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PRT Phoenix Rising

No question. The bull bond market has died. If it were to rise again, it would be as a result of disruptive forces far greater than the Great Recession. Q. Where do we go when we go below zero? A. Unknown.

Will the "Trump Effect" remain?

The rate reversal is both swift and real. As a result, plans executing PRT by year end may enjoy a windfall. However, those remaining in LDI will only watch what could have been.

Such is the peril of LDI in a rising rate market.

PRT Rising

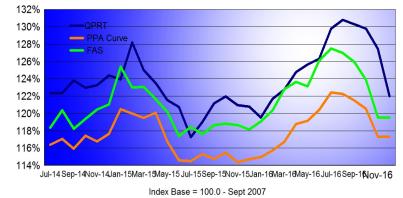
In 2017, a trend for fiscal stimulus will be met by borrowing. Borrowing will increase the cost of debt. Debt will finance further economic activity in an economy that is near full employment (some still on the sideline).

Next Step: Rising Wages and Prices

Mixed with the Fed rate hike, we give you: **PRT Phoenix Rising**

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Rates

The dramatic shift is evidenced below. The follow through will continue to year end with the World Bank settlements including China Yuan for the first time. All of this allow the PRT Phoenix to take flight.

PRT Trax Index		
12 mo Hi-Lo %	+/- 9.4%	
YTD % Δ	+ 2.1%	
3 mos % Δ	- 6.4%	
1 mo % Δ	- 4.2%	

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Date	Immediate	Deferred
November 1, 2016	2.41%	2.90%
December 1, 2016	2.88%	3.35%