

## **IPRO 303**

# Digital Technology Strategies for an Investment Manager

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## **Calamos Investments**



- 1977: John P. Calamos, Sr. created an Investment Advisory firm.
- 1983: Nick Calamos, nephew of John Calamos joined the company.
   Calamos:
- Manages different mutual and close-end funds
- Offers different investment strategies to private clients and institutional Investors.



## **Calamos Investments**

- Revenues over \$300 million in 2004
- Manages assets \$40 of billion.
- Fall 2004 Initial Public Offering
- Traded on the Nasdaq National Market with company symbol CLMS.
- Calamos Growth Fund-Top Performing for the last 3 years- Forbes



## **Calamos Problem and IPRO Team Objective**

### The Calamos Problem:

Difficulty exists in developing a sense of intimacy between John & Nick Calamos and an increasing number of investors.

## **IPRO Team Objective:**

Research how digital communication technologies can leverage the marketing efforts of John and Nick Calamos and

pilot the most promising ideas.





## **Team Structure:**

### **Digital Technology Analysis Subteam:**

Provide a digital communication technologies evaluation and forecast

### **Competitor Analysis Subteam:**

Evaluate client communication strategies of competitors

### **Website Analysis Subteam:**

 Evaluate the websites of Calamos and its competitors as well as Webawards winners- suggest improvements for Calamos' website.

### **Customer Analysis Subteam:**

Determine customer profile for HNWI - private investors

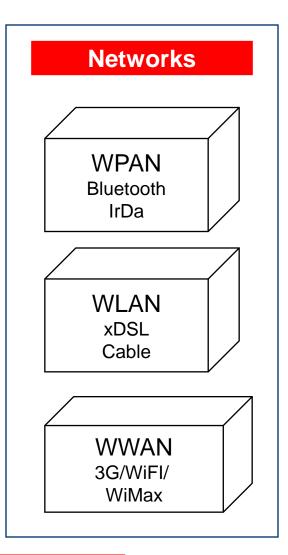


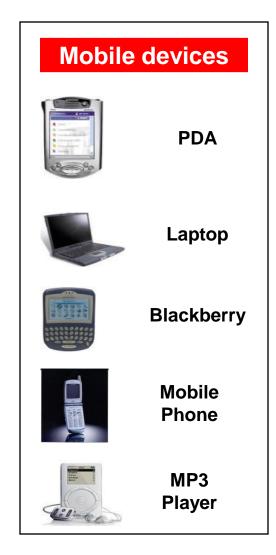
# Calamos goals for Digital Communications Analysis

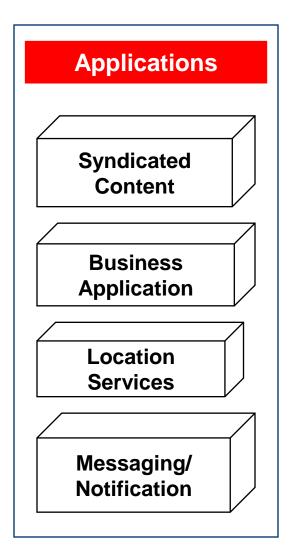
- Provide more effective communications with High Net Worth individuals and private investors
- Offer a sense of personal contact with John and Nick Calamos for HNW individuals
- Make more extensive use of the Calamos TV studio



# Digital Technology domains

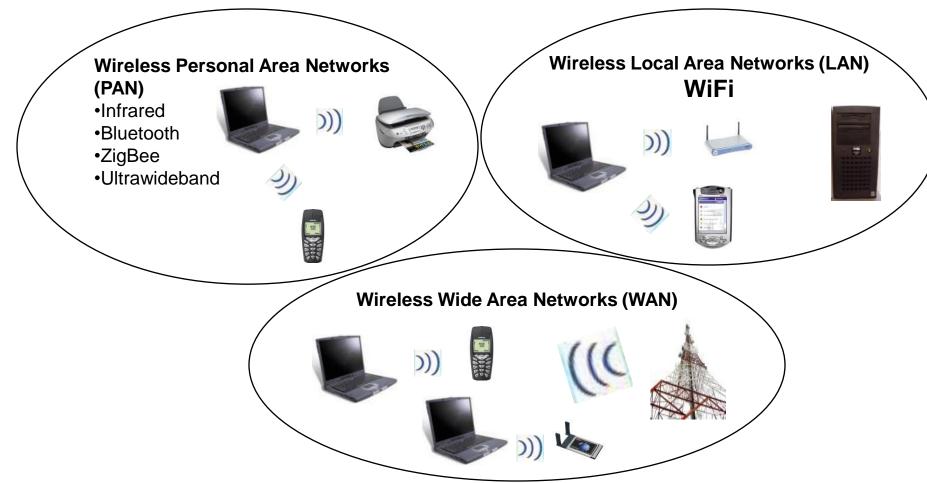






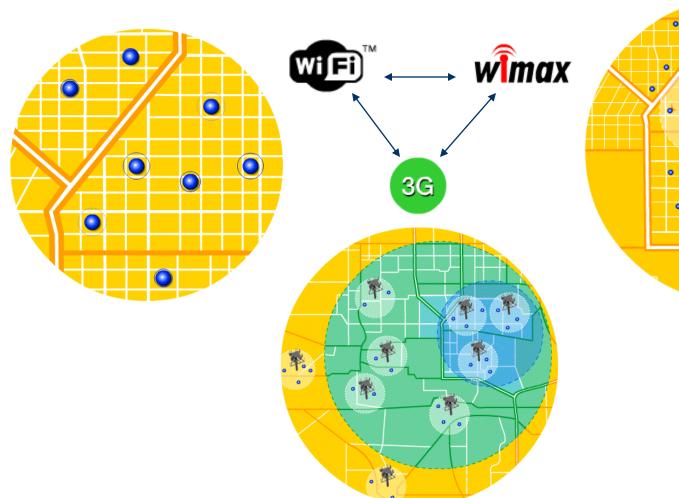


# Wireless environment overview





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# Convergence of Mobile Devices





