#### CITIZENS JMP SECURITIES, LLC

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023
AND
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/23 AND ENDING 12/31/23

#### A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER: CITIZENS JMP Securities. LLC

TYPE OF REGISTRANT (check all applicable boxes):

☑ Broker-dealer ☐ Security-based swap dealer ☐ Major security-based swap participant
☐ Check here if respondent is also an OTC derivatives dealer

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

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#### **B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

Deloitte & Touche LLP

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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 of the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(1)(ii).

#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

240.18a-7(d)(2), as applicable.

I, Raymond Jackson, Chief Financial Officer, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying statement of financial condition pertaining to the firm of Citizens JMP Securities, LLC. as of December 31, 2023, is true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, officer, director, or equivalent person, as the case may be, has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer.

SHELBY HOGAN Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 02-09-2026

Notary ID 133579956
Signature  CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  Title  Title
<ul> <li>☑ (a) Statement of financial condition.</li> <li>☑ (b) Notes to consolidated statement of financial condition.</li> <li>☐ (c) Statement of income (loss) or, if there is other comprehensive income in the period(s) presented, a statement of comprehensive income (as defined in § 210.1-02 of Regulation S-X).</li> <li>☐ (d) Statement of cash flows.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>□ (e) Statement of changes in stockholders' or partners' or sole proprietor's equity.</li> <li>□ (f) Statement of changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of creditors.</li> <li>□ (g) Notes to consolidated financial statements.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>□ (h) Computation of net capital under 17 CFR 240.15c3-1 or 17 CFR 240.18a-1, as applicable.</li> <li>□ (i) Computation of tangible net worth under 17 CFR 240.18a-2.</li> <li>□ (j) Computation for determination of customer reserve requirements pursuant to Exhibit A to 17 CFR</li> </ul>
240.15c3-3. ☐ (k) Computation for determination of security-based swap reserve requirements pursuant to Exhibit B to 17
CFR 240.15c3-3 or Exhibit A to 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable.  □ (l) Computation for Determination of PAB Requirements under Exhibit A to § 240.15c3-3.  □ (m) Information relating to possession or control requirements for customers under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3.  □ (n) Information relating to possession or control requirements for security-based swap customers under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3(p)(2) or 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable.
□ (o) Reconciliations, including appropriate explanations, of the FOCUS Report with computation of net capital or tangible net worth under 17 CFR 240.15c3-1, 17 CFR 240.18a-1, or 17 CFR 240.18a-2, as applicable, and the reserve requirements under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3 or 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable, if material differences exist, or a statement that no material differences exist.
<ul> <li>□ (p) Summary of financial data for subsidiaries not consolidated in the statement of financial condition.</li> <li>☑ (q) Oath or affirmation in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5, 17 CFR 240.17a-12, or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>□ (r) Compliance report in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.</li> <li>□ (s) Exemption report in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.</li> <li>☑ (t) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of the statement of financial condition.</li> <li>□ (u) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of the financial report or financial</li> </ul>
statements under 17 CFR 240.17a-5, 17 CFR 240.18a-7, or 17 CFR 240.17a-12, as applicable.  □ (v) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of certain statements in the compliance report under 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
□ (w) Independent public accountant's report based on a review of the exemption report under 17 CFR 240.17a- or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
<ul> <li>□ (x) Supplemental reports on applying agreed-upon procedures, in accordance with 17 CFR 240.15c3-1e or 17 CFR 240.17a-12, as applicable.</li> <li>□ (y) Report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the</li> </ul>
previous audit, or a statement that no material inadequacies exist, under 17 CFR 240.17a-12(k).
**To request confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see 17 CFR 240.17a-5(e)(3) or 17 CFR

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Member of Citizens JMP Securities, LLC

#### Opinion on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Citizens JMP Securities LLC (the "Company"), a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Citizens Financial Group, Inc., 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**

The financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this 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 statement. 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 statement. We believe that our audit of the financial statement provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

February 28, 2024

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2016.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 (IN THOUSANDS)

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash  Goodwill  Fees receivable  Deferred taxes, net	\$ 183,318 94,084 11,636 8,828 5,280
Fees receivable	11,636 8,828
	8,828
Deferred taxes, net	
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Operating lease right-of-use asset	5,260
Investment securities owned, at fair value	4,673
Intangible assets - net of accumulated amortization of \$7,899	3,990
Premises and equipment - net of accumulated depreciation of \$2,140	1,125
Income taxes receivable	822
Due from affiliates	480
Prepaid and other assets	3,374
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 317,610
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	
LIABILITIES:	
Subordinated debt with Parent	\$ 153,000
Accrued incentive compensation	31,265
Income taxes payable to Affiliates	8,324
Operating lease liability	6,059
Investment securities sold but not yet purchased, at fair value	3,597
Interest payable on subordinated debt with Parent	693
Payable to clearing organization	685
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	33,506
TOTAL LIABILITIES	237,129
MEMBER'S EQUITY:	
Additional paid-in capital	48,061
Retained earnings	32,420
TOTAL MEMBER'S EQUITY	80,481
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	\$ 317,610

See accompanying notes to Statement of Financial Condition.

