# STIFEL NICOLAUS

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF

# FINANCIAL CONDITION (Unaudited)

As of June 30, 2016

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(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)	
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 62,669
Cash segregated for regulatory purposes	60,132
Receivables:	
Brokerage clients, net	1,387,716
Brokers, dealers and clearing organizations	505,886
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	293,766
Financial instruments owned, at fair value	1,067,307
Investments, at fair value	70,747
Due from Parent and affiliates	42,196
Deferred tax assets, net	116,447
Loans and advances to financial advisors and other employees, net	196,746
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	307,920
Other assets	 214,608
Total assets	\$ 4,326,140
Liabilities and stockholder's equity	
Borrowings	\$ 429,200
Payables:	
Brokerage clients	900,463
Brokers, dealers and clearing organizations	438,126
Drafts	54,982
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	317,002
Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, at fair value	597,102
Accrued compensation	134,756
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	130,658
Due to Parent and affiliates	 159,558
	3,161,847
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	35,000
Stockholder's equity	
Common stock – par value \$1; authorized 30,000 shares; outstanding 1,000 shares	1
Additional paid-in-capital	923,123
	206,169
Retained earnings	 200,109
Retained earnings Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$ 1,129,293 4,326,140

(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition.

# STIFEL, NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED Notes to Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition (Unaudited)

# NOTE 1 – Nature of Operations and Basis of Presentation

#### Nature of Operations

Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated ("Stifel"), is principally engaged in retail brokerage, securities trading, investment banking, investment advisory, and related financial services throughout the United States. We provide securities brokerage services, including the sale of equities, mutual funds, fixed income products, insurance, and banking products to our clients. Our company's principal customers are individual investors, corporations, municipalities, and institutions. We are a wholly-owned subsidiary of Stifel Financial Corp. (the "Parent"). We are a registered broker-dealer and investment advisor under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), a member of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA").

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated statement of financial condition includes Stifel and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All material inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated. Unless otherwise indicated, the terms "we," "us," "our," or "our company" in this report refer to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

The accompanying consolidated statement of financial condition has been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts. We consider significant estimates, which are most susceptible to change and impacted significantly by judgments, assumptions, and estimates, to be: valuation of financial instruments; accrual for contingencies; fair value of goodwill and intangible assets; and income tax reserves. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Consolidation Policies**

The consolidated statement of financial condition includes the accounts of Stifel and its subsidiaries. We also have investments or interests in other entities for which we must evaluate whether to consolidate by determining whether we have a controlling financial interest or are considered to be the primary beneficiary. In determining whether to consolidate these entities, we evaluate whether the entity is a voting interest entity or a variable interest entity ("VIE").

*Voting Interest Entity.* Voting interest entities are entities that have (i) total equity investment at risk sufficient to fund expected future operations independently, and (ii) equity holders who have the obligation to absorb losses or receive residual returns and the right to make decisions about the entity's activities. We consolidate voting interest entities when we determine that there is a controlling financial interest, usually ownership of all, or a majority of, the voting interest.

*Variable Interest Entity.* VIEs are entities that lack one or more of the characteristics of a voting interest entity. We are required to consolidate VIEs in which we are deemed to be the primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary is defined as the entity that has a variable interest, or a combination of variable interests, that maintains control and receives benefits or will absorb losses that are not pro rata with its ownership interests.

We determine whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE by first performing a qualitative analysis of the VIE's control structure, expected benefits and losses and expected residual returns. This analysis includes a review of, among other factors, the VIE's capital structure, contractual terms, which interests create or absorb benefits or losses, variability, related party relationships, and the design of the VIE. Where a qualitative analysis is not conclusive, we perform a quantitative analysis. We reassess our initial evaluation of an entity as a VIE and our initial determination of whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE upon the occurrence of certain reconsideration events. See Note 16 for additional information on variable interest entities.

# **NOTE 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider money market mutual funds and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are not segregated to be cash equivalents. Due to the short-term nature of these instruments, carrying value approximates their fair value.

# Cash Segregated for Regulatory Purposes

We are subject to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which requires our company to maintain cash or qualified securities in a segregated reserve account for the exclusive benefit of its clients. In accordance with Rule 15c3-3, our company has portions of its cash segregated for the exclusive benefit of clients at June 30, 2016.

# Brokerage Client Receivables, net

Brokerage client receivables, primarily consisting of amounts due on cash and margin transactions collateralized by securities owned by clients, are charged interest at rates similar to other such loans made throughout the industry. The receivables are reported at their outstanding principal balance net of allowance for doubtful accounts. When a brokerage client receivable is considered to be impaired, the amount of the impairment is generally measured based on the fair value of the securities acting as collateral, which is measured based on current prices from independent sources such as listed market prices or broker-dealer price quotations. Securities owned by customers, including those that collateralize margin or other similar transactions, are not reflected in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

## Securities Borrowed and Securities Loaned

Securities borrowed require our company to deliver cash to the lender in exchange for securities and are included in receivables from brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations in the consolidated statement of financial condition. For securities loaned, we receive collateral in the form of cash in an amount equal to the market value of securities loaned. Securities loaned are included in payables to brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations in the consolidated statement of financial condition. We monitor the market value of securities borrowed and loaned on a daily basis, with additional collateral obtained or refunded as necessary.

Substantially all of these transactions are executed under master netting agreements, which gives us right of offset in the event of counterparty default; however, such receivables and payables with the same counterparty are not set-off in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

# Securities Purchased Under Agreements to Resell

Securities purchased under agreements to resell ("resale agreements") are collateralized financing transactions that are recorded at their contractual amounts plus accrued interest. We obtain control of collateral with a market value equal to or in excess of the principal amount loaned and accrued interest under resale agreements. These agreements are short-term in nature and are collateralized by U.S. government agency securities. We value collateral on a daily basis, with additional collateral obtained when necessary to minimize the risk associated with this activity.

