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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the  
 Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/2017 AND ENDING 12/31/2017  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

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 FIRM ID. NO.

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Rapid Execution Services, LLC

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

141 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 300A-PMB1  
(No. and Street)

Chicago  
(City)

IL  
(State)

60604  
(Zip Code)

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

Margaret E. Wiermanski

(312)789-4368  
(Area Code - Telephone No)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

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

Bradford R. Dooley & Associates  
(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

209 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 404  
(Address)

Chicago,  
(City)

IL  
(State)

60606  
(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

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

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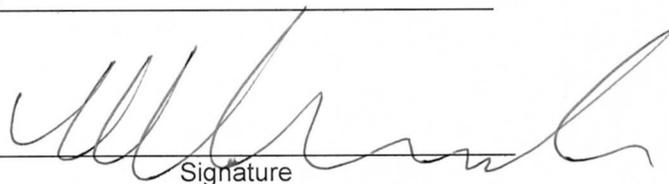
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# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Margaret E. Wiermanski, swear (or affirm), to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Rapid Execution Services, LLC as of December 31, 2017 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:

\_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

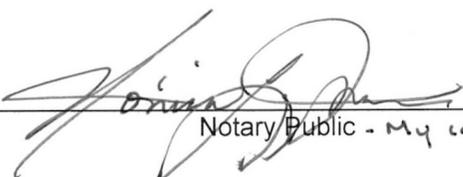
  
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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
President  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

Affidavit 1013

Sworn and subscribed to me on the

22 day of february, 2018, Whom I personally know.

  
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Notary Public - My commission Does not expire.



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This report\*\* contains (check all applicable boxes)

- (a) Facing Page.
- (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors.
- (g) Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers pursuant to Rule 15c3-1.
- (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers 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.
- (o) A copy of the Exemption Report.

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

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Members  
of Rapid Execution Services, LLC

**Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Rapid Execution Services, LLC as of December 31, 2017, the related statements of operations, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes and supplementary information (collectively referred to as the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Rapid Execution Services, LLC as of December 31, 2017, 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.

**Basis for Opinion**

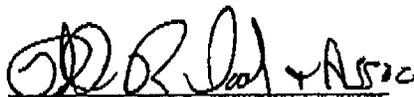
These financial statements are the responsibility of Rapid Execution Services, LLC's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Rapid Execution Services, LLC's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to Rapid Execution Services, LLC in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Supplemental Information**

The supplementary information, which is comprised of the Computation of Net Capital for Broker Dealers pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1, Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3, and Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3, has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Rapid Execution Services, LLC's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Rapid Execution Services, LLC's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We have served as Rapid Execution Services, LLC's auditor since 2015.

  
Bradford R. Dooley & Associates

Chicago, Illinois  
February 22, 2018



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Statement of Financial Condition**  
**December 31, 2017**

**Assets**

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$104,538
Accounts Receivable	\$14,362
Other Assets	\$1,664
Property & Equipment Net of Depreciation of \$1,122	\$1,896
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	\$122,460

**Total Assets**

**Liabilities & Members' Equity**

**Liabilities**

Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$9,584
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$9,584

<b>Members' Equity</b>	<u>\$112,876</u>
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<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Members' Equity</b>	\$122,460
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*See accompanying notes*



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Statement of Operations**  
**For the Period of January 1 Through December 31, 2017**

**Income**

Other Transaction Based Income	\$292,110
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>\$292,110</u>

**Expenses**

Other Compensation Expense	\$111,000
Commissions Paid to Other Broker Dealers	\$91,282
Business Licenses & Registrations	\$3,947
Professional Fees	\$45,114
Rent & Facilities	\$2,084
General & Administration	\$11,465
Charitable Contributions	\$11,000
State Income Taxes	<u>\$205</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$276,097</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$16,013</b>

*See accompanying notes*



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Statement of Changes of Members' Equity**  
**For The Period of January 1 Through December 31, 2017**

