

# Nuance Concentrated Value Perspectives Discussion



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## Commentary with President and Chief Investment Officer Scott A. Moore, CFA

Another month and another up period in the market as the second quarter earnings season came and went with little more than a whisper. Earnings in general for our holdings were as expected and that general comment could be made throughout most of the economy. One interesting note for the month is that interest rates rose materially with the U.S. Government 10 Year Note's yield rising from 1.6 percent to 2.1 percent. This move caused some interest sensitive sectors to trade lower this month and helped us at the margin as we continue to be underweight in interest rate sensitive sectors like the Utility sector, the Real Estate Investment Trust industry, and the Consumer Staples sector. We certainly are not focused on predicting the direction of interest rates over time, but given that we find these interest sensitive spaces to be overvalued on their cash flows and earnings, the rising rates are certainly of interest to us.

## Performance Update 11/13/2008 - 5/31/2013

We continue to be pleased with our overall performance. Since its inception on November 13, 2008, the Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (through May 31, 2013) is up 22.89 percent (annualized and net of fees) versus the Russell 3000 Value Index, up 15.43 percent, and the S&P 500 Index, up 16.24 percent.

Year-to-date through May 31, 2013, the Nuance Concentrated Value Composite is up 16.56 percent (net of fees) versus the Russell 3000 Value Index, up 16.78 percent, and the S&P 500 Index, up 15.37 percent.

	YTD 2013	1 Year	3 Years APR	Since Inception APR	Since Inception Return	Since Inception Standard Deviation (A)	Since Inception Sharpe Ratio (A)
Concentrated Value Composite (Gross)	17.10	35.81	20.04	23.55	161.47	14.19	1.64
Concentrated Value Composite (Net)	16.56	34.77	19.31	22.89	155.22	14.15	1.59
Russell 3000 Value Index	16.78	32.76	16.45	15.43	92.07	18.05	0.84
S&P 500 Index	15.37	27.38	16.92	16.24	98.28	16.19	0.98

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Thank you for your continued confidence and support.

Scott A. Moore, CFA

## Separate Account Morningstar® Rating



Morningstar Rating Overall: 5 Stars  
Category: Large Value  
Number Rated: 407\*

\*The top 10% of separate accounts in a category earn 5 stars.

## Stocks we recently added to your portfolio:

**Rexnord Corp (RXN):** We are returning to RXN this month after a period of significant underperformance versus peers and the market over the last year. You will recall that we bought this leading provider of gears, seals, couplings, bearings, and other motion related components at their initial public offering in March of 2012 at \$18. We held the stock into the low \$20's when we found better opportunities for your portfolio. Since those sales, RXN has significantly underperformed having retraced almost to their IPO price while the market has moved up sharply. At today's prices we think the risk versus reward profile is quite positive.

## Stocks we recently sold from your portfolio:

**Schwab Charles Corp (SCHW):** We sold our position in SCHW as the stock price has surpassed our internal view of fair value. We are quite pleased with the capital appreciation achieved for our clients over our holding period and will look for future opportunities in the stock.

**State Street Corp (STT):** Much like SCHW, we have sold our stock in STT following a prolonged period of outperformance and given that the stock has surpassed our internal view of fair value.

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	Gross of Fees Return	Net of Fees Return	Benchmark Return (RAV Index)	Benchmark Return (SPX Index)	Composite Dispersion (Full Period)	Number of Separate Accounts (End of Period)	Total Composite Assets (End of Period)	Total Firm Assets (End of Period)	% of Non-Fee Paying Accounts	3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation (Composite Net)	3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation (RAV Index)
YTD 2008 (11/13/08-12/31/08)	4.47	4.47	0.38	(0.47)	N/A	7	\$9,126,951	\$18,657,997	4.57%	-	-
2009	42.21	41.72	19.78	26.47	1.17	79	\$87,342,803	\$137,943,058	0.60%	-	-
2010	18.79	18.13	16.26	15.06	0.25	145	\$119,543,453	\$181,201,036	0.46%	-	-
2011	6.85	6.29	(0.06)	2.11	0.48	181	\$96,831,359	\$152,976,943	0.85%	16.13	21.31
2012	18.41	17.79	17.62	16.00	0.19	259	\$154,693,966	\$214,936,666	0.77%	13.05	16.02
YTD 2013 (05/31/2013)	17.10	16.56	16.78	15.37	N/A	317	\$244,610,344	\$316,322,494	0.00%	12.52	14.87

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