#### Financial Instruments

We measure certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis, including financial instruments owned, investments, and financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased. Other than those separately discussed in the notes to the consolidated statement of financial condition, the remaining financial instruments are generally short-term in nature and their carrying values approximate fair value.

#### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value of a financial instrument is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e. "the exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. We have categorized our financial instruments measured at fair value into a three-level classification in accordance with Topic 820, "*Fair Value Measurement*" which established a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from independent sources. Unobservable inputs reflect our assumptions that market participants would use in pricing

the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the transparency of inputs as follows:

Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the measurement date. A quoted price for an identical asset or liability in an active market provides the most reliable fair value measurement because it is directly observable to the market.

Level 2 – Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the measurement date. The nature of these financial instruments include instruments for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently, derivative instruments whose fair value have been derived using a model where inputs to the model are directly observable in the market, or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, and instruments that are fair valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed.

Level 3 – Instruments that have little to no pricing observability as of the measurement date. These financial instruments do not have two-way markets and are measured using management's best estimate of fair value, where the inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation.

#### Valuation of Financial Instruments

When available, we use observable market prices, observable market parameters, or broker or dealer prices (bid and ask prices) to derive the fair value of financial instruments. In the case of financial instruments transacted on recognized exchanges, the observable market prices represent quotations for completed transactions from the exchange on which the financial instrument is principally traded.

A substantial percentage of the fair value of our financial instruments are based on observable market prices, observable market parameters, or derived from broker or dealer prices. The availability of observable market prices and pricing parameters can vary from product to product. Where available, observable market prices and pricing or market parameters in a product may be used to derive a price without requiring significant judgment. In certain markets, observable market prices or market parameters are not available for all products, and fair value is determined using techniques appropriate for each particular product. These techniques involve some degree of judgment.

For investments in illiquid or privately held securities that do not have readily determinable fair values, the determination of fair value requires us to estimate the value of the securities using the best information available. Among the factors we consider in determining the fair value of investments are the cost of the investment, terms and liquidity, developments since the acquisition of the investment, the sales price of recently issued securities, the financial condition and operating results of the issuer, earnings trends and consistency of operating cash flows, the long-term business potential of the issuer, the quoted market price of securities with similar quality and yield that are publicly traded, and other factors generally pertinent to the valuation of investments. In instances where a security is subject to transfer restrictions, the value of the security is based primarily on the quoted price of a similar security without restriction but may be reduced by an amount estimated to reflect such restrictions. The fair value of these investments is subject to a high degree of volatility and may be susceptible to significant fluctuation in the near term and the differences could be material.

The degree of judgment used in measuring the fair value of financial instruments generally correlates to the level of pricing observability. Pricing observability is impacted by a number of factors, including the type of financial instrument, whether the financial instrument is new to the market and not yet established, and the characteristics specific to the transaction. Financial instruments with readily available active quoted prices for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of pricing observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. Conversely, financial instruments rarely traded or not quoted will generally have less, or no, pricing observability and a higher degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. See Note 4 for additional information on how we value our financial instruments.

#### Investments

The fair value of marketable investments is generally based on either quoted market or dealer prices. The fair value of non-marketable securities is based on management's estimate using the best information available, which generally consists of quoted market prices for similar securities and internally developed discounted cash flow models.

Investments in the consolidated statement of financial condition contain investments in securities that are marketable and securities that are not readily marketable. These investments are not included in our inventory and represent the acquiring and disposing of debt or equity instruments for our benefit and not for resale to our customers.

# Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the cost of acquired businesses in excess of the fair value of the related net assets acquired. We test goodwill for impairment on an annual basis and on an interim basis when certain events or circumstances exist. We test for impairment at the reporting unit level, which is generally at the level of or one level below our company's business segments. For both the annual and interim tests, we have the option to first assess gualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, we determine it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is greater than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test is not required. However, if we conclude otherwise, we are then required to perform the first step of the two-step impairment test. Goodwill impairment is determined by comparing the estimated fair value of a reporting unit with its respective carrying value. If the estimated fair value exceeds the carrying value, goodwill at the reporting unit level is not deemed to be impaired. If the estimated fair value is below carrying value, however, further analysis is required to determine the amount of the impairment. Additionally, if the carrying value of a reporting unit is zero or a negative value and it is determined that it is more likely than not the goodwill is impaired, further analysis is required. The estimated fair values of the reporting units are derived based on valuation techniques we believe market participants would use for each of the reporting units. We have elected July 31 as our annual impairment testing date.

Identifiable intangible assets, which are amortized over their estimated useful lives, are tested for potential impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances suggest that the carrying value of an asset or asset group may not be fully recoverable. See Note 6 for further discussion.

## Loans and Advances

We offer transition pay, principally in the form of upfront loans, to financial advisors and certain key revenue producers as part of our company's overall growth strategy. These loans are generally forgiven over a five- to ten-year period if the individual satisfies certain conditions, usually based on continued employment and certain performance standards. We monitor and compare individual financial advisor production to each loan issued to ensure future recoverability. If the individual leaves before the term of the loan expires or fails to meet certain performance standards, the individual is required to repay the balance. In determining the allowance for doubtful receivables from former employees, management considers the facts and circumstances surrounding each receivable, including the amount of the unforgiven balance, the reasons for the terminated employment relationship, and the former employees' overall financial situation.

#### Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase ("repurchase agreements") are collateralized financing transactions that are recorded at their contractual amounts plus accrued interest. We make delivery of securities sold under agreements to repurchase and monitor the value of collateral on a daily basis. When necessary, we will deliver additional collateral.

