STOCK MARKET

ELECTION REPORT



Introduction

Wow. What a year 2020 has been, right?

And it's shaping up to get even wilder with the upcoming presidential election.

Both campaigns have already amassed an unprecedented army of lawyers for an expected legal brawl over whether ballots were counted properly.

This could be like 2000 ... only worse!

Remember the "hanging chads"?

The chads are long gone, but the Biden and Trump campaigns are expected to aggressively contest technicalities states will use to verify a record number of mail-in ballots.

Issues like whether a voter's signature matches the one on file. Or even whether the postmark itself is legible ...

... not to mention the fact that "snail mail" is so aptly named. Many ballots will not even arrive until many days after November 3rd ... if they arrive at all.

Plus, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin — key swing states — prohibit officials from even beginning to process mail-in ballots until election day ...

... meaning it could be weeks before all ballots are tabulated.

Plus, Hillary Clinton says Joe Biden "should not concede under any circumstances."

"If it's close and the courts get drawn in on potentially decisive issues, Bush v Gore will look like a walk in the park compared to what [this] would be like," said Richard Pildes, an NYU Law School professor who studies election law. "Many on both sides are primed already to believe the election is being stolen if their candidate loses."

Some are even warning of an acting President Pelosi come January 20th! Add to all this the chaos a contested election could wreak on the stock market.

What's an investor to do?

Well, we're here to help ...

The following lists were compiled from an analysis of each presidential election since 1992, by looking at the performance of major market sectors from the day after the election through the next 180 days.

Next, we selected fifty actively traded stocks from those sectors that have historically outperformed when a Democrat was elected (Bill Clinton and Barack Obama) versus when a Republican was elected (George W. Bush and Donald J. Trump).

A third list contains stocks that we expect to do well regardless of the outcome of the 2020 election. This could be the most important one for investors in a worst-case scenario ... where the election has to be decided by a potentially divided Supreme Court!

But let's hope it doesn't come to that.

These lists were limited to stocks with over \$50 million in market cap, and with a Weiss Investment Rating of at least C+ and strong reward potential.

Our research department notes, "It is our expectation that these stocks are well positioned to take advantage of the stock growth benefits that will follow the election."

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"Blue Stocks"

Sectors that historically outperform when Democrats win the White House, and do even better under a "blue wave" that takes control of Congress, are: Communications Services, Consumer Staples, Financials, and Information Technology (IT)

| Ticker | Company Name | Sector | Rating | Market Cap \$ Millions |
|--------|------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| AAPL | Apple, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$2,127,912 |
| MSFT | Microsoft Corp. | Information Technology | B+ | \$1,533,661 |
| FB | Facebook, Inc. | Information Technology | B- | \$772,485 |
| WMT | Walmart, Inc. | Consumer Staples | В | \$392,333 |
| NVDA | Nvidia Corp. | Information Technology | B- | \$294,013 |
| VZ | Verizon Communications, Inc. | Communication Services | В | \$248,118 |
| NFLX | Netflix, Inc. | Communication Services | C+ | \$223,604 |
| ADBE | Adobe, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$221,668 |
| PYPL | Paypal Holdings, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$218,175 |
| CHTR | Charter Communications, Inc. | Communication Services | B- | \$122,222 |
| AMD | Advanced Micro Services | Information Technology | B- | \$92,387 |
| SPGI | S&P Global, Inc. | Financials | В | \$82,076 |
| NTES | Netease, Inc. | Communication Services | В | \$63,262 |
| ATVI | Activision Blizzard, Inc. | Communication Services | C+ | \$58,801 |
| PGR | Progressive Corp. (Ohio) | Financials | В | \$53,745 |
| МСО | Moody's Corp. | Financials | В | \$52,311 |
| MNST | Monster Beverage Corp. | Consumer Staples | B- | \$42,244 |
| GIS | General Mills Corp. | Consumer Staples | В | \$36,362 |
| TROW | Price (T. ROWE) Group | Financials | B- | \$29,045 |

