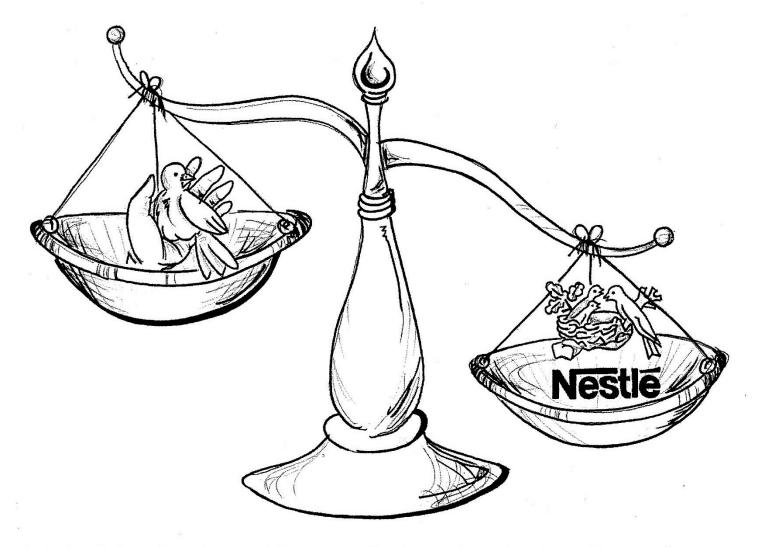
## Lessons Learned from "Global Value" Equity Investing

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Professor George Athanassakos
2017 Value Investing Conference
April 19, 2017





A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush - Aesop



## Musings on "Global Value" Equity Investing

## Value Investing – 50 Cent Dollar Bills

- Warren Buffett at Stanford Business and Law School, 1982
- Conflict of Interest → "All about people"

## "Capacity to Reinvest"

- Global brands
- Population growth
- Consumer disposable income growth
- Multi-globally adept management
  - Multilingual
  - Multicultural

## "Capacity to Suffer"

- Berkshire Hathaway GEICO, equity index put options
- Nestlé 35 year "planning horizon"
- Philip Morris International Reduced Risk Products
- SABMiller emerging market beer specialist
- Brown-Forman Bourbon bliss

## "Ability to Do Nothing"

## Musings on "Global Value" Equity Investing (cont.)

## Invest for the long term

- White space
- Currency gains
- Circle of competence
- Tax efficiency
- Concentrate few great ideas
- Market volatility is long-term investor friend

## "Capacity to Suffer"

• Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

• GEICO



- Equity index put options
- Extraordinarily cautious short-term deposits, fiscal year, 2007

## "Capacity to Reinvest"

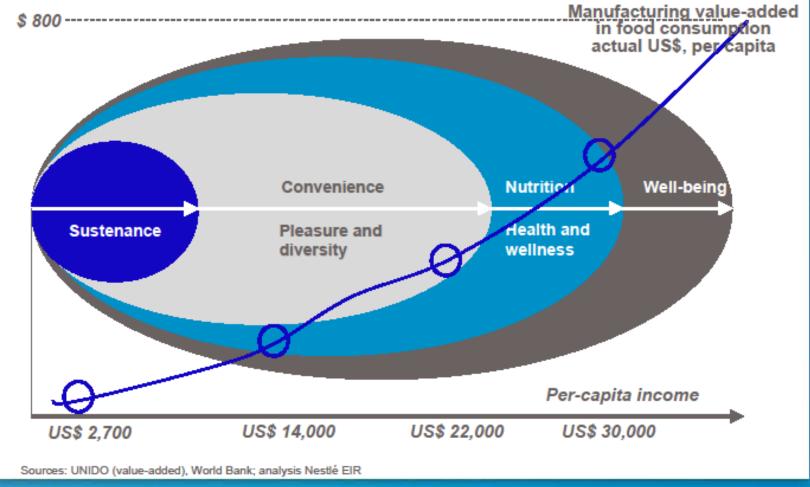
- BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.
  - MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company
  - Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation
  - The Lubrizol Corporation
  - Bank of America Corporation
  - Berkshire Hathaway Subsidiary
     e.g., Iscar Metalworking Companies

## Nestlé S.A.

"Capacity to Reinvest"

