

### CEFEX/Fiduciary Assessment Presentation

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# Outline

CEFEX/Fiduciary Assessment Findings

• Assessment Team Management

- The CEFEX and Fiduciary Assessment Opportunity
  - Process/Presentations/Deliverables

# **Recent Assessment Findings**

- Inconsistent Default/QDIA designation between Plan Document and IPS
- 408(b)(2) Fee Disclosures Advisor Agreements
- Undocumented Process for Selecting Core Menu asset Classes
- Inconsistent IPS and Monitoring Report Due Diligence Criteria/Procedures
- Inadequate Global Investment Monitoring System

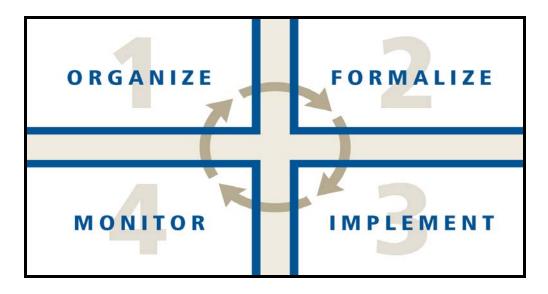
## **Assessment Team Management**

- Internal vs. External Team Members
- Qualifications and Experience
- Delegation of Duties
- Expectations/Client Communication
- Review and Management of Team

# **Assessment Opportunities**

- Different Message Door Opening Opportunity
- "Not sure how we can help or if you need our help". "Here is what we typically do ......"
- "Here are the deliverables we provide!" and "What you can expect!"
- After the completion of the Assessment:
  - You can implement our findings
  - Hire us to help implement the findings
  - If you desire to hire a different investment advisor, we would be honored to be included in your 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Search
    - If we are retained, we will credit back the assessment fees against our first year invoice since we would start with an Assessment anyways.

### Fiduciary Quality Management System An ISO 9000 Like Process to Minimize Liability

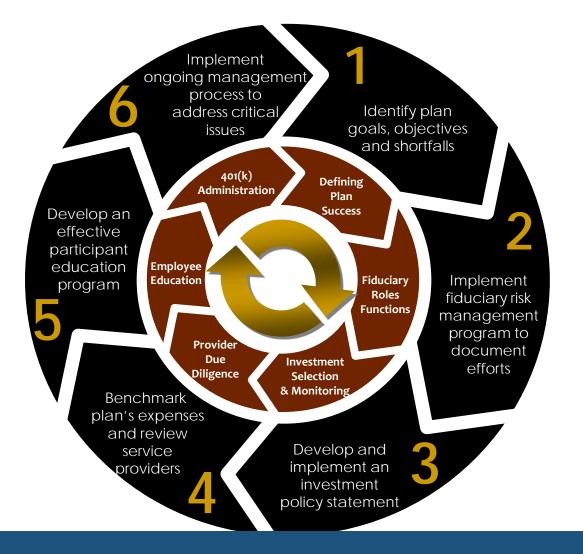


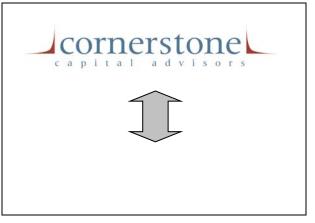




### **CCA's Fiduciary Governance Process**

The six Key steps Plan Sponsors & Fiduciaries must address as they set up, manage and review a qualified plan.





Source: The 401k Service SOLUTION™

## How to Measure?

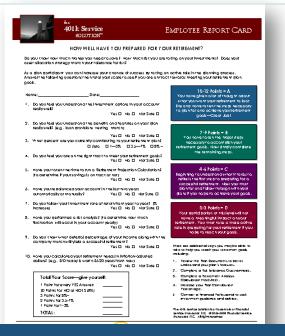
Our intense measurement process helps us to identify priorities, risks and demonstrate progress

Measurement helps document the return on investment for hiring us

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### **Employee Report Card**





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### How to Monitor and Document the File?

