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Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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Date of reporting period: <u>December 31, 2018</u>

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#### JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

Beginning on January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Fund s annual and semi-annual shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports. Instead, the reports will be made available on the Fund s website (www.nuveen.com), and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

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#### Chairman s Letter to Shareholders

#### Dear Shareholders,

The global economy seemed to reach a turning point in 2018. Growth was peaking in the U.S. and slowing elsewhere. Deregulation and tax law changes, which lowered corporate and individual tax rates and encouraged companies to repatriate overseas profits, helped boost U.S. economic growth and amplify corporate earnings during 2018. Meanwhile, a weakening housing market and a flattening yield curve in the U.S. and disappointing economic growth across Europe, China and Japan signaled caution. As the year developed, future corporate profit growth was looking less certain than at the start of the year. Adding to the uncertainty were the removal of U.S. central bank monetary stimulus, rising interest rates, a stronger U.S. dollar, trade negotiations and unpredictable politics, including Brexit and a prolonged U.S. government shutdown. Bearish sentiment intensified at the end of 2018, pressuring stocks, corporate bonds and commodities alike.

Although downside risks have been rising, the likelihood of a near-term recession remains low. Global growth is indeed slowing, but it still positive. The U.S. economy remains strong, even in the face of late-cycle pressures. Low unemployment and firming wages should continue to support consumer spending, and the November mid-term elections resulted in change, but no major surprises. In China, the government remains committed to using fiscal stimulus to offset softening exports. Europe also remains vulnerable to trade policy as well as Brexit uncertainty, but underlying strengths in European economies, including low unemployment that drives domestic demand, remain supportive of a mild expansion. In a slower growth environment, there are opportunities for investors who seek them more selectively.

We expect volatility and challenging conditions to persist in 2019 but also think there is potential for upside. You can prepare your investment portfolio by working with your financial advisor to review your goals, timeline and risk tolerance. On behalf of the other members of the Nuveen Fund Board, we look forward to continuing to earn your trust in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,

Terence J. Toth

Chairman of the Board

February 22, 2018

Portfolio Managers Comments

Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (JTD)

The Fund's investment portfolio is managed by three affiliates of Nuveen, LLC: Santa Barbara Asset Management LLC (Santa Barbara) oversees the Fund's dividend-growth equity strategy, while the Fund's income-oriented strategy is managed by NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC (NWQ). The Fund also employs an index call option strategy managed by Nuveen Asset Management (NAM). James R. Boothe, CFA, serves as portfolio manager for the Santa Barbara dividend-growth equity strategy. The NWQ income-oriented investment team is led by Thomas J. Ray, CFA and Susi Budiman, CFA. The call option program from NAM is overseen by David A. Friar and Jody I. Hrazanek.

Effective 8/31/18, Keith Hembre is no longer a portfolio manager on the Fund, while Jody I. Hrazanek has been added to the NAM portfolio management team.

Here the team discusses economic, domestic and global market conditions, their management strategies and the Fund's performance for the twelve-month reporting period ended December 31, 2018.

# What factors affected the U.S. economy and domestic and global markets during the twelve-month reporting period ended December 31, 2018?

The U.S. economy accelerated in this reporting period, with gross domestic product (GDP) growth reaching 4.2% (annualized) in the second quarter of 2018, the fastest pace since 2014, then receding to a still relatively robust 3.4% annualized rate in the third quarter of 2018, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis—third—estimate. GDP is the value of goods and services produced by the nation—s economy less the value of the goods and services used up in production, adjusted for price changes. The boost in economic activity during the second quarter of 2018 was attributed to robust spending by consumers, businesses and the government, as well as a temporary increase in exports, as farmers rushed soybean shipments ahead of China—s retaliatory tariffs. While consumer and government spending continued to drive economic growth in the third quarter, the export contribution declined as expected and both business spending and housing investment weakened. The government—s fourth quarter 2018 GDP growth estimate was not yet available due to the partial government shutdown from late December 2018 to late January 2019.

Consumer spending, the largest driver of the economy, remained well supported by low unemployment, wage gains and tax cuts. As reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the unemployment rate fell to 3.9% in December 2018 from 4.1% in December 2017 and job gains averaged around 219,000 per month for the past twelve months. The jobs market has continued to tighten, while average hourly earnings grew at an annualized rate of 3.2% in December 2018. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased 1.9% over the twelve-month reporting period ended December 31, 2018 on a seasonally adjusted basis, as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Certain statements in this report are forward-looking statements. Discussions of specific investments are for illustration only and are not intended as recommendations of individual investments. The forward-looking statements and other views expressed herein are those of the portfolio managers as of the date of this report. Actual future results or occurrences may differ significantly from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements and the views expressed herein are subject to change at any time, due to numerous market and other factors. The Fund disclaims any obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements or views expressed herein.

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Refer to the Glossary of Terms Used in this Report for further definition of the terms used within this section.

Portfolio Managers Comment (continued)

Low mortgage rates and low inventory drove home prices higher during this recovery cycle. But the price momentum slowed in recent months as mortgage rates began to drift higher and homes have become less affordable. The S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index, which covers all nine U.S. census divisions, was up 5.2% year-over-year in November 2018 (most recent data available at the time this report was prepared). The 10-City and 20-City Composites reported year-over-year increases of 4.3% and 4.7%, respectively.

With the U.S. economy delivering a sustainable growth rate and employment strengthening, the Federal Reserve s (Fed) policy making committee continued to incrementally raise its main benchmark interest rate. The most recent increase, in December 2018, was the fourth rate hike in 2018 and the ninth rate hike since December 2015. Fed Chair Janet Yellen s term expired in February 2018, and the new Chairman Jerome Powell maintained the Fed s gradual pace of interest rate hikes. However, amid signs that economic growth might have peaked, the markets unease about the future pace of monetary tightening, along with other factors, drove sharp volatility in the final months of 2018. Additionally, the Fed continued reducing its balance sheet by allowing a small amount of maturing Treasury and mortgage securities to roll off each month without reinvestment.

During the twelve-month reporting period, geopolitical news remained a prominent market driver. The U.S. moved forward with tariffs on imported goods from China, as well as on steel and aluminum from Canada, Mexico and Europe. These countries announced retaliatory measures in kind, intensifying concerns about a trade war, although there have been some positive developments. In July 2018, the U.S. and the European Union announced they would refrain from further tariffs while they negotiate trade terms, and in October 2018, the U.S., Mexico and Canada agreed to a new trade deal to replace the North American Free Trade Agreement. At the November 2018 G-20 summit, the U.S. and China agreed to a 90-day trade truce, although the details were murky. Brexit negotiations continued to be uncertain and Prime Minister Theresa May faced significant difficulty getting a plan approved in Parliament. Elsewhere in Europe, markets remained nervous about Italy s new euroskeptic coalition government, immigration policy and political risk in Turkey. The U.S. Treasury issued additional sanctions on Russia in April 2018 and re-imposed sanctions on Iran following the U.S. withdrawal from the 2015 nuclear agreement. Bearish crude oil supply news, along with heightened tensions between the U.S. and Saudi Arabia after the disappearance of a Saudi journalist, drove oil price volatility. On the Korean peninsula, the leaders of South Korea and North Korea met during April 2018 and jointly announced a commitment toward peace, while the U.S.-North Korea summit yielded an agreement with few additional details. In the final week of the reporting period, the U.S. government began a prolonged partial shutdown due to an impasse on border security funding (which ended in late January, subsequent to the close of the reporting period, when a temporary funding measure was passed).

A highly volatile fourth quarter in 2018 drove the U.S. equity markets into negative territory for the reporting period after experiencing near record returns during the previous months. The negative return in 2018 marked the first annual decline in U.S. equity markets since 2008. In addition, U.S. equity markets experienced a significant increase in volatility in 2018. Fear of inflation, trade wars between the U.S. and China, signs of weakness in the global economy and a rise in U.S. interest rates weighed on investor sentiment throughout the reporting period. The S&P 500® returned -4.38% during the twelve-month reporting period.

The ICE BofAML Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index returned -4.34% for the reporting period. The ICE BofAML U.S. Preferred, Bank Capital & Capital Trust Securities Index (\$1,000 par preferreds) returned -4.04% for the reporting period. Like other risk assets, preferreds sold off harshly in the fourth quarter of 2018 due to a variety of investor anxiety including trade wars and weaker economic growth. Preferred exchange-traded funds (ETFs) experienced nearly \$1.2 billion of outflows in October 2018 and \$739 million in November 2018. With an approximate market cap of \$26 billion at the end of November, the preferred market s sensitivity to ETF flows is

significantly higher compared to other asset classes. U.S. \$25-par preferred securities underperformed \$1,000-pars during the reporting period due to the significant outflows from preferred ETFs and \$1,000-pars having somewhat better two-way liquidity given higher

institutional ownership. High Yield bond prices also came under pressure in the fourth quarter 2018 amid signs of slowing global growth, sharper declines in equities and commodities, and heavy fund withdrawals. High Yield bonds (as measured by the ICE BofAML U.S. High Yield Index) ended the year -2.27%. The investment grade bond market (as measured by the ICE BofAML U.S. Corporate Index) returned -2.25% for the reporting period, as BBB bonds underperformed for the reporting period compared with AAA, AA and A bonds.

# What key strategies were used to manage the Fund during this twelve-month reporting period ended December 31, 2018?

The Fund invests primarily in dividend paying common stocks of mid to large cap companies. To a lesser extent, the Fund also invests in the preferred stocks of mid to large cap companies, and will write (sell) call options on various equity market indexes. Under normal market circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its managed assets in securities that are eligible to pay tax-advantaged dividends.

In the equity portion of the Fund s portfolio, the Fund maintained a consistent strategy seeking to provide a higher dividend yield and a lower price volatility than the S&P 500<sup>®</sup>. The Fund achieved this by focusing on high quality companies that are growing their dividends.

The fixed-income portion of the Fund s portfolio is actively managed by NWQ and has the flexibility to invest across the capital structure in any type of debt or preferred securities offered by a particular company. NWQ s investment process identifies undervalued securities within a company s capital structure that offer the most attractive risk/reward potential. The portfolio management team then evaluates all available investment choices within a selected company s capital structure to determine the portfolio investment that may offer the most favorable risk-adjusted return potential. The Fund s portfolio is constructed with an emphasis on maintaining a sustainable level of income and an overall analysis for downside risk management.

The Fund also wrote call options on various indexes, led by the NAM team, with average expirations between 30 and 90 days. This is done in an effort to enhance returns, although it means the Fund may relinquish some of the upside potential of its equity portfolio.

#### How did the Fund perform during this twelve-month reporting period ended December 31, 2018?

The table in the Performance Overview and Holding Summaries section of this report provides total returns for the one-year, five-year and ten-year periods ended December 31, 2018. The Fund s total returns at net asset value (NAV) are compared with the performance of a corresponding market index. For the twelve-month reporting period ending December 31, 2018, the Fund s common shares at NAV underperformed the S&P 500 and its Blended Index.

#### Santa Barbara

In the equity portion of the Fund managed by Santa Barbara, stock selection effects were the primary driver of performance. These effects were seen most prominently in the producer durables and energy sectors. However, these gains were negated by holdings in the consumer discretionary, consumer staples and financial services sectors.

Individual holdings that contributed to performance included technology sector holdings Microsoft Corporation and Apple, Inc. Global enterprise software company Microsoft Corporation was the largest contributor to portfolio performance. Top and bottom line results were stronger than expected, and guidance for the next fiscal year was also better than analyst estimates. The cloud segment outperformed growth expectations and expanding margins on the rapidly scalable business has provided further upside to corporate earnings. In addition, health care holdings UnitedHealth Group Incorporated and AbbVie Inc. were top contributors. UnitedHealth Group has produced sales growth above consensus forecasts due to stronger than expected premiums. UnitedHealth s management team has

maintained a positive outlook, highlighting new and retained business in the benefits and supportive care division. Historically,

Portfolio Managers Comment (continued)

AbbVie has traded at a discount to its large-cap peers but the company now trades at a premium to peers after the patent and pipeline successes. We believe future outperformance will rely on the continued execution of the company s pipeline and decided to sell the stock in favor of other investment opportunities as our investment thesis has been realized. Lastly, health care holding Pfizer Inc. also positively contributed to performance. Investors reacted positively to the earnings report when management reiterated a focus on potential growth from drugs in their development pipeline. Although two major drugs have patents expiring this year, management expects to have price increases in line with health care inflation.

Individual holdings that detracted from performance included telecommunications sector holding AT&T Inc. The company reported disappointing top and bottom line results related to subscriber losses on their legacy video business. Additionally, accounting changes muddied analysts—ability to compare the April 2018 quarter to historical reports. Also detracting from performance was consumer staple holding, Philip Morris International. Investors were not pleased when the company announced its next generation tobacco device was not meeting growth expectations. Lastly, financial sector holding Dankse Bank A/S detracted from performance. News regarding a case of money laundering fueled worries about possible legal penalties and liabilities. In response the company conducted an internal investigation where they uncovered more suspicious activity; however, the Danish business minister has said that the internal investigation might not be enough. The position was closed during the reporting period.

#### **NWQ**

For the preferred portion managed by NWQ, NWQ s sector holdings detracted from performance, with the banking, industrials and insurance sectors detracting the most for the reporting period. NWQ s equity and investment grade bond holdings contributed to performance, however, NWQ s preferred and high yield holdings detracted from performance.

Several individual positions contributed to performance, including NextEra Energy Inc. convertible preferred stock. In addition to benefitting from sector rotation due to economic slowdown concerns, NextEra reported a solid quarter underpinned by a growing renewable backlog and extending the long-term growth rate out an additional year. NWQ sees the company as the best positioned renewables developer in the country (they have also recently starting developing energy storage projects) with a strong regulated utility franchise in Florida. Also contributing to performance was the senior note of R.R. Donnelley & Sons Company (RRD). RRD, a provider of printing services, posted better than expected sales but a weaker than expected increase in earnings before interest, taxes and amortization (EBITDA). Nevertheless, management affirmed its full year sales and EBITDA guidance. NWQ sold the position in RRD during the reporting period. Lastly, Qwest Corporation senior notes contributed to performance. During the reporting period, the company redeemed \$1.3 billion aggregate principal of notes issued by Qwest Corporation.

Several positions detracted from performance including, preferred stock of General Electric Company (GE). GE preferred underperformed after Moody s downgraded the company s ratings from A2 to Baa1 on the senior notes, which triggered a series of forced selling across GE s capital structure. Fundamental concerns also plagued the market sentiment of the company, including the weak performance of its power segment, its cash flow conversion capabilities, timeline for asset sales, lingering contingent liabilities and lack of clarity in its broader strategic moves. Also detracting from performance were the preferred shares of General Motors Financial Company Inc. (GM). The security declined on the back of a new preferred issuance by GM late in the third quarter 2018 with decent concession. Additionally, the late cycle characteristics of the auto industry along with the headwinds with the trade war have been pressuring the preferreds, despite management s efforts to improve its credit quality. Lastly, Discover Financial

Services preferred detracted from performance. The security also underperformed the broad \$1,000-par hybrid market due to a below average coupon/bank-end spread and high exposure to consumer credit. Market fears of rising interest rates caused this security, which traded above par early in 2018, to trade in the high-\$80s by year end. The year-end pricing reflected the market concern that this security would extend past its first call date and trade on yield-to-perpetuity (YTP) rather than yield-to-call (YTC).

#### NAM

As mentioned previously, the Fund also wrote call options with average expirations between 30 and 90 days. This was done in an effort to enhance returns, although it meant the Fund did relinquish some of the upside potential of its equity portfolio. During the reporting period, stock market volatility returned, but ended the reporting period only slightly elevated. The Fund maintained a lower overwrite percentage during most of the reporting period averaging around 17%. When the markets appreciated, the Fund was positioned to capture most of the upside potential. However, when the Fund s option overwrite strategy was lower, especially in October and November 2018, this detracted. When equity markets sharply declined, the Fund did not receive premiums paid which contributed to the Fund s underperformance. Overall the strategy slightly contributed to performance.

**Fund Leverage** 

#### IMPACT OF THE FUND S LEVERAGE STRATEGY ON PERFORMANCE

One important factor impacting the returns of the Fund s common shares relative to its comparative benchmark was the Fund s use of leverage through bank borrowings. The Fund uses leverage because our research has shown that, over time, leveraging provides opportunities for additional income and total return, particularly in the recent market environment where short-term market rates are at or near historical lows, meaning that the short-term rates the Fund has been paying on its leveraging instruments in recent years have been much lower than the interest the Fund has been earning on its portfolio securities that it has bought with the proceeds of that leverage.

However, use of leverage can expose Fund common shares to additional price volatility. When the Fund uses leverage, the Fund common shares will experience a greater increase in their net asset value if the securities acquired through the use of leverage increase in value, but will also experience a correspondingly larger decline in their net asset value if the securities acquired through leverage decline in value, which will make the shares net asset value more volatile, and total return performance more variable, over time.

In addition, common share income in levered funds will typically decrease in comparison to unlevered funds when short-term interest rates increase and increase when short-term interest rates decrease. Over the last few quarters, short-term interest rates have indeed increased from their extended lows after the 2007-09 financial crisis. This increase has reduced common share net income, and also reduced potential for long-term total returns. Nevertheless, the ability to effectively borrow at current short-term rates is still resulting in enhanced common share income, and management believes that the advantages of continuation of leverage outweigh the associated increase in risk and volatility described above.

The Fund s use of leverage had a negative impact on total return performance during this reporting period.

The Fund also continued to utilize forward starting interest rate swap contracts to partially hedge its future interest cost of leverage, which as mentioned previously, is through the use of bank borrowings. The swap contracts had a negligible impact on total return performance during this reporting period.

As of December 31, 2018, the Fund s percentages of leverage are shown in the accompanying table.

**JTD** Effective Leverage\* 33.09% 33.09% Regulatory Leverage\*

#### THE FUND S REGULATORY LEVERAGE

<sup>\*</sup>Effective leverage is the Fund s effective economic leverage, and includes both regulatory leverage and the leverage effects of certain derivative and other investments in the Fund s portfolio that increase the Fund s investment exposure. Regulatory leverage consists of preferred shares issued or borrowings of the Fund. Both of these are part of the Fund s capital structure. The Fund, however, may from time to time borrow on a typically transient basis in connection with its day-to-day operations, primarily in connection with the need to settle portfolio trades. Such incidental borrowings are excluded from the calculation of the Fund s effective leverage ratio. Regulatory leverage is subject to asset coverage limits set forth in the Investment Company Act of 1940.

As noted above, the Fund employs leverage through the use of bank borrowings. The Fund s bank borrowing activities are as shown in the accompanying table.

	C	Current Reporting	Period				nt to the Close of porting Period
Average Balance							
<b>January 1, 2018</b>	<b>Draws</b>	Paydown Deco	ember 31, 2018	Outstanding	Draw	aydown	February 28, 2019
\$116,000,000	\$	\$ (11,500,000)	\$ 104,500,000	\$ 115,315,068	\$	\$	\$ 104,500,000
Refer to Notes to Financial Statements, Note 8 Borrowing Arrangements for further details.							

