

# Education Session No. 352: Not Your Parent's Mutual Fund: Alternative 40 Act Funds

July 18, 2012 at 6 PM San Francisco, CA

What is an alternative mutual fund? How can shorting and leverage be used within a 40 Act Fund structure? What is the distribution network for such a fund? How do managers avoid cannibalizing existing institutional products?

As fund offerings have evolved, 40 Act Funds have embraced alternative strategies; a number of managers have increased assets and diversified their client base with these approaches. Take a closer look and learn about:

- Investor demand for Alternative Mutual Funds
- Portfolio execution/strategy constraints
- Operating considerations when launching a 40 Act Fund

This dynamic discussion will provide a well-rounded view of the opportunity presented by alternative mutual funds and introduce resources for further consideration of these products.

## **Participants**

Lisa Mougin, ALPS Fund Services Nadia Papagiannis, Morningstar Mark Perlow, K&L Gates Jay Jacobs, *Moderator*, ConvergEx

## **Event Details**

**Date:** July 18, 2012 **Time:** 5 PM Registration.

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host. Please note the start time on this invite and plan to arrive early.

**Hosts:** K&L Gates and ConvergEx

Location: Four Embarcadero Center, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94111

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## **Biographies**

## Lisa Mougin, Senior Vice President, ALPS Fund Services

Lisa leads the business development practice of ALPS' mutual fund and alternative fund asset servicing businesses. Prior to this role at ALPS, she worked as a Relationship Manager in the firm's Fund Administration Department. Before joining ALPS in 1998, Lisa worked as an Auditor at PricewaterhouseCoopers, specializing in the financial services industry. She earned a B.S. in Business with an emphasis in Accounting from Marquette University, graduating magna cum laude. Lisa is registered with FINRA and holds a Series 7 license. Outside of work, Lisa enjoys travel and running and resides in Denver with her husband and two children.

## Nadia Papagiannis, Director of Alternative Fund Research, Morningstar

Nadia Papagiannis, CFA is director of alternative fund research for Morningstar. In this role, she leads a team of three alternative investment research analysts. She is also editor of the quarterly newsletter Alternative Investments Observer.

Prior to joining Morningstar in 2005, she was a senior compliance examiner at NASD (now FINRA), auditing broker-dealers. She also worked at the National Futures Association (NFA), auditing firms trading futures and options, including hedge funds.

Papagiannis holds a bachelor's degree in finance and French from the University of Wisconsin and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. Papagiannis also holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation. In 2011, Institutional Investor selected her as one of the publication's Rising Stars of Mutual Funds.

#### Mark Perlow, Partner, K&L Gates

Mark Perlow is a partner in the San Francisco office of K&L Gates LLP and one of three global practice group coordinators for the K&L Gates investment management practice. His practice focuses on investment management, financial regulation, and securities law, and he regularly represents hedge fund managers, investment advisers, mutual funds, fund boards of directors and broker-dealers on a broad range of regulatory and transactional matters. He is a member of the adjunct faculty of the School of Law at the University of California at Berkeley, where he teaches a course on capital markets and financial regulation.

Before joining K&L Gates, Mr. Perlow served as senior counsel in the Office of the General Counsel of the Securities and Exchange Commission, focusing on investment management, fund and corporate governance, and enforcement, and he also served in the SEC's Division of Enforcement. While on the SEC staff, Mr. Perlow worked on regulatory initiatives on fund governance, auditor independence, the scope of the securities laws online, codes of ethics, personal trading of investment personnel, and foreign custody of fund assets, and he advised the SEC on the policy and legal implications of enforcement actions. He also served as senior attorney on a number of enforcement actions and investigations, including the W.R. Grace 21(a) Report on independent directors' duties regarding executive compensation, and cases involving accounting fraud, market manipulation, insider trading, and broker-dealer sales abuses.

Mr. Perlow received a J.D. from Yale Law School, an M.A. from Oxford University, and an A.B. from the University of California, Berkeley. Mr. Perlow is a frequent speaker and author on topics relating to investment management and the law.

## Jay Jacobs, Director of Alternative Mutual Funds, ConvergEx

Jay Jacobs leads the Alternative Mutual Fund Services division at ConvergEx and assists successful hedge funds and mutual fund platforms in creating, running, and growing 1940 Act alternative mutual funds. Mr. Jacobs has over 30-years of Wall Street experience with the last five years focused exclusively on alternative mutual funds as a service provider, president, chairman and portfolio manager. Jay also has managed hedge funds and asset management businesses. He started his career at investment bank Wessels Arnold Henderson and later moved to Thomas Weisel Partners. He attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison and, later, served on the Dean's Advisory Board for the Business school from 2002-2006.

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