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#### ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT FORM X-17A-5 PART III

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January 01, 2015 December 31, 2015 REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING AND ENDING MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Trident Partners, LTD OFFICIAL USE ONLY FIRM I.D. NO. ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.) 181 Crossways Park Drive (No. and Street) 11797 Woodbury NY (City) (State) (Zip Code) NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT Michelle Cerini 516 - 681 - 9100 (Area Code - Telephone Number) **B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION** INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\* Lilling & Company LLP (Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name) NY 10 Cutter Mill Road 11021 Great Neck (Zip Code) (Address) (City) (State) **CHECK ONE:** ☑ Certified Public Accountant ☐ Public Accountant Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions. FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

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<sup>\*</sup>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)

#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I,	Michelle Cerini, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my kno	wledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of , as
of	December 31, 20 16, 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
classifi	ed solely as that of a customer, except as follows:
	XIAOFEI ZHONG Notary Public, State of New York No. 01ZH625693 Outstied in Sufficiel County
С	Qualified in Suffolk County ommission Expires February 27, 2020  FINOP
	Notary Public Title
This rep	ort ** contains (check all applicable boxes):
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	Statement of Financial Condition. Statement of Income (Loss).
` `	Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
	Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
	Computation of Net Capital.
	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
	Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
ш ()	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 the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
_	consolidation.
` `	An Oath or 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.
<b>—</b> (11)	** repertues any material manequation found to exist of 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).

## Lilling & Company LLP

Certified Public Accountants

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors Trident Partners, Ltd Woodbury, New York

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Trident Partners, Ltd as of December 31, 2015, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Trident Partners, Ltd's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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 statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. 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 statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Trident Partners, Ltd as of December 31, 2015, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Schedule I, Computation of Net Capital Under SEC Rule 15c3-1, has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Trident Partners, Ltd's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Trident Partners, Ltd's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the Schedule I, Computation of Net Capital Under SEC Rule 15c3-1, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** 

Great Neck, New York February 22, 2016

## REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

REPORT ON SIPC ASSESSMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2015

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents Due from clearing brokers Prepaid expenses and other assets	\$	43,248 202,063 53,423
	\$	298,734
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	89,404
		89,404
Stockholder's equity		
Capital stock, no par value; 200 shares authorized;		
10 shares issued and outstanding		15,000
Paid-in capital		1,388,148
Retained earnings (deficit)	(^	1,193,818)
		209,330
	\$	298,734

#### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### **REVENUES**

Commissions	\$ 2,657,236
Other income	322,369
	2,979,605
	2,070,000
EXPENSES	
Salaries and payroll related expenses	2,284,956
Clearing expense	239,694
Professional fees	4,650
Occupancy	38,799
Operating expenses	424,941
	2,993,040
NET LOSS	\$ (13,435)

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### Cash flows from operating activities

Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities: Changes in assets and liabilities:	\$ (13,435)
Due from clearing brokers	13,064
Prepaid expenses and other assets	4,235
Commission payable	(21,170)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	26,741
Total adjustments	22,870
Net cash used in operating activities	9,435
Cash flows from financing activities	
Proceeds from capital contribution	
Net cash provided by financing activities	
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	9,435
CASH AND CASH EQUIVAIENTS - BEGINNING	33,813
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END	\$ 43,248
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:  Cash paid during the year for:	
Interest expense	\$ -
Income taxes	

See notes to financial statements -5-

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	COMMON STOCK	PAID-IN CAPITAL	RETAINED EARNINGS (DEFICIT)	TOTAL
Balance - beginning	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,388,148	\$ (1,180,383)	\$ 222,765
Capital Contribution		-		\$ -
Net Loss			(13,435)	(13,435)
Balance - end	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,388,148	\$ (1,193,818)	\$ 209,330

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Trident Partners, Ltd. (the "Company") is a securities broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). The Company clears its securities transactions on a fully disclosed basis with another broker-dealer. The Company had no liabilities subordinated to claims of creditors during the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Securities Transactions and Commissions

Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Commissions and related clearing charges are recorded on a trade date basis as securities transactions occur.

Significant Credit Risk and Estimates

The responsibility for processing customer activity rests with the Company's clearing firm, RBC Capital Markets LLC, located in New York, NY. The Company's clearing and execution agreement provides that the clearing firm's credit losses relating to unsecured margin accounts receivable of the Company's customers are charged back to the Company.

