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# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. Springfield, Missouri

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
May 31, 2012



# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. Springfield, Missouri

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS May 31, 2012

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

Board of Directors BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. Springfield, Missouri

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. (the Company) as of May 31, 2012 and the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that are filed 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 BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. as of May 31, 2012, 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 financial statements as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Clifton Lawson Allen HP

St. Joseph, Missouri July 20, 2012

# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION May 31, 2012

## **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable and unbilled fees, less valuation allowance of \$2,063,756 Prepaid expenses	\$	407,276 6,564 21,822 85
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ _	435,747
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY		
Accrued expenses	\$	56,337
Member's equity	-	379,410
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	\$ _	435,747

# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Year Ended May 31, 2012

REVENUE		
Commissions and fees	\$1,310,253	
Interest	28	
Investment loss	(1,092)	
Total revenue		\$1,309,189
EXPENSES		
Employee compensation and benefits	1,005,215	
Occupancy and equipment costs	109,525	
Legal and professional	236,279	
Administrative services	49,732	
Bad debts	36,545	
Advertising and promotion	28,314	
Publications	26,594	
Travel	34,373	
Insurance	12,665	
Other	<u>75,092</u>	
Total expenses		1,614,334
NET LOSS		<u>\$_(305,145)</u>

## BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY Year Ended May 31, 2012

BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 377,597
Net loss	(305,145)
Contributions	1,306,958
Distributions	<u>(1,000,000)</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 379,410</u>

# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Year Ended May 31, 2012

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Net loss  Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities: Expenses paid by sole member Unrealized loss on investment Effects of changes in operating assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Accrued expenses	\$ (305,145) 1,306,958 1,092 65,524 90 1,415	
Net cash provided by operating activities		\$1,069,934
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Distributions	(1,000,000)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(1,000,000)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		69,934
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		337,342
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR		<u>\$ 407,276</u>

#### NONCASH TRANSACTION

During the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, the Company recorded \$1,306,958 of noncash contributions from its sole member for expenses paid by the sole member on the Company's behalf.

#### BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES May 31, 2012

BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. (the Company), a Missouri limited liability company, provides a limited range of investment banking services related to mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, private debt and equity placements and IPO advisory engagements. The Company will dissolve on July 15, 2024, unless an election is made to continue operations. The Company's fiscal year ends on May 31. Significant accounting policies followed by the Company are presented below.

#### USE OF ESTIMATES IN PREPARING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 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.

#### **CASH EQUIVALENTS**

The Company considers all liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### **INVESTMENTS**

Investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices. They are classified within level 1 of the fair value hierarchy established by Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820. The original cost basis of the investments is \$3,300.

#### ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable are uncollateralized customer obligations which generally require payment within forty-five days from the invoice date. Interest is charged on balances that are not paid within 45 days from the invoice date. Accounts receivable are stated at the invoice amount and represent billings from consulting engagements with commission based and hourly contracts. Payments of accounts receivable are applied to the specific invoices identified on the customer's remittance advice or, if unspecified, to the earliest unpaid invoices.

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of amounts that will not be collected. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on management's assessment of the collectibility of specific customer accounts, the aging of the accounts receivable, historical collection information, and existing economic conditions. If there is a deterioration of a major customer's credit worthiness or actual defaults are higher than the historical experience, management's estimates of recoverability of amounts due the Company could be adversely affected. All accounts or portions thereof deemed to be uncollectible are written off to the allowance for doubtful accounts.

Accounts receivable also includes unbilled fees which will not be billed unless a buyer is found. The unbilled fees are entirely offset by a valuation allowance, as collectibility of unbilled fees is not certain.

#### BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES May 31, 2012

#### REVENUE RECOGNITION

Revenue for services contracted based on hours of professional services is recognized as the service is provided at estimated billable amounts. Revenue for services for which the fees are based upon the completion of the transaction is recognized when the fees are collected.

#### **INCOME TAXES**

Since the Company is a limited liability company, it is not subject to federal, state, and local income taxes and, accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required. The sole member includes net income or loss in its income tax returns. The Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal or state income tax examinations by tax authorities for years beginning before June 1, 2008.

#### BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS May 31, 2012

#### **NOTE 1 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has an agreement with its sole member in which the member pays substantially all of the expenses of the Company and is reimbursed by the Company monthly.

The Company paid the member facilities and overhead totaling \$170,000 for the year ended May 31, 2012. In addition, the Company receives accounting and administrative services from the member. Fees for these services totaled \$49,732 for the year ended May 31, 2012.

