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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

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC
 ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)
2820 Selwyn Avenue, Suite 550

OFFICIAL USE ONLY
FIRM I.D. NO.

(No. and Street)
Charlotte NC 28209
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT
Christine Bowling 704-973-9925
(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Raphael Goldberg Nikpour Cohen & Sullivan

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

97 Froehlich Farm Blvd Woodbury NY 11797
(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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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Frank H. Edwards, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Aqueduct Capital Group, 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:

MEGAN V. STRIFE
NOTARY PUBLIC
MECKLENBURG COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 11/27/2021

[Handwritten Signature]

Signature

Chief Compliance Officer

Title

[Handwritten Signature]
Notary Public

This report ** contains (check all 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 Claims of Creditors.
(g) Computation of Net Capital.
(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
(i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements 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.

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



Mark C. Goldberg, CPA
Mark Raphael, CPA
Floria Samii-Nikpour, CPA
Allan B. Cohen, CPA
Michael R. Sullivan, CPA

Founding Partner:
Melvin Goldberg, CPA

Anita C. Jacobsen, CPA

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members
of Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC (the "Company") (a limited liability company), as of December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements. In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC as of December 31, 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company'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 the Company 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. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

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.

Raphael Goldberg Nikpour Cohen & Sullivan CPAs PLLC

Raphael Goldberg Nikpour Cohen & Sullivan
Certified Public Accountants PLLC

We have served as the Company's auditors since 2016.

Woodbury, New York
February 21, 2018

AQUEDUCT CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
DECEMBER 31, 2017

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,826,487
Fees receivable	4,789,332
Fixed assets, at cost (net of accumulated depreciation of \$448,258)	297,755
Prepaid rent	28,140
Due from employee	31,405
Deposit	<u>361,394</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 8,334,513</u>

LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY

LIABILITIES:

Accrued expenses	\$ 130,761
Accrued compensation & payroll taxes	1,052,393
Unearned Fee Income	1,035,000
Unamortized lease concession	<u>29,331</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES 2,247,485

MEMBER'S EQUITY:

Total member's equity	<u>6,087,028</u>
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY \$ 8,334,513

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

AQUEDUCT CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2017
(continued)

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC (the "Company") was formed on January 9, 2004, in the State of Delaware as Alphalink Partners, LLC. Pursuant to the terms of an Assignment of Membership Interest and Admission Agreement dated September 2, 2004, the original members assigned their interests in the Company to the sole member, Aqueduct Capital Holdings, LLC, and ceased to be members of the Company. The Company changed its name on February 23, 2006. The Company will continue indefinitely unless terminated sooner by the sole member.

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

The Company is an alternative asset placement agent with offices across the United States that facilitate capital raising for private equity and hedge fund managers.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for the securities brokerage industry.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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 and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Company does not carry customer accounts and does not receive, deliver or hold cash or securities in connection with customers.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Company has defined cash equivalents as highly liquid investments, with original maturities of less than three months that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business.

The Company maintains cash in bank deposit accounts which at times exceed the federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in these accounts.

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement* has no material effect on these financial statements.

AQUEDUCT CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2017
(continued)

ASU 606, Revenue Recognition has been evaluated and the new guidance and adoption is not expected to have a significant impact if any on the Company's financial statements and a cumulative effect adjustment under the modified retrospective method of adoption will not be necessary.

NOTE 2 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC 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 (and the rule of the 'applicable' exchange also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2017, the Company had net capital of \$579,002, which was \$429,170 in excess of its required net capital of \$149,832. The Company's net capital ratio was 3.88 to 1.

NOTE 3 - INCOME TAXES

The Company is not subject to income taxes. The member reports its distributive share of realized income or loss on its own tax return. However, the Company does file tax returns in which it recognizes and measures its unrecognized tax benefits in accordance with FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. Under that guidance the Company assesses the likelihood, based on their technical merit, that tax positions will be sustained upon examination based on the facts, circumstances and information available at the end of each period. The measurement of unrecognized tax benefits is adjusted when new information is available, or when an event occurs that requires a change. The Company is no longer subject to federal, state, or local tax examinations by authorities for years before 2013.

AQUEDUCT CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2017
(continued)

NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

On October 19, 2010 the Company leased office space in Charlotte, with another tenant, under an 87 month lease. During 2015, the Charlotte lease was amended to a 120 month lease beginning on or about April 1, 2016. During 2014, the Company entered into a lease in New York under a 60 month lease which expires on October 31, 2019. In October 2017, the Company extended the lease in Chicago for 12 months beginning on January 1, 2018. Beginning on November 1, 2016, the company entered a 10 year lease in Houston. In addition the Company rents space in Bethesda, MD on a month to month basis. The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments required under the leases:

<u>Year Ending</u> <u>December 31</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 625,584
2019	294,299
2020	242,325
2021	249,559
2022	<u>257,029</u>
Total	<u>\$1,668,796</u>

The Company has an informal arrangement with the other Charlotte tenant such that Aqueduct pays approximately 36% of the monthly rent.

Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$577,535.

The Company had no underwriting commitments, no contingent liabilities and had not been named as defendant in any lawsuit at December 31, 2017 or during the year then ended.

NOTE 5 - BENEFITS

The Company participates in a 401(k) profit sharing plan covering substantially all of its employees. The plan includes employee contributions and discretionary employer contributions. The Company is not required to make contributions; however, the Company contributed \$108,312 to the plan for the year ended December 31, 2017.

AQUEDUCT CAPITAL GROUP, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2017
(continued)

NOTE 6 - FIXED ASSETS

Fixed Assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is based on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

Fixed assets consist of the following:

Furniture and Equipment	\$ 746,013
Total Cost	746,013
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(448,258)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 297,755</u>

Depreciation for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$ 77,671.

NOTE 7 - GUARANTEES

FASB ASC 460, *Guarantees*, requires the Company to disclose information about its obligations under certain guarantee arrangements. FASB ASC 460 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 factor (such as an interest or foreign exchange rate, security or commodity price, an index or the occurrence or nonoccurrence of a specified event) related to an asset, 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 Company has issued no guarantees effective at December 31, 2017 or during the year then ended.

NOTE 8 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated and no events have been identified which require disclosure.

March 6, 2018

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RE: Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC
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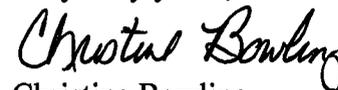
Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are two copies of the following reports pursuant to the filing requirements of Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission:

1. **AMENDED** - Financial Statements and Supplementary Information as of December 31, 2017, Report on Internal Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5(g)(1) for a Broker-Dealer Claiming an Exemption from SEC Rule 15c3-3, and Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures Related to an Entity's SIPC Assessment Reconciliation.
2. **No Change** - Statement of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2017.

It is our understanding that Aqueduct Capital Group, LLC's financial statements and supplementary schedules, which are bound separately from the statement of financial condition, shall be deemed **confidential** pursuant to the disclosure standards set forth in paragraph (e)(3) of Rule 17a-5.

Very truly yours,



Christine Bowling
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Enclosures: