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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the  
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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/03 AND ENDING 12/31/03  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC  
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)  
2 WALL STREET  
(No. and Street)  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10005  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT  
GIUSEPPE CONFUORTI (212) 349-0137  
(Area Code - Telephone Number)

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**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*  
GREENE, ARNOLD G., CPA  
(Name - If individual, state last, first, middle name)  
866 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10017  
(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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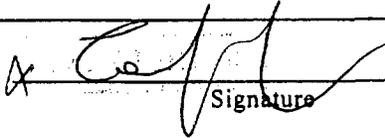
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, GIUSEPPE CONFUORTI, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC, as of DECEMBER 31, 2003 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

MEMBER

Title

GIUSEPPE A. MICHELE  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01M12689850  
Qualified in New York County

Commission Expires 3/31/07

  
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. (CASH FLOWS)
- (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' 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 15c3-3 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.

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

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

**R E P O R T**

**FORM X-17A-5**

**DECEMBER 31, 2003**

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Board of Managers and  
Members of

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

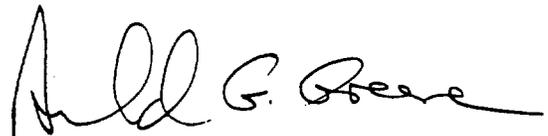
I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Advantage GFC, LLC as of December 31, 2003, and the related statements of income and expense, changes in members' capital, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial condition of Advantage GFC, LLC as of December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Also, I have examined the supplementary schedules on pages 6 and 7 and, in my opinion, they present fairly the information included therein in conformity with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

February 27, 2004



**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**

**DECEMBER 31 2003**

<u>ASSETS</u>	
Current assets:	
Cash in bank	\$ 111,412
Petty cash	500
Receivables from brokers and dealers:	
Commissions receivable	\$ 36,900
Other receivables	31,264
Other-deposit Bear Stearns	<u>100,000</u> 168,164
Loans receivable	149,208
Investment in GFC Advisors, Spa	151,000
Investments at market	34,811
Investment in Banca Advantage	9,818,538
Investment in funds	44,256
Other investments	38,451
Loans and exchanges	<u>49,196</u>
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>10,565,536</b>
Fixed assets (less accumulated depreciation of \$43,717)	82,090
Other assets: Deposits	<u>13,318</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>\$10,660,944</u></b>
<u>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' CAPITAL</u>	
Current liabilities:	
Taxes payable	\$ 19,643
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>128,000</u>
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>147,643</b>
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	2,200,000
Members' capital	<u>8,313,301</u>
Total liabilities and members' capital	<b><u>\$10,660,944</u></b>

See notes to financial statements.

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003**

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Revenues:

Commissions	\$	1,278,202
Advisory income		24,764
Consulting income		312,323
Other income		144,259
Interest and dividend income		<u>27,570</u>

**Total revenue** **1,787,118**

Expenses:

Members compensation	\$	241,000
Other employee compensation		138,750
Commissions paid to other broker-dealers		252,215
Interest on subordinated loans		84,980
Regulatory fees and expenses		4,190
Consulting fees		411,334
Other expenses		<u>492,487</u>

**Total expenses** **1,624,956**

Income before federal income tax 162,162

Less: federal income tax -0-

**Net income** **\$ 162,162**

See notes to financial statements.

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003**

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Resources provided:

Net income	\$	162,162
Decrease in other receivables		99,897
Decrease in investments at market		30,237
Increase in subordinated loans		1,200,000
Depreciation		2,950
Decrease in receivables from brokers and dealers		93,859
Capital contributed		<u>300,100</u>

**Total resources provided** **1,889,205**

Resources applied:

Increase in investment in Banca Advantage	\$	2,457,029
Increase in investment in funds		3,161
Increase in other investments		38,451
Increase in loans and exchanges		42,765
Decrease in accrued expenses payable		<u>30,357</u>

**Total resources applied** **2,571,763**

Decrease in cash (682,558)

Balance, January 1, 2003 793,970

Balance, December 31, 2003 **\$ 111,412**

See notes to financial statements

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' CAPITAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003**

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Members capital, January 1, 2003	\$ 7,851,039
Add: Net income for the year	162,162
Capital contributed	<u>300,100</u>
Members' capital, December 31, 2003	<u><b>\$ 8,313,301</b></u>

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES**  
**SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003**

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Balance, January 1, 2003	\$1,000,000
Increases	1,200,000
Decreases	<u>-0-</u>
Balance, December 31, 2003	<u><b>\$2,200,000</b></u>

See notes to financial statements.

## ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2003

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1. Summary of significant accounting policies:

Organization:

The company became a Limited Liability Company on March 1, 1996.

Income taxes:

The net income or loss of the company is passed through to the individual members of the company, and tax is then incurred by the individual members.

Depreciation:

Equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated using the Modified Accelerated Cost Recovery System (MACRS).

2. Investments:

In 2002, the Company increased its investment in Banca Advantage di Investimenti & Gestioni-Baig, Spa, a Bank located in Milan, Italy, in the amount of \$2,457,029.

3. The following supplementary information is submitted:

Exemption from Rule 15c-3 is claimed under (k) (2) (b):

All customer transactions are cleared through broker-dealer, Bear, Stearns Co., on a fully disclosed basis.

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1). Net capital as reported on page 7 of this audited Form X-17A-5 indicated net capital of \$164,655. In January 2004, the company filed Part IIA of form X-17A-5 (unaudited) and reported net capital of \$240,544. The difference of \$75,889 is accounted for by accruals and reclassifications made during the audit.

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**  
**COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL**

**DECEMBER 31, 2003**

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Capital	\$ 8,313,301
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	<u>2,200,000</u>
	10,513,301
Less: non-allowable assets	<u>(10,346,557)</u>
Tentative net capital before haircuts	166,744
Less: Haircuts on securities (\$34,811 X 6%)	<u>( 2,089)</u>
<b>Net capital</b>	164,655

Greater of:

Minimum dollar net capital required	<u><b>\$100,000</b></u>	
or		
Minimum net capital required: (6 2/3% of aggregate indebtedness \$147,643)	<u><b>\$ 9,848</b></u>	<u>100,000</u>
<b>Excess net capital</b>		<u><b>\$ 64,655</b></u>

AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

Accounts payable and accrued expenses, etc.	<u><b>\$ 147,643</b></u>
Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	<u><b>90%</b></u>

See notes to financial statements

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**ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL**

To the Board of Managers and Members of

**ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC**

I have examined the financial statements of ADVANTAGE GFC, LLC for the year ended December 31, 2003 and have issued my report thereon dated February 27, 2004. As part of the examination, I made a study and evaluation of the system on internal accounting control to the extent I considered necessary to evaluate the system required by the generally accepted auditing standards and Rule 17A-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. This study and evaluation included the accounting system, the procedures of safeguarding securities, and the practices and procedures followed by the client (i) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17A-3 (a) (11), the broker is exempt from compliance with Rule 15c3-3, and was in compliance with the conditions of the exemption, and no facts came to my attention indicating that such conditions had not been complied with during the year (ii) the broker does not maintain customer accounts nor handle securities, and I have reviewed the broker's practices for safeguarding securities that may be received by the broker for transmittal to a clearing organization. Rule 17A-5 states that the scope of the study and evaluation should be sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that any material weakness existing at the date of my examination would be disclosed. Under generally accepted auditing standards and Rule 17A-5, the purpose of such study and evaluation are to establish a basis for reliance thereon in procedures necessary for expressing an opinion of the internal accounting control.

The objective of internal accounting control is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance concerning the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and concerning the reliability of financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognized that the cost of a system of internal accounting control should not exceed the benefits derived and also recognizes that the evaluation of these factors necessarily requires estimated and judgments by management. However, for the purposes of this report under Rule 17A-5, the determination of weakness to be reported was made without considering the practicability of corrective action by management within the framework of a cost/benefit relationship.

There are inherent limitations that should be recognized in considering the potential effectiveness of any system of internal accounting control. In the performance of most control procedures, errors can result from misunderstanding of instructions, mistakes of judgment, carelessness, or other personal factors. Control procedures whose effectiveness depends on segregation of duties can be circumvented intentionally by management either with respect to the execution and recording of transactions or with respect to the estimates, projection or any evaluation of internal accounting control to future periods is subject to the risk that the procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

My study and evaluation of the system of internal accounting control for the year ended December 31, 2003 which was made for the purposes set forth in the first paragraph above and would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system that may have existed during the period, disclosed no weaknesses that I believe to be material.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold G. Greene". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A".

February 27, 2004