

# SENTINEL ESTATE PROVIDER FUND PERFORMANCE

Average annual returns as of October 31, 2009

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COMPLEX	SUBACCOUNT	INCEPTION DATE	YEAR TO DATE	MRO <sup>1</sup> Return	As of October 31, 2009					As of September 30, 2009				
					1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS	
Sentinel VPT	Common Stock Fund	11/30/00	19.07%	14.09%	11.71%	-3.15%	3.39%	N/A	2.65%	-3.66%	-1.70%	3.59%	N/A	
	Mid Cap Growth Fund	11/30/00	21.79	13.50	12.09	-6.55	-0.63	N/A	-2.26	-9.47	-4.65	0.43	N/A	
	Small Company Fund	11/30/00	17.53	16.27	10.70	-3.68	3.44	N/A	6.20	-8.07	-1.09	4.20	N/A	
	Balanced Fund	08/01/03	16.32	10.94	12.60	-0.62	3.46	N/A	5.49	2.03	0.45	3.66	N/A	
	Bond Fund	08/01/03	12.30	3.64	17.41	7.68	5.66	N/A	6.11	14.09	7.79	5.74	N/A	
	Money Market Fund	11/30/00	0.00	0.00	0.14	2.48	2.89	N/A	2.40	0.27	2.62	2.91	N/A	
	Money Market 7-Day Yield <sup>2</sup>		-0.90%	this yield more closely reflects the current earnings of the Money Market Fund										
AIM V.I.	Dynamics Fund	08/22/97	26.93	20.02	14.54	-8.42	1.02	-1.94	2.11	-4.79	-5.66	2.49	-0.63	
	Technology Fund	05/20/97	39.38	18.59	26.54	-5.09	0.45	-7.51	1.32	7.45	-3.36	2.49	-5.88	
	Global Health Care Fund	05/21/97	16.04	10.41	12.15	-2.24	2.82	3.14	6.01	-2.69	-0.70	3.38	4.00	
Alger	Capital Appreciation Portfolio	01/25/95	35.08	18.51	25.04	1.43	8.33	0.83	12.10	8.84	4.41	9.72	1.83	
	Large Cap Growth Portfolio	01/09/89	36.20	19.95	23.55	-2.95	2.43	-1.56	9.99	1.44	-1.32	3.11	-0.83	
	Small Cap Growth Portfolio	09/21/88	29.98	16.63	21.22	-5.63	5.17	-1.07	8.92	-0.16	-1.12	7.11	0.01	
American Century VP	Income & Growth Fund	10/30/97	9.96	14.04	5.37	-9.21	-0.77	-0.87	2.67	-9.53	-7.11	-0.17	-0.08	
	Ultra <sup>®</sup> Fund	05/01/01	22.55	13.70	14.26	-4.00	-1.42	N/A	-1.73	-2.25	-3.04	-0.96	N/A	
	Value Fund	05/01/96	11.62	15.13	6.17	-6.95	0.86	4.95	6.83	-6.07	-5.49	1.27	5.18	
	Vista <sup>SM</sup> Fund	10/05/01	10.21	15.71	-1.66	-5.88	0.59	N/A	3.21	-13.10	-2.78	2.21	N/A	
	International Fund	05/01/94	25.63	18.53	25.00	-4.27	5.11	0.80	5.26	0.49	-2.24	6.18	1.61	
	Inflation Protection Fund	05/01/04	9.64	3.44	16.29	5.72	4.44	N/A	5.02	6.53	5.35	4.39	N/A	
Dreyfus	VIF Appreciation Portfolio	05/01/93	16.43	13.10	12.27	-3.02	2.63	0.47	7.86	-4.24	-2.46	2.52	1.14	
	Socially Responsible Growth Fund	10/07/93	23.21	14.72	15.37	-3.91	1.17	-3.16	5.82	-0.84	-2.06	1.91	-2.29	
	VIF Developing Leaders Portfolio	09/01/90	13.86	19.86	4.36	-13.49	-6.03	0.11	15.22	-10.81	-10.01	-4.38	1.20	
	VIF Quality Bond Portfolio	09/01/90	14.40	7.32	19.24	4.51	4.23	5.37	6.73	12.24	4.45	4.22	5.30	
Fidelity <sup>®</sup> VIP	Equity-Income Portfolio	10/09/86	21.95	19.80	13.73	-9.59	-0.49	1.14	8.24	-5.05	-7.69	0.32	1.80	
	Index 500 Portfolio	08/27/92	17.17	15.61	9.97	-7.01	0.31	-1.07	7.36	-6.76	-5.42	0.98	-0.28	
	Growth Portfolio	10/09/86	16.14	15.71	4.16	-7.81	-1.25	-3.19	8.11	-11.76	-5.66	-0.12	-2.25	
	Contrafund <sup>®</sup> Portfolio	01/03/95	24.30	18.61	17.00	-4.78	3.50	3.19	10.00	-0.83	-2.44	4.45	3.94	
	Mid Cap Portfolio	12/28/98	30.74	17.12	26.90	-1.89	6.53	11.83	12.76	2.42	0.18	7.25	12.83	
	Overseas Portfolio	01/28/87	19.34	18.98	18.08	-5.62	4.15	0.94	5.65	-2.65	-3.78	5.39	1.63	
	Investment Grade Bond Portfolio	12/05/88	15.54	5.86	19.37	5.43	4.51	6.14	6.88	13.03	5.35	4.50	6.06	
	High Income Portfolio	09/19/85	38.29	11.11	32.56	3.11	4.60	2.31	7.13	9.75	3.14	4.70	2.13	
	Value Strategies Portfolio	02/20/02	42.66	27.69	30.86	-8.45	0.08	N/A	2.70	0.24	-5.13	1.70	N/A	

