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

MAFG RIA SERVICES, INC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholder of MAFG RIA Services, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of MAFG RIA Services, Inc. as of December 31, 2016, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholder's equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of MAFG RIA Services, Inc.'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 MAFG RIA Services, Inc. as of December 31, 2016, 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.

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The supplemental information contained in Schedule I, Computation of Net Capital Under SEC Rule 15c3-1; Schedule II, Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3 (exemption); and Schedule III, Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3 (exemption) has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of MAFG RIA Services, Inc.'s financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of MAFG RIA Services, Inc.'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 supplemental information included in Schedules I, II and III is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Spring House, Pennsylvania

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February 22, 2017

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2016**

#### **ASSETS**

Cash \$ 34,251

Deposit with clearing organization 2,899

Receivables from non-customers 19,091

Due from affiliate 290,325

Total assets \$ 346,566

# LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued 7,900 expenses Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors 150,000 157,900 **Total liabilities** Stockholder's equity Common stock - \$.01 par value; 1,000 shares authorized, 100 shares issued and outstanding 4,999 Additional paid-in capital 183,666 Retained earnings Total stockholder's equity 188,666 Total liabilities and stockholder's equity 346,566

# STATEMENT OF INCOME

Revenues		
Fees	\$	68,519
Insurance commissions		5,814
Interest	<u> </u>	4,231
		78,564
Expenses		
Management administrative service fee		36,000
Dues and subscriptions		85
Licenses and fees		8,472
Professional fees		7,938
Interest		12,750
Insurance		5,087
Taxes - other		789
		71 101
		71,121
Net income	¢	7 113
Met income	<u> </u>	7,443

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

	Com Sto		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance, January 1	\$	1	\$ 4,999	\$ 176,223	\$ 181,223
Net income	<u></u>	<del>-</del> ,		7,443	7,443
Balance, December 31	\$	1_	\$ 4,999	\$ 183,666	\$ 188,666

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS

Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors - January 1, 2016	\$ 150,000
Changes	<del>-</del>
Liabilities subordinated to claims of	
general creditors - December 31, 2016	\$ 150.000

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Cash flows from operating activities  Net income	\$ 7,443		
Decrease in assets Deposit with clearing organization Receivables from non-customers	383 3,437		
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses	 838		
Net cash provided by operating activities		\$	12,101
Cash flows from investing activities  Net advances and repayments of due from affiliate		<del>.</del>	(2,481)
Net increase in cash			9,620
Cash, January 1			24,631
Cash, December 31		_\$	34,251
		•	
Supplementary disclosure of cash flow information: Cash paid for the period for: Interest		\$	12,750

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Organization and Nature of Business

MAFG RIA Services, Inc. ("the Company") is a broker-dealer registered with the SEC and is a member of various exchanges and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). The Company is a New Jersey S Corporation that is a majority-owned subsidiary of MAFG, Inc. ("the Parent Company"). The Company is engaged in a single line of business as a securities broker-dealer, primarily in the investment banking, investment advisory and strategic planning businesses.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported revenues and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Date of Management Evaluation of Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through **February 22, 2017** the date on which the financial statements were issued.

#### Receivables from Non-Customers

Receivables from non-customers are recognized and carried at the contractual amount. Management closely monitors outstanding balances and account balances are charged off after all means of collection have been exhausted and the potential for recovery is considered remote. The Company does not have off-balance-sheet credit exposure related to the receivables. Based on management's assessment, the Company has determined that an allowance for uncollectible accounts is not necessary at December 31, 2016.

There was no bad debt expense charged to operations for the year ended December 31, 2016.

#### Investment Advisory Fees

Investment advisory fees are received quarterly but are recognized as earned on a pro rata basis monthly over the term of the contract.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd.)

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company, an S corporation, is not a taxpaying entity for federal and state income tax purposes, and thus, no income tax expense has been recorded in the financial statements. Income from the Company is taxed to the stockholder of the Company's parent on his tax return.

The State of New Jersey maintains a minimum or surcharge tax for S corporations. The amount is included in taxes - other.