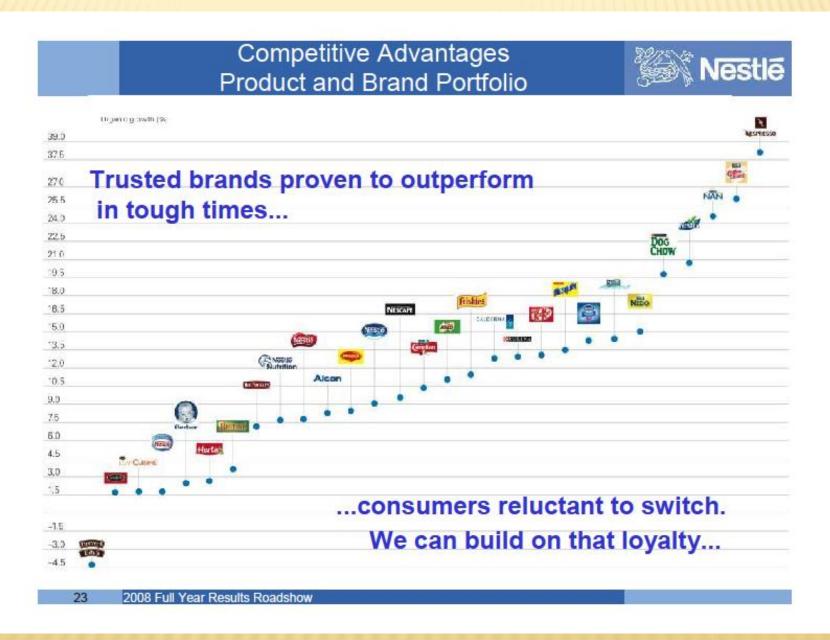


## Higher incomes lead to higher added-value



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## YE 2008 Billionaire Brands Presentation



#### Nestlé "Capacity to Reinvest"

#### YE 2011 Billionaire Brands Presentation

## Billionaire Brands: +7.7% Organic Growth Strengthened Market Positions

Over 20% NESPRESSO. 10.1 to 20% NAN NESCAFÉ NESTIE NUTrition ONE amation 7.6 to 10% Herta 1 5.1 to 7.5% RURINA. 3.1 to 5% Friskie5 Beneful 0.0 to 3% Below 0% (Skuffet) HOTPOCKETS cuisine Organic Growth



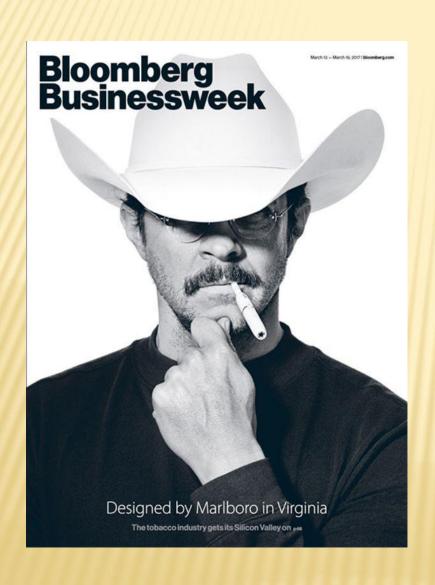
## Nestlé "Capacity to Suffer"

- Russian Ruble crisis (1998)
- Nespresso
- China and India
- Alcon (1970's through 2010)



- Novartis payment/DiGiorno acquisition (2010)
- 2011 Chinese acquisitions in confectionary (Hsu Fu Chi International) and beverage (Yinlu)
- 2012 Wyeth Infant Health and Nutrition Acquisition

# Philip Morris International "Capacity to Reinvest"





# Philip Morris International "Capacity to Suffer"

#### Foreign Currency Headwinds

- Four-year flat earnings per share as 100% of income is sourced abroad
- Implication for management resolve equity-linked compensation
- Bonus pools

#### Global Regulatory Authority Threat

- Plain packaging
- Graphic warning labels
- Indonesian retailer restrictions

#### Taxation

Cigarettes price per pack: London over \$12

#### Illicit Competition

- Counterfeit
- Grey market
- Philippine stamp tax
- Indonesia

#### Invested in Reduced Risk Product

- Over \$2 billion invested in R&D
- Four new platforms

# Philip Morris International "Capacity to Suffer"

## **IQOS**

- Replicates Smoking, Unlike E-cigarettes
  - Nicotine dose adequate
  - Flavor similar

#### Reduced Risk

- No combustible material inhaled
- No second-hand smoke
- No ash
- No smell

#### Costly Roll-out

- Government support excise tax relief
- Two-week conversion period
  - Guided by in-store marketing staff

#### Early Return

- Nearly 2 million smokers "quit" combustible cigarettes
- Approaching 20% market share in a key Japanese market

#### Demand Exceeds Capacity

- Product volume 15 billion (2015) to 150 billion (2019)
- Competition Lacks Adequate Response

## Wall Street Affirms "Manic/Depressive" Tendencies

July 20, 2016



Equity Research

#### COMPANY UPDATE

#### Philip Morris International Inc. (PM)

Weaker volume but profit outlook broadly intact; Neutral

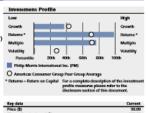
#### What's changed

PM (Neutral) reported 2Q16 EPS of \$1.15, 1c below our \$1.16 estimate and raised FX guidance by 5c. We raise our 2016 estimates by 2c to \$4.48 to reflect an updated FX impact (we now model a -38c impact from -43c prior) as well as softer volumes somewhat offset by higher pricing and better margins in the back half due to phasing. We also tweak our 2017/2018 estimates down to \$4.89/\$5.29 reflecting slightly softer volume.

