

Value Line Mid Cap Focused Fund, Inc.  
Form N-Q  
November 29, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

**FORM N-Q**

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF  
REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file Number 811-02265

The Value Line Mid Cap Focused Fund, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

7 Times Square, New York, NY 10036

Mitchell E. Appel

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-907-1900

Date of fiscal year end: December 31

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2017

**Item 1: Schedule of Investments.**

A copy of the Schedule of Investments for the period ended 9/30/17 is included with this Form.

Value Line Mid Cap Focused Fund, Inc.

Schedule of Investments (unaudited)

Shares		Value
COMMON STOCKS (97.8%)		
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY (4.7%)		
DISTRIBUTION & WHOLESALE (1.7%)		
72,800	LKQ Corp. *	<b>\$2,620,072</b>
RETAIL (3.0%)		
12,200	Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	1,210,240
44,000	TJX Companies, Inc. (The)	3,244,120
		4,454,360
		7,074,432
CONSUMER STAPLES (10.1%)		
FOOD (5.0%)		
31,000	J&J Snack Foods Corp.	4,070,300
33,100	McCormick & Co., Inc.	3,397,384
		7,467,684
HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS (2.8%)		
80,000	Church & Dwight Co., Inc.	3,876,000
2,700	Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc. (1)	285,984
		4,161,984
RETAIL (2.3%)		
31,800	Casey's General Stores, Inc. (1)	3,480,510
		15,110,178
FINANCIALS (4.1%)		
INSURANCE (4.1%)		
3,500	American Financial Group, Inc.	362,075
55,900	Arch Capital Group, Ltd. *	5,506,150
6,300	Validus Holdings, Ltd.	310,023
		6,178,248
HEALTHCARE (16.1%)		
ELECTRONICS (4.2%)		
9,900	Mettler-Toledo International, Inc. *	6,198,984
HEALTHCARE PRODUCTS (11.9%)		
16,200	C.R. Bard, Inc.	5,192,100
26,700	Danaher Corp.	2,290,326
45,400	Henry Schein, Inc. *	3,722,346
42,400	IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. *	6,592,776

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17,797,548  
23,996,532

INDUSTRIALS (34.7%)

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE (9.1%)

47,478 HEICO Corp. 4,263,999  
35,900 Teledyne Technologies, Inc. \* 5,714,562  
14,100 TransDigm Group, Inc. 3,604,665  
13,583,226

COMMERCIAL SERVICES (4.2%)

137,400 Rollins, Inc. 6,339,636

Shares

Value

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (2.5%)

56,750 AMETEK, Inc. **\$3,747,770**

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL (5.5%)

25,800 Stericycle, Inc. \* 1,847,796  
91,650 Waste Connections, Inc. 6,411,834  
8,259,630

HAND & MACHINE TOOLS (2.1%)

21,400 Snap-on, Inc. (1) 3,188,814

HOUSEWARES (3.6%)

85,600 Toro Co. (The) 5,312,336

MACHINERY DIVERSIFIED (5.8%)

26,800 Middleby Corp. (The) \* 3,434,956  
21,400 Roper Technologies, Inc. 5,208,760  
8,643,716

MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURERS (1.9%)

27,500 Carlisle Companies, Inc. 2,757,975  
51,833,103

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (23.9%)

COMMERCIAL SERVICES (2.9%)

34,400 Gartner, Inc. \* 4,279,704

COMPUTERS (1.1%)

30,000 CGI Group, Inc. Class A \*(1) 1,556,100

ELECTRONICS (3.5%)

62,100 Amphenol Corp. Class A 5,256,144

SOFTWARE (16.4%)

36,200 ANSYS, Inc. \* 4,442,826

43,400 Fiserv, Inc. \* 5,596,864

37,800 Jack Henry & Associates, Inc. 3,885,462

98,800 Open Text Corp. 3,190,252

20,600 Tyler Technologies, Inc. \* 3,590,992

20,100 Ultimate Software Group, Inc. (The) \*(1) 3,810,960

24,517,356

35,609,304

MATERIALS (4.2%)

