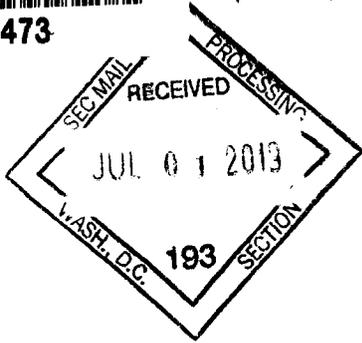




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ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT FORM X-17A-5 PART III

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01-May-12 AND ENDING 30-Apr-13

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc. ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

OFFICIAL USE ONLY FIRM I.D. NO.

147 Columbia Turnpike (No. and Street) Florham Park NJ 07932 (City) (State) (Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT Robert Kaplan 973-966-6669 (Area code- Telephone number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

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

Donahue Associates, LLC (Name- if individual, state last, first, middle name) 27 Beach Road- Suite C05A Monmouth Beach NJ 07750 (Address) (City) (State) (Zip code)

CHECK ONE:

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

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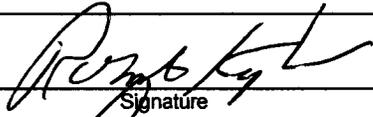
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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Robert Kaplan, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc., as of April 30, 2013, are true and correct, I further swear (or affirm) that neither 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  
  
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Title

  
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Notary Public

ROSEMARIE RODOLA  
A Notary Public of New Jersey  
ID No. 2115021  
My Commission Expires September 12, 2013

This report \*\* contains (check 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 the Claims of Creditors
- (g) Computation of Net Capital (including reconciliation of X-17A-5 Part II filing with this Rule 17a-5(d) report, if applicable)
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3
- (i) Information relating to the Possession of 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 the unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to the 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).

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

The Shareholder,  
Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc., which comprise the balance sheet at April 30, 2013 and the related statements of operations, changes in member equity, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

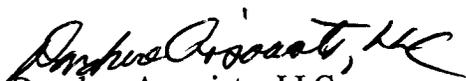
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and pursuant to Regulation 1.16 under the Commodity Exchange Act. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements presented are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also

includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc. as of April 30, 2013 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



Donahue Associates LLC  
Monmouth Beach, New Jersey  
June 21, 2013

**Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As of April 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Current assets:

Cash	\$65,733
Deposit at clearing broker	25,000
Commissions receivable	22,221
Prepaid expenses	1,500
Total Current Assets	<u>\$114,454</u>

Total Assets \$114,454

**LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY**

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable & accrued expenses	<u>\$24,464</u>
Total Current Liabilities	\$24,464

Shareholder's Equity:

Common stock	\$370
Additional paid in capital	30,000
Retained earnings	<u>59,620</u>
Total Shareholder's Equity	<u>89,990</u>

Total Liabilities & Shareholder's Equity \$114,454

**Please see the notes to the financial statements.**

**Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.**  
**Statement of Operations**  
**For the Year Ended April 30, 2013**

Commission & other revenues	\$534,108
Clearing expenses	<u>(65,069)</u>
Gross margin	\$469,039
General and administrative expenses:	
Salaries & consulting	\$265,812
General administration	<u>243,205</u>
Total general and administrative expenses	<u>509,017</u>
Loss from operations	(\$39,978)
Other income:	
Other income	<u>17,812</u>
Net loss before income tax provision	(\$22,166)
Provision for income taxes	<u>(1,500)</u>
Net loss	<u><u>(\$23,666)</u></u>

**Please see the notes to the financial statements.**

**Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Year Ended April 30, 2013**

Operating activities:	
Net loss	(\$23,666)
Changes in other operating assets and liabilities:	
Commissions receivable	(2,744)
Prepaid expenses	174
Accounts payable & accrued expenses	<u>(107,135)</u>
Net cash used by operations	<u>(\$133,371)</u>
Net decrease in cash during the fiscal year	(\$133,371)
Cash at April 30, 2012	<u>199,104</u>
Cash at April 30, 2013	<u><u>\$65,733</u></u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:	
Interest paid during the fiscal year	\$0
Income taxes paid during the fiscal year	\$0

**Please see the notes to the financial statements.**

**Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.**  
**Statement of Changes in Shareholder's Equity**  
**For the Year Ended April 30, 2013**

	Common Stock	Additional Paid in Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance at April 30, 2012	\$370	\$30,000	\$83,286	\$113,656
Net loss	_____	_____	(23,666)	(23,666)
Balance at April 30, 2013	<u>\$370</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$59,620</u>	<u>\$89,990</u>

**Please see the notes to the financial statements.**

**Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended April 30, 2013**

**1. Organization**

Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc. (the Company) is a privately held corporation formed for the purpose of conducting business as a securities broker dealer (BD). As a BD, the Company is registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) to market investments in registered securities.

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Use of Estimates-* The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make reasonable estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of the assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses at the date of the financial statements and for the period they include. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

*Commission Revenues-* Commission revenues and related fees are recorded when they become due and the Company is reasonably assured of their collection.

*Cash and cash equivalents-* For the purpose of calculating changes in cash flows, cash includes all cash balances and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturity date of three months or less.