The Company files income tax returns in the United States federal jurisdiction, and various state jurisdictions. Generally, the Company is no longer subject to federal, state and local income tax examinations by these jurisdictions for tax years ended before 2013.

The Company applied the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 740 regarding uncertain tax positions as they relate to pass-through entities. The Company has determined that there is no material impact on the financial statements.

#### 3. Deposit with Clearing Organization

The Company has \$2,899 on deposit with a broker-dealer clearing organization at December 31, 2016.

#### 4. 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, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2016, the Company had net capital of \$26,351, which was . \$21,351 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's net capital ratio was .30 to 1.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### 5. Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors

The Company issued subordinated notes due to the Parent Company of \$150,000 with interest at 8.5%. The subordinated borrowings are available in computing net capital under the SEC's uniform net capital rule. To the extent that such borrowings are required for the Company's continued compliance with minimum net capital requirements, they may not be repaid. The full amount is due January 31, 2019. Interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$12,750.

#### 6. Related Party Transactions

The Company paid management fees of \$36,000 to an affiliate for management advisory, consulting and administrative support services provided for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Due from affiliate represents advances made to the Parent Company. The balance was \$290,325 at December 31, 2016. The note has no fixed repayment schedule and is due on demand. Interest is charged at the Applicable Federal Rate. Interest income for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$4,231.

#### 7. Concentrations

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

The Company maintains its checking accounts with several banks. Cash balances with each bank in excess of \$250,000 exceed the insurable limit as allowed by FDIC. At times, cash balances may exceed insurable limits.



# SCHEDULE I

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

# **NET CAPITAL**

Stockholder's equity qualified for net capital Add: Subordinated borrowings allowable in computation of net capital		\$	188,666 150,000
Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities Deductions: Non-allowable assets: Deposit with clearing organization	\$ 2,899		338,666
Receivables from non-customers Due from affiliate	19,091 290, <u>325</u>		
			<u>312,315</u>
Net capital		\$	26,351
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS			
Items included in statement of financial condition:  Accounts payable and accrued expenses		<u>\$</u>	7,900
COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUI	REMENT		
Minimum net capital required		\$	5,000
Excess net capital at 1,500% Excess net capital at 1,000%			21,351 21,351
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital			<u>.30 to 1</u>

# SCHEDULE !

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION (included in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2016)

Net capital, as reported in Company's Part II (unaudited) FOCUS Report

\$ 21,351

There are no material differences between the preceding computation and the Company's corresponding unaudited part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2016.

# SCHEDULE II

# COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-3 (exemption)

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

The Company has claimed an exemption to SEC Rule 15c3-3 pursuant to subparagraph 15c3-3(k)(1) and, therefore, no Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements under that rule have been provided.

# SCHEDULE III

# INFORMATION FOR POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-3 (exemption)

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

The Company has claimed an exemption to SEC Rule 15c3-3 pursuant to subparagraph 15c3-3(k)(1) and, therefore, no Information for Possession or Control Requirements under that rule have been provided.



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

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To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of MAFG RIA Services, Inc.

We have reviewed management's statements, including in the accompanying Exemption Report, in which (1) MAFG RIA Services, Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which MAFG RIA Services, Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (1) (the "exemption provisions") and (2) MAFG RIA Services, Inc. stated that MAFG RIA Services, Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. MAFG RIA Services, Inc.'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 MAFG RIA Services, Inc.'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) (1) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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February 22, 2017

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# MAFG RIA Services, Inc. - Exemption Report

MAFG RIA Services, Inc. ("the Company") is a registered broker-dealer subject to rule 17a-5 promulgated by the SEC (17 C.F.R. 240.17a-5, Reports to be made by certain brokers and dealers). This Exemption Report was as required by 17 C.F.R. 240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge and belief, the Company states the following:

(1) The Company claims an exemption from 15c3-3(k)(1) (the "exemption Provision") and (2) the Company met the exemption provision throughout the most recent fiscal year (01/01/2016 – 12/31/2016) without exception.

MAFG RIA Services, Inc.