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Amounts in thousands)

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Citizens JMP Securities, LLC (the "Company" or "CJMPS") is a registered broker-dealer with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). The Company is registered with FINRA as an introducing broker-dealer and does not hold customer funds or customer securities. CJMPS is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Citizens Financial Group, Inc. ("CFG", or "Parent"), and provides equity research, institutional brokerage, investment banking and advisory services related to merger & acquisitions ("M&A"), capital raises, and financial & strategic advisory. The Company is also engaged in underwriting, dealing and trading corporate debt obligations for institutional clients. CJMPS clears all securities transactions on a fully disclosed basis through third-party clearing brokers.

In August, 2023, the Company completed an agreement with its direct parent, JMP Holdings LLC and Citizens Capital Markets, Inc. ("CCMI"), an affiliated broker-dealer, whereby all brokerage accounts and brokerage customer-related assets and obligations of CCMI, representing \$74.2 million of net assets, were transferred to the Company. The transfer was accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control of Citizens Financial Group, Inc., in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Codification Section 805-50. It was a change in reporting entity and the financial statements were prepared as if the transfer occurred at the beginning of the period.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

The financial statement includes the accounts of the Company and is prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The U.S. dollar is the functional currency of the Company.

The preparation of the financial statement in accordance with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statement and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

The Company considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity date of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2023, cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash was \$183,318, which included \$74,790 of U.S. Treasury securities, \$56,610 of cash at a clearing organization, \$50,668 of operating cash and \$1,250 of restricted cash.

Restricted cash represents cash kept on deposit with the clearing organization. This balance is subject to withdrawal restrictions such that the Company would be prohibited from doing business with the clearing organization if the minimum cash deposit is not maintained.

#### **Securities Transactions**

Securities owned and securities sold, but not yet purchased are recorded on a trade date basis and marked at fair value.

#### Fees Receivable

Fees receivable include receivables relating to the Company's investment banking or advisory engagements. The Company records an allowance for doubtful accounts on these receivables on a specific identification basis. Investment banking fees receivable which are deemed to be uncollectible are charged off and deducted from the allowance. There was no allowance for doubtful account related to investment banking fees receivable as of December 31, 2023,

# NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Amounts in thousands)

#### Receivable from Clearing Brokers

The Company clears customer transactions through other broker-dealers on a fully disclosed basis. Included in receivables from clearing brokers are (i) commissions related to securities transactions generated in December 2023 and paid in January 2024, net of clearing costs, (ii) cash on deposit of \$1,250 with the Company's clearing brokers and (iii) net receivable arising from unsettled trades.

#### Fair Value

Refer to Note 11 for further details.

#### 3. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has entered into service agreements with its affiliates Citizens Bank, National Association ("CBNA") and CFG (collectively, the "Affiliates"). The Affiliates provides support services to the Company and allocate direct and indirect costs attributable to the Company. Such costs include, but are not limited to, costs of the bank personnel providing services to the Company, including finance, human resources, technology, risk, audit, and facilities. The Company had outstanding payables of \$9,017 due to Affiliates as of December 31, 2023.

The Company has a subordinated credit facility with CFG. The facility was refinanced on September 15, 2022 increasing the borrowing limit to \$210,000. The subordinated loan drawn on this credit facility matures on September 15, 2025 and bears interest at 5.03% per annum.

The Company maintains four checking accounts with CBNA and cash held was \$50,668 as of December 31, 2023.

#### 4. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill is the purchase premium associated with the acquisition of a business and is assigned to reporting units at the acquisition date. A reporting unit is a business operating segment or a component of a business operating segment. Once goodwill has been assigned to reporting units, it no longer retains its association with a particular acquisition, and all of the activities within a reporting unit, whether acquired or organically grown, are available to support the value of the goodwill. The entire goodwill balance is allocated to one reporting unit, M&A and Financial Advisory.

Goodwill is not amortized but is subject to an annual impairment test. The goodwill impairment analysis involves comparing the reporting unit's fair value to its carrying value including goodwill. If the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, applicable goodwill is deemed not impaired. If the carrying value exceeds fair value, goodwill is deemed impaired by the amount the carrying value exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit. The goodwill impairment recognized cannot not exceed the carrying value of goodwill.