COMMERCIAL SERVICES (2.3%)

26,000 Ecolab, Inc. 3,343,859

PACKAGING & CONTAINERS (1.9%)

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68,799	Ball Corp.	2,841,440
		6,185,299
	<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b>	<b>145,987,096</b>
	(Cost \$89,824,204) (97.8%)	

September 30, 2017

Shares		Value
	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS (5.9%)	
	MONEY MARKET FUNDS (5.9%)	
3,652,158	State Street Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Fund, Premier Class	\$3,652,158
5,200,402	State Street Navigator Securities Lending Government Money Market Portfolio (2)	5,200,402
	TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	8,852,560
	(Cost \$8,852,560) (5.9%)	
	TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES (103.7%)	\$154,839,656
	(Cost \$98,676,764)	
	EXCESS OF LIABILITIES OVER CASH AND OTHER ASSETS (-3.7%)	(5,465,028 )
	NET ASSETS (3) (100%)	\$149,374,628

\* Non-income producing.

(1) A portion or all of the security was held on loan. As of September 30, 2017, the market value of the securities on loan was \$8,392,473.

(2) Securities with an aggregate market value of \$8,392,473 were out on loan in exchange for \$5,200,402 of cash collateral as of September 30, 2017. The collateral was invested in a cash collateral reinvestment vehicle.

(3) For federal income tax purposes, the aggregate cost was \$98,676,764, aggregate gross unrealized appreciation was \$57,576,559, aggregate gross unrealized depreciation was \$1,413,667 and the net unrealized appreciation was \$56,162,892.

The Fund follows fair valuation accounting standards (FASB ASC 820-10) which establishes a definition of fair value and set out a hierarchy for measuring fair value. These standards require additional disclosures about the various inputs and valuation techniques used to develop the measurements of fair value and a discussion of changes in valuation techniques and related inputs during the period. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 Inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund
  - has the ability to access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly,
  - including inputs in markets that are not considered to be active;
- Level 3 Inputs that are unobservable.

Transfers between investment levels may occur as the markets fluctuate and/or the availability of data used in an investment's valuation changes. The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following table summarizes the inputs used to value the Fund's investments in securities as of September 30, 2017:

Investments in Securities:	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Common Stocks*	\$145,987,096	\$ —	\$ —	\$145,987,096
Short-Term Investments	8,852,560	—	—	8,852,560
Total Investments in Securities	\$154,839,656	\$ —	\$ —	\$154,839,656

\* See Schedule of Investments for further classification.

The Fund follows the updated provisions surrounding fair value measurements and disclosures on transfers in and out of all levels of the fair value hierarchy on a gross basis and the reasons for the transfers as well as disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for investments that fall in either Level 2 or Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

For the period ended September 30, 2017, there were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 assets.

The Fund's policy is to recognize transfers between levels at the beginning of the reporting period.

An investment asset's or liability's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level input, individually or in aggregate, that is significant to fair value measurement. The objective of fair value measurement remains the same even when there is a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for an asset or liability and regardless of the valuation techniques used.

For the period ended September 30, 2017, there were no Level 3 investments. The Schedule of Investments includes a breakdown of the Funds' investments by category.



**Item 2. Controls and Procedures.**

The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in rule 30a-2(c) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(c) ) based on their (a) evaluation of these controls and procedures as of the date within 90 days of filing date of this report, are approximately designed to ensure that material information relating to the registrant is made known to such officers and are operating effectively.

The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have determined that there have been no (b) significant changes in the registrant's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

**Item 3.**

**Exhibits:**

(a) Certifications of principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

By /s/ Mitchell E. Appel  
Mitchell E. Appel, President

Date: November 28, 2017

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Mitchell E. Appel  
Mitchell E. Appel, President, Principal Executive Officer

By: /s/ Emily D. Washington  
Emily D. Washington, Treasurer, Principal Financial Officer

Date: November 28, 2017