Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund Form N-Q November 29, 2018

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 811-22058

Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Gifford R. Zimmerman Vice President and Secretary

333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year end: <u>December 31</u>

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2018

Form N-Q is to be used by management investment companies, other than small business investment companies registered on Form N-5 (§§ 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than 60 days after the close of the first and third fiscal quarters, pursuant to rule 30b1-5 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30b1-5). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-Q in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

JTD Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

Portfolio of Investments September 30, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares	Description (1)	Value
	LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS 139.2% (95.8% of Total Investments)	
	COMMON STOCKS 107.4% (73.9% of Total Investments)	
	Aerospace & Defense 3.5%	
14,547	Lockheed Martin Corp	\$ 5,032,680
110,873	Safran SA, ADR, (2), (3)	3,871,685
	Total Aerospace & Defense	8,904,365
	Automobiles 1.1%	
188,204	Daimler AG, ADR, (2)	2,954,803
	Banks 12.4%	
38,538	BOC Hong Kong Holdings Ltd, Sponsored ADR,	3,664,235
	(2)	
	Danske Bank A/S, Sponsored ADR, (2)	2,288,098
	JPMorgan Chase & Co	9,404,311
	Lloyds Banking Group PLC, ADR	3,719,519
	Swedbank AB, ADR, (2)	3,198,702
	Toronto-Dominion Bank/The Wells Fargo & Co, (3)	3,734,336 5,985,533
113,000	Total Banks	31,994,734
	Beverages 3.4%	, ,
61,831	Heineken NV, Sponsored ADR, (2)	2,898,019
	PepsiCo Inc., (4)	5,852,059
	Total Beverages	8,750,078
	Biotechnology 1.0%	
115,391	Grifols SA, ADR, (3)	2,465,906
	Capital Markets 3.3%	
10,834	BlackRock Inc.	5,106,389
37,231	Macquarie Group Ltd, ADR, (2), (3)	3,368,102
	Total Capital Markets	8,474,491
	Chemicals 3.3%	
141,868	Koninklijke DSM NV, Sponsored ADR, (2), (3)	3,739,640
30,025	Praxair Inc., (3)	4,825,918
	Total Chemicals	8,565,558
	Containers & Packaging 3.5%	
87,989	Amcor Ltd/Australia, Sponsored ADR, (2)	3,470,726

49,900 Packaging Corp of America	5,473,531
Total Containers & Packaging	8,944,257
Diversified Financial Services 0.9%	
30,122 ORIX Corp, Sponsored ADR	2,440,786
Diversified Telecommunication Services 3.9%	
189,315 AT&T Inc.	6,357,198
268,016 HKT Trust & HKT Ltd, ADR, (2)	3,685,488
Total Diversified Telecommunication Services	10,042,686
Electric Utilities 4.7%	
34,804 NextEra Energy Inc., (3)	5,833,150
366,447 Red Electrica Corp SA, ADR, (2), (3)	3,818,378

Electric Utilities (continued) \$ 2,555,085 Total Electric Utilities 12,206,613 12,206,	Shares	Description (1)	Value
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	52,314	Phillips 66, (3)	5,896,834