The Company reviews goodwill for impairment annually as of October 31, or more often if events or circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that the fair value of one or more reporting unit is below its carrying value. The fair values of the Company's reporting unit are determined using a combination of income and market-based approaches. The Company relies on the income approach (discounted cash flow method) for determining fair value. Market and transaction approaches are used as benchmarks to corroborate the value determined by the discounted cash flow method. The Company relies on several assumptions when estimating the fair value of its reporting unit using the discounted cash flow method. These assumptions include the discount rate, as well as income tax and capital retention rates.

Other intangible assets represent purchased long-lived intangible assets, primarily a client referral network, trade name, and customer list which can be distinguished from goodwill. Other intangible assets, which are also subject to annual evaluation for impairment, are amortized on a straight-line basis over periods ranging from two to five years, with such amortization recorded in intangibles amortization in the

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Statement of Operations. Through the Company's acquisition activity since inception, referral networks and a customer list have been acquired and recorded as intangible assets.

The following table summarizes the intangible assets as of December 31, 2023:

		December 31, 2023					
Acquisitions:	Original Expected Useful Life		Gross ing value		Accumulated amortization		Net
Referral networks	5 years	\$	6,179	\$	2,515	\$	3,664
Customer list	5 years		5,455		5,273		182
Other:							
Software	5 years		256		111		144
Total:		\$	11,890	\$	7,899	\$	3,990

No impairments of goodwill or intangible assets were recorded for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### 5. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the assets, typically five to ten years. Normal repairs and maintenance and other costs that do not improve the property, extend the useful life or otherwise do not meet capitalization criteria are charged to expense as incurred. The Company evaluates premises and equipment for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such assets may not be recoverable.

	mber 31, 2023
Premises	\$ 2,516
Equipment	749
Total premises and equipment	3,265
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (2,140)
Premises and equipment, net	\$ 1,125

#### 6. LEASES

The Company determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. At commencement, the Company recognizes a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability based on the present value of the lease payments over the non-cancelable lease term. A right-of-use asset represents the value of the Company's contractual right to use an underlying leased asset and a lease liability represents the Company's contractual obligation to make payments on the same underlying leased asset. As the Company's lease does not specify an implicit rate, the Company uses the incremental borrowing rate based on information available at the lease commencement date to determine the present value of the lease payments.

In its normal course of business, the Company may lease equipment and office space. Lease terms predominantly range from one year to ten years and may include options to extend the lease, terminate the lease, or purchase the underlying asset at the end of the lease.

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Certain lease agreements may include rental payments based on an index or are adjusted periodically for inflation. When the Company has lease agreements that contain lease and non-lease components, these components are accounted for as a single lease component.

The Company evaluates right-of-use assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset may not be recoverable.

The Company has four operating leases for office space with a weighted average remaining lease term of five years and a weighted average discount rate of 2.25%. Three of the four leases have options that if exercised, would extend the terms to between 2030 and 2038.

At December 31, 2023, lease liabilities maturing under non-cancelable operating leases are presented below for the years ended December 31:

2024	\$ 1,918
2025	1,580
2026	1,134
2027	911
2028	763
Total lease payments	6,306
Less: interest	 (247)
Total lease liability	\$ 6,059

#### 7. ACCRUED INCENTIVE COMPENSATION

The Company maintains an annual bonus plan which involves the award of cash to certain individuals of the Company. Certain employees may additionally receive a portion of their performance-based bonuses in the form of deferred compensation. The deferred compensation typically vests over two years. The Company recognizes compensation expense related to deferred compensation over the required service period.

As of December 31, 2023, the total accrued amounts under each of the incentive compensation plans are as follows:

Annual bonus plan	\$ 27,066
Accrued incentive plan	4,199
Total	\$ 31,265

The amounts are included in the Statement of Financial Condition, in the accrued incentive compensation line.

#### 8. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

Share-based compensation awards include restricted share units ("RSUs") and options held by the Company's employees in respect of shares of common stock of the Parent, par value \$0.01 per share. A RSU is the right to receive shares of CFG stock on a future date, which may be subject to time-based vesting conditions. Time-based restricted stock units granted generally become vested ratably over a three-year period.

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The following table presents the activity related to the Company's incentive compensation from CFG share-based awards for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	CFG Share Awards	Weighted Average - Grant Price	
Outstanding, January 1, 2023	361,675	\$ 46.81	
Granted	358,084	41.49	
Vested and distributed	(147,483)	45.67	
Forfeitures	(68,593)	43.02	
Transferred Out	(577)	43.39	
Outstanding, December 31, 2023	503,106	\$ 43.88	

#### 9. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is a registered broker-dealer and, therefore, subject to the SEC's Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1, which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital. The Company has elected to use the alternative method, permitted by the rule, which requires the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to \$250, or the market maker minimum requirement if applicable. As of December 31, 2023, the Company had net capital of \$112,989, which was in excess of the required net capital of \$1,000 by \$111,989.