# Legal Loss Allowances

We record loss allowances related to legal proceedings resulting from lawsuits and arbitrations, which arise from our business activities. Some of these lawsuits and arbitrations claim substantial amounts, including punitive damage claims. Management has determined that it is likely that the ultimate resolution of certain of these claims will result in losses to our company. We have, after consultation with outside legal counsel and consideration of facts currently known by management, recorded estimated losses to the extent we believe certain claims are probable of loss and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. This determination is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that are subject to potentially significant revision as more information becomes available and due to subsequent events. Factors considered by management in estimating our liability is the loss and damages sought by the claimant/plaintiff, the merits of the claim, the amount of loss in the client's account, the possibility of wrongdoing on the part of the employee of our company, the total cost of defending the litigation, the likelihood of a successful defense against the claim, and the potential for fines and penalties from regulatory agencies. Results of litigation and arbitration are inherently uncertain, and management's assessment of risk associated therewith is subject to change as the proceedings evolve. After discussion with counsel, management, based on its understanding of the facts, accrues what they consider appropriate to provide loss allowances for certain claims, which is included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

# Income Taxes

We are included in the consolidated federal and certain state income tax returns filed by the Parent. Our portion of the consolidated current income tax liability, computed on a separate return basis pursuant to a tax sharing agreement and our stand-alone tax liability or receivable are included in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

We compute income taxes using the asset and liability method, under which deferred income taxes are provided for the temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of our company's assets and liabilities. We establish a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that these items will either expire before we are able to realize their benefits, or that future deductibility is uncertain.

We recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the consolidated statement of financial condition from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

## **Recently Adopted Accounting Guidance**

#### Leases

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases" that requires lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet for all leases with the exception of short-term leases. For lessees, leases will continue to be classified as either operating or finance leases in the income statement. Lessor accounting is similar to the current model but updated to align with certain changes to the lessee model. Lessors will continue to classify leases as operating, direct financing or sales-type leases. The new standard must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition and requires application of the new guidance at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019 (January 1, 2020 for our company). Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the transition method that will be elected and the effect that the new guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements.

#### Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value per Share

In May 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-07, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent)" ("ASU 2015-07"). The guidance removes the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient. The guidance also removes the requirement to make certain disclosures for all investments that are eligible to be measured at fair value using the net asset value per share practical expedient. Rather, those disclosures are limited to investments for which the entity has elected to measure the fair value using that practical expedient. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016 with early adoption permitted. We early adopted the guidance on January 1, 2016. See Note 4 – Fair Value Measurements.

# NOTE 3 - Receivables From and Payables to Brokers, Dealers and Clearing Organizations

Amounts receivable from brokers, dealers and clearing organizations at June 30, 2016, included (in thousands):

Deposits paid for securities borrowed	\$ 369,804
Securities failed to deliver	75,385
Receivable from clearing organizations	60,697
	\$ 505,886

Amounts payable to brokers, dealers and clearing organizations at June 30, 2016, included (in thousands):

Deposits received from securities loaned	\$ 357,207
Payable to clearing organizations	45,201
Securities failed to receive	35,718
	\$ 438,126

Deposits paid for securities borrowed approximate the market value of the securities. Securities failed to deliver and receive represent the contract value of securities that have not been delivered or received on settlement date.

## **NOTE 4 – Fair Value Measurements**

We measure certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis, including financial instruments owned, investments, and financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased.

The following describes the valuation techniques and key inputs used to measure fair value on a recurring basis:

#### Financial Instruments Owned

When available, the fair value of financial instruments are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical instruments and reported in Level 1. Level 1 financial instruments include highly liquid instruments with quoted prices, such as equity securities listed in active markets, corporate fixed income securities, and U.S. government securities.

If quoted prices are not available for identical instruments, fair values are obtained from pricing services, broker quotes, or other model-based valuation techniques with observable inputs such as the present value of estimated cash flows and reported as Level 2. The nature of these financial instruments include instruments for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently, instruments whose fair value have been derived using a model where inputs to the model are directly observable in the market, or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, and instruments that are fair valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed. Level 2 financial instruments generally include U.S. government agency securities, mortgage-backed securities, corporate fixed income securities infrequently traded, state and municipal securities.

Level 3 financial instruments have little to no pricing observability as of the report date. These financial instruments do not have active two-way markets and are measured using management's best estimate of fair value, where the inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. We have identified Level 3 financial instruments to include mortgage-backed securities and equity securities with unobservable pricing inputs. We value these financial instruments, where there was less frequent or nominal market activity or when we were able to obtain only a single broker quote, using prices from comparable securities.

#### Investments

Investments carried at fair value primarily include corporate equity securities, auction-rate securities ("ARS"), and private company investments.

Corporate equity securities are valued based on quoted prices in active markets and reported in Level 1.

ARS for which the market has been dislocated and largely ceased to function are reported as Level 3 assets. ARS are valued based upon our expectations of issuer redemptions and using internal discounted cash flow models that utilize unobservable inputs.

Direct investments in private companies may be valued using the market approach and were valued based on an assessment of each underlying investment, incorporating evaluation of additional significant third-party financing, changes in valuations of comparable peer companies, the business environment of the companies, market indices, assumptions relating to appropriate risk adjustments for nonperformance, and legal restrictions on disposition, among other factors. The fair value derived from the methods used are evaluated and weighted, as appropriate, considering the reasonableness of the range of values indicated. Under the market approach, fair value may be determined by reference to multiples of market-comparable companies or transactions, including earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization ("EBITDA") multiples. For securities utilizing the market comparable companies' valuation technique, a significant increase (decrease) in the EBITDA multiple in isolation could result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value measurement.