61,151	Total SA, Sponsored ADR	3,937,513
	Total Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	18,823,544
	Personal Products 1.9%	
48,346	L Oreal SA, ADR, (2)	2,327,135
47,965	Unilever PLC, Sponsored ADR	2,636,636
	Total Personal Products	4,963,771
	Pharmaceuticals 7.0%	
11,572	Allergan PLC	2,204,235
26,802	Johnson & Johnson, (3)	3,703,232
189,931	Pfizer Inc., (3), (4)	8,370,259
81,145	Sanofi, ADR	3,624,747
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Shares	Description (1)				Value
	Professional Services 1.2%				
116,072	Experian PLC, Sponsored ADR, (2)			\$	2,980,149
	Real Estate Management & Development 1.2%				
619,764	CapitaLand Ltd, Sponsored ADR, (2)				3,057,234
	Road & Rail 3.2%				
50,692	Union Pacific Corp				8,254,178
	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 1.7%				
39,636	Texas Instruments Inc.				4,252,546
	Software 6.2%				
103,684	Microsoft Corp, (3)				11,858,339
32,747	SAP SE, Sponsored ADR, (3)				4,027,881
	Total Software				15,886,220
(= 0= (Specialty Retail 3.0%				
67,276	Lowe s Cos Inc., (3), (4)				7,724,630
	Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals 3.5%				
40,297	Apple Inc., (3), (4)				9,096,645
	Tobacco 1.8%				
55,961	Philip Morris International Inc.				4,563,060
	Trading Companies & Distributors 2.0%				
142,088	ITOCHU Corp, ADR, (2)				5,203,916
	Wireless Telecommunication Services 2.5%				
284,684	KDDI Corp, ADR, (2)				3,907,288
118,059	Vodafone Group PLC, Sponsored ADR, (3)				2,561,880
	Total Wireless Telecommunication Services				6,469,168
	Total Common Stocks (cost \$185,849,811)				276,348,079
Principal					
Amount				Ratings	
(000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	(5)	Value
	\$1,000 PAR (OR SIMILAR) INSTIT Investments)	UTIONAL PRI	EFERRED 1	4.3% (9.9% of Tot	al
	Automobiles 0.7%				
	General Motors Financial Co Inc.	6.500%	N/A (6)	BB+ \$	73,594
1,685	General Motors Financial Co Inc.	5.750%	N/A (6)	BB+	1,596,538

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1,760	Total Automobiles				1,670,132
	Banks 7.5%				
1,850	Bank of America Corp	6.500%	N/A (6)	BBB	1,998,000
170	Bank of America Corp	6.300%	N/A (6)	BBB	183,175
1,700	CIT Group Inc.	5.800%	N/A (6)	B+	1,674,500
1,950	Citigroup Inc.	6.250%	N/A (6)	BB+	2,035,313
875	Citigroup Inc.	5.800%	N/A (6)	BB+	893,375
925	Citizens Financial Group Inc.	5.500%	N/A (6)	BB+	948,328
275	CoBank ACB	6.250%	N/A (6)	BBB+	291,500
850	Huntington Bancshares Inc./OH	5.700%	N/A (6)	Baa3	842,562
1,925	JPMorgan Chase & Company	6.750%	N/A (6)	BBB	2,100,656
125	JPMorgan Chase & Company	6.100%	N/A (6)	BBB	129,375
825	JPMorgan Chase & Company,	5.809%	N/A (6)	BBB	828,506
	(3-Month LIBOR reference rate +				
	3.470% spread), (7)				
625	Lloyds Bank PLC, 144A	12.000%	N/A (6)	Baa3	764,088
975	M&T Bank Corp	6.450%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,048,125
1,575	PNC Financial Services Group	6.750%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,703,756
	Inc./The				
825	SunTrust Banks Inc.	5.625%	N/A (6)	Baa3	838,406
1,600	Wells Fargo & Co	5.875%	N/A (6)	Baa2	1,683,024