In accordance with industry practice, the clearing firm record customer transactions on a settlement date basis, which is generally three business days after the trade date. The clearing firm is therefore exposed to risk of loss on these transactions in the event of the customer's inability to meet the terms of its contracts, in which case the clearing firm may have to purchase or sell the underlying financial instruments at prevailing market prices in order to satisfy its customer-related obligations. Any loss incurred by the clearing firm is charged back to the Company.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015

The Company, in conjunction with the clearing firm, control off-balance-sheet risk by monitoring the market value and marking securities to market on a daily basis and by requiring adjustments of collateral levels. The clearing firm established margin requirements and overall credit limits for such activities and monitors compliance with the applicable limits and industry regulations on a daily basis.

The Company's main office is located in Woodbury, New York and its customers are located throughout the United States.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management of the Company to use estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and amounts due from broker dealers. The Company maintains cash and money market balances with commercial banks and other major institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limits.

#### Income taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities arise from operating loss carry forwards, other carry forwards and temporary differences between the tax basis of an asset or liability and its reported amount in the financial statements. In addition to future tax benefits from carry forwards, deferred tax balances are determined by applying the enacted tax rate to future periods for differences between the financial statement carrying amount and the tax basis of existing assets and liabilities.

In accordance with ASC 740, Income Taxes, the Company is required to disclose unrecognized tax benefits resulting from uncertain tax positions. At December 31, 2015, the Company did not have any unrecognized tax benefits or liabilities. The Company operates in the United States and in state and local jurisdictions, and the previous three years remain subject to examination by tax authorities. There are presently no ongoing income tax examinations.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### 3. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Litigation

In the ordinary course of business the Company is subject to litigation relating to its activities as a broker-dealer including civil actions and arbitration. From time to time, the Company is also involved in proceedings and investigations by self-regulatory organizations.

#### 4. INCOME TAXES

There was no provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2015 due to a net operating loss. The Company has net operating losses for tax purposes of approximately \$860,000, that expire beginning with the tax year 2030, available to offset future taxable income.

Based on the Company's earnings and the amount of income that could be utilized in carry back years, and the uncertainty of future taxable income, it is not possible to determine whether deferred tax assets arising from these losses will be realized. Accordingly, a 100% valuation allowance has been established to reduce deferred tax assets to zero.

#### 5. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

The Company sponsors a 401(k) retirement plan covering substantially all employees. Eligible participants may make contributions to the plan up to amounts specified in the plan. The Company does not make contributions to the plan.

## 6. COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKERS AND DEALERS PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-3

The Company is exempt for the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pursuant to Paragraph (k)(2)(ii). As an introducing broker, the Company clears customer transactions on a fully disclosed basis with RBC Capital Markets LLC. RBC Capital Markets LLC carries all of the accounts of such customers and maintains and preserves such books and records.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### 7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Lease

The Company leases office space in Woodbury, New York. The Company entered into a new lease effective August 27, 2014, which calls for base rent plus expenses and annual escalations. Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2015 was approximately \$39,000.

Minimum future rental payments are approximately as follows:

2016	\$ 92,041
2017	94,802
2018	97,646
2019	100,576
2020 and thereafter	121,157
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#### 8. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c-3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1 (and that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2015, the Company had net capital of \$155,704, which was \$55,704 in excess of its required net capital of \$100,000. The Company had a percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital of 57% as of December 31, 2015.

#### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has evaluated and noted no events or transactions that have occurred after December 31, 2015 that would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

Schedule I

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c-3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### **NET CAPITAL**

Stockholders' equity	\$	209,330
Deductions and/or charges Nonallowable assets		53,423
Net capital before undue concentration and haircuts on securities positions		155,907
Haircuts and undue concentrations		203
NET CAPITAL	_\$_	155,704
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	\$	89,404
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED (6 2/3% OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS)	\$	5,960
MINIMUM DOLLAR NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	\$	100,000
EXCESS OF NET CAPITAL OVER MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS	\$	55,704
PERCENTAGE OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL		57%

#### Statement Pursuant to Paragraph (d)(4)of Rule 17a-5:

There were no material differences with respect to the computation of net capital calculated above and the Company's computation included in Part IIA of Form X-17a-5 as of December 31, 2015.

See independent auditor's report

## Lilling & Company LLP

Certified Public Accountants

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors Trident Partners, Ltd Woodbury, New York

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Exemption Report, in which (1) Trident Partners, Ltd identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Trident Partners, Ltd claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (k)(2)(ii), (the "exemption provisions") and (2) Trident Partners, Ltd stated that Trident Partners, Ltd met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Trident Partners, Ltd's management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about Trident Partners, Ltd's compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(ii), of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** 

Great Neck, New York February 22, 2016



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#### **Exemption Report**

To the best of our knowledge and belief,

- (1) Trident Partners, Ltd is exempt under the provisions of paragraph (k) (2) (ii) of Rule 15c3-3;
- (2) Trident Partners, Ltd met the identified exemption provisions in paragraph (k) (2) (ii) of Rule 15c3-3 throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception.

