Cramer Rosenthal McGlynn

Fourth Quarter 2020 Commentary

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Current News

We are happy to announce the upcoming launch of a CIT vehicle for our CRM Small/Mid Cap Value strategy at the end of January 2021. This vehicle will offer a Founder's share class available through April 30, 2021. We are pleased to offer more flexibility for qualified plans to invest in our CRM Small/Mid Cap Value strategy via this CIT structure. Please contact your CRM representative for further details on fees and available share classes[4].

Market Commentary

Should we all be shopping for flapper dresses? As the world begins to contemplate life beyond COVID-19, we search historical periods that can provide a blueprint for the future. Interestingly, we can draw many parallels between today and another time in U.S. history - "The Roaring Twenties."

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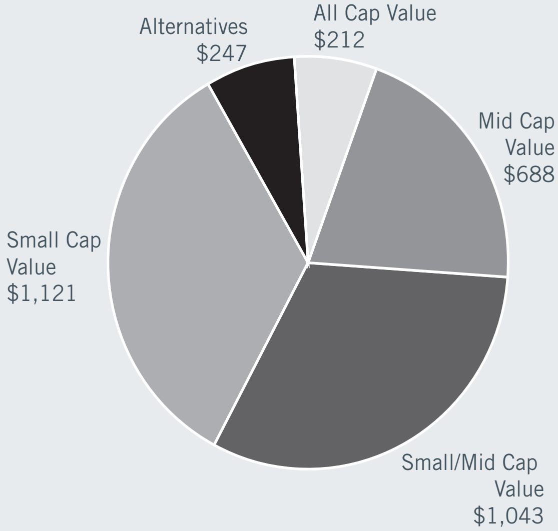
As of December 31, 2020 (In Millions)



Assets Under Management (In Millions)

Total Assets.................................$3,312

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The preamble to that period and today has many similarities, but hopefully not the same conclusion.

By the early 1920s, the U.S. was emerging from an economic depression, the country had endured the horrors of World War I, there were deep cultural divides in the country, and the period was capped off by the "Spanish Flu" global pandemic from 1918-1919. The country was ready for a rebirth.

The Roaring Twenties ushered in a time marked by a new sense of optimism. There were new technologies, a cultural renaissance, and people were enjoying life to the fullest. During this time, the total wealth of the U.S. more than doubled and consumerism became a social and economic movement. The U.S. economy grew 42% over this decade. Following the economic recession of 1920-1921 in which unemployment rose to nearly 12%, unemployment in the 1920s never rose above 4%. This era saw the growth in automated household products, the nationwide expansion of radios and the airline industry, and mostly importantly, the birth of the Ford Model T, which made travel for all Americans affordable. It was also during this time that President Warren Harding "brought back normalcy" to the U.S. following World War I.

As we hopefully begin life post-COVID-19, there will be an initial phase of uncertainty. But people are social creatures and enjoy being around others. We want to go outside and have experiences beyond our home. We believe the consumer savings built up during the pandemic and the "stay at home" orders will convert into higher spending in 2021 and 2022 and propel U.S. GDP to growth rates not seen in over two decades. As we discussed last quarter, the post-traumatic stress response from the 2008 financial crisis has conditioned investors to expect a slow, painful recovery from this recession. However, the current economic slowdown couldn't be more different than 2008. We believe the one-two jolts of fiscal and monetary stimulus will jump start the recovery. Vaccines should help us control or even possibly eradicate this terrible virus. In addition, the policy change by the Federal Reserve to target average inflation will allow the Fed to drive inflation comfortably above 2%, which in turn will cause the economy to overshoot to the upside, so we do not fall victim to the economic and inflation undershooting that occurred after the 2008 financial crisis. Consensus expectations forecasts 2021 U.S. GDP of 4% but the bull case could be closer to 6%

growth given the current and expected fiscal stimulus and the positive effects of the vaccines. This compares to the decade post the 2008 slowdown when GDP only averaged 2.2%.

We look for a resurgence in employment over the next few years. As Morgan Stanley indicated in a recent report, "unemployment cost U.S. households $330 billion in wage income, but consumers have already received $1 trillion in aggregate in transfers, a figure that will rise as the second round of fiscal stimulus kicks in. The excess saving of about $1.4 trillion will provide the fuel for pent-up demand to drive a sharp rebound in growth once economies fully reopen". Something to consider once the vaccine is fully distributed, about 80% of U.S. job losses have come in COVID-19-sensitive sectors, which should rapidly rebound once the economy fully reopens.

We also look for a renaissance in value stock earnings. The COVID-19 induced recession disproportionally negatively impacted value and cyclical companies' earnings in 2020, however, we expect this to be a tailwind in future periods. We anticipate small and mid-cap value companies to grow earnings approximately 50-60% in 2021, which is nearly double the pace expected for small and mid-cap growth stocks. This pace of earnings growth for value and cyclical companies will barely get them back to the 2019 levels. We think there will be plenty of gas in the tank to continue to propel value companies' earnings into 2022 and beyond.

As excited as we are about the future, we must also be vigilant when market sentiment is so positive and liquidity is so abundant, as bubbles form within pockets of the market. One area we are monitoring closely is Special Purpose Acquisitions Corporations (SPACs). This structure has been around for a long time as a way for companies to go public. However, we witnessed a 6x increase in the amount of capital raised by SPACs in 2020 as compared to 2019 and a 7x increase compared to the next largest year ever. SPACs raise our risk antenna as this structure does not afford investors that same level of financial disclosures and protections as a traditional Initial Public Offering (IPO). This area of the market coupled with the rapid growth in retail day trading enabled by social media platforms, harken us back to the hysteria of the dotcom days.

We are encouraged by the healthy absolute returns in the fourth quarter of 2020, particularly from the holdings that had been our top detractors earlier in 2020. We were also pleased to see the rotation towards small and mid-cap stocks this quarter following large-cap leadership during the early stage of the pandemic. We continue to see tremendous upside in our highly underappreciated/neglected value stocks as the economy reopens and vaccines become widely distributed in 2021. This coupled with the stimulus provided by Congress and the Federal Reserve should be highly supportive to the markets and value stocks. We believe we are on the cusp of a market rotation and extended period of outperformance for value and cyclical stocks given their favorable earnings outlook, attractive valuations, and the improved forecast for the economy. As we have seen throughout history, recessions tend to lead to changes in leadership. We believe the small to mid-cap value part of the market is still meaningfully underinvested. As we have seen in the past, you need to be there in advance of the move or else you will be chasing it for years. As gut wrenching and anxiety filled as this year has been, we need to appreciate the full range of possible outcomes and welcome the long-term value in non-consensus views.

Investment Philosophy & Process

Our track record, spanning nearly five decades, is testament to our success in serving clients and providing strong investment performance. Clients benefit from consistent application of one cohesive philosophy and process, implemented by a team with diverse experience in appraising the intrinsic value of companies.

Investment Philosophy

CRM views investment prospects on a long-term basis. Our relative value-oriented investment philosophy is designed to outperform the broad market and pertinent indices over a full market cycle by participating in good market periods and limiting declines in poor periods. CRM believes successful investing is a result of recognizing and responding to changes that may positively impact the future prospects of a business enterprise. Often times, investors misunderstand the potential benefits of these changes, resulting in relative neglect, which reduces the risks of investing at a point in time. We believe this results in investing in companies that are under earning both their potential and consensus expectations. As relative value investors, we seek to invest in companies that are trading at a discount to their own history and peers based upon prospective free cash flow and earnings. In summary, our investment approach is predicated on change, neglect, and valuation.

Change

CRM seeks to identify change at an early stage that may be material to the future operations of publicly traded companies. The financial markets present a multitude of change opportunities. On a regular basis, investors are presented with management changes, spin-offs, cost restructurings, capital returns to shareholders, acquisitions, joint ventures, divestitures, regulatory changes, new products, and activist investors.

Neglect

In its earliest stages, change tends to be greeted with skepticism. The uncertainty resulting from the change creates a period of relative neglect or lowered expectations as investors wait for more clarity. CRM seeks to evaluate neglect by studying sell-side analyst coverage and recommendations, institutional ownership, key concepts in behavioral finance such as over and under reactions to news flow, and having a differentiated view about the future outlook for the business.

Valuation

When change meets neglect, the intrinsic value of a company may exceed the current stock price. CRM appraises the business using a number of methodologies, but most are dependent upon our modeling of future free cash flows. CRM looks to normalize the cash flow and earnings streams for one time or unusual items, which themselves often create neglect. In many cases, reported GAAP earnings understate or distort a company's underlying free cash flow. As relative value investors, we are looking to invest in companies which are trading at a discount to their own history, peers, and when appropriate, our assessment of its value to a strategic or private equity buyer.

Investment Process

CRM generates ideas from both qualitative (approximately 75%) and quantitative (approximately 25%) sources. Qualitative ideas emanate from company presentations, news services, due diligence on existing holdings, our internal research database, leveraging investment themes, and rich text screening for specific change expressions such as "acquisition," "restructuring," etc. The quantitative sources include screening for stocks that have underperformed the market or peer companies over certain time periods, screening for companies fundamentally underperforming and demonstrating operating margins below their own history or peers, and ranking stocks by sell-side or buy-side sentiment. Ideas actively being researched are what we call "work in process." Analysts and portfolio managers discuss these ideas collectively and strategize additional due diligence. Analysts build a detailed financial model and continuously provide feedback to portfolio managers. As part of this process, analysts develop an "Investment Case," which documents the investment thesis. It consists of a brief company description, a discussion of the change(s), and assessment of the relative neglect and valuation. The Investment Case also includes an assessment of the risks relevant to the thesis, relevant ESG considerations, and establishes upside and downside price targets.

Buy Discipline

Our investment process is very team oriented and collaborative. There are typically multiple analysts/portfolio managers engaged in a review and discussion of new ideas and Investment Cases. If the risk/reward ratio is deemed attractive by the portfolio managers in the context of their overall portfolio construction, a decision will be made by the portfolio managers to initiate a position in the stock. The portfolio managers will modulate the position size depending upon the relative attractiveness of the idea, the expected return, and other risk considerations.

Sell Discipline

CRM's process is focused not only on building the Investment Case, but also on understanding how the case might deteriorate. A position will generally be sold when one or more of the following occurs: an established price target is approaching or is attained, implying the stock has reached our estimation of fair valuation; a factor in our initial investment thesis has deteriorated causing us to reassess the potential for the company; or we identify a more promising investment opportunity. After a decision to sell is made, the investment is replaced by either a new idea or existing holdings that offer a greater risk/reward profile.