#### **Common Share Information**

#### DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

The following information regarding the Fund s distributions is current as of December 31, 2018, the Fund s fiscal and tax year end, and may differ from previously issued distribution notifications. The Fund s distribution levels may vary over time based on the Fund s investment activities and portfolio investment value changes.

The Fund has adopted a managed distribution program. The goal of the Fund s managed distribution program is to provide shareholders relatively consistent and predictable cash flow by systematically converting its expected long-term return potential into regular distributions. As a result, regular distributions throughout the year will likely include a portion of expected long-term and/or short-term gains (both realized and unrealized), along with net investment income.

Important points to understand about Nuveen fund managed distributions are:

The Fund seeks to establish a relatively stable common share distribution rate that roughly corresponds to the projected total return from its investment strategy over an extended period of time. However, you should not draw any conclusions about the Fund s past or future investment performance from its current distribution rate.

Actual common share returns will differ from projected long-term returns (and therefore the Fund s distribution rate), at least over shorter time periods. Over a specific timeframe, the difference between actual returns and total distributions will be reflected in an increasing (returns exceed distributions) or a decreasing (distributions exceed returns) Fund net asset value.

Each period s distributions are expected to be paid from some or all of the following sources:

net investment income consisting of regular interest and dividends,

net realized gains from portfolio investments, and

unrealized gains, or, in certain cases, a return of principal (non-taxable distributions).

A non-taxable distribution is a payment of a portion of the Funds capital. When the Funds returns exceed distributions, it may represent portfolio gains generated, but not realized as a taxable capital gain. In periods when the Funds returns fall short of distributions, it will represent a portion of your original principal unless the shortfall is offset during other time periods over the life of your investment (previous or subsequent) when the Funds total return exceeds distributions.

Because distribution source estimates are updated throughout the current fiscal year based on the Fund s performance, these estimates may differ from both the tax information reported to you in the Fund s 1099 statement, as well as the ultimate economic sources of distributions over the life of your investment.

### **Common Share Information** (continued)

The following table provides information regarding the Fund s distributions and total return performance over various time periods. This information is intended to help you better understand whether the Fund s returns for the specified time periods were sufficient to meet its distributions.

#### Data as of December 31, 2018

	Per S	hare					Actual	Annualize	d Total
	Regular Dis	stributions	Total	Total		F	Tull-Year	Return of	n NAV
		Cur	rent Yeanr	rent Year	Current	Currents	tribution		
	Latest	TMeatlIn	vestmei <b>N</b> et	RealizedU	Inrealiz <b>eti</b> s	tribution	Rate on		
<b>Inception Date</b>	Quar <b>@</b> nrı	rent Year	Income (	Gain/Loss (	Gair <b>Rhteso</b> i	1 NAV 1,3	NAV 2,3	1-Year	5-Year
6/2007	\$0.3350	\$1.3400	\$0.4277	\$1.0413	\$3.4359	9.18%	9.18%	(12.50)%	4.38%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Current distribution per share, annualized, divided, by the NAV per share on the stated date.

The following table provides the Fund s distribution sources as of December 31, 2018.

The amounts and sources of distributions reported in this notice are for financial reporting purposes and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and character of the distributions for tax reporting purposes will be reported to shareholders on Form 1099-DIV which is sent to shareholders shortly after calendar year-end. More details about the Fund s distributions and the basis for these estimates are available on www.nuveen.com/cef.

#### Data as of December 31, 2018

	Fiscal Year	ar Source of D	istribution		Fiscal Year Per	Share Amounts	S
	Net				Net		
In	vestment	Realized	Return of		Investment	Realized	Return of
	Income	Gains	Capital <sup>1</sup>	<b>Distributions</b>	Income	Gains	Capital <sup>1</sup>
	31.82%	60.46%	7.72%	\$1.3400	\$0.4264	\$0.8102	\$0.1034

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Return of capital may represent unrealized gains, return of shareholder s principal, or both. In certain circumstances, all or a portion of the return of capital may be characterized as ordinary income under federal tax law. The actual tax characterization is provided to shareholders on Form 1099-DIV shortly after calendar year-end.

#### **COMMON SHARE REPURCHASES**

During August 2018, the Fund s Board of Trustees reauthorized an open-market share repurchase program, allowing the Fund to repurchase an aggregate of up to approximately 10% of its outstanding shares.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Actual total per share distributions made during the full fiscal year, divided by the NAV per share on the stated date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Each distribution represents a managed distribution rate.

As of December 31, 2018, and since the inception of the Fund s repurchase program, the Fund has cumulatively repurchased and retired its outstanding common shares as shown in the accompanying table.

	JID
Common shares cumulatively repurchased and retired	0
Common shares authorized for repurchase	1,450,000

#### OTHER COMMON SHARE INFORMATION

As of December 31, 2018, and during the current reporting period, the Fund s common share price was trading at a premium/(discount) to its common share NAV as shown in the accompanying table.

	JTD
Common share NAV	\$14.59
Common share price	\$13.40
Premium/(Discount) to NAV	(8.16)%
12-month average premium/(discount) to NAV	(3.55)%

#### **Risk Considerations**

Fund shares are not guaranteed or endorsed by any bank or other insured depository institution, and are not federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### **Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (JTD)**

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Funds investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. **Common stock** returns often have experienced significant volatility, and dividend-paying stocks may not sustain their current dividends. **Debt or fixed income securities** such as those held by the Fund, are subject to market risk, credit risk, interest rate risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, and income risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall. **Leverage** increases return volatility and magnifies the Funds potential return and its risks; there is no guarantee a funds leverage strategy will be successful. The Fund may not participate in any appreciation of its equity portfolio as fully as it would if the Fund did not sell **call options**. In addition, the Fund will continue to bear the risk of declines in the value of the equity portfolio. For these and other risks, including **tax risk**, please see the Funds web page at www.nuveen.com/JTD.

### JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

### Performance Overview and Holding Summaries as of December 31, 2018

Refer to the Glossary of Terms Used in this Report for further definition of the terms used within this section.

#### Average Annual Total Returns as of December 31, 2018

		Average Annual		
	1-Year	5-Year	10-Year	
JTD at Common Share NAV	(12.50)%	4.38%	10.75%	
JTD at Common Share Price	(17.09)%	5.21%	13.47%	
Blended Index	(4.23)%	7.15%	10.67%	
S&P 500® Index	(4.38)%	8.49%	13.12%	

Past performance is not predictive of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the data shown. Returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes that shareholders may have to pay on Fund distributions or upon the sale of Fund shares. Returns at NAV are net of Fund expenses and assume reinvestment of distributions. Comparative index return information is provided for the Fund shares at NAV only. Indexes are not available for direct investment.

#### Common Share Price Performance Weekly Closing Price

This data relates to the securities held in the Fund s portfolio of investments as of the end of the reporting period. It should not be construed as a measure of performance for the Fund itself. Holdings are subject to change.

For financial reporting purposes, the ratings disclosed are the highest rating given by one of the following national rating agencies: Standard & Poor s Group, Moody s Investors Service, Inc. or Fitch, Inc. This treatment of split-rated securities may differ from that used for other purposes, such as for Fund investment policies. Credit ratings are subject to change. AAA, AA, A and BBB are investment grade ratings; BB, B, CCC, CC, C and D are below-investment grade ratings. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by these national rating agencies.

#### **Fund Allocation**

(% of net assets)

Common Stocks	111.4%
\$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred	15.8%
\$25 Par (or similar)	
Retail Preferred	14.0%
Corporate Bonds	2.7%
Convertible Preferred Securities	2.1%
Convertible Bonds	0.2%
Repurchase Agreements	2.3%
Other Assets Less Liabilities	1.0%
Net Assets Plus Borrowings	149.5%
Borrowings	(49.5)%
Net Assets	100%
Portfolio Credit Quality	

#### (% of total fixed-income investments)

A	2.0%
BBB	46.7%
BB or Lower	39.6%
N/R (not rated)	11.7%
Total	100%

#### **Portfolio Composition**

## (% of total investments)

Banks	13.7%

Pharmaceuticals	5.8%
Electric Utilities	4.9%
Capital Markets	4.6%
Software	4.5%
IT Services	4.1%
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	3.8%
Diversified Financial Services	3.2%
Diversified Telecommunication Services	3.1%
Insurance	2.8%
Food Products	2.6%
Media	2.6%
Containers & Packaging	2.5%
Energy Equipment & Services	2.4%
Beverages	2.4%
Industrial Conglomerates	2.3%
Aerospace & Defense	2.3%
Road & Rail	2.2%
Wireless Telecommunication Services	2.1%
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals	2.0%
Specialty Retail	2.0%
Health Care Providers & Services	1.9%
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	1.8%
Other	18.9%
Repurchase Agreements	1.5%
Total	100%
Top Five Issuers	

# (% of total long-term

investments)

JP Morgan Chase & Company	3.5%
Microsoft Corporation	3.2%
Pfizer, Inc.	2.7%
Fidelity National Information	
Services Inc.	2.5%
NextEra Energy Inc.	2.4%
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## Country Allocation<sup>1</sup>

## (% of total investments)

United States	68.5%
United Kingdom	7.4%
France	4.8%
Japan	3.8%
Canada	2.7%
Germany	2.3%
Australia	2.0%

Spain	1.8%
Netherlands	1.7%
China	1.5%
Other	3.5%
Total	100%

1 Includes 2.0% (as percentage of total investments) in emerging market countries.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

#### To the Shareholders and Board of Trustees of

#### **Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund:**

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the portfolio of investments, of Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (the Fund ) as of December 31, 2018, the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended, and the related notes (collectively, the financial statements ) and the financial highlights for each of the years in the five-year period then ended. In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2018, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the years in the five-year period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ( PCAOB ) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and financial highlights, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights. Such procedures also included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2018, by correspondence with the custodian and brokers or other appropriate auditing procedures. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and financial highlights. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### /s/ KPMG LLP

We have served as the auditor of one or more Nuveen investment companies since 2014.

Chicago, Illinois

February 28, 2019

# JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

Portfolio of Investments December 31, 2018

Shares	Description (1)	Value
	LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS 146.2% (98.5% of Total Investments)	
	COMMON STOCKS 111.4% (75.0% of Total Investments)	
	Aerospace & Defense 3.4%	
14,547	Lockheed Martin Corporation	\$ 3,808,986
110,873	Safran SA, ADR, (2), (3)	3,313,994
	Total Aerospace & Defense	7,122,980
	Automobiles 1.4%	
220,587	Daimler AG, ADR, (2)	2,891,896
	Banks 10.4%	
63,538	BOC Hong Kong Holdings Ltd, Sponsored ADR, (2)	4,698,000
	JPMorgan Chase & Co	8,135,846
	Lloyds Banking Group PLC, ADR	3,132,227
	Swedbank AB, ADR, (2)	2,890,191
61,420	Toronto-Dominion Bank	3,053,802
	Total Banks	21,910,066
	Beverages 3.5%	
	Heineken NV, Sponsored ADR, (2)	2,718,709
42,344	PepsiCo Inc.	4,678,165
	Total Beverages	7,396,874
	Biotechnology 0.8%	
92,465	Grifols SA, ADR	1,697,657
	Capital Markets 3.4%	
10,834	BlackRock Inc., (3)	4,255,812
37,231	Macquarie Group Ltd, ADR, (2)	2,830,114
	Total Capital Markets	7,085,926
	Chemicals 2.1%	
122,353	Koninklijke DSM NV, Sponsored ADR (2), (3)	2,478,872
12,628	Linde PLC	1,970,473
	Total Chemicals	4,449,345
	Containers & Packaging 3.5%	
87,989	Amcor Ltd/Australia, Sponsored ADR, (2)	3,272,751
49,900	Packaging Corp of America, (3)	4,164,654
	Total Containers & Packaging	7,437,405

## **Diversified Financial Services** 1.0%

30,122	ORIX Corporation, Sponsored ADR	2,155,229
	Diversified Telecommunication Services 4.4%	
189,315	AT&T Inc.	5,403,050
268,016	HKT Trust & HKT Ltd, ADR, (2)	3,861,387
	Total Diversified Telecommunication Services	9,264,437
	Electric Utilities 5.9%	
34,804	NextEra Energy Inc., (3)	6,049,631
366,447	Red Electrica Corp SA, ADR, (2)	4,065,729
171,195	Scottish and Southern Energy PLC, Sponsored	2,357,355
	ADR, (2)	
	Total Electric Utilities	12,472,715

# JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (continued) Portfolio of Investments December 31, 2018

Shares	<b>Description</b> (1)	Value
	Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components 0.8%	
41,836	Alps Alpine Co Ltd, ADR, (2)	\$ 1,628,215
	Energy Equipment & Services 3.4%	
46,499	Chevron Corporation, (3)	5,058,626
56,574	Schlumberger Ltd, (4)	2,041,190
	Total Energy Equipment & Services	7,099,816
	Food Products 1.3%	
191,702	Groupe Danone, Sponsored ADR, (2)	2,679,994
	Health Care Equipment & Supplies 1.7%	
15,600	Becton Dickinson and Co	3,514,992
	Health Care Providers & Services 2.8%	
24,011	UnitedHealth Group Inc., (3)	5,981,620
	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 2.6%	
46,568	Carnival Corporation, (4)	2,295,802
158,250	Compass Group PLC, Sponsored ADR, (2)	3,307,425
	Total Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	5,603,227
	Household Durables 1.1%	
22,700	Whirlpool Corporation, (3)	2,425,949
	Household Products 2.1%	
38,182	Colgate-Palmolive Company, (3)	2,272,593
146,805	Reckitt and Benckiser, Sponsored ADR, (2)	2,221,160
	Total Household Products	4,493,753
	Industrial Conglomerates 2.9%	
47,207	Honeywell International Inc., (3)	6,236,989
	IT Services 6.1%	
	Accenture PLC, (3)	5,061,695
76,065	Fidelity National Information Services Inc., (3)	7,800,466
	Total IT Services	12,862,161
	Machinery 1.2%	
27,452	Ingersoll-Rand PLC	2,504,446
	Media 2.5%	
	Comcast Corp	3,878,023
27,065	WPP Group PLC, Sponsored ADR, (3) Total Media	1,483,162
		5,361,185
102 201	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 5.1%	2 170 515
102,301	Enbridge Inc.	3,179,515

52,314 Phillips 66, (3)	4,506,851
61,151 Total SA, Sponsored ADR	3,190,859
Total Oil Gas & Consumable Fuels	10,877,225
Personal Products 2.5%	
48,346 L Oreal SA, ADR, (2)	2,207,478
57,905 Unilever NV, Sponsored ADR	3,025,536
Total Personal Products	5,233,014
Pharmaceuticals 8.6%	
20,690 Allergan PLC	2,765,425
26,802 Johnson & Johnson	3,458,798
189,931 Pfizer Inc., (3), (4)	8,290,488

Shares	Description (1)				Value
	Pharmaceuticals (continued)				
83,741	Sanofi-Aventis, ADR			:	\$ 3,635,197
	Total Pharmaceuticals				18,149,908
	<b>Professional Services</b> 1.3%				
116,072	Experian PLC, Sponsored ADR, (2)				2,803,719
	Real Estate Management & Development 1.3%				
619,764	Capitaland Limited, Sponsored ADR, (2)				2,828,293
	Road & Rail 3.3%				
50,692	Union Pacific Corporation, (3)				7,007,155
	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 1.8%				
39,636	Texas Instruments Inc., (4)				3,745,602
	Software 6.8%				
96,916	Microsoft Corporation, (3)				9,843,758
44,581	SAP SE, Sponsored ADR, (3)				4,438,039
	Total Software				14,281,797
	Specialty Retail 2.6%				
60,609	Lowe s Cos Inc., (3)				5,597,847
	Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals 3.0%				
40,297	Apple Inc., (3)				6,356,449
	Tobacco 1.8%				
55,961	Philip Morris International Inc., (4)				3,735,956
	Trading Companies & Distributors 2.3%				
142,088	ITOCHU Corporation, ADR, (2)				4,846,622
	Wireless Telecommunication Services 2.7%				
284,684	KDDI Corporation, ADR, (2)				3,373,505
118,059	Vodafone Group PLC, Sponsored ADR				2,276,178
	Total Wireless Telecommunication Services				5,649,683
	Total Common Stocks (cost \$184,393,641)				235,390,147
Principal					
Amount	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (5)	Value

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	\$1,000 PAR (OR SIMILAR) INSTIT Investments)	UTIONAL PRE	FERRED 1	15.8% (10.6% of T	Γotal
	Automobiles 0.5%				
\$ 75	General Motors Financial Company Inc.	6.500%	N/A (6)	BB+	\$ 63,375
1,285	General Motors Financial Company Inc.	5.750%	N/A (6)	BB+	1,019,005
1,360	Total Automobiles				1,082,380
	Banks 4.9%				
1,700	CIT Group Inc.	5.800%	N/A (6)	Ba3	1,538,500
925	Citizens Financial Group Inc.	5.500%	N/A (6)	BB+	913,438
275	CoBank ACB	6.250%	N/A (6)	BBB+	275,000
850	Huntington Bancshares Inc./OH	5.700%	N/A (6)	Baa3	754,375
625	Lloyds Bank PLC, 144A	12.000%	N/A (6)	Baa3	730,844
975	M&T Bank Corp	6.450%	N/A (6)	Baa2	999,375
1,575	PNC Financial Services Group Inc./The	6.750%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,600,594
825	SunTrust Banks Inc.	5.625%	N/A (6)	Baa3	816,750
1,600	Wells Fargo & Co	5.875%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,581,520
1,150	Zions Bancorp NA	7.200%	N/A (6)	BB+	1,196,000
10,500	Total Banks				10,406,396

# JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (continued) Portfolio of Investments December 31, 2018

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(000)	<b>Description</b> (1)	Coupon	Maturity	(5)	Value
	Capital Markets 0.6%				
\$ 500	Goldman Sachs Group Inc./The	5.300%	N/A (6)	Ba1	\$ 447,500
850	Morgan Stanley	5.550%	N/A (6)	BB+	824,925
1,350	Total Capital Markets				1,272,425
	Consumer Finance 0.9%				
845	Capital One Financial Corp	5.550%	N/A (6)	Baa3	813,828
1,275	Discover Financial Services	5.500%	N/A (6)	Ba2	1,059,308
2,120	Total Consumer Finance				1,873,136
	Diversified Financial Services 3.7%				
1,850	Bank of America Corp	6.500%	N/A (6)	BBB	1,873,125
	Bank of America Corp	6.300%	N/A (6)	BBB	172,661
-	Citigroup Inc.	6.250%	N/A (6)	BB+	1,675,975
	JPMorgan Chase & Co	6.750%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,989,006
592	JPMorgan Chase & Co, (3-Month	5.990%	N/A (6)	Baa2	585,340
	LIBOR reference rate +3.470%				
105	spread), (7)	6 1000/	NI/A (6)	Daal	124 210
125 500	JPMorgan Chase & Co Voya Financial Inc.	6.100% 6.125%	N/A (6) N/A (6)	Baa2 BB+	124,219 474,375
875	Citigroup Inc.	5.800%	N/A (6)	BB+	850,973
7,787	Total Diversified Financial Services	3.00070	14/11 (0)	DD I	7,745,674
7,707	Electric Utilities 0.8%				7,710,071
1,610	Emera Inc.	6.750%	6/15/76	BBB	1,613,091
1,010		0.75070	0/15/70	DDD	1,013,071
	Energy Equipment & Services 0.3%				
625	Transcanada Trust	5.875%	8/15/76	Baa2	587,875
	Food Products 1.5%				
400	Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	7.250%	N/A (6)	BB	388,000
	Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	8.000%	N/A (6)	ВВ	2,749,500
125	Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	7.000%	N/A (6)	BB	121,875
3,125	Total Food Products				3,259,375
	Industrial Conglomerates 0.5%				
1,439	General Electric Company	5.000%	N/A (6)	BBB	1,100,834
	Insurance 1.9%				
895	Liberty Mutual Group Inc., 144A	7.800%	3/15/37	Baa3	975,550
1,000	MetLife Inc.	10.750%	8/01/39	BBB	1,460,000
1,000	Nationwide Financial Services Inc.	6.750%	5/15/37	Baa2	1,010,000
500	Progressive Corp/The	5.375%	N/A (6)	BBB+	468,525

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3,395	Total Insurance					3,914,075
	<b>U.S. Agency</b> 0.2%					
525	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A	6.200%	N/A (6)	BBB		514,500
33,836	Total \$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred (cost \$34,655,093)				3	33,369,761
				Ratings		
Shares	<b>Description</b> (1)	Coupon		(5)		Value
	\$25 PAR (OR SIMILAR) RETAIL Investments)	PREFERRED	14.0% (9.4% of T	<b>Total</b>		
	Banks 4.2%					
30,400	Banks 4.2% Citigroup Inc.	7.125%		BB+	\$	796,176
30,400 2,209		7.125% 6.125%		BB+ BBB+	\$	796,176 220,900
	Citigroup Inc.				\$	,
2,209	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2)	6.125%		BBB+	\$	220,900
2,209 8,700	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2) CoBank ACB, 144A, (2) Fifth Third Bancorp	6.125% 6.250%		BBB+ BBB+	\$	220,900 870,000
2,209 8,700 29,100	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2) CoBank ACB, 144A, (2) Fifth Third Bancorp	6.125% 6.250% 6.625%		BBB+ BBB+ Baa3	\$	220,900 870,000 752,817
2,209 8,700 29,100 31,776	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2) CoBank ACB, 144A, (2) Fifth Third Bancorp FNB Corp/PA	6.125% 6.250% 6.625% 7.250%		BBB+ BBB+ Baa3 Ba2	\$	220,900 870,000 752,817 823,952
2,209 8,700 29,100 31,776 32,000 32,975	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2) CoBank ACB, 144A, (2) Fifth Third Bancorp FNB Corp/PA Huntington Bancshares Inc./OH	6.125% 6.250% 6.625% 7.250% 6.250%		BBB+ BBB+ Baa3 Ba2 Baa3	\$	220,900 870,000 752,817 823,952 794,240
2,209 8,700 29,100 31,776 32,000 32,975	Citigroup Inc. CoBank ACB, (2) CoBank ACB, 144A, (2) Fifth Third Bancorp FNB Corp/PA Huntington Bancshares Inc./OH KeyCorp	6.125% 6.250% 6.625% 7.250% 6.250% 6.125%		BBB+ BBB+ Baa3 Ba2 Baa3 Baa3	\$	220,900 870,000 752,817 823,952 794,240 851,415

Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	Ratings (5)	Value
Siluits	Banks (continued)	coupon	(0)	, arac
25,108	Western Alliance Bancorp	6.250%	N/R	\$ 622,678
	Total Banks			8,904,222
	Capital Markets 2.8%			
	Apollo Investment Corp	6.875%	BBB	175,848
	B. Riley Financial Inc.	7.500%	N/R	387,432
	B. Riley Financial Inc.	7.250%	N/R	474,501
	Charles Schwab Corp/The	6.000%	BBB	1,284,201
,	Cowen Inc.	7.350% 6.250%	N/R N/R	361,013
	Hercules Capital Inc.  Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc.	8.000%	N/R N/R	95,453 878,646
	Morgan Stanley	7.125%	BB+	1,279,868
	Oaktree Specialty Lending Corp	6.125%	BB+	257,066
	Stifel Financial Corp	6.250%	BB	765,036
2 2, 1 7 2	Total Capital Markets	3,200,1		5,959,064
	Consumer Finance 1.0%			, ,
31 035	Capital One Financial Corp	6.700%	Baa3	786,737
	GMAC Capital Trust I	8.425%	B+	1,242,530
.,,,,,,	Total Consumer Finance	0,120,70	2.	2,029,267
	Diversified Telecommunication Services 0.3%			, ,
26,175	Qwest Corp	6.875%	BBB	516,433
	Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts 0.5%			
10,288	Digital Realty Trust Inc.	7.375%	Baa3	259,360
15,951	Digital Realty Trust Inc.	6.625%	Baa3	422,382
22,032	Senior Housing Properties Trust	5.625%	BBB	444,826
	Total Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts			1,126,568
	Food Products 1.1%			
550	CHS Inc.	7.875%	N/R	14,135
39,675		7.100%	N/R	979,576
58,065		6.750%	N/R	1,397,044
	Total Food Products			2,390,755
	Insurance 2.3%			
	Argo Group US Inc.	6.500%	BBB	813,443
	Enstar Group Ltd	7.000%	BB+	758,160
	Hartford Financial Services Group Inc./The	7.875%	Baa2	537,428
	Kemper Corp	7.375%	Ba1	665,709
	National General Holdings Corp	7.500%	N/R	491,612
	National General Holdings Corp	7.500%	N/R	182,441
	PartnerRe Ltd  Painsurance Group of America Inc.	7.250%	BBB	95,067
	Reinsurance Group of America Inc. Reinsurance Group of America Inc.	6.200% 5.750%	BBB+ BBB+	397,193 410,335
17,424	Remourance Group of Afficienca file.	3.130%	DDD+	410,333

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16,500	Torchmark Corp	6.125%	BBB+	414,480
	Total Insurance			4,765,868
	Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts 0.1%			
10,028	MFA Financial Inc.	8.000%	N/R	255,714
	Real Estate Management & Development 0.2%			
16,530	VEREIT Inc.	6.700%	BB	391,100
	Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 0.8%			
31,915	Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corp	6.875%	N/R	827,556
33,900	New York Community Bancorp Inc.	6.375%	Ba1	773,598
	Total Thrifts & Mortgage Finance			1,601,154
	U.S. Agency 0.2%			
4,750	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A, (2)	6.750%	Baa1	475,000

# JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (continued) Portfolio of Investments December 31, 2018

	Shares	Description (1)	Coupon		Ratings (5)	Va	lue
		Wireless Telecommunication Services 0.5%					
	44,625	United States Cellular Corp	7.250%		Ba1	\$ 1,050,9	919
		Total \$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred (cost \$30,145,096)				29,466,0	064
	Principal				Ratings		
Aı	mount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	(5)	Va	lue
		CORPORATE BONDS 2.7% (1.8% of Total Investments)					
		Chemicals 0.2%					
	\$ 325	CVR Partners LP / CVR Nitrogen Finance Corp., 144A	9.250%	6/15/23	B+	\$ 338,0	000
		Consumer Finance 0.1%					
	305	Ally Financial Inc.	8.000%	3/15/20	BB+	315,6	575
		Containers & Packaging 0.2%					
	400	Sealed Air Corp., 144A	6.875%	7/15/33	BB+	399,0	000
		Interactive Media & Services 0.1%					
	225	Rackspace Hosting Inc., 144A	8.625%	11/15/24	B+	175,5	500
		Machinery 0.2%				·	
	400	•	6.500%	6/01/26	BB+	383,5	500
		Media 1.1%					
	250	Altice Financing SA, 144A	7.500%	5/15/26	B+	228,	125
	825	Dish DBS Corporation	7.750%	7/01/26	BB	682,6	588
	757	Liberty Interactive LLC	8.500%	7/15/29	BB	760,7	
	575 2.407	Viacom Inc. Total Media	6.875%	4/30/36	BBB	617,6 2,289,2	
	2,407	Metals & Mining 0.1%				2,209,2	231
	225	ArcelorMittal	7.000%	10/15/39	BBB	237,2	204
	223	Oil, Gas, & Consumable Fuels 0.4%	7.000 //	10/13/39	סטט	231,2	∠J <del>+</del>
	000	Enviva Partners LP / Enviva Partners	9.5000/	11/01/21	DD	022.4	500
	900	Finance Corp	8.500%	11/01/21	ВВ	922,5	500
		Specialty Retail 0.3%					
	825	L Brands Inc.	6.875%	11/01/35	Ba1	689,0	
	\$ 6,012	Total Corporate Bonds (cost				5,749,7	/40

Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	Ratings (5)	Value					
	CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SECU	<b>RITIES</b> 2.1% (1.5% of Total	<b>Investments</b> )						
	Banks 0.8%								
975	Bank of America Corp	7.250%	BBB	\$ 1,221,188					
325	Wells Fargo & Co	7.500%	Baa2	410,140					
	Total Banks			1,631,328					
	Electric Utilities 0.6%								
21,900	NextEra Energy Inc.	6.123%	BBB	1,262,316					
	Independent Power & Renewable Electricity Producers 0.2%								
5,400	Vistra Energy Corp	7.000%	N/R	492,534					
	Multi-Utilities 0.5%								
11,700	Sempra Energy	6.750%	N/R	1,128,348					
	Total Convertible Preferred Securities (cost \$4,562,567)			4,514,526					

Principal Amount (000)		Description (1)  CONVERTIBLE BONDS 0.2% (0.2% of Total Investments)  Media 0.2%	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (3)	Value
\$	673	Liberty Interactive LLC	4.000%	11/15/29	BB	\$ 453,423
\$		Total Convertible Bonds (cost \$450,101)				453,423
		Total Long-Term Investments (cost \$260,427,967)				308,943,661
Principal Amount (000)		Description (1) SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	Coupon	Maturity		Value
		2.3% (1.5% of Total Investments) REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS 2.3% (1.5% of Total Investments)				
\$	4,830	Repurchase Agreement with Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, dated 12/31/18, repurchase price \$4,830,289 collateralized by: \$4,160,000 U.S. Treasury Notes 3.000%, due 5/15/45, value \$4,149,970; \$735,000 U.S. Treasury Notes 3.375%, due 5/15/44, value \$782,806	1.200%	1/02/19		\$ 4,829,967
		Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$4,829,967)				4,829,967
		Total Investments (cost \$265,257,934) 148.5%				313,773,628
		Borrowings (49.5)% (8), (9)				(104,500,000)
		Other Assets Less Liabilities 1.0%, (10)				2,065,360
Inv	estment	Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares 100% s in Derivatives				\$ 211,338,988

# **Options Written**

Description (11)	Type	Number of Contracts	Notional Amount (12)	Exercise Price	Expiration Date	Value
Russell 2000® Index	Call	(225)	\$ (31,500,000)	\$ 1,400	1/18/19	\$ (275,625)
Russell 2000® Index	Call	(55)	(8,250,000)	1,500	1/18/19	(3,162)
Russell 2000® Index	Call	(75)	(11,625,000)	1,550	1/18/19	(1,313)
Total Options Written						
(premiums received						
\$262,808)		(355)	\$ (51,375,000)			\$ (280,100)

# **Interest Rate Swaps** OTC Uncleared

		Fund		Fixed	Fixed Rate	(	Optional		
	Notion <b>Pl</b> ay	/Receive		Rate	Payment	Effectil/eri	mination 1	Maturity	A
Counterparty	Amolfitat	ting Ra <b>te</b> lo	oating Rate InAdexu	alized)	Frequency	<b>Date</b> (13)	Date	Date	ValuÐ
JPMorgan									
Chase Bank,									
N.A.	\$ 52,500,000	Receive	1-Month LIBOR	1.9699	% Monthly	6/01/18	7/01/25	7/01/27	\$ 1.268.983

# JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (continued) Portfolio of Investments December 31, 2018

For Fund portfolio compliance purposes, the Fund s industry classifications refer to any one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or ratings group indexes, and/or as defined by Fund management. This definition may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine industry sub-classifications into sectors for reporting ease.

- (1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to common shares unless otherwise noted.
- (2) For fair value measurement disclosure purposes, investment classified as Level 2. See Notes to Financial Statements, Note 2 Investment Valuation and Fair Value Measurements for more information.
- (3) Investment, or portion of investment, is hypothecated as described in Notes to Financial Statements, Note 8 Borrowing Arrangements, Rehypothecation. The total value of investments hypothecated as of the end of the reporting period was \$91,639,232.
- (4) Investment, or portion of investment, has been pledged to collateralize the net payment obligations for investments in derivatives.
- For financial reporting purposes, the ratings disclosed are the highest of Standard & Poor s Group (Standard & Poor s), Moody s Investors Service, Inc. (Moody s) or Fitch, Inc. (Fitch) rating. This treatment of split-rated securities may differ from that used for other purposes, such as for Fund investment policies. Ratings below BBB by Standard & Poor s, Baa by Moody s or BBB by Fitch are considered to be below investment grade. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by any of these national rating agencies. Ratings are not covered by the report of independent registered public accounting firm.
- (6) Perpetual security. Maturity date is not applicable.
- (7) Variable rate security. The rate shown is the coupon as of the end of the reporting period
- (8) Borrowings as a percentage of Total Investments is 33.3%.
- (9) The Fund may pledge up to 100% of its eligible investments (excluding any investments separately pledged as collateral for specific investments in derivatives) in the Portfolio of Investments as collateral for

borrowings. As of the end of the reporting period, investments with a value of \$225,377,545 have been pledged as collateral for borrowings.

- (10) Other assets less liabilities includes the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of certain over-the counter (OTC) derivatives as presented on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, when applicable. The unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of OTC cleared and exchange-traded derivatives is recognized as part of the cash collateral at broker and/or receivable or payable for variation margin as presented on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, when applicable. Other assets less liabilities also includes the value of options presented on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.
- (11) Exchange-traded, unless otherwise noted
- (12) For disclosure purposes, Notional Amount is calculated by multiplying the Number of Contracts by the Exercise Price by 100.
- (13) Effective date represents the date on which both the Fund and counterparty commence interest payment accruals on each contract.
- 144A Investment is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These investments may only be resold in transactions exempt from registration, which are normally those transactions with qualified institutional buyers.

ADR American Depositary Receipt.

LIBOR London Inter-Bank Offered Rate

# **Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

**December 31, 2018** 

Assets	
Long-term investments, at value (cost \$260,427,967)	\$ 308,943,661
Short-term investments, at value (cost approximates value)	4,829,967
Cash	14,552
Unrealized appreciation on interest rate swaps	1,268,983
Receivable for:	
Dividends	486,049
Interest	586,455
Investments sold	196,224
Reclaims	202,355
Other assets	40,802
Total assets	316,569,048
Liabilities	
Borrowings	104,500,000
Call options written, at value (premiums received \$262,808)	280,100
Accrued expenses:	
Management fees	271,661
Interest on borrowings	36,336
Trustees fees	40,839
Other	101,124
Total liabilities	105,230,060
Net Assets applicable to common shares	\$ 211,338,988
Common shares outstanding	14,484,340
Net asset value ("NAV") per common share outstanding	\$ 14.59
Net assets applicable to common shares consist of:	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	\$ 144,843
Paid-in-surplus	162,475,295
Total distributable earnings	48,718,850
Net assets applicable to common shares	\$ 211,338,988
Authorized shares:	
Common	Unlimited
Preferred	Unlimited

# **Statement of Operations**

# Year Ended December 31, 2018

Investment Income	
Dividends	\$ 10,512,113
Interest	2,811,358
Other	61,736
Foreign tax withheld on dividend income	(284,980)
Total investment income	13,100,227
Expenses	
Management fees	3,517,150
Interest expense on borrowings	3,143,681
Custodian fees	96,100
Trustees fees	10,088
Professional fees	39,986
Shareholder reporting expenses	56,064
Shareholder servicing agent fees	387
Stock exchange listing fees	6,771
Investor relations expenses	16,539
Other	18,733
Total expenses	6,905,499
Net investment income (loss)	6,194,728
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	
Net realized gain (loss) from:	
Investments and foreign currency	14,416,858
Options written	612,773
Swaps	53,245
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of:	
Investments and foreign currency	(52,791,306)
Options written	(124,216)
Swaps	615,263
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(37,217,383)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares from operations	\$ (31,022,655)

# **Statement of Changes in Net Assets**

Year Ended Ended 12/31/18           Ended 12/31/18         Ended 12/31/17           Operations           Net investment income (loss)         \$ 6,194,728         \$ 7,236,400           Net realized gain (loss) from:         Investments and foreign currency         14,416,858         10,290,920           Options written         612,773         (2,925,422)           Swaps         53,245         (1,263,232)           Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of:         Investments and foreign currency         (52,791,306)         40,177,334           Options written         (124,216)         (276,760)           Swaps         615,263         1,947,613           Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares from operations         (31,022,655)         55,186,853           Distributions to Common Shareholders(2)         (31,022,655)         55,186,853
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Return of capital (1,498,052) (10,218,805)
Decrease in net assets applicable to common shares from distributions to
common shareholders (19,409,016) (17,960,582)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares (50,431,671) 37,226,271
Net assets applicable to common shares at the beginning of period 261,770,659 224,544,388
Net assets applicable to common shares at the end of period \$211,338,988 \$261,770,659

- (1) Prior period amounts have been conformed to current year presentation. See Notes to Financial Statements, Note 9 New Accounting Pronouncements for further details.
- (2) The composition and per share amounts of the Fund s distributions are presented in the Financial Highlights. The distribution information for the Fund as of its most recent tax year end is presented within the Notes to Financial Statements, Note 6 Income Tax information.
- (3) For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, the Fund s distributions to common shareholders were paid from net investment income.