<sup>1</sup>Most Recent Calendar Quarter

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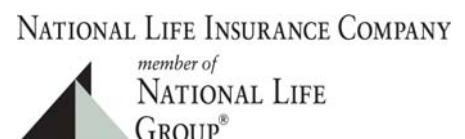
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Franklin Templeton	Mutual Shares Securities Fund	11/09/96	19.56	15.38	12.86	-6.79	1.85	4.75	5.99	-4.64	-5.42	2.26	5.31	
	Mutual Global Discovery Securities Fund	11/08/96	18.92	10.13	15.48	0.29	8.35	9.07	8.92	3.63	1.54	8.89	9.33	
	US Government	03/14/89	3.89	2.27	9.98	6.45	5.13	6.03	6.82	8.09	6.52	5.18	6.01	
Franklin	Small Cap Value Securities Fund	05/01/98	19.75	22.04	14.13	-6.69	1.89	8.19	4.51	-7.63	-3.44	3.44	8.86	
	Small-Mid Cap Growth Securities Fund	11/01/95	30.13	17.17	18.62	-5.04	0.52	0.72	5.97	-2.29	-2.98	1.45	2.17	
Templeton	Foreign Securities Fund	05/02/92	30.22	22.85	31.19	-1.76	5.74	3.56	7.81	7.59	0.33	7.03	3.91	
Franklin	Global Real Estate Securities Fund	01/25/89	9.27	26.64	-1.58	-19.14	-5.77	6.06	7.38	-22.94	-16.69	-4.14	6.18	
JP Morgan	Small Cap Core Portfolio	01/03/95	10.35	19.96	2.53	-10.15	-1.38	1.82	6.42	-12.85	-6.45	0.59	2.96	
Insurance Trust	International Equity Portfolio	01/03/95	26.95	20.75	27.11	-5.33	4.00	0.95	4.19	3.29	-3.47	5.07	1.43	
Neuberger Berman	Partners Portfolio	03/22/94	44.14	22.84	29.73	-7.39	2.01	2.13	7.31	-1.36	-4.99	2.82	2.87	
AMT	Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio	11/03/97	18.77	13.67	8.61	-5.07	3.22	0.74	5.87	-8.55	-2.69	4.62	1.93	
	Small-Cap Growth Portfolio S Class Shares	07/12/02	8.26	12.86	-3.21	-12.59	-5.16	N/A	-0.12	-14.55	-9.12	-3.78	N/A	
DWS	Short Duration Bond Portfolio	09/10/84	13.02	5.06	6.93	1.04	1.59	3.21	5.80	1.90	0.40	1.17	2.99	
	Socially Responsive Portfolio	02/18/99	20.57	14.48	21.79	-3.19	2.74	3.17	3.77	1.26	-1.04	4.02	4.13	
	Strategic Value VIP	05/04/98	17.49	17.20	9.73	-13.50	-2.97	2.26	1.66	-8.63	-12.44	-2.48	2.24	
T. Rowe Price	Dreman Small Mid Cap Value VIP	05/01/96	18.07	21.15	16.89	-5.40	3.94	8.75	6.88	-2.23	-2.25	4.93	8.75	
	Small Cap Index VIP	08/22/97	13.66	19.25	5.93	-8.94	0.11	3.59	3.21	-9.96	-5.04	1.92	4.38	
Wells Fargo	Equity Income Portfolio	04/30/02	16.46	17.92	8.97	-7.36	0.33	N/A	1.88	-7.79	-5.72	0.96	N/A	
