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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 01/01/19 AND ENDING 12/31/19
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

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

FIRM I.D. NO.

115 West Century Road, Suite 360

(No. and Street)

Paramus

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07652

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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

Michael Karalewich

(201) 476-0029

(Area Code Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in the Report*

Rubio CPA, PC

(Name of individual, state last, first, middle name)

2727 Paces Ferry Rd SE, Ste 2-1680

(Address)

Atlanta

(City)

Georgia

(State)

30339

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

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

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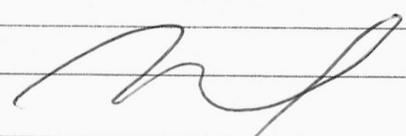
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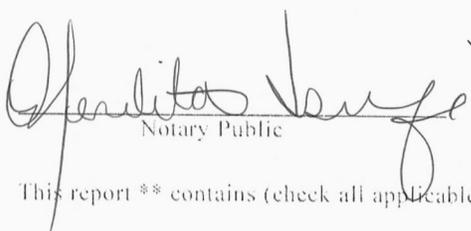
I, Michael Karalewich, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. as of December 31, 2019, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the 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:

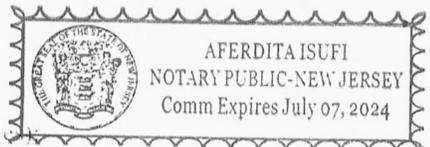


Signature

CEO

Title


 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 15c3-3 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 240.17z-5(e)(3).*

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders of
Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

Opinion of the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2019, the related statements of operations, changes in stockholders' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to the claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2019, 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 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 to 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 of our opinion.

Supplemental Information

The information contained in Schedules I, II and III has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Company's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the information in Schedules I, II and III 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 accompanying schedules. In forming our opinion on the accompanying

schedules, 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 aforementioned supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2006.

March 2, 2020
Atlanta, Georgia

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rubio CPA, PC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rubio CPA, PC

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended

December 31, 2019

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Statement of Financial Condition
December 31, 2019

Assets	<u>2019</u>
Cash	\$ 13,268
Deposits with clearing broker	100,000
Due from clearing broker	1,593,459
Accounts receivable	305,957
Advances to brokers and employees	6,633
Prepaid Expenses	71,301
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$ (1,069,417)	444,268
Right of use asset	1,798,498
Deposits	<u>76,799</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 4,410,182</u></u>
 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity 	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 33,294
Commissions payable	460,747
Subordinate Loan	250,000
Lease Liability	<u>2,167,071</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 2,911,112</u>
Common Stock, no par value, 1000 shares authorized, 855 shares issued and outstanding	-
Additional paid in capital	221,700
Retained earnings	<u>1,277,370</u>
Total Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$ 1,499,070</u>
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	<u><u>\$ 4,410,182</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Statement of Operations
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

REVENUES	<u>2019</u>
Commissions	\$ 11,564,383
Mutual Fund Fees	3,089,771
Private Placements	1,208,193
Interest Income	53,625
Other Income	<u>879,356</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 16,795,327</u>
 General and Administrative Expenses	
Employee compensation and benefits	\$ 2,193,565
Clearing services	649,526
Commissions	11,097,795
Technology and communications	207,390
Occupancy & Equipment	662,220
Interest	37,500
Other expenses	<u>1,013,899</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 15,861,895</u>
 Net Income	 <u>\$ 933,432</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Cash flows from Operating Activities:	<u>2019</u>
Net Income	\$ 933,432
Items which do not impact cash:	
Depreciation and amortization	128,577
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash	
Provided by operations:	
Decrease in accounts receivable	3,928
Increase in due from clearing broker	(340,141)
Decrease in prepaid expenses	1,025
Increase in deposits	(3,000)
Decrease in advances to brokers and employees	11,239
Increase in right of use asset	(1,798,498)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(195,134)
Increase in commissions payable	63,599
Increase in lease liability	2,167,071
Decrease in deferred rent	(437,843)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	<u>\$ 534,255</u>
Cash flows from Investing Activities:	
Leasehold Improvements	(318,641)
Furniture and fixtures	(56,716)
Net Cash Used By Investing Activities	<u>\$ (375,357)</u>
Cash Flows from Financing Activities	
Distributions	(182,000)
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities	<u>\$ (182,000)</u>
Net Decrease in Cash	(23,102)
Cash	
Beginning of Year	<u>\$ 36,368</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 13,266</u></u>
Supplemental Cash Flow Disclosures	
Cash paid during the year for interest	<u><u>\$ 37,500</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 250,000
Balance at December 31, 2019	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance, December 31, 2018	\$ 221,700	\$ 525,937	\$ 747,637
Distributions		\$ (182,000)	\$ (182,000)
Net Income	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 933,433</u>	<u>\$ 933,433</u>
Balance, December 31, 2019	<u><u>\$ 221,700</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,277,370</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,499,070</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

NOTE A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization and Description of Business: Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. (the "Company"), is a New Jersey Corporation formed in October 1992. Its principal business activity is selling mutual funds, variable annuities, individual equity and fixed income securities, and insurance products.

