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	A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFIC	CATION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: FINANCIAL STR	ATEGIES FP, LLC		OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESSS OF PRINCIPLE PLACE OF BUSINE 515 PROVIDENCE HIGHWAY, SUITE 103	ESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)		FIRM I.D. NO.
	(No. and Street)		
DEDHAM	MA	0	2026
(City)	(State)	(	Zip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSO	N TO CONTACT IN REGAR	D TO THIS REPORT	
STEVEN A. BRANSON		7	81-326-1009
		(	Area Code – Telephone Number)
	B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIF	ICATION	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose	opinion is contained in this F	Report*	
LARRY D. LIBERFARB, P.C.			
(Na	me – if individual, state first, last,	, middle name)	
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#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, ST	EVEN	N A. BRANSON ,swear (or affirm) that, to	the	
best	of my	knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of		
FINA	ANCIA	L STRATEGIES FP, LLC , as	of	
DEC	EMBE	ER 31, , 20 11 , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company		
nor a	any pa	artner, proprietor, principle officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified soley as that of		
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	<b>(f)</b>	Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.		
$\boxtimes$	(g)	Computation of Net Capital.		
$\boxtimes$	(h)	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.		
	(i)	Information Relating to the Possession or control requirements Under Rule 15c2-3.		
$\boxtimes$	(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.	the t	
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\*\* For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

# FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FP, LLC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2011

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND FINANCIAL ADVISORS

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Sole Member of Financial Strategies FP, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Financial Strategies FP, LLC as of December 31, 2011 and the related statements of income, changes in member'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.

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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Financial Strategies FP, LLC as of December 31, 2011, 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.

Norwood Massachusetts Land, PC

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

# **December 31, 2011**

#### **ASSETS**

Cash Other assets	\$ <u>\$</u>	10,021 1,372 11,393
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY		
Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	22
Member's equity	<u>\$</u>	11,371 11,393

# STATEMENT OF INCOME

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Revenues: Commissions	\$ 122,095
Expenses: Other expenses	14,877
•	14,877
Net income	\$ 107,218

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Balance at January 1, 2011	\$ 9,471
Capital contributions	1,103
Net income	107,218
Capital withdrawals	(106,421)
Balance at December 31, 2011	\$ 11,371

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Cash flows provided by operating activities:	
Net income	\$ 107,218
Adjustments to reconcile net income to	
net cash provided by operating activities:	-
(Increase) Decrease in operating assets:	
Increase in other assets	(774)
Increase (Decrease) in operating liabilities:	
Increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses	22
Total adjustments	(752)
Net cash provided by operating activities	106,466
Cash flows used for investing activities:	
None	-
Cash flows used for financing activities:	
Capital contributions	\$ 1,103
Capital withdrawals	(106,421)
	(105,318)
Increase in cash	1,148
Cash at beginning of the year	8,873
Cash at end of the year	\$ 10,021
Cash at the of the year	<u> </u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:	
Cash paid during the year for:	<b>6</b> 0
Interest	\$ 0 \$ 0
Income taxes	\$ 0

#### Disclosure of accounting policy:

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2011**

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Organization and Nature of Business:**

The Company is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA).

#### Fee and Commission Income

Fees are earned from providing advice on asset allocation, analysis and review of both marketable and privately placed securities, review of investment managers and brokers, and recommending specific mutual funds to clients.

Commissions are earned from referring clients to full service brokers.

#### **Accounts Receivable**

Management closely monitors outstanding accounts receivable, and charges off to expense all balances that are determined to be uncollectible.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Fees and commission income are recognized on the trade date (accrual basis).

#### **Income Taxes**

Taxable income (or loss) is passed through to the sole member of the company, and not taxed at the company level. Thus there is no provision or liability for income taxes in these financial statements.

#### **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 disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of 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.

#### **NOTE 2 - NET CAPITAL**

As a broker-dealer, the Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's regulations and operating guidelines, which requires the Company to maintain a specified amount of net capital, as defined of \$5,000, and a ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, as defined, not exceeding 15 to 1. The Company's net capital, as computed under Rule 15c3-1, was \$9,999 at December 31, 2011, which exceeds required net capital of \$5,000 by \$4,999. The ratio of aggregated indebtedness to net capital at December 31, 2011 was .2 to 1.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2011**

#### **NOTE 3 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Company utilizes office space from its sole member. No rent was charged to the Company in 2011. The Company does have a cost-sharing agreement where the affiliate, Steven A. Branson, Esq., has adequate assets and has agreed to pay all expenses such as rent and utilities relating to activities of the Company.

