

**ARK GLOBAL LLC  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PURSUANT TO 17a-5(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND  
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM  
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members of  
ARK Global LLC

### Opinion on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of ARK Global LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2023, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statement"). In our opinion, the financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2023, 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.

*YSL & Associates LLC*

We have served as ARK Global LLC's auditor since 2021.

New York, NY

March 27, 2024

**ARK GLOBAL LLC**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**

**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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**ASSETS**

Cash	\$	10,790
Accounts receivable		21,813
Prepaid expenses		<u>15,687</u>
Total assets	\$	<u><u>48,290</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY**

Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	2,500
Commission payable		<u>20,722</u>
Total liabilities		<u>23,222</u>
Members' equity		<u>25,068</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$	<u><u>48,290</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS**

ARK Global LLC (the “Company”) was organized as a Limited Liability Company in 2007. The Company was granted membership in the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”) on March 18, 2015. On December 31, 2022, the Company sold 51% of its ownership, maintaining its majority woman owned status. It is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) and is a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”).

The Company acts as an intermediary in the marketing of investment strategies for its Asset Manager clients to prospective institutional investors through registered investment advisors, consultants and/or third parties and directly to plan sponsors. The Company does not hold accounts or process transactions for customers.

Investors usually consist of institutional investors, pension plans and other legal entities meeting the regulatory definition of Qualified or Accredited investors.

Recent Issued Accounting Pronouncements

The Company does not believe that the adoption of any recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting standards will have a material effect on its financial position and results of operations.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) and the rules and regulations of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”). It is management's opinion, that all material adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) have been made which are necessary for a fair financial statement presentation.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates market value.

Accounting Basis

The Company uses the accrual basis of accounting for financial statement and income tax reporting. Accordingly, revenues are recognized when services are rendered and expenses realized when the obligation is incurred.

Income Taxes

The Company is a limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal and state income tax purposes, and, thus, no federal income tax expense has been recorded in the financial statements. Taxable income of the Company is reported on the members individual tax return.

Pursuant to accounting guidance concerning provision for uncertain income tax provisions contained in Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 740-10, there are no uncertain income tax positions. The federal and state income tax returns are subject to examination by the IRS and state taxing authorities, generally for three years after they were filed.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue to depict the transfer of promised services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those services. The guidance requires an entity to follow a five-step model to (a) identify the contract(s) with a customer, (b) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (c) determine the transaction price, (d) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, (e) recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. In determining the transaction price, an entity may include variable consideration only to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized would not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is resolved.

The Company's revenues are from consulting fees, fixed retainer fees, and a percentage of the Asset Manager's money management fee. Accordingly, the Company recognizes retainer fees and consulting fees in the period earned, with separate revenue recognition when the performance obligations have been satisfied.

Consulting agreements with Asset Managers are multi-year contracts. Consulting fees are accrued when earned. They are generally paid in arrears on or about the last day of each calendar quarter or month.

Marketing and sales fee contracts are also for multiple years. The Company is compensated by a percentage of the Asset Manager's money management fee. These fees are paid in arrears to the Asset Manager, usually within 45 days, after the end of each calendar quarter or month depending on the payment time frame of the particular strategy. The Company is then paid within 30 days after such fees are received by the Asset Manager.

Accounts Receivable and Contract Balances

Accounts receivable is recorded at the amount the Company expects to collect on balances outstanding at year-end. The determination of the amounts of uncollectible accounts is based on the length of time each receivable has been outstanding, and a reasonable assessment of the capacity of the debtor to pay the receivable. The allowance for uncollectible amounts reflects the amount of loss that can be reasonably estimated by management and is included as part of operating expenses in the accompanying statement of operations. As of January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023, the Company's accounts receivable were \$413,586 and \$21,813, respectively. The Company had no contract assets or liabilities at January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Significant Judgments

The recognition and measurement of revenue is based on the assessment of individual contract terms. Significant judgment is required to determine whether performance obligations are satisfied at a point in time or over time; how to allocate transaction prices where multiple performance obligations are identified; when to recognize revenue based on the appropriate measure of the Company's progress under the contract; and whether constraints on variable consideration should be applied due to uncertain future events.

Allowance for Credit Losses

The Company follows ASC Topic 326, Financial Instruments – Credit Losses ("ASC 326"). The Company identified no fees receivable as impacted by the guidance. An allowance for credit losses may be based on the Company's expectation of the collectability of its receivables utilizing the CECL framework. The Company considers factors such as historical experience, credit quality, age of balances and current and future economic conditions that may affect the Company's expectation of the collectability in determining the allowance for credit losses. At December 31, 2023, the Company recorded an allowance for credit losses in the amount of \$0.

Fair Values of Financial Instruments

Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 825, "Financial Instruments," requires the Company to disclose estimated fair values for its financial instruments. Fair value estimates, methods, and assumptions are set forth below for the Company's financial instruments: The carrying amount of cash, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and accounts payable and accrued expenses, approximate fair value because of the short maturity of those instruments.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Company places its cash with a high credit quality financial institution. The Company's account at this institution is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to \$250,000. To reduce its risk associated with the failure of such a financial institution, the Company evaluates at least annually the rating of the financial institution in which it holds deposits.

**3. NET CAPITAL**

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital of \$5,000, and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, not exceed 15 to 1. The rule also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn, cash dividends paid or the Company's operations expanded, if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. At December 31, 2023, the Company had net capital of \$9,381 which was \$4,381 in excess of the FINRA minimum net capital requirement of \$5,000.

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**4. RELATED PARTIES**

The Company has an Expense Sharing Agreement with Vanderbilt Financial Group, a related party through common ownership, (the “Affiliate”), for administrative expenses provided by the Affiliate. The Company compensated the Affiliate \$22,500 in 2023. As of December 31, 2023, the outstanding balance due to the Affiliate was \$2,500.

**5. CONCENTRATION OF CUSTOMER REVENUES**

For the year ended December 31, 2023, two customers accounted for 62% of the Company’s fee income and also compromised 67% of the accounts receivable balance.

**6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

Litigation

On April 1, 2022, the Company was wrongfully terminated by a client as a result of the reported acquisition of the client firm. The Company has subsequently filed a breach of contract claim with FINRA. This claim is scheduled for FINRA arbitration in April of 2024.

**7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Company evaluated events occurring between the end of its fiscal year, December 31, 2023, and through when the financial statements were issued. All subsequent events requiring recognition as of the auditor’s report date, have been incorporated into these financial statements herein.