*Income taxes-* The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles which require an asset and liability approach to financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are computed annually for differences between financial statement and income tax bases of assets and liabilities that will result in taxable income or deductible expenses in the future based on enacted tax laws and rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. Valuation allowances are established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets and liabilities to the amount expected to be realized. Income tax expense is the tax payable or refundable for the period adjusted for the change during the period in deferred tax assets and liabilities.

The Company follows the accounting requirements associated with uncertainty in income taxes using the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. Using that guidance, tax positions initially need to be recognized in the financial statements when it is more likely than not the positions will be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities. It also provides guidance for derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. As of April 30, 2013, the Company has no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. All tax returns from fiscal years 2009 to 2012 are subject to IRS audit.

### **3. Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

*Fair Value Measurements* under generally accepted accounting principles clarifies the principle that fair value should be based on the assumptions market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability and establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the information used to develop those assumptions. Under the standard, fair value measurements are separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy as follows.

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets with insufficient volume or infrequent transactions (less active markets); or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs to the valuation methodology that are significant to the measurement of fair value of assets or liabilities.

To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is disclosed and is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Cash and cash equivalents, commission receivable, deposit with clearing broker, prepaid expense, and accounts payable and accrued expenses in the balance sheet are estimated to approximate fair market value at April 30, 2013 because of their short term nature.

#### 4. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is committed to a non-cancelable lease for office space in Florham Park, New Jersey, expiring in 2015. The minimum payments due under the lease are as follows.

2014	20,088
2015	<u>8,370</u>
Net minimum lease payments	<u>\$28,458</u>

Rent expense for the fiscal year 2013 was \$20,584.

#### 6. Provision for Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes is comprised of the following:

Net income (loss) before provision for income taxes	(\$22,166)
Current tax expense:	
Federal	\$0
State (NJ CBT)	<u>1,500</u>
Total	<u>\$1,500</u>

## 7. Net Capital Requirement

As a BD, the Company is subject to Rule 15c3-1 of the Security Exchange Act of 1934 which requires the Company to maintain a minimum net capital, as defined under the provisions, of \$50,000. The computation of net capital pursuant to Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 is as follows.

### CREDIT:

Shareholder's equity	\$89,990
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### DEBITS:

Nonallowable assets:	
Prepaid expense	<u>(1,500)</u>

<b>NET CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$88,490</b>
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<b>ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$88,490</b>
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Minimum requirements of 6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or \$50,000, whichever is greater.	<u>50,000</u>
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<b>EXCESS NET CAPITAL</b>	<b><u>\$38,490</u></b>
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<b>AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS:</b>	<b>\$24,464</b>
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<b>RATIO OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL</b>	<b>27.65%</b>
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Excess net capital previously reported	\$47,676
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correction to reconciled cash balance reported	212
increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>(9,398)</u>

Excess net capital per this report	<b><u>\$38,490</u></b>
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## **8. Subsequent Events**

The Company has made a review of material subsequent events from April 30, 2013 through the date of this report and found no material subsequent events reportable during this period.

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The Shareholder  
Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Kenneth Jerome & Co., Inc. for the year ended April 30, 2013, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding customer and firm assets, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange, we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by the Company that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g), in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11); and the procedures for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3; and for safeguarding the occasional receipt of securities and cash until promptly remitted to the Company's clearing brokers. We did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or 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, because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities. The Company claims an exemption from SEC Rule 15c3-3 under the (k)(2)(i) provision, and therefore, no computation for determination of reserve requirements was necessary.

The management of the Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure 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 internal control structure policies and procedures 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 Commission's above mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the assets for which the Corporation 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 in the United States. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of the inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities 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 changing conditions or the effectiveness of their design may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level of risk that the errors or irregularities in material amounts in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole may occur and not be detected within a timely period by the employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control structure that we considered to be a material weakness as defined above.

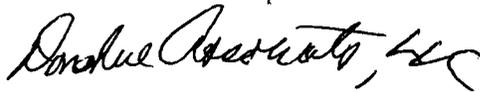
We understand that the internal control structure that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that an internal control structure that does not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and our study, we believe the Company's practices and procedures were adequate as of April 30, 2013 to meet the Commission's objectives.

In addition, our review indicated the Company to be in compliance with the conditions of exemption from Rule 15c3-3 pursuant to paragraph k(2)(i) as of April 30, 2013, and no facts came to our attention to indicate such conditions had not been complied with during the year.

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 assessments and payments to the Security Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended April 30, 2013 in order to assist you and interested third parties in evaluating the Company's compliance with applicable instructions of the Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T). The Company is responsible for compliance with these requirements. These agreed-upon procedures were 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 the 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 of for any other purpose. The procedures performed and our findings are as follows.

1. We compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7T with respective cash disbursement records entries in the general ledger noting no differences.
2. We compared amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended April 30, 2013, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7T for the year ended April 30, 2013 and noted no differences.
3. We compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7T with supporting schedules and other working papers and noted no differences.
4. We proved the arithmetic accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7T and the related schedules supporting the adjustments and noted no differences.
5. We compared the amount of any overpayment applied to the current assessment with the Form SIP-7T on which it was originally computed and noted no differences.

With regard to the SIPC fee assessment testing, 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.



Donahue Associates LLC  
Monmouth Beach, N.J.  
June 21, 2013