# **Statement of Cash Flows**

# **Year Ended December 31, 2018**

Net Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares from Operations\$(31,022,655)Adjustments to reconcile the net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares from operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:Purchases of investments(49,932,305)Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments69,214,030Proceeds from (Purchases of) short-term investments, net5,202,384Proceeds from (Payments for) closed foreign currency spot contracts(1,898)Premiums received for options written5,057,724Cash paid for terminated options written(4,384,329)Amortization (Accretion) of premiums and discounts, net24,272(Increase) Decrease in:(80,204)Receivable for dividends(80,204)Receivable for interest(18,738)Receivable for investments sold(196,224)Receivable for reclaims(62,276)Other assets13,843Increase (Decrease) in:109,771Payable for investments purchased(109,771)
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Accrued management fees (30,012)
Accrued interest on borrowings 8,689
Accrued Trustees fees 5,753
Accrued other expenses (47,492)
Net realized (gain) loss from:
Investments and foreign currency (14,416,858)
Options written (612,773)
Change in net unrealized (appreciation) depreciation of:
Investments and foreign currency 52,791,306
Options written 124,216
Swaps (615,263)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities 30,911,419
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:
Repayment of borrowings (11,500,000)
Cash distributions paid to common shareholders (19,409,016)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities (30,909,016)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash 2,403
Cash at the beginning of period 12,149
Cash at the end of period \$ 14,552

# **Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information**

Cash paid for interest on borrowings (excluding borrowing costs)

\$ 3,114,992

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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# **Financial Highlights**

Selected data for a common share outstanding throughout each period:

		stme	ent Oper	Less Distributions to ations Common Shareholders From Accum-					Commo	on Share	
	Beginning Comnl <b>ar</b> e	Net stment	Rea	Net alized/		From Net	ulated Net	Return			Ending
		Incomet					Realized	of Carital	Tatal	Ending	Share
Year Ended	,	oss)(a <b>G</b>	am	(LOSS)	Total	Income	Gains	Capital	Total	NAV	Price
2018	\$ 18.07	\$ 0.43	\$	(2.57)	\$ (2.14)	\$ (0.43)	\$ (0.81)	\$ (0.10)	\$ (1.34)	\$ 14.59	\$ 13.40
2017	15.50	0.50		3.31	3.81	(0.53)		(0.71)	(1.24)	18.07	17.58
2016	15.67	0.54		0.53	1.07	(0.54)		(0.70)	(1.24)	15.50	13.93
2015	17.31	0.53		(0.88)	(0.35)	(1.29)			(1.29)	15.67	13.91
2014	17.18	0.66		0.69	1.35	(1.22)			(1.22)	17.31	16.15

	Borrowings at the End of Period			
	Aggregate			
	Amount	Asset		
	Outstanding	Coverage		
	(000)	Per \$1,000		
Year Ended 12/31:				
2018	\$ 104,500	\$ 3,022		
2017	116,000	3,257		
2016	105,000	3,139		
2015	100,000	3,270		
2014	110,000	3,279		

# Common Share Supplemental Data/ Ratios Applicable to Common Shares Ratios to Average Net Assets(c)

**Common Share Total Returns** 

Based on NAV(b)	Based on Share Price(b)	Ending Net Assets (000)	Expenses	Net Investment Income (Loss)	Portfolio Turnover Rate(d)
$(12.50)^{\circ}$	% (17.09)%	\$ 211,339	2.75%	2.47%	14%
25.24	36.10	261,771	2.25	2.95	16
6.93	9.22	224,544	2.05	3.46	19
(2.06)	(6.04)	226,952	1.98	3.11	23
7.98	11.33	250,655	1.95	3.80	32

- (a) Per share Net Investment Income (Loss) is calculated using the average daily shares method.
- (b) Total Return Based on Common Share NAV is the combination of changes in common share NAV, reinvested dividend income at NAV and reinvested capital gains distributions at NAV, if any. The last dividend declared in the period, which is typically paid on the first business day of the following month, is assumed to be reinvested at the ending NAV. The actual reinvest price for the last dividend declared in the period may often be based on the Fund s market price (and not its NAV), and therefore may be different from the price used in the calculation. Total returns are not annualized.

Total Return Based on Common Share Price is the combination of changes in the market price per share and the effect of reinvested dividend income and reinvested capital gains distributions, if any, at the average price paid per share at the time of reinvestment. The last dividend declared in the period, which is typically paid on the first business day of the following month, is assumed to be reinvested at the ending market price. The actual reinvestment for the last dividend declared in the period may take place over several days, and in some instances may not be based on the market price, so the actual reinvestment price may be different from the price used in the calculation. Total returns are not annualized.

(c) Net Investment Income (Loss) ratios reflect income earned and expenses incurred on assets attributable to borrowings (as described in Note 8 Borrowing Arrangements).
 Each ratio includes the effect of all interest expense paid and other costs related to borrowings as follows:

# Ratios of Borrowings Interest Expense to Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares

	*** ***********************************
Year Ended 12/31:	
2018	1.25%
2017	0.77
2016	0.53
2015	0.46
2014	0.44

(d) Portfolio Turnover Rate is calculated based on the lesser of long-term purchases or sales (as disclosed in Note 5 Investment Transactions) divided by the average long-term market value during the period.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**Notes to Financial Statements** 

# 1. General Information and Significant Accounting Policies

### **General Information**

# Fund Information

Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund (the Fund ) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a diversified closed-end management investment company. The Fund s common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and trade under the ticker symbol JTD. The Fund was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on February 22, 2007.

The end of the reporting period for the Fund is December 31, 2018, and the period covered by these Notes to Financial Statements is the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 (the current fiscal period ).

#### Investment Adviser

The Fund s investment adviser is Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC (the Adviser), a subsidiary of Nuveen, LLC (Nuveen). Nuveen is the investment management arm of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (TIAA). The Adviser has overall responsibility for management of the Fund, oversees the management of the Fund s portfolio, manages the Fund s business affairs and provides certain clerical, bookkeeping and other administrative services, and, if necessary, asset allocation decisions. The Adviser has entered into sub-advisory agreements with its affiliates Santa Barbara Asset Management, LLC (Santa Barbara), NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC (NWQ) and Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (NAM) (each a Sub-Adviser and collectively, the Sub-Advisers). Santa Barbara manages the portion of the Fund s investment portfolio allocated to dividend-paying equity securities. NWQ manages the portion of the Fund s investment portfolio allocated to preferred securities and other fixed-income securities. NAM is responsible for the writing of index call options on various equity market indices, while the Adviser manages the Fund s investments in interest rate swap contracts.

### Investment Objective and Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund s investment objective is to provide an attractive level of tax-advantaged distributions and capital appreciation by investing in dividend-paying equity securities consisting primarily of common stocks of mid- to large-cap companies that have attractive dividend income and the potential for future dividend growth and capital appreciation. The Fund will also invest in preferred stocks of mid- to large-cap companies and other fixed-income securities and, to a limited extent, write (sell) call options on various equity market indices.

## **Significant Accounting Policies**

The Fund is an investment company and follows accounting and reporting guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 946 Financial Services Investment Companies. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP).

**Investment Transactions** 

Investment transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are determined on the specific identification method, which is the same basis used for federal income tax purposes. Investments purchased on a when-issued/delayed delivery basis may have extended settlement periods. Any investments so purchased are subject to market fluctuation during this period. The Fund has earmarked securities in its portfolio with a current value at least equal to the amount of the when-issued/delayed delivery purchase commitments.

As of the end of the reporting period, the Fund did not have any outstanding when-issued/delayed delivery purchase commitments.

#### Investment Income

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or, for foreign securities, when information is available. Non-cash dividends received in the form of stock, if any, are recognized on the ex-dividend date and recorded at fair value. Interest income, which reflects the amortization of premiums and includes accretion of discounts for financial reporting purposes, is recorded on an accrual basis. Interest income also reflects payment-in-kind (PIK) interest and paydown gains and losses, if any. PIK interest represents income received in the form of securities in lieu of cash. Other income is comprised of fees earned in connection with the rehypothecation of pledged collateral as further described in Note 8 Borrowing Arrangements, Rehypothecation.

### Professional Fees

Professional fees presented on the Statement of Operations consist of legal fees incurred in the normal course of operations, audit fees, tax consulting fees and, in some cases, workout expenditures. Workout expenditures are incurred in an attempt to protect or enhance an investment or to pursue other claims or legal actions on behalf of Fund shareholders. If a refund is received for workout expenditures paid in a prior reporting period, such amounts will be recognized as Legal fee refund on the Statement of Operations.

#### Dividends and Distributions to Common Shareholders

Distributions to common shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount and timing of distributions are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP.

The Fund makes quarterly cash distributions to common shareholders of a stated dollar amount per share. Subject to approval and oversight by the Fund s Board of Trustees (the Board), the Fund seeks to maintain a stable distribution level designed to deliver the long-term return potential of the Fund s investment strategy through regular quarterly distributions (a Managed Distribution Program). Total distributions during a calendar year generally will be made from the Fund s net investment income, net realized capital gains and net unrealized capital gains in the Fund s portfolio, if any. The portion of distributions paid attributed to net unrealized gains, if any, is distributed from the Fund s assets and is treated by shareholders as a nontaxable distribution (return of capital) for tax purposes. In the event that total distributions during a calendar year exceed the Fund s total return on net asset value (NAV), the difference will reduce NAV per share. If the Fund s total return on NAV exceeds total distributions during a calendar year, the excess will be reflected as an increase in NAV per share. The final determination of the source and character of all distributions paid by the Fund during the fiscal year is made after the end of the fiscal year and is reflected in the financial statements contained in the annual report as of December 31 each year.

#### Compensation

The Fund pays no compensation directly to those of its trustees who are affiliated with the Adviser or to its officers, all of whom receive remuneration for their services to the Fund from the Adviser or its affiliates. The Board has adopted a deferred compensation plan for independent trustees that enables trustees to elect to defer receipt of all or a portion of the annual compensation they are entitled to receive from certain Nuveen-advised funds. Under the plan, deferred amounts are treated as though equal dollar amounts had been invested in shares of select Nuveen-advised funds.

#### **Indemnifications**

Under the Fund s organizational documents, its officers and trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. In addition, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that provide general indemnifications to other parties. The Fund s maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. However, the Fund has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.

# Netting Agreements

In the ordinary course of business, the Fund may enter into transactions subject to enforceable master repurchase agreements, International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (ISDA) master agreements or other similar arrangements (netting agreements). Generally, the right to offset in netting agreements allows the Fund to offset certain securities and derivatives with a specific counterparty, when applicable, as well as any collateral received or delivered to that counterparty based on the terms of the agreements. Generally, the Fund manages its cash collateral and securities collateral on a counterparty basis.

The Fund s investments subject to netting agreements as of the end of the reporting period, if any, are further described in Note 3 Portfolio Securities and Investments in Derivatives.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets applicable to common shares from operations during the current fiscal period. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### 2. Investment Valuation and Fair Value Measurements

The fair valuation input levels as described below are for fair value measurement purposes.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received upon selling an investment or transferring a liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity s own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following is a summary of the three-tiered hierarchy of valuation input levels.

**Notes to Financial Statements** (continued)

- Level 1 Inputs are unadjusted and prices are determined using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2 Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, credit spreads, etc.).
- Level 3 Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs (including management s assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

Common stocks and other equity-type securities are valued at the last sales price on the securities exchange on which such securities are primarily traded and are generally classified as Level 1. Securities primarily traded on the Nasdaq National Market (Nasdaq) are valued at the Nasdaq Official Closing Price and are generally classified as Level 1. However, securities traded on a securities exchange or Nasdaq for which there were no transactions on a given day or securities not listed on a securities exchange or Nasdaq are valued at the quoted bid price and are generally classified as Level 2. Prices of certain American Depositary Receipts (ADR) held by the Fund that trade in the United States are valued based on the last traded price, official closing price or the most recent bid price of the underlying non-U.S.-traded stock, adjusted as appropriate for the underlying-to-ADR conversion ratio and foreign exchange rate, and from time-to-time may also be adjusted further to take into account material events that may take place after the close of the local non-U.S. market but before the close of the NYSE, which may represent a transfer from a Level 1 to a Level 2 security.

Prices of fixed-income securities are provided by an independent pricing service (pricing service) approved by the Board. The pricing service establishes a security s fair value using methods that may include consideration of the following: yields or prices of investments of comparable quality, type of issue, coupon, maturity and rating, market quotes or indications of value from security dealers, evaluations of anticipated cash flows or collateral, general market conditions and other information and analysis, including the obligor s credit characteristics considered relevant. These securities are generally classified as Level 2. In pricing certain securities, particularly less liquid and lower quality securities, the pricing service may consider information about a security, its issuer or market activity provided by the Adviser. These securities are generally classified as Level 2 or Level 3 depending on the observability of the significant inputs.

Prices of swap contracts are also provided by a pricing service approved by the Board using the same methods as described above and are generally classified as Level 2.

Repurchase agreements are valued at contract amount plus accrued interest, which approximates market value. These securities are generally classified as Level 2.

Index options are valued at the 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time ( ET ) close price of the NYSE. The value of exchange-traded options are based on the mean of the closing bid and ask prices. Index and exchange-traded options are generally classified as Level 1. Options traded in the over-the-counter ( OTC ) market are valued using an evaluated mean price and are generally classified as Level 2.

Investments initially valued in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are converted to the U.S. dollar using exchange rates obtained from pricing services. As a result, the NAV of the Fund s common shares may be affected by changes in the value of currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. The value of securities traded in markets outside the United States or denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar may be affected significantly on a day that the NYSE is closed and an investor is not able to purchase, redeem or exchange shares. If significant market events occur between the time of determination of the closing price of a foreign security on an exchange and the time that the Fund s NAV is

determined, or if under the Fund s procedures, the closing price of a foreign security is not deemed to be reliable, the security would be valued at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures established in good faith by the Board. These securities are generally classified as Level 2 or Level 3 depending on the observability of the significant inputs.

Certain securities may not be able to be priced by the pre-established pricing methods as described above. Such securities may be valued by the Board and/or its appointee at fair value. These securities generally include, but are not limited to, restricted securities (securities which may not be publicly sold without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) for which a pricing service is unable to provide a market price; securities whose trading has been formally suspended; debt securities that have gone into default and for which there is no current market quotation; a security whose market price is not available from a pre-established pricing source; a security with respect to which an event has occurred that is likely to materially affect the value of the security after the market has closed but before the calculation of the Fund s NAV (as may be the case in non-U.S. markets on which the security is primarily traded) or make it difficult or impossible to obtain a reliable market quotation; and a security whose price, as provided by the pricing service, is not deemed to reflect the security s fair value. As a general principle, the fair value of a security would appear to be the amount that the owner might reasonably expect to receive for it in a current sale. A variety of factors may be considered in determining the fair value of such securities, which may include consideration of the following: yields or prices of investments of comparable quality, type of issue, coupon, maturity and rating, market quotes or indications of value from security dealers, evaluations of anticipated cash flows or collateral, general market conditions and other information and analysis, including the obligor s credit characteristics considered relevant. These securities are generally classified as Level 2 or Level 3 depending on the observability of the significant inputs. Regardless of the method employed to value a particular security, all valuations are subject to review by the Board and/or its appointee.

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the Fund s fair value measurements as of the end of the reporting period:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Long-Term Investments*:				
Common Stocks	\$ 174,114,738	\$ 61,275,409**	\$	\$ 235,390,147
\$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred		33,369,761		33,369,761
\$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred	27,900,164	1,565,900**		29,466,064
Corporate Bonds		5,749,740		5,749,740
Convertible Preferred Securities	4,514,526			4,514,526
Convertible Bonds		453,423		453,423
Short-Term Investments:				
Repurchase Agreements		4,829,967		4,829,967
Investments in Derivatives:				
Options Written	(280,100)			(280,100)
Interest Rate Swaps***		1,268,983		1,268,983
Total	\$ 206,249,328	\$ 108,513,183	\$	\$ 314,762,511

<sup>\*</sup> Refer to the Fund s Portfolio of Investments for industry classifications.

### 3. Portfolio Securities and Investments in Derivatives

#### **Portfolio Securities**

# Foreign Currency Transactions

To the extent that the Fund may invest in securities and/or contracts that are denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars, the Fund will be subject to currency risk, which is the risk that an increase in the U.S. dollar relative to the foreign currency will reduce returns or portfolio value. Generally, when the U.S. dollar rises in value against a foreign currency, the Fund s investments denominated in that currency will lose value because its currency is worth fewer U.S. dollars; the opposite effect occurs if the U.S. dollar falls in relative value. Investments and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are converted into U.S. dollars on a spot (i.e. cash) basis at the spot rate prevailing in the foreign currency exchange market at the time of valuation. Purchases and sales of investments and income denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars on the respective dates of such transactions.

As of the end of the reporting period, the Fund s investments in non-U.S. securities were as follows:

		% of Total
	Value	<b>Investments</b>
Country:		
United Kingdom	\$ 23,308,079	7.4%
France	15,027,522	4.8

<sup>\*\*</sup>Refer to the Fund s Portfolio of Investments for securities classified as Level 2.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Represents net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) as reported in the Fund s Portfolio of Investments.

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Japan	12,003,571	3.8
Canada	8,434,283	2.7
Germany	7,329,935	2.3
Australia	6,102,865	2.0
Spain	5,763,386	1.8
Netherlands	5,292,648	1.7
China	4,698,000	1.5
Other	10,803,450	3.5
Total non-U.S securities	\$ 98,763,739	31.5%

The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currencies, assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars at 4:00 p.m. ET. Investment transactions, income and expenses are translated on the respective dates of such transactions. Net realized foreign currency gains and losses resulting from changes in exchange rates include foreign currency gains and losses between trade date and settlement date of the transactions, foreign currency transactions and the difference between the amounts of interest and dividends recorded on the books of the Fund and the amounts actually received.

The realized gains and losses resulting from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and changes in foreign exchange rates associated with (i) foreign currency, (ii) investments, (iii) investments in derivatives and (iv) other assets and liabilities are recognized as a component of Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency on the Statement of Operations, when applicable.

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The unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and changes in foreign exchange rates associated with (i) investments and (ii) other assets and liabilities are recognized as a component of Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and foreign currency on the Statement of Operations, when applicable. The unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates associated with investments in derivatives are recognized as a component of the respective derivative s related Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on the Statement of Operations, when applicable.

# Repurchase Agreements

In connection with transactions in repurchase agreements, it is the Fund s policy that its custodian take possession of the underlying collateral securities, the fair value of which exceeds the principal amount of the repurchase transaction, including accrued interest, at all times. If the counterparty defaults, and the fair value of the collateral declines, realization of the collateral may be delayed or limited.

The following table presents the repurchase agreements for the Fund that are subject to netting agreements as of the end of the reporting period, and the collateral delivered related to those repurchase agreements.

		Collateral	
	Short-Term	Pledged (From)	Net
Counterparty	Investments, at Value	Counterparty*	Exposure
Fixed Income Clearing Corporation	\$ 4 829 967	\$ (4.829.467)	\$

<sup>\*</sup> As of the end of the reporting period, the value of the collateral pledged from the counterparty exceeded the value of the repurchase agreements. Refer to the Fund s Portfolio of Investments for details on the repurchase agreements.

# **Investments in Derivatives**

The Fund is authorized to invest in certain derivative instruments, such as futures, options and swap contracts. The Fund limits its investments in futures, options on futures and swap contracts to the extent necessary for the Adviser to claim the exclusion from registration by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission as a commodity pool operator with respect to the Fund. The Fund records derivative instruments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized on the Statement of Operations, when applicable. Even though the Fund s investments in derivatives may represent economic hedges, they are not considered to be hedge transactions for financial reporting purposes.

# **Options Transactions**

When the Fund writes an option, an amount equal to the net premium received (the premium less commission) is recognized as a component of Options written, at value on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and is subsequently adjusted to reflect the current value of the written option until the option is exercised or expires or the Fund enters into a closing purchase transaction. The changes in the value of options written during the fiscal period are recognized as a component of Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of options written on the Statement of Operations. When an option is exercised or expires or the Fund enters into a closing purchase transaction, the difference between the net premium received and any amount paid at expiration or on executing a closing purchase transaction, including commission, is recognized as a component of Net realized gain (loss) from options written on the Statement of Operations. The Fund, as a writer of an option, has no control over whether the underlying instrument may be sold (called) or purchased (put) and as a result bears the risk of an unfavorable change in the market value of the

instrument underlying the written option. There is also the risk the Fund may not be able to enter into a closing transaction because of an illiquid market.