#### Implications

UK | Consumer | Tobacco

We maintain a Neutral rating as our constructive long-term view on the stock based on a sizable runway to pricing particularly in emerging markets and potential for iQos to accelerate profit growth is balanced by elevated valuation (for the broader sector) and near term volume headwinds. 2016 turning to be a very back-end loaded year: We estimate



Market cap (\$ mn)

COMPANY NOTE
nitiating Coverage

21 September 2016

#### Jefferies

#### Philip Morris International (PM) Initiating at Hold: Time for a valuation breather

#### **Key Takeaway**

We initiate on PMI with a Hold, target price of 96 USD and 12 month TSR of c1%. PMI is now the most expensive name across global tobacco. Its strong organic performance, focus on the vapour opportunity, and its tendency (incorrectly in our view) to trade in line with the US domestic names has driven re-rating. A slowdown to more normalised growth in FY17, a muted outlook for dividend development and vapour competition should trigger some multiple give back.

Slowdown in organic growth expected: PMI recent organic EBIT growth has been impressive (FY14-FY16[E] expected at 7.6% vs. a peer average of 5.5%). We expect a slowdown in FY17 to around 6% as we lap the roll out of Marlboro 2.0 and the absence of further cost benefits like supporting in the current year (we estimate around 250mn USD). Growth of 6% is stellar in our view, but current valuations suggest on-going growth of around 8%, and this slowdown should bring some realism.

#### HOLD

EARCH EUROPE

Price target \$96.00 Price \$99.21^

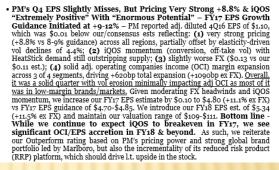
Financial Summary	
Net Debt (MM):	\$24,704.0
Market Data	
52 Week Range:	\$104.20 - \$78.03
Total Entprs. Value (MM):	\$178,608.5
Market Cap. (MM):	\$153,904.5
Shares Out. (MM):	1,551.3
Float (MM):	1,547.8
Avg. Daily Vol.:	4,431,433

February 2, 2017

#### Equity Research

Philip Morris International Inc.

PM: 4Q16 Strong Pricing & iQOS Offset Adverse FX & Vol Headwinds





#### Outperform

Sector: Tobacco Overweight

#### Earnings Estimates Revised Up

	2016A	2017E		2018E			
PS		Curr.	Prior	Curr.	Prior		
1 (Mar.)	\$0.98	\$1.03		NE			
2 (June)	1.15	1.22		NE			
3 (Sep.)	1.25	1.34		NE			
4 (Dec.)	1.10	1.21		NE			
Y	\$4.48	\$4.80	4.70	\$5.34			
Y	\$4.48	\$4.80		\$5.34			
YP/EPS	22.1X	20.6x		18.5X			
ev.(MM)	\$26,685	\$27,347		\$28,690			

NA = Not Acadable, NC = No Change, NE = No Estimate, NM = Not Meaningfu
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#### Philip Morris International (USD112)



iQOS, Far from Priced In

17 March 2017

Thesis: Further analysis of iQOS' prospects points to considerable headroom in Japan for market share gains, despite its competitive environment. Along with accelerating demand outside Japan, we now anticipate iQOS should add more than \$3bn of EBIT by 2020, well beyond management's expectations. PMI trades on 23.7x CY17 P/E, not fully reflecting the benefit from iQOS' considerable and highly profitable geographic expansion.

With c7% market share in Japan at the end of January and signs of continued strong growth in recent weeks, iQOS comfortably exceeds our initial 2017 projections (c6% market share). These impressive results have led us to revisit our already bullish forecasts for iQOS.









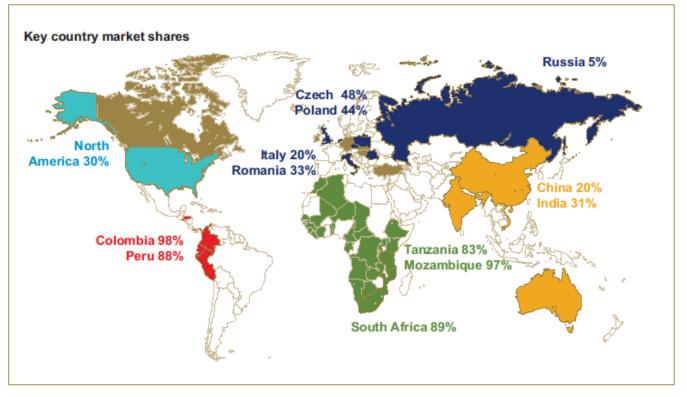
## SABMiller

## "Capacity to Reinvest"



#### One of the world's leading brewers





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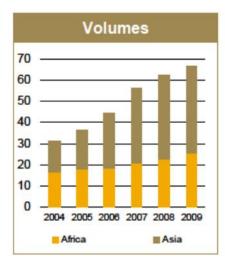