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|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| CDNS | Cadence Design Systems, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$28,002 |
| KLAC | KLA Group | Information Technology | В | \$27,123 |
| KR | Kroger, Co. | Consumer Staples | В | \$26,932 |
| CLX | Clorox, Co./DE | Consumer Staples | B+ | \$26,883 |
| MKC | McComick & Co., Inc. | Consumer Staples | В | \$26,324 |
| CHD | Church & Dwight, Inc. | Consumer Staples | В | \$22,728 |
| NDAQ | Nasdaq, Inc. | Financials | В | \$20,769 |
| MKTX | Marketaxess Holdings, Inc. | Financials | В | \$17,073 |
| TTWO | Take-Two Interactive SFTWR | Communication Services | B- | \$16,994 |
| TER | Teradyne, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$12,540 |
| FDS | Factset Research Systems, Inc. | Financials | В | \$12,257 |
| FICO | Fair Isaac Corp. | Information Technology | В | \$11,783 |
| MTRAF | Metro, Inc. | Consumer Staples | A- | \$11,176 |
| MPWR | Monolithic Power Systems, Inc. | Information Technology | B- | \$10,897 |
| SAM | Boston Beer, Inc, | Consumer Staples | В | \$9,569 |
| SEDG | Solaredge Technologies, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$9,475 |
| NYT | New York Times Co. | Communication Services | B- | \$7,197 |
| KNSL | Kinsale Capital Group, inc. | Financials | В | \$4,313 |
| KXSCF | Kinaxis, Inc. | Information Technology | В | \$3,863 |
| NGHC | National General Holdings CP | Financials | B- | \$3,856 |
| EGHSF | Enghouse Systems LTD | Information Technology | В | \$2,991 |
| CCOI | Cogent Communications Holdings | Communication Services | B- | \$2,983 |
| SPSC | SPS Commerce, Inc. | Information Technology | B- | \$2,585 |
| APAM | Artisan Partners Asset Management | Financials | B- | \$2,185 |

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|--------|------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| MED | Medifast, Inc. | Consumer Staples | В | \$1,917 |
| TTGT | Techtarget, Inc. | Communication Services | B- | \$1,060 |
| SII | Sprott, Inc. | Financials | B- | \$1,023 |
| ALSWF | Absolute Software Corp. | Information Technology | В | \$460 |
| NGVC | Natural Grocers Vitamin CTGE | Consumer Staples | C+ | \$241 |
| LFVN | Lifevantage Corp. | Consumer Staples | B- | \$203 |
| HGBL | Heritage Global, Inc. | Financials | B- | \$71 |

"Red Stocks"

Sectors that historically outperform when Republicans win the White House, and do even better under a "red wave" that takes control of Congress, are: **Energy, Industrials, Materials, and Utilities**

| Ticker | Company Name | Sector | Rating | Market Cap \$ Millions |
|--------|------------------------------------|-------------|--------|---------------------------|
| NEE | Nextera Energy, Inc. | Utilities | В | \$136,078 |
| SHW | Sherwin-Williams, Co. | Materials | В | \$54,801 |
| СР | Canadian Pacific Railway LTD | Industrials | В | \$39,039 |
| CSGP | Costar Group, Inc. | Industrials | C+ | \$31,183 |
| INFO | IHS Markit LTD | Industrials | B- | \$30,392 |
| FNV | Franco-Nevada Corp. | Materials | B- | \$27,799 |
| AWK | American Water Works Co, Inc. | Utilities | В | \$25,508 |
| FAST | Fastenal Co. | Industrials | В | \$25,073 |
| ETR | Entergy Corp. | Utilities | B- | \$19,611 |
| CQP | Cheniere Energy Partners LP | Energy | C+ | \$16,549 |
| MAS | Masco Corp. | Industrials | B- | \$14,646 |
| KL | Kirkland Lake Gold LTD | Materials | B- | \$14,323 |
| JBHT | Hunt (JB) Transport Services, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$14,285 |
| LNT | Alliant Energy Corp. | Utilities | B- | \$13,144 |
| GFI | Gold Fields LTD | Materials | C+ | \$10,903 |
| KGC | Kinross Gold Corp. | Materials | В | \$10,806 |
| RPM | RPM International, Inc. | Materials | В | \$10,545 |
| EMRAF | Emera, Inc. | Utilities | B- | \$10,143 |
| WTRG | Essential Utilities, Inc. | Utilities | B- | \$10,061 |
| RGLD | Royal Gold, Inc. | Materials | B- | \$8,433 |