During the current fiscal period, the Fund wrote call options on stock indexes, while investing in a portfolio that included equities, to enhance risk-adjusted returns while foregoing some upside potential of its equity portfolio.

The average notional amount of outstanding options written during the current fiscal period was as follows:

# Average notional amount of outstanding options written\*

\$(69,521,000)

The following table presents the fair value of all options written by the Fund as of the end of the reporting period, the location of these instruments on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the primary underlying risk exposure.

		Location on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities					
Underlying	(Liability) Deriva	tives					
Risk Exposure	Instrument	Location	Value	Location	Value		
Equity price	Options written		\$	Options written, at value	\$ (280,100)		

<sup>\*</sup> The average notional amount is calculated based on the outstanding notional at the beginning of the current fiscal period and at the end of each fiscal quarter within the current fiscal period.

The following table presents the amount of net realized gain (loss) and change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) recognized on options written on the Statement of Operations during the current fiscal period, and the primary underlying risk exposure.

		Net Realized	Change in Net
		Gain (Loss)	Unrealized Appreciation
<b>Underlying Risk</b>	Derivative	from	(Depreciation) of
Exposure	Instrument	<b>Options Written</b>	Options Written
Equity price	Options written	\$ 612,773	\$ (124,216)

Interest Rate Swap Contracts

Interest rate swap contracts involve the Fund s agreement with the counterparty to pay or receive a fixed rate payment in exchange for the counterparty receiving or paying a variable rate payment. Forward interest rate swap contracts involve the Fund s agreement with a counterparty to pay, in the future, a fixed or variable rate payment in exchange for the counterparty paying the Fund a variable or fixed rate payment, the accruals for which would begin at a specified date in the future (the effective date).

The amount of the payment obligation for an interest rate swap is based on the notional amount and the termination date of the contract. Interest rate swap contracts do not involve the delivery of securities or other underlying assets or principal. Accordingly, the risk of loss with respect to the swap counterparty on such transactions is limited to the net amount of interest payments that the Fund is to receive.

Interest rate swap contracts are valued daily. Upon entering into an interest rate swap contract (and beginning on the effective date for a forward interest rate swap contract), the Fund accrues the fixed rate payment expected to be paid or received and the variable rate payment expected to be received or paid on the interest rate swap contracts on a daily basis, and recognizes the daily change in the fair value of the Fund s contractual rights and obligations under the contracts. For an OTC swap, that is not cleared through a clearing house (OTC Uncleared), the amount recorded on these transactions is recognized on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a component of Unrealized appreciation or depreciation on interest rate swaps.

Upon the execution of an OTC swap cleared through a cleaning house ( OTC Cleared ), the Fund is obligated to deposit cash or eligible securities, also known as initial margin, into an account at its clearing broker equal to a specified percentage of the contract amount. Cash deposited by the Fund to cover initial margin requirements on open swap contracts, if any, is recognized as a component of Cash collateral at brokers for investments in swaps on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Investments in OTC Cleared swaps obligate the Fund and the clearing broker to settle monies on a daily basis representing changes in the prior day s mark-to-market of the swap contract. If the Fund has unrealized appreciation, the clearing broker will credit the Fund s account with an amount equal to the appreciation. Conversely, if the Fund has unrealized depreciation, the clearing broker will debit the Fund s account with an amount equal to the depreciation. These daily cash settlements are also known as variation margin. Variation margin for OTC Cleared swaps is recognized as a receivable and/or payable for Variation margin on swap contracts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Upon the execution of an OTC Uncleared swap, neither the Fund nor the counterparty is required to deposit initial margin as the trades are recorded bilaterally between both parties to the swap contract, and the terms of the variation margin for OTC Uncleared swaps is recognized as a component of Unrealized appreciation or depreciation on interest rate swaps as described in the preceding paragraph.

The net amount of periodic payments settled in cash are recognized as a component of Net realized gain (loss) from swaps on the Statement of Operations, in addition to the net realized gain or loss recorded upon the termination of the swap contract. For tax purposes, payments expected to be received or paid on the swap contracts are treated as ordinary income or expense, respectively. Changes in the value of the swap contracts during the fiscal period are recognized as a component of Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swaps on the Statement of Operations. In certain instances, payments are made or received upon entering into the swap contract to compensate for differences between the stated terms of the swap agreements and prevailing market conditions (credit spreads, currency exchange rates, interest rates, and other relevant factors). Payments received or made at the beginning of the measurement period, if any, are recognized as Interest rate swaps premiums received and/or paid on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

During the current fiscal period, the Fund continued to utilize forward starting interest rate swap contracts to partially hedge its future interest cost of leverage, which is through the use of bank borrowings.

The average notional amount of interest rate swap contracts outstanding during the current fiscal period was as follows:

#### Average notional amount of interest rate swap contracts outstanding\*

\$52,500,000

\* The average notional amount is calculated based on the outstanding notional at the beginning of the current fiscal period and at the end of each fiscal quarter within the current fiscal period.

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The following table presents the fair value of all swap contracts held by the Fund as of the end of the reporting period, the location of these instruments on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the primary underlying risk exposure.

### **Location on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

				(Liabil	ity)
Underlying	Derivative	<b>Asset Derivatives</b>		Derivat	tives
Risk Exposure	Instrument	Location	Value	Location	Value
Interest rate	Swaps (OTC Uncleared)	Unrealized appreciation on interest rate swaps**	\$1,268,983		\$

<sup>\*\*</sup>Some swap contracts require a counterparty to pay or receive a premium, which is disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, when applicable, and is not reflected in the cumulative unrealized appreciation (depreciation) presented above.

The following table presents the swap contracts subject to netting agreements and the collateral delivered related to those swap contracts as of the end of the reporting period.

<b>Gross Amounts Not Offset on the</b>
Statement of Assets and
Liabilities

		Gross	Gross	Net 1	Unrealized		Ziusiiiics	
		Unrealized	Unrealized	Ap	preciation	Interest	Collateral	
	A	ppreciation(D	epreciation)	(De <sub>l</sub>	preciatio <b>R)</b> a	te Swaps	Pledged	
OI	ı In	terest Rate I	nterest Rate	on In	terest Rat <b>e</b> P	remiums	to (from)	Net
Counterparty		Swaps***	Swaps***		<b>Swaps</b>	Paid	Counterparty	Exposure
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$	1,268,983	\$	\$	1,268,983	\$	\$ (1,268,983)	\$

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Represents gross unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for the counterparty as reported in the Fund s Portfolio of Investments.

The following table presents the amount of net realized gain (loss) and change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) recognized on swap contracts on the Statement of Operations during the current fiscal period, and the primary underlying risk exposure.

		Net	Realized		
Underlying Risk	Derivative	Gain (L	oss) from	Unrealized A	hange in Net Appreciation reciation) of
Exposure	Instrument		Swaps		Swaps
Interest rate	Swaps	\$	53,245	\$	615,263

Market and Counterparty Credit Risk

In the normal course of business the Fund may invest in financial instruments and enter into financial transactions where risk of potential loss exists due to changes in the market (market risk) or failure of the other party to the transaction to perform (counterparty credit risk). The potential loss could exceed the value of the financial assets

recorded on the financial statements. Financial assets, which potentially expose the Fund to counterparty credit risk, consist principally of cash due from counterparties on forward, option and swap transactions, when applicable. The extent of the Fund s exposure to counterparty credit risk in respect to these financial assets approximates its carrying value as recorded on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The Fund helps manage counterparty credit risk by entering into agreements only with counterparties the Adviser believes have the financial resources to honor their obligations and by having the Adviser monitor the financial stability of the counterparties. Additionally, counterparties may be required to pledge collateral daily (based on the daily valuation of the financial asset) on behalf of the Fund with a value approximately equal to the amount of any unrealized gain above a pre-determined threshold. Reciprocally, when the Fund has an unrealized loss, the Fund has instructed the custodian to pledge assets of the Fund as collateral with a value approximately equal to the amount of the unrealized loss above a pre-determined threshold. Collateral pledges are monitored and subsequently adjusted if and when the valuations fluctuate, either up or down, by at least the pre-determined threshold amount.

#### 4. Fund Shares

The Fund did not have any transactions in common shares during the current and prior fiscal period.

#### **5. Investment Transactions**

Long-term purchases and sales (including maturities but excluding derivative transactions) during the current fiscal period aggregated \$49,932,305 and \$69,214,030, respectively.

#### 6. Income Tax Information

The Fund intends to distribute substantially all of its net investment company taxable income to shareholders and to otherwise comply with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies. In any year when the Fund realizes net capital gains, the Fund may choose to distribute all or a portion of its net capital gains to shareholders, or alternatively, to retain all or a portion of its net capital gains and pay federal corporate income taxes on such retained gains.

For all open tax years and all major taxing jurisdictions, management of the Fund has concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions that would require recognition in the financial statements. Open tax years are those that are open for examination by taxing authorities (i.e., generally the last four tax year ends and the interim tax period since then). Furthermore, management of the Fund is also not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to the recognition of unrealized gain or loss for tax (mark-to-market) on options contracts, timing differences in the recognition of income and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions. To the extent that differences arise that are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts as detailed below. Temporary differences do not require reclassification. Temporary and permanent differences do not impact the NAV of the Fund.

The tables below present the cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of the Fund s investment portfolio, as determined on a federal income tax basis as of December 31, 2018.

For purposes of this disclosure, derivative tax cost is generally the sum of any upfront fees or premiums exchanged and any amounts unrealized for income statement reporting but realized in income and/or capital gains for tax reporting. If a particular derivative category does not disclose any tax unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the change in value of those derivatives have generally been fully realized for tax purposes.

Tax cost of investments	\$ 2	266,303,688
Gross unrealized:		
Appreciation	\$	67,524,413
Depreciation	(	(20,054,473)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	\$	47,469,940
Tax cost of options written	\$	(280,100)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of options written		
Tax cost of swaps	\$	
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swaps		1,268,983

Permanent differences, primarily due to treatment of notional principal contracts, real estate investment trust adjustments, foreign currency transactions, complex securities character adjustments, bond premium amortization adjustments and investments in passive foreign investment companies, resulted in reclassifications among the Fund s components of net assets as of December 31, 2018, the Fund s tax year end.

The tax components of undistributed net ordinary income and net long-term capital gains as of December 31, 2018, the Fund s tax year end, were as follows:

### Undistributed net ordinary income

\$

Undistributed net long-term capital gains

The tax character of distributions paid during the Fund s tax years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2018 was designated for purposes of the dividends paid deduction as follows:

# 2018

Distributions from net ordinary income <sup>1</sup>	\$6,175,795
Distributions from net long-term capital gains <sup>2</sup>	11,735,169
Return of capital	1,498,052

# 2017

Distributions from net ordinary income <sup>1</sup>	\$7,741,777
Distributions from net long-term capital gains	
Return of capital	10,218,805

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Net ordinary income consists of net taxable income derived from dividends, interest, and net short-term capital gains, if any.

During the Fund's tax year ended December 31, 2018, the Fund utilized \$2,891,580 of its capital loss carryforward.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Fund designates as long-term capital gain dividend, pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 852(b)(3), the amount necessary to reduce earnings and profits of the Fund related to net capital gain to zero for the tax year ended December 31, 2018.

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### 7. Management Fees

The Fund s management fee compensates the Adviser for overall investment advisory and administrative services and general office facilities. The Sub-Advisers are compensated for their services to the Fund from the management fees paid to the Adviser.

The Fund s management fee consists of two components a fund-level fee, based only on the amount of assets within the Fund, and a complex-level fee, based on the aggregate amount of all eligible fund assets managed by the Adviser. This pricing structure enables Fund shareholders to benefit from growth in the assets within the Fund as well as from growth in the amount of complex-wide assets managed by the Adviser.

The annual fund-level fee, payable monthly, is calculated according to the following schedule:

Average Daily Managed Assets*	Fund-Level Fee Rate	
For the first \$500 million	0.8000%	
For the next \$500 million	0.7750	
For the next \$500 million	0.7500	
For the next \$500 million	0.7250	
For managed assets over \$2 billion	0.7000	

The annual complex-level fee, payable monthly, is calculated by multiplying the current complex-wide fee rate, determined according to the following schedule by the Fund s daily managed assets:

Complex-Level Eligible Asset Break	point Level Effective Com	plex-Level Fee Rate at Breakpoint Level

\$55 billion	0.2000%
\$56 billion	0.1996
\$57 billion	0.1989
\$60 billion	0.1961
\$63 billion	0.1931
\$66 billion	0.1900
\$71 billion	0.1851
\$76 billion	0.1806
\$80 billion	0.1773
\$91 billion	0.1691
\$125 billion	0.1599
\$200 billion	0.1505
\$250 billion	0.1469
\$300 billion	0.1445

<sup>\*</sup> For the complex-level fees, managed assets include closed-end fund assets managed by the Adviser that are attributable to certain types of leverage. For these purposes, leverage includes the funds—use of preferred stock and borrowings and certain investments in the residual interest certificates (also called inverse floating rate securities) in tender option bond (TOB) trusts, including the portion of assets held by a TOB trust that has been effectively financed by the trust—s issuance of floating rate securities, subject to an agreement by the

Adviser as to certain funds to limit the amount of such assets for determining managed assets in certain circumstances. The complex-level fee is calculated based upon the aggregate daily managed assets of all Nuveen open-end and closed-end Funds that constitute eligible assets. Eligible assets do not include assets attributable to investments in other Nuveen funds or assets in excess of a determined amount (originally \$2 billion) added to the Nuveen fund complex in connection with the Adviser s assumption of the management of the former First American Funds effective January 1, 2011. As of December 31, 2018, the complex-level fee for the Fund was 0.1602%.

### 8. Borrowing Arrangements

#### **Borrowings**

The Fund has entered into a borrowing arrangement as a means of leverage.

As of the end of the reporting period, the Fund has a \$125,000,000 (maximum commitment amount) committed financing agreement (Borrowings). As of the end of the reporting period, the outstanding balance on these Borrowings was \$104,500,000.

Interest is charged on these Borrowings at 1-Month LIBOR (London Inter-Bank Offered Rate) plus 0.65% per annum on the amount borrowed. The Fund also charged an undrawn fee of 0.50% per annum if the undrawn portion of the Borrowings on that day is more than 20% of the maximum commitment amount. During the current fiscal period, the average daily balance outstanding and average annual interest rate on these Borrowings were \$115,315,068 and 2.67%, respectively.

In order to maintain these Borrowings, the Fund must meet certain collateral, asset coverage and other requirements. Borrowings outstanding are fully secured by securities specifically identified in the Fund s portfolio of investments (Pledged Collateral).

Borrowings outstanding are recognized as Borrowings on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Interest expense incurred on the drawn amount and undrawn balance are recognized as a component of Interest expense on borrowings on the Statement of Operations.

# Rehypothecation

The Fund has entered into a Rehypothecation Side Letter (Side Letter) with its prime brokerage lender, allowing it to re-register the Pledged Collateral in its own name or in a name other than the Funds to pledge, repledge, hypothecate, rehyphothecate, sell, lend or otherwise transfer or use the Pledged Collateral (the Hypothecated Securities) with all rights of ownership as described in the Side Letter. Subject to certain conditions, the total value of the outstanding Hypothecated Securities shall not exceed the lesser of (i) 98% of the outstanding balance on the Borrowings to which the Pledged Collateral relates and (ii) 33½% of the Funds total assets. The Fund may designate any Pledged Collateral as ineligible for rehypothecation. The Fund may also recall Hypothecated Securities on demand.

The Fund also has the right to apply and set-off an amount equal to one-hundred percent (100%) of the then-current fair market value of such Pledged Collateral against the current Borrowings under the Side Letter in the event that prime brokerage lender fails to timely return the Pledged Collateral and in certain other circumstances. In such circumstances, however, the Fund may not be able to obtain replacement financing required to purchase replacement securities and, consequently, the Fund s income generating potential may decrease. Even if the Fund is able to obtain replacement financing, it might not be able to purchase replacement securities at favorable prices.

The Fund will receive a fee in connection with the Hypothecated Securities ( Rehypothecation Fees ) in addition to any principal, interest, dividends and other distributions paid on the Hypothecated Securities.

As of the end of the reporting period, the Fund had Hypothecated Securities totaling \$91,639,232. During the current fiscal period, the Fund earned Rehypothecation Fees of \$61,736, which is recognized as Other income on the Statement of Operations.

#### Inter-Fund Borrowing and Lending

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has granted an exemptive order permitting registered open-end and closed-end Nuveen funds to participate in an inter-fund lending facility whereby the Nuveen funds may directly lend to and borrow money from each other for temporary purposes (e.g., to satisfy redemption requests or when a sale of securities fails, resulting in an unanticipated cash shortfall) (the Inter-Fund Program ). The closed-end Nuveen funds, including the Fund covered by this shareholder report, will participate only as lenders, and not as borrowers, in the Inter-Fund Program because such closed-end funds rarely, if ever, need to borrow cash to meet redemptions. The Inter-Fund Program is subject to a number of conditions, including, among other things, the requirements that (1) no fund may borrow or lend money through the Inter-Fund Program unless it receives a more favorable interest rate than is typically available from a bank or other financial institution for a comparable transaction; (2) no fund may borrow on an unsecured basis through the Inter-Fund Program unless the fund s outstanding borrowings from all sources immediately after the inter-fund borrowing total 10% or less of its total assets; provided that if the borrowing fund has a secured borrowing outstanding from any other lender, including but not limited to another fund, the inter-fund loan must be secured on at least an equal priority basis with at least an equivalent percentage of collateral to loan value; (3) if a fund s total outstanding borrowings immediately after an inter-fund borrowing would be greater than 10% of its total assets, the fund may borrow through the inter-fund loan on a secured basis only; (4) no fund may lend money if the loan would cause its aggregate outstanding loans through the Inter-Fund Program to exceed 15% of its net assets at the time of the loan; (5) a fund s inter-fund loans to any one fund shall not exceed 5% of the lending fund s net assets; (6) the duration of inter-fund loans will be limited to the time required to receive payment for securities sold, but in no

event more than seven days; and (7) each inter-fund loan may be called on one business day s notice by a lending fund and may be repaid on any day by a borrowing fund. In addition, a Nuveen fund may participate in the Inter-Fund Program only if and to the extent that such participation is consistent with the fund s investment objective and investment policies. The Board is responsible for overseeing the Inter-Fund Program.

The limitations detailed above and the other conditions of the SEC exemptive order permitting the Inter-Fund Program are designed to minimize the risks associated with Inter-Fund Program for both the lending fund and the borrowing fund. However, no borrowing or lending activity is without risk. When a fund borrows money from another fund, there is a risk that the loan could be called on one day s notice or not renewed, in which case the fund may have to borrow from a bank at a higher rate or take other actions to payoff such loan if an inter-fund loan is not available from another fund. Any delay in repayment to a lending fund could result in a lost investment opportunity or additional borrowing costs.

During the current reporting period, the Fund did not enter into any inter-fund loan activity.

