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Hedging & Monetization:

Low-Cost Basis Concentrated Stock

Introduction to Managing Concentrated Stock Positions

The **Advisor Solutions Team** at Morgan Stanley provides first-class service to our clients in a way that reflects our commitment to thought leadership, innovative solutions, and cutting-edge strategies.

For concentrated stock positions, the Advisor Solutions Team strategizes with clients on approaches that aim to mitigate risk and monetize equity positions in a tax efficient manner

Concentrated Stock Position

A **concentrated stock position** is an investment in a single stock that represents a large percentage of a client's investment portfolio value. A concentrated stock position has the potential to drive significant value, however it can also present increased risk due to the lack of diversification and market volatility. Sources of concentrated stock positions vary.

Has your client...

Had a concentrated position complicating their portfolio's diversification?

Recently sold their business for shares of the acquiring company?

Received shares as an investor or executive stakeholder in the company?

Accumulated significant compensation via stock or options as an employee?

Inherited a large, concentrated position from family-owned shares?

Hedging & Monetization Strategies

Morgan Stanley offers hedging, monetization and income enhancement solutions based on the client's objectives. Our equity risk management strategies are primarily structured as OTC Transactions.

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Hedging & Monetization Strategies



Capital Preservation

Providing protection against a decline in the stock's value, while maintaining upside appreciation.



Monetization

Receive the benefits of downside protection, upside appreciation and an upfront cash payment, with no separate loan facility to generate liquidity.



Diversification

With your upfront cash payment, diversify out of the client's single equity position, without selling out of the concentrated position.



Stock Appreciation

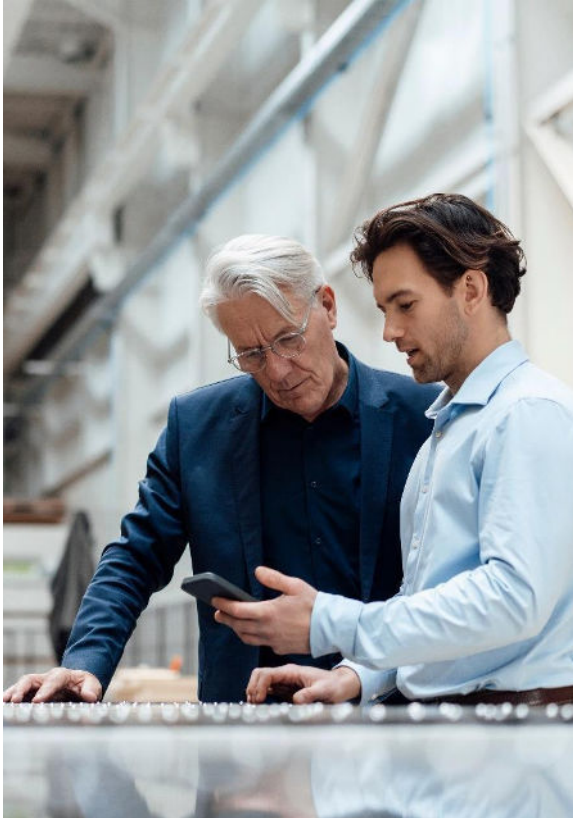
Although the client has a max return when implementing this strategy, we actively monitor positive stock moves and provide the ability to reset the Cap higher, allowing further appreciation.



Tax Efficiency

Potential to defer costly capital gains tax, without selling out of the concentrated position.

Variable Prepaid Forwards



Implementing a Variable Prepaid Forward strategy allows an investor to simultaneously hedge against declines and generate immediate liquidity from an existing equity position by potentially foregoing potential upside appreciation beyond a certain level and agreeing to deliver cash and/or shares at expiration of the contract if necessary.

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Key Benefits of Utilizing OTC Transactions vs. Listed Options

While both OTC and listed instruments can serve as risk-mitigation tools, OTC instruments offer increased customization.