The Company is a securities broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA").

The Company does not carry customer accounts or perform custodial functions related to customer securities. Customers of the Company are introduced to a carrying broker-dealer (clearance agent) on a fully disclosed basis.

Cash: The Company maintains its cash accounts in high credit quality financial institutions. Balances at times may exceed federally insured limits.

Property and Equipment: Property and equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided by use of straight-line methods over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

Income Taxes: The Company is taxed as an S corporation. Therefore, the income or losses of the Company flow through to its stockholders and no income taxes are recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

The Company has adopted the provisions of FASB Accounting Standards Codification 740-10, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes. Under FASB ASC 740-10, the Company is required to evaluate each of its tax positions to determine if they are more likely than not to be sustained if the taxing authority examines the respective position. A tax position includes an entity's status, including its status as a pass-through entity, and the decision not to file a return. The Company has evaluated each of its tax positions and has determined that no provision or liability for income taxes is necessary.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

NOTE A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Estimates: Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were assumed in preparing the financial statements.

Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Revenue from contracts with customers includes commission and concession income and placement services. The recognition and measurement of revenue is based on the assessment of individual contract terms. Significant judgement is required to determine whether performance obligations are satisfied at a point in time or over time; how to allocate transaction prices where multiple performance obligations are identified; when to recognize revenue based on the appropriate measure of the Company's progress under the contract; whether revenue should be presented gross or net of certain costs; and whether constraints on variable consideration should be applied due to uncertain future events.

The Company buys and sells securities on behalf of its customers. Each time a customer enters into a buy or sell transaction, the Company charges a commission. Commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on the trade date (the date that the Company fills the trade order by finding and contracting with a counterparty and confirms the trade with the customer). The Company believes that the performance obligation is satisfied on the trade date because that is when the underlying financial instrument or purchaser is identified, the pricing is agreed upon and the risks and rewards of ownership of the securities have been transferred to/from the customer.

Private placement revenue primarily consists of selling commissions and marketing allowance fees for the sale in interests of an offering. The Company recognizes private placement revenue upon the sale of each interest as this satisfies the only performance obligation identified in accordance with this standard.

Mutual Funds or pooled investment vehicles (collectively, "funds") have entered into agreements with the Company to distribute/sell its shares to investors. Marketing or distribution fees are recognized over time (12B-1 fees) on the basis of a contractual rate applied to the monthly or quarterly market value of the fund. Revenue is recognized in accordance with these agreements.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

NOTE A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Date of Management's Review: Subsequent events were evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued.

Accounts Receivable: Accounts receivable are non-interest bearing uncollateralized obligations receivable in accordance with the terms agreed upon. The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. Management individually reviews all delinquent accounts receivable balances and based on an assessment of current creditworthiness, estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that will not be collected. Generally, accounts receivable are believed to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is reflected in the accompanying financial statements at December 31, 2019.

NOTE B - Net Capital

The Company, as a registered broker dealer, 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 December 31, 2019, the Company had net capital of \$1,086,953 which was \$1,029,446 in excess of its required net capital of \$57,507 and its ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.79 to 1.0.

NOTE C - Off Balance Sheet Risk

In the normal course of business, the Company's customers execute securities transactions through the Company. These activities may expose the Company to off balance sheet risk in the event the customer or the other broker is unable to fulfill its contracted obligations and the Company has to purchase or sell the financial instrument underlying the contract at a loss.

NOTE D - Clearing Agreement

The Company has an agreement with a clearing broker to execute and clear, on a fully disclosed basis, customer accounts of the Company. In accordance with these agreements, the Company is required to maintain a deposit in cash or securities. The deposit is refundable if, and when, the Company ceases doing business with the clearing broker.

The receivable from the clearing broker arises from the clearing agreement.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

NOTE E - Leases

The Company has obligations for office space with initial noncancelable terms in excess of one year. The Company recognizes and measures its leases in accordance with FASB ASC 842, Leases. The Company recognizes the lease liability and the right of use assets (ROU) on its balance sheet by recognizing the lease liability of both leases based on the present value of its future lease payments. The Company uses an incremental borrowing rate based on what it would approximately have to pay on a collateralized basis to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments under similar terms and in a similar economic environment. The ROU assets is subsequently measured throughout the lease term at the amount of the remeasured lease liability (present value of the remaining lease payments). Lease costs for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease terms.