Product Summary

PRODUCT/INCEPTION	ASSETS 12/31/2020 (In Millions)	VEHICLE	MINIMUM INVESTMENT	ANNUAL MANAGEMENT FEE/EXPENSE RATIO[1]	STATUS
All Cap Value January 2002	$212	Separate Account	$10 Million	1.00% on the first $25m 0.75% thereafter	Open
		Mutual Fund, CRIEX (Institutional) Mutual Fund, CRMEX (Investor)	$1 Million $2,500	1.21% on all assets 1.46% on all assets	Open Open
		CRM U.S. Equity Opportunities UCITS A Shares, ISIN IE00B5ZXDG51 B Shares, ISIN IE00B3PZWY82 C Shares, ISIN IE00BGHW9148 S Shares, ISIN IE00B43N7R95	 $100,000 $100,000 $100 Million $100,000	 0.80%; 0.97% TER Cap 1.20%; 1.95% TER Cap 0.65%; 0.80% TER Cap 1.60%; 1.90% TER Cap	 Open Open Open Open
Mid Cap Value January 1998	$688	Separate Account	$10 Million	1.00% on the first $10m 0.75% on the next $15m 0.65% on the next $25m 0.55% on the next $50m 0.50% thereafter	Open
		Mutual Fund, CRIMX (Institutional) Mutual Fund, CRMMX (Investor)	$1 Million $2,500	0.97% on all assets 1.17% on all assets	Open Open
Small/Mid Cap Value April 1973	$1,043	Separate Account	$10 Million	1.00% on the first $25m 0.70% on the next $25m 0.60% on the next $50m 0.40% thereafter	Open
		Mutual Fund, CRIAX (Institutional) Mutual Fund, CRMAX (Investor)	$1 Million $2,500	0.96% on all assets 1.18% on all assets	Open Open
		Collective Investment Trust (CIT) Class S - Available through April 30, 2021 Class R1 Class R2	 No Minimum No Minimum $25 Million	 0.50% on all assets 0.83% on all assets 0.78% on all assets	 Open Open Open
Small Cap Value October 1995	$1,121	Separate Account	$10 Million	1.00% on all assets	Open
		Mutual Fund, CRISX (Institutional) Mutual Fund, CRMSX (Investor)	$1 Million $2,500	0.93% on all assets 1.17% on all assets	Open Open
		CRM U.S. Small Cap Opportunities UCITS A Shares, ISIN IE00BLH8S217 B Shares, ISIN IE00BLH8S324	 $50 Million $100,000	 0.40%+20%; 0.75% TER Cap 0.90%; 1.25% TER Cap	 Open Open
Private Funds Long Short – February 2010	$247	Limited Partnerships & Separate Account	$1 Million	1.00%+20% carried interest for LP 1.50%+15% carried interest for LP	Open
		Mutual Fund, CRIHX (Institutional)	$10 Million	3.04% on all assets[1]	Open
		CRM Long/Short Opportunities UCITS A Shares (USD), ISIN IE00BD4DSM30 B Shares (CHF), ISIN IE00BD8G4X10 B Shares (EUR), ISIN IE00BYPKJD85 B Shares (GBP Distributing), ISIN IE00BYM5JT20 B Shares (USD), ISIN IE00BD4DSN47 D Shares (EUR), ISIN IE00BD8G4Z34 D Shares (GBP), ISIN IE00BD8G5162 D Shares (USD), ISIN IE00BYYSQG50 G Shares (EUR), ISIN IE00BKBQY934 G Shares (GBP Distributing), ISIN IE00BKBQYB50 G Shares (USD), ISIN IE00BKBQY595	 $10,000 $50 Million $50 Million No minimum $50 Million $100,000 $100,000 $100,000 $50 Million $50 Million $50 Million	 1.00%; 1.50% TER Cap 0.75%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 0.75%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 0.75%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 0.75%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 1.50%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 1.50%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 1.50%+15%; 2.00% TER Cap 0%+20%; 0.5% TER Cap 0%+20%; 0.5% TER Cap 0%+20%; 0.5% TER Cap	 Closed Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open

For more information regarding investing in any one of these current products please contact the CRM Marketing Team at 212.326.5325.

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[1]**Expense Ratio Disclosure**

The net expense ratios are the current annualized expense ratio as stated in the CRM Funds prospectus dated October 28, 2020, for the CRM Long/Short Opportunities Fund, CRM Small Cap Value Fund, CRM Small/Mid Cap Value Fund, CRM Mid Cap Value Fund, and CRM All Cap Value Fund and will fluctuate over time. CRM has a contractual obligation to waive a portion of its fees through November 1, 2021 and to assume certain expenses of the Fund to the extent that the total annual fund operating expenses, excluding taxes, extraordinary expenses, brokerage commissions, interest and acquired fund fees and expenses, exceed 1.60% for the CRM Long/Short Opportunities Fund of average daily net assets of Institutional Shares, and 1.45% and 1.20% of average daily net assets of Investor Shares and Institutional Shares, respectively for the CRM All Cap Value Fund. These expense limitations are in effect until November 1, 2021. Prior to that date, the arrangement may be terminated for a class only by the vote of the Board of Trustees of the Fund. Performance would have been lower in the absence of fee waivers and expense reimbursements.