most will outperform over time, the composite is designed such that they do so during differing

parts of the business cycle.

Characteristics:	<u>SMRS</u>	<u>S&amp;P 1500</u>	S&P 1500 <u>Value</u>
Weighted Average Capitalization (\$ in Billions)	\$192.8	\$159.2	\$120.2
P/E FY1	15.3x	19.4x	17.0x
P/E upside to S&P 1500	26.8%	0.0	13.6%
Price/Book	4.5x	3.0x	2.0x
Beta	1.21	1.00	1.01
Tracking Error	3.2%		3.2%
Dividend Yield	2.3%	1.9%	2.3%
Buyback Yield	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%
Reinvestment Rate	10.8%	4.4%	4.4%
Return on Equity	27.9%	15.6%	11.8%

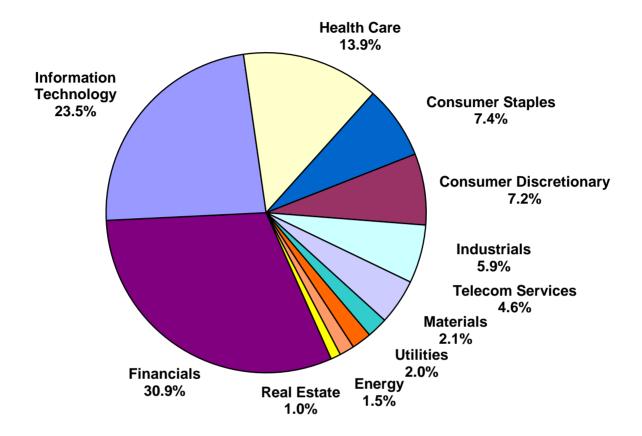
## **TOP TEN EXPOSURES - Actively Managed Equities** 9/30/17

(\$ in Billions\* - \$ in Millions\*\*)

	Portfolio	Market	FY1	Market
	<u>Weight</u>	Capitalization*	P/E	<u>Value**</u>
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	18.9%	\$241.4	19.2	\$1,724.8
Facebook, Inc. Class A	4.8%	496.5	32.2	438.0
Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B	4.7%	452.3	26.4	428.9
Verizon Communications Inc.	4.4%	201.9	13.1	401.5
Apple Inc.	4.1%	790.1	17.1	374.1
U.S. Bancorp	4.0%	89.3	15.6	365.0
Aflac Incorporated	3.4%	32.1	12.2	310.2
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Long Term Treasury ETF***	3.2%	NA	40.4	292.0
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	2.8%	105.9	9.3	255.5
CVS Health Corporation	2.3%	82.4	13.8	<u>209.8</u>
TOTAL	<u>52.5%</u>			<u>\$4,799.8</u>

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Long-term treasury ETF held in portfolio as part of Mellon Capital overlay strategy.

# SMRS Active Equity By Sector 9/30/17



Market Value in Millions							
		9/30/17					
	Assets	Percent	Benchmark	Difference			
Financials	\$2,823	30.9%	14.8%	16.1%			
Information Technology	2,143	23.5%	22.6%	0.9%			
Health Care	1,268	13.9%	14.0%	-0.1%			
Consumer Staples	673	7.4%	7.8%	-0.4%			
Consumer Discretionary	658	7.2%	11.9%	-4.7%			
Industrials	538	5.9%	10.9%	-5.0%			
Telecom Services	421	4.6%	2.0%	2.6%			
Materials	189	2.1%	3.3%	-1.2%			
Utilities	184	2.0%	3.3%	-1.3%			
Energy	133	1.5%	5.9%	-4.4%			
Real Estate	96	1.0%	3.5%	-2.5%			
Total	\$9,126	100.0%	100.0%				

Benchmark: S&P 1500

# Manager Performance - Net of Fees 9/30/17

<u>Fund Name</u>	Market Value	1-Year	3-Years	<u>5-Years</u>	7-Years	Inception	Inception <u>Date</u>
SMRS S&P 500 Index	\$6,925,452,735	18.8%	11.0%	14.5%	14.7%		N/A
S&P 500		18.6%	10.8%	14.2%	14.4%		
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		18.6%	10.8%	14.2%	14.3%		
Lipper Large-Cap Core		17.6%	9.3%	13.0%	13.0%		
Excess Return		0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%		
Alpha Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Large-Cap Core		0.2% 37	0.2% 17	0.3% 13	0.4% 10		
SMRS Large-Cap Core	2,227,370,256	22.5%	7.5%	14.4%	13.2%	7.8%	8/31/07
S&P 500	_,,,,	18.6%	10.8%	14.2%	14.4%	7.9%	0.0 0.1
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		13.7%	7.5%	11.6%	12.1%	8.2%	
Lipper Large-Cap Core		17.6%	9.3%	13.0%	13.0%	7.1%	
Excess Return		3.9%	-3.3%	0.2%	-1.1%	-0.1%	
Alpha		8.7%	-0.1%	2.8%	1.2%	-0.4%	
Pct Rank vs Lipper Large-Cap Core		7	81	16	51	25	
SMRS Large-Cap Growth	1,597,623,382	19.6%	9.6%	14.4%	14.3%	9.3%	5/31/05
S&P 500 Growth Index		19.9%	12.2%	15.0%	15.5%	9.7%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		19.0%	12.7%	15.8%	16.3%	9.8%	
Lipper Large Growth		20.3%	11.2%	14.3%	14.2%	9.3%	
Excess Return		-0.3%	-2.6%	-0.6%	-1.1%	-0.4%	
Alpha Pct Rank vs Lipper Large-Cap Growth		0.6% 59	-3.1% 78	-1.4% 51	-1.9% <b>4</b> 9	-0.5% <b>4</b> 9	
	4 004 224 065	20.1%		13.2%		14.0%	4/30/11
SMRS All-Cap Garp S&P 1500 Super Composite	1,094,331,065	18.6%	<b>8.6%</b> 10.9%	14.3%	<b></b> 	12.6%	4/30/11
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		11.8%	10.5%	14.0%		12.5%	
Lipper Multi Core		17.3%	8.5%	12.8%		10.7%	
Excess Return		1.5%	-2.3%	-1.1%		1.3%	
Alpha		8.3%	-2.0%	-0.8%		1.5%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Core		20	60	53		2	
SMRS Mid-Cap Index	699,409,701	18.4%	12.0%	15.2%	14.8%		N/A
S&P 400		17.5%	11.2%	14.4%	13.9%		
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		17.5%	11.1%	14.3%	13.8%		
Lipper Large-Cap Core		16.1%	8.6%	13.1%	12.4%		
Excess Return		0.9%	0.8%	0.7%	0.9%		
Alpha		0.9%	0.9%	0.8%	1.0%		
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Mid-Cap Core		22	8	7	4		
LA Capital Deep Value	731,453,704	15.2%				7.5%	4/1/15
S&P 1500 Value		16.7%				9.1%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		16.6%				9.2%	
Lipper Multi-Cap Value		16.7%				7.3%	
Excess Return		-1.5%				-1.6%	
Alpha Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi-Cap Value		-1.4% 64	 			-1.8% 51	
Fisher All-Cap	681,766,576	22.4%	12.2%	14.3%	13.3%	10.7%	10/31/04
S&P 1500/S&P 600 Value Blend	, , , -	18.6%	10.9%	14.3%	14.3%	9.4%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		19.6%	12.2%	15.4%	18.0%	11.2%	
Lipper Multi Core		17.3%	8.5%	12.8%	12.5%	8.1%	
Excess Return		3.8%	1.3%	0.0%	-1.0%	1.4%	
Alpha		2.8%	0.0%	-1.1%	-4.7%	-0.4%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Core		7	3	19	45	1	
Seizert Capital Partners	535,048,451	20.1%	8.8%	14.5%	14.1%	14.7%	11/30/09
S&P 1500/S&P 400 Value Blend		18.6%	10.9%	14.3%	15.1%	16.3%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		16.7%	9.7%	13.7%	14.2%	13.7%	
Lipper Multi Core		17.3%	8.5%	12.8%	12.5%	12.8%	
Excess Return		1.5%	-2.1%	0.2%	-1.0%	-1.5%	
Alpha		3.5%	-0.9%	0.8%	-0.1%	1.0%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Core		20	57	14	23	7	

Fund Name	Market Value	<u>1-Year</u>	3-Years	<u>5-Years</u>	<u>7-Years</u>	<u>Inception</u>	Inception <u>Date</u>
LA Capital All-Cap Growth	\$456,927,202	15.4%	13.1%	16.8%	15.4%	11.7%	5/31/05
S&P 1500 Growth	Ψ-100,021,202	19.8%	12.3%	15.0%	15.4%	9.8%	0/01/00
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		18.7%	9.3%	12.9%	14.1%	10.2%	
Lipper Multi-Cap Growth		19.8%	9.9%	13.4%	13.1%	9.3%	
Excess Return		-4.4%	0.8%	1.8%	0.0%	1.8%	
Alpha		-3.3%	3.8%	3.9%	1.3%	1.5%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi-Cap Growth		-3.5 <i>%</i> 84	12	9	1.5%	9	
Ark Investments	361,427,099	44.0%				45.3%	3/1/16
S&P 1500 Growth		19.8%				21.3%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		49.2%				33.1%	
Lipper All-Cap Growth		19.8%				21.1%	
Excess Return		24.2%				24.1%	
Alpha		-5.2%				12.2%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper All-Cap Growth		1				1	
Clarkston Capital Large-Cap	294,288,023	11.8%				9.8%	4/1/15
S&P 500		18.6%				10.5%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		14.5%				7.5%	
Lipper Large-Cap Core		17.6%				8.9%	
Excess Return		-6.8%				-0.7%	
Alpha		-2.6%				2.3%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Large-Cap Core		94				35	
Clarkston Capital Small-Cap	217,954,002	12.8%	13.6%			12.6%	1/1/14
S&P 600		21.1%	14.1%			10.0%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		13.8%	9.8%			8.0%	
Lipper Small-Cap Core		18.8%	10.2%			7.2%	
Excess Return		-8.2%	-0.5%			2.6%	
Alpha		-0.9%	3.8%			4.6%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Small-Cap Core		92	11			1	
Bivium Capital Partners	178,354,744	19.5%	8.5%	11.8%	12.5%	<b>6.3%</b>	11/30/0
S&P 1500 Value		16.7%	9.2%	13.4%	13.2%	5.8%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		14.2%	9.4%	15.3%	15.7%	7.8%	
Lipper Multi Cap Value		16.7%	7.7%	12.5%	12.0%	5.8%	
Excess Return		2.9%	-0.7%	-1.6%	-0.7%	0.4%	
Alpha Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Cap Value		5.3% 27	-0.9% 33	-3.5% 71	-3.2% <i>4</i> 2	-1.5% 34	
·	166 114 070	15.1%	7.3%	11.8%	12.0%	6.3%	11/30/0
Attucks Asset Management S&P 1500 Super Composite	166,114,878	18.6%	10.9%	14.3%	14.4%	7.5%	11/30/0
		13.9%	11.3%	14.3% 14.9%	14.4% 15.2%	7.5% 7.6%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark Lipper Multi Core		13.9%	8.5%	12.8%	15.2%	7.6% 6.3%	
Excess Return		-3.5%	-3.6%	-2.5%	-2.4%	-1.2%	
Excess Return Alpha		-3.5% 1.3%	-3.0% -4.0%	-2.5% -3.1%	-2.4% -3.2%	-1.2% -1.2%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Core		7.5% 74	-4.0 <i>%</i> 76	-3.1 <i>7</i> 8 73	-3.2 % 67	-1.2 % 57	
Munder Concentrated SMID Cap	32,707,564	14.8%	5.3%	11.0%	11.4%	15.3%	4/30/0
S&P 400 Mid-Cap Growth	• •	17.3%	11.5%	14.0%	13.9%	18.5%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		18.6%	15.8%	16.2%	14.6%	17.4%	
Lipper Mid-Cap Growth		18.4%	9.3%	12.9%	12.7%	16.4%	
Excess Return		-2.5%	-6.2%	-3.0%	-2.5%	-3.2%	
Alpha		-3.9%	-10.5%	-5.2%	-3.2%	-2.1%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Mid-Cap Core		83	95	84	76	81	
NorthPointe All-Cap Core	29,654,115	12.2%	7.8%	11.8%	10.8%	7.3%	10/31/0
NorthPointe Blended Benchmark	• •	18.6%	10.9%	14.3%	14.4%	8.9%	
Style & Risk Adjusted Benchmark		15.9%	8.6%	13.2%	15.2%	10.9%	
Lipper Multi Core		17.3%	8.5%	12.8%	12.5%	8.1%	
Excess Return		-6.4%	-3.2%	-2.5%	-3.5%	-1.7%	
Alpha		-3.7%	-0.8%	-1.4%	-4.4%	-3.7%	
Pct. Rank vs. Lipper Multi Core		91	70	73	82	82	

