

## CAPITAL ADVISORS



### YTD as of 4/30/2020

Alpha Portfolio

-17.48%

#### **MARKETS**

DOW JONES -14.68%
S&P 500 -9.74%
NASDAQ 100 +2.97%
REIT INDEX -17.98%
SMALL CAP -21.34%
HIGH YIELD -8.53%

#### **BOND YIELDS**

10 YR TREAS .62%
YTD CHANGE -1.30%
30 YR TREAS 1.27%
YTD CHANGE -1.12%

## SINCE INCEPTION

THROUGH DEC 31, 2019
BROXTON 460.73%
S&P 500 240.02%
DOW JONES 274.63%

#### **BROXTON PERFORMANCE**





In May stock indexes continued the questionable rebound although economic activity continued the sharp plunge which accelerated later in the month. In March, Goldman Sachs had predicted a 24% decrease in U.S. GDP for second quarter, but this was updated to a 39% decline in May. However, the decline was predicted to be quickening throughout the month by the Atlanta Federal Reserve GDPNow computer model. (GDPNow is a running estimate of real GDP growth based on available data for the current measured quarter. The estimate is based solely on the mathematical results of the model.) At the beginning of May, the GDPNow model predicted a 16% downturn and is now predicting a 51% downturn. Atlanta Fed statement on May 29: "The GDPNow model estimate for real GDP growth (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the second quarter of 2020 is -51.2 percent on May 29, down from -40.4 percent on May 28. After this morning's Advance Economic Indicators report from the U.S. ...." If we get a recovery in June, the downturn for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter will be around 30%. This will be at least 3 X bigger than any decline in history. (more info). At this point we believe that investors are being overly optimistic on the recovery which has yet to materialize. We are still in a downturn and have yet to demonstrate stabilization and the beginning of a rebound.

Airline industry update: The IATA is the largest and most well-regarded airline industry analyst. Remarks of Alexandre de Juniac (CEO) at the IATA Media Briefing on COVID-19, 26 May: "First, the industry is struggling through the crisis. Airlines have received over \$120 billion in financial assistance from governments...One development is of particular concern. That is the politicization of quarantine measures. In response to the UK government's announced 14-day quarantine measures for all arrivals, France announced that it would do the same for arrivals from the UK...The good news is that the technology for COVID-19 testing at scale is advancing quickly. We still don't have a perfect solution. But there are hopeful signs that this could eventually play an important role for travel!" Airport security data shows that travelers passing daily through TSA checkpoint increased by almost 100% in May to around 300,000. Although still down almost 85%, air travel is starting to recover.

**Qudian, QD:** QD announced that they saw stabilization in borrower defaults in May and repurchased more than 50% of their convertible debt at sizeable discounts. We purchased a small amount at about 50% of the pre-covid earnings, after the report.

**Spirit Airlines, SAVE:** Spirit is by far the lowest cost carrier with costs 50-60% lower than Delta, American and United. SAVE should be able to continue to gain market share as travel returns. The company has about \$1.7 billion in liquidity with plans to add another \$900 million. Spirit should be the first airline to break even in 2020. We entered a small position in May.



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