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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/08 AND ENDING 12/31/08  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: BALLEW INVESTMENTS, INC.

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FIRM I.D. NO.

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

4800 I-55 North, Suite 21

(No. and Street)

Jackson, MS 39211

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

C. Brooks Mosley 601-368-3500

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

BKD, LLP

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

190 E. Capitol St., Suite 500, Jackson, MS 39201

(Address)

(City)

(State)

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- Certified Public Accountant
- Public Accountant
- Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, C. Brooks Mosley, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Ballew Investments, Inc., as of 12/31, 2008, 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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Vickie Rush Hester  
Notary Public

Clyde Brooks Mosley  
Signature

President-Financial Operations Officer  
Title

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 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 15c3-1 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.

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

# **Ballew Investments, Inc.**

## **Accountants' Report and Financial Statements**

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**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**December 31, 2008 and 2007**

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## Independent Accountants' Report on Financial Statements and Supplementary Information

Board of Directors  
Ballew Investments, Inc.  
Jackson, Mississippi

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Ballew Investments, Inc. (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Security Ballew, Inc.) as of December 31, 2008, and the related statements of operations, changes in stockholder's equity and cash flows for the year then ended, that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of Ballew Investments, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, were audited by other accountants whose report dated February 1, 2008, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

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 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the 2008 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ballew Investments, Inc. as of December 31, 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information contained on pages 9 and 10 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

BKD, LLP

February 19, 2009

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Statements of Financial Condition**  
**December 31, 2008 and 2007**

	2008	2007
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$ 42,318	\$ 92,875
Deposit with clearing broker	25,000	25,000
Due from affiliate	6,116	-
Commissions receivable	341	8
	\$ 73,775	\$ 117,883
 <b>Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 3,760	\$ 3,527
Due to affiliate	-	73,120
	3,760	76,647
 <b>Stockholder's Equity</b>		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value:		
Authorized - 1,000,000 shares		
Issued and outstanding - 10,000 shares	100	100
Additional paid-in capital	59,900	59,900
Retained earnings (deficit)	10,015	(18,764)
	70,015	41,236
	\$ 73,775	\$ 117,883

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Statements of Operations**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Commission and fee income	\$ 679,311	\$ 541,643
Interest income	1,085	1,780
	680,396	543,423
<b>Expenses</b>		
Commissions	31,956	19,770
General and administrative	342,871	338,753
	374,827	358,523
<b>Income From Operations</b>	305,569	184,900
<b>Other Income</b>	432	35,000
<b>Income Before Income Taxes</b>	306,001	219,900
<b>Income Tax Expense</b>	112,222	73,120
<b>Net Income</b>	\$ 193,779	\$ 146,780

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Statements of Changes in Stockholder's Equity**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007**

	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>Additional Paid-in Capital</b>	<b>Retained Earnings (Deficit)</b>	<b>Total Stockholder's Equity</b>
<b>Balance at January 1, 2007</b>	\$ 100	\$ 59,900	\$ (15,544)	\$ 44,456
<b>Net income - 2007</b>	-	-	146,780	146,780
<b>Dividends paid - 2007</b>	-	-	(150,000)	(150,000)
<b>Balance at December 31, 2007</b>	100	59,900	(18,764)	41,236
<b>Net income - 2008</b>	-	-	193,779	193,779
<b>Dividends paid - 2008</b>	-	-	(165,000)	(165,000)
<b>Balance at December 31, 2008</b>	<u>\$ 100</u>	<u>\$ 59,900</u>	<u>\$ 10,015</u>	<u>\$ 70,015</u>

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Statements of Cash Flows**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Operating Activities</b>		
Net income	\$ 193,779	\$ 146,780
Changes in		
Due from affiliate	(6,116)	-
Commissions receivable	(333)	605
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	233	(291)
Due to affiliate	(73,120)	61,736
Net cash provided by operating activities	114,443	208,830
<b>Financing Activities</b>		
Dividends paid	(165,000)	(150,000)
Net cash used in investing activities	(165,000)	(150,000)
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Cash</b>	(50,557)	58,830
<b>Cash, Beginning of Year</b>	92,875	34,045
<b>Cash, End of Year</b>	\$ 42,318	\$ 92,875
<b>Supplemental Cash Flows Information</b>		
Income taxes paid	\$ 183,120	\$ 11,384

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2008 and 2007**

**Note 1: Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Nature of Business and Ownership***

Ballew Investments, Inc. (the Company) is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). The Company is located in Jackson, Mississippi and engages primarily in the business of selling variable life insurance and annuity products, mutual funds and securities traded on various exchanges. The Company has clients throughout the United States, the majority of which are located in the South and Southeast.

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Security Ballew, Inc. (Security Ballew). SB Holding Company, Inc. (SB Holding), a Mississippi Corporation, owns 100% of Security Ballew. The Company and SB Holding are under common management.