#### 10. INCOME TAXES

The Company, along with other Affiliates, is included in the consolidated federal tax return filed by CFG and in certain combined and unitary state returns. The Company also files in a number of state jurisdictions on a stand alone basis. For federal taxes and for taxes in states in which the Company is included in a combined or unitary return, the Company computes its current and deferred tax provision using the applicable consolidated, combined or unitary tax rate. The Company settles its income tax provision (benefit) with the Affiliates by agreement through intercompany accounts. As December 31, 2023, the Company's income taxes payable to the Affiliates were approximately \$8,324 and a receivable related to state stand alone filings of approximately \$822.

Deferred income taxes reflect the net effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes.

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The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of deferred taxes for the year ended December 31, 2023, are as follows:

Deferred tax assets:	
Accrued expenses	\$ 2,885
Deferred compensation	6,976
State net operating loss carryforwards	32
Deferred revenue	462
Depreciation	208
Total deferred tax assets	 10,563
Deferred tax liabilities:	
Prepaid expenses	221
Intangibles	1,514
Total deferred tax liabilities	1,735
Deferred taxes, net	\$ 8,828

There was no change in valuation allowance from December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2023.

The Company, as part of certain consolidated or combined returns, is subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and various state and local tax jurisdictions. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2018. The Company recognizes a tax benefit from an uncertain position only if it is more likely than not that the position is sustainable, based solely on its technical merits and consideration of the relevant taxing authorities widely understood administrative practices and precedents. If this threshold is met, the Company measures the tax benefit as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than fifty percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

There were no uncertain tax positions relating to the Company as of and during the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### 11. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Company categorizes assets and liabilities carried at fair value on its Statement of Financial Condition based on a three-level hierarchy.

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices in markets that are not active; and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by market data for substantially the full term of the asset or liability; and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs to the valuation methodology that are supported by little or no market information and are significant to the fair value measurement.

Asset and liability categorizations within the valuation hierarchy are based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The valuation techniques used to measure the

## NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Amounts in thousands)

Company's assets and liabilities at fair value depend upon the specific nature of the asset and liability. To the extent that certain financial instruments trade infrequently or are non-marketable securities and, therefore, do not have readily determinable fair values, the Company estimates the fair value of these instruments using various pricing models and the information available to the Company that it deems most relevant. Among the factors considered by the Company in determining the fair value of financial instruments are discounted anticipated cash flows, the cost, terms and liquidity of the instrument, the financial condition, operating results and credit ratings of the issuer or underlying company, the quoted market price of publicly traded securities with similar duration and yield, and other factors generally pertinent to the valuation of financial instruments.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies and summary of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on the Statement of Financial Condition on a recurring basis at December 31, 2023:

Level 1: U.S. Treasury obligations: U.S Treasury obligations are measured based on quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets.

Level 2: Corporate Bonds: Debt obligations of domestic corporations are valued using quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets.

Level 3: Business acquisitions consideration payable: The carrying amount of the future amount payable relating to business acquisitions approximates fair value. Payables are valued using a discounted cash flows method using a market-based discount rate that includes a risk-free rate plus an equity risk premium.

The following table presents the estimated fair value for assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis in the Statement of Financial Condition under the caption indicated:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash equivalents, at fair value:				
U.S. treasury obligations	\$ 74,790 \$	<b>-</b> \$	<b>-</b> \$	74,790
Investment securities, at fair value:				
Corporate Bonds	_	4,673	_	4,673
Total assets	\$ 74,790 \$	4,673 \$	<b>–</b> \$	79,463
Liabilities:				
Accrued expenses and other liabilities:				
Business acquisitions payable	_	_	21,432	21,432
Investment securities sold but not yet purchased, at fair value:				
Corporate Bonds	_	3,597	_	3,597
Total liabilities	\$ <b>–</b> \$	3,597 \$	21,432 \$	25,029

For the Company's financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value, the carrying values reported in the Statement of Financial Condition approximate fair value.

#### 12. GUARANTEES, COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company, from time to time, is involved in litigation or other proceedings related to various claims. The aggregate liabilities, if any, arising from such proceedings are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. Legal reserves are established when it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statement and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Once established, reserves are adjusted when there is additional information available or when an event occurs requiring a change.

# NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Amounts in thousands)

In the normal course of business, the Company may enter into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties, which provide general indemnifications. The Company's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims against the Company. The Company expects the risk of loss to be remote.

#### 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Based on the Company's evaluation, there are no further events that have occurred subsequent to December 31, 2023 through February 28, 2024 that would require disclosure or adjustment in the financial statements.