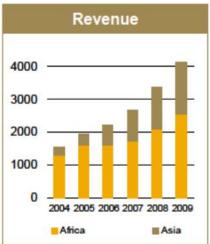


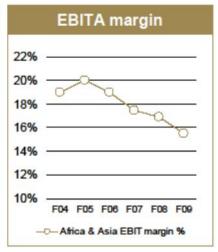


### Africa and Asia volume, revenue and margins

#### Twelve months to 31 March 2009







@GABMiller pic 2009

Africa and Asia Seminar 2009

## SABMiller "Capacity to Suffer"

- China
  - 50% interest in Snow, China's leading brewer
- Sub-Saharan Africa
  - Addressable market 400 million barrels beer consumption
  - "Double the price, halve the price, go farming"
- Indian Market
  - Addressable market current consumption 1 liter per capita
- Recently completed Foster's acquisition
- Strategic partnership with Efes to coordinate Russian operations
  - and expand together in Turkey, Efes' home market
- Requiem Lacked "Capacity to Suffer"

## **Brown-Forman Corporation**

"Capacity to Reinvest"
"Capacity to Suffer"









AT BROWN-FORMAN, BRAND-BUILDING IS OUR PASSION. EACH OF OUR BRANDS IS VITAL TO OUR COMPANY'S SUCCESS AND HOLDS A UNIQUE PLACE IN THE HEARTS OF OUR CONSUMERS. MEET EACH OF OUR INDIVIDUAL BRANDS AND DISCOVER THEIR STORIES.









## **Brown-Forman Corporation**

## Bitter Experience of California Cooler

#### **Market Impact Around News of Disposition (1987):**

Share Price Prior to Disclosure	\$45.4
Share Price Post Disclosure	\$28.9
Share Price Impact	\$26.5
Number Shares Outstanding	\$32.0 mm
Dollar Price Impact	(@\$530 mm)

<sup>\*</sup>On the actual day that Brown-Forman announced weaker summer volumes that year than were expected, on that single day, the price of Brown-Forman A shares declined \$5 for a total of \$150 mm decline on just one day...

## **Brown-Forman Corporation**

Steady, Dependable Wines & Spirits Segment (Millions of US Dollars):

Brown-Forman Corporation Wine and Spirits Division Consistant Operating Performance										
<u>Financial Data (millions)</u> 1990 1989 1988 1987 1986 1985 1984										
Sales	975	1,002	1,003	1,006	971	904	895			
Operating Income	205	179	158	157	168	167	166			
Depreciation and Amortisation	19	18	17	16	13	11	10			
Capital Expenditures	27	22	16	10	14	8	5			
Segment Assets	504	525	520	565	558	435	457			
Jack Daniel's Depletions*	4,100,000	3,975,000	3,755,000	3,715,000	3,785,000	3,930,000	4,005,000			
Ratio Analysis										
Operating Margin	21.0%	17.8%	15.8%	15.6%	17.3%	18.5%	18.5%			
Return on Assets	40.6%	34.1%	30.4%	27.8%	30.1%	38.3%	36.3%			
Operating Cash Flow	196.7	174.1	159.1	162.7	166.4	169.7	170.8			
Operating Cash Flow/Assets	39.0%	33.2%	30.6%	28.8%	29.8%	39.0%	37.4%			
* Nine-liter cases										

## Brown-Forman "Returns from Int'l Investment"

Brown-Forman Corporation									
Income Statement (1,2)	1987	2016	<u>% ∆</u>	CAGR					
Net sales less excise taxes	\$ 1,098	\$ 3,089	181%	3.6%					
Cost of goods sold	535	945	7796	2.0%					
Gross profit	563	2,144	281%	4.7%					
% of net sales	51.3%	69.4%							
Selling, general, and administrative expenses	381	611	60%	1.6%					
Operating income	182	1,533	74296	7.6%					
% of net sales	16.6%	49.6%							
Net income	90	1,067	1091%	8.9%					
EPS	\$ 0.25	\$ 5.22	2004%	11.1%					
Shares outstanding	360,934	204,280	-43%	-1.9%					
Valuation	1987	2016	<u>% ∆</u>	CAGR					
Split-adjusted price <sup>3</sup>	\$ 3.76	\$ 101.29	2597%	12.0%					
Market capitalization	1,356	20,692	1426%	9.9%					
Net debt	190	824							
Enterprise value	1,546	21,516	1292%	9.5%					
Total return (1987-2016) including dividend in	come		5776%	15.1%					
EBITDA	\$ 212	\$ 1,584	646%	7.2%					
EV/EBITDA (last 12 months)	7.3	13.6							
Price/Earnings (last 12 months)	15.1	19.4							
Net debt/EBITDA	0.9	0.5							
Net debt/cash	6.7	1.7							
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Notes: 1) Income Statement amounts expressed in millions of dollars.  2) Brown-Forman fiscal years end April 30.  3) Prices as of 4/30/1987 and 7/29/2016.									