***Recognition of Commission and Fee Income***

Commission income on variable life insurance and annuity products is recognized as revenues when due from the policy issuer. Commission income on securities transactions is recognized on the trade date.

***Subordinated Borrowings***

The Company had no borrowings under subordination agreements at December 31, 2008 or 2007.

***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with 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 could differ from those estimates.

***Reclassifications***

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2007 financial statements to conform to the 2008 presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on the changes in financial position.

**Note 2: Net Capital Requirement**

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which 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. Net capital and aggregate indebtedness

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change from day to day. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company's aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.059 to 1 and 2.174 to 1, respectively.

The net capital requirement at December 31, 2008 and 2007, follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Minimum net capital required - greater of \$5,000, or 6.67% of aggregate indebtedness	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,112</u>
Net capital computed using regulatory agency requirements	<u>\$ 63,900</u>	<u>\$ 35,250</u>
Excess net capital	<u>\$ 58,900</u>	<u>\$ 30,138</u>

**Note 3: Income Taxes**

The Company, for income tax purposes, is included in the consolidated tax return of its affiliated group. For financial statement purposes, the Company computes its income tax by applying the statutory rate to its pretax income reported in the financial statements (separate return method). No consideration is given to any potential taxes arising pursuant to the parent company's application of their interpretation of Financial Accounting Standards Board FIN 48-3 *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*.

The provision for income taxes, which, at December 31, 2007, was recorded as a payable to the affiliate, consists of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Federal	\$ 96,682	\$ 62,573
State	<u>15,540</u>	<u>10,547</u>
	<u>\$ 112,222</u>	<u>\$ 73,120</u>

**Note 4: Other Income**

During 2007, as a result of the merger between the NASD and the NYSE, creating FINRA, each broker dealer firm received \$35,000. The Company has recorded this as other income. No similar payments were received in 2008, and none are anticipated in the future.

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**Note 5: Related-party Transactions**

As discussed in Note 1, the Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Security Ballew. The Company operates in consort with Security Ballew and other subsidiaries of Security Ballew to provide a wide range of financial services to its customers. As a result, certain services and expenses are shared among members of the group.

Management and certain administrative services were provided by Security Ballew's officers and employees, and the costs of certain employee benefits and office space were also absorbed by Security Ballew. Security Ballew allocates and Ballew Investments, Inc. records these expenses in amounts determined according to a reasonable allocation, applied on a consistent basis. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, these costs, totaling \$214,099 and \$222,047, respectively, were charged to the Company based on this allocation method.

The Company has an intercompany receivable of \$6,116 and an intercompany payable of \$73,120 relating to management fee and income taxes as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Related-party accounts are settled regularly.

The amount of dividends is determined by management of Security Ballew, who has the ability to affect the results of operations of the Company. Consequently, the results of the Company's operations may not necessarily be indicative of its operations as a stand-alone company.

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Schedule I – Computation of Net Capital Requirement**  
**Under SEC Rule 15c3-1**  
**December 31, 2008 and 2007**

	2008	2007
<b>Net Capital</b>		
Total stockholder's equity from statements of financial condition	\$ 70,015	\$ 41,236
Deduction for nonallowable assets		
Nonallowable	(6,115)	(5,986)
Net capital	\$ 63,900	\$ 35,250
<b>Aggregate Indebtedness</b>		
Total aggregate indebtedness from statements of financial condition	\$ 3,760	\$ 76,647
<b>Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement</b>		
Minimum net capital required greater of \$5,000, or 6.67% of aggregate indebtedness	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,112
<b>Excess Net Capital</b>	\$ 58,900	\$ 30,138
<b>Ratio: Aggregate Indebtedness to Net Capital</b>	0.059 to 1	2.174 to 1

No material differences exist between the above net capital calculation and the corresponding information included in the Company's unaudited X-17A-5 Part II filing as of December 31, 2008. Therefore, no reconciliation of the two computations is deemed necessary.

**Ballew Investments, Inc.**  
**Schedule II – Computation for the Determination**  
**of the Reserve Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3**  
**and Information Relating to Possession or Control**  
**Requirements Under SEC Rule 15c3-3**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007**

**Exemption Under Section (k)(2)(ii) Has Been Claimed**

The Company is not required to file the above schedules, as it has claimed exemption from Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 under Paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of the rule, as the broker-dealer is an introducing broker-dealer who clears all transactions on a fully-disclosed basis through a clearing broker-dealer and promptly transmits all customer funds and securities to the clearing firm which carries all the customer accounts and maintains the appropriate books and records.

## Independent Accountants' Report on Internal Accounting Required by SEC Rule 17a-5

Board of Directors  
Ballew Investments, Inc.  
Jackson, Mississippi

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Ballew Investments, Inc. (the Company) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons and recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13.
- Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Company's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Company's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Company's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Company's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2008, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, Management, the SEC and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BKD. LLP

February 19, 2009