Dividend Income: Time to fall in love



By: Rick Smerchinski, CA, CFP, CFA Vice President & Portfolio Manager (519) 747-1334

www.SmerchinskiAdvisoryGroup.com

Dividend Tree Bears Fruit Every Quarter



RBC Wealth Management Dominion Securities

Salary plus bonus strategy

The salary plus bonus investment strategy is designed to generate a predictable flow of income, while providing growth of capital over time. Every holding in the portfolio generates income to form the SALARY. And, the expected rise in the price of the underlying securities in the portfolio forms the BONUS.





Huge Tax Advantage

- Top Marginal Income Tax Rates
- Interest Income 43.4%
- Canadian Dividend 22.2%
- Capital Gains 21.7%
- You can earn \$50,500 in eligible dividend income tax-free, if you have no other income.

THE IRISH REVENUE
New Simplified Tax Form
1. How much money do you make ?
¢
2. Send it to us.

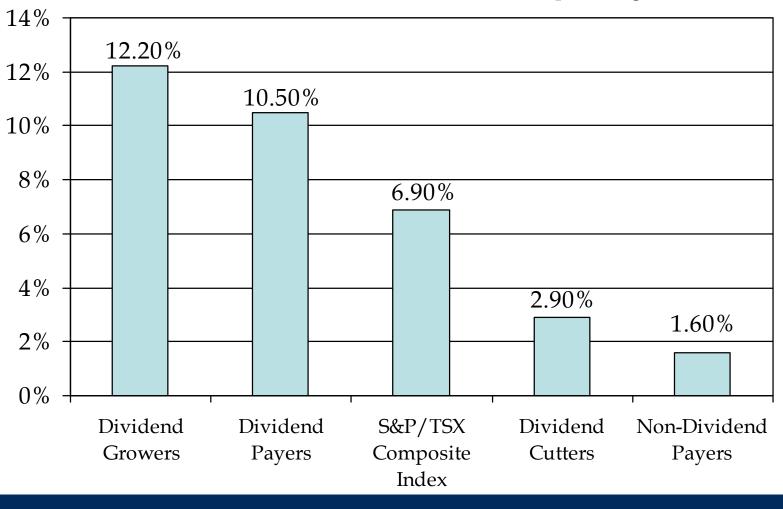
Income taxes are likely heading higher to reduce the deficit

Source: Ernst & Young



Canadian Companies Pay Dividends

Total Portfolio Returns (Dec 1986 – Jun 2011, equal weighted)





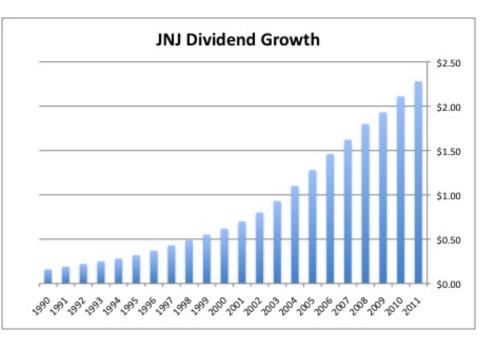
RBC Wealth Management Dominion Securities

Dividend Payout Rates Can Grow

- Standard and Poor's reported that through 2010 the dividend component of the S&P 500 was responsible for 44% of the total return for that index over the last 80 years.
- The payout rate has gradually declined from 90% of operating earnings in 1940s to about 30% in recent years.

Dividend Payout Ration:

DPR = <u>Dividends</u> Net Income for the same period



Johnson and Johnson is an example of how great companies increase dividend payments to shareholders over time.



Preferred Shares Pay Dividends

- Tax Advantage: Often offer better aftertax return than similar credit quality bonds.
- Security: Rank above the interests of common shareholders.
- Exchange Traded Markets: Liquid in three business days.
- Example: Sunlife Series 12 (SLF.PR.I)
 - 4.7% yield to call
 - Interest equivalent 5.7%
 - P1 Low credit rating
 - Dec. 2016 reset
 - 5yr GOC +275bpts



Preferred Shares are considered a fixed income investment.



Disclosure

This information has been provided by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. (RBC GAM) and is for informational purposes only. It is not intended to provide legal, accounting, tax, investment, financial or other advice and such information should not be relied upon for providing such advice. RBC GAM takes reasonable steps to provide up-to-date, accurate and reliable information, and believes the information to be so when printed.

Due to the possibility of human and mechanical error as well as other factors, including but not limited to technical or other inaccuracies or typographical errors or omissions, RBC GAM is not responsible for any errors or omissions contained herein. RBC GAM reserves the right at any time and without notice to change, amend or cease publication of the information.

Any investment and economic outlook information contained in this report has been compiled by RBC GAM from various sources. Information obtained from third parties is believed to be reliable, but no representation or warranty, express or implied, is made by RBC GAM, its affiliates or any other person as to its accuracy, completeness or correctness. RBC GAM and its affiliates assume no responsibility for any errors or omissions.

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement made in relation to the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally,

Professional Wealth Management Since 1901 legal proceedings and catastrophic events. The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not ex



Rectiveration Management Dominion Securities courage