#### Investments in Funds That Are Measured at Net Asset Value Per Share

Investments at fair value include investments in funds that are measured at NAV. The Company uses NAV to measure the fair value of its fund investments when (i) the fund investment does not have a readily determinable fair value and (ii) the NAV of the investment fund is calculated in a manner consistent with the measurement principles of investment company accounting, including measurement of the underlying investments at fair value. The Company adopted ASU No. 2015-07 in January 2016 and, as required, disclosures in the paragraphs and tables below are limited to only those investments in funds that are measured at NAV.

The Company's investments in funds measured at NAV include partnership interests, mutual funds, and money market funds.

The general and limited partnership interests in investment partnerships were primarily valued based upon NAVs received from third-party fund managers. The various partnerships are investment companies, which record their underlying investments at fair value based on fair value policies established by management of the underlying fund. Fair value policies at the underlying fund generally require the funds to utilize pricing/valuation information, including independent appraisals, from third-party sources. However, in some instances, current valuation information for illiquid securities or securities in markets that are not active may not be available from any third-party source or fund management may conclude that the valuations that are available from third-party sources are not reliable. In these instances, fund management may perform model-based analytical valuations that may be used as an input to value these investments.

The table below presents the fair value of our investments in, and unfunded commitments to, funds that are measured at NAV as of June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*):

	Fair value investmer			Unfunded commitments
Partnership interests	\$	8,205	\$	202
Mutual funds		7,868		
Money market funds		21		
Total	\$	16,094	\$	202

#### Financial Instruments Sold, But Not Yet Purchased

Financial instruments sold but not purchased are recorded at fair value based on quoted prices in active markets and other observable market data are reported as Level 1. Financial instruments sold but not yet purchased include highly liquid instruments with quoted prices such as U.S. government securities, corporate fixed income and equity securities listed in active markets.

If quoted prices are not available, fair values are obtained from pricing services, broker quotes, or other modelbased valuation techniques with observable inputs such as the present value of estimated cash flows and reported as Level 2. The nature of these financial instruments include instruments for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently, instruments whose fair value have been derived using a model where inputs to the model are directly observable in the market, or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, and instruments that are fair valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed. Level 2 financial instruments generally include mortgage-backed securities and fixed income securities not actively traded and state and municipal securities. The following table summarizes the valuation of our financial instruments by pricing observability levels as of June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*):

	Total	 Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:				
Financial instruments owned:				
U.S. government agency securities	210,849	1,008	209,841	
U.S. government securities	11,258	11,258		
Mortgage-backed securities:				
Agency	209,021		209,021	
Non-agency	28,954		27,719	1,235
Corporate securities:				
Fixed income securities	272,606	22,986	249,620	
Equity securities	112,276	111,657		619
State and municipal securities	222,343		222,343	
Total financial instruments owned	 1,067,307	 146,909	 918,544	 1,854
Investments:				
Corporate equity securities	2,563	2,563		
Auction rate securities:				
Equity securities	50,750			50,750
Municipal securities	1,354			1,354
Other	7		7	
Investments measured at NAV	16,073			
Total investments	 70,747	 2,563	 7	 52,104
Cash equivalents measured at NAV	 21			
	\$ 1,138,075	 149,472	 918,551	 53,958
Liabilities:		 		
Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased:				
U.S. government securities	\$ 271,337	\$ 271,337	\$ 	\$ 
Agency mortgage-backed securities	75,289		75,289	
Corporate securities:				
Fixed income securities	209,204	2,901	206,303	_
Equity securities	41,251	41,251		
State and municipal securities	 21		21	
Total financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased	\$ 597,102	\$ 315,489	\$ 281,613	\$ 

The following table summarizes the changes in fair value carrying values associated with Level 3 financial instruments during the six months ended June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*):

	Fin	Financial Instruments Owned				Investments			
		– Equity		Sec	ion-Rate urities – Equity	Sec	uction- Rate curities – unicipal		
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$	1,476	\$	619	\$	50,442	\$	1,315	
Unrealized gains/(losses)		(18)		_		783		39	
Realized gains		9		_		—		—	
Redemptions		(232)				(475)			
Net change		(241)				308		39	
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$	1,235	\$	619	\$	50,750	\$	1,354	

The results included in the table above are only a component of the overall investment strategies of our company. The table above does not present Level 1 or Level 2 valued assets or liabilities. The changes to our company's Level 3 classified instruments during the six months ended June 30, 2016 were principally a result of: realized and unrealized gains, net, offset by redemptions of ARS at par.

#### Transfers Within the Fair Value Hierarchy

We assess our financial instruments on a quarterly basis to determine the appropriate classification within the fair value hierarchy. Transfers between fair value classifications occur when there are changes in pricing observability levels. Transfers of financial instruments among the levels are deemed to occur at the beginning of the reporting period. There were \$1.2 million of transfers of financial assets from Level 2 to Level 1 during the six months ended June 30, 2016 primarily related to corporate fixed income securities for which market trades were observed that provided transparency into the valuation of these assets. There were \$2.5 million of transfers of financial assets from Level 1 to Level 2 during the six months ended June 30, 2016, primarily related to corporate fixed income securities for which there were low volumes of recent trade activity observed. There were \$0.5 million of transfers into Level 3 during the six months ended June 30, 2016.

The following table summarizes quantitative information related to the significant unobservable inputs utilized in our company's Level 3 recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2016.

