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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/15 AND ENDING 12/31/15  
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**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER - DEALER: **Incapital LLC**

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

200 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3700  
(No. and Street)

Chicago Illinois 60606  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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

Thomas J. Belka 312-379-3700  
(Area Code - Telephone No.)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

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

1 N. Wacker Drive Chicago Illinois 60606  
(Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

**CHECK ONE:**

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

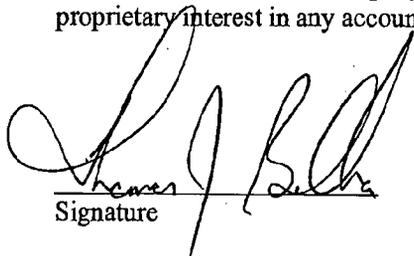
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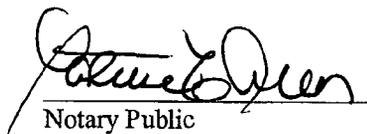
**OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, Tom Belka, affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statement of financial condition pertaining to Incapital LLC (the "Company"), as of December 31, 2015, are true and correct. I further 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.

  
Signature

Title: Chief Financial Officer

2/26/16  
Date

  
Notary Public

2/26/16  
Date



# INCAPITAL LLC

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**Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

To the Management of Incapital LLC

In our opinion, the accompanying Statement of Financial Condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Incapital LLC (the "Company") at December 31, 2015 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit of this statement in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

February 26, 2016

# INCAPITAL LLC

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

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### ASSETS

Cash	\$	571,664
Securities owned — at fair value		330,052,420
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		24,024,550
Receivable from broker dealers		7,847,427
Other assets		<u>1,460,054</u>
Total assets	\$	<u>363,956,115</u>

### LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES:

Payable to Parent	\$	2,868,137
Payable to broker dealers		186,079,098
Securities sold, not yet purchased — at fair value		127,873,399
Other liabilities		<u>9,509,867</u>

Total liabilities 326,330,501

#### MEMBER'S EQUITY

37,625,614

Total liabilities and member's equity \$ 363,956,115

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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## NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

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### 1. ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Incapital LLC (the "Company"), an Illinois limited liability company, is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"). The Company engages in the underwriting and trading of debt and preferred equity securities. In addition, the Company sponsors and distributes various Incapital series of unit investment trusts.

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Incapital Holdings LLC (the "Parent").

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Use of Estimates** — The preparation of the financial statements 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. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Securities Owned and Securities Sold, Not Yet Purchased** — Securities owned and securities sold, not yet purchased, consist of securities underwritten by the Company or purchased in the secondary market. They are reported in the Statement of Financial Condition at fair value based on quoted market prices, prices for similar securities, or prices based on models using observable inputs. Pricing inputs include US Treasury rates, swaps, credit spreads from both the Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine developed by FINRA and dealers and swaption volatility quotes.

**Derivative Financial Instruments** — Derivative financial instruments ("Derivatives") used for trading purposes, including economic hedges of trading instruments, are carried at fair value. Fair values for exchange-traded derivatives, principally futures, and certain options are based on quoted market prices.

**Resale and Repurchase Agreement** — Transactions involving purchases of securities under agreements to resell (reverse repurchase agreements or reverse repos) or sales of securities under agreements to repurchase (repurchase agreements or repos) are accounted for as collateralized financings, except where the Company does not have an agreement to sell (or purchase) the same or substantially the same securities before maturity at a fixed or determinable price. It is the policy of the Company to obtain possession of collateral with a fair value approximately equal to or in excess of the principal amount loaned under resale agreements. Collateral is valued daily, and the Company may require counterparties to deposit additional collateral or return collateral pledged when appropriate.

**Income Taxes** — The Company is treated as a partnership for U.S. tax purposes. A partnership is not liable for income taxes as each partner recognizes his or her proportionate share of the partnership income in his or her tax return. Therefore, no provision for income taxes is included in the Company's financial statements. ASC No. 740, *Income Taxes*, requires the Company to determine whether a tax position has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority, which could result in the Company recording a tax liability. The Company does not have any significant uncertain tax positions as of December 31, 2015 and is not aware of any tax positions that will significantly change during the next twelve months. The tax information for the year ending December 31, 2012 remains open to examination by federal authorities under the statute of limitations. The years open to examination by state and other local government authorities vary by jurisdiction, but the statute of limitations is generally three to four years from the date the tax return is filed.

