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**Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder**

January 1, 2002

December 31, 2002

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING _____ AND ENDING _____
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: R.T. Hickman Securities Brokerage Firm, LLC **OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.) **FIRM I.D. NO.**

186 Paterson Avenue, 2nd Floor

(No. and Street)

East Rutherford,

New Jersey

07073

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

Robert T. Hickman

(201) 635-0017

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Amper, Politziner, & Mattia, P.C.

(Name - If individual, state last, first, middle name)

2015 Lincoln Highway

Edison

New Jersey

08818-0988

(Address)

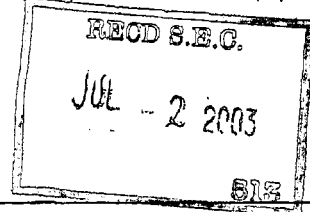
(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

- Certified Public Accountant
- Public Accountant
- Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.



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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Robert T. Hickman, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of R.T. Hickman Securities Brokerage Firm, LLC, as of December 31, 2002, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

[Signature]
Signature
Firm Principal
Title

[Signature]
Notary Public

CAROL A. ...
NOTARY PUBLIC ...

This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):

- (a) Facing Page.
(b) Statement of Financial Condition.
(c) Statement of Income (Loss).
(d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
(f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
(g) Computation of Net Capital.
(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3. - exempt.
(i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-3 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
(l) An Oath or Affirmation.
(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

R.T. HICKMAN SECURITIES BROKERAGE FIRM, LLC
Statement of Financial Condition
December 31, 2002

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,243
Commissions receivable	3,689
Prepaid expenses	<u>1,944</u>
	<u>\$ 20,876</u>

Liabilities and Member's Equity

Accrued expenses	\$ 3,780
Member's equity	<u>17,096</u>
	<u>\$ 20,876</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.