	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range	Weighted Average
Investments:				
Auction rate securities:				
Equity securities	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	1.7%-11.7%	5.8%
		Workout period	1 – 3 years	2.5 years
Municipal securities	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	0.0% -	4.9%
		Workout period	1-4 years	2.1 years

The fair value of certain Level 3 assets was determined using various methodologies as appropriate, including third-party pricing vendors, broker quotes and market and income approaches. These inputs are evaluated for reasonableness through various procedures, including due diligence reviews of third-party pricing vendors, variance analyses, consideration of current market environment and other analytical procedures.

The fair value for our auction-rate securities was determined using an income approach based on an internally developed discounted cash flow model. The discounted cash flow model utilizes two significant unobservable inputs: discount rate and workout period. The discount rate was calculated using credit spreads of the underlying collateral or similar securities. The workout period was based on an assessment of publicly available information on efforts to re-establish functioning markets for these securities and our company's own redemption experience. Significant increases in any of these inputs in isolation would result in a significantly lower fair

value. On an on-going basis, management verifies the fair value by reviewing the appropriateness of the discounted cash flow model and its significant inputs.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following reflects the fair value of financial instruments whether or not recognized in the consolidated statement of financial condition at fair value at June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*).

	Carrying Amount	Est	imated Fair Value
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 62,669	\$	62,669
Cash segregated for regulatory purposes	60,132		60,132
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	293,766		293,766
Financial instruments owned	1,067,307		1,067,307
Investments	70,747		70,747
Financial liabilities			
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 317,002	\$	317,002
Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased	597,102		597,102
Liabilities subordinated to the claims of general creditors	35,000		18,741

The following table presents the estimated fair values of financial instruments not measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*):

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Financial assets:				
Cash	\$ 62,648	\$ 62,648	\$ _	\$ _
Cash segregated for regulatory purposes	60,132	60,132	_	
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	293,766	293,766	_	
Financial liabilities:				
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 317,002	\$ 317,002	\$ _	\$ 
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	18,741	_		18,741

The following, as supplemented by the discussion above, describes the valuation techniques used in estimating the fair value of our financial instruments as of June 30, 2016.

# **Financial Assets**

#### Securities Purchased Under Agreements to Resell

Securities purchased under agreements to resell are collateralized financing transactions that are recorded at their contractual amounts plus accrued interest. The carrying value at June 30, 2016 approximates fair value due to the short-term nature.

#### **Financial Liabilities**

#### Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are collateralized financing transactions that are recorded at their contractual amounts plus accrued interest. The carrying value at June 30, 2016 approximates fair value due to the short-term nature.

#### Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors

The fair value of subordinated debt was measured using the interest rates commensurate with borrowings of similar terms.

These fair value disclosures represent our best estimates based on relevant market information and information about the financial instruments. Fair value estimates are based on judgments regarding future expected losses, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of the various instruments, and other factors. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in the above methodologies and assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

# NOTE 5 - Financial Instruments Owned and Financial Instruments Sold, But Not Yet Purchased

The components of financial instruments owned and financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased at June 30, 2016 are as follows (*in thousands*):

Financial instruments owned:	
U.S. government agency securities	\$ 210,849
U.S. government securities	11,258
Mortgage-backed securities:	
Agency	209,021
Non-agency	28,954
Corporate securities:	
Fixed income securities	272,606
Equity securities	112,276
State and municipal securities	222,343
	\$ 1,067,307
Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased:	
U.S. government securities	\$ 271,337
Agency mortgage-backed securities	75,289
Corporate securities:	
Fixed income securities	209,204
Equity securities	41,251
State and municipal securities	21
	\$ 597,102

At June 30, 2016, financial instruments owned in the amount of \$935.8 million were pledged as collateral for our repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings.

Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased represent obligations of our company to deliver the specified security at the contracted price, thereby creating a liability to purchase the security in the market at prevailing prices in future periods. We are obligated to acquire the securities sold short at prevailing market prices, which may exceed the amount reflected in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

#### **NOTE 6** – Goodwill and Intangible Assets

We test goodwill for impairment on an annual basis and on an interim basis when certain events or circumstances exist. We test for impairment at the reporting unit level, which is an operating segment or one level below an operating segment.

The carrying amount of goodwill and intangible assets is presented in the following table (in thousands):

Goodwill	
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ 292,540
Net additions	 
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$ 292,540
Intangible assets	
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ 16,751
Net additions	
Amortization of intangible assets	 (1,371)
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$ 15,380

Intangible assets subject to amortization as of June 30, 2016 were as follows (in thousands):

	Gross Carrying Value			umulated ortization	Net
Customer relationships	\$	32,789	\$	22,744	\$ 10,045
Trade name		8,780		3,445	5,335
	\$	41,569	\$	26,189	\$ 15,380

The weighted-average remaining lives of the following intangible assets at June 30, 2016 are: customer relationships 6.1 years; and trade name 8.7 years.

# **NOTE 7 – Borrowings**

Our short-term financing is generally obtained through short-term bank line financing on an uncommitted, secured basis and securities lending arrangements. We borrow from various banks on a demand basis with company-owned and customer securities pledged as collateral. The value of customer-owned securities used as collateral is not reflected in the consolidated statement of financial condition. Our uncommitted secured lines of credit at June 30, 2016 totaled \$980.0 million with six banks and are dependent on having appropriate collateral, as determined by the bank agreements, to secure an advance under the line. The availability of our uncommitted lines are subject to approval by the individual banks each time an advance is requested and may be denied. Our peak daily borrowing was \$525.7 million during the six months ended June 30, 2016. There are no compensating balance requirements under these arrangements.