### State of Michigan Retirement Systems

# INTERNATIONAL EQUITY REVIEW

**Investment Advisory Committee Meeting** 

December 12, 2017



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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### <u>Performance</u>

International Equity, Gross	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Annualized Returns	21.0%	6.7%	8.4%	6.8%	1.9%
MSCI ACWI ex USA Returns	19.6%	4.7%	7.1%	5.5%	1.0%
Peer Median Return	19.5%	6.0%	8.5%	6.8%	2.0%
Percentile Rank vs. Peers*	29	31	62	45	53

<sup>\*</sup>Source: State Street Universe greater than >\$1 Billion

- International Equity Division portfolio outperformed the benchmark by 1.4% over the last twelve months. The outperformance was a result of exposure to smaller capitalization stocks, emerging markets and Japan. The best performing strategy was stock plus which added 0.7% of the total excess return.
- Active strategy investments, over the last twelve months, outperformed the benchmark by 0.6% accounting for 0.2% of the total excess return. Exposure to emerging markets, and Japan were the primary drivers of outperformance.

### **Asset Class Goals**

- Construct a non-U.S. equity focused portfolio to generate, on a consistent basis, ten-year returns that exceed the MSCI ACWI ex USA by 1.0%.
- Perform in the top half of the public plan peer universe percentile rankings.
- Advance people, processes, and systems to continuously improve risk management decisions.

#### Strategy

- General International Equity portfolio strategy.
  - International Equity Division uses three distinct strategies to add value:
    - Index investments, 28.2% of assets, to gain broad international stock market exposure with minimal tracking risk.
    - Stock plus investments, 34.9% of assets, to implement a portable alpha strategy.
    - Active investments, 36.9% of assets, to gain specific international stock market exposure.
  - Company data are aggregated, categorized, and statistically measured to identify investment opportunities across 47 countries, 4 regions, 11 sectors, and 6 factors: quality, value, momentum, dividend yield, volatility, and size.
  - Quantitative, fundamental, and technical processes are used to measure risk and to allocate capital across investment opportunities.
- There were no quarterly changes to International Equity Division allocation.

### **Market Environment and Outlook**

- International equity markets have performed well this year but remain below all-time highs. The MSCI ACWI ex USA is up 21.1% year-to-date. Emerging markets are up 27.8% and have led the developed markets which returned 19.2%. Both markets are approximately 18.0% below their respective highs.
- International stock markets' growth continued in the third quarter. Sales were up 7.2% year-over-year through September 30, 2017 on the MSCI ACWI ex US. The energy, material, health care, and financial sectors all grew sales by double digit rates over the last year.
- As of September 30, 2017, the MSCI ACWI ex USA trailing twelve-month normalized price-to-earnings ratio was 17.9, slightly lower than the twenty-year average of 19.1.
- Forward looking annualized compound rate for the MSCI ACWI ex USA index was
  estimated to be approximately 9.1%. This rate is based on current price and actual
  fundamentals over multiple periods to remove fundamental variability better
  estimating the earnings power of the index.
- Countries with ten-year government bond yields below 1.4% currently make up approximately 58.9% of the benchmark, e.g., Switzerland 0.0%, Japan 0.1%, Germany 0.5%, France 0.7%, and United Kingdom 1.4%.
- A ten-year blended international government yield of 1.8% implies an international equity risk premium of 7.3%. International bond rates are significantly lower than the U.S. ten-year note at 2.3%.
- Emerging markets have performed well year-to-date. Commodity prices are up approximately 43% since the January 2016 low. The U.S. dollar peaked in January 2017 and has weakened 9% through the third quarter of 2017. A continuation of this trend in 2017 potentially presents a tailwind for international investment returns.
- Emerging market valuations remain attractive. First, value spreads remain wider than developed markets despite price appreciation in many emerging markets over the last twelve months. Second, the average emerging market company multiple relative to history remains at a larger discount than developed market companies. Finally, forward looking annualized compound rate for emerging markets was estimated to be approximately 11.4% versus developed markets at 8.2%.
- Emerging market factor valuation spreads have decreased in the last twelve months
  across the six factors. Emerging market valuation spreads, relative to developed
  market spreads, still remain wider for the majority of factors, indicating broad based
  value in emerging markets.

### Conclusion

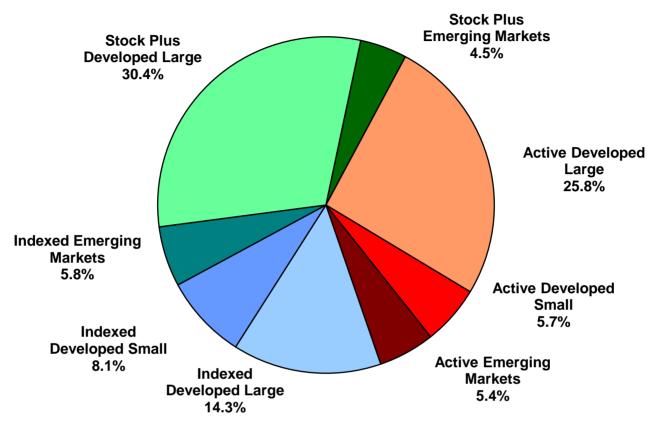
International equity markets continue to offer an attractive equity risk premium relative to international ten-year government bonds. Emerging markets are particularly attractive due to wider valuation spreads, higher annualized returns, stabilizing commodity prices and a weakening U.S. dollar.

## SMRS International Equity Strategies 9/30/17

Markets	Amount	Total	% of Total
Indexed	(\$ in Millions)		
SSgA Vanguard	\$2,208 1,277		
Total Indexed		\$3,485	28.2%
Stock Plus			
Internal Swaps PIMCO	\$2,558 1,751		
Total Stock Plus		\$4,309	34.9%
Active			
Los Angeles Capital Management Wellington Marathon-London SSgA Effissimo Capital Management Lazard Martin Currie	\$1,361 981 721 705 318 240 230		
Total Active		\$4,556	36.9%

TOTAL \$12,351 100.0%

# SMRS International Equity Exposure By Category 9/30/17



Market Value i	n Millions	
	9/30/	17
Indexed		
Developed Large	\$1,764	14.3%
Developed Small	1,006	8.1%
Emerging Markets	716	5.8%
Total Indexed Equity	\$3,486	28.2%
Stock Plus		
Developed Large	\$3,752	30.4%
Emerging Markets	557	4.5%
Total Stock Plus Equity	\$4,309	34.9%
Active		
Developed Large	\$3,183	25.8%
Developed Small	705	5.7%
Emerging Markets	668	5.4%
Total Active Equity	\$4,556	36.9%
Total International Equity	<u>\$12,351</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

# SMRS International Equities 9/30/17

Date:	9/30/17	6/30/17	<u>3/31/17</u>	<u>12/31/16</u>
Assets (\$ in Millions):	\$12,351	\$11,637	\$10,491	\$9,687
Number of Securities:	9,109	9,529	9,190	9,201
Active Share:	33%	34%	35%	34%

Benchmark: MSCI ACWI ex USA

Description: The International Equities Composite represents all International Equity Division investments.

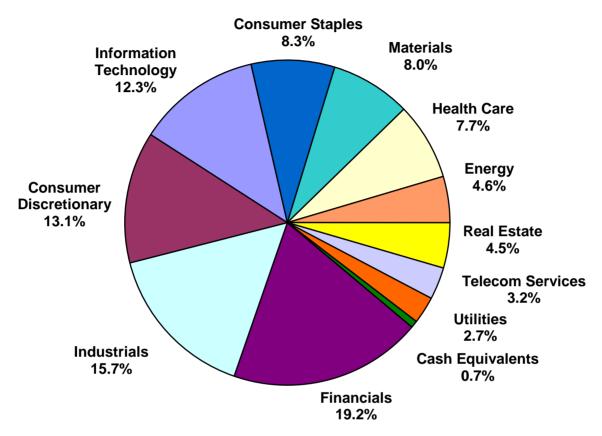
		SMRS	MSCI	ACWI ex USA
Characteristics:	LTM	Normalized	LTM	Normalized
Weighted Average Capitalization (\$ in Billions):	\$49.0		\$67.9	
Price/Earnings:	17.3	19.6	16.3	17.9
Price/Book:	1.7	2.0	1.7	2.0
Return on Equity:	9.8%	10.0%	10.4%	11.2%
Beta:	0.99		1.00	
Tracking Error:	1.0%			
Dividend Yield:	2.0%	2.1%	2.2%	2.3%
Buyback Yield:	-0.5%	-0.4%	-0.3%	-0.2%
Sustainable Growth Rate:	7.2%	6.7%	7.2%	7.0%
Annualized Compound Rate:	8.7%	8.4%	9.1%	9.1%

#### **TOP TEN HOLDINGS**

(\$ in Billions\* - \$ in Millions\*\*)

	Portfolio <u>Weight</u>	Market <u>Capitalization*</u>	FY1 <u>P/E</u>	Market <u>Value**</u>
Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd.	1.2%	\$2.5	28.8	\$145.7
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	1.1%	408.9	43.4	141.5
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	1.0%	323.7	8.7	118.7
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	0.8%	185.1	16.5	98.2
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. Sponsored ADR	0.7%	442.3	35.2	86.1
Novartis AG	0.7%	224.2	18.1	82.3
Nestle S.A.	0.6%	260.8	23.0	78.2
British American Tobacco p.l.c.	0.6%	143.8	16.5	69.5
Roche Holding Ltd Genusssch.	0.5%	220.2	16.1	64.6
HSBC Holdings plc	<u>0.5%</u>	<u>198.4</u>	14.5	<u>57.1</u>
TOTAL	<u>7.7%</u>	<u>\$2,409.9</u>		<u>\$941.8</u>