OTC OPTIONS

OTC transactions can be tailored to an investor's unique needs and financial goals

- Terms are **fully customizable**, subject to agreement between the parties
 - Strike Price
 - Flexible Expiry dates
 - Bespoke / illiquid publicly traded stock positions
 - Specific notional or share amount
 - American or European expiry
- Private bilateral agreement
- Subject to counterparty risk

LISTED OPTIONS

Listed options provide less tailored solutions for mitigating risk for investors

- Terms are **standardized** per listed market
 - Listed strikes
 - Listed maturity dates
 - One contract for every 100 shares
 - American expiry primarily
- Traded on exchange
- Backed by Clearing Corp. of the Exchange

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Variable Prepaid Forward

How they Work

TRADE DATE



COUNTERPARTY

Pledges shares as collateral



Upfront pre-payment (**Schwab / Fidelity Account**)
+ collar (Cap and Floor)



Schwab / Fidelity

EXPIRATION DATE



COUNTERPARTY

Delivery:

Variable number of *shares and/or cash* subject to Cap and Floor



'Reset and Roll':

Client may also have an option to 'reset and roll' any residual dollar amount owed at Expiry forward into the terms of a new strategy.



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NVIDIA Corporation (NVDA)

Indicative Proposal for Hedging & Monetization Strategies

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Structure

Strategy	Variable Prepaid Forward
Underlying Shares	NVDA
Hedge Price (\$)	\$185.00
Number of Shares	54054
Ordinary Dividend Treatment	Capped at Current Rate
Value of the Underlying Shares ⁽¹⁾	\$10,000,000.00

Collar Terms

Tenor (months)	12m	12m	12m
Floor Price (Protection) <i>(% of Spot Price \$ Price Per Share)</i>	90.00% \$166.50	80.00% \$148.00	75.00% \$138.75
Ceiling Price (Max Return) ⁽²⁾ <i>(% of Spot Price \$ Price Per Share)</i>	120.00% \$222.00	135.00% \$249.75	143.00% \$264.55
Collar Cost / Credit (%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Collar Cost / Credit (\$)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hedged Shares <i>(% of Shares Number of Shares)</i>	100.00% 54054 shares	100.00% 54054 shares	100.00% 54054 shares

Financing Terms (if applicable)

Principal Amount Owed at Maturity ⁽³⁾ <i>(Repayable in Cash and/or Shares)</i>	90.00% \$9,000,000.00	80.00% \$8,000,000.00	75.00% \$7,500,000.00
Interest Cost (pre-paid upfront) ⁽⁴⁾	\$342,000.00	\$304,000.00	\$285,000.00
Implied Interest Rate Cost (p.a.)	~3.80%	~3.80%	~3.80%
Upfront Cash Proceeds to Client ⁽⁵⁾	\$8,658,000.00	\$7,696,000.00	\$7,215,000.00

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Collar Terms

Tenor (months)	36m	36m	36m
Floor Price (Protection) <i>(% of Spot Price \$ Price Per Share)</i>	90.00% \$166.50	85.00% \$157.25	80.00% \$148.00
Ceiling Price (Max Return) ⁽²⁾ <i>(% of Spot Price \$ Price Per Share)</i>	145.00% \$268.25	155.00% \$286.75	170.00% \$314.50
Collar Cost / Credit (%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
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Interest Cost (pre-paid upfront) ⁽⁴⁾	\$993,600.00	\$938,400.00	\$883,200.00
Implied Interest Rate Cost (p.a.)	~3.68%	~3.68%	~3.68%
Upfront Cash Proceeds to Client ⁽⁵⁾	\$8,006,400.00	\$7,561,600.00	\$7,116,800.00

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Upfront Proceed Use Cases

Variable Prepaid Forward

Stock Name / Ticker	NVDA
Duration	36 months
Shares - Free & Clear?	Yes
Share Quantity	54,054
Position Size	\$10,000,000.00

Hedging Component

Spot Price	\$185.00
OTC Transaction Type	Costless Collar
Floor Strike (% / \$)	90.00% / \$166.50
Ceiling Strike (% / \$)	145.00% / \$268.25

Monetization Component

Repayment Amount of Principal from Client	\$9,000,000.00
Net Costs of Transaction	\$993,600.00

Upfront Proceeds to Client	\$8,006,400.00
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Common Utilization of Proceeds

Structured Products – Yield Enhancement

Build a Diversified Portfolio

New Lifestyle Purchase / Expense

Cash Funding a Tax Alpha Solution

- Build L/S Portfolio with Accuracy + Intent
- Minimize Tracking Error
- Maximize Loss Velocity
- Optimal Tax Alignment (Defined Outcome via VPF)

For Example:

Direct Indexing - Custom Core Strategies

Long / Short - Custom Extension Strategy



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