## Digital Technologies Conclusions for Calamos

- The deployment of wireless networking technologies will provide seamless broadband coverage virtually everywhere.
- The convergence of mobile devices will allow for internet access over differing networks and the use of a wide array of applications.
- Applications that utilize broadband technology and that can run over mobile devices using audio and video will provide an interactive and personal experience for users.



## Competitors Profiled in terms of Digital Technology use with customers

- Gamco Investors, Inc. (formerly Gabelli)
  - Webcasts, blogs
- Pimco Bonds
  - Market commentary, podcasts
- Nuveen Investments
  - Financial advisor's section, subscription to horsesmouth
- Fisher Investments
  - Highly personal
- Fidelity Investments
  - Podcasts, easily navigable website, financial advisors section



# Competitive Analysis Findings

Many Investment firms place voluminous content on website including:

- audio or video broadcasts
- written commentary to educate clients on investment strategy, outlook

Some companies provide

- personal home visits
- weekly phone calls

Many companies make the process of navigating and selecting mutual funds, type of account, extraordinarily simple online



# **Website Analysis**

Analysis of different websites to determine best practices.

### We will see:

- Which sites we chose and why
- The Aspects evaluated
- Some examples



# Calamos' competitors

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# Webawards best fund managers websites











# Aspects to be Evaluated

## Design

- Graphical Layout
- Overall Impression

### Structure

Content Layout & Navigation

## Functionality

- Private Client Access
- Multimedia Capabilities & new technologies

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Fed Fund	0.00	4.00%
🛕 30 Year	0.01	4.85%
🛕 10 Year	0.02	4.66%
🛕 5 Year	0.02	4.55%
🛕 2 Year	0.01	4.45%

#### Inflation Index Treasury Rates

Change

Yield

Yield

Infl. Note

0.02	2.08%
32	
0.02	2.04%
15	
	32 0.02

🔔 5 Year 0.02 1.87% Mat 4/15/2010

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#### Featured Market Commentary

#### Investment Outlook By Bill Gross, November 2005

"PIMCO doesn't have a foreign policy view. I do."

#### Fed Focus By Bill Miller and Paul McCulley, October 2005

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#### Emerging Markets Watch By Mohamed A. El-Erian, October 2005

"Thinking in terms of alignment/misalignment is useful in providing an answer to one of the most commonly asked questions in EM..."

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#### European Perspectives By Andrew Bosomworth, October 2005

"The Sandwich Generations stand to face hefty tax increases and/or benefit cuts in coming years."

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"At some point over the next several years, recognition of the coming energy crisis will reach critical mass.."

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"The question we want to ask is this--how should we be paid for credit risk?"

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#### Market Outlook: Third Quarter 2005

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#### Bond Basics: Everything You Need to Know About Bonds

Everything you wondered about bonds, and then some

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#### Mohamed El-Erian Discusses Changes in Latin America

Keynote address before the Latin American Borrowers and Investors Forum

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## **Main Results**

 Almost every website tries to get more personal and close to the client using new technologies (Podcast, videos, blogs, etc.)

 That doesn't mean the design is good. Some companies seem to give much more importance to their web presence than other.



### Older 55+ HNWI

- Communication by phone, mail, in person
- No digital devices to communicate with their investment company
- Advertising: word-of-mouth and investing company events

### Younger 25-55 HNWI

- Online services a lot
- Cutting edge technology devices
- More receptive to nontraditional ways of advertising





# "Old Money" US Investors Demographics

In 1,421,500 households:

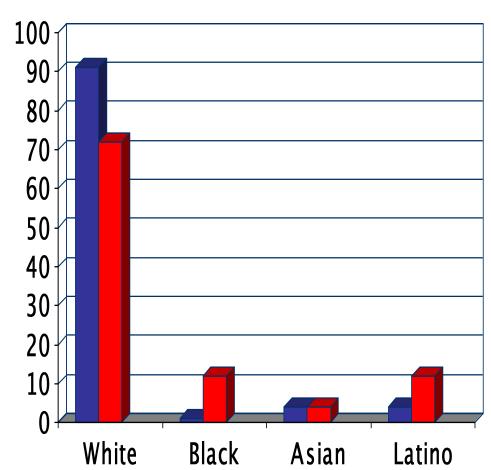
- Net worth \$500,000-\$1 Million
- 2nd largest group of wealthy consumers in US
- Mean age:65, 25% retired
- Honolulu, HI, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, CA
- 62% have never completed college

American Demographics-Acxiom Personicx database



## In 2,229,000 households:

- Largest group of wealthy individuals
- NW \$2 Million +
- Mean age:53
- Stamford, CT, San Jose, San Francisco, CA
- 36% college degree,
- 45% have a graduate degree







# Next Steps for the IPRO team...

- Survey the HNW customers of Calamos Investments.
- Benchmark competitors performance from using digital communications technologies.
- Make recommendations and share ideas with the Calamos Web development team.
- Pilot new technologies like Podcasting.



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# Thank you for listening...

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