

## Tradition's Research Goal: Identify Stocks with Growing Dividends

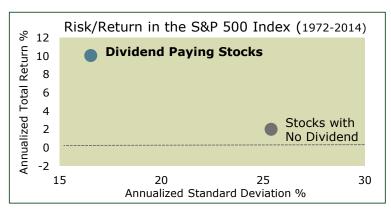
- Dividends have historically accounted for approximately 40% of historical stock market returns
- Academic research has demonstrated that dividend strategies offer an improved risk/reward tradeoff
- Growing dividends and sustainable payout ratios lead to:
  - better profits
  - greater increases in shareholder value
  - confidence in sustaining future cash flows

## A Proven Approach

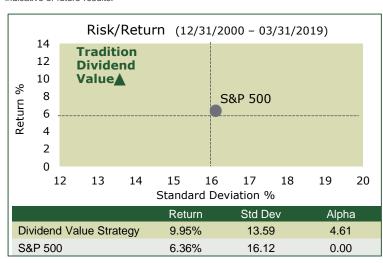
- A portfolio with above-average dividend growth and yield has historically outperformed the market and experienced less volatility
- □ Tradition's disciplined, research-driven process identifies opportunities that:
  - source potential alpha
  - generate above-market income
  - control and manage risk
- Strategy seeks alpha across the entire capitalization spectrum
- Tradition's approach offers a high probability of success

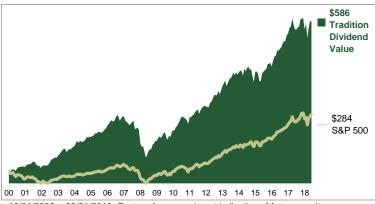
# **The Tradition Client Experience**

- A long-term track record of outperformance relative to benchmark indices and peers
- □ Reliable above-market income
- Consistently high risk-adjusted returns
- Investors have benefitted from:
  - a repeatable and sustainable research-driven investment process
  - protection during volatile bear market cycles



1/31/1972 – 09/30/2014; the average annual returns and annualized standard deviation are based on the sub-components of the S&P 500 Index, equal-weighted on a total return basis. Source: S&P Capital IQ Compustat and Ned Davis Research, Inc. Past performance is not indicative of future results.





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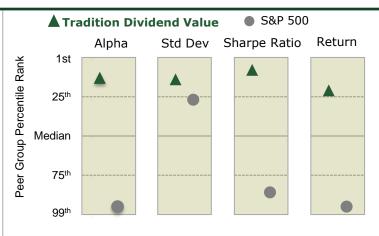


# Tradition Dividend Value: A Peer Group Leader

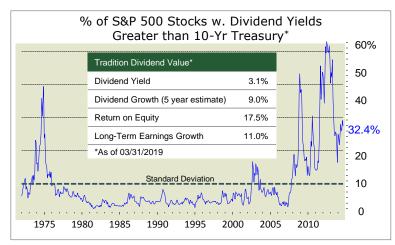
- Top quartile rankings across key portfolio metrics
- Portfolio managed by an experienced management team supported by research analyst specialists
- Thorough research leads to conviction in our top holdings
- Key metrics are indicative of a focus on the longer-term time horizon and demonstrates an ability to manage client expectations

#### Potential for Growth and Above-Market Income

- Many investors are looking for additional sources of income; dividend paying stocks offer attractive high yields with less risk
- A portfolio of well-researched, highquality companies with growing dividends can offer yields higher than 10 year Treasury bonds
- Roughly 1/3 of all stocks in the S&P 500
   Index pay high dividends; Tradition
   invests in the stocks which our research
   indicates are likely to continue growing
   their dividend payout



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