

# WASHINGTON CROSSING ADVISORS

# **About WCA**

Washington Crossing Advisors helps supervise and manage over \$9 billion in discretionary assets for individuals and institutions. Proprietary equity strategies include the high-quality, low volatility Victory and Rising Dividend portfolios.

The team is managed by cofounders Kevin R. Caron and Chad A. Morganlander. Washington Crossing Advisors views on investing and markets are regularly sought by national media outlets, including *CNBC*, *Bloomberg*, *Fox Business News*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Forbes*, and *Reuters*.

The Washington Crossing Advisors investment team has been successful in helping individual and institutional investors build wealth for over 25 years. Washington Crossing Advisors is a registered investment advisor and wholly-owned subsidiary of Stifel Financial Corp.

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# **Investment Strategies**

We believe that investments should be selected only after clear and quantified measures of value, risk, and potential reward have been made. Our investment approach combines top-down analysis of the macro economy with fundamentally rooted, bottom-up security analysis.

### **EOUITY INVESTING**

We seek quality businesses with low volatility that are consistently profitable, growing, and well capitalized at reasonable prices.

- **Victory All-Cap Value Portfolio:** The portfolio objective is to buy companies that are growing, profitable, and well capitalized at prices significantly below our assessment of intrinsic value. The portfolio may invest in equities and hold cash whenever candidates cannot be found that meet the strategy's quantitative criteria based on price and fundamentals.
- **Rising Dividend Portfolio:** A rising dividend strategy offers investors a portfolio of quality, dividend-paying companies with strong dividend growth potential. Companies must demonstrate at least five years of dividend increases and appear to be able to sustain a rising dividend in the years ahead based on profitability and payout.

### FIXED INCOME INVESTING

• **Laddered Bond Portfolio:** The strategy seeks to generate a stream of income from a portfolio of 30 investment-grade corporate bonds. Bonds are "laddered" with maturities ranging from one to ten years with an average maturity near 5-6 years. The portfolio's yield will adjust as bonds mature and are replaced.

### **BALANCED STRATEGY**

• **Income Builder Portfolio:** Combines the Rising Dividend Portfolio and the Laddered Bond Portfolio in a single account with a 60% target equity exposure and a 40% bond exposure.

### ASSET ALLOCATION STRATEGIES

• **Conquest Portfolios:** Asset allocation portfolios seek to balance risk and reward by apportioning portfolio assets according to the investor's goals, risk tolerance, and investment horizon. Portfolios seek strong returns relative to underlying inflation and are constructed with a forward-looking view of financial markets.

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