During 2014, we entered into a Credit Agreement, as amended, (the "Agreement) with Stifel Bank and Trust ("Stifel Bank"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parent. Under the terms of the Agreement, Stifel Bank is providing our company with a \$150.0 million revolving credit facility. The credit facility expires in September 2016. The borrowings are secured with company-owned securities and receivables pledged as collateral. The applicable interest rate under the revolving credit facility is calculated as a per annum rate equal to the Eurocurrency Rate plus 1.50%. The outstanding balance at June 30, 2016 was \$146.0 million and is included in borrowings in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

At June 30, 2016, short-term borrowings from banks were \$429.2 million at an average rate of 2.0%, which were collateralized by company-owned securities valued at \$629.0 million.

# NOTE 8 – Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors

We entered into a \$35.0 million subordinated loan agreement with the Parent, as approved by FINRA. The loan is callable on September 30, 2035 and bears interest at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 1.70% per annum. At June 30, 2016, the fair value of the liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors using interest rates commensurate with borrowings of similar terms was \$18.7 million.

#### NOTE 9 – Disclosures About Offsetting Assets and Liabilities

The following table provides information about financial assets that are subject to offset as of June 30, 2016 (*in thousands*):

				Gross Am Offset in th of Financia		
		Gross Amounts Offset in the Statement of Financial Condition	Net Amounts Presented in the Statement of Financial Condition	Amounts available for offset	Available collateral	Net Amount
Securities borrowing <sup>1</sup>	\$ 369,804	\$	\$ 369,804	\$(244,927)	\$ (123,975)	)\$ 902
Reverse repurchase agreements <sup>2</sup>	293,766		293,766	(164,548)	(129,218)	) —
	\$ 663,570	\$	\$ 663,570	\$(409,475)	\$ (253,193)	) \$ 902

(1) Securities borrowing transactions are included in receivables from brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations on the consolidated statement of financial condition. See Note 3 in the notes to our consolidated statement of financial condition for additional information on receivables from brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations.

(2) Collateral received includes securities received by our company from the counterparty. These securities are not included on the consolidated statement of financial condition unless there is an event of default.

The following table provides information about financial liabilities that are subject to offset as of June 30, 2016 (in thousands):

				Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Statement of Financial Condition		
	Gross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset in the Statement of Financial Condition	Net Amounts Presented in the Statement of Financial Condition	Amounts available for offset	Collateral Pledged	Net Amount
					0	
Securities lending <sup>3</sup>	\$ (357,207)	\$	\$ (357,207)	\$ 244,927	\$ 102,151	\$ (10,129)
Repurchase agreements <sup>4</sup>	(317,002)	·	(317,002)	164,548	152,454	
	\$ (674,209)	\$	\$ (674,209)	\$ 409,475	\$ 254,605	\$ (10,129)

(3) Securities lending transactions are included in payables to from brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations on the consolidated statement of financial condition. See Note 3 in the notes to our consolidated statement of financial condition for additional information on payables to brokers, dealers, and clearing organizations.

(4) Collateral pledged includes the fair value of securities pledged by our company to the counter party. These securities are included on the consolidated statements of financial condition unless we default.

#### **NOTE 10 – Commitments, Guarantees and Contingencies**

#### Broker-Dealer Commitments and Guarantees

In the normal course of business, we enter into underwriting commitments. Settlement of transactions relating to such underwriting commitments which were open at June 30, 2016, had no material effect on the consolidated statement of financial condition.

We also provide guarantees to securities clearinghouses and exchanges under their standard membership agreement, which requires members to guarantee the performance of other members. Under the agreement, if another member becomes unable to satisfy its obligations to the clearinghouse, other members would be required to meet shortfalls. Our company's liability under these agreements is not quantifiable and may exceed the cash and securities it has posted as collateral. However, the potential requirement for our company to make payments under these arrangements is considered remote. Accordingly, no liability has been recognized for these arrangements.

# Concentration of Credit Risk

We provide investment, capital-raising and related services to a diverse group of domestic customers, including governments, corporations, and institutional and individual investors. Our company's exposure to credit risk associated with the non-performance of customers in fulfilling their contractual obligations pursuant to securities transactions can be directly impacted by volatile securities markets, credit markets and regulatory changes. This exposure is measured on an individual customer basis and on a group basis for customers that share similar attributes. To reduce the potential for risk concentrations, counterparty credit limits have been implemented for certain products and are continually monitored in light of changing customer and market conditions. As of June 30, 2016, we did not have significant concentrations of credit risk with any one customer or counterparty, or any group of customers or counterparties.

#### **Operating** leases

We have non-cancelable operating leases for office space and equipment. Future minimum commitments under these operating leases at June 30, 2016 are as follows (*in thousands*):

Remainder of 2016	\$ 41,295
2017	76,869
2018	72,233
2019	67,883
2020	57,039
Thereafter	165,050
	\$ 480,369

## Note 11 – Legal Proceedings

Our company and its subsidiaries are named in and subject to various proceedings and claims arising primarily from our securities business activities, including lawsuits, arbitration claims, class actions, and regulatory matters. Some of these claims seek substantial compensatory, punitive, or indeterminate damages. Our company and its subsidiaries are also involved in other reviews, investigations, and proceedings by governmental and self-regulatory organizations regarding our business, which may result in adverse judgments, settlements, fines, penalties, injunctions, and other relief. We are contesting the allegations in these claims, and we believe that there are meritorious defenses in each of these lawsuits, arbitrations, and regulatory investigations. In view of the number and diversity of claims against our company, the number of jurisdictions in which litigation is pending, and the inherent difficulty of predicting the outcome of litigation and other claims, we cannot state with certainty what the eventual outcome of pending litigation or other claims will be.

We have established reserves for potential losses that are probable and reasonably estimable that may result from pending and potential legal actions, investigations, and regulatory proceedings. In many cases, however, it is inherently difficult to determine whether any loss is probable or even possible or to estimate the amount or range of any potential loss, particularly where proceedings may be in relatively early stages or where plaintiffs are seeking substantial or indeterminate damages. Matters frequently need to be more developed before a loss or range of loss can reasonably be estimated.