### 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Securities owned and securities sold, not yet purchased, as of December 31, 2015, are as follows:

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	<u>Owned</u>	<u>Sold, Not Yet Purchased</u>
Level 1		
Preferred equity securities	\$ 14,531,707	\$ -
Futures contracts	39,907 *	-
Total Level 1	<u>14,571,614</u>	<u>-</u>
Level 2		
Corporate debt securities	59,238,231	1,712,562
U.S. Treasuries	452,414	23,228,146
Agency securities	116,226,039	-
Mortgage backed securities	136,497,466	102,932,691
Brokered certificates of deposit	<u>3,106,563</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Level 2	<u>315,520,713</u>	<u>127,873,399</u>
Level 3	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 330,092,327</u>	<u>\$ 127,873,399</u>

\*Included in receivable from broker dealers on the Statement of Financial Condition.

The Company held no Level 3 securities as of December 31, 2015. There were no transfers between the fair value hierarchy levels during 2015.

ASC 820-10, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC 820-10 applies to reported balances that are required or permitted to be measured at fair value under existing accounting pronouncements; accordingly, the standard does not require any new fair value measurements of reported balances. Fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement. Therefore, a fair value measurement should be determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. As a basis for considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, ASC 820-10 establishes a fair value hierarchy. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

- *Level 1* — Quoted prices in active markets for identical securities
- *Level 2* — Other significant observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)
- *Level 3* — Significant unobservable inputs (including the Company's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for securities measured at fair value, based on the statement of financial condition classification.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. A summary of the inputs used to value the Company's security positions as of December 31, 2015 is as follows:

- *Preferred equity securities and futures* — Based on quoted market prices in active markets.

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- *Corporate debt, U.S. Treasuries and Agency securities* — Based on quoted market prices, prices for similar securities, or prices based on models using observable inputs. Pricing inputs include U.S. Treasury rates, swaps, credit spreads from both FINRA's Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine and dealers and swaption volatility quotes.
- *Mortgage backed securities* — Based on quoted market prices, prices for similar securities, or prices based on models using observable inputs. Pricing inputs include U.S. Treasury rates, To-Be-Announced mortgage pool prices, swaps, credit spreads, and prepayment forecasts.
- *Brokered certificates of deposit* — Based on quoted market prices, prices for similar securities, or prices based on models using observable inputs. Pricing inputs include U.S. Treasury rates, swaps, credit spreads, and swaption volatility quotes.

#### 4. MANAGEMENT FEES

The Company has entered into a management agreement (the "Agreement") with the Parent, whereby the Parent provides the Company with administrative services and office facilities in exchange for a management fee determined in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. As of December 31, 2015, \$2,868,137 was unpaid at year-end and is included in payable to Parent on the Statement of Financial Condition.

The Company has entered into management agreements (the "Affiliate Agreements") with three affiliate companies, whereby all the affiliates are wholly owned subsidiaries of the Parent. The Company provides the affiliates with administrative and management services in exchange for a management fee determined in accordance with the terms of the Affiliate Agreements. As of December 31, 2015, \$69,036 was unpaid at year-end and is included in other assets on the Statement of Financial Condition.

#### 5. OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK

The Company enters into various transactions involving derivatives and other off-balance sheet financial instruments. These financial instruments include futures and options on futures contracts. These derivative financial instruments are used to manage market risks. Market risk is substantially dependent upon the value of the underlying financial instruments and is affected by market forces such as volatility and changes in interest. Derivative transactions are entered into to hedge other positions or transactions.

Futures contracts provide for the delayed delivery or purchase of securities at a specified future date at a specified price or yield. Options on futures contracts are contracts that allow the owner of the option to purchase or sell the underlying futures contract at a specified price and within a specified period of time. Both futures contracts and options on futures contracts are executed on an exchange. The credit risk of exchange-traded financial instruments is reduced by the regulatory requirements of the individual exchanges. Cash settlement on futures contracts is made on a daily basis for market movements. The clearing organization acts as the counterparty to specific transactions and bears the risk of delivery to and from counterparties to specific positions. At December 31, 2015, the Company had a notional amount of \$12,700,000 outstanding in derivative contracts, composed of 124 futures contracts, which had a fair value of \$39,907 and is included in receivable from broker dealers on the Statement of Financial Condition. The fair value of futures contracts are calculated as the difference between the contract price at the trade date and the closing price on the valuation date as reported on the exchange on which the futures contracts are traded. Futures contracts are classified as Level 1 within the fair value hierarchy.