## 9. New Accounting Pronouncements

Disclosure Update and Simplification

During August 2018, the SEC issued Final Rule Release No. 33-10532, Disclosure Update and Simplification (Final Rule Release No. 33-10532). Final Rule Release No. 33-10532 amends certain financial statement disclosure requirements to conform to U.S. GAAP. The amendments to Rule 6-04.17 of Regulation S-X (balance sheet) remove the requirement to separately state the book basis components of net assets: undistributed (over-distribution of) net investment income (UNII), accumulated undistributed net realized gains (losses), and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the balance sheet date. Instead,

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consistent with U.S. GAAP, funds will be required to disclose total distributable earnings. The amendments to Rule 6-09 of Regulation S-X (statement of changes in net assets) remove the requirement to separately state the sources of distributions paid. Instead, consistent with U.S. GAAP, funds will be required to disclose the total amount of distributions paid, except that any tax return of capital must be separately disclosed. The amendments also remove the requirement to parenthetically state the book basis amount of UNII on the statement of changes in net assets.

The requirements of Final Rule Release No. 33-10532 are effective November 5, 2018, and the Fund s Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the current reporting period have been modified accordingly. In addition, certain amounts within the Fund s Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the prior fiscal period have been modified to conform to Final Rule Release No. 33-10532.

For the prior fiscal period, the total amount of distributions paid to shareholders from net investment income and from accumulated net realized gains, if any, are recognized as Dividends on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets.

As of December 31, 2017, the Fund s Statement of Changes in Net Assets reflected the following UNII balance.

## UNII at the end of period \$(639,975)

FASB Accounting Standards Update ( ASU ) 2017-08 ( ASU 2017-08 ) Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities

The FASB has issued ASU 2017-08, which shortens the premium amortization period for purchased non-contingently callable debt securities. ASU 2017-08 specifies that the premium amortization period ends at the earliest call date, for purchased non-contingently callable debt securities. ASU 2017-08 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. Management is currently evaluating the implications of ASU 2017-08, if any.

Fair Value Measurement: Disclosure Framework

During August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-13 ( ASU 2018-13 ), Fair Value Measurement: Disclosure Framework Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurements. ASU 2018-13 modifies the disclosures required by Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements. The amendments in ASU 2018-13 are effective for all entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2019. During the current reporting period, management early implemented this guidance. This implementation did not have a material impact on the Fund s financial statements.

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#### **Additional Fund Information**

(Unaudited)

## **Board of Trustees**

	Jack B. Evans	William C. Hunter	Albin F. Moschner	John K.	William J. Schneider**
Margo Cook*				Nelson	
	Carole E. Stone	Terence J. Toth	Margaret L. Wolff	Robert C.	
Judith M. Stockdale				Young	

<sup>\*</sup>Interested Board Member.

Fund Manager	Custodian	Legal Counsel	Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	Transfer Agent and
Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC	State Street Bank & Trust Company	Chapman and Cutler LLP	KPMG LLP	Shareholder Services
333 West Wacker Drive	& Trust Company	Chicago, IL 60603		Set vices
Chicago, IL 60606	One Lincoln Street		200 East Randolph Street	Computershare Trust
C <b></b>	Boston, MA 02111		Chicago, IL 60601	Company,
				N.A. 250 Royall
				Street
				Canton, MA
				02021
				(800)
				257-8787

## **Distribution Information**

The Fund hereby designates its percentage of dividends paid from net ordinary income as dividends qualifying for the dividends received deduction ( DRD ) for corporations and its percentage as qualified dividend income ( QDI ) for individuals under Section 1(h)(11) of the Internal Revenue Code as shown in the accompanying table. The actual qualified dividend income distributions will be reported to shareholders on Form 1099-DIV which will be sent to shareholders shortly after calendar year end.

	JTD
% DRD	100.0%
% QDI	100.0%

<sup>\*\*</sup>Retired from the Fund s Board of Trustees effective December 31, 2018.

## **Quarterly Portfolio of Investments Information**

The Fund is required to file its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to its report on Form N-PORT. You may obtain this information on the SEC s website at http://www.sec.gov.

#### **Nuveen Funds Proxy Voting Information**

You may obtain (i) information regarding how each fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities held during the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30, without charge, upon request, by calling Nuveen toll-free at (800) 257-8787 or on Nuveen s website at www.nuveen.com and (ii) a description of the policies and procedures that each fund used to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities without charge, upon request, by calling Nuveen toll free at (800) 257-8787. You may also obtain this information directly from the SEC. Visit the SEC on-line at http://www.sec.gov.

#### **CEO Certification Disclosure**

The Fund s Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has submitted to the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) the annual CEO certification as required by Section 303A.12(a) of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. The Fund has filed with the SEC the certification of its CEO and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

#### **Common Share Repurchases**

The Fund intends to repurchase, through its open-market share repurchase program, shares of its own common stock at such times and in such amounts as is deemed advisable. During the period covered by this report, the Fund repurchased shares of its common stock, as shown in the accompanying table. Any future repurchases will be reported to shareholders in the next annual or semi-annual report.

**JTD** 

## Common shares repurchased

## FINRA BrokerCheck

The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) provides information regarding the disciplinary history of FINRA member firms and associated investment professionals. This information as well as an investor brochure describing FINRA BrokerCheck is available to the public by calling the FINRA BrokerCheck Hotline number at (800) 289-9999 or by visiting www.FINRA.org.

Glossary of Terms Used in this Report

(Unaudited)

**Average Annual Total Return:** This is a commonly used method to express an investment s performance over a particular, usually multi-year time period. It expresses the return that would have been necessary each year to equal the investment s actual cumulative performance (including change in NAV or market price and reinvested dividends and capital gains distributions, if any) over the time period being considered.

**Beta:** A measure of the variability of the change in the share price for a fund in relation to a change in the value of the fund s market benchmark. Securities with betas higher than 1.0 have been, and are expected to be, more volatile than the benchmark; securities with betas lower than 1.0 have been, and are expected to be, less volatile than the benchmark.

**Blended Index:** The JTD Blended Index performance is a blended return consisting of: 1) 50% of the return of the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index, 2) 25% of the return the CBOE S&P 500 BuyWrite Index (BXM), which is designed to track the performance of a hypothetical buy-write strategy on the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index, 3) 12.5% of the return of the BofAML DRD (dividends received deduction) Preferred Index, which consists of investment grade, DRD-eligible, exchange-traded preferred stocks with one year or more to maturity, and 4) 12.5% of the return of the BofAML Fixed Rate Preferred Index, which consists of taxable, fixed rate, U.S. Dollar denominated investment grade, preferred securities listed on a U.S. exchange. Index returns assume reinvestment of distributions, but do not include the effects of any applicable sales charges or management fees.

**Effective Leverage:** Effective leverage is a fund s effective economic leverage, and includes both regulatory leverage (see below) and the leverage effects of certain derivative investments in the fund s portfolio.

**Gross Domestic Product (GDP):** The total market value of all final goods and services produced in a country/region in a given year, equal to total consumer, investment and government spending, plus the value of exports, minus the value of imports.

ICE BofAML Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index: Tracks the performance of fixed-rate U.S. dollar-denominated preferred securities issued in the U.S. domestic market. Qualifying securities must be rated investment grade (based on an average of Moody s, S&P and Fitch) and must have an investment grade rated country of risk (based on an average of Moody s, S&P and Fitch foreign currency long-term sovereign debt ratings). Index returns assume reinvestment of distributions, but do not reflect any applicable sales charges or management fees.

**ICE BofAML U.S. High Yield Index:** An unmanaged index which tracks the performance of U.S. dollar denominated below investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market. The index returns assume reinvestment of dividends, but do not include the effects of any sales charges or management fees.

**ICE BofAML U.S. Corporate Index:** An unmanaged index comprised of U.S. dollar denominated investment grade corporate debt securities publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market with at least one year remaining term to final maturity. Index returns do not include the effects of any sales charges or management fees.

ICE BofAML U.S. Preferred, Bank Capital & Capital Trust Securities Index: An index that tracks the performance of U.S. dollar denominated fixed rate preferred securities, fixed-to-floating rate, perpetual callable and capital securities, perpetual callable and variable coupon private placements issued in the U.S. domestic market. The index returns assume reinvestment of dividends, but do not include the effects of any sales charges or management fees.

**Leverage:** Leverage is created whenever a fund has investment exposure (both reward and/or risk) equivalent to more than 100% of the investment capital.

**Net Asset Value (NAV) Per Share:** A fund s Net Assets is equal to its total assets (securities, cash, accrued earnings and receivables) less its total liabilities. NAV per share is equal to the fund s Net Assets divided by its number of shares outstanding.

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**Regulatory Leverage:** Regulatory leverage consists of preferred shares issued by or borrowings of the fund. Both of these are part of the fund s capital structure. Regulatory leverage is subject to asset coverage limits set in the Investment Company Act of 1940.

**Russell 2000**<sup>®</sup> **Index:** A market-weighted index published by the Frank Russell Company measuring the performance of the 2,000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index. The Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> is made up of 3,000 of the largest U.S. stocks and represents approximately 98% of the U.S. equity market. The Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> serves as a benchmark for small-cap stocks in the U.S. Index returns assume reinvestment of distributions, but do not reflect any applicable sales charges or management fees.

**S&P 500**<sup>®</sup>: An unmanaged index generally considered representative of the U.S. stock market. Index returns assume reinvestment of distributions, but do not include the effects of any applicable sales charges or management fees.

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Reinvest Automatically, Easily and Conveniently

Nuveen makes reinvesting easy. A phone call is all it takes to set up your reinvestment account.

#### **Nuveen Closed-End Funds Automatic Reinvestment Plan**

Your Nuveen Closed-End Fund allows you to conveniently reinvest distributions in additional Fund shares.

By choosing to reinvest, you Il be able to invest money regularly and automatically, and watch your investment grow through the power of compounding. Just like distributions in cash, there may be times when income or capital gains taxes may be payable on distributions that are reinvested.

It is important to note that an automatic reinvestment plan does not ensure a profit, nor does it protect you against loss in a declining market.

## Easy and convenient

To make recordkeeping easy and convenient, each quarter you ll receive a statement showing your total distributions, the date of investment the shares acquired and the price per share, and the total number of shares you own.

#### How shares are purchased

The shares you acquire by reinvesting will either be purchased on the open market or newly issued by the Fund. If the shares are trading at or above net asset value at the time of valuation, the Fund will issue new shares at the greater of the net asset value or 95% of the then-current market price. If the shares are trading at less than net asset value, shares for your account will be purchased on the open market. If the Plan Agent begins purchasing Fund shares on the open market while shares are trading below net asset value, but the Fund shares subsequently trade at or above their net asset value before the Plan Agent is able to complete its purchases, the Plan Agent may cease open-market purchases and may invest the uninvested portion of the distribution in newly-issued Fund shares at a price equal to the greater of the shares net asset value or 95% of the shares market value on the last business day immediately prior to the purchase date. Distributions received to purchase shares in the open market will normally be invested shortly after the distribution payment date. No interest will be paid on distributions awaiting reinvestment. Because the market price of the shares may increase before purchases are completed, the average purchase price per share may exceed the market price at the time of valuation, resulting in the acquisition of fewer shares than if the distribution had been paid in shares issued by the Fund. A pro rata portion of any applicable brokerage commissions on open market purchases will be paid by Plan participants. These commissions usually will be lower than those charged on individual transactions.

#### **Flexible**

You may change your distribution option or withdraw from the Plan at any time, should your needs or situation change.

You can reinvest whether your shares are registered in your name, or in the name of a brokerage firm, bank, or other nominee. Ask your investment advisor if his or her firm will participate on your behalf. Participants whose shares are

registered in the name of one firm may not be able to transfer the shares to another firm and continue to participate in the Plan.

The Fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan at anytime. Although the Fund reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants, there is no direct service charge to participants in the Plan at this time.

## Call today to start reinvesting distributions

For more information on the Nuveen Automatic Reinvestment Plan or to enroll in or withdraw from the Plan, speak with your financial advisor or call us at (800) 257-8787.

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#### **Board Members & Officers**

(Unaudited)

The management of the Funds, including general supervision of the duties performed for the Funds by the Adviser, is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees of the Funds. The number of trustees of the Funds is set at ten. None of the trustees who are not interested persons of the Funds (referred to herein as independent board members) has ever been a director or employee of, or consultant to, Nuveen or its affiliates. The names and business addresses of the trustees and officers of the Funds, their principal occupations and other affiliations during the past five years, the number of portfolios each oversees and other directorships they hold are set forth below.

Name,	Position(s) Held	Year First	Principal	Number
Year of Birth	with the Funds	Elected or	Occupation(s)	of Portfolios
& Address		Appointed	Including other	in Fund Complex
		and Term <sup>(1)</sup>	Directorships	Overseen by
			<b>During Past 5 Years</b>	<b>Board Member</b>

#### **Independent Board Members:**

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TERENCE J. TOTH			Formerly, a Co-Founding Partner, Promus Capital (2008-2017); Director,	
1959	Chairman and	2008	Fulcrum IT Service LLC (since 2010)	168
	<b>Board Member</b>	Class II	and Quality Control Corporation (since	
333 W. Wacker			2012); member: Catalyst Schools of	
Drive			Chicago Board (since 2008) and Mather	
			Foundation Board (since 2012), and	
Chicago, IL 60606			chair of its Investment Committee;	
			formerly, Director, Legal & General	
			Investment Management America, Inc.	
			(2008-2013); formerly, CEO and	
			President, Northern Trust Global	
			Investments (2004-2007): Executive	
			Vice President, Quantitative	
			Management & Securities Lending	
			(2000-2004); prior thereto, various	
			positions with Northern Trust Company	
			(since 1994); formerly, Member,	
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Northern Trust Mutual Funds Board (2005-2007), Northern Trust Global

Investments Board (2004-2007), Northern Trust Japan Board (2004-2007), Northern Trust Securities Inc. Board (2003-2007) and Northern Trust Hong Kong Board (1997-2004).

Chairman (since 2019), formerly,

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1948 **Board Member** 1999 Class III

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Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

President (1996-2019), The Hall-Perrine 168 Foundation, a private philanthropic corporation; Director and Chairman, United Fire Group, a publicly held company; Director, Public Member, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (since 2015); Life Trustee of Coe College and the Iowa College Foundation; formerly, President Pro-Tem of the Board of Regents for the State of Iowa University System; formerly, Director, Alliant Energy and The Gazette Company; formerly, Director, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; formerly, President and Chief Operating Officer, SCI Financial Group,

WILLIAM C. **HUNTER** 

**Board Member 2003 Class I** 1948

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Dean Emeritus, formerly, Dean, Tippie College of Business, University of Iowa (2006-2012); Director of Wellmark, Inc. 168 (since 2009); past Director (2005-2015), and past President (2010-2014) Beta Gamma Sigma, Inc., The International Business Honor Society; formerly, Director (2004-2018) of Xerox Corporation; Dean and Distinguished Professor of Finance, School of Business at the University of Connecticut (2003-2006); previously, Senior Vice President and Director of Research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (1995-2003); formerly, Director (1997-2007), Credit Research Center at Georgetown University.

Inc., a regional financial services firm.

ALBIN F. **MOSCHNER** 

1952 **Board Member** 2016

Class III

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Founder and Chief Executive Officer. Northcroft Partners, LLC, a management consulting firm (since 2012); Chairman 168 (since 2009), and Director (since 2012), USA Technologies, Inc., a provider of solutions and services to facilitate electronic payment transactions (since 2012); formerly, Director, Wintrust

Financial Corporation (1996-2016); previously, held positions at Leap Wireless International, Inc., including Consultant (2011-2012), Chief Operating Officer (2008-2011), and Chief Marketing Officer (2004-2008); formerly, President, Verizon Card Services division of Verizon Communications, Inc. (2000-2003); formerly, President, One Point Services at One Point Communications (1999-2000); formerly, Vice Chairman of the Board, Diba, Incorporated (1996-1997); formerly, various executive positions and Chief Executive Officer of Zenith Electronics Corporation (1991-1996).

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## **Board Members & Officers** (continued)

(Unaudited)

Name,	Position(s) Held	Year First	Principal	Number
Year of Birth	with the Funds	Elected or	Occupation(s)	of Portfolios
& Address		Appointed	Including other	in Fund Complex
		and Term <sup>(1)</sup>	Directorships	Overseen by
			<b>During Past 5 Years</b>	<b>Board Member</b>

#### **Independent Board Members (continued):**

JOHN K. NELSON		
1962	<b>Board Member</b>	2013
		Class II

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Chicago, IL 60606

Member of Board of Directors of Core12 LLC (since 2008), a private firm which develops branding, marketing and 168 communications strategies for clients; serves on The President s Council, Fordham University (since 2010); and previously was a Director of The Curran Center for Catholic American Studies (2009-2018) formerly, senior external advisor to the financial services practice of Deloitte Consulting LLP (2012-2014): formerly, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Marian University (2010 as trustee, 2011-2014 as Chairman); formerly, Chief Executive Officer of ABN AMRO N.V. North America, and Global Head of its Financial Markets Division (2007-2008); prior senior positions held at ABN AMRO include Corporate Executive Vice President and Head of Global Markets-the Americas (2006-2007), CEO of Wholesale Banking North America and Global Head of Foreign Exchange and Futures Markets (2001-2006), and Regional Commercial Treasurer and Senior Vice President Trading-North America (1996-2001); formerly, Trustee at St.

			Edmund Preparatory School in New York City.	
JUDITH M. STOCKDALE 1947 333 W. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606	Board Member	1997 Class I	Board Member, Land Trust Alliance (since 2013) and U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities (since 2013); formerly, Executive Director (1994-2012), Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation; prior thereto, Executive Director, Great Lakes Protection Fund (1990-1994).	168
CAROLE E. STONE 1947 333 W. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606	Board Member	2007 Class I	Former Director, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. (2006-2017); and C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated (2009-2017); Director, Cboe, L.C. Global Markets, Inc., formerly, CBOE Holdings, Inc. (since 2010); formerly, Commissioner, New York State Commission on Public Authority Reform (2005-2010).	168
MARGARET L WOLFF 1955 333 W. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606	Board Member	2016 Class I	Formerly, member of the Board of Directors (2013-2017) of Travelers Insurance Company of Canada and The Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company (each, a part of Travelers Canada, the Canadian operation of The Travelers Companies, Inc.); formerly, Of Counsel, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP (Mergers & Acquisitions Group) (2005-2014); Member of the Board of Trustees of New York-Presbyterian Hospital (since 2005); Member (since 2004) and Chair (since 2015) of the Board of Trustees of The John A. Hartford Foundation (a philanthropy dedicated to improving the care of older adults); formerly, Member (2005-2015) and Vice Chair (2011-2015) of the Board of Trustees of Mt. Holyoke College.	168
ROBERT L. YOUNG <sup>(2)</sup> 1963 333 W. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606	Board Member	2017 Class II	Formerly, Chief Operating Officer and Director, J.P.Morgan Investment Management Inc. (2010-2016); formerly, President and Principal Executive Officer (2013-2016), and Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (2005-2010), of J.P.Morgan Funds; formerly, Director and various officer positions for	166

J.P.Morgan Investment Management Inc. (formerly, JPMorgan Funds Management, Inc. and formerly, One Group Administrative Services) and JPMorgan Distribution Services, Inc. (formerly, One Group Dealer Services, Inc.) (1999-2017).