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	(000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	(5)	Value
		Banks (continued)	•	Č		
\$	1,150	Zions Bancorporation	7.200%	N/A (6)	ВВ	\$ 1,230,500
Ψ	18,220	Total Banks	7.20070	1,71 (0)	22	19,193,189
	•	Capital Markets 0.5%				, ,
	500	-	5.300%	N/A (6)	Ba1	500,250
	850	•	5.550%	N/A (6)	BB+	872,525
	1,350	Total Capital Markets	3.330 %	14/14 (0)	DD I	1,372,775
	1,000	Consumer Finance 0.3%				1,0 / 2,7 / 0
	015		5.550%	N/A (6)	Baa3	859,788
	043	Capital One Financial Corp	3.330%	N/A (6)	Бааз	039,700
		Diversified Financial Services 0.7%				
	1.075		5.5 00 <i>0</i>	NI/A (6)	D.D.	1.250.062
	,	Discover Financial Services	5.500%	N/A (6)	BB	1,259,063
	1,775	Voya Financial Inc. Total Diversified Financial Services	6.125%	N/A (6)	BB+	508,125 1,767,188
	1,773					1,707,100
		Electric Utilities 0.7%				
	1,610	Emera Inc.	6.750%	6/15/76	BBB	1,714,650
		Energy Equipment & Services 0.2%				
	625	Transcanada Trust	5.875%	8/15/76	Baa2	638,281
		Food Products 1.3%				
	400	Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	7.250%	N/A (6)	BB	416,000
		Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	8.000%	9/15/66	BB	2,821,000
		Total Food Products				3,237,000
		Industrial Conglomerates 0.6%				
	1,714	General Electric Co	5.000%	N/A (6)	Baa1	1,670,936
		Insurance 1.6%		, ,		
	895	Liberty Mutual Group Inc., 144A	7.800%	3/15/37	Baa3	1,047,150
	1,000	MetLife Inc.	10.750%	8/01/39	BBB	1,535,000
	1,000	Nationwide Financial Services Inc.	6.750%	5/15/37	Baa2	1,090,000
	500	Progressive Corp/The	5.375%	N/A (6)	BBB+	498,750
	3,395	Total Insurance				4,170,900
		U.S. Agency 0.2%				
	525	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A	6.200%	N/A (6)	BBB	532,875
\$	34,819	Total \$1,000 Par (or similar) Institution				36,827,714
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			Ratings	
Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	(5)	Value
	\$25 PAR (OR SIMILAR) RETAIL	L PREFERRED	12.8% (8.8% of Total Investment	nts)
	Banks 3.7%			
30,400	Citigroup Inc.	7.125%	BB+	\$ 848,464
8,700	CoBank ACB, (2)	6.250%	BBB+	904,800
2,209	CoBank ACB, (2)	6.125%	BBB+	221,452
29,100	Fifth Third Bancorp	6.625%	Baa3	800,250
31,776	FNB Corp/PA	7.250%	Ba2	909,747
32,000	Huntington Bancshares Inc./OH	6.250%	Baa3	823,680
32,975	KeyCorp	6.125%	Baa3	881,422
25,700	People s United Financial Inc.	5.625%	BB+	661,775
44,587	Regions Financial Corp	6.375%	BB+	1,182,001
56,493	US Bancorp	6.500%	A3	1,538,304
25,108	Western Alliance Bancorp	6.250%	N/R	631,466
	Total Banks			9,403,361

Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	Ratings (5)	Value
	Capital Markets 2.5%			
7,065	Apollo Investment Corp	6.875%	BBB	\$ 177,049
16,600	B. Riley Financial Inc.	7.500%	N/R	423,300
22,950	B. Riley Financial Inc.	7.250%	N/R	576,045
50,579	Charles Schwab Corp/The	6.000%	BBB	1,298,869
,	Cowen Inc.	7.350%	N/R	411,200
	Hercules Capital Inc.	6.250%	N/R	195,035
	Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc.	8.000%	N/R	948,258
	Morgan Stanley	7.125%	BB+	1,363,348
	Oaktree Specialty Lending Corp	6.125%	BB+	276,364
31,470	Stifel Financial Corp	6.250%	BB	795,876
	Total Capital Markets			6,465,344
	Consumer Finance 0.8%			
31,035	Capital One Financial Corp	6.700%	Baa3	810,634
	GMAC Capital Trust I	8.097%	B+	1,289,095
	Total Consumer Finance			2,099,729
	Diversified Telecommunication Services 0.2%			
26,175	Qwest Corp	6.875%	BBB	638,670
	Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts 1.0%			
10,288	Digital Realty Trust Inc.	7.375%	Baa3	261,727
	Digital Realty Trust Inc.	6.625%	Baa3	418,554
17,225	LaSalle Hotel Properties	6.300%	N/R	419,601
22,032	Senior Housing Properties Trust	5.625%	BBB	535,818
20,300	Sunstone Hotel Investors Inc.	6.950%	N/R	521,304
16,530	VEREIT Inc.	6.700%	BB	410,770
	Total Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts			2,567,774
	Food Products 1.0%			
550	CHS Inc.	7.875%	N/R	15,505
39,675	CHS Inc.	7.100%	N/R	1,070,431
58,065	CHS Inc.	6.750%	N/R	1,523,045
	Total Food Products			2,608,981
	Insurance 2.1%			
3.215	Allstate Corp/The	6.750%	BBB	80,279
	Argo Group US Inc.	6.500%	BBB	820,292
	Enstar Group Ltd	7.000%	BB+	855,360
	Hartford Financial Services Group Inc./The	7.875%	Baa2	550,397
	Kemper Corp	7.375%	Ba1	676,813
	National General Holdings Corp	7.500%	N/R	609,384
	National General Holdings Corp	7.500%	N/R	227,202
	PartnerRe Ltd	7.250%	Baa2	101,898
15,875	Reinsurance Group of America Inc.	6.200%	BBB+	423,386