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|--------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------|---------------------------|
| AQN | Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. | Utilities | В | \$8,174 |
| TREX | Trex Co., Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$8,006 |
| NRG | NRG Energy, Inc. | Utilities | C+ | \$7,803 |
| HUBB | Hubbell, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$7,521 |
| BTG | B2Gold Corp. | Materials | В | \$6,678 |
| RBA | Ritchie Bros Auctioneers, Inc. | Industrials | В | \$6,112 |
| NPIFF | Northland Power, Inc. | Utilities | В | \$5,503 |
| SITE | Siteone Landscape Supply, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$5,080 |
| SSD | Simpson Manufacturing, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$4,211 |
| SLGN | Silgan Holdings, Inc. | Materials | В | \$4,093 |
| CZZ | Cosan LTD | Energy | C+ | \$3,833 |
| UFPI | UFP Industries, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$3,402 |
| ELP | Copel-CIA Paranaense Energia | Utilities | C+ | \$3,244 |
| AAON | Aaon, Inc. | Industrials | В | \$2,901 |
| CWST | Casella Waste Systems, Inc. | Industrials | B- | \$2,643 |
| GBNXF | Gibson Energy, Inc. | Energy | C+ | \$2,625 |
| EVA | Enviva Partners LP | Energy | С | \$1,542 |
| FRO | Frontline LTD | Energy | C+ | \$1,530 |
| MRTN | Marten Transport LTD | Industrials | B- | \$1,481 |
| WDOF | Wisdom Gold Mines LTD | Materials | В | \$1,439 |
| DKL | Delek Logitics Partners LP | Energy | С | \$1,363 |
| KNTNF | K92 Mining, Inc. | Materials | В | \$1,299 |
| HWKN | Hawkins, Inc. | Materials | C+ | \$527 |
| HESM | Hess Midstream LP | Energy | С | \$306 |

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|--------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------|---------------------------|
| NOA | North American Const. Grp. LTD | Energy | C+ | \$199 |
| OSG | Overseas Shipholding Group | Energy | С | \$186 |
| APT | Alpha Pro Tech LTD | Industrials | B- | \$178 |
| FIOGF | Fiore Gold LTD | Materials | C+ | \$126 |
| DLHC | DLH Holdings Group | Industrials | B- | \$96 |
| BKEP | Blueknight Energy Partners LP | Energy | С | \$60 |

"Purple Stocks"

The two sectors that are likely to perform well regardless of the election results are: **Consumer Discretionary and Healthcare**

| Ticker | Company Name | Sector | Rating | Market Cap \$ Millions |
|--------|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| AMZN | Amazon.com, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$1,577,722 |
| BABA | Alibaba Group Holding | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$730,576 |
| UNH | UnitedHealth Group, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$291,991 |
| HD | Home Depot, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$289,846 |
| TMO | Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$160,332 |
| DHR | Danaher Corp. | Health Care | В | \$139,151 |
| NVO | Novo Nordisk A/A | Health Care | В | \$131,979 |
| LOW | Lowe's Cos, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$116,187 |
| TGT | Target corp. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$72,089 |
| DG | Dollar General Corp. | Consumer Discretionary | Α | \$47,914 |
| LULU | Lululemon Athletica, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$45,546 |
| VEEV | Veeva Systems, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$39,567 |
| ORLY | O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$34,841 |
| IDXX | Idexx Labs, Inc. | Health Care | B- | \$30,976 |
| BBY | Best Buy Co., Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$27,245 |
| RMD | Resmed, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$24,839 |
| DHI | Dr. Horton, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$24,735 |
| ABC | Amerisourcebergen Corp. | Health Care | В | \$19,467 |
| WST | West Pharmaceutical SVSC, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$19,392 |
| GRMN | Garmin LTD | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$19,001 |
| TSCO | Tractor Supply Co. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$15,895 |

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|--------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| DPZ | Domino's Pizza, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$14,807 |
| BIO | Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$14,218 |
| CTLT | Catalent, Inc. | Health Care | B- | \$13,635 |
| ETSY | Etsy, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$13,193 |
| PKI | Perkinelmer, Inc. | Health Care | B- | \$12,524 |
| POOL | Pool Corp. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$11,747 |
| NBIX | Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. | Health Care | B- | \$10,237 |
| CRL | Charles River Labs INTL., Inc. | Health Care | В | \$10,082 |
| RGEN | Repligen Corp. | Health Care | C+ | \$7,577 |
| AMED | Amedisys, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$7,377 |
| QDEL | Quidel Corp. | Health Care | B- | \$6,376 |
| LHCG | LHC Group, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$6,352 |
| OLLI | Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$5,885 |
| LAD | Lithia Motors, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$5,502 |
| BLD | Topbuild Corp. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$4,880 |
| MEDP | Medpace Holdings, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$4,101 |
| WING | Wingstop, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$3,922 |
| MTH | Meritage Homes Corp. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$3,554 |
| LGIH | LGI Homes, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$2,716 |
| MDC | MDC Holdings, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$2,673 |
| RCII | Rent-A-Center, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | B- | \$1,545 |
| ADUS | Addus Homecare Corp. | Health Care | C+ | \$1,379 |
| SLP | Simulations Plus, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$1,243 |
| XPEL | Xpel, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | В | \$645 |

"Purple Stocks" —

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|--------|-------------------------|-------------|--------|---------------------------|
| VMD | Viemed Healthcare | Health Care | B- | \$378 |
| SMED | Sharps Compliance Corp. | Health Care | B- | \$119 |
| ELMD | Electromed, Inc. | Health Care | В | \$98 |



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