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Wilshire Liquid Alternative IndexSM Returns -1.01% in November

Santa Monica, Calif., December 15, 2021 – The Wilshire Liquid Alternative IndexSM, which provides a representative baseline for how the broad liquid alternative investment category performs, returned -1.01% in November, outperforming a -1.29% monthly return for the HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index. The Wilshire Liquid Alternative Index family aims to deliver precise market measures for the performance of diversified liquid alternative investment strategies implemented through mutual fund structures, backed by a proprietary classification methodology.

Equity markets experienced a mixed month as modestly positive performance early in November was reversed by concerns surrounding the development and spread of a new COVID variant.

The Wilshire Liquid Alternative Equity Hedge IndexSM ended the month down -1.22%, underperforming the HFRX Equity Hedge Index's return of -1.20%.

- Long-short managers generally reduced exposure in the beginning of the month in order to realize year-to-date gains. This helped limit losses later in the month as equity markets experienced a drawdown related to the emergence of the Omicron COVID variant. In addition, managers began rotating exposure from "stay at home" names to "re-opening" stocks, with "value-oriented" managers outperforming their "growth-oriented" counterparts during the month.

The Wilshire Liquid Alternatives Event Driven IndexSM ended the month down -0.45%, outperforming the HFRX Event Driven Index's monthly return of -1.03%.

- Despite a slight uptick in deal activity and the continued tightening of spreads throughout the month of November, event driven managers ended the month slightly negative due to broader equity market underperformance.

The Wilshire Liquid Alternative Multi-Strategy IndexSM, which includes both single and multi-manager funds, returned -1.19% in November.

The Wilshire Liquid Alternative Global Macro IndexSM ended the month down -2.82%, underperforming the HFRX Macro/CTA Index's monthly return of -2.72%.

- Macro managers, particularly trend following CTA's, had a difficult month navigating trend reversals in both equities and commodities toward the end of the month. Losses among

discretionary macro managers were more muted compared to their systematic counterparts, with losses coming from similar sources as well as continued yield curve flattening.

The Wilshire Liquid Alternative Relative Value IndexSM ended the month down -0.51%, outperforming the HFRX Relative Value Arbitrage Index's monthly return of -0.76%.

Relative value managers experienced mixed returns, ending the month modestly down. Structured credit funds faced a muted month as positive interest income and loan paydowns were offset by higher new issuances and rates volatility. Convertible bond funds also suffered a slight decline due to credit market weakness.

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