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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 07/01/18 AND ENDING 6/30/19  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER: Westport Capital Markets, LLC

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FIRM ID. NO.

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

257 Riverside Avenue  
(No. and Street)

Westport CT 06880  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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

Christopher McClure (203) 222-8933  
(Area Code - Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

Alperin, Nebbia & Associates, CPA, PA  
(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

375 Passaic Avenue Fairfield CT 07004  
(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).

## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Christopher McClure, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Westport Capital Markets, LLC, as of June 30, 2019, 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:

None

LISA M. SNYDERMAN  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 2022

  
Signature and Title  
President & CEO

  
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 Cash Flows.
- ☐ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Subordinated Liabilities (not applicable).
- ☐ (g) Computation of Net Capital  
Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- ☐ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements for Brokers and  
Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. (not  
applicable)
- ☐ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements  
for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (not applicable).
- ☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including Appropriate Explanations, of the Computation of Net  
Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the  
Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 (not applicable).
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation Between the Audited and Unaudited Consolidated Statements  
of Financial Condition With Respect to Methods of Consolidation (not  
applicable).
- ☒ (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
- ☐ (o) Review report on management's assertion letter regarding (k)(2)(ii) exemption.
- ☐ (p) Management's assertion letter regarding (k)(2)(ii) exemption.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of  
Westport Capital Markets, LLC  
Westport, CT

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Westport Capital Markets, LLC as of June 30, 2019, that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act 1934. This financial statement is the responsibility of 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 statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Westport Capital Markets, LLC at June 30, 2019 in conformity with principles generally accepted in the United States.

ALPERIN, NEBBIA & ASSOCIATES, CPA, PA

Fairfield, New Jersey  
August 26, 2019



**WESTPORT CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2019**

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 136,125
Due from clearing broker	155,095
Advances on commissions	30,545
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	<u>16,360</u>
Total current assets	338,125
Right-of-Use asset	64,662
Property and Equipment, net	<u>4,075</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 406,862</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY**

**Liabilities**

Accrued expenses	\$ 83,118
Lease payable	<u>64,662</u>
Total liabilities	147,780

**Commitments and Contingencies**

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**Members' Equity**

259,082

Total liabilities and members' equity	<u><u>\$ 406,862</u></u>
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**WESTPORT CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**JUNE 30, 2019**

**Note A – Organization and Significant Accounting Policies**

Nature of Business

Westport Capital Markets, LLC (the “Company”), is a securities broker-dealer servicing both institutional and retail clients.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments with three months or less to maturity at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents.

Advances on Commissions

It is the Company’s policy to make advances to commissioned brokers. These advances are repaid as commissions are earned. As of June 30, 2019, the Company has outstanding advances in the amount of \$30,545.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are expensed currently, while renewals and betterments extend the life of an asset are capitalized. The costs of assets sold, retired, or otherwise disposed of, and the related allowance for depreciation, are eliminated from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is recognized. Depreciation is provided on accelerated and straight-line methods over lives ranging from 3 to 5 years.

Revenue Recognition

The Company generates its revenues principally by providing securities trading, investment management and brokerage services. Revenues for these services are transaction based. As a result, the Company’s revenues could vary based on the performance of the financial markets.

Non-recognition of commissions arising from unsettled customer transactions is not considered to have a material effect on either the Company’s financial statements or net capital computations.

The Company clears all securities transactions through National Financial Services (NFS), on a fully disclosed basis.

Income Taxes

The Company is a single-member LLC and taxed as a sole proprietor on the personal tax return of the single member.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and the disclosure of contingencies in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from the estimates included in the financial statements.

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**JUNE 30, 2019**

**Note A – Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Fair Value Measurements

The Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 820, Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value is 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.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC Topic 820-10-35 are described below:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 – Prices or valuations that require inputs that are significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

A financial instrument’s level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

At June 30, 2019, the Company has classified all of its securities owned at fair market value at Level 1 for ASC Topic 820 Fair Value Measurement purposes.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated through August 26, 2019 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Note B – Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment consist of the following:

Office equipment	\$10,788
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>6,713</u>
Property and equipment, net	<u>\$ 4,075</u>

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**JUNE 30, 2019**

**Note C – Member’s Equity and Distributions**

During the year ended June 30, 2019, the Company distributed \$50,000 to its managing member. During the year ended June 30, 2019, the managing member contributed \$250,000 to the Company.

**Note D – Clearing Broker and Off-Balance Sheet Risk**

Beginning in April of 2015, the Company used National Financial Services (NFS) to clear its securities transactions and to provide custodial and other services for which it pays a fee on a per transaction basis and interest on amounts borrowed. In connection with its clearing agreement, the Company must maintain a minimum deposit with NFS of \$100,000. Pursuant further to its clearing agreement, the customers’ money balances and security positions are carried on NFS’s books. Under certain conditions, the Company has agreed to indemnify NFS for any related losses, if any, that NFS may sustain. Both the Company and NFS monitor collateral on securities transaction to minimize exposure to loss.

**Note E – Net Capital Requirements**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission’s uniform Net Capital Rule (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 June 30, 2019, the Company had net capital of \$205,380, which was \$105,380 in excess of its required net capital of \$100,000. The Company’s aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .40 to 1.

**Note F – Retirement Plan**

Beginning January 1, 2014, the Company adopted a Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees (SIMPLE) covering substantially all employees.

**Note G – Commitment and Contingencies**

In the normal course of business, the Company executes, as agent, transactions on behalf of customers. If the agency transactions do not settle because of failure to perform by either the customer or the counter party, the Company may be obligated to discharge the obligation of the nonperforming party and, as a result, may incur a loss if the market value of the security is different from the contract amount of the transactions. The Company does not anticipate nonperformance by customers or counterparties. The Company has a policy of reviewing, as considered necessary, the credit standing of customers and counter parties with which it conducts business.

During the prior fiscal year, it was determined that a regulatory issue exists that could result in a liability to the Company. As of June 30, 2019, the outcome and amount cannot be determined or estimated, and accordingly no liability has been recorded on these financial statements.

**WESTPORT CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC**  
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**JUNE 30, 2019**

**Note H – Operating Lease Commitment**

The Company entered into a building lease for a term of five years beginning in June 2015.

The future minimum rent under this lease is as follows:

<u>Fiscal year Ending</u>	
June 30, 2020	\$ 66,205

**Note I – Uncertain Tax Positions**

As of June 30, 2019, the Company believes it is reasonably possible the balance of the gross unrecognized tax benefits is zero and will continue to be zero in the next twelve months based on conservative income tax positions and the expiration of statute of limitations. The Company continually evaluates expiring statutes of limitations, audits, proposed settlements, changes in tax law, and new authoritative rulings.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. Federal jurisdiction and the State jurisdiction of Connecticut. None of these taxing jurisdictions have active examinations of the Company income tax returns. The Company has timely filed all required income tax returns, and its Federal and State income tax returns prior to calendar year 2015 were closed by statute on September 15, 2018.