<b>Balance as of January 1, 2017</b>	<b>\$96,863</b>
<b>Audit Period Net Income</b>	<b><u>\$16,013</u></b>
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2017</b>	<b>\$112,876</b>

*See accompanying notes*



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Statement of Changes in Cash Flow**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2017**

**January 1 - December 31, 2017**

**Cash Flows From Operating Activities**

Net Income	\$16,013
Depreciation Expense	\$602
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to net cash provided by operations:	
Accounts Receivable	-\$13,093
Prepaid Business & Registration	-\$240
Prepaid Subscription & License	\$375
Prepaid Computer & Internet	-\$1,215
Accounts Payable	\$824
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$3,266
Investing Activities	
Purchase of Office Equipment	-\$935
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	-\$935
Additional Capital Contribution	\$0
Member Draws	\$0
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	\$0
Net Cash Increase for Period	\$2,331
Cash at Beginning Period	\$102,207
Cash at End of Period	\$104,538

*See accompanying notes*

## Rapid Execution Services, LLC

### Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2017

#### 1. Organization and Business

Rapid Execution Services, LLC (the "Firm", "Company" or "RapidEx") is a broker-dealer that is exclusively a member of FINRA, its Designated Examining Authority ("DEA"). The Firm is approved to only provide value-added services to broker dealers in exchange for transaction-based compensation. Therefore, it does not conduct any proprietary or other trading activities or execution services. The Firm was formed as a Limited Liability Company under Illinois law on May 19, 2014. The Firm does not hold customer funds or safe keep any customer securities as defined in SEA Rule 15c3-3. Further, the Firm maintains no securities, clearing, error or any type of account with any broker dealer.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Securities Valuation and Revenue Recognition: The Firm does not trade or hold any securities, and, therefore does not have any reason to book or otherwise value them or have any corresponding income and expenses to record.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principals ("US GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the 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 these estimates.

Income Taxes: The Firm has elected to be taxed under the provisions of Subchapter K of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision has been made for federal income taxes as the taxable income or loss of the Firm is included in the respective income tax returns of its members.

In accordance with US GAAP, the Firm is required to determine whether its tax positions are more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by the applicable taxing authority, based on the technical merits of the position. Generally, the Firm is subject to income tax examinations by major taxing authorities for 2014-2017. Based on its analysis, there were no tax positions identified by management which did not meet the "more likely than not" standard as and for the year ended December 31, 2017.

**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2017**

Cash and Cash Equivalents: The Company considers cash deposits in a business checking account to be cash equivalents.

**3. Clearing Agreement**

The Firm maintains no accounts of any sort with any broker dealer.

**4. Credit Concentration**

The Firm's primary allowable asset permitted to qualify as regulatory net capital pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1 is cash maintained in business checking accounts at the Wheaton Bank & Trust and MB Financial. Management does not consider any credit risk associated with this account to be significant.

**5. Receivable from Broker Dealer(s)**

Generally, receivables from an executing broker dealer are exclusively commissions owed to the Firm pursuant to a Commission Sharing Agreement ("CSA"). They are invoiced the month following when the execution services were performed and not payable until the client for which the execution serves were performed has paid the commissions owed for those services to the executing broker. There is a \$14,362 receivable booked as a Non-Allowable Asset. This is the net of SEC transaction fees charged by Two Sigma, an executing broker that have not been reimbursed yet by Goldman Sachs Execution and Clearing, LP.

**6. Off-Balance Sheet Risk**

The Firm has no off balance sheet risk. It has no obligations or credit risk from any financial instruments and all of its cash balances are maintained in a checking account at a US bank in amounts below the federally insured limits. It maintains cash balances substantially in excess of any amounts it may owe to its vendors and the Firm has no creditors.

**7. Net Capital Requirements**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEA Rule 15c3-1). Under this rule, the Company is required to maintain "net capital" equivalent to \$5,000 or 6 2/3% of "aggregate indebtedness", whichever is greater, as these terms are defined.