24,700	Reinsurance Group of America Inc.	5.750%	BBB+	629,109
16,500	Torchmark Corp	6.125%	BBB+	421,080
	Total Insurance			5,395,200
	Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts 0.1%			
10,028	MFA Financial Inc.	8.000%	N/R	256,917
	Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 0.7%			
31,915	Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corp	6.875%	N/R	835,535
33,900	New York Community Bancorp Inc.	6.375%	Ba1	905,130
	Total Thrifts & Mortgage Finance			1,740,665
	U.S. Agency 0.2%			
4,750	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A, (2)	6.750%	Baa1	508,250
	Wireless Telecommunication Services 0.5%			
48,325	United States Cellular Corp	7.250%	Ba1	1,240,020
	Total \$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred (cost \$31,655,673)			32,924,911

rincipal Amount				Ratings	
(000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	(5)	Value
	CORPORATE BONDS 2.7% (1.8% of Total Investments)				
	Chemicals 0.1%				
\$ 325	CVR Partners LP / CVR Nitrogen Finance Corp, 144A	9.250%	6/15/23	B+	\$ 345,823
	Consumer Finance 0.1%				
305	Ally Financial Inc.	8.000%	3/15/20	BB+	323,910
	Containers & Packaging 0.2%				
400	Sealed Air Corp, 144A	6.875%	7/15/33	BB+	430,000
	Entertainment 0.3%				
575	Viacom Inc.	6.875%	4/30/36	BBB	653,928
	Food Products 0.0%				
125	Land O Lakes Inc., 144A	7.000%	N/A (6)	BB	126,563
	IT Services 0.3%				
800	First Data Corp, 144A	7.000%	12/01/23	B+	833,000
	Machinery 0.2%				
400	Dana Financing Luxembourg Sarl, 144A	6.500%	6/01/26	BB+	407,620
	Media 0.6%				
	DISH DBS Corp	7.750%	7/01/26	BB	781,688
757 1,582	Liberty Interactive LLC Total Media	8.500%	7/15/29	BB	811,883
1,382					1,593,571
225	Metals & Mining 0.1% ArcelorMittal, (8)	7.000%	10/15/39	BBB	261,452
223	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 0.4%	7.000%	10/13/39	DDD	201,432
900	Enviva Partners LP / Enviva Partners	8.500%	11/01/21	BB	930,843
900	Finance Corp	8.300%	11/01/21	DD	930,043
	Specialty Retail 0.3%				
825	L Brands Inc.	6.875%	11/01/35	Ba1	697,125
	Wireless Telecommunication Services 0.1%				
250	Altice Financing SA, 144A	7.500%	5/15/26	B+	243,750
\$ 6,712					6,847,585