## Brown-Forman "Returns on Global Investment"

## Evolution of Jack Daniel's as an International Brand

Returns driven by international investment Jack Daniel's Family Depletions:	<u>1987</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>% ∆</u>	<u>CAGR</u>
Domestic market	3,432,000	5,275,200	54%	1.5%
International markets	468,000	10,424,800	2128%	11.3%
Jack Daniel's Family Total	3,900,000	15,700,000	303%	4.9%
Jack Daniel's Family Depletions:				
Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey	3,900,000	12,300,000	215%	4.0%
Jack Daniel's Family Brand Extensions	<u> </u>	3,400,000		
Jack Daniel's Family Total	3,900,000	15,700,000		
Increasing worldwide reach:				
Jack Daniel's Family volume from abroad	12%	66%		
Jack Daniel's sales from emerging markets	0%	19%		
Wine and Spirits segment sales from abroad	10%	58%		
Increases in both the number of markets				
present and the volumes sold:	<u>1987</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2016</u>
Above 50,000 cases Above 100,000 cases	5 4	(6) (4)	22 14	42) 26)

**Note:** Volumes are stated in drinks-equivalent 9-liter cases.

## Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey Global Volumes by Country Top 30 Global Markets

(Thousands of Nine-Liter Cases)

Country	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
USA	4,503.8	4,442.4	4,472.5	4,431.6	4,704.8	4,730.6	4,881.7	4,852.5	4,948.0	5,123.2
United Kingdom	899.0	954.6	963.9	1,003.8	1,018.8	1,004.1	951.0	958.6	997.5	1,065.0
France	272.8	293.3	321.7	378.9	427.8	486.2	530.9	629.2	685.9	748.7
Germany	463.3	472.2	445.1	445.8	461.1	496.0	595.3	632.4	648.2	661.2
Australia	267.6	283.1	296.6	342.8	348.7	354.4	360.6	330.0	328.1	333.7
Poland	31.2	48.4	84.4	101.1	114.5	150.8	189.9	226.5	233.1	244.7
Canada	173.6	183.9	191.7	199.7	204.4	220.0	220.9	216.3	229.4	240.9
Japan	146.1	139.4	136.1	143.3	144.4	162.5	163.3	218.4	219.3	224.9
Russia	25.1	42.2	50.9	53.3	56.5	67.2	130.0	203.4	222.3	224.8
Mexico	30.5	26.8	45.2	53.3	65.8	76.0	103.2	143.1	177.7	214.0
Spain	261.7	254.4	242.8	229.4	218.9	193.9	168.7	167.3	161.4	161.8
Italy	191.4	200.0	187.3	186.7	189.6	192.0	180.3	166.2	157.2	152.2
South Africa	176.1	211.7	190.0	171.1	145.6	133.3	115.6	117.8	120.0	122.6
Turkey	6.6	6.9	6.9	16.1	39.0	60.8	81.1	88.5	100.0	110.0
China	47.8	57.3	70.8	72.2	67.9	77.8	87.1	96.0	102.7	107.3
Brazil	11.3	18.1	15.4	21.5	23.9	51.8	72.9	78.4	91.6	95.4
Romania	56.7	74.4	76.6	71.4	78.1	85.5	102.2	93.6	80.1	85.1
Chile	15.8	17.2	21.9	26.4	22.0	24.7	41.7	52.5	66.2	73.2
United Arab Emirates	29.6	37.2	44.1	49.2	50.8	52.0	54.1	63.5	65.1	67.2
Ukraine	5.5	8.0	9.4	10.9	19.6	32.7	59.5	88.0	73.6	64.4
Greece	71.1	70.8	69.2	63.7	51.8	52.2	50.0	48.9	47.1	44.1
Ireland	34.8	36.5	36.4	35.0	33.7	32.4	31.9	33.9	34.2	35.5
Austria	29.0	29.6	29.5	28.8	29.3	29.5	30.1	31.2	32.1	33.1
Portugal	61.1	62.1	58.1	53.5	48.1	44.5	37.3	34.1	33.2	33.1
Nigeria	19.3	20.1	21.8	22.8	23.9	25.6	26.7	28.3	30.0	31.5
New Zealand	23.5	23.8	23.6	22.7	22.7	23.1	23.3	23.9	28.9	30.0
South Korea	37.0	37.2	38.3	34.8	33.3	33.4	32.5	29.6	27.8	27.8
Czech Republic	35.6	33.7	30.8	27.4	25.7	25.4	25.9	26.5	27.0	27.3
Belgium	20.6	21.0	21.7	22.2	23.5	25.1	26.1	26.4	26.6	27.1
Hungary	25.1	26.1	27.5	25.3	23.4	29.1	28.4	25.8	27.0	27.0
Others	204.7	184.0	196.2	193.1	203.4	220.7	235.4	247.5	261.6	254.9
World Total	8,216.2	8,357.4	8,468.7	8,580.7	8,964.4	9,238.7	9,683.7	10,025.6	10,331.8	10,741.5

Note: Estimates from Euromonitor

# Brown-Forman Corporation "Capacity to Reinvest" Invest in promising global spirits businesses

Property, Plant and Equipment:	<b>Year</b>
New Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey Cooperage Facility	
2016	
(Alabama)	
New Jack Daniel's Distillery Expansion	2016
(15 million case additional capacity)	
Newly Built 55,000-Barrel Bourbon Aging Warehouses	2016

## Market Volatility is a Friend of the Long-term "Global Value" Investor

- 1. Permits more effective reinvestment
- 2. Offers merger and acquisition opportunity
- 3. Enhances return from share repurchase