# SMRS International Equity By Sector 9/30/17



Market Value in Millions									
		9/30/17							
	Assets	Percent	Benchmark	Difference					
Financials	\$2,372	19.2%	23.3%	-4.1%					
Industrials	1,941	15.7%	11.8%	3.9%					
Consumer Discretionary	1,619	13.1%	11.3%	1.8%					
Information Technology	1,522	12.3%	11.2%	1.1%					
Consumer Staples	1,029	8.3%	9.6%	-1.3%					
Materials	988	8.0%	7.8%	0.2%					
Health Care	952	7.7%	7.9%	-0.2%					
Energy	560	4.6%	6.6%	-2.0%					
Real Estate	555	4.5%	3.2%	1.3%					
Telecom Services	394	3.2%	4.2%	-1.0%					
Utilities	336	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%					
Total Investments	\$12,268	99.3%	100.0%						
Cash Equivalents	83	0.7%	0.0%	0.7%					
Total	\$12,351	100.0%	100.0%						

Benchmark: MSCI ACWI ex USA

# International Manager Performance - Net of Fees 9/30/17

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>1-Year</u>	3-Years	<u>5-Years</u>	7-Years	Inception	Inception <u>Date</u>
Total International Equity	\$12,351,064,028	20.8%	6.5%	8.2%	6.6%	6.2%	1/1/04
MSCI ACWI ex USA		19.6%	4.7%	7.0%	5.5%	6.5%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	5.8%	
Excess Return		1.2%	1.8%	1.2%	1.0%	-0.3%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		23	25	52	43	28	

Total International Active Strategy	\$4,555,303,575	19.8%	6.3%	8.2%	6.6%	5.5%	5/1/05
MSCI ACWI ex USA		19.6%	4.7%	7.0%	5.2%	5.8%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	5.2%	
Excess Return		0.2%	1.6%	1.1%	1.3%	-0.5%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		36	26	54	43	43	
LACM World ex US	982,091,348	16.2%				10.2%	12/1/15
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%				10.6%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%				11.0%	
Excess Return		-2.6%				-0.4%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		82				63	
Marathon-London International Fund	720,966,727	17.6%	7.7%	10.5%		10.4%	2/1/12
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%	7.8%		7.6%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%		8.1%	
Excess Return		-1.1%	3.1%	2.7%		2.8%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		73	13	10		9	
SSGA International Alpha Small Cap	704,838,396	20.8%	9.8%	12.5%	10.6%	4.5%	5/1/07
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap		20.4%	9.6%	11.2%	8.8%	3.6%	
Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Core		19.9%	7.3%	9.1%	7.0%	3.5%	
Excess Return		0.4%	0.2%	1.3%	1.8%	0.9%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Core		54	20	14	6	1	
Wellington IRE Fund	692,050,410	19.1%	5.2%	8.6%	6.8%	4.8%	12/1/05
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%	7.8%	6.0%	4.6%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	4.5%	
Excess Return		0.4%	0.6%	0.8%	0.8%	0.2%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		52	54	36	36	36	
LACM Emerging Markets Fund	378,619,437	22.2%	5.5%	4.3%	3.8%	5.22%	12/8/09
MSCI Emerging Markets		22.5%	4.9%	4.0%	2.5%	4.1%	
Lipper Emerging Markets		19.7%	3.4%	3.9%	2.4%	4.2%	
Excess Return		-0.2%	0.6%	0.3%	1.3%	1.1%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper Emerging Markets		37	32	47	32	34	
Effissimo Capital Management Japan	317,647,299	37.7%				14.1%	12/1/15
MSCI Japan		14.1%				9.1%	
Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Value		21.1%				15.4%	
Excess Return		23.7%				5.0%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Value		1				73	
Wellington Emerging Markets Local Equity	289,212,203	24.9%	7.2%	7.8%		8.8%	12/1/11
MSCI Emerging Markets		22.5%	4.9%	4.0%		5.2%	
Lipper Emerging Markets		19.7%	3.4%	3.9%		5.0%	
Excess Return		2.5%	2.3%	3.8%		3.5%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper Emerging Markets		20	13	9		9	
Lazard/Wilmington International Equity	240,300,000	12.4%	3.9%			2.0%	6/1/14
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%			2.7%	
Lipper International Large-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%			3.5%	
Excess Return		-6.3%	-0.6%			-0.7%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Large-Cap Core		94	83			90	
Martin Currie International Long-term Unconstrained	229,545,889					16.9%	2/1/17
MSCI ACWI ex USA						15.7%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core						16.4%	
Excess Return						1.2%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core						48	

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>1-Year</u>	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	Inception	Inception <u>Date</u>
Total International Stock Plus Strategy	\$4,309,635,740	21.5%	6.5%	8.8%	7.5%	8.4%	1/1/09
MSCI ACWI ex USA		19.6%	4.7%	7.0%	5.2%	8.8%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	8.9%	
Excess Return		1.9%		1.8%	2.2%	-0.5%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		20	26	36	22	60	
Internal Stock Plus	2,558,468,760	23.9%	9.7%	12.8%	9.8%	9.6%	1/1/09
MSCI ACWI ex USA		19.6%	4.7%	7.0%	5.2%	5.2%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	5.9%	
Excess Return		4.3%	5.0%	5.9%	4.6%	4.4%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		6	1	1	2	2	
PIMCO StockPLUS International TR Fund	1,193,820,850	22.8%	5.5%	8.7%		7.5%	10/1/10
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%	7.8%		6.0%	
Lipper International Large-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%		6.2%	
Excess Return		4.1%	1.0%	0.9%		1.5%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Large-Cap Core		10	45	35		17	
PIMCO Emerging Markets StockPLUS AR Fund	557,346,138	26.1%	, <u></u>			8.5%	4/1/15
MSCI Emerging Markets		22.5%				6.9%	
Lipper Emerging Markets		19.7%				6.2%	
Excess Return		3.7%				1.6%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper Emerging Markets		15				29	

Total International Index Strategy	\$3,485,753,160	19.9%	6.5%	7.6%	5.7%	8.9%	7/1/09
MSCI ACWI ex USA		19.6%	4.7%	7.0%	5.2%	7.7%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	8.2%	
Excess Return		0.3%	1.8%	0.6%	0.5%	1.2%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		35	24	71	75	22	
SSGA PMI Fund	1,203,261,644	19.1%	5.0%	7.9%	6.3%	6.0%	4/1/10
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%	7.8%	6.0%	5.7%	
Lipper International Large-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	5.9%	
Excess Return		0.3%	0.5%	0.1%	0.3%	0.4%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Large-Cap Core		53	59	66	<i>4</i> 8	48	
SSGA EMI Fund	1,005,198,367	21.8%	11.0%	12.9%	10.1%	10.1%	4/1/10
MSCI EAFE SMID Cap		20.6%	9.7%	11.7%	8.9%	8.8%	
Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Core		19.9%	7.3%	9.1%	7.3%	7.3%	
Excess Return		1.2%	1.3%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Small/Mid-Cap Core		29	4	10	6	6	
Vanguard Emerging Market Fund	715,886,410	18.9%	4.1%	3.7%	2.2%	6.5%	7/1/09
MSCI Emerging Markets		22.5%	4.9%	4.0%	2.5%	6.9%	
Lipper Emerging Markets		19.7%	3.4%	3.9%	2.4%	7.1%	
Excess Return		-3.5%	-0.8%	-0.3%	-0.4%	-0.4%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper Emerging Markets		62	58	60	58	63	
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	561,416,760	19.5%	5.9%	9.1%	7.0%	6.32%	4/1/10
MSCI World ex USA		18.7%	4.6%	7.8%	6.0%	5.7%	
Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		18.9%	5.3%	8.2%	6.2%	5.9%	
Excess Return		0.8%	1.3%	1.3%	1.0%	0.7%	
Pct Rank vs. Lipper International Multi-Cap Core		46	35	30	37	38	

## State of Michigan Retirement Systems

# PRIVATE EQUITY REVIEW

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Performance**

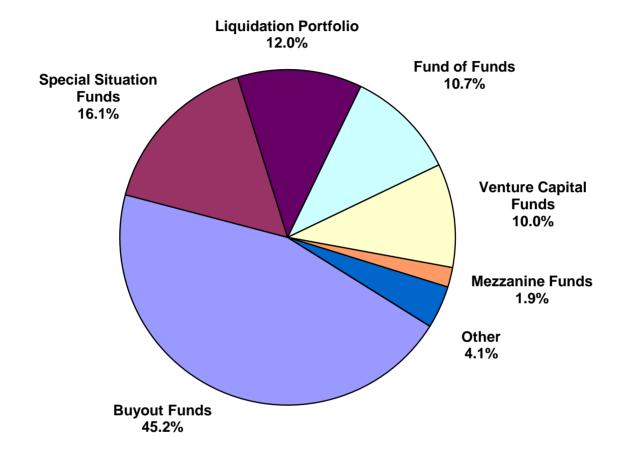
MPSERS Plan	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Annualized Returns	16.4%	10.4%	14.2%	14.8%	9.9%
Benchmark Return	21.3%	12.8%	17.8%	18.5%	11.4%
Peer Median Return	12.5%	8.2%	10.3%	10.7%	7.1%
Percentile Rank vs. Peers*	18	19	13	10	9

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Universe greater than \$1 billion

- Private Equity returns have been strong relative to peer median returns, ranking in the top 9% of peers over the past ten years.
- It is not unusual for private equity returns to lag the public market benchmark return in up markets and lead the public market benchmark in down markets. The past eight years have been no exception due to the third longest expansion in U.S. history. Over the past ten years, a full market cycle, the Private Equity Division has delivered 2.5% annualized excess returns over the S&P 500 (ten year S&P 500 return 7.4%), but underperformed the benchmark by 1.5%.
- For the twelve months ending September 30, 2017, the Private Equity Division returned approximately \$233 million, net of contributions, to the pension fund. Although the pace of distributions continues to slow, distribution activity should remain healthy as long as the economic expansion continues. General Partners are incentivized to exit investments at current valuations.
- Commitments closed during the quarter include:
  - \$100 million to Insight Venture Partners X, LP, a growth equity fund.
  - \$75 million to Flagship Pioneering VI, a venture capital fund.
  - \$50 million to Apax Digital Fund, LP, a lower middle-market buyout fund.
  - \$20 million to Science Ventures Fund II, LP, a venture capital fund.

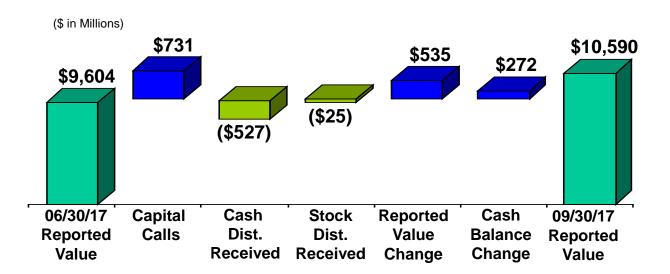
#### Strategy Update

The strategy for the next twelve months will focus primarily on existing sponsors raising successor funds. This will be a combination of buyout funds, venture capital funds and growth equity funds seeking new commitments. The Private Equity Division has also tilted slightly toward the middle market in an attempt to diversify its exposure to mega funds. Co-investments will play an increasingly important role in both averaging down costs and targeting specific investments with attractive risk/return characteristics.