	Blue Chip Growth Portfolio	04/30/02	29.85	13.50	20.18	-4.72	0.85	N/A	1.69	-0.75	-3.41	1.42	N/A	
	Health Sciences Portfolio	04/30/02	17.19	13.24	14.42	-0.08	5.91	N/A	5.63	-0.05	2.93	6.60	N/A	
	Personal Strategy Balanced Portfolio	12/30/94	25.30	13.55	22.16	-0.94	3.70	4.58	8.22	5.20	0.33	4.29	4.94	
Advantage VT	Discovery Fund <sup>SM</sup>	12/31/96	23.50	18.26	8.22	-4.43	2.95	7.34	10.16	-8.73	-1.20	4.92	7.95	
AllianceBernstein VPS	Value Fund	08/01/02	13.69	18.44	8.60	-12.21	-2.18	N/A	2.48	-8.65	-10.41	-1.33	N/A	
	Small/Mid Cap Value Fund	06/01/01	28.80	24.75	21.79	-4.17	2.66	N/A	7.41	-1.56	-1.54	3.82	N/A	
	International Value Fund	06/01/01	28.42	23.68	24.92	-11.81	2.34	N/A	6.53	-5.03	-9.54	3.51	N/A	
	International Growth Fund	10/01/94	30.20	20.05	29.57	-4.93	6.30	5.37	8.45	1.21	-2.83	7.57	6.14	
Oppenheimer	Main Street Small Cap/VA	07/16/01	24.13	16.36	14.77	-7.89	1.25	N/A	4.39	-4.33	-4.46	2.98	N/A	
	Balanced/VA	05/01/02	18.02	10.50	1.85	-10.58	-3.27	N/A	-0.14	-16.67	-9.62	-2.93	N/A	
Van Eck IT Worldwide	Strategic Bond/VA	03/19/01	17.31	9.77	18.08	3.92	4.45	N/A	6.27	4.71	4.06	4.62	N/A	
	Emerging Markets	12/21/95	94.94	25.86	84.58	2.20	14.72	10.62	7.55	27.76	3.67	15.42	11.39	
	Bond	09/01/89	7.70	5.87	17.38	7.49	5.70	6.56	5.96	11.29	7.74	6.21	6.47	
	Real Estate	06/23/97	34.68	22.84	17.61	-13.41	1.52	7.68	6.57	-13.37	-11.12	2.99	7.62	
Illuminations SVUL	Hard Assets	09/01/89	43.11	17.93	32.06	4.81	17.46	14.84	8.74	2.25	9.18	18.75	14.67	
	Diversified Equity	03/01/06	19.60	15.31	5.34	-7.32	N/A	N/A	-4.59	-11.74	-5.48	N/A	N/A	
Model Portfolios	Div. Equity w/ Income	03/01/06	18.76	13.63	7.27	-5.63	N/A	N/A	-2.94	-7.28	-4.09	N/A	N/A	
	Balanced Equity	03/01/06	17.65	12.03	6.86	-3.36	N/A	N/A	-1.44	-6.82	-2.09	N/A	N/A	
	Balanced	03/01/06	17.52	10.72	8.18	-1.88	N/A	N/A	-0.29	-4.10	-0.98	N/A	N/A	
	Diversified Income	03/01/06	15.75	8.75	10.41	-0.26	N/A	N/A	1.20	0.72	0.40	N/A	N/A	
	Income	03/01/06	14.15	6.92	9.14	0.54	N/A	N/A	1.53	-0.18	0.89	N/A	N/A	
	Capital Preservation	03/01/06	12.70	5.15	7.94	1.30	N/A	N/A	2.02	-0.01	1.37	N/A	N/A	