Name,	Position(s) Held	Year First	Principal	Number
Year of Birth	with the Funds	Elected or	Occupation(s)	of Portfolios
& Address		Appointed	Including other	in Fund Complex
		and Term <sup>(1)</sup>	Directorships	Overseen by
			<b>During Past 5 Years</b>	<b>Board Member</b>
Interested Board M	Iember:			
MARGO L. COOK <sup>(3)</sup> 1964 333 W. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606	Board Member	2016 Class III	President (since 2017), formerly, Co-Chief Executive Officer and Co-President (2016-2017), formerly, Senior Executive Vice President of Nuveen Investments, Inc.; President, Global Products and Solutions (since 2017), and, Co-Chief Executive Officer (since 2015), formerly, Executive Vice President (2013-2015), of Nuveen Securities, LLC; Executive Vice President (since 2017) of Nuveen, LLC; President (since August 2017), formerly Co-President (2016-2017), formerly, Senior Executive Vice President of Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC (Executive Vice President (since 2017), Nuveen Alternative Investments, LLC; Chartered Financial Analyst.	168
Name, Year of Birth & Address	Position(s) Held with the Funds	Year First Elected or Appointed <sup>(4)</sup>	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Comple Overseen by Officer
Officers of the Fun	ds:			
<b>CEDRIC H. A</b> 1 1962	NTOSIEWICZ Chief Administrative	2007	Senior Managing Director (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2004-2017) of Nuveen Securities,	74

Officer

LLC; Senior Managing Director

333 W. Wacker (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2014-2017) of Nuveen Fund Drive Advisors, LLC. Chicago, IL 60606 STEPHEN D. Managing Director (since 2014), **FOY** formerly, Senior Vice President 1954 Vice President 1998 (2013-2014) and Vice President 168 and Controller (2005-2013) of Nuveen Fund 333 W. Wacker Advisors, LLC; Managing Director Drive (since 2016) of Nuveen Securities, LLC Managing Director (since 2016) of Nuveen Alternative Investments, Chicago, IL 60606 LLC; Certified Public Accountant. NATHANIEL T. Managing Director (since 2017), **JONES** formerly, Senior Vice President 1979 Vice President 2016 (2016-2017), formerly, Vice President 168 and Treasurer (2011-2016) of Nuveen; Managing 333 W. Wacker Director of Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC; Chartered Financial Analyst. Drive Chicago, IL 60606 WALTER M. Managing Director (since 2017), **KELLY** formerly, Senior Vice President (2008-2017) of Nuveen. 1970 Chief Compliance 2003 168 Officer and 333 W. Wacker Vice President Drive Chicago, IL 60606 DAVID J. LAMB Managing Director (since 2017), formerly, Senior Vice President of 1963 Vice President 2015 **74** Nuveen (since 2006), Vice President 333 W. Wacker prior to 2006. Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Managing Director (since 2017), TINA M. LAZAR 1961 Vice President 2002 formerly, Senior Vice President 168 (2014-2017) of Nuveen Securities, 333 W. Wacker LLC. Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

## **Board Members & Officers** (continued)

(Unaudited)

Name,	Position(s) Held with the Funds	Year First Elected or	Principal	Number of Portfolios
Year of Birth		Appointed <sup>(4)</sup>	Occupation(s)	in Fund Complex
				Overseen by
& Address			<b>During Past 5 Years</b>	Officer

KEVIN J.			Senior Managing Director (since 2017)	
MCCARTHY	*** 5	•••	and Secretary and General Counsel	-0
1966	Vice President and Assistant	2007	(since 2016) of Nuveen Investments, Inc., formerly, Executive Vice	68
333 W. Wacker	Secretary		President (2016-2017) and Managing	
Drive			Director and Assistant Secretary	
			(2008-2016); Senior Managing	
Chicago, IL 60606			Director (since 2017) and Assistant	
			Secretary (since 2008) of Nuveen	
			Securities, LLC, formerly Executive	
			Vice President (2016-2017) and	
			Managing Director (2008-2016);	
			Senior Managing Director (since	
			2017), Secretary (since 2016) and	
			Co-General Counsel (since 2011) of	
			Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC,	
			formerly, Executive Vice President	
			(2016-2017), Managing Director	
			(2008-2016) and Assistant Secretary	
			(2007-2016); Senior Managing	
			Director (since 2017), Secretary (since	
			2016) and Associate General Counsel	
			(since 2011) of Nuveen Asset	
			Management, LLC, formerly Executive	
			Vice President (2016-2017) and	
			Managing Director and Assistant	
			Secretary (2011-2016); Senior	
			Managing Director (since 2017) and	

Secretary (since 2016) of Nuveen Investments Advisers, LLC, formerly Executive Vice President (2016-2017);

Vice President (since 2007) and Secretary (since 2016), formerly,

Assistant Secretary, of NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC, Symphony Asset Management LLC, Santa Barbara Asset Management, LLC and Winslow Capital Management, LLC (since 2010). Senior Managing Director (since 2017) and Secretary (since 2016) of Nuveen Alternative Investments, LLC.

WILLIAM T.

**MEYERS** 

1966 Vice President **2018** 

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

MICHAEL A.

**PERRY** 

1967 Vice President **2017** 

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

**CHRISTOPHER** 

Μ.

ROHRBACHER

1971 Vice President **2008** and Assistant

Secretary

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

WILLIAM A. SIFFERMANN

1975 Vice President **2017** 

333 W. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Senior Managing Director (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2016-2017), Senior Vice President (2010-2016) of Nuveen Securities, LLC; and Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC; Senior Managing Director (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2016-2017), Senior Vice President (2010-2016) of Nuveen, has held various positions with Nuveen since 1991.

Executive Vice President (since 2017), previously Managing Director from 2016), of Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC 74 and Nuveen Alternative Investments, LLC; Executive Vice President (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2015-2017), of Nuveen Securities, LLC; formerly, Managing Director (2010-2015) of UBS Securities, LLC.

Managing Director (since 2017) and
Assistant Secretary of Nuveen
Securities, LLC; Managing Director
(since 2017), formerly, Senior Vice
President (2016-2017) and Assistant
Secretary (since 2016) of Nuveen Fund
Advisors, LLC.

Managing Director (since 2017), formerly Senior Vice President (2016-2017) and Vice President (2011-2016) of Nuveen.

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1978 Vice President and Assistant
333 W. Wacker Secretary

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

MARK L. WINGET

1968 Vice President and Assistant
333 W. Wacker Secretary

333 W. Wacker Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Fund Tax Director for Nuveen Funds

(since 2013); previously, Vice
President of Morgan Stanley
Investment Management, Inc.,
Assistant Treasurer of the Morgan
Stanley Funds (from 2010 to 2013).

Vice President and Assistant Secretary of Nuveen Securities, LLC (since

2008); Vice President (since 2010) and **168** Associate General Counsel (since

2008) of Nuveen.

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Name, Position(s) Held Year First Principal Number of Portfolios
Year of Birth Appointed<sup>(4)</sup> Occupation(s) in Fund Complex
Overseen by
& Address During Past 5 Years

Officers of the Funds (continued):

## GIFFORD R. ZIMMERMAN

1956 Vice President 1988 Secretary

333 W. Wacker Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Managing Director (since 2002), and Assistant Secretary of Nuveen Securities, LLC; Managing Director 168 (since 2004) and Assistant Secretary (since 1994) of Nuveen Investments, Inc.; Managing Director (since 2002), Assistant Secretary (since 1997) and Co-General Counsel (since 2011) of Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC: Managing Director, Assistant Secretary and Associate General Counsel of Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (since 2011); Vice President (since 2017), formerly, Managing Director (2003-2017) and Assistant Secretary (since 2003) of Symphony Asset Management LLC; Managing Director and Assistant Secretary (since 2002) of Nuveen Investments Advisers, LLC; Vice President and Assistant Secretary of NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC (since 2002), Santa Barbara Asset Management, LLC (since 2006), and of Winslow Capital Management, LLC, (since 2010); Chartered Financial Analyst.

- (1) The Board of Trustees is divided into three classes, Class I, Class II, and Class III, with each being elected to serve until the third succeeding annual shareholders meeting subsequent to its election or thereafter in each case when its respective successors are duly elected or appointed, except two board members are elected by the holders of Preferred Shares, when applicable, to serve until the next annual shareholders meeting subsequent to its election or thereafter in each case when its respective successors are duly elected or appointed. The year first elected or appointed represents the year in which the board member was first elected or appointed to any fund in the Nuveen Complex.
- (2) On May 25, 2017, Mr. Young was appointed as a Board Member, effective July 1, 2017. He is a Board Member of each of the Nuveen Funds, except Nuveen Diversified Dividend and Income Fund and Nuveen Real Estate Income Fund.
- (3) Interested person as defined in the 1940 Act, by reason of her position with Nuveen, LLC. and certain of its

subsidiaries, which are affiliates of the Nuveen Funds.

(4) Officers serve one year terms through August of each year. The year first elected or appointed represents the year in which the Officer was first elected or appointed to any fund in the Nuveen Complex.

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#### ITEM 2. CODE OF ETHICS.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the registrant has adopted a code of ethics that applies to the registrant s principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions. There were no amendments to or waivers from the Code during the period covered by this report. The registrant has posted the code of ethics on its website at www.nuveen.com/CEF/Shareholder/FundGovernance.aspx. (To view the code, click on Code of Conduct.)

#### ITEM 3. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the registrant s Board of Directors or Trustees (Board) determined that the registrant has at least one audit committee financial expert (as defined in Item 3 of Form N-CSR) serving on its Audit Committee. The registrant s audit committee financial experts are Carole E. Stone, Jack B. Evans and William C. Hunter who are independent for purposes of Item 3 of Form N-CSR.

Ms. Stone served for five years as Director of the New York State Division of the Budget. As part of her role as Director, Ms. Stone was actively involved in overseeing the development of the State s operating, local assistance and capital budgets, its financial plan and related documents; overseeing the development of the State s bond-related disclosure documents and certifying that they fairly presented the State s financial position; reviewing audits of various State and local agencies and programs; and coordinating the State s system of internal audit and control. Prior to serving as Director, Ms. Stone worked as a budget analyst/examiner with increasing levels of responsibility over a 30 year period, including approximately five years as Deputy Budget Director. Ms. Stone has also served as Chair of the New York State Racing Association Oversight Board, as Chair of the Public Authorities Control Board, as a Commissioner on the New York State Commission on Public Authority Reform and as a member of the Boards of Directors of several New York State public authorities. These positions have involved overseeing operations and finances of certain entities and assessing the adequacy of project/entity financing and financial reporting. Currently, Ms. Stone is on the Board of Directors of CBOE Holdings, Inc., of the Chicago Board Options Exchange, and of C2 Options Exchange. Ms. Stone s position on the boards of these entities and as a member of both CBOE Holdings Audit Committee and its Finance Committee has involved, among other things, the oversight of audits, audit plans and preparation of financial statements.

Mr. Evans was formerly President and Chief Operating Officer of SCI Financial Group, Inc., a full service registered broker-dealer and registered investment adviser (SCI). As part of his role as President and Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Evans actively supervised the Chief Financial Officer (the CFO) and actively supervised the CFO s preparation of financial statements and other filings with various regulatory authorities. In such capacity, Mr. Evans was actively involved in the preparation of SCI s financial statements and the resolution of issues raised in connection therewith. Mr. Evans has also served on the audit committee of various reporting companies. At such companies, Mr. Evans was involved in the oversight of audits, audit plans, and the preparation of financial statements. Mr. Evans also formerly chaired the audit committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Mr. Hunter was formerly a Senior Vice President at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. As part of his role as Senior Vice President, Mr. Hunter was the senior officer responsible for all operations of each of the Economic Research, Statistics, and Community and Consumer Affairs units at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. In such capacity, Mr. Hunter oversaw the subunits of the Statistics and Community and Consumer Affairs divisions responsible for the analysis and evaluation of bank and bank holding company financial statements and financial filings. Prior to serving as Senior Vice President at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Mr. Hunter was the Vice President of the Financial Markets unit at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta where he supervised financial staff and bank holding company analysts who analyzed and evaluated bank and bank holding company financial statements. Mr. Hunter also currently serves on the Boards of Directors of Xerox Corporation and Wellmark, Inc. as well as on the Audit Committees of such Boards. As an Audit Committee member, Mr. Hunter s responsibilities include, among

other things, reviewing financial statements, internal audits and internal controls over financial reporting. Mr. Hunter also formerly was a Professor of Finance at the University of Connecticut School of Business and has authored numerous scholarly articles on the topics of finance, accounting and economics.

## ITEM 4. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES.

The following tables show the amount of fees that KPMG LLP, the Funds auditor, billed to the Funds during the Funds last two full fiscal years. The Audit Committee approved in advance all audit services and non-audit services that KPMG LLP provided to the Funds, except for those non-audit services that were subject to the pre-approval exception under Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X (the pre-approval exception). The preapproval exception for services provided directly to the Funds waives the pre-approval requirement for services other than audit, review or attest services if: (A) the aggregate amount of all such services provided constitutes no more than 5% of the total amount of revenues paid by the Funds during the fiscal year in which the services are provided; (B) the Funds did not recognize the services as non-audit services at the time of the engagement; and (C) the services are promptly brought to the Audit Committee s attention, and the Committee (or its delegate) approves the services before the audit is completed.

The Audit Committee has delegated certain pre-approval responsibilities to its Chairman (or, in his absence, any other member of the Audit Committee).

#### SERVICES THAT THE FUND S AUDITOR BILLED TO THE FUND

	Audit-Related Fees								
		Fees Billed	211104 00			14111100		<b>All Other Fees</b>	
Fiscal Year Ended	to	Fund <sup>1</sup>	Fu	$1d^2$ B	illed t	o Fund <b>B</b>	Billed to	Fund <sup>4</sup>	
December 31, 2018	\$	27,900	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	
Percentage approved pursuant to pre-approval									
exception		0%		0%		0%		0%	
December 31, 2017	\$	27,150	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	
Percentage approved pursuant to pre-approval									
exception		0%		0%		0%		0%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Audit Fees are the aggregate fees billed for professional services for the audit of the Fund s annual financial statements and services provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Audit Related Fees are the aggregate fees billed for assurance and related services reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of financial statements that are not reported under Audit Fees . These fees include offerings related to the Fund s common shares and leverage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Tax Fees are the aggregate fees billed for professional services for tax advice, tax compliance, and tax planning. These fees include: all global withholding tax services; excise and state tax reviews; capital gain, tax equalization and taxable basis calculation performed by the principal accountant.

<sup>4</sup> All Other Fees are the aggregate fees billed for products and services other than Audit Fees , Audit-Related Fees and Tax Fees . These fees represent all Agreed-Upon Procedures engagements pertaining to the Fund's use of leverage.

## SERVICES THAT THE FUND S AUDITOR BILLED TO THE

#### ADVISER AND AFFILIATED FUND SERVICE PROVIDERS

The following tables show the amount of fees billed by KPMG LLP to Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC (formerly Nuveen Fund Advisors, Inc.) (the Adviser), and any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund (Affiliated Fund Service Provider), for engagements directly related to the Fund s operations and financial reporting, during the Fund s last two full fiscal years.

The tables also show the percentage of fees subject to the pre-approval exception. The pre-approval exception for services provided to the Adviser and any Affiliated Fund Service Provider (other than audit, review or attest services) waives the pre-approval requirement if: (A) the aggregate amount of all such services provided constitutes no more than 5% of the total amount of revenues paid to KPMG LLP by the Fund, the Adviser and Affiliated Fund Service Providers during the fiscal year in which the services are provided that would have to be pre-approved by the Audit Committee; (B) the Fund did not recognize the services as non-audit services at the time of the engagement; and (C) the services are promptly brought to the Audit Committee s attention, and the Committee (or its delegate) approves the services before the Fund s audit is completed.

Fiscal Year Ended	Audit-Rela Billed to Ac Affiliate Servic Provi	dviser ar ed Fund ce	ndAdvise Affiliate Serv	er and led Fundar	Billed to nd Affili Serv	Adviser ated Fund
		uers				luers
December 31, 2018	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Percentage approved pursuant to pre-approval exception		0%		0%		0%
December 31, 2017	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
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Percentage approved pursuant to pre-approval exception		0%		0%		0%

#### NON-AUDIT SERVICES

The following table shows the amount of fees that KPMG LLP billed during the Fund s last two full fiscal years for non-audit services. The Audit Committee is required to pre-approve non-audit services that KPMG LLP provides to the Adviser and any Affiliated Fund Services Provider, if the engagement related directly to the Fund s operations and financial reporting (except for those subject to the pre-approval exception described above). The Audit Committee requested and received information from KPMG LLP about any non-audit services that KPMG LLP rendered during the Fund s last fiscal year to the Adviser and any Affiliated Fund Service Provider. The Committee considered this information in evaluating KPMG LLP s independence.

Total Non-Audit Fees
billed to Adviser and
Affiliated Fund **Sotalc**Non-Audit Fees
billed to Adviser and
Providers (engagementsAffiliated
Total Non-Audit **Fleate**d directly to **Then**d Service
Billed tooperations and finencialers (all other
Fund reporting of the Fundgagements) Total

Fiscal Year Ended	F	Fund reporting of	the Fu <b>nd</b> gage	ments) Tot	tal
December 31, 2018	\$	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0
December 31, 2017	\$	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0

Non-Audit Fees billed to Fund for both fiscal year ends represent Tax Fees and All Other Fees billed to Fund in their respective amounts from the previous table.

Less than 50 percent of the hours expended on the principal accountant s engagement to audit the registrant s financial statements for the most recent fiscal year were attributed to work performed by persons other than the principal accountant s full-time, permanent employees.

Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures. Generally, the Audit Committee must approve (i) all non-audit services to be performed for the Fund by the Fund s independent accountants and (ii) all audit and non-audit services to be performed by the Fund s independent accountants for the Affiliated Fund Service Providers with respect to operations and financial reporting of the Fund. Regarding tax and research projects conducted by the independent accountants for the Fund and Affiliated Fund Service Providers (with respect to operations and financial reports of the Fund) such engagements will be (i) pre-approved by the Audit Committee if they are expected to be for amounts greater than \$10,000; (ii) reported to the Audit Committee chairman for his verbal approval prior to engagement if they are expected to be for amounts under \$10,000 but greater than \$5,000; and (iii) reported to the Audit Committee at the next Audit Committee meeting if they are expected to be for an amount under \$5,000.

#### ITEM 5. AUDIT COMMITTEE OF LISTED REGISTRANTS.

The registrant s Board has a separately designated Audit Committee established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(58)(A)). As of the end of the period covered by this report, the members of the audit committee are Jack B. Evans, William C. Hunter, John K. Nelson, Carole E. Stone and Terence J. Toth.

#### ITEM 6. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

(a) See Portfolio of Investments in Item 1.

(b) Not applicable.