In our opinion, based on currently available information, review with outside legal counsel, and consideration of amounts provided for in our consolidated financial statements with respect to these matters, including the matters described below, the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position and results of operations. However, resolution of one or more of these matters may have a material effect on the results of operations in any future period, depending upon the ultimate resolution of those matters and depending upon the level of income for such period. For matters where a reserve has not been established and for which we believe a loss is reasonably possible, as well as for matters where a reserve has been recorded but for which an exposure to loss in excess of the amount accrued is reasonably possible, based on currently available information, we believe that such losses will not have a material effect on our consolidated statement of financial condition.

# SEC/Wisconsin Lawsuit

A civil lawsuit was filed against our company by the SEC in connection with our role in the sale of collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") investments to five Southeastern Wisconsin school districts (the "school districts") in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin on August 10, 2011. The SEC has asserted claims under Section 15c(1) (A), Section 10b and Rule 10b-5 of the Exchange Act and Sections 17a(1), 17a(2), and 17a(3) of the Securities Act. The claims are based upon both alleged misrepresentations and omissions in connection with the sale of the CDOs to the school districts, as well as the allegedly unsuitable nature of the CDOs. We answered, denied the substantive allegations of the amended complaint, and asserted various affirmative defenses. In January 2016, the parties filed motions for summary judgment and are awaiting the court's rulings on those motions. The trial is currently scheduled to commence on September 12, 2016. While there can be no assurance that we will be successful, we intend to vigorously defend the claims.

# EDC Bond Issuance Matter

We have been named, along with other parties, in a lawsuit filed in Wisconsin state court asserting various claims by LDF Acquisition LLC ("LDF"), a special purpose vehicle created by Saybrook Tax Exempt Investors LLC (collectively "Saybrook") and by the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and its Lake of the Torches Economic Development Corporation (the "Tribe") in which, among other things, Saybrook seeks repayment from the Tribe for the proceeds from a \$50 million 2008 bond offering ("the bonds') and in which the Tribe seeks to avoid repayment, as well as other claims against us and others. We were the initial purchaser of the bonds, which were immediately sold to LDF. The claims asserted against Stifel are for breaches of implied warranties of validity and title, securities fraud and statutory misrepresentation under Wisconsin state law, intentional and negligent misrepresentations relating to those matters. Saybrook seeks recessionary relief as well as restitutionary damages, including the amounts paid for the bonds, plus costs. The claims have been bifurcated by the Court, with the first phase of the trial currently scheduled to commence on October 17, 2016, and a second phase to commence on January 30, 2017. While there can be no assurance that we will be successful, we intend to vigorously defend the claims.

# **NOTE 12 – Regulatory and Capital Requirements**

We operate in a highly regulated environment and are subject to capital requirements, which may limit distributions to our company from its subsidiaries. Distributions from our broker-dealer are subject to net capital rules. A broker-dealer that fails to comply with the SEC's Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) may be subject to disciplinary actions by the SEC and self-regulatory organizations, such as FINRA, including censures, fines, suspension, or expulsion. Stifel has chosen to calculate its net capital under the alternative method, which prescribes that their net capital shall not be less than the greater of \$1.0 million or two percent of aggregate debit balances (primarily receivables from customers) computed in accordance with the SEC's Customer Protection Rule (Rule 15c3-3).

At June 30, 2016, we had net capital of \$268.3 million, which was 16.8% of aggregate debit items and \$236.4 million in excess of our minimum required net capital.

# NOTE 13 – Employee Incentive, Deferred Compensation and Retirement Plan

Our employees participate in several incentive stock award plans sponsored by the Parent that provide for the granting of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, performance awards and stock units to our employees. Awards under our company's incentive stock award plans are granted at market value at the date of grant. The awards generally vest ratably over a three- to nine-year vesting period. In addition, our employees participate in the Wealth Accumulation Plan, as restated, (the "Plan") and the Stifel Financial Corp. Profit Sharing 401(k) Plan (the "Profit Sharing Plan").

All stock-based compensation plans are administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Parent, which has the authority to interpret the plans, determine to whom awards may be granted under the plans, and determine the terms of each award.

# Deferred Compensation Plans

The Plan is provided to certain revenue producers, officers, and key administrative employees, whereby a certain percentage of their incentive compensation is deferred as defined by the Plan into company stock units and debentures. Participants may elect to defer a portion of their incentive compensation. Deferred awards generally vest over a three- to nine-year period and are distributable upon vesting or at future specified dates. Deferred compensation costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. Elective deferrals are 100% vested.

Additionally, the Plan allows Stifel's financial advisors who achieve certain levels of production to defer a certain percentage of their gross commissions. As stipulated by the Plan, the financial advisors will defer 5% of their gross commissions. They have the option to have up to 3%, of their 5% deferral in mutual funds, which earn a return based on the performance of index mutual funds as designated by our company or a fixed income option. In addition, they can elect to defer an additional 1% of gross commissions into company stock units with a 25% matching contribution. Financial advisors have no ownership in the mutual funds. Included in the investments in the consolidated statement of financial condition are investments in mutual funds of \$7.9 million at June 30, 2016 that were purchased by our company to economically hedge, on an after-tax basis, its liability to the financial advisors who choose to base the performance of their return on the index mutual fund option. At June 30, 2016, the deferred compensation liability related to the mutual fund option of \$6.0 million is included in accrued compensation in the consolidated statement of financial condition.

