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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/2001 AND ENDING 12/31/2001 MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Tennenbaum Securities, LLC

OFFICIAL USE ONLY FIRM ID. NO.

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

11100 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 210

(No. and Street)

Los Angeles,

California

90025

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Mark K. Holdsworth

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(Area Code -- Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

ROTHSTEIN KASS & COMPANY, P.C.

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

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- [X] Certified Public Accountant [ ] Public Accountant [ ] Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Mark K. Holdsworth, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Tennenbaum Securities, LLC, as of DECEMBER 31 2001, 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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[Signature]  
Signature

PRESIDENT  
Title

[Signature]  
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 Changes in Financial Condition.
- (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 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 method 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 report.
- (o) Independent auditor's report on internal accounting control.
- (p) Schedule of segregation requirements and funds in segregation--customers' regulated commodity futures accounts pursuant to Rule 171-5.

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

# TENNENBAUM SECURITIES, LLC

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors  
Tennenbaum Securities, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Tennenbaum Securities, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2001, that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This 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 conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. 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 statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tennenbaum Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Rothstein, Kass & Company, P.C.*

Beverly Hills, California  
February 13, 2002

# TENNENBAUM SECURITIES, LLC

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2001

### ASSETS

Cash	\$	499,153
Interest receivable		<u>557</u>
	\$	<u>499,710</u>

### LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities	\$	420,760
Members' equity		<u>78,950</u>
	\$	<u>499,710</u>

# TENNENBAUM SECURITIES, LLC

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### 1. Nature of business

Tennenbaum Securities, LLC (the "Company"), a Delaware limited liability company, is a registered broker/dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD).

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### *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 amounts disclosed in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### *Investment Banking Revenues*

Financing fees associated with investment banking activity are recorded in accordance with the terms of the investment banking agreements.

#### *Income Taxes*

The Company has elected to be taxed as a partnership for federal and state tax purposes whereby taxable income (loss) is reported by the Company's members.

### 3. Net capital requirement

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1. This Rule requires the maintenance of minimum net capital, maintenance of the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, not to exceed 15 to 1, and compliance with restrictions on withdrawal of equity capital or cash dividends if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. At December 31, 2001, the Company's net capital was \$78,393, which was \$50,343 in excess of its minimum net capital requirement of \$28,050.