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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**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 10/01/14 AND ENDING 12/31/15  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER:

Related Financial Services, LLC

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FIRM ID. NO.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

60 Columbus Circle  
(No. and Street)

New York NY 10023  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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

Michael Stupay (212) 897-1692  
(Area Code - Telephone No.)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*

KPMG LLP

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

51 John F. Kennedy Parkway Short Hills NJ 07078  
(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). SEC 1410 (3-91)

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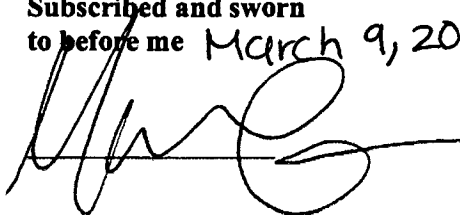
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- Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanations, of the Computation of Net Capital Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 (included with item (g)) and the Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 (included in item (g)).
- A Reconciliation Between the Audited and Unaudited Statements of Financial Condition With Respect to Methods of Consolidation.
- An Affirmation.
- A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit (Supplemental Report on Internal Control).
- Independent Auditors' Report Regarding Rule 15c3-3 exemption
- Rule 15c3-3 Exemption Report

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

**AFFIRMATION**

I, Daniel A. Fulop, affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying statement of financial condition pertaining to Related Financial Services, LLC at December 31, 2015, is true and correct. I further affirm that neither the Company nor any officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer.

  
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**Signature**  
**CEO**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Title**

**Subscribed and sworn**  
**to before me** *March 9, 2016*  


MARIA D. GIRON  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Registration #01GI6301079  
Qualified In New York County  
Commission Expires April 14, 2018

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**KPMG LLP**  
New Jersey Headquarters  
51 John F. Kennedy Parkway  
Short Hills, NJ 07078-2702

## **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

The Members  
Related Financial Services, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Related Financial Services, LLC as of December 31, 2015 (the financial statement). The financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement 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 financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Related Financial Services, LLC as of December 31, 2015, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

**KPMG LLP**

March 9, 2016

**Related Financial Services, LLC**  
**Statement of Financial Condition**

**December 31, 2015**

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<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 8,936,040
Due from escrow agent	250,000
Prepaid expenses and other assets	<u>77,879</u>
 Total assets	 <u>\$ 9,263,919</u>
 <b>Liabilities and Members' Equity</b>	
Foreign finders' fees payable	\$ 5,138,335
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>345,662</u>
Total liabilities	5,483,997
 Members' equity	 <u>3,779,922</u>
 Total liabilities and members' equity	 <u>\$ 9,263,919</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

# Related Financial Services, LLC

## Notes to Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2015

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### 1. Organization and Business

Related Financial Services, LLC (the “Company”), is a limited liability company and was formed under the laws of Delaware on November 6, 2013. On October 3, 2014, the Company became a broker-dealer and as such is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”).

The Company acts primarily as a broker or dealer selling private placements of securities under the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program. The issuers of the private placements are affiliated entities.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of presentation**

This financial statement is prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“US GAAP”), which 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. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Financial instruments not measured at fair value**

Certain of the Company’s assets and liabilities are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis but nevertheless are recorded at amounts that approximate fair value due to their liquid or short-term nature.

#### **Due from escrow agent**

The Company, pursuant to a third party escrow agreement, is required to maintain a \$250,000 deposit with the escrow agent.

#### **Income taxes**

As a limited liability company, the Company is not liable for U.S. federal income taxes, but rather income or loss is allocated to its Members; the Members are then liable for any income taxes.

The Company is subject to New York City Unincorporated Business Tax (“NYC UBT”) for which it provides for income taxes and the related accounts under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates expected to be in effect during the year in which the basis differences reverse.

At December 31, 2015, management has determined that the Company had no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement recognition. This determination will always be subject to ongoing reevaluation as facts and circumstances may require. Interest and penalties assessed, if any, are recorded as income tax expense.

In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by federal, state and local income tax regulators. As of December 31, 2015, the Company’s federal income tax returns and state and local tax returns are open under the relevant statute of limitations, and therefore subject to examination since the inception of the Company.

## **Related Financial Services, LLC**

### **Notes to Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2015**

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#### **3. Transactions with Affiliates**

An affiliate provides to the Company payroll, pension, and employee benefit administrative services for the Company's associated persons and office and administrative services (including occupancy) for the Company to operate its business.

The Company acts as placement agent for issuers that are affiliated entities.

The terms of these arrangements may not be the same as those that would otherwise exist or result from agreements and transactions among unrelated parties.

#### **4. Contingencies**

In the ordinary course of its business, the Company may enter into contracts or agreements that contain indemnifications or warranties. Future events could occur that lead to the execution of these provisions against the Company. Management believes that the likelihood of such an event is remote.

#### **5. Regulatory Requirements**

The Company is subject to Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 and has elected to compute its net capital requirements in accordance with the Alternative Net Capital Method. Under this alternative method, net capital, as defined, shall not be less than \$250,000. At December 31, 2015, the Company had net capital of approximately \$3,452,000 which exceeded the required net capital by approximately \$3,202,000.

The Company does not hold customers' cash or securities and, therefore, has no obligations under SEC Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

#### **6. Subsequent Events**

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through the date the accompanying financial statement was issued and determined that no additional disclosure is required.