STRONG EQUITIES LEAD TO SOLID QUARTER, YEAR FOR PLAN SPONSORS



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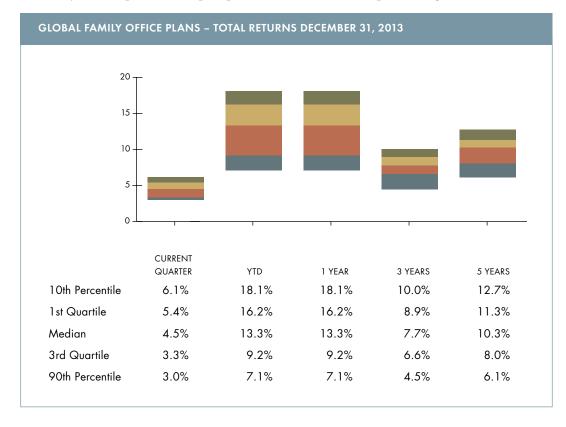
The median Global Family Office (GFO) plan was up 4.5% for the fourth quarter of 2013. In comparison, the benchmark of 60% equity (S&P 500) and 40% bonds (Barclays U.S. Aggregate) returned 6.2% during the quarter. The equity markets finished the year on a positive note, returning 10.5% in the fourth quarter and posting a solid 32.4% gain for the year. The fixed income market suffered as the BC U.S. Aggregate returned -0.1% this quarter and -2.0% in 2013. As of December 31, 2013, the one-year median GFO plan finished behind the blended benchmark, returning 13.3% versus 17.6% for the index.

Over longer time periods, the median GFO plan has also lagged the benchmark, underperforming during the two-, threeand five-year time periods. The plan posted

annualized returns of 12.2%, 7.7% and 10.3%, respectively, versus the 60% equity/40% bonds index returns of 14.4%, 11.0% and 12.7%.

The breakpoint return for the top quartile of GFO portfolios for the fourth quarter was 5.4%; the top decile breakpoint return was 6.1%. These portfolios favored more aggressive allocations toward equities. The bottom quartile breakpoint was 3.3%, where portfolios assumed less risk and had higher allocations toward cash and fixed income.

Within the GFO composite as of December 31, 2013, domestic equity accounted for 23.7% of assets. Broad-based domestic equity indexes such as the S&P 500 and the Russell 3000 had positive quarters, returning 10.5% and 10.1%, respectively. The large cap growth segment was the best-performing sub-asset class





within the U.S. equity spectrum, as evidenced by the Russell 1000 Growth Index return of 10.4%. The small cap growth segment had the lowest return of the equity classes, as shown by the Russell 2000 Growth Index return of 8.2%. The median U.S. equity program fell in between, returning 9.8% for the quarter. Domestic fixed income comprised 18.9% of the GFO Composite. The Barclays U.S. Aggregate index was down 0.1% for the fourth quarter and has posted a one-year return of -2.0%. The median U.S. fixed income program returned 0.4% and -1.6%, respectively.

COMPOSITE ASSET ALLOCATION – GLOBAL FAMILY OFFICE				
	Current	1 Year Ago	3 Years Ago	5 Years Ago
U.S. Equity	24%	20%	-	-
Global/Non-U.S. Equity	15%	13%	-	-
U.S. Fixed Income	19%	23%	-	-
Global/Non-U.S. Bonds	3%	3%	-	-
Private Equity/Hedge Funds	28%	28%	-	-
Cash & Other	11%	13%	-	-

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