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### **June 2017 Capital Markets Review**

Index	Period Ending June 30, 2017					
U.S. Equity Markets	Qtr	Ytd	1 Yr Return	3 Yr Return	5 Yr Return	10 Yr Return
S&P 500 Index	3.09%	9.34%	17.90%	9.61%	14.63%	7.18%
Russell 3000	3.02%	8.93%	18.51%	9.10%	14.58%	7.26%
Russell 1000	3.06%	9.27%	18.03%	9.26%	14.67%	7.29%
Russell 1000 Value	1.34%	4.66%	15.53%	7.36%	13.94%	5.57%
Russell 2000	2.46%	4.99%	24.60%	7.36%	13.70%	6.92%
Russell 2000 Value	0.67%	0.54%	24.86%	7.02%	13.39%	5.92%
Non-U.S. Equity Markets						
MSCI ACWI Ex US	5.78%	14.10%	20.45%	0.80%	7.22%	1.13%
MSCI Emerging Markets	6.27%	18.43%	23.75%	1.07%	3.96%	1.91%
Fixed Income						
Barclays Aggregate Bond	1.45%	2.27%	-0.31%	2.48%	2.21%	4.48%
Barclays US TIPS	-0.40%	0.85%	-0.63%	0.63%	0.27%	4.27%
Real Assets/Natural Resources	·	·				
DJ US Select REIT	1.64%	1.36%	-2.43%	8.04%	9.00%	5.42%
S&P North American Natural Resources	-7.09%	-11.04%	-2.62%	-11.92%	0.13%	-0.33%

#### Commentary

The U.S. Equity market posted its seventh straight quarterly gain, ending the second quarter up 3.0%. All capitalization segments of the market posted positive results in the quarter, with large-cap stocks outperforming both the mid- and small-cap segments of the market. For the year-to-date period, large-cap stocks posted a return of 9.3% which outperformed both mid- and small-cap stocks. Growth stocks outperformed value stocks by 3.3% in the quarter and 9.4% in the year-to-date period. Strong performance from the Health Care and Technology sectors aided growth stocks in the quarter, while poor performance in the Energy and Telecommunication sectors were the main detractors for the value segment of the market.

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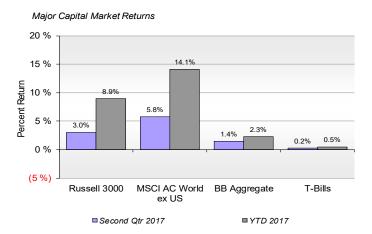
International equities returned +5.8% in the quarter. In local currency terms, international equities returned +3.3% in the quarter. Favorable world economic data and the election of pro-European Union leaders positively impacted international equity markets and led to increasing values of other currencies relative to the U.S. dollar. Continued uncertainty regarding U.S. tax reform and infrastructure spending also pushed the value of the U.S. dollar lower during the quarter. Growth sectors, especially Health Care and Technology, outperformed most value sectors. OPEC and several other oil producing nations extended oil production cuts by nine months, but the small magnitude in cuts resulted in the price of oil falling.

Emerging Markets returned 6.3% in the quarter. EM Asia (+8.6%) was led by technology-heavy South Korea (+10.2%) and Taiwan (+8.8%) for the second consecutive quarter. EM Latin America (-1.7%) was hurt by falling industrial metals and oil prices. Brazil (-6.7%) suffered after President Michel Tamer was indicted at the end of the quarter on corruption charges.

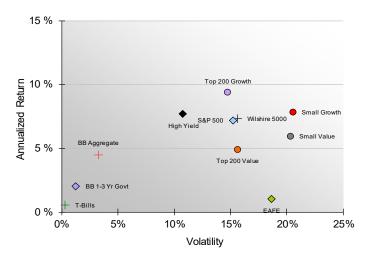
U.S. Government issues advanced 1.2%. The Federal Reserve raised rates in June, increasing the target short-term range by 1.00%–1.25%. U.S. Treasury yields rose for short-term maturities, but decreased for longer-term maturities. All maturities saw positive investment returns for the quarter, with the long end of the curve experiencing the largest increase. The 10-year Treasury yield dropped 0.09 percentage points ending at 2.31%.

TIPS experienced a negative 0.4% return for the quarter due to decreasing inflation expectations. The breakeven inflation rate implied in 10-year U.S. TIPS ended the quarter at 1.73%, versus 1.97% at the end of the prior quarter.

Investment-grade credits posted a positive 2.4% return for the quarter, outpacing government issues. The Utility and Industrial sectors returned 3.0% and 2.7% respectively and Financials gained 2.1%. U.S. high yield bonds returned 2.2% in the quarter, with little differentiation between credit qualities.



Note: The following indices represent the returns of the asset classes within the above chart: U.S. Stocks—Russell 3000, Non-U.S. Stocks—MSCI EAFE, Fixed Income—Barclays Aggregate, and U.S. Treasury Bills



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