Michelle Cerini- FINOP

2/22/16

Date

## Lilling & Company LLP

Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENTS (FORM SIPC-7)

To the Board of Directors Trident Partners, Ltd. Woodbury, New York

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying Schedule of Assessment and Payments (Form SIPC-7) to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended December 31, 2015, which were agreed to by Trident Partners, Ltd. and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Trident Partners, Ltd.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of Form SIPC-7. Trident Partners, Ltd.'s management is responsible for Trident Partners, Ltd.'s compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The procedures we performed and our findings are as follows:

- 1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records entries, noting no differences;
- 2. Compared the amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2015, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7 for the year ended December 31, 2015, noting no differences;
- 3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers, noting no differences;
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers supporting the adjustments, noting no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** 

Great Neck, New York February 22, 2015

# (33-REV 7/10)

Disposition of exceptions:

# SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION P.O. Box 92185 Washington, D.C. 20090-2185 202-371-8300

#### General Assessment Reconciliation

(33-REV 7/10)

For the fiscal year ended 12/31/2015 (Read carefully the instructions in your Working Copy before completing this Form)

#### TO BE FILED BY ALL SIPC MEMBERS WITH FISCAL YEAR ENDINGS

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Α.	General Assessment (item 2e from page 2)	\$ 7,449.0T
В.	Less payment made with SIPC-6 filed (exclude interest)	( 3,599,41
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C.	Less prior overpayment applied	(
D.	Assessment balance due or (overpayment)	3,849.60
Ε.	Interest computed on late payment (see instruction E) for	days at 20% per annum
F.	Total assessment balance and interest due (or overpayment care	ried forward) \$ 3849. 60
G.	PAID WITH THIS FORM: Check enclosed, payable to SIPC Total (must be same as F above) \$	3,849.60
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## DETERMINATION OF "SIPC NET OPERATING REVENUES" AND GENERAL ASSESSMENT

Amounts for the fiscal period beginning 1/1/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

(to page 1, line 2.A.)

Item No. 2a. Total revenue (FOCUS Line 12/Part IIA Line 9, Code 4030)	\$ 2,979,604
<ul><li>2b. Additions:</li><li>(1) Total revenues from the securities business of subsidiaries (except foreign subsidiaries) and predecessors not included above.</li></ul>	·
(2) Net loss from principal transactions in securities in trading accounts.	
(3) Net loss from principal transactions in commodities in trading accounts.	
(4) Interest and dividend expense deducted in determining item 2a.	
(5) Net loss from management of or participation in the underwriting or distribution of securities.	
(6) Expenses other than advertising, printing, registration fees and legal fees deducted in determining net profit from management of or participation in underwriting or distribution of securities.	
(7) Net loss from securities in investment accounts.	
Total additions	
2c. Deductions:  (1) Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open end investment company or unit investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the business of insurance, from investment advisory services rendered to registered investment companies or insurance company separate accounts, and from transactions in security futures products.	
(2) Revenues from commodity transactions.	
(3) Commissions, floor brokerage and clearance paid to other SIPC members in connection with securities transactions.	
(4) Reimbursements for postage in connection with proxy solicitation.	
(5) Net gain from securities in investment accounts.	
(6) 100% of commissions and markups earned from transactions in (i) certificates of deposit and (ii) Treasury bills, bankers acceptances or commercial paper that mature nine months or less from issuance date.	
(7) Direct expenses of printing advertising and legal fees incurred in connection with other revenue related to the securities business (revenue defined by Section 16(9)(L) of the Act).	
(8) Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the securities business. (See Instruction C):	
(Deductions in excess of \$100,000 require documentation)	
(9) (i) Total interest and dividend expense (FOCUS Line 22/PART IIA Line 13, Code 4075 plus line 2b(4) above) but not in excess of total interest and dividend income.  \$	
(ii) 40% of margin interest earned on customers securities accounts (40% of FOCUS line 5, Code 3960).	
Enter the greater of line (i) or (ii)	
Total deductions	<u> </u>
2d. SIPC Net Operating Revenues	s 2979,604
2e. General Assessment @ .0025	s 7,449.01 <sup>2</sup>