The Defined Risk Strategy

Investing Redefined

WE ARE IN A NEW ERA OF INVESTING



INTEREST RATES NEAR ALL TIME LOWS



Where will income *come* from?

When rates rise, principal will be at risk.¹⁰



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U.S. STOCKS PUSHING ALL TIME HIGHS

Is the inevitable looming?

"Predicting rain doesn't count. Building arks does." – Warren Buffett, 8/15/15

The DUAL DILEMMA



OUTCOME AND INCOME

Investors need to achieve a desired OUTCOME

To ensure enough retirement INCOME

THE INCOME Dilemma

1 fear retirees have is running out of money.

- Transamerica Center for Retirement Studies, December, 2015



Frequency of Major Market Events

A major loss of 20% or more is referred to as a bear market.

Did You Know? S&P 500 data shows that, on average, bear markets:



Source: Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Global Research, Bloomberg: Returns based on S&P 500 since 1929; Zephyr StyleADVISOR

Remember these Major Events?

| Major Event | Market Headed Down On | Market Bottom | Market Loss | \$1,000,000 Portfolio was reduced to: | Portfolio Recovery Date: |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Dot-Com Crash | Sept 2000 | Sept 2002 | -44.73% | \$552,700 | Oct. 2006 |
| Financial Crisis | Nov 2007 | Feb 2009 | -50.95% | \$490,500 | Mar 2012 |

How was your life, portfolio and financial plan impacted?

The Dual Dilemma is a Unique Challenge

THE SAME OLD

THINKING

RESULTS

Math Matters

GOOD MENS

It's about the math that drives investment returns.

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3 Key Math Concepts Drive Returns

1. Avoid large losses

2. Utilize the power of compounding

3. Reduce volatility (big ups & downs)



Avoid Large Losses



Utilize the Power of Compounding



Source: diyinvesting.org

Years

Reduce Volatility (Big Ups & Downs)



Source: Swan Global Investments

The Swan Defined Risk Philosophy

"By actively seeking to not lose big,

we believe that investors will be

better off in the long run."

- Randy Swan, Founder, CEO and Lead Portfolio Manager

The Swan Defined Risk Process



ALWAYS INVESTED in equities via low-cost ETFs (buy & hold)



ALWAYS HEDGED using longterm put options (LEAPs)



Seek Additional Returns

Actively managing shorterterm options portfolio to help offset the cost of the hedge

When the market drops and the equity loses value, the put option increases in value, and vice-versa.

This counter-balancing investment approach is engineered to NOT lose big.



A Battled Tested Strategy

Celebrating Swan Defined Risk Strategy

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The strategy has been battle tested, through the Dot-Com Bust and 2008 Financial Crisis.



Swan Defined Risk Strategy

The Defined Risk Strategy is available:
Separately Managed Accounts,
5 different Mutual Funds across various asset classes,
Collective Investment Funds (for retirement accounts).



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