In addition, certain financial advisors, upon joining our company, may receive stock units of the Parent in lieu of transition cash payments. Deferred compensation related to these awards generally vest over a five to nine-year period. Deferred compensation costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the deferral period.

## Profit Sharing Plan

Eligible employees of our company who have met certain service requirements may participate in the Profit Sharing Plan. We may match certain employee contributions or make additional contributions to the Profit Sharing Plan at the discretion of the Parent.

## NOTE 14 – Off-Balance Sheet Credit Risk

In the normal course of business, we execute, settle, and finance customer and proprietary securities transactions. These activities expose our company to off-balance sheet risk in the event that customers or other parties fail to satisfy their obligations.

In accordance with industry practice, securities transactions generally settle within three business days after trade date. Should a customer or broker fail to deliver cash or securities as agreed, we may be required to purchase or sell securities at unfavorable market prices.

We borrow and lend securities to facilitate the settlement process and finance transactions, utilizing customer margin securities held as collateral. We monitor the adequacy of collateral levels on a daily basis. We periodically borrow from banks on a collateralized basis utilizing firm and customer margin securities in compliance with SEC rules. Should the counterparty fail to return customer securities pledged, we are subject to the risk of acquiring the securities at prevailing market prices in order to satisfy our customer obligations. We control our exposure to credit risk by continually monitoring our counterparties' positions, and where deemed necessary, we may require a deposit of additional collateral and/or a reduction or diversification of positions. Our company sells securities it does not currently own (short sales) and is obligated to subsequently purchase such securities at prevailing market prices. We are exposed to risk of loss if securities prices increase prior to closing the transactions. We control our exposure to price risk from short sales through daily review and setting position and trading limits.

We manage our risks associated with the aforementioned transactions through position and credit limits, and the continuous monitoring of collateral. Additional collateral is required from customers and other counterparties when appropriate.

We have accepted collateral in connection with resale agreements, securities borrowed transactions, and customer margin loans. Under many agreements, we are permitted to sell or repledge these securities held as collateral and use these securities to enter into securities lending arrangements or to deliver to counterparties to cover short positions. At June 30, 2016, the fair value of securities accepted as collateral where we are permitted to sell or repledge the securities was \$2.4 billion and the fair value of the collateral that had been sold or repledged was \$317.0 million.

#### **NOTE 15 – Related Party Transactions**

On a periodic basis, we may provide advances to affiliated companies. In addition, we serve as a carrying broker-dealer and clear security transactions on a fully disclosed basis for affiliated broker-dealer subsidiaries. At June 30, 2016, we had a receivable from Parent and affiliates of \$42.2 million for these advances. At June 30, 2016, amounts due to Parent and affiliates were \$159.6 million. These amounts are primarily related to amounts due to an introducing broker-dealer affiliate for securities clearance, and income taxes and other expenses that were paid on the Company's behalf.

During the six months ended June 30, 2016, our Board of Directors authorized and paid dividends of \$120.0 million to the Parent.

During 2014, we entered into an Agreement with Stifel Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parent. At June 30, 2016, we had \$146.0 million outstanding advances on the revolving credit facility and were in compliance with all covenants. See note 7 for further discussion of our short-term borrowings.

## **NOTE 16 – Variable Interest Entities**

The determination as to whether an entity is a VIE is based on the structure and nature of the entity. We also consider other characteristics, such as the ability to influence the decision-making relative to the entity's activities and how the entity is financed. The determination as to whether we are the primary beneficiary for entities subject to the deferral is based on a qualitative analysis of the VIE's expected losses and expected residual returns. This analysis includes a review of, among other factors, the VIE's capital structure, contractual terms, which interests create or absorb variability, related party relationships, and the design of the VIE. For entities not subject to the deferral, the determination as to whether we are the primary beneficiary is based on an analysis of the power to direct the activities of the VIE as well as the obligation to absorb losses or benefits that could potentially be significant to the entity. Where qualitative analyses are not conclusive, we perform a quantitative analysis.

We have formed several non-consolidated investment funds with third-party investors that are typically organized as limited liability companies ("LLCs") or limited partnerships. These partnerships and LLCs have assets of \$152.6 million at June 30, 2016. For those funds where we act as the general partner, our company's economic interest is generally limited to management fee arrangements as stipulated by the fund operating agreements. We have generally provided the third-party investors with rights to terminate the funds or to remove us as the general partner. Our direct investment interest in these entities is insignificant at June 30, 2016.

For the entities noted above that were determined to be VIEs, we have concluded that we are not the primary beneficiary and therefore are not required to consolidated these entities. Additionally, for certain other entities we reviewed other relevant accounting guidance, which states the general partner in a limited partnership is presumed to control that limited partnership. The presumption may be overcome if the limited partners have either: (1) the substantive ability to dissolve the limited partnership or otherwise remove the general partner without cause, or (2) substantive participating rights, which provide the limited partners with the ability to effectively participate in significant decisions that would be expected to be made in the ordinary course of the limited partnership. If the criteria are not met, the consolidation of the partnership or Limited Liability Company is required. Based on our evaluation of these entities, we determined that these entities do not require consolidation.

# **NOTE 17 – Subsequent Events**

We evaluate subsequent events that have occurred after the statement of financial condition date but before the financial statements are issued. There are two types of subsequent events: (1) recognized, or those that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the statement of financial condition, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing financial statements, and (2) non-recognized, or those that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the statement of financial condition but arose after that date. Based on the evaluation, we did not identify any recognized subsequent events that would have required adjustment to the consolidated statement of financial condition.

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A current copy of our consolidated statement of financial condition filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is available for examination at the Chicago regional office of the Securities and Exchange Commission or at our principal office at One Financial Plaza, 501 North Broadway, St. Louis, Missouri 63102.