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President

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Certified Public Accountants and Business Consultants

February 22, 2017

Mr. Theodore A. Beringer MAFG RIA Services, Inc. 102 Gaither Drive, Suite 5 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Dear Mr. Beringer:

We have audited the financial statements and supplemental information of MAFG RIA Services, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated February 22, 2017. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

Alan C. Wecht Thomas W. Masoero Kenneth S. Frebowitz Regina C. O'Keefe

Frank E. O'Brien . . . . . . . . Herbert Gable

Stanton L. Peritz Nelson C. Mishkin

#### Significant and Critical Accounting Policies and Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The Company's significant accounting policies are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements as required by generally accepted accounting principles pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended December 31, 2016. We noted no transactions entered into by the Company during the year for which accounting policies are controversial or for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus or diversity in practice.

Critical accounting policies and practices are those that are both most important to the portrayal of the Company's financial condition and results and require management's most difficult, subjective, or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain. We believe there are no such critical accounting policies and practices that we are required to communicate.

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#### Critical Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Critical accounting estimates are estimates for which (1) the nature of the estimate is material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for highly uncertain matters or the susceptibility of such matters to change and (2) the impact of the estimate on financial condition or operating performance is material. We believe there are no such critical accounting estimates that we are required to communicate.

#### Significant Unusual Transactions

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define *significant unusual transactions* as transactions that are outside the normal course of business for the Company or that otherwise appear to be unusual due to their timing, size or nature. We noted no significant unusual transactions during our audit.

#### Related-Party Relationships and Transactions

As part of our audit, we evaluated the Company's identification of, accounting for, and disclosure of the Company's relationships and transactions with related parties as required by professional standards. We noted no related parties or related-party relationships or transactions that were previously undisclosed to us, significant related-party transactions that have not been approved in accordance with the Company's policies or procedures or for which exceptions to the Company's policies or procedures were granted, or significant related-party transactions that appeared to lack a business purpose.

# Quality of the Company's Financial Reporting

Management is responsible not only for the appropriateness of the accounting policies and practices, but also for the quality of such policies and practices. Our responsibility under professional standards is to evaluate the qualitative aspects of the Company's accounting practices, including potential bias in management's judgments about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, and to communicate the results of our evaluation and our conclusions to you. We noted no potential bias in management's judgments about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

#### **Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements**

Professional standards require us to accumulate misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial and to communicate accumulated misstatements to management. There were no such misstatements identified during the audit.

#### **Exceptions to Exemption Provisions**

In connection with our review of the Company's Exemption Report, we did not identify any exceptions to the exemption provisions that would cause the Company's assertions not to be fairly stated, in all material respects.

#### Disagreement with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no disagreements with management arose during the course of our audit.

#### <u>Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit</u>

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### Supplemental Information

Based on the regulatory requirements of SEC Rule 17a-5, the Company presents Schedule I, Computation of Net Capital Under SEC Rule 15c3-1; Schedule II, Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3 (exemption); and Schedule III, Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3 (exemption) that accompany the financial statements. We subjected that supplemental information to audit procedures in accordance with PCAOB Auditing Standard No. 17, Auditing Supplemental Information Accompanying Audited Financial Statements. Based on our audit procedures performed, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

This information is intended solely for the use of Board of Directors and management of MAFG RIA Services, Inc. and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Thomas W. Masoero

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Certified Public Accountants and Business Consultants November 18, 2016

Members of the Audit Committee MAFG RIA Services, Inc.

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PCAOB Rule 3526, Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence, requires that we disclose to you in writing, at least annually, all relationships between our firm and any affiliates and your company and its related entities or persons in financial reporting oversight roles at your company that may reasonably be thought to bear on independence.

The following is a description of such relationships as of November 18, 2016 of which we are aware that are relevant to our audit of the company's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2016.

We are not aware of any such relationships.

We confirm that we are independent of the Company in compliance with Rule 3520 and within the meaning of the federal securities laws administered by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

As further required by PCAOB Rule 3526, we will be pleased to discuss the potential effect of such relationships on our independence with respect to the Company with you.

This letter is intended solely for use by you and other members of the Board of Directors in your consideration of our independence as auditors, and should not be used for any other purpose.

Very truly yours,

Thomas W Masoero

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