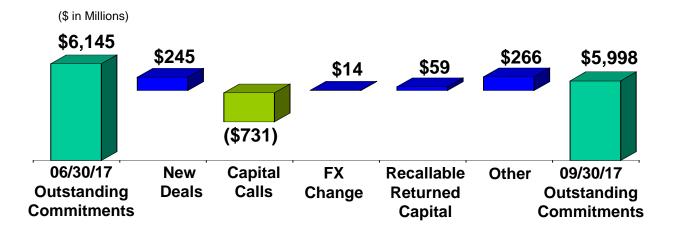


	Market Value	e in Millions		
	9/30/17		9/30/	16
Buyout Funds	\$4,791	45.2%	\$4,356	46.1%
Special Situation Funds	1,703	16.1%	1,593	16.8%
Liquidation Portfolio	1,274	12.0%	1,466	15.5%
Fund of Funds	1,131	10.7%	654	6.9%
Venture Capital Funds	1,061	10.0%	1,061	11.2%
Mezzanine Funds	198	1.9%	168	1.8%
Other	432	4.1%	159	1.7%
Total	\$10,590	100.0%	\$9,457	100.0%

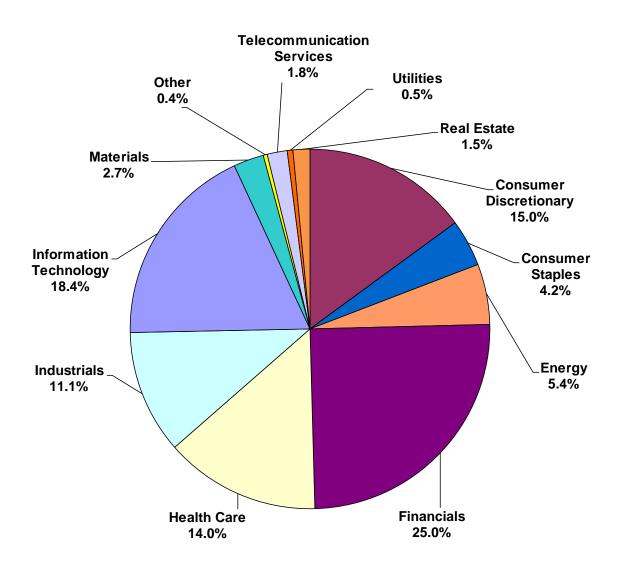
### **Invested Commitments**



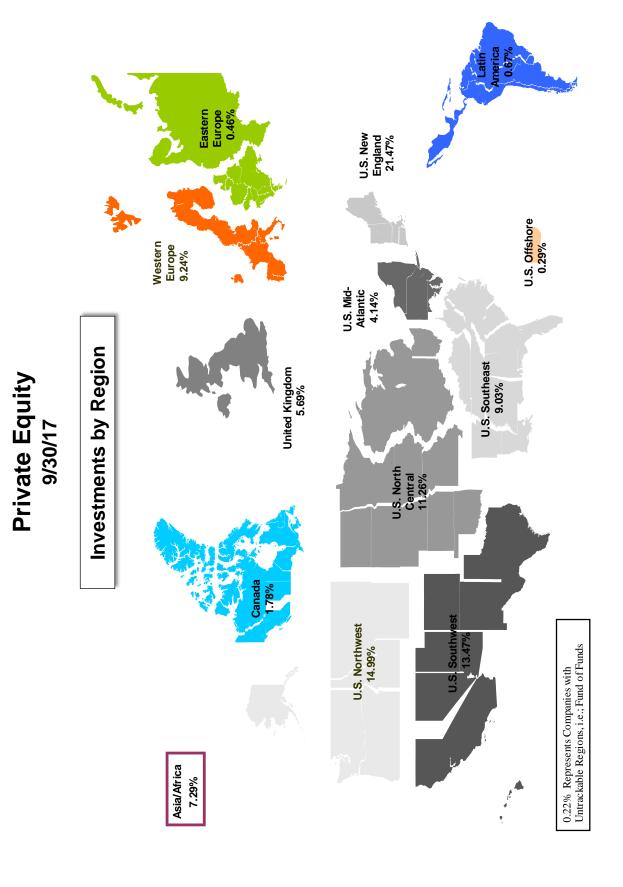
### **Outstanding Commitments**



### **Investments by Industry**



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**SMRS** 

Geographic Report: North America 76%, Europe 15%, Asia 7%, Other 2%

### **Portfolio by Vintage Year**

(\$ in Millions)

Asset Vintage	Reported Value	Outstanding Commitment	Total Exposure
1986-98	\$ 9	\$ 8	\$ 17
1999	18	10	28
2000	67	26	93
2001	140	62	202
2002	41	9	50
2003	13	19	32
2004	116	47	163
2005	307	24	331
2006*	775	256	1,031
2007	743	143	886
2008	917	166	1,083
2009	24	1	25
2010	312	13	325
2011	728	109	837
2012	1,323	195	1,518
2013	466	230	696
2014	1,036	524	1,560
2015	2,621	1,557	4,178
2016	480	1,732	2,212
2017	21	867	888
Income Accruals	1	0	1
Cash	431	0	431
Act. Small Cap - Stock Dist	1_	0	1_
Total	\$ 10,590	\$ 5,998	\$ 16,588

<sup>\*</sup>Liquidation portfolio is 2006 vintage

### **FX Exposure**

(\$ in Millions)

	Reported Value	Outstanding Commitment	Total Exposure	Total (USD)
Euro (\$1.18/ €)	€371	€656	€1,027	\$1,214

### **Top 10 Sponsors**

(\$ in Millions)

Asset Type	Reported Value	Outstanding Commitment	Total
HarbourVest Partners	\$ 1,854	\$ 372	\$ 2,226
KKR	545	399	944
Grosvenor Capital Management	636	219	855
Blackstone Capital Partners	406	443	849
Warburg Pincus Capital	512	221	733
Advent International	450	174	624
Leonard Green & Partners	348	207	555
The Carlyle Group	357	161	518
TPG	288	141	429
Berkshire Partners	261_	167_	428
Top 10 Total Value	\$ 5,657	\$ 2,504	\$ 8,161

### **Cash Weighted Rates of Return\***

(Net IRR)	Current Qtr.	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	10-Years
Buyout	0.3%	13.7%	11.8%	14.7%	9.8%
Fund of Funds	0.0%	8.5%	9.6%	11.1%	7.4%
Mezzanine	-0.4%	10.0%	5.2%	9.1%	7.6%
Special Situations	-0.3%	11.1%	7.6%	10.0%	8.2%
Venture Capital	0.0%	1.9%	8.3%	13.4%	14.7%

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## **SMRS**

# Private Equity 9/30/17

### **Net Market Values by Ownership Entity**

	Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
Accel Europe I, LP	\$ 9,233,020	\$ 1
Accel Europe II	15,789,178	3,300,000
Accel Growth Fund II, LP	12,314,199	540,000
Accel Growth Fund III, LP	12,032,229	1,540,000
Accel Growth Fund IV, LP	7,493,075	14,300,000
Accel IX, LP	4,985,145	3,000,000
Accel Leaders Fund, LP	2,414,239	3,080,000
Accel London V, LP	2,476,386	9,240,000
Accel VI-S	2,570,639	652,611
Accel VI, LP	1,384,062	-
Accel VII, LP	254,201	5,000,000
Accel VIII, LP	4,099,700	4,782,499
Accel X, LP	17,342,910	400,000
Accel XI, LP	6,808,477	1,680,000
Accel XII, LP	5,807,258	1,925,000
Accel XIII, LP	2,124,984	7,700,000
Advent Global Private Equity III	1,116,516	20
Advent Global Private Equity V	10,776,347	8,700,000
Advent International GPE VI-A, LP	107,213,324	-
Advent International GPE VII-B, LP	216,082,539	20,000,000
Advent International GPE VIII-B, LP	105,104,416	123,412,500
Advent Latin American Private Equity Fund VI, LP	9,386,725	22,347,500
Affinity Asia Pacific Fund II, LP	-	5,288,237
Affinity Asia Pacific Fund III, LP	54,489,950	11,784,109
Affinity Asia Pacific Fund IV, LP	80,946,475	66,912,850
* Apax Digital, LP	-	50,000,000
Apax Europe Fund VI	21,910,921	2,500,114
Apax Europe V, LP	210,155	-
Apax Europe VII, LP	44,617,495	2,612,374
Apax IX, LP	24,124,300	124,200,000
Apax US VII	12,979,523	417,509
Apax VIII - B, LP	105,962,896	9,066,118
Apollo Investment Fund IX, LP	-	100,000,000
Apollo Investment Fund VIII, LP	72,267,112	36,793,682
Arboretum Ventures II	2,134,744	-
Arboretum Ventures III, LP	12,558,084	1,170,000
Arboretum Ventures IV, LP	7,166,950	20,790,000
Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund II	8,181,560	11,423,773
Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund III, LP	100,853,259	9,041,168
Ares Corporate Opportunities Fund IV, LP	84,513,768	24,058,961

	Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
AXA ASF Miller Co-Investment	13,853,296	23,121,187
Axiom Asia IV, LP	9,716,882	39,997,811
Axiom Asia Private Capital Fund III, LP	34,247,786	10,989,264
BC European Capital IX	83,156,895	4,392,846
BC European Capital VII, LP	574,868	-
BC European Capital VIII, LP	17,992,357	9,244,804
Berkshire Fund IX, LP	23,772,481	150,715,053
Berkshire Fund VI, LP	45,269,442	7,554,903
Berkshire Fund VII, LP	73,704,467	2,450,793
Berkshire Fund VIII, LP	118,040,284	6,072,323
Blackstone Capital Partners IV	18,777,785	4,792,430
Blackstone Capital Partners V	27,636,554	15,960,484
Blackstone Capital Partners V-S	3,102,130	712,476
Blackstone Capital Partners VI, LP	272,567,622	51,968,712
Blackstone Capital Partners VII, LP	35,376,948	235,884,150
Bridgepoint Europe IV	38,043,375	6,312,112
Carlyle Europe Partners II	1,298,819	4,371,712
Carlyle Europe Partners III	27,564,717	6,274,390
Carlyle Europe Partners IV, LP	69,452,932	48,914,671
Carlyle Partners IV, LP	5,346,720	16,009,296
Carlyle Partners V, LP	102,364,432	54,261,025
Carlyle Partners VI, LP	151,300,420	31,007,666
Castle Harlan Partners IV	6,930,777	5,286,319
Castle Harlan Partners V	44,734,016	29,635,422
CCMP Capital Investors II	20,693,610	10,349,690
CCMP Capital Investors III, LP	47,747,814	10,498,610
Centerbridge Capital Partners III, LP	37,147,775	43,203,530
Cerberus SMRS Partners, LP	77,331,940	23,304,657
CM Liquidity Fund, LP	-	25,000,000
Coller International Partners V, LP	27,457,700	43,600,000
Coller International Partners VI, LP	54,547,143	29,723,267
Coller International Partners VII, LP	34,103,649	121,089,041
Crescent Mezzanine Partners VI, LP	41,140,447	12,002,112
Crescent Mezzanine Partners VII	6,925,653	145,485,470
CVC Capital Partners VII, LP	-	177,329,993
DLJ Investment Partners II	165,445	-
DLJ Investment Partners III	3,637,364	44,559,251
Dover Street IX, LP	18,663,596	84,000,000
EDF Ventures III	1,138,087	-
EnCap Energy Capital Fund X, LP	23,774,275	20,674,835
Entertainment IP Fund, LP	5,028,710	44,015,694
FIMI Opportunity 6, LP	5,462,000	44,454,546
FirstMark Capital I, LP	79,218,868	196,596
FirstMark Capital IV, LP	2,239,036	32,550,000
FirstMark Capital OF I, LP	18,390,690	2,000,000
FirstMark Capital OF II, LP	-	35,000,000
FirstMark Capital P2, LP	168,121,041	-
Flagship Pioneering VI	100,121,041	75,000,000
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	Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
Flagship Ventures Fund 2004	9,186,750	-
Flagship Ventures Fund 2007, LP	19,104,079	-
Flagship Ventures Fund IV, LP	85,058,062	-
Flagship Ventures Fund V	44,315,223	9,275,000
Flagship Ventures Opportunities Fund I, LP	8,366,988	41,500,000
Fox Paine Capital Fund II, LP	30,587,981	15,382,699
FS Equity Partners VII, LP	67,978,186	36,083,430
G-IV Acquisition Holdings, LLC	17,921,776	-
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program I, LP	13,247,178	1,383,089
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program II, LP	39,795,589	15,773,942
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program III - 2004	60,542,441	4,835,931
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program III - 2006	72,884,929	7,447,588
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program V, LP	91,837,176	11,094,611
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program VI, LP	20,871,814	13,642,764
GCM Grosvenor Fund Investment Program VIII, LP	25,579,694	76,420,833
GCM Grosvenor SeasPriFIP, LP (PIS06-10)	79,527,461	23,031,531
GCM Grosvenor SeasPriFIP, LP (PIS14)	188,356,394	51,642,208
GCM Grosvenor SeasPriFIP, LP (Seed)	43,677,777	13,824,219
Genstar Capital Partners VIII, LP	219,389	49,463,226
Genstar VIII Opportunities Fund I, LP	-	50,000,000
Green Equity Investors IV	6,502,953	1,136,036
Green Equity Investors V	180,676,916	25,966,435
Green Equity Investors VI, LP	131,364,336	10,519,889
Green Equity Investors VII, LP	29,027,309	169,857,913
GSO Capital Opportunities Fund II, LP	20,973,364	11,479,647
GSO Capital Opportunities Fund III, LP	24,377,292	75,825,804
GSO COF III Co-Investment Fund, LP	3,551,389	46,448,611
HarbourVest Dover Street VIII, LP	43,914,100	9,112,500
HarbourVest Int'l III Direct	-	1,000,000
HarbourVest Int'l III Partnership	333,516	1,200,000
Harbourvest Partners Co-Investment Fund IV, LP	30,848,211	72,500,000
HarbourVest Partners Mezzanine Income Fund	42,178,798	60,810,000
HarbourVest V Partnership	214,316	300,000
HarbourVest VI - Direct Fund, LP	3,438,153	750,000
HarbourVest VI Partnership	7,385,926	2,000,000
Harvest Partners VII, LP	20,593,325	52,154,048
HPS Mezzanine Partners III, LP	15,995,814	34,192,624
Insight Venture Partners Growth-Buyout Coinvestment Fund, LP	47,023,697	13,000,000
Insight Venture Partners IX, LP	82,595,854	28,500,000
* Insight Venture Partners X, LP	, , <u>-</u>	100,000,000
Kelso Investment Associates IX, LP	61,478,898	54,236,827
Kelso Investment Associates VII	2,432,309	4,970,176
Kelso Investment Associates VIII	87,172,139	22,759,751
Khosla Ventures III, LP	14,691,839	1,250,000
Khosla Ventures IV, LP	40,274,157	950,000
Khosla Ventures V, LP	26,500,063	19,150,000
KKR 2006 Fund, LP	110,421,163	5,105,864
KKR Americas Fund XII, LP	-,,	200,000,000
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	Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
KKR Asian	18,682,231	-
KKR Asian Fund II, LP	56,276,795	8,340,173
KKR Asian Fund III	-	100,000,000
KKR China Growth Fund	39,102,654	-
KKR E2 Investors (Annex) Fund	143,290	-
KKR European Fund II	1,750,523	-
KKR European Fund III	66,130,514	22,854,187
KKR European Fund IV, LP	83,299,466	50,191,837
KKR European Fund, LP	-	-
KKR Millennium Fund	25,575,495	-
KKR North America Fund XI, LP	143,939,673	11,853,509
Lightspeed Venture Partners VI	415,156	-
Lightspeed Venture Partners VII, LP	34,469,035	-
Lion Capital Fund I (HME II)	97,975	11,990,295
Lion Capital Fund II	10,229,904	4,797,372
Lion Capital Fund III, LP	71,419,961	11,497,983
MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners II	2,167,641	-
MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners III	59,531,296	3,436,976
Menlo Ventures IX, LP	4,209,194	-
Menlo Ventures X, LP	45,810,483	-
Menlo Ventures XI, LP	77,565,503	1,000,000
Menlo Ventures XIV, LP	-	7,000,000
MeriTech Capital Partners II, LP	2,546,816	1,850,000
Meritech Capital Partners III, LP	10,710,479	-
Meritech Capital Partners IV, LP	17,718,333	900,000
Meritech Capital Partners V, LP	14,062,732	5,350,000
Michigan Growth Capital Partners II, LP	177,246,137	18,239,212
Michigan Growth Capital Partners III, LP	12,279,827	87,451,304
Michigan Growth Capital Partners, LP	77,975,568	14,803,649
Midtown Fund III, LP	-	-
Midtown II Liquidating Trust	2,337,231	-
New Leaf Growth Fund I, LP	153,743,977	-
New Leaf Ventures II, LP	17,342,624	-
New Leaf Ventures III, LP	17,717,335	16,875,000
Nordic Capital VI, LP	4,268,093	-
Nordic Capital VII	46,079,591	3,254,762
Nordic Capital VIII, LP (Alpha)	45,644,005	16,883,687
Oak Investment Partners X, LP	6,908,099	-
Oak Investments Partners IX, LP	817,559	-
Oaktree Opportunities Fund X, LP	14,872,078	18,000,000
Oaktree Opportunities Fund Xb, LP	-	70,000,000
OCM Opportunities Fund IX, LP	62,580,657	-
OCM Opportunities Fund VII (B), LP	3,753,501	5,000,000
OCM Opportunities Fund VII, LP	4,519,858	-
OCM Opportunities Fund VIII B, LP	20,824,664	-
OCM Opportunities Fund VIII, LP	8,788,335	-
OCM Principal Opportunities Fund IV	6,735,104	5,002,377
Ocqueoc Holdings, LLC	14,895,357	50,000,000

		Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
	One Liberty Fund III	2,542,165	-
	One Liberty Fund IV	1,239,830	-
	One Liberty Ventures 2000	5,610,889	-
	Parthenon Investors II	1,666,422	3,186,779
	Parthenon Investors III	36,967,846	2,732,182
	Parthenon Investors IV, LP	47,749,344	3,441,676
	Peninsula Capital Fund IV	5,962,633	2,201,026
	Peninsula Fund VI, LP	19,729,180	22,424,589
	Public Pension Capital, LLC	40,983,213	63,706,139
	Questor Partners Fund II	264,732	5,816,186
	Rhone Partners V, LP	27,576,888	88,800,247
	Riverside Capital Appreciation Fund VI, LP	64,171,693	20,652,698
	Riverside Micro Cap Fund I, LP	29,197,106	5,782,975
	Riverside Micro-Cap Fund II, LP	47,703,477	2,735,834
	Riverside Micro-Cap Fund III, LP	57,948,433	4,483,406
	Riverside Micro-Cap Fund IV	20,953,147	29,983,548
**	Science Ventures Fund II, LP	-	20,000,000
	Shamrock Growth Capital Fund IV, LP	1,648,899	46,515,466
	Silver Lake Partners II	4,472,654	3,531,586
	Silver Lake Partners III	51,087,219	13,199,137
	Silver Lake Partners IV, LP	47,746,830	11,174,353
	Silver Lake Partners V, LP	-	67,500,000
	SM/TCP, LP	29,414,926	12,288,065
	SMRS - TOPE, LLC	744,767,336	-
	SMRS-NCRP, LLC	961,917,883	139,930,389
	TCW Shared Op Fund III	104,787	-
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners III Secondary	266,097	-
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners III, LP	2,434,351	29,733,856
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners IV, LP	940,825	13,660,773
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners IVB Secondary	551,999	-
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners V, LLC	22,265,298	15,382,013
	TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Partners VC Secondary	6,555,026	-
	The Huron Fund III, LP	10,168,614	4,542,756
	The Huron Fund IV, LP	29,531,923	4,544,456
	The Huron Fund V, LP	-	35,000,000
	The Shansby Group 4	31,237	521,018
	The Shansby Group 5 (TSG5)	11,028,023	4,905,727
	Thoma Bravo Fund XII, LP	60,816,497	89,251,017
	TPG IV (Texas Pacific Group IV)	5,019,453	211,725
	TPG Partners III, LP	3,433,790	2,087,002
	TPG Partners VI, LP	139,335,764	16,905,811
	TPG Partners, VII, LP	62,499,857	95,504,703
	TPG V (Texas Pacific Group V)	78,111,987	26,611,195
	Trilantic Capital Partners V (North America) Fund A, LP	36,483,803	10,238,453
	TSG6, LP	94,275,205	30,776,741
	TSG7 A, LP	40,343,538	82,418,497
	Turnbridge Capital Partners I, LP	48,209,716	39,683,894
	Veritas Capital Fund V, LP	81,862,150	3,364,130

	Adjusted Reported Value	Unfunded Commitment
Veritas Capital Fund VI, LP	4,052,611	95,506,205
Veritas V Co-Investors, LP	12,247,889	15,000,000
Vista Equity Endeavor Fund I, LP	13,389,192	36,211,291
Vista Equity Partners Fund V, LP	49,389,290	10,878,928
Vista Equity Partners Fund VI, LP	42,496,959	31,900,104
Vista Foundation Fund III, LP	6,913,217	17,506,476
Warburg Pincus China, LP	10,639,134	33,885,000
Warburg Pincus Energy MCIP, LP	-	10,396,887
Warburg Pincus Energy, LP	43,829,501	50,700,000
Warburg Pincus Equity Partners, LP	1,704,566	-
Warburg Pincus International Partners	5,516,671	-
Warburg Pincus Private Equity IX	21,788,202	-
Warburg Pincus Private Equity VIII, LP	9,577,286	-
Warburg Pincus Private Equity X, LP	139,664,167	-
Warburg Pincus Private Equity XI, LP	193,840,155	13,200,000
Warburg Pincus Private Equity XII Secondary, LP	10,595,730	14,162,500
Warburg Pincus Private Equity XII, LP	74,380,501	99,137,500
WestAm COREplus Private Equity QP	1,972,548	2,086,719
WestAm Special Private Equity Partners	4,400,025	2,317,427
Total Private Equity	\$ 10,157,687,411	\$ 5,998,494,771
Cash	414,823,857	-
Active Small Cap Cash	15,769,475	-
Active Small Cap	981,552	-
Income Accruals	704,591	
Grand Total	\$ 10,589,966,886	\$ 5,998,494,771

<sup>\*</sup> Total Private Equity amounts do not include Cash and Active Small Cap

<sup>\*\*</sup> New Commitments made during quarter reported

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NCREIF NPI	5.5%	8.4%	8.9%	9.8%	4.9%
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Percentile Rank vs. Peers*	35	44	31	41	49

<sup>\*</sup>State Street Universe greater than \$1 billion

• Total Real Estate and Infrastructure Division (REID) value was \$6.6 billion with a total one-year return of 8%. Outperformance relative to the one-year benchmark was the result of REID's strategy in: the underweight of retail and office, and the overweight of apartments and hotels in the portfolio; appreciation in the medical office and industrial warehouse properties; realized gains from dispositions during the period; commitments to investments that distribute income early, thereby reducing the 'J' curve effect; and the increase in investments for credit strategies. Infrastructure investments in North American energy also provided strong above-average returns.

