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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINN	ING January 1, 2015 MM/DD/YY	AND ENDING Decei	mber 31, 2015 MM/DD/YY
A.	REGISTRANT IDENTIFICA	TION	
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NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER	OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REC	GARD TO THIS REPORT	r Carey Harrold (312)205-8900
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В.	ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICA	ATION	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTA	ANT whose opinion is contained in th	is Report*	
Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LL	С		
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### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

financi Decen nor an	ey Harrold, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying ial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Jump Trading, LLC as of nber 31, 2015, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the Company y partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account ied solely as that of a customer, except, as follows:
M	OFFICIAL SEAL K STILLWELL Notary Public - State of Illinois Commission Expires Feb 15, 2017
	Chief Financial Officer Title
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X (b)	Statement of Financial Condition
☐ (c)	Statement of Income (Loss)
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(e) (f)	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of general creditors
(g)	Computation of Net Capital for brokers and dealers pursuant to Rule 15c3-1
(h)	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c-3-3
∐ (i)	Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for brokers and dealers Under Rule 15c-3-3
☐ (j)	A reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net capital
	Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3
∏ (k)	A Reconciliation between audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with
5.e.	respect to methods of consolidation
X (I)	An Oath or Affirmation
☐ (m)	A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed
<b>□ \''</b>	since the date of the previous audit
(o)	Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control

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

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### Oath or Affirmation

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors Jump Trading, LLC Chicago, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Jump Trading, LLC as of December 31, 2015. The statement of financial condition is the responsibility of Jump Trading, LLC's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial condition of Jump Trading, LLC as of December 31, 2015, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Baker Tilly Virchow Krouse, UP

Milwaukee, Wisconsin February 27, 2016



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION As of December 31, 2015

ASSETS		
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,291,073
U.S. treasuries, at fair value		11,243,044
Money market funds		25,519,652
Securities owned, at fair value		411,009,939
Due from broker-dealers and clearing organizations		141,628,819
Due from related parties		21,087,587
Memberships in exchanges, at cost (fair value \$13,946,216)		10,930,724
Other assets	<del></del>	4,470,177
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	634,181,015
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
Securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value	\$	474,206,155
Due to broker-dealers and clearing organizations	·	13,592,360
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		5,924,476
Due to related parties		7,134,061
Total Liabilities		500,857,052
MEMBER'S EQUITY		133,323,963
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	<u>\$</u>	634,181,015

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### **NOTE 1 - Nature of Operations**

Jump Trading, LLC (the "Company") is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of various exchanges. The company self-clears some of its trading activity, and the rest is either cleared through an affiliate or through other broker-dealers. All trading activities are done for the benefit of the member and no customer accounts are maintained.

The Company is organized as a limited liability company under the Limited Liability Company Act of the State of Delaware. As a limited liability company, the member's liability is limited to the extent of their direct equity investment.

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

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and highly-liquid short-term investments with maturities of three months or less at the date of acquisition. Cash and money market balances at each institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to \$250,000. The Company has cash balances in excess of \$250,000 as of December 31, 2015. The Company has not experienced losses on these accounts and management believes the Company is not exposed to significant risks on such accounts.

#### Securities Transactions

Proprietary securities transactions in regular-way trades are recorded on the trade date, as if they had settled. Profit and loss arising from all securities and futures transactions entered into for the account and risk of the Company, when present, are recorded on a trade-date basis. All securities are valued at fair value.

Amounts receivable and payable for securities transactions that have not reached their contractual settlement date are recorded net on the Statement of Financial Condition.

#### Commissions

Commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on a trade-date basis as securities and futures transactions occur.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company's short-term financial instruments consist of the following: cash and cash equivalents and money market funds. The carrying values of these short-term financial instruments approximate their estimated fair values based on the instruments short-term nature.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, there have been no changes in the application of valuation methods applied to similar assets and liabilities.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

#### Derivative Financial Instruments

Derivative financial instruments used for trading purposes are carried at fair value. The Company does not enter into derivatives for hedging purposes. Fair value for exchange-traded derivatives is based on quoted market prices.

#### Exchange Memberships

Exchange memberships are recorded at cost or, if an other-than-temporary impairment in value has occurred, at a value that reflects management's estimate of the impairment. There was no impairment for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

As of December 31, 2015, the accounts payable and accrued expenses balance consisted primarily of exchanges fees payable.

Income Tax

As a limited liability company with a single owner, the Company is treated as a disregarded entity for Federal and Illinois income tax purposes. All income and expense of the Company is reported on the tax returns of the Company's sole member, Jump Trading Holdings, LLC. Consequently, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements.

The Company is subject to the accounting standard for uncertainty in income taxes. In accordance with that standard, the Company has evaluated tax positions taken or expected to be taken for all open tax years to determine whether the tax provisions are more-likely-than-not to be sustained by the applicable tax authority. Based on this analysis, there were no tax positions not deemed to meet a more-likely than not threshold. Therefore, no tax provision, including any interest and penalties, has been recorded as of December 31, 2015.