Total Corporate Bonds (cost \$6,969,852)

			Ratings	
Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	(5)	Value
	CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SECUR	ITIES 1.8% (1.3% of Total I	nvestments)	
	Banks 0.6%			
975	Bank of America Corp	7.250%	BBB	\$ 1,261,894
325	Wells Fargo & Co	7.500%	Baa2	419,536
	Total Banks			1,681,430
	Electric Utilities 0.5%			
21,900	NextEra Energy Inc.	6.123%	BBB	1,247,205
	Multi-Utilities 0.5%			
12,200	Sempra Energy	6.750%	N/R	1,224,148
	Independent Power & Renewable Electric Producers 0.2%	city		
5,400	Vistra Energy Corp	7.000%	N/R	525,366
	Total Convertible Preferred Securities (cost \$4,613,851)			4,678,149

\$ 674 Liberty Interactive LLC 4.000% 11/15/29 BB \$	466,746 466,746 3,093,184
\$ 674 Total Convertible Bonds (cost \$447,685)	3,093,184
Total Long-Term Investments (cost \$265,186,762)	
Principal Amount	
(000) Description (1) Coupon Maturity	Value
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 6.2% (4.2% of Total Investments)	
REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS 6.2% (4.2% of Total Investments)	
\$ 15,871 Repurchase Agreement with Fixed 1.050% 10/01/18 \$ 15, Income Clearing Corporation, dated 9/28/18, repurchase price \$15,872,640, collateralized by \$14,985,000 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 3.625%, due 2/15/44, value \$16,194,379	5,871,251
	5,871,251
· · ·	3,964,435
	5,000,000)
Other Assets Less Liabilities (0.3)% (11)	(669,977)
	7,294,458

Options Written

Description (12)	Туре	Number of Contracts	Notional Amount (13)	Exercise Price	Expiration Date	Value
Russell 2000® Index	Call	(250)	\$ (43,500,000)	\$ 1,740	10/19/18	\$ (85,000)
Total Options Written (premiums received		(250)	ф (42 500 000)			φ (0 5 000)
\$198,491) Interest Rate Swaps	OTC Uncleared	(250)	\$ (43,500,000)			\$ (85,000)

				Fixed	Fixed Rate		Optional		
	NotioMaho	d Receive		Rate	Payment	Effectiler:	mination I	Maturity	A
Counterparty	Amolfitta	ting Ra te lo	oating Rate InAdemu	ıalized)	Frequency	Date (14)	Date	Date	ValuDe
JPMorgan									
Chase Bank,									
N.A.	\$52,500,000	Receive	1-Month LIBOR	1.969%	6 Monthly	6/01/18	7/01/25	7/01/27	\$ 2,909,993
Fair Value M	easurements				•				

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received upon selling an investment or transferring a liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity s own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following is a summary of the three-tiered hierarchy of valuation input levels.

- Level 1 Inputs are unadjusted and prices are determined using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2 Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).
- Level 3 Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs (including management s assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

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The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the Fund s fair value measurements as of the end of the reporting period:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Long-Term Investments:				
Common Stocks	\$ 207,997,534	\$ 68,350,545	\$	\$ 276,348,079
\$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred		36,827,714		36,827,714
\$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred	31,290,409	1,634,502		32,924,911
Corporate Bonds		6,847,585		6,847,585
Convertible Preferred Securities	4,678,149			4,678,149
Convertible Bonds		466,746		466,746
Short-Term Investments:				
Repurchase Agreements		15,871,251		15,871,251
Investments in Derivatives:				
Options Written	(85,000)			(85,000)
Interest Rate Swaps*		2,909,993		2,909,993
Total	\$ 243,881,092	\$132,908,336	\$	\$ 376,789,428

^{*} Represents net unrealized appreciation (depreciation).

