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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 number811-21153
Nuveen Maryland Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 3
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)
333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)
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Jessica R. Droeger 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:5/31
Date of reporting period:2/28/06
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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)

Nuveen Maryland Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 3 (NWI)

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Principal

Amount (000) Description (1)	Provisions (2
	Consumer Discretionary [] 2.1% (1.5% of Total Investments)	
\$ 22	Baltimore, Maryland, Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, General Motors Corporation, Series 1993, 5.350%, 4/01/08	No Opt. Ca
1,00		9/16 at 100.0
38	 Baltimore, Maryland, Subordinate Lien Convention Center Hotel Revenue Bonds, Series 2006B, 5.875%, 9/01/39 	9/16 at 100.0
1,60	O Total Consumer Discretionary	
	Consumer Staples 3.6% (2.4% of Total Investments)	
2,730	Puerto Rico, The Children s Trust Fund, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Refunding Bonds, Series 2002, 5.375%, 5/15/33	5/12 at 100.0
	Education and Civic Organizations [] 13.3% (9.0% of Total Investments)	
22	5 Anne Arundel County, Maryland, Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Community College Project, Series 2002, 5.125%, 9/01/22	9/12 at 102.0
625	Frederick County, Maryland, Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Mount Saint Mary Scollege, Series 2006, 5.625%, 9/01/38	9/16 at 100.0
	Frederick County, Maryland, Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds, Mount St. Mary Series 2001A:	
10	0 5.750%, 9/01/25	3/10 at 101.0
10	0 5.800%, 9/01/30	3/10 at 101.0
69	Hartford County, Maryland, Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Battelle Memorial Institute, Series 2004, 5.250%, 4/01/34	4/14 at 100.0
62	Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Goucher College, Series 2004, 5.125%, 7/01/34	7/14 at 100.0
1,00	Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Johns Hopkins University, Series 2002A, 5.000%, 7/01/32	7/12 at 100.0
52	5 Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, Series 2005A, 6.000%, 5/01/35	5/15 at 100.0
1,00		7/13 at 100.0
98	5 University of Maryland, Auxiliary Facility and Tuition Revenue Bonds, Series 2001B, 4.625%, 4/01/21	4/11 at 100.0
2,00		4/12 at 100.0
	University of Maryland, Auxiliary Facility and Tuition Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A:	
1,00 1,00		4/13 at 100.00 4/13 at 100.00
9,87	5 Total Education and Civic Organizations	
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1,00	Health Care [] 17.8% (12.1% of Total Investments) Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Anne Arundel	7/08 at 101.0

Medical Center, Series 1998, 5.125%, 7/01/33 [] FSA Insured

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775 Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Calvert Memorial Hospital, Series 2004, 5.500%, 7/01/36

7/14 at 100.0

1,250 Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Carroll County

7/12 at 100.0