Income tax returns filed or to be filed by the Company's sole member for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 are also subject to examination by the relevant tax authorities.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### **NOTE 3 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

Accounting standards define fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). The Company utilizes market data or assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated, or generally unobservable. The Company is able to classify fair value balances based on the observability of those inputs. This standard establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurement). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy defined by this standard are as follows:

Level 1 – Fair value is based upon quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets in which the Company can participate. Active markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur in sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Level 2 – Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date. Level 2 includes those financial instruments that are valued using models or other valuation methodologies.

Level 3 – Pricing inputs include significant inputs that are generally less observable from objective sources. These inputs may be used with internally developed methodologies that result in management's best estimate of fair value. At each balance sheet date, the Company performs an analysis of all instruments subject to this standard and includes in level 3 all of those whose fair value is based on significant unobservable inputs.

The following table sets forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Company's financial assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2015. As required by this standard, financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment, and may affect the valuation of fair value assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value
U.S. treasuries	\$ 11,24	3,044 \$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,243,044
Securities owned:				
Equity securities	230,64	0,895		230,640,895
Equity options	180,369	9,044		180,369,044
Money market funds	25,51	9,652 -	-	25,519,652
U.S. and foreign futures	20	0,897 -	-	200,897
Securities sold, not yet purchased	(474,206	<u> </u>		(474,206,155)
Total	\$ (26,232	.623) \$ -	<u>s -</u>	\$ (26,232,623)

U.S. and foreign futures are included in the Due from broker-dealers and clearing organizations on the accompanying Statement of Financial Condition.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### NOTE 4 - Due From/To Broker-Dealers and Clearing Organizations

The Company generally clears its proprietary transactions through other broker-dealers on a fully-disclosed basis. As of December 31, 2015, the Company had amounts due from these broker-dealers and clearing organizations totaling \$141,628,819 and amounts due to broker-dealers and clearing organizations totaling \$13,592,360.

#### NOTE 5 - Securities Owned and Sold, Not Yet Purchased

Marketable securities owned and sold, not yet purchased, consisted of trading and investment securities at fair value, as follows as of December 31, 2015:

	Owned	Sold, <u>Not Yet Purchased</u>
Securities		
Equity securities	230,640,895	91,643,433
Equity options	180,369,044	382,563,022
Total	<u>\$ 411,009,939</u>	<u>\$ 474,206,155</u>

#### NOTE 6 - Memberships in Exchanges

The Company owns various exchange memberships at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange ("CME"), Chicago Stock Exchange ("CHX"), Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT"), London Metals Exchange ("LME") and Intercontinental Exchange ("ICE").

The Company carries these exchange memberships at their cost of \$10,930,724. As of December 31, 2015, fair market value of these memberships and shares was approximately \$13,946,216.

#### **NOTE 7 - Related Parties**

Jump Trading Holdings, LLC ("Holdings") owns 100% of the Class A shares of the Company. Holdings also owns Jump Trading International, Ltd ("International"), Jump Trading Futures, LLC ("Futures"), Jump Clearing, LLC ("Clearing") and Jump Trading Pacific PTE LTD ("Pacific").

The Company entered into shared services agreements with Jump Operations, LLC ("Operations") in November 2008, and Jump Systems, LLC ("Systems") in January 2012. The agreements cover various back office operating expenses and are automatically renewed annually unless cancelled by either party with sixty days-notice. Under the agreements, the Company pays Operations and Systems a monthly fee for services rendered. During 2015, the Company paid a total of \$87,761,866 in connection with these agreements. As of December 31, 2015, \$4,329,651 of this amount was unpaid and accrued. During 2015, the Company incurred \$21,798,051 in payroll related expenses that were paid by Futures on the company's behalf. As of December 31, 2015 the Company had a payable to Futures for \$207,428 related to these expenses.

Included in the due from related parties is \$18,490,604 due from Futures related to a collateral deposit.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2015

#### NOTE 8 - Securities sold not yet purchased

The Company has sold securities that it does not currently own and therefore may be obligated to purchase such securities at a future date. The Company has recorded these obligations of \$474,206,155 in the financial statements as of December 31, 2015 at fair value which is the market value of the related securities. The Company will incur a loss if the market value of the securities increases subsequent to December 31, 2015.

#### **NOTE 9 - Concentrations of Credit Risk**

The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counterparties primarily include broker-dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event that the counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to periodically review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counterparty.

#### **NOTE 10 - Contingencies**

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In the normal course of business, from time to time, the Company may be involved in legal actions relating to the ownership and operation of the Company. In the Company's opinion, there are no matters that may ultimately result from such legal actions which are expected to have a materially adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or liquidity of the Company.

#### **NOTE 12 - Net Capital Requirements**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, not exceed 15 to 1. The Rule also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1.

As of December 31, 2015, the Company had net capital of \$73,932,428, which was \$72,932,428 in excess of its required net capital of \$1,000,000. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.18 to 1.

#### NOTE 11- Subsequent Events

The Company has performed an evaluation of events that have occurred subsequent to December 31, 2015 and through the date the financial statements are issued. There have been no material subsequent events that occurred during such period that would require disclosure in this report, or would be required to be recognized in the financial statements as of December 31, 2015.

# JUMP TRADING, LLC Chicago, Illinois

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

Including Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

As of December 31, 2015

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