### **Strategy Update**

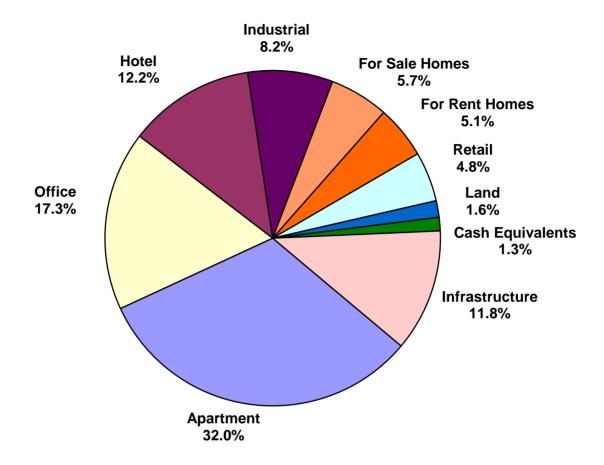
- The REID is focusing on sourcing off market opportunities through its extensive network and reducing risk in the portfolio through early income-generating assets with a shorter projected hold period, which includes investing in real estate debt at various levels of the capital structure. The REID has selectively acquired properties where it can add value through management and leasing, and develop properties at attractive risk-adjusted returns. The REID will continue its strategy of assembling portfolios in non-traditional real estate sectors that REID believes will become institutional property types, enabling above market appreciation and returns.
- The REID has been actively managing the portfolio with dispositions of assets in excess of \$1 billion, and funding new investments of nearly \$1 billion as of fiscal year-end. The REID is also working with its advisors in executing the disposition of properties in secondary markets where illiquidity occurs in periods of slower economic growth, and realizing gains from the sale of assets at historically low capitalization rates.
- The REID has approximately \$1.5 billion in unfunded commitments. New commitments closed during the quarter include:
  - \$75 million in Rialto Absolute Partnership I, a mezzanine loan on a portfolio of Class A biomedical office and laboratory buildings totaling 2.1 million square feet, managed by Rialto Capital Management, LLC.
  - \$50 million in TSP Fund II, LP, a diversified portfolio of office, industrial, retail, multi-family and medical office properties located in the U.S. The fund will be managed by Transwestern Strategic Partners LLC.

- \$20 million in TSP Spartan C-II, LLC, a co-investment in a 2.5 million square foot industrial portfolio, which will include nine Class A warehouse properties. The properties will be managed by Transwestern Strategic Partners LLC.

#### **Market Environment**

- Disparities in property types and in real estate markets are appearing as we continue through the real estate cycle. Development of condominiums in major urban markets has begun to ease, as supply becomes a concern in markets such as Miami and New York. Industrial warehouse construction fueled by fulfillment centers continues to meet growing demand. Retail properties are less attractive to investors as e-commerce continues to grow. Senior housing and medical office are attracting more investor attention. Lenders have become more selective in quality and location of the collateral and are disciplined in keeping loan-to-value ratios generally below 65%.
- The U.S. has eased FIRPTA Rules to reduce federal taxes on foreign investors for real estate
  investments. This will likely encourage more offshore pension funds to invest in the U.S.,
  although foreign investors are awaiting the new Federal Administration's policies and their
  effect on the market.
- Fund flows to the infrastructure sector continue to remain strong, as investor interest in the asset class continues to grow. Opportunities include North American energy, power generation, European transportation, and emerging market fundamental infrastructure projects. The industry has gained attention from the new Federal Administration's intent on rebuilding U.S. infrastructure, however details on investment legal and financial framework are limited and will take time to develop. A tight labor market for construction workers could inhibit timing of completions.
- In the commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) market, spreads over the swap rate for 10-year AAA-rated securities were unchanged from the prior quarter and stand at 90 bps, which has been low historically since late 2012. Spreads continued to tighten after the third quarter ended. The demand for higher rate securities remained strong. The lower-rated security spreads remain appropriate for the risk in comparison to debt metrics in the bond market. Commercial Mortgage Alert reported that CMBS issuance is projected to be \$80 billion in 2017. A wave of refinancing for 2007 ten-year vintage loans, in excess of \$100 billion, are finding enough lenders to complete their refinancing and therefore may not pose a problem. Large banks continue to be the low risk A note lender (<40% LTV), allowing private non-bank lenders to fill the funding gap, where the REID's credit strategy has focused its attention.</p>

# SMRS Real Estate and Infrastructure 9/30/17



	Market Value	in Millions				
	9/30/	17	9/30/	9/30/16		
Apartment	\$2,101	32.0%	\$2,273	34.6%		
Office	1,131	17.3%	1,040	15.8%		
Hotel	797	12.2%	916	14.0%		
Infrastructure	776	11.8%	625	9.5%		
Industrial	537	8.2%	445	6.8%		
For Sale Homes	374	5.7%	423	6.5%		
For Rent Homes	331	5.1%	335	5.1%		
Retail	314	4.8%	357	5.4%		
Land	105	1.6%	116	1.8%		
	\$6,466	98.7%	\$6,530	99.5%		
Cash Equivalents	88	1.3%	34	0.5%		
Total Investments	<u>\$6,554</u>	100.0%	<u>\$6,564</u>	100.0%		

## Northeast 13.5% Mideast 13.6% East N. Central Southeast 12.4% 9.7% (excludes cash & cash equivalents) West N. Central 2.7% 9/30/17 Southwest 11.7% Mountain %0.6 International comprises 8.9% Pacific 18.5%

**Based on Market Value** 

Real Estate by Region

**SMRS** 

Geographic regions defined by NCREIF, whose property index composition is: Pacific 31.9%, Mountain 6.3%, West N. Central 1.3%, Southwest 10.5%, East N. Central 7.3%, Southeast 9.3%, Northeast 21.7%, Mideast 11.7%

# SMRS Real Estate and Infrastructure 9/30/17

## Top Ten Advisors or Entity

 Market Value
\$ 1,405,079,446
687,710,831
504,240,615
327,544,276
274,694,645
251,453,833
243,950,729
233,852,096
192,677,153
192,015,299
\$ 4,313,218,923
\$

## Occupancy by Property Type

	Apartment	Office	Industrial	Retail	Hotel
SMRS Portfolio	94.7%	86.7%	94.2%	91.3%	78.9%
National Average	92.5%	87.1%	92.3%	94.8%	71.4%

### **Market Values by Ownership Entity**

#### 9/30/17

**SMRS** 

#### **REAL ESTATE**

	Mantaga Mataga	Unfunded
	Market Value	Commitment
801 Grand Avenue Capital, LLC	\$ 75,216,505	\$ 0
AEW Senior Housing III	1,491,413	3,001,712
Apollo Asia Real Estate Fund, LP	17,752,372	55,599,473
Asana Partners Fund I, LP	9,420,385	15,502,567
Avanath Affordable Housing I, LLC	24,286,826	1,467,911
Avanath Affordable Housing II, LLC	29,339,329	0
Avanath II SMRS Co-Investment Fund LLC	17,597,571	0
Avanath Affordable Housing III	10,820,345	39,020,680
Beacon Capital Strategic Partners IV, LP	166,475	0
Beacon Capital Strategic Partners V, LP	380,919	0
Blackstone R/E IH3 Co-Inv Partners	331,286,698	0
Blackstone Real Estate Partners V, LP	16,524,717	0
Blackstone Real Estate Partners VI, LP	14,974,454	3,680,000
Blackstone Real Estate Partners VIII, LP	37,140,158	40,023,518
Capri Select Income II	60,774	0
Capri Urban Investors, LLC	9,429,685	0
CIM Fund III, LP	42,004,023	0
CIM Fund VIII, LP	79,871,011	33,406,364
CIM Urban REIT, LLC	53,266,231	0
CIM VI (Urban REIT), LLC	30,217,234	0
Clarion Gables Multifamily Trust	29,192,476	0
Columbus Circle Holdings, LLC	130,010,743	94,821,668
CPI Capital Partners N.A., LP	165,277	0
CPI Capital Partners N.A. Secondary, LP	800,752	0
Crown Small Cap Real Estate	13,025,506	13,000,000
Domain GVA-1, LLC	49,785,615	53,431,029
Domain Hotel Properties, LLC	467,728,487	0
Gateway Capital R/E Fund II, LP	48,935,673	1,275,000
Great Lakes Property Group Trust	106,191,171	0
IMRF II Colnvest Spiga LP	7,177,722	7,039,047
Invesco Mortgage Recovery Feeder Fund	6,679,156	0
Invesco Mortgage Recovery Fund II, LP	27,815,444	17,543,582
IPF II Co-Invest LP	29,419,344	5,677,965
JBC North LaSalle, LLC	21,512,226	0
JBC Opportunity Fund III, LP	495,673	0
JP Morgan India Property Fund II, LLC	37,713,324	3,110,897
KBS/SM Fund III, LP	47,405,617	0
KBS/SM Fund IV, LP	91,394,235	0
L-A Saturn Acquisition, LP	32,939,785	0
Landmark Real Estate Partners V, LP	11,559,162	0
LaSalle Asia Opportunity Fund II, LP	257,089	0
LaSalle Asia Opportunity Fund III, LP	3,576,683	0
Lion Industrial Trust	183,340,603	0
Lion Mexico Fund, LP	7,449,265	0

	Market Value	Unfunded Commitment
Lombard GVA0016	203,093,725	0
Lone Star Fund X, LP	0	200,000,000
Lowe Hospitality Investment Partners	89,213	0
Lubert-Adler Real Estate Fund VII, LP	74,749,181	3,750,000
M1 Westgate Colnvest LLC	9,951,632	1,280,670
M301W Colnvest LLC	18,541,965	3,473,383
MERS Acquisitions, Ltd.	148,113,125	34,000,000
MG Alliance, LLC	18,279,018	0
MIP Holdco, LLC	112,425,856	49,004,940
Morgan Stanley R/E Fund V - International	3,087,056	0
Morgan Stanley R/E Fund VI - International	6,476,892	0
Morgan Stanley R/E Fund V - U.S.	2,937,581	0
Morgan Stanley R/E Special Situations Fund III	30,000,379	0
MWT Holdings, LLC	1,405,079,446	0
Northpark-Land Associates, LLLP	28,254,753	63,777,816
Orange Investors LLC	129,254,268	0
Paladin Realty Brazil Investors III (USA), LP	27,305,181	0
Paladin Realty Latin America Investors IV-CI, LP	36,280,297	17,000,000
Paladin Realty TB COINV V LP	11,374,327	0
Penmain Office LLC	35,806,369	0
Principal Separate Account	199,478,140	29,376,245
Proprium RE Spec Situations Fund LP	30,194,242	29,123,203
* Rialto Absolute Partnership I	75,000,000	
Rialto Credit Partnership LP	127,247,913	101,795,454
Rialto Real Estate Fund, LP	23,714,696	0
Rialto Real Estate Fund II, LP	38,638,578	3,000,000
Rialto Real Estate Fund III-Debt, LP	12,473,692	39,038,490
Rialto Real Estate Fund III-Property, LP	8,511,102	45,753,425
Rialto Mezzanine Partners Fund	41,958,295	0
SM Brell II, LP	26,151,883	0
Stockbridge Real Estate Fund II-C, LP	23,851,454	0
Strategic LP	251,453,833	43,600,000
TPG RE Finance Trust	95,375,264	2,103,426
TPG RE Fund II	22,299,476	26,775,697
* TSP Fund II, LP	4,391,509	45,608,491
TSP Spartan C-I LLC	8,545,631	0
* TSP Spartan C-II LLC	18,500,000	1,500,000
TSP Value and Income Fund LP	48,152,303	4,600,000
Trophy Property Development LP	57,421,329	7,408,100
True North High Yield Investment Fund II	14,283,457	5,000,000
True North Real Estate Fund III	34,231,809	19,320,180
Venture Center, LLC	45,143,867	0
Western National Realty Fund II, LP	27,163,855	0
	\$ 5,691,100,571	\$ 1,163,890,933
Short-Term Investments and Other	77,256,378	0
Total Real Estate Investments	\$ 5,768,356,949	\$ 1,163,890,933
* New or additional commitment made during the guarter reported		