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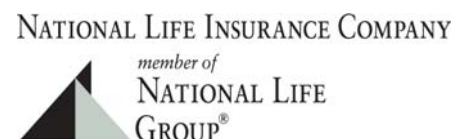
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Effective April 30, 2004, the INVESCO VIF – Dynamics Fund reorganized into the AIM V.I. – Dynamics Fund, the INVESCO VIF – Health Sciences Fund reorganized into the AIM V.I. – Health Sciences Fund, and the INVESCO VIF – Technology Fund reorganized into the AIM V.I. – Technology Fund.

Effective April 11, 2005, the Strong Mid Cap Growth Fund II reorganized into the Wells Fargo Advantage Discovery Fund and the Strong Opportunity Fund II reorganized into the Wells Fargo Advantage Opportunity Fund.

Effective May 1, 2005, the Franklin Small Cap Fund was renamed the Franklin Small-Midcap Growth Securities Fund.

Effective October 2, 2006, the AIM V.I. – Health Sciences Fund has been renamed AIM V.I. – Global Health Care Fund.

Effective October 2, 2006, the Franklin Templeton Small Cap Fund has been renamed Franklin Small-Mid Cap Growth Securities Fund.

Effective October 2, 2006, the Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Fixed Income Fund has been renamed Morgan Stanley Core Plus Fixed Income Portfolio.

Effective October 2, 2006, the Scudder Dreman High Return Fund has been renamed DWS Dreman High Return Equity VIP. The Scudder Dreman Small Cap Value Fund has been renamed DWS Dreman Small Cap Value VIP. The Scudder Equity 500 Index Fund has been renamed DWS Equity 500 Index VIP. The Scudder Small Cap Index Fund has been renamed DWS Small Cap Index VIP.

Effective November 3, 2006, the DWS Dreman Small Cap Value VIP has been renamed DWS Dreman Small Mid Cap Value VIP.

Effective October 2, 2006, the Sentinel Variable Products Trust Growth Index has been eliminated. The assets held in the Sentinel Variable Products Trust Growth Index have been transferred to the Fidelity® VIP Index 500 Portfolio.

Effective May 1, 2007 the Franklin Real Estate Fund has been renamed Franklin Global Real Estate Securities Fund

Effective May 1, 2007 the Neuberger Berman AMT Limited Maturity Bond Portfolio has been renamed Neuberger Berman AMT Lehman Brothers Short Duration Bond Portfolio.

Effective March 26, 2008 the Neuberger Berman AMT Fasciano Portfolio has been renamed Neuberger Berman AMT Small-Cap Growth Portfolio

Effective May 1, 2008 the Alger American Leveraged AllCap Portfolio has been renamed Alger American Capital Appreciation Portfolio. The Alger American Small Capitalization Portfolio has been renamed Alger American SmallCap Growth Portfolio.

Effective July 1, 2008 the Alger American Growth Portfolio has been renamed Alger American LargeCap Growth Portfolio.

Effective September 26, 2008, the Neuberger Berman AMT Lehman Brothers Short Duration Bond Portfolio has been renamed Neuberger Berman AMT Short Duration Bond Portfolio.

Effective April 24, 2009, end of business, the JP Morgan International Equity Portfolio was merged into the JP Morgan Insurance Trust International Equity Portfolio. The JP Morgan Small Company Portfolio was merged into the JP Morgan Insurance Trust Small Cap Equity Portfolio, which was subsequently renamed JP Morgan Insurance Trust Small Cap Core Portfolio.

Effective May 1, 2009, the Franklin Templeton Mutual Discovery Securities Fund has been renamed Franklin Templeton Mutual Global Discovery Securities Fund.

Effective June 1, 2009, the DWS Dreman High Return Equity VIP has been renamed DWS Strategic Value VIP.

Effective September 23, 2009, the Alger American Capital Appreciation Portfolio has been renamed Alger Capital Appreciation Portfolio. The Alger American LargeCap Growth Portfolio has been renamed Alger Large Cap Growth Portfolio. The Alger American SmallCap Growth Portfolio has been renamed Alger Small Cap Growth Portfolio.

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