Income Tax Information

The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to the recognition of unrealized gain or loss for tax (mark-to-market) on options contracts, timing differences in the recognition of income and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions. To the extent that differences arise that are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities presented in the annual report, based on their federal tax basis treatment; temporary differences do not require reclassification. Temporary and permanent differences do not impact the net asset value of the Fund.

The tables below present the cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of the Fund s investment portfolio, as determined on a federal income tax basis, as of September 30, 2018.

For purposes of this disclosure, derivative tax cost is generally the sum of any upfront fees or premiums exchanged and any amounts unrealized for income statement reporting but realized in income and/or capital gains for tax reporting. If a particular derivative category does not disclose any tax unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the change in value of those derivatives have generally been fully realized for tax purposes.

Tax cost of investments	\$ 282,470,085
Gross unrealized:	
Appreciation	\$ 100,124,719

Depreciation		(8,630,369)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	\$	91,494,350
Tour cost of ontions muitten	¢	(95,000)
Tax cost of options written	\$	(85,000)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of options written		
Tax cost of swaps	\$	
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swaps		2,909,993

For Fund portfolio compliance purposes, the Fund s industry classifications refer to any one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or ratings group indexes, and/or as defined by Fund management. This definition may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine industry sub-classifications into sectors for reporting ease.

- (1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to common shares unless otherwise noted.
- (2) For fair value measurement disclosure purposes, investment classified as Level 2.
- (3) Investment, or portion of investment, is hypothecated. The total value of investments hypothecated as of the end of the reporting period was \$103,024,249.
- (4) Investment, or portion of investment, has been pledged to collateralize the net payment obligations for investments in derivatives.
- (5) For financial reporting purposes, the ratings disclosed are the highest of Standard & Poor s Group (Standard & Poor s), Moody s Investors Service, Inc. (Moody s) or Fitch, Inc. (Fitch) rating. This treatment of split-rated securities may differ from that used for other purposes, such as for Fund investment policies. Ratings below BBB by Standard & Poor s, Baa by Moody s or BBB by Fitch are considered to be below investment grade. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by any of these national rating agencies.
- (6) Perpetual security. Maturity date is not applicable.
- (7) Variable rate security. The rate shown is the coupon as of the end of the reporting period.
- (8) Step-up coupon bond, a bond with a coupon that increases (steps up), usually at regular intervals, while the bond is outstanding. The rate shown is the coupon as of the end of the reporting period.
- (9) Borrowings as a percentage of Total Investments is 31.0%.
- (10) The Fund may pledge up to 100% of its eligible investments (excluding any investments separately pledged as collateral for specific investments in derivatives) in the Portfolio of Investments as collateral for borrowings. As of the end of the reporting period, investments with a value of \$250,580,582 have been pledged as collateral for borrowings.
- (11) Other assets less liabilities includes the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of certain over-the counter (OTC) derivatives as well as the OTC cleared and exchange-traded derivatives, when applicable. Other assets

less liabilities also includes the value of options.

- (12) Exchange-traded, unless otherwise noted.
- (13) For disclosure purposes, Notional Amount is calculated by multiplying the Number of Contracts by the Exercise Price by 100.
- (14) Effective date represents the date on which both the Fund and counterparty commence interest payment accruals on each contract.
- 144A Investment is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These investments may only be resold in transactions exempt from registration, which are normally those transactions with qualified institutional buyers.

ADR American Depositary Receipt

LIBOR London Inter-Bank Offered Rate

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- a. The registrant s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act) (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
- b. There were no changes in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant s last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

File as exhibits as part of this Form a separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), exactly as set forth below: EX-99 CERT Attached hereto.

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.

(Registrant) Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Dividend Growth Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman

Gifford R. Zimmerman Vice President and Secretary

Date: November 29, 2018

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 (Signature and Title) /s/ Cedric H. Antosiewicz

Cedric H. Antosiewicz

Chief Administrative Officer (principal executive

officer)

Date: November 29, 2018

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Stephen D. Foy

Stephen D. Foy

Vice President and Controller (principal financial

officer)

Date: November 29, 2018