<sup>\*</sup> New or additional commitment made during the quarter reported

## Market Values by Ownership Entity 9/30/17

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

				Unfunded
		Market Value	C	Commitment
ArcLight Energy Partners Fund VI, LP	\$	30,912,552	\$	17,896,686
ASF VI Infrastructure B LP		22,754,034		15,686,550
ASF VII Infrastructure Fund B LP		1,771,565		26,123,706
ASF Como Co-Investment LP		45,473,296		13,032,074
Basalt Infrastructure Partners, LP		51,065,889		3,050,413
Blackstone Energy Partners, LP		51,601,096		4,209,834
Blackstone Energy Partners II, LP		34,045,244		54,865,224
Brookfield Infrastructure Fund II-B, LP		49,545,968		5,369,518
Customized Infrastructure Strategies, LP		63,511,828		7,301,960
Dalmore Capital Fund		61,599,000		0
Global Energy & Power Infrastructure Fund II, LP		17,739,994		41,972,352
GCM Grosvenor Infrastructure Investment Program, LP		59,185,677		0
GCM Grosvenor Customized Infrastructure Strategies II, LP		25,162,059		39,921,338
GSO Energy Select Opportunities Fund LP		18,668,248		35,481,176
JP Morgan AIRRO India Sidecar Fund US, LLC		68,335,387		3,835,855
JP Morgan AIRRO Fund II US, LLC		12,317,116		83,384,246
KKR Eagle Colnvest LP		33,446,145		1,917,282
KKR Global Infrastructure Investors, LP		49,317,687		7,004,133
RPEP SMRS, LLC		12,500,000		500,000
StonePeak Infrastructure Fund LP		66,688,642		14,520,690
	\$	775,641,427	\$	376,073,037
Short-Term Investments and Other		10,253,753		0
Total Infrastructure Investments	<u>\$</u>	785,895,180	<u>\$</u>	376,073,037
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 6	6,554,252,129	\$ 1	,539,963,970
New or additional commitment made during the guester reported				•

<sup>\*</sup> New or additional commitment made during the quarter reported

#### State of Michigan Retirement Systems

# ABSOLUTE AND REAL RETURN REVIEW

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



James L. Elkins
Director, Private Markets
Short-Term, Absolute and Real Return Division

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### **Performance**

MPSERS Plan	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Absolute Return	7.8%	2.8%	5.5%	4.9%	N/A
HFRI FOF Conservative*	4.6%	1.7%	3.5%	2.9%	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> One month lag on the index. Information as of August 31, 2017.

- The value of the Absolute Return portfolio is \$4 billion with a one-year return of 7.8% and 1.7% for the current quarter. The outperformance for the third quarter was driven by overweight exposure to credit and equity strategies.
- Performance for credit managers was positive for the third quarter; the strategy closed out as
  the largest overall contributor to performance. Managers with meaningful exposure to mortgage
  and loan securities, specifically residential mortgage-backed securities, nonperforming loans and
  re-performing loans, had a particularly strong quarter with performance driven by the execution
  of successful securitizations as well as positive carry and spread tightening.
- Equities were the second largest contributor to performance for the quarter, with trading-oriented managers primarily driving gains. The equity portfolio continues to be managed with very little market exposure. Alpha has been broad-based across strategy types, industries and geographies, with particular strength from technology and healthcare, and Europe and Asia. It has also been a strong quarter for our quantitative strategies, particularly quant equity. We have seen positive performance across all forecast horizons and model types.

#### **Strategy Update**

- The objective of the Absolute Return portfolio is to diversify the total plans' holdings, targeting
  returns above investment-grade fixed income with lower volatility than the equity portfolio. The
  portfolio utilizes a diverse mix of managers that invest both long and short to target specific
  exposures and seek to hedge out unwanted risk.
- New commitments for the quarter include:
  - \$100 million to SJC Direct Lending Revolver Fund III, LP, a debt fund focused on asset based lending.
- Although outperformance for the quarter was driven primarily by credit and equity managers, we remain cautious on directional risks and have shifted towards more diversifying, lower net exposures. We anticipate increasing allocations to special situations and co-investments, which have more idiosyncratic risk and are implemented on a market neutral basis. We also believe that future allocations to opportunities in macro and quant strategies could be well positioned to take advantage of a rising interest rate and higher volatility environment. Overall, we will focus on future opportunities that seek to provide diversification, protect the downside and deliver absolute return.

#### **Performance**

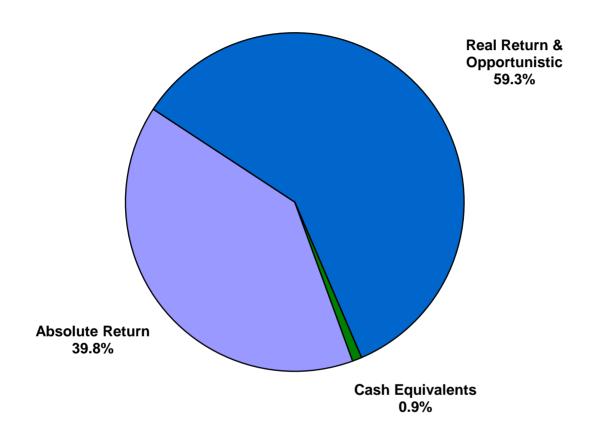
MPSERS Plan	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	7-Years	10-Years
Real Return and Opport.	12.3%	8.3%	11.0%	9.7%	N/A
Custom Benchmark	7.7%	7.1%	7.2%	7.4%	N/A

Total Real Return and Opportunistic portfolio value was \$6.1 billion with a total one-year return
of 12.3% and 2.8% for the current quarter. Performance for the quarter was driven by strong
income from our media and entertainment holdings, as well as solid returns from asset sales in
the metals and mining strategy.

#### **Strategy Update**

- The objective of the Real Return portfolio is to provide an inflation hedge and in the Opportunistic Portfolio to gain exposure to attractive opportunities that may not fit in another plan portfolio.
- The STARR division is focused on finding differentiated strategies that are additive to the current portfolio mix. In terms of strategy allocations, we have been reviewing many insurance related opportunities, especially those that are uncorrelated with traditional asset classes. With the many opportunities under review, we continue to favor private credit investments over equity due to the expected return for the level of risk.
- The Real Return & Opportunistic portfolio has approximately \$3.5 billion of unfunded commitments. New commitments closed during the quarter include:
  - \$300 million to Barings Asset-Based Income Fund, LP, a commingled fund that focuses on capital assets, infrastructure, intangible assets, and natural resources.
  - \$120 million to BSCH Parallel (MLG) I, LP, a co-investment in equity minority stakes, managed by Blackstone Strategic Capital Holdings.
  - \$100 million to Vida Insurance Credit Opportunities Fund II, LP, a commingled fund that focuses on insurance linked securities.
  - \$77.3 million to Napier Park Aircraft Leasing Rollover Fund I, LLC, a commingled fund that focuses on aircraft leasing.

# SMRS Absolute, Real Return and Opportunistic 9/30/17



Ma	arket Valu	e in Millions		
<u>-</u>	9/30/	/17	9/30/	16
Absolute Return	\$4,028	39.8%	\$3,967	42.3%
Real Return and Opportunistic	5,994	59.3%	5,317	56.7%
Cash Equivalents	86	0.9%	91	1.0%
Total Investments	\$10,108	100.0%	\$9,375	100.0%

#### SMRS Absolute Return 9/30/17

#### **Net Market Values by Entity**

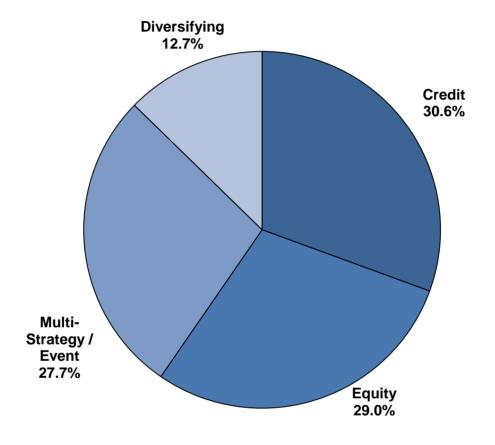
	N	et Market Value
Apollo Offshore Credit Strategies Fund Ltd.	\$	7,996,821
Drawbridge Opportunities Fund		216,944,855
* EnTrust White Pine Partners, LP		71,815,201
JM IV, LP		82,963,649
MP Securitized Credit Master Fund, LP		74,529,097
** SJC Direct Lending Revolver Fund III, LP		-
* Tahquamenon Fund, LP		3,571,108,694
Visium Balanced Fund, LP		2,442,554
Total Absolute Return	\$	4,027,800,872
Short-Term Investments & Other		10,594,684
Grand Total	\$	4,038,395,556

<sup>\*</sup> Fund of Funds

<sup>\*\*</sup> New Commitment

#### SMRS Absolute Return 9/30/17

#### **Investments By Strategy**

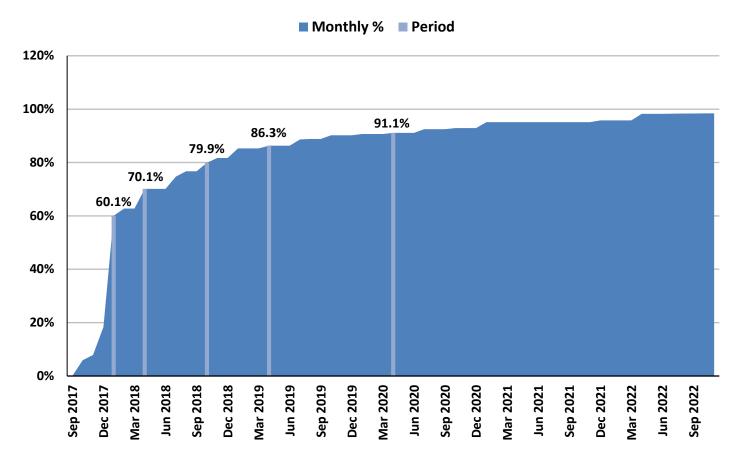


Strategy Breakdown			
Underlying Funds:	83	Median Position Size:	0.4%
Strategies:	4	Average Position Size:	1.1%
Relationships:	7	Largest Position Size:	8.7%

# SMRS Absolute Return 9/30/17

#### **Liquidity Analysis**

Redeemable	Marginal Allocation (% each period)	Aggregate Allocation (% since Analysis Date)
By 1/1/18	60.0%	60.0%
By 4/1/18	10.1%	70.1%
By 10/1/18	9.8%	79.9%
By 4/1/19	6.4%	86.3%
By 4/1/20	4.8%	91.1%
After 4/1/20	7.3%	98.4%
Illiquid	1.6%	100.0%
Total	100.0%	N/A