# ITEM 7. DISCLOSURE OF PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR CLOSED-END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC is the registrant s investment adviser (also referred to as the Adviser). The Adviser is responsible for the on-going monitoring of the Fund s investment portfolio, managing the Fund s business affairs and providing certain clerical, bookkeeping and administrative services. The Adviser has engaged NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC (NWQ), Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (Nuveen Asset Management) and Santa Barbara Asset Management (Santa Barbara) (NWQ, Nuveen Asset Management and Santa Barbara are collectively referred to as Sub-Advisers) as Sub-Advisers to provide discretionary investment advisory services. As part of these services, the Adviser has delegated to each Sub-Adviser the full responsibility for proxy voting and related duties in accordance with each Sub-Adviser s policies and procedures. The Adviser periodically monitors each Sub-Adviser s voting to ensure that it is carrying out its duties. Each Sub-Adviser s proxy voting policies and procedures are attached to this filing as an exhibit and incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 8. PORTFOLIO MANAGERS OF CLOSED-END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC is the registrant s investment adviser (also referred to as the Adviser). The Adviser is responsible for the selection and on-going monitoring of the Fund s investment portfolio, managing the Fund s business affairs and providing certain clerical, bookkeeping and administrative services. The Adviser has engaged NWQ Investment Management Company, LLC (NWQ), Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (Nuveen Asset Management) and Santa Barbara Asset Management, LLC (Santa Barbara) as Sub-Advisers to provide discretionary investment advisory services; (NWQ, Nuveen Asset Management and Santa Barbara are also collectively referred to as Sub-Advisers). The following section provides information on the portfolio managers at each Sub-Adviser:

Nuveen Asset Management

#### Item 8(a)(1). PORTFOLIO MANAGER BIOGRAPHIES

As of the date of filing this report, the following individuals at the Sub-Adviser (the Portfolio Managers ) have primary responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of the Fund s investment strategy:

David Friar, Senior Vice President (since 2014) and Portfolio Manager (since 2011) of Nuveen Asset Management, entered the financial services industry in 1998. He joined Nuveen Asset Management in January 2011 following the firm sacquisition of a portion of the asset management business of FAF Advisors. Mr. Friar previously served in various positions with FAF Advisors since 1999 where he served as a member of FAF s Performance Measurement group.

Jody Hrazanek joined Nuveen in May 2018 from Voya Investment Management (2005 to 2018) where she was head of Strategy Design and Implementation. In this role, she was portfolio manager for a number of multi-asset strategies including target date, portable alpha and option overlay strategies. Prior to Voya, Ms. Hrazanek worked at Advent Capital Management from 2003 to 2005 as a convertible bond trader for both long-only and hedge fund portfolios. Ms. Hrazanek has been a portfolio manager of the Fund since September 1, 2018.

## Item 8(a)(2). OTHER ACCOUNTS MANAGED BY PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

In addition to the Fund, as of December 31, 2018, the portfolio managers are also primarily responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the following accounts:

(iii) Number of Other Accounts and

	(ii) Number o	of Other Acco	unts Managed		ts for Wl visory Fe	
	and As	sets by Accou	nt Type	Perfo	rmance-F	Based
	Other			Other	Other	
	Registered	Other Pooled		Registere	dPooled	
	Investment	Investment	Other	Investmer	<b>t</b> vestmen	tOther
(i) Name of Portfolio Manager	Companies	Vehicles	Accounts	Companie	<b>V</b> ehicles	ccounts
David Friar	5 \$ 1.87 billion	0 \$ 0	8 \$591 millio	on N/A	N/A	N/A
			1* \$ 95 millio	on		

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Jody Hrazanek 4 \$ 1.86 billion 0 \$ 0 0 \$ 0 N/A N/A

\*Other Accounts-overlay strategies The portfolio manager is responsible for the management of overlay strategies employed by this account that use derivative instruments either to obtain, offset or substitute for certain portfolio exposures beyond those provided by the account s underlying portfolios.

#### POTENTIAL MATERIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Actual or apparent conflicts of interest may arise when a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one account. More specifically, portfolio managers who manage multiple accounts are presented a number of potential conflicts, including, among others, those discussed below.

The management of multiple accounts may result in a portfolio manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of each account. Nuveen Asset Management seeks to manage such competing interests for the time and attention of portfolio managers by having portfolio managers focus on a particular investment discipline. Most accounts managed by a portfolio manager in a particular investment strategy are managed using the same investment models.

If a portfolio manager identifies a limited investment opportunity which may be suitable for more than one account, an account may not be able to take full advantage of that opportunity due to an allocation of filled purchase or sale orders across all eligible accounts. To deal with these situations, Nuveen Asset Management has adopted procedures for allocating limited opportunities across multiple accounts.

With respect to many of its clients—accounts, Nuveen Asset Management determines which broker to use to execute transaction orders, consistent with its duty to seek best execution of the transaction. However, with respect to certain other accounts, Nuveen Asset Management may be limited by the client with respect to the selection of brokers or may be instructed to direct trades through a particular broker. In these cases, Nuveen Asset Management may place separate, non-simultaneous, transactions for a Fund and other accounts which may temporarily affect the market price of the security or the execution of the transaction, or both, to the detriment of the Fund or the other accounts.

Some clients are subject to different regulations. As a consequence of this difference in regulatory requirements, some clients may not be permitted to engage in all the investment techniques or transactions or to engage in these transactions to the same extent as the other accounts managed by the portfolio manager. Finally, the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise where Nuveen Asset Management has an incentive, such as a performance-based management fee, which relates to the management of some accounts, with respect to which a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities.

Nuveen Asset Management has adopted certain compliance procedures which are designed to address these types of conflicts common among investment managers. However, there is no guarantee that such procedures will detect each and every situation in which a conflict arises.

## Item 8(a)(3). FUND MANAGER COMPENSATION

As of the most recently completed fiscal year end, the primary portfolio managers compensation is as follows:

Portfolio manager compensation consists primarily of base pay, an annual cash bonus and long term incentive payments.

*Base pay*. Base pay is determined based upon an analysis of the portfolio manager s general performance, experience, and market levels of base pay for such position.

*Annual cash bonus*. The Fund s portfolio managers are eligible for an annual cash bonus based on investment performance, qualitative evaluation and financial performance of Nuveen Asset Management.

A portion of each portfolio manager s annual cash bonus is based on the Fund s pre-tax investment performance, generally measured over the past one- and three or five-year periods unless the portfolio manager s tenure is shorter. Investment performance for the Fund generally is determined by evaluating the Fund s performance relative to its benchmark(s) and/or Lipper industry peer group.

A portion of the cash bonus is based on a qualitative evaluation made by each portfolio manager s supervisor taking into consideration a number of factors, including the portfolio manager s team collaboration, expense management, support of personnel responsible for asset growth, and his or her compliance with Nuveen Asset Management s policies and procedures.

The final factor influencing a portfolio manager s cash bonus is the financial performance of Nuveen Asset Management based on its operating earnings.

Long-term incentive compensation. Certain key employees of Nuveen Asset Management, including certain portfolio managers, have received profits interests in Nuveen Asset Management which entitle their holders to participate in the firm s growth over time.

There are generally no differences between the methods used to determine compensation with respect to the Fund and the Other Accounts shown in the table above.

Item 8(a)(4). OWNERSHIP OF JTD SECURITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

#### Name of Portfolio

		<b>\$1</b> -	\$10,001-	\$50,001-	\$100,001-	\$500,001-	
Manager	None	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	Over \$1,000,000
David Friar	X						
Jody Hrazanek	X						

**NWQ** 

#### Item 8(a)(1). PORTFOLIO MANAGER BIOGRAPHIES

As of the date of filing this report, the following individuals at the Sub-Adviser (the Portfolio Managers ) have primary responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of the Fund s investment strategy:

Thomas J. Ray, CFA, Managing Director, Co-Head of Fixed Income, Portfolio Manager/Analyst

Prior to joining NWQ in 2015, Tom was a Private Investor. Prior to that, he served as Chief Investment Officer, President and founding member of Inflective Asset Management, LLC; a boutique investment firm specializing in convertible securities. Prior to founding Inflective, Tom also served as portfolio manager at Transamerica Investment Management. Tom graduated from University of Wisconsin with a B.B.A in Finance, Investment & Banking and an M.S. in Finance. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the CFA Institute.

Susi Budiman, CFA, Managing Director and Co-Head of Fixed Income, Portfolio Manager/Analyst

Prior to joining NWQ in 2006, Susi was Portfolio Manager for China Life Insurance Company, Ltd. in Taiwan where she managed multi-sector and multi-currency fixed income portfolios with responsibility for over \$1.8 billion in assets under management. Prior to that, she was a currency exchange associate at Fleet National Bank in Singapore covering Asian, Euro, and other major currencies.

Susi earned her B. Comm. in Finance from the University of British Columbia and received her M.B.A. in Finance at the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California. She earned her Chartered Financial Analyst designation from the CFA Institute in 2006 and is a member of the Los Angeles Society of Financial Analysts. She also earned her Financial Risk Manager designation in 2003.

#### Item 8(a)(2). OTHER ACCOUNTS MANAGED BY PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

In addition to managing the Income Oriented Strategy, Mr. Ray and Ms. Budiman are also primarily responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the following accounts. Information is provided as of December 31, 2018 unless otherwise indicated:

				Number of	Assets of
				Accounts with	Accounts with
	Type of Account	Number		Performa <b>Re</b>	
Portfolio Manager	Managed	of Accounts	Assets	Based fees	Based Fees
Thomas Ray	Registered Investment Companies	7	\$ 2.1 billion	0	0
	Other Pooled Investment Vehicles	3	\$463 million	0	0
	Other Accounts	1348*	\$944 million*	0	0
Susi Budiman	Registered Investment Companies	3	\$ 1.64 billion	0	0
	Other Pooled Investment Vehicles	3	\$463 million	0	0

Other Accounts

1343\*\* \$891

\$891 million\*\*

0

0

\*includes approximately \$163 million in model-based and other non-discretionary assets as of 12/31/18

<sup>\*\*</sup>includes approximately \$162 million in model-based assets as of 12/31/18

#### POTENTIAL MATERIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Actual or perceived conflicts of interest may arise when a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one account. More specifically, portfolio managers who manage multiple accounts are presented with the following potential conflicts, which are not intended to be an exhaustive list:

The management of multiple accounts may result in a portfolio manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of each account. NWQ seeks to manage such competing interests for the time and attention of the portfolio manager by utilizing investment models for the management of most investment strategies.

If a portfolio manager identifies a limited investment opportunity which may be suitable for more than one account, an account may not be able to take full advantage of that opportunity due to an allocation of filled purchase or sale orders across all eligible accounts. To deal with these situations, NWQ has adopted procedures for allocating limited opportunities across multiple accounts.

With respect to many of its clients—accounts, NWQ determines which broker to utilize when placing orders for execution, consistent with its duty to seek to obtain best execution of the transaction. However, with respect to certain other accounts, NWQ may be limited by the client with respect to the selection of brokers or may be instructed to direct trades through a particular broker. In these cases, NWQ may place separate transactions for certain accounts which may temporarily affect the market price of the security or the execution of the transaction, or both, to the detriment of other accounts. NWQ seeks to minimize market impact by using its discretion in releasing orders in a manner which seeks to cause the least possible impact while keeping within the approximate price range of the discretionary block trade.

Finally, the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise where NWQ has an incentive, such as a performance-based management fee, which relates to the management of some accounts, with respect to which the portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities. NWQ periodically performs a comparative analysis of the performance between accounts with performance fees and those without performance fees.

NWQ has adopted certain compliance procedures which are designed to address these types of conflicts common among investment managers. However, there is no guarantee that such procedures will detect each and every situation in which a conflict arises.

Item 8(a)(3). FUND MANAGER COMPENSATION

As of the most recently completed fiscal year end, the primary portfolio managers compensation is as follows:

NWQ offers a highly competitive compensation structure with the purpose of attracting and retaining the most talented investment professionals. These professionals are rewarded through a combination of cash and long-term incentive compensation as determined by the firm s Executive Committee. Total compensation (TC) consists of both a base salary and annual variable compensation composed of a cash bonus and deferred compensation. TC can be a multiple of the base salary.

NWQ annually benchmarks TC to prevailing industry norms with the objective of achieving competitive levels for all contributing professionals. In addition, Nuveen annually participates in the McLagan compensation survey, and regularly benchmarks employee salaries, bonus, and total compensation levels to ensure it remains competitive.

To further strengthen our incentive compensation package and to create an even stronger alignment with clients and the long-term success of the firm, NWQ has implemented a long-term incentive program. The annual bonus pool for NWQ is tied first and foremost to investment performance, along with considerations for flows, revenue and firm discretion.

Individual bonuses out of that pool, including the Investment Team, are based primarily on the following:

Overall performance of client portfolios

For NWQ s analysts, objective review of stock recommendations and the quality of primary research

Subjective review of the professional s contributions to portfolio strategy, teamwork, collaboration, and work ethic In addition, a portion of annual bonuses will be deferred and tied to Nuveen s long-term performance.

Lastly, key individuals have received retention long-term performance compensation that vests at year-end 2022. The program is designed to ensure that NWQ s professionals have a strong alignment of interests with the firm s clients over the long term.

At NWQ, we believe that we are an employer of choice. Our analysts have a meaningful impact on the portfolio and, therefore, are compensated in a manner similar to portfolio managers at many other firms.

Item 8(a)(4). OWNERSHIP OF JTD SECURITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

Name of Portfolio		<b>\$1 -</b>					
			\$10,001-	\$50,001-	\$100,001-	\$500,001-	
Manager	None	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	Over \$1,000,000
Thomas Ray							
	X						
Susi Budiman	X						

Santa Barbara

#### Item 8(a)(1). PORTFOLIO MANAGER BIOGRAPHY

As of the date of filing this report, the following individuals at the Sub-Adviser (the Portfolio Managers ) have primary responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of the Fund s investment strategy:

James R. Boothe, CFA, Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager

Mr. James R. Boothe, CFA, joined Santa Barbara Asset Management in 2002. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Boothe was a Portfolio Manager and an Industrials Analyst at USAA. Preceding this, he worked at San Juan Asset Management as a Portfolio Manager and Analyst. Mr. Boothe received a B.B.A. from Kent State University and an M.B.A. in Finance from Loyola Marymount University. Mr. Boothe holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

## Item 8(a)(2). OTHER ACCOUNTS MANAGED

In addition to managing a portion of the Nuveen Diversified Dividend and Income Fund, Mr. Boothe is also primarily responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the following accounts. Information is provided as of December 31, 2018:

				Number	Assets
				of	of
				Accounts	Accounts
				with	with
	Type of Account			Performa <b>r</b> t	eformance-
		Number of		Based	Based
Portfolio Manager	Managed	Accounts	Assets	fees	Fees
James Boothe	Registered Investment Companies	4	\$ 3.2 billion	0	0
	Other Pooled Investment Vehicles	1	\$ 126 million	0	0
	Other Accounts	5,025	\$ 8.2 billion*	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> includes approximately \$6.95 billion in model-based assets as of 12/31/18.

## POTENTIAL MATERIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Actual or perceived conflicts of interest may arise when a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one account. More specifically, portfolio managers who manage multiple accounts are presented with the following potential conflicts, which are not intended to be an exhaustive list:

The management of multiple accounts may result in the portfolio manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of each account. Santa Barbara seeks to manage such competing interests for the time and attention of the portfolio manager by utilizing investment models for the management of most investment strategies.

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With respect to many of its clients—accounts, Santa Barbara determines which broker to utilize when placing orders for execution, consistent with its duty to seek best execution of the transaction. However, with respect to certain other accounts, Santa Barbara may be limited by the client with respect to the selection of brokers when the client instructs Santa Barbara to direct trades through a particular broker. Santa Barbara aggregates client orders at the broker level in accordance with a client—s brokerage instruction and executes orders utilizing a broker rotation schedule which sequences discretionary trades, client directed trades by broker, and wrap-fee trades including UMA trades.

Finally, the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise where Santa Barbara has an incentive, such as a performance-based management fee, which relates to the management of some accounts, with respect to which the portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities. Santa Barbara periodically performs a comparative analysis of the performance between accounts with performance fees and those without performance fees. Santa Barbara has adopted certain compliance procedures which are designed to address these types of conflicts common among investment managers. However, there is no guarantee that such procedures will detect each and every situation in which a conflict arises.

#### Item 8(a)(3). FUND MANAGER COMPENSATION

As of the most recently completed fiscal year end, the primary portfolio managers compensation is as follows:

Annual compensation consists of both a base salary and bonus that can be a multiple of the base salary. Additionally the portfolio managers participate in a long-term incentive program, as noted below. Annual bonus compensation is primarily a function of the firm s overall annual profitability and the individual portfolio managers contribution as measured by the overall investment performance of client portfolios managed, relative to the strategy s general benchmark for one, three and five-year periods, as applicable.

SBAM has provided all employees with a meaningful opportunity to participate in the success of the firm through participation in an equity incentive program. Participants in the program receive profits interests, which vest over time. Holders of profits interests are entitled to receive a percentage of SBAM s annual profits and will participate in the growth of the overall value of SBAM. The plan was put in place to retain talented employees and create an even stronger alignment to the long term success of the firm and SBAM s clients. Specific details regarding SBAM s equity program are proprietary and confidential.

Finally, SBAM relies on Nuveen s annual participation in the McLagan compensation survey to regularly benchmark employee salaries, bonus, and total cash levels to ensure it remains competitive.

Item 8(a)(4). OWNERSHIP OF JTD SECURITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

#### Name of Portfolio

		<b>\$1 -</b>	\$10,001-	\$50,001-	\$100,001-	\$500,001-	Over
Manager	None	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
James R. Boothe	X						

ITEM 9. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY CLOSED-END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS.

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS.

There have been no material changes to the procedures by which shareholders may recommend nominees to the registrant s Board implemented after the registrant last provided disclosure in response to this Item.

ITEM 11. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) The registrant s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act) (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15 (b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15 (b)).
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 12. DISCLOSURE OF SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITIES FOR CLOSED-END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 13. EXHIBITS.

File the exhibits listed below as part of this Form.

- (a)(1) Any code of ethics, or amendment thereto, that is the subject of the disclosure required by Item 2, to the extent that the registrant intends to satisfy the Item 2 requirements through filing of an exhibit: Not applicable because the code is posted on registrant s website at www.nuveen.com/CEF/Shareholder/FundGovernance.aspx and there were no amendments during the period covered by this report. (To view the code, click on Code of Conduct.)
- (a)(2) A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)) in the exact form set forth below: Ex-99.CERT Attached hereto.
- (a)(3) Any written solicitation to purchase securities under Rule 23c-1 under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.23c-1) sent or given during the period covered by the report by or on behalf of the registrant to 10 or more persons. Not applicable.
- (a)(4) Change in registrant s independent public accountant. Not applicable.
- (b) If the report is filed under Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, provide the certifications required by Rule 30a-2(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(b)); Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-14(b) or 240.15d-14(b)), and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. 1350) as an exhibit. A certification furnished pursuant to this paragraph will not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78r), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Such certification will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the registrant specifically incorporates it by reference. Ex-99.906 CERT attached hereto.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman

Gifford R. Zimmerman Vice President and Secretary

Date: March 8, 2019

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Cedric H. Antosiewicz

Cedric H. Antosiewicz Chief Administrative Officer (principal executive officer)

Date: March 8, 2019

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Stephen D. Foy

Stephen D. Foy

Vice President and Controller (principal financial officer)

Date: March 8, 2019