Our ongoing due diligence process ensures compliance with ERISA regulations including 404(a), 404(c), 408(b)(2) & 404(a)(5)

- Documentation
  - Investment Policy Statement
  - Plan/Trust documents
  - Service Agreements
    - ERISA 408(b)(2)
  - **RFP** records \_
  - Investment Committee minutes
  - Conflict of Interest policy
- Asset allocation strategy
- Due diligence in selecting investment options
- Implementation of investment strategies
- Custody, brokerage and other service providers
- Monitoring and performance reports
- Participant disclosure per regulation (ERISA 404(a)(5))

#### Fi360 Fiduciary Score<sup>™</sup> Criteria

- 2 Manager Tenure: The investment manager must have at least a 2 year track history (Most senior manager's tenure)
- 3 Assets: The investment must have at least 75 million under management (total across all share classes for funds/etfs) 4
  - Composition: The investment's allocation to its primary asset class should be greater than or equal to 80%. (Not applied to all peer groups.)
- 5 Style: The investment's current style box should match the peer group. (Not applied to all peer groups.)
- 6 Prospectus Net Exp Ratio: The investment must place in the top 75% of its peer group 7 Alpha: The investment must place in the top 50% of its peer group. 8 Sharpe: The investment must place in the top 50% of its peer group

Inception Date: The investment must have at least a 3 year track history

- 1 Year Return: The investment must place in the top 50% of its peer group 10 3 Year Return: The investment must place in the top 50% of its peer group
- 11 5 Year Return: The investment must place in the top 50% of its peer group

#### Calculation Metholodogy

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Fi360 Fiduciary Score" (Qtr) and (Avg) represent the percentile rank of a mutual fund or ETFs "raw score" relative to its peer group. The "raw score" is calculated using the criteria described above and the weighting system identified in the Fi360 Fiduciary Score Methodology. 0 is the best score and 100 is the poorest

			Fi360 Fiduciary Score™			Fi360 Fiduciary Score™ Factors										
Investment Name	Ticker	Peer Group	Qtr	Avg	# of Peers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Dryden Stock Index A	PSIAX	Large Blend	37	32	1,368	1	1	1	1	1	1	×	×	×	×	×
AIM Constellation A	CSTGX	Large Growth	44	21	1,211	1	1	1	1	1	1	×	×	×	×	×
American Century Ultra Inst	TWUIX	Large Growth	67	59	1,211	1	x	1	1	1	1	×	×	1	×	×
Calvert Social Investment Equity A	CSIEX	Large Growth	44	21	1,211	1	1	1	1	1	1	×	1	×	×	×
Oppenheimer Capital Appreciation A	OPTFX	Large Growth	40	23	1,211	1	1	1	1	1	1	×	×	1	×	×
Artisan Mid Cap Inv	ARTMX	Mid-Cap Growth	0	17	678	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Janus Worldwide	JAWWX	World Stock	80	85	362	1	1	1	N/Ap	N/Ap	1	×	×	×	×	x



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#### Legend Investment meets the factor

- Investment does not meet the factor
- N/Av Investment data is not available
- N/S Investment doesn't have the history to be scored
- N/App Investment is not screened on the factor

# **Assessment Opportunities**

### cornerstone

#### Why is a Fiduciary Assessment Necessary?

What process and reports do you prepare and refer to on an ongoing basis to ensure you have fulfilled your duties as a retirement plan committee member?

If you are not sure or cannot provide reports and checklists immediately, a Fiduciary Assessment is a critical next step.

This ISO-like process measures how well Investment Stewards (Trustees and Investment Committees) follow the set of <u>Prudent Investment Practices for Investment Stewards</u> and the Global Fiduciary Standard of Excellence. A fiduciary assessment measures your process to ensure plan fiduciaries make prudent investment decisions.

The fi360 <u>Prudent Investment Practices for Investment Stewards</u> are substantiated through ERISA, UPIA, UPMIFA, MPERS, Case Law and DOL Regulatory Opinions.

#### The Benefits of a Fiduciary Assessment are:

- It provides a checklist/audit program of prudent practices implemented and followed which can be independently verified.
- 2. It helps to benchmark current status, prioritize work, and measure progress.
- 3. It serves as a practice manual for all parties involved with investment decisions.
- It helps to uncover investment and/or procedural risks, which may reduce liability and may reduce E&O premiums.
- It demonstrates leadership, improves marketability, and increases the awareness of effective stewardship to donors and/or participants and beneficiaries.