# Portfolio Manager "Capacity to Suffer"

# Portfolio Manager "Capacity to Suffer"

- Long-term taxable investor base
- Limit percent of investors' wealth
- Low expectations
- Low investment advisory fee

### Semper Vic Partners, L.P., Annual Return

			Semper Vic	Dow Jones	S & P
	Year		Partners	Industrials	<u>500</u>
	2017	(Thru 3/31)	10.0%	5.2%	6.1%
	2016		2.5%	16.5%	12.0%
	2015		5.0%	0.2%	1.4%
	2014		6.1%	10.0%	13.7%
	2013		21.9%	29.7%	32.4%
	2012		24.2%	10.2%	16.0%
	2011		6.7%	8.4%	2.1%
	2010		21.5%	14.0%	15.1%
	2009		25.8%	22.7%	26.5%
	2008		-31.5%	-31.9%	-37.0%
	2007		7.7%	8.9%	5.5%
	2006		20.8%	19.1%	15.8%
	2005		3.2%	1.7%	4.9%
	2004		11.9%	5.3%	10.9%
	2003		33.5%	28.3%	28.7%
	2002		-1.0%	-15.1%	-22.1%
	2001		0.1%	-5.4%	-11.9%
	2000		15.6%	-4.7%	-9.1%
	1999	1111	-2.1%	27.2%	21.0%
	1998		23.8%	18.1%	28.6%
	1997		24.7%	24.9%	33.4%
	1996		19.0%	28.8%	23.0%
	1995		23.6%	36.9%	37.5%
	1994		12.4%	5.0%	1.3%
	1993		22.1%	16.7%	10.1%
	1992		13.4%	7.4%	7.6%
	1991		27.4%	24.5%	30.5%
	1990		5.3%	-0.7%	-3.1%
	1989		24.6%	31.8%	31.7%
	1988		19.8%	16.2%	16.5%
	1987		37.1%	5.5%	5.2%
	1986		24.8%	27.2%	18.8%
	1985		43.9%	33.6%	31.7%
	1984		13.6%	1.0%	6.2%
Co	mpound	Annual Return	14.6%	11.8%	11.0%

#### Semper Vic Partners, L.P. Analysis of Periodic Returns (Through March 31, 2017)

	Semper Vic	Dow Jones			
	Partners, L.P.	Industrial Average	S&P 500 Index	EAFE Index	Nasdaq Index
Year to Date	10.03%	5.19%	6.07%	7.39%	9.82%
One Year	11.00%	19.91%	17.17%	12.25%	21.39%
Three Years	7.59%	10.61%	10.37%	0.96%	12.08%
Five Years	11.11%	12.15%	13.30%	6.32%	13.84%
Ten Years	8.35%	8.09%	7.51%	1.53%	9.34%
Since L.P. Inception	12.27%	10.14%	9.49%	5.06%	9.95%

<sup>\*</sup>Please see important disclosure information that accompanies this presentation.

#### Portfolio Valuation

#### Semper Vic Partners, L.P.

March 31, 2017

UNITS	SECURITY	PRICE	MARKET VALUE	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST	GAIN/LOSS	% OF ASSETS	ANNUAL INCOME	% YIELD
CASH AND E	QUIVALENTS- usd								
	PAS Admin Cash Account		5,000,000		5,000,000		0.7	0	0.0
	Cash And Cash Equivalents		1,764,292		1,764,292		0.2	0	0.0
	Dividends Accrued	_	1,671,434	_	1,671,434		0.2	0	0.0
			8,435,726		8,435,726	0	1.1	0	0.0
COMMON ST	OCKS- usd								
360	Berkshire Hathaway Inc Cl A	249,850.00	89,946,000	63,432.29	22,835,623	67,110,377	11.7	0	0.0
930,000	Nestle SA-Spons ADR	76.90	71,517,000	22.91	21,303,515	50,213,485	9.3	1,797,764	2.5
632,500	Philip Morris International Inc	112.90	71,409,250	25.99	16,440,877	54,968,373	9.3	2,631,200	3.7
550,000	Mastercard Inc C1 A	112.47	61,858,500	20.85	11,469,596	50,388,904	8.1	484,000	0.8
735,000	1 0	79.12	58,156,751	33.99	24,980,825	33,175,926	7.6	786,450	1.4
	Heineken Holding NV	79.76	53,237,359	15.51	10,350,087	42,887,273	6.9	847,725	1.6
390,500	Pernod Ricard	118.61	46,318,414	73.74	28,793,878	17,524,535	6.0	538,890	1.2
417,500	Anheuser-Busch InBev SA	110.06	45,948,670	72.21	30,146,231	15,802,439	6.0	1,160,650	2.5
812,500	Wells Fargo	55.66	45,223,750	21.47	17,444,408	27,779,342	5.9	1,235,000	2.7
910,000	Unilever NV ADR	49.68	45,208,800	29.90	27,210,332	17,998,468	5.9	1,095,549	2.4
365,000	Altria Group Inc	71.42	26,068,300	4.99	1,822,438	24,245,862	3.4	890,600	3.4
71,000	The Swatch Group AG-BR	358.36	25,443,529	364.86	25,905,015	(461,486)	3.3	335,830	1.3
360,000	British American Tobacco PLC	66.27	23,858,586	30.05	10,817,139	13,041,447	3.1	720,000	3.0
105,000	Martin Marietta Materials	218.25	22,916,250	17.08	1,793,104	21,123,146	3.0	176,400	0.8
380,000	Brown-Forman Corp C1 A	47.07	17,886,600	4.98	1,892,808	15,993,792	2.3	277,400	1.6
605,000	0	28.55	17,275,186	9.02	5,458,519	11,816,666	2.3	447,700	2.6
435,000		37.59	16,351,650	1.11	482,426	15,869,224	2.1	274,050	1.7
400,000	JC Decaux SA ACT	35.28	14,113,782	36.36	14,543,064	(429,283)	1.8	164,000	1.2
62,500	Scripps Networks Interactive C1 A	78.37	4,898,125	3.90	243,919	4,654,206	0.6	75,000	1.5
			757,636,501		273,933,806	483,702,695	98.9	13,938,208	1.8
TOTAL			766,072,227		282,369,532	483,702,695	100.0	13,938,208	1.8
TOTAL ASSI	ETS	-	766,072,227	-	282,369,532	483,702,695	100.0	13,938,208	1.8