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The Company has sold securities that it does not currently own and is, therefore, obligated to purchase such securities at a future date. The Company has recorded these obligations in the Statement of Financial Condition at December 31, 2015 at the fair values of the related securities.

### 6. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

The Company, as a registered broker-dealer, is subject to the Uniform Net Capital Rule ("Rule 15c3-1") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is required to maintain "minimum net capital" equivalent to the greater of \$250,000 or 6-2/3% of "aggregate indebtedness," as these terms are defined.

At December 31, 2015, the Company had net capital, as defined, of \$10,923,482, which was \$10,066,607 in excess of its required net capital of \$856,875. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 1.16 to 1.

As an introducing broker-dealer, the Company does not take possession or control of cash or securities for customers and, therefore, claims exemption from the possession or control and reserve requirements based on Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(ii) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

### 7. RELATED PARTIES

A subsidiary of one of the corporate issuers is a unit holder of the Parent.

The Company has entered into a marketing agreement with a unit holder of the Parent whereby the unit holder receives a percentage of revenue for certain Company sponsored unit investment trusts. As of December 31, 2015, 65,486 was unpaid at year-end and is included in payable to broker dealers on the Statement of Financial Condition.

The Company entered into a \$10,000,000 revolving loan agreement on August 1, 2013 with its Parent with a maturity date of July 31, 2018. The loan bears interest at the three-month Libor rate plus 100 basis points (1.4% at December 31, 2015). All accrued interest on the loan is due July 31 of each year until maturity or until paid in full. As of December 31, 2015, there were no amounts outstanding related to this loan agreement.

### 8. EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

In April 2009, the Parent adopted the Incapital Holdings, LLC Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan provides the grant of equity-based awards in the form of restricted share units, options, or bonus shares of the Parent (collectively, "the Awards") to employees of the Company. The total number of shares authorized under the Plan is 1,250,000. The Plan is administered by the Parent's Compensation Committee (the "Committee"). The Committee has the authority and discretion to determine the extent and terms (including vesting) of the Awards granted, as well as those eligible to receive the Awards.

Under the Plan, the Company is allowed to pay bonus compensation in shares of the Parent.

### 9. COLLATERAL

Securities purchased under agreements to resell and securities sold under agreements to repurchase result from transactions with other brokers and dealers. These are accounted for as collateralized financing transactions and are recorded at the amount of cash collateral advanced or received. Securities purchased under agreements to resell transactions require the Company to deposit cash or other collateral with the lender. As of December 31, 2015, the Company advanced \$24,024,550 of cash collateral with other brokers and dealers and received U.S. Treasury Securities with a market value of approximately \$22,858,000 related to those transactions. Securities

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sold under agreement to repurchase transactions require the borrower to deposit cash or other collateral with the Company. As of December 31, 2015, the Company did not have any outstanding securities sold under agreement to repurchase transactions. The Company monitors the market value of securities sold under agreements to repurchase and loaned on a daily basis, with additional collateral obtained or refunded as necessary.

Interest is accrued on securities purchased under agreements to resell and securities sold under agreement to repurchase and the related amounts are included in other assets or liabilities in the statement of financial condition.

### 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of business, the Company is involved in legal, regulatory and arbitration proceedings, including class actions, primarily concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of its broker dealer activities. These include proceedings specific to the Company, as well as proceedings generally applicable to business practices in the industries in which it operates. Uncertain economic conditions, heightened and sustained volatility in the financial markets, and significant financial reform legislation may increase the likelihood that clients and other persons or regulators may present or threaten legal claims or that regulators increase the scope or frequency of examinations of the Company or the financial services industry generally.

### 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through February 26, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. On January 5, 2016, the Company entered into an agreement to sell its unit investment trust division. The sale is expected to close in April 2016.

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