The Company also pays referral fees to its member when a commission fee from the sale of a customer's business is collected. The Company's general referral fee is 25% of the revenues earned, net of engagement expenses on each client. Total referral fees paid to the member was \$216,682 for the year ended May 31, 2012 and is included in legal and professional fees.

#### NOTE 2 - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

Employees of the Company may participate in the defined contribution profit sharing plan (the Plan) sponsored by BKD, L.L.P. (the sole member) provided the employee meets minimum service requirements. The Company makes contributions to the Plan equal to a predetermined percentage of the employees' salaries. During the year ended May 31, 2012, the Company recognized \$30,841 of expense in connection with this plan.

#### **NOTE 3 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (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.

At May 31, 2012, the Company had net capital of \$343,093 which is in excess of the \$5,000 requirement under Rule 15c3-1, and a net capital ratio of .20 to 1.

#### **NOTE 4 - CONCENTRATIONS**

The Company maintains most of its cash at a commercial bank located in Springfield, Missouri. Balances on deposit are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to specified limits. Deposit balances in excess of FDIC limits are uninsured. Total cash held by the bank in excess of FDIC limits was \$407,885 as of May 31, 2012.

The Company receives a commission for the majority of its sales. Of the Company's revenue for the year ended May 31, 2012, 38% was received from two customers. There were no gross accounts receivable from these two customers as of May 31, 2012.

#### BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS May 31, 2012

#### **NOTE 5 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management evaluated subsequent events through July 20, 2012, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events or transactions occurring after May 31, 2012, but prior to July 20, 2012 that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at May 31, 2012, have been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended May 31, 2012. Events or transactions that provided evidence about conditions that did not exist at May 31, 2012, but arose before the financial statements were available to be issued, have not been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended May 31, 2012.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

#### BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION May 31, 2012

#### TOTAL MEMBER'S EQUITY

\$ 379,410

Nonallowable assets

Investment	\$ 6,564
Accounts receivable	21,822
Prepaid expenses	 85

Total nonallowable assets 28,471

**NET CAPITAL** \$ 343,093

# Reconciliation with Company's Computation (included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 as of May 31, 2012)

There were no material differences between member's equity and net capital as reported in the Company's Focus Report Part IIA.

# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Year Ended May 31, 2012

Aggregate Indebtedness Included in the statement of financial condition: Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$ 56,337
Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness)	\$ 3,756
Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer	\$ 5,000
Net capital requirement	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Excess net capital	<u>\$ 338,093</u>
Net capital less greater of 10% of aggregate indebtedness or 120% of minimum dollar net capital requirement	\$ 337,093
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	.20 to 1

# BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, L.L.C. COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 Year Ended May 31, 2012

Broker-dealer is exempt from Rule 15c3-3. There were no security transactions during fiscal year 2012.

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

Board of Directors BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. Springfield, Missouri

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 Assessment and Payments [General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7)] to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended May 31, 2012, which were agreed to by BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. (the Company) and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., SIPC and other designated examining authorities, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of the General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7). BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C.'s management is responsible for BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C.'s compliance with those requirements. This 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 those 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 we performed and our findings are as follows:

- 1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records, including bank statements, general ledger journals, and copies of checks, noting no differences;
- 2. Compared the amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended May 31, 2012, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7 for the year ended May 31, 2012, noting no differences;
- 3. Reviewed Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules for any adjustments, and found none; and
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 noting no adjustments or differences.
- 5. There were no overpayments applied to the current assessment with the Form SIPC-7. Accordingly, no procedures were performed relative to this requirement.

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 not 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.

CliftonLawonAllen HP

July 20, 2012

St. Joseph, Missouri

## BKD CORPORATE FINANCE, LLC SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND PAYMENTS Year Ended May 31, 2012

Total Revenue	<u>\$1,309,189</u>
General Assessment @ .0025	\$ 3,273

# Less Payments Made:

Date Paid	SIPC Collection Agent	<b>Interest on Late Payments</b>	Amount
01/05/12	No agent identified	\$ -	\$ 2,083
07/03/12	No agent identified	<u></u>	1,190
		<u>\$</u>	\$ 3,273

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#### **Report on Internal Control**

Board of Directors BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. Springfield, Missouri

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of BKD Corporate Finance, L.L.C. (the Company), as of and for the year ended May 31, 2012 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 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:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, 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 previously 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, errors 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 deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

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 previously.

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 May 31, 2012 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.

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St. Joseph, Missouri July 20, 2012