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# Portfolio Manager "Capacity to Do Nothing"

# Annual Returns Performance Analysis Three Pillars Fund Semper Vic Partners, L.P. August 3, 2005 to March 31, 2017

	Three Pillars <sup>1</sup>	Semper Vic Partners, L.P. <sup>1</sup>	DЛTR <sup>2</sup>	SP500T <sup>2</sup>	NASDAQ <sup>2</sup>	MSCIEAFE <sup>2</sup>	MSCIEXUS <sup>2</sup>	MSCIEM <sup>2</sup>
Yearly								
3/31/2017	10.5	10.1	5.2	6.1	9.8	7.4	8.0	11.4
12/31/2016	14.1	2.7	16.5	12.0	9.0	1.5	5.0	11.2
12/31/2015	1.0	5.1	0.2	1.4	7.1	-0.4	-5.3	-14.9
12/31/2014	12.0	6.4	10.0	13.7	14.8	-4.5	-3.4	-2.2
12/31/2013	20.7	22.1	29.7	32.4	40.2	23.3	15.8	-2.6
12/31/2012	15.9	24.4	10.2	16.0	17.7	17.9	17.4	18.2
12/31/2011	13.9	6.9	8.4	2.1	-0.8	-11.7	-13.3	-18.4
12/31/2010	33.3	21.5	14.1	15.1	18.1	8.2	11.6	18.9
12/31/2009	14.5	26.1	22.7	26.5	45.3	32.5	42.1	78.5
12/31/2008	-22.4	-31.3	-31.9	-37.0	-40.0	-43.1	-45.2	-53.4
12/31/2007	31.0	7.9	8.9	5.5	10.7	11.6	17.1	39.9
12/31/2006	27.1	21.1	19.1	15.8	10.9	26.9	27.2	31.6
8/3/2005	8.3	2.0	1.2	1.1	-0.2	9.3	10.2	16.0
Time-Weighted Cumulative Return	385.3	188.1	161.6	142.9	204.2	68.2	74.3	104.7
Compound Annualized Return	14.5	9.5	8.6	7.9	10.0	4.6	4.9	6.3

#### Notes:

- 1) Returns for Three Pillars Fund and Semper Vic Partners, L.P. are presented net of fees.
- 2) Returns for indices are total returns, including dividend income.

#### Portfolio Valuation

#### Three Pillars March 31, 2017

UNITS SECURITY	PRICE	MARKET VALUE	UNIT	TOTAL COST	GAIN/LOSS	% OF ASSETS	ANNUAL INCOME	% YIELD
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS- usd Dividends Accrued Cash And Cash Equivalents		217,000 (4,881,929) (4,664,929)		217,000 (4,881,929) (4,664,929)	0	0.4 (8.5) (8.1)	0 0 0	0.0
COMMON STOCKS- usd 90 Berkshire Hathaway Inc Cl A 150,000 Philip Morris International Inc 200,000 Nestle SA-Spons ADR 100,000 Altria Group Inc	249,850.00 112.90 76.90 71.42	22,486,500 16,934,987 15,380,000 7,142,031 61,943,517	131,259.66 66.07 52.48 34.96	11,813,369 9,910,423 10,495,137 3,496,457 35,715,386	10,673,131 7,024,564 4,884,863 3,645,574 26,228,131	39.3 29.6 26.9 12.5 108.1	0 624,000 386,616 244,001 1,254,617	0.0 3.7 2.5 3.4 2.0
TOTAL ASSETS		57,278,589 57,278,589		31,050,457	26,228,131 26,228,131	100.0	1,254,617 1,254,617	2.2

### Tax-Efficiency Table

Semper Vic Partners, L.P. After Tax Rate of Return, Net of Expenses July 16, 1990 - December 31, 2015

