

**Fairmount Partners LP**  
**Statement of Financial Condition**  
**December 31, 2017**

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/2017 AND ENDING 12/31/2017  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER:  
Fairmount Partners LP

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

100 Four Falls Corporate Center, Suite 660

FIRM ID. NO.

(No. and Street)

West Conshohocken

PA

19428

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Christina Halliday

(610) 260-6274

(Area Code - Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

Sanville & Company

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

1514 Old York Road

Abington

PA

19001

(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).

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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Christina Halliday, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Fairmount Partners LP, as of December 31, 2017, 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:

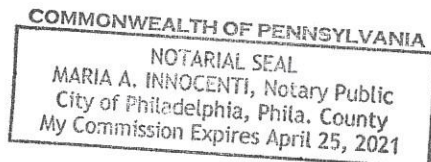
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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

Christina Halliday  
Signature

Principal Financial Officer  
Title

Maria A. Innocenti  
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 or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- (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 the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (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) Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Accounting Control.

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

# Sanville & Company

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors  
Fairmount Partners LP

### Opinion on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Fairmount Partners LP (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the financial statement). In our opinion, the statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2017 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Basis for Opinion

This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statement based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.



We have served as the Company's auditor since 2008  
Abington, Pennsylvania  
February 27, 2018

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**Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,953,408
Fees receivable	180,000
Securities owned, at fair value	77,776
Prepaid expenses	<u>3,800</u>
Total assets	\$ <u><u>3,214,984</u></u>

**Liabilities and Partners' Capital**

Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 76,000
Due to affiliate	<u>1,195,596</u>

Total liabilities	<u>1,271,596</u>
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<b>Partners' Capital</b>	<u>1,943,388</u>
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Total liabilities and partners' capital	\$ <u><u>3,214,984</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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**1. Organization**

Fairmount Partners LP (the “Company”) is a broker-dealer located in West Conshohocken, Pennsylvania. The Company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). The Company’s business consists of merger and acquisition and financial advisory services. The Company may also privately place securities. The Company, like other broker dealers and investment advisors, is directly affected by general economic and market conditions, including fluctuations in volume and price level of securities, changes in interest rates and securities brokerage services, all of which have an impact on the Company’s liquidity.

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*The following are the significant accounting policies followed by the Company:*

*Cash and Cash Equivalents and Concentration of Credit Risks* - The Company considers its investments in financial instruments with original maturities of less than ninety 90 days when issued to be cash equivalents. The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk related to cash.

*Fee Revenues* - Fee revenue includes fees earned from providing merger and acquisition and financial advisory services. These fee revenues are recognized when earned based on the terms of the related contracts. Fee revenue related to financial transactions is recognized when the transaction closes.

*Income Taxes* - The Company is treated as a partnership for federal and state income tax purposes and therefore, does not record a provision for income taxes. Accordingly, the individual partners report their share of the Company’s income or loss on their personal income tax returns.

The Company recognizes and discloses uncertain tax positions in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). As of, and during the year ended December 31, 2017 the Company did not have liability for unrecognized tax benefits. The Company is no longer subject to examination by federal and state taxing authorities prior to 2014.

*Fees Receivable* - The Company carries its fees receivable at cost less an allowance for doubtful accounts. On a periodic basis, the Company evaluates its fees receivable and establishes an allowance for doubtful accounts based on a history of past write-offs and collections and current credit conditions. Accounts are written-off as uncollectible once the Company has exhausted its collection means. There was no allowance for doubtful accounts as of December 31, 2017.

*Fair Value Hierarchy* - FASB ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a hierarchy of fair value inputs. 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. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market. Valuation techniques that are consistent with the market, income or cost approach, as specified by FASB ASC 820, are used to measure fair value.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels:

Level 1. Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company can access at the measurement date.

Level 2. Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly.

Level 3. Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

*Process and Structure-* The Company's chief financial officer (CFO) in conjunction with the chief executive officer (CEO), discuss the current status of firm investments. They review the most recently available financial statements of the firm investments along with any recent rounds of financing to determine the fair value of the investments.

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Company's investments by the above fair value hierarchy levels as of December 31, 2017:

Securities Owned:	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
Common Stocks	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,776

The following table sets forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the Fund's level 3 investments for the year ended December 31, 2017:

	<u>Investments</u>
Balance beginning year	\$ 77,776
Changes to investments	-
Balance end of year	<u><u>\$ 77,776</u></u>

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Assets	Balance at December 31, 2017	Valuation Technique(s)	Significant Unobservable Input(s): Sensitivity of the Fair Value to Changes in the Unobservable Inputs	Range
Equity	\$77,776	Comparable Pricing	Comparable companies in same industry Multiple of revenues and liquidity discount	2x-3x revenue 30%-50%

*Use of estimates* - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles 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 may differ from those estimates and assumptions.

*Subsequent events* - Management has evaluated the impact of all subsequent events through February 27, 2018 the date the financial statements were available to be issued and has determined that there were no subsequent events requiring disclosure in these financial statements.

**3. Net capital requirement**

The Company is a member of the FINRA and is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1. This Rule 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, 2017, the Company's net capital was \$1,753,812 which was \$1,669,039 in excess of its minimum requirement of \$84,773. The Company's net capital ratio was 0.73 to 1.

**4. Exemption from Rule 15c3-3**

The Company is exempt from SEC Rule 15c3-3 pursuant to the exemptive provision under subparagraph (k)(2)(i) and, therefore, is not required to maintain a "Special Reserve Bank Account for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers."

**5. Transactions with affiliates**

The Company leases its employees from an affiliate. The Company records the actual compensation and benefits that are paid to the employees and pays the affiliate a service fee. The Company also leases its offices from the affiliate on a month to month basis. At December 31, 2017, the Company owed the affiliate \$1,195,596.