**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 2017**

Net capital and aggregate indebtedness change from day to day, but at December 31, 2017 the Company had net capital and a net capital requirement of \$94,954 and \$5,000, respectively. The net capital rule may effectively restrict the payment of member distributions.

**8. Customer Protection Requirements**

Pursuant to its FINRA Membership Agreement, the Firm operates under SEA Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i) (the "Customer Protection Rule") and does not hold customer funds or safeguard customer securities, nor does it ever in possession of them.

**9. Fair Value Disclosures**

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures require enhanced disclosures about investments that are measured and reported at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Since the Firm's only asset that qualifies as permitted regulatory is cash maintained in a business checking account, there are no required Fair Value Disclosure Statements.

**10. Guarantees**

Accounting Standards Codification Topic 460, Guarantees, requires the Firm to disclose information about its obligations under certain guarantee arrangements. ASC defines guarantees as contracts and indemnification agreements that contingently require a guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on changes in an underlying (such as interest or foreign exchange rate, security or commodity price, an index or the occurrence or nonoccurrence of a specified event) related to an assets, liability or equity security of a guaranteed party. This guidance also defines guarantees as contracts that contingently require the guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on another entity's failure to perform under an agreement, as well as indirect guarantees of the indebtedness of others. The Firm did not enter into any guarantee arrangements during the year ended December 31, 2017.

**11. Commitments**

The Firm operates out of an "office hotel" pursuant to a month-to-month office services agreement with Regus Management Group, LLC.

## **12. Subsequent Events**

The Firm's management has evaluated events and transactions through February 22, 2018, the date these financial statements were issued, noting no material events requiring disclosure in the Firm's financial statements.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**

**Computation of Net Capital for Broker Dealers Pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1**

**December 31, 2017**

**Computation of net capital**

Total Ownership Equity	\$112,876
Deductions and/or charges:	
Nonallowable assets:	
Accounts Receivable	\$14,362
Property, Plant & Equip	\$1,896
Other Assets	\$1,664
Net Capital on Securities Positions	<u>\$94,954</u>

**Computation of basic capital requirement**

Minimum Net Capital Required (Greater of \$100,000 or 6 ⅔% of Aggregate Indebtedness)	<b>\$5,000</b>
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**Excess Net Capital** **\$89,954**

*There are no material differences between the above computation and the Company's corresponding unaudited Form FOCUS Part IIA filing as of December 31, 2017.*

*See accompanying notes*



**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**

**Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3  
December 31, 2017**

The Company did not handle any customer cash or securities during the year ended  
December 31, 2017 and does not have any customer accounts.

**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**

**Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3  
December 31, 2017**

The Company did not handle any customer cash or securities during the year ended  
December 31, 2017 and does not have any customer accounts.

**Rapid Execution Services, LLC  
Review of Exemption Report**

**December 31, 2017**

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Members  
of Rapid Execution Services, LLC

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying exemption report, in which (1) Rapid Execution Services, LLC (the "Company") identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which the Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: (2)(i) (the "exemption provisions") and (2) The Company stated that the Company met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. The Company's management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about the Company's compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.



Bradford R. Dooley & Associates

Chicago, Illinois  
February 22, 2018



141 W. Jackson Boulevard  
Suite 300A - FINOP  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

February 22, 2018

Re: SEA 15c3-3 Exemption Report

Rapid Execution Services, LLC (the "Firm") is a registered broker-dealer subject to Rule 17a-5 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5, "Reports to be made by certain brokers and dealers"). This Exemption Report was prepared as required by 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge and belief, the Firm states the following:

- (1) The Firm claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3 under the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3(k)(2)(i).
- (2) The Firm met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3(k)(2)(i) throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception.

I, Margaret Wiermanski swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, this Exemption Report is true and correct.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Margaret Wiermanski', written over a horizontal line.

By: Margaret Wiermanski  
President/Co-CCO/FINOP

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**Rapid Execution Services, LLC**

**Financial Statements &  
Supplementary Schedules  
Pursuant to SEA Rule 17a-5(d)**

**December 31, 2017**