ACR Alpine Capital Research Announces that its Multi-Strategy Quality Return (MQR) Fund is Now Available on Several Mutual Fund Platforms

ST. LOUIS — ACR Alpine Capital Research announced today that its ACR Multi-Strategy Quality Return (MQR) Fund is now available through Pershing LLC's FundVest® and FundCenter® Platforms, TD Ameritrade and Schwab's Mutual Fund Marketplace®, as well as other broker-dealer mutual fund platforms. The MQR Fund is an open-end mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The fund maintains both A-Shares and Institutional I-Shares (Tickers: MQRAX/MQRIX).

"We are very pleased that the MQR Fund is now available on a number of mutual fund platforms," said Darryl Grayson, ACR's Managing Director in charge of the firm's business development and client relations effort through financial intermediaries. "We're deeply committed to our philosophy of only investing in what we know and making it clear that valuation is everything. The MQR Fund combines the latitude to go anywhere to find opportunities with the intellectual rigor and discipline to only invest in those securities that are the most undervalued in the marketplace."

The MQR Fund is managed to preserve capital from permanent loss during periods of economic decline, while seeking above-average absolute and relative returns in the long run. The MQR Fund is managed by ACR's investment team led by Nick Tompras, CFA, the firm's President, Founder and Chief Investment Officer. Tompras is joined by Portfolio Managers Willem Schilpzand, CFA, and Tim Piechowski, CFA, who are also senior analysts.

MQR is invested in a limited number of securities believed to possess superior valuation and risk-adjusted return characteristics, unconstrained by security type or asset class. Although the fund primarily focuses on long-only equities (including those domiciled outside the US), it may also invest in debt and derivative securities as well as engage in valuation-based arbitrage and opportunistic shorting.

"The creation of the MQR Fund represented a milestone moment in ACR's history," says Mr. Tompras. "The fund expresses our foundational investment principles and analytical process, while drawing from a broader selection universe."

ACR introduced its flagship Equity Quality Return (EQR) strategy in April of 2000. EQR is an all-cap, long-only strategy guided by three principles: Protecting capital, generating a satisfactory absolute return and outperforming the market over the long term; the MQR Fund (launched in 2014) is guided by the same core principles and analytical process as EQR. EQR has traditionally been offered in the form of an account separately managed for each investor, but ACR also makes its services available through other vehicles.

Additional information may be obtained at <u>www.acr-invest.com</u>.

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About ACR Alpine Capital Research

ACR Alpine Capital Research, based in St. Louis, is a fundamental valuationbased asset management firm. ACR's mission is to protect and maximize our investors' purchasing power through integrity with essential investment principles and excellence in valuation and advice. Founded in 1999, as of March 31, 2016 the firm managed approximately \$2.7 billion for financial intermediaries and institutions. For more information, please visit <u>www.acr-invest.com</u>.

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Mutual fund investing involves risk, and the loss of principal is possible. There is no assurance that the investment process will consistently lead to successful results. The MQR Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus, summary prospectus and statement of additional information contain this and other important information about the Fund and may be obtained by visiting <u>www.mqrfund.com</u> or calling (855) 955-9552. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

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