## Real Return and Opportunistic 9/30/17

#### **Net Market Value by Entity**

	Net Market Value	Unfunded Commitment
* Abernathy Fund I, LLC	\$ 166,225,286	\$ 75,405,176
Apollo Credit Opportunities Fund III, LP	63,953,173	26,330,152
Apollo European Principal Finance Fund II	44,975,481	8,746,667
Apollo Financial Credit Investments Fund II	300,006,347	196,512,311
Apollo Financial Credit Investments Fund III	5,155,344	291,142,204
Apollo HK TMS Investments Holdings, LP	15,497,856	, , -
Apollo Offshore Credit Fund Ltd	269,230,189	-
Apollo Offshore Structured Credit Recovery Fund III	102,646,995	115,953,390
** Barings Asset-Based Income Fund, LP	, , , , <u>-</u>	300,000,000
Blackstone Strategic Capital Holdings, LP	27,561,351	98,561,931
** BSCH Parallel (MLG) I, LP	12,000,000	108,000,000
Blue Peninsula Fund, LP	107,868,050	97,055,973
Carlyle Intl Energy Partners, LP	18,238,271	41,482,158
Carlyle Energy Mezzanine Opportunity Fund	8,420,923	45,528,094
Centerbridge SCP III, LP	14,443,568	15,000,000
* Content Holdings, LLC	501,909,134	50,303,931
Elegantree Fund SPC	56,756,933	4,735,264
Energy Recapitalization and Restructuring Fund, LP	26,326,701	15,648,065
ERR Michigan Holdings, LP	4,678,041	2,335,070
* Fairfield Settlement Partners, LLC	63,613,299	14,608,913
FCO MA MI, LP	89,468,887	112,813,104
Fortress MSR Opportunities Fund I A, LP	94,381,629	-
Fortress Transportation & Infrastructure	68,135,691	-
GSO Credit Alpha Fund, LP	71,367,634	40,021,313
Highbridge Principal Strategies - Specialty Loan Fund III	88,331,397	13,364,187
Hopen Life Sciences Fund II	4,512,084	1,925,000
HPS Red Cedar Fund	95,999,551	213,876,488
JP Morgan Global Maritime Investment Fund, LP	76,566,778	2,914,854
KANG Fund, LP	7,070,005	-
Kayne Anderson Energy Fund VII, LP	50,252,005	28,828,409
Kayne P.E. Income Fund	92,523,190	62,483,708
Kayne Solutions Fund, LP	78,694,621	164,698,873
KKR EI&G Fund	40,937,271	22,079,606
KKR Lending Partners I, LP	38,232,290	11,930,723
KKR Lending Partners II, LP	83,486,195	14,907,287
Lakewater, LLC, Series 1	102,709,404	2,059,813
Lakewater, LLC, Series 2	276,725,323	13,055,859
Lakewater, LLC, Series 3	775,939,666	-
Lakewater, LLC, Series 4	50,303,259	16,516,348
Lakewater, LLC, Series 5	194,167,009	55,461,411
Merit Energy Partners, LP	29,890,668	9,201,857
MidCap FinCo Holdings LTD	299,487,354	-

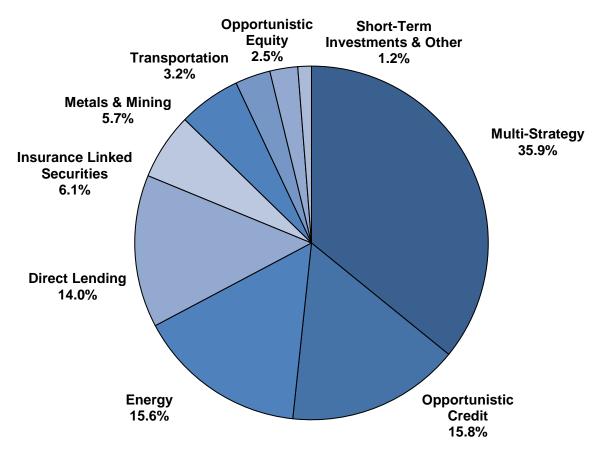
		Ne	et Market Value	(	Unfunded Commitment
	Napier Park Aircraft Leasing Vehicle I, LLC		40,921,646		15,303,861
**	•		10,228,020		66,582,608
	Nash Co-Investment		-		14,946,904
	New Fortress Energy HLDGS		300,000,000		-
	Orion Coinvest III, LP		30,079,902		2,236,552
	Orion Mine Finance Fund 1A, LP		78,525,437		6,812,977
	Orion Mine Finance Fund I, LP		138,374,944		7,376,051
	Orion Mine Finance II, LP		46,408,740		51,708,476
	Orion Mine Finance Co-Fund II, LP		3,297,029		46,666,667
	Redding Ridge Holdings, LP		29,526,012		69,638,485
*	Renaissance Venture Cap Fund II, LP		14,261,448		13,215,455
*	Renaissance Venture Cap Fund III, LP		750,000		24,250,000
	REOG Fund II Coinvest, LP		20,121,789		9,475,056
	Ridgewood Energy Oil & Gas II		89,982,494		29,758,760
	Ridgewood Energy Oil & Gas III		21,786,535		201,688,550
	RPEP Energy Opp Inst Partner		14,279,762		27,727,243
	RPEP SMRS Holdings, LLC		77,938,259		1,876,850
	SJC Direct Lending Fund I, LP		8,780,314		15,088,120
	SJC Direct Lending Fund IA, LP		1,969,185		3,764,486
	SJC Direct Lending Fund II, LP		162,066,765		38,261,315
	SJC Direct Lending Fund III, LP		68,792,439		180,543,148
*	Social Network Holdings, LLC		95,477,389		24,718,594
	Specialty Equity Strategy, LP		267,077		24,718,594
	Sprott PRL (M), LP		16,896,248		9,063,814
	Sprott PRL (M-Co-Invest)		10,000,000		15,000,000
	Sprott Private Resource Lending Fund (US), LP		22,232,826		76,619,890
	Terra Co-Investment, LLC		34,356,556		14,000,000
	TICP CLO Partners II, LP		15,125,755		34,106,472
	TSSP Adjacent Opp Partners, LP		30,747,340		69,964,487
	Varo Coinvestment, LP		14,827,153		912,073
**	Vida Insurance Credit Opportunity Fund II, LP		-		100,000,000
	Warwick Energy Partners III		50,973,864		11,470,665
	Warwick (SMRS) Co-Invest, LP		26,285,289		2,732,720
	Total Real Return and Opportunistic	\$	5,993,969,070	\$	3,503,717,013
	Short-Term Investments & Other		75,448,967		
	Grand Total	\$	6,069,418,037	\$	3,503,717,013

<sup>\*</sup> Fund of Funds

<sup>\*\*</sup> New Commitment

# SMRS Real Return and Opportunistic 9/30/17

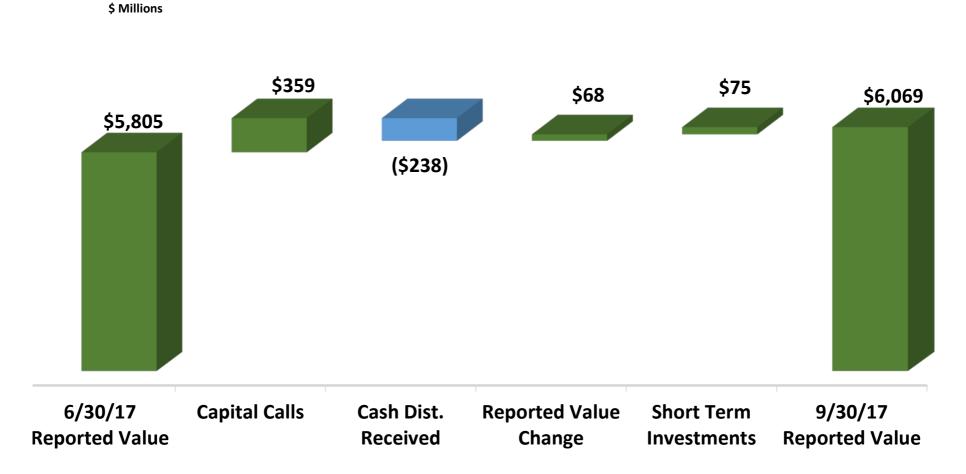
#### **Investments By Strategy**



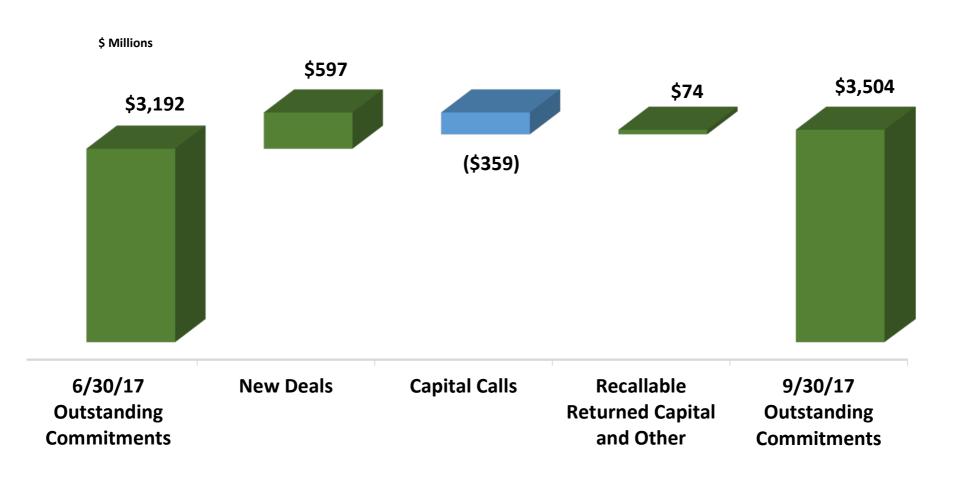
Investment Strategy					
Multi-Strategy	\$	2,176,114,208			
Opportunistic Credit		961,318,218			
Energy		944,386,632			
Direct Lending		847,145,490			
Insurance Linked Securities		368,774,990			
Metals & Mining		345,815,126			
Transportation		195,852,135			
Opportunistic Equity		154,562,271			
Short-Term Investments & Other		75,448,967			
Total Market Value	\$	6,069,418,037			

## Real Return and Opportunistic 9/30/17

#### **Invested Commitments**



### **Outstanding Commitments**



## Real Return and Opportunistic 9/30/17

#### **Top Ten Advisors or Entities**

Advisor or Entity	 Market Value
Barings Alternative Investments	\$ 1,399,844,661
Apollo Global Management	1,130,478,751
Domain Capital Advisors	827,225,107
Fortress Investment Group	483,850,517
Orion Resource Partners	296,686,052
Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors	262,896,377
Czech Asset Management	241,608,703
Ridgewood Energy	224,108,839
HPS Investment Partners	184,330,949
KKR Asset Management	 162,655,755
Total Market Value	\$ 5,213,685,711

#### State of Michigan Retirement Systems

### **BASKET CLAUSE REVIEW**

Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

December 12, 2017



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# SMRS Basket Clause Investments 9/30/17

Asset Class	Value
Total Absolute Return	\$4,027,800,872
Total Real Return and Opportunistic	835,033,804
Total International Equity	317,647,298
Total Long-Term Fixed Income	43,503,073
<b>Total Basket Clause Investments</b>	<u>\$5,223,985,047</u>

The basket clause investments at September 30, 2017, were \$5.2 billion or 7.7% of the total portfolio value of \$67.5 billion.

The Public Employee Retirement System Investment Act, 1965 PA 314, MCL 38.1132 *et seq*, authorizes the State Treasurer to invest up to 30% of the system's assets in investments "not otherwise qualified under the act." MCL 38.1140d(1). Commonly referred to as Section 20d (after the authorizing section of PA 314) or Basket Clause investments, this provision gives the State Treasurer the flexibility to take advantage of market opportunities not specifically authorized in PA 314 while conserving protections against imprudent investment.

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