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#### Assessment Deliverables include:

- A CEFEX Registered Opinion Letter & Final Report with Findings and Recommendations
- 2. The Fi360 Prudent Practices Benchmarking Report & Checklist
- 3. The Organization of Critical Documents
- 4. An Investment Policy Statement Analysis
- A detailed Plan Asset Allocation, Investment Menu & Fee-Component Reports
   Specific Industry leading Benchmarking Reports including Fee Benchmarking &
- Plan Success Metrics
- A detailed Regulatory Analysis 404(a), 404(c), QDIA, 408(b)(2) & 404(a)(5) checklists
- 8. Any other requested Analysis as agreed upon

CCA's Mario Giganti is a national leader in 401(k) Plan Fiduciary Assessments, Fiduciary Best Practices, Retirement Plan Consulting Services, and teaching and consulting with the fi360 Prudent Investment Practices and CEFEX Auditing and Assessment techniques.

For more information on how a Fiduciary Assessment can help your company or organization manage its investment fiduciary risk and improve your plan, please contact Mario Giganti, CPA, CFP®, AIFA®, PPC® using the information below. A Fiduciary Assessment can only be completed by an Accredited Investment Fiduciary Analyst®.



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### **CEFEX Update** Fi360 National Conference



The Mark of Certified Fiduciaries

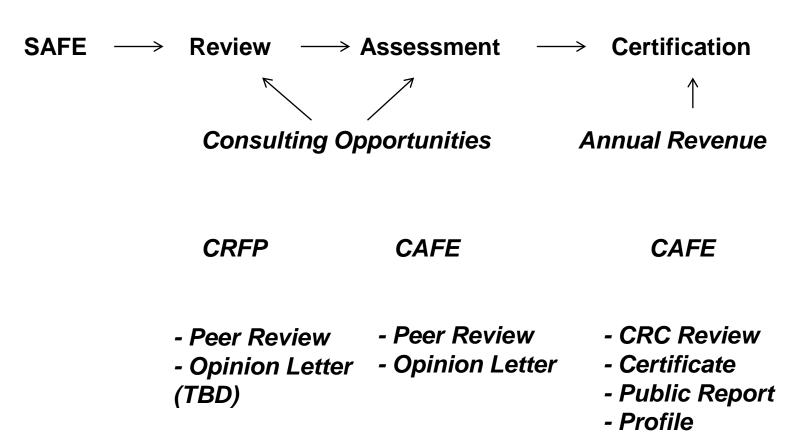
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### Update

- Internal sales person added to sell assessments on behalf of Analysts.
- External sales pilot underway.
- Public Relations firm retained.
- Increased collaboration with fi360.
- Increased focus on assessments

   Revision to AIFA program
- On-line forms!

## Approach to Assessments



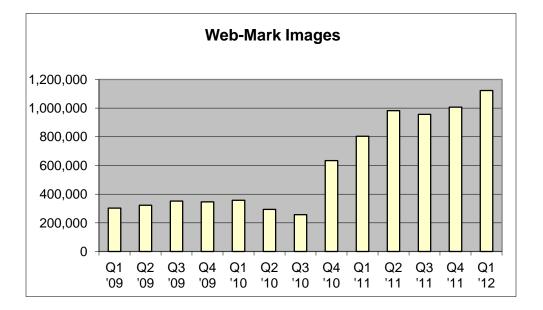
- Legal Opinion Letter

### New Assessment Types

### To help AIFA's get engaged with Stewards:

- Consultants Review of Fiduciary Practices (CRFP)
  - Includes Fiduciary Monitoring Report and Fee Summary Report
- 408(b)(2) Review
- 404(a)(5) Review
- Exclusive to CEFEX Analysts
  - Annual training on all assessment forms
  - Peer support available
- Analyst can market any way
  - Use CEFEX material, customize it
  - Can charge any amount (uses own Engagement Agreement)
  - Recommend a \$2K minimum.
- Help Stewards become aware of fiduciary obligations!

### Web Hits



# Thank-you!

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