



# ELITE WEALTH MANAGEMENT

## Tactical Long/Short Strategy

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**INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE:** To seek capital appreciation in varying market environments while exhibiting less downside volatility than the S&P 500.

**INVESTMENT APPROACH:** The strategy uses technical trading indicators as well as fundamental analysis to actively trade broad index ETFs and their inverse ETFs. During periods when a trade signal does not indicate a trend in either direction, the strategy will invest in cash. The strategy can invest in any combination of ETFs such as SPY, QQQ, SH, PSQ and also hold cash. The investment philosophy behind the strategy is that a way to make money is to lose less in market downturns. The strategy is appropriate for investors who are looking to sidestep market downturns while still participating in the upside.

### STRATEGY STRENGTHS

- Seeks to provide downside protection and alpha in market downturns.
- Tactical approach to opportunistically capture returns in various market environments.
- Flexibility to be long, short, neutral, or a combination based on market conditions.
- Takes a neutral position when no opportunity is signaled or data are mixed.
- Fundamental macro overlay on top of a quantitative algorithmic approach.

### TACTICAL LONG/SHORT PERFORMANCE (NET OF FEES)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD		
													Tactical L/S	S&P 500 TR	
2018	6.44%	-2.39%												3.90%	1.83%
2017	1.56%	3.71%	-0.29%	1.13%	1.46%	-0.65%	2.61%	0.71%	0.83%	3.22%	2.45%	0.63%		18.71%	21.83%
2016	-2.55%	-0.38%	2.14%	-0.01%	1.35%	-0.13%	2.91%	0.10%	-0.42%	-1.29%	3.11%	1.36%		6.20%	11.96%
2015	-3.09%	5.34%	-1.49%	0.68%	1.23%	-1.92%	1.85%	-5.82%	-5.60%	6.63%	0.34%	-2.15%		-4.70%	1.38%
2014	-3.35%	4.32%	0.79%	0.66%	1.93%	1.96%	-1.33%	3.74%	-1.31%	-1.54%	2.61%	-0.24%		8.24%	13.69%
2013						-1.79%	4.48%	-2.85%	2.53%	4.40%	2.82%	2.45%		12.40%	14.75%

### TACTICAL LONG/SHORT PERFORMANCE STATISTICS (NET OF FEES)

Standard Deviation (Monthly):	2.65%	February Return:	-2.39%
Standard Deviation (Annualized):	9.17%	YTD Return:*	3.90%
Downside Deviation (Monthly):**	1.62%	Average Monthly Return:	0.77%
Downside Deviation (Annualized):**	5.62%	Highest Month:	6.63%
Sharpe Ratio (Monthly):**	0.20	Lowest Month:	-5.82%
Sharpe Ratio (Annualized):**	0.68	% of Positive Months:	61.40%
Sortino Ratio (Monthly):**	0.30	Maximum Drawdown:	-11.19%
Sortino Ratio (Annualized):**	1.04	Longest Winning Streak:	7 Months
Alpha (Monthly):***	-0.04%	Longest Losing Streak:	3 Months
Alpha (Annualized):***	-0.43%		
Beta:***	0.86	Compounded Monthly Return:	0.74%
Correlation Coefficient:***	0.93	Compounded Annual Return:	9.19%
R-squared:***	0.87	Cumulative Return:	51.86%

\*YTD Through February 2018 \*\*Based on Risk Free Rate (RFR) at 3.0% \*\*\*Calculated Against S&P 500 TR



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**Sources:** Yahoo Finance, Hedge Connection, Chicago Board of Exchange.