	Semper Net		Semper After tax	Dow Jones	S&P
Year	YTD %		YTD%	YTD %	YTD %
1990	2.68%		2.05%	-10.42%	-8.67%
1991	27.35%		26.28%	24.53%	30.47%
1992	13.44%		12.24%	7.40%	7.61%
1993	22.06%		20.52%	16.72%	
					10.08%
1994	12.37%		10.42%	4.99%	1.34%
1995	23.58%		22.55%	36.90%	37.52%
1996	19.02%		17.77%	28.93%	23.11%
1997	24.67%		23.94%	24.96%	33.38%
1998	23.80%		22.77%	18.12%	28.56%
1999	-2.14%		-2.44%	27.21%	21.01%
2000	15.59%		14.36%	-4.71%	-9.11%
2001	0.06%		-1.86%	-5.40%	-11.89%
2002	-0.96%		-1.89%	-15.07%	-22.10%
2003	33.49%		33.35%	28.26%	28.69%
2004	11.86%		10.88%	5.32%	10.88%
2005	3.17%		3.03%	1.17%	4.91%
2006	20.83%		20.89%	19.05%	15.80%
2007	7.65%		7.18%	8.88%	5.50%
2008	-31.47%		-32.17%	-31.93%	-37.00%
2009	25.79%		25.45%	22.68%	26.45%
2010	21.49%		20.87%	14.03%	15.07%
2011	6.67%		6.61%	8.38%	2.11%
2012	24.21%		23.99%	10.23%	15.98%
2013	21.89%		21.16%	29.65%	32.41%
2014	6.08%		5.45%	10.04%	13.69%
2015	4.96%		3.31%	0.21%	1.38%
Cumulative Return Since 7/16/90	1854.05%		1508.59%	975.59%	847.22%
Compounded Annzd Return Since 7/16/90 Notes:	12.38%		11.53%	9.78%	9.23%
1. 1990 reflects a parti			990		
2. Assumptions:	Long-Term Ca			Qualified Dividends	
		1991-1997	28.00%	2003-2012	15.00%
	1998 to	5/5/2003	20.00%	2013-2015	23.80%
	5/6/2003 to	12/31/2012	15.00%		
		2013-2015	23.80%		
	Short-Term Ca	pital Gains			
		1990	28.00%		
		1991-1992	31.00%		
		1993-2001	39.60%		
		2002	38.60%		
		2003-2012	35.00%		
		2013-2015	43.40%		
	Investment Inc		40.4070		
	mvesument mc	1990	28.00%		
		1991-1992	31.00%		
		1993-2001	39.60%		
		2002	38.60%		
		2003-2012	35.00%		
		2013-2015	43.40%		
		2013-2013	70.7076		

## Thomas A. Russo

"Lessons Learned"

- Capacity to Reinvest
- Capacity to Suffer
- Capacity to Do Nothing

#### Background Information: Thomas A. Russo, Gardner Russo & Gardner LLC

Thomas A. Russo joined Gardner Russo & Gardner LLC as a partner in 1989. In 2014 he became the Managing Member of the firm. Mr. Russo manages individual separate accounts and serves as the Managing Member of the General Partner to Semper Vic partnerships. Mr. Russo oversees more than \$9 billion through separately managed accounts and Semper Vic partnerships. Gardner Russo & Gardner LLC is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, and is not associated with any bank, security dealer or other third party.

Mr. Russo looks for companies with strong cash-flow characteristics, where large amounts of "free" cash flow are generated. (These industries typically have included food, beverage, tobacco, and advertising-supported media.) Portfolio companies tend to have strong balance sheets and a history of producing high rates of return on their assets. The challenge comes in finding these obviously desirable situations at reasonable or bargain prices.

Mr. Russo commits capital to leading global consumer products companies whose brands enjoy growing market shares in parts of the world undergoing economic growth and enjoying increasing political stability. He prefers companies with sufficient cash flows from existing operations, combined with balance-sheet strength, to allow investments to activate emerging markets. He backs rare management teams willing to invest to secure robust future returns even when such investments burden current reported profits. Mr. Russo believes that family-controlled companies are often uniquely well positioned to bear burdens on reported profits in pursuit of long-term gains. Accordingly, he often invests in public companies where founding families still retain control and significant investment exposure, to reduce management agency costs and to align owner interests.

Mr. Russo's goal is one of an absolute return rather than a relative return, and he continues his long-term investment objective of compounding assets between 10 and 20 percent per year without great turnover, thereby realizing a minimum amount of realized gains and net investment income.

Thomas Russo is the Managing Member of the General Partner of Semper Vic Partners, L.P., and Semper Vic Partners (QP), L.P., limited partnerships whose combined investments are roughly \$3 billion, along with overseeing substantially more funds through separate accounts for individuals, trusts, and endowments. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College (BA, 1977), and Stanford Business and Law Schools (JD/MBA, 1984). Memberships include Dean's Advisory Council for Stanford Law School, Dartmouth College's President's Leadership Council, and California Bar Association. Mr. Russo is a charter member of the Advisory Board for the Heilbrunn Center for Graham & Dodd Investing at Columbia Business School. He serves on the boards of the Winston Churchill Foundation of the U.S., Facing History and Ourselves, and Storm King Art Center.

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