#### **NOTE 4 – CONCENTRATIONS**

The Company derived 100% of its revenue from one customer for the year ended December 31, 2011.

#### **NOTE 5 – FAIR VALUE**

FASB ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a fair value hierarchy which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market. Valuation techniques that are consistent with the market income or cost approach, as specified by FASB ASC 820, are used to measure fair value.

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities the Company has the ability to access.

Level 2 inputs are inputs (other than quoted prices included within level 1) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability and rely on management's own assumption about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. (The unobservable inputs should be developed based on the best information available in the circumstances and may include the Company's own data.)

A qualifying asset or liability's level within the framework is based upon the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Company's qualifying assets or liabilities are recorded at fair value using Level 1 inputs.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2011**

# **NOTE 6 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through January 16, 2012, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events that require adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

# FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FP, LLC SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES DECEMBER 31, 2011

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report on** Supplementary Information Required by Rule 17a-5 of the **Securities and Exchange Commission**

To the Sole Member of Financial Strategies FP, LLC

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Financial Strategies FP, LLC as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated January 16, 2012. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I and II 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 and 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.

Norwood, Massachusetts January 16, 2012

#### **SCHEDULE I**

#### FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FP, LLC

# COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS AND NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-1

#### December 31, 2011

Aggregate Indebtedness		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	22
Total Member's Equity	\$	11,371
Adjustments to Net Capital Other assets		(1,372)
Net Capital, as defined	<u>\$</u>	9,999
Net Capital Requirement	\$	5,000
Net Capital In Excess of Requirement	\$	4,999
Ratio Of Aggregate Indebtedness To Net Capital		.2 to 1
Reconciliation with the Company's computation of net capital:		
Net capital as reported in the Company's Part IIA (unaudited)	\$	0.000
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Net audit adjustments		-
Increase in non-allowables and haircuts	\$	9,999
Net capital per above	₽	2,277

There are no material differences between the computation of net capital presented above and the computation of net capital in the Company's unaudited Form X-17A-5, Part IIA filing as of December 31, 2011.

#### **SCHEDULE II**

#### FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FP, LLC

#### COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKER/DEALER UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2011**

Financial Strategies FP, LLC is exempt from the reserve requirements of Rule 15c3-3 as its transactions are limited, such that they do not handle customer funds or securities, accordingly, the computation for determination of reserve requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 and information relating to the possession or control requirement pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 are not applicable.

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#### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5(g)(1)

To the Sole Member of Financial Strategies FP, LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Financial Strategies FP, LLC (the Company), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, 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 determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons and recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13.
- 2. 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 to 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 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 entity'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 entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity'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 entity'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 the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of the report, were adequate at December 31, 2011, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the SEC, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., 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.

Norwood, Massachusetts

Soule, PC

January 16, 2012

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### Independent Auditor's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures Related to an Entity's SIPC Assessment Reconciliation

To the Sole Member of Financial Strategies FP, LLC

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying Schedule of Assessments and Payments [General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7)] to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ending December 31, 2011, which were agreed to by Financial Strategies FP, LLC and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Financial Strategies FP, LLC's compliance with the applicable instructions of the General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7), Financial Strategies FP, LLC's management is responsible for Financial Strategies FP, LLC's compliance with those requirements. The agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The procedures were performed and our findings are as follows:

- 1. Compared the listed assessment payment in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records entries noting no differences;
- 2. Compared amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the period January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7 for the period ended December 31, 2011 noting no differences;
- 3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers noting no differences;
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers supporting the adjustments noting no differences; and
- 5. Compared the amount of any overpayment applied to the current assessment with the Form SIPC-7 on which it was originally computed noting no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do no express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Larry D. Liberfard, PC

Norwood, Massachusetts

January 16, 2012

# FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FP, LLC SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENT AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Payment Date	To Whom Paid	<u>Amount</u>
6/28/2011	SIPC	\$ 110.53
1/5/2012	SIPC	\$ 152.91