The Company has elected, for all underlying classes of assets, to not recognize ROU assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less at lease commencement, and do not include an option to purchase the underlying asset the Company is reasonably certain to exercise. The Company recognizes lease cost associated with short-term leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Maturity of the lease liability under the noncancelable operating leases with initial noncancelable terms in excess of a year:

2020	526,267
2021	539,754
2022	553,591
2023	324,324
2024	89,337
Thereafter	461,114
Total	<u>\$2,494,387</u>

Total undiscounted lease payments	\$2,494,387
Less imputed interest	(656,817)
Plus unamortized balance of lease incentive	<u>329,501</u>
Total lease liability	\$2,167,071
Weighted average remaining lease term:	
Operating leases	5.37 years
Weighted average discount rate:	
Operating Leases	6%

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

NOTE E - Leases (Continued)

The Company's office space lease requires it to make variable payments for the Company's proportionate share of operating expenses (i.e., buildings property taxes, insurance, and common area maintenance). These variable lease payments are not included in lease payments used to determine lease liability and are thus recognized as variable costs when incurred.

The total lease cost including variable costs associated with all leases for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$533,000.

The Company adopted FASB ASC842 effective January 1, 2019 under the modified retrospective approach. Other than the addition of the operating lease right of use asset and liability on the statement of financial condition, the adoption of the standard had no material impact on the financial statements and related disclosures.

NOTE F - Retirement Plan

The Company has an employer sponsored 401(k) plan which is offered to all eligible employees. There were no employer contributions to the plan for the year ended December 31, 2019.

NOTE G - Contingencies

The Company is subject to arbitrations and litigation in the normal course of business. The Company has no litigation in progress at December 31, 2019.

NOTE H - Liabilities Subordinated to the Claims of General Creditors

The \$250,000 subordinate loan represents a loan subordinated to the claims of general creditors as of December 31, 2019. The subordinate loan is covered by an agreement approved by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and is thus available in computing net capital under the Securities and Exchange Commission's uniform net capital rule. To the extent that such borrowing is required for the Company's continued compliance with minimum net capital, it may not be repaid. The subordinated borrowing is with a related party and bears interest at 15%.

The subordinated loan matures in 2021.

NOTE I - Related Parties

The Company has an expense sharing agreement with a related company owned by the Company's stockholders. The Company provides the related company with administrative staff, office space and related operating expenses in exchange for fees. Fees are payable monthly in amounts sufficient to cover costs incurred on behalf of the related party. Fees recognized under the agreement for 2019 were approximately \$276,320 and have been included in other income in the accompanying statement of operations.

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

Supplemental Information

Schedule I
Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1
Of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934
As of December 31, 2019

NET CAPITAL:	<u>2019</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 1,499,070</u>
Less non-allowable assets:	
Property and equipment, net	444,268
Deposits	76,799
Advances to brokers and employees	6,633
Prepaid Expenses	71,301
Non-allowable accounts receivable	49,239
Total Deductions	<u>(648,240)</u>
Net capital before haircuts	\$ 850,830
Plus subordinate loan	\$ 250,000
Less haircuts	<u>\$ (13,877)</u>
Net Capital	<u><u>\$ 1,086,953</u></u>
Minimum net capital required	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Minimum net capital based on aggregate indebtedness	<u>\$ 57,507</u>
Excess net capital	<u><u>\$ 1,029,446</u></u>
Aggregate indebtedness	\$ 862,614
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	.79 to 1.0

There is no significant difference between the Company's computation of net capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and its amended Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2019.

Schedule II
Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements
Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission
As of December 31, 2019

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of the rule.

Schedule III
Information Relating to the Possession or Control
Requirements
Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission
As of December 31, 2019

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of the rule.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders of
Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Broker Dealers Annual Exemption Report in which (1) Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 15c3-3(k) under which Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3: (k)(2)(ii) (the "exemption provisions"); and, (2) Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. stated that Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year with exceptions as noted in the exemption report. Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.'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 Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc.'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)(ii), of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

March 2, 2020
Atlanta, GA



Rubio CPA, PC

BROKER DEALERS ANNUAL EXEMPTION REPORT

Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc claims an exemption from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2) (ii) of the Rule. Nationwide Planning Associates, Inc. met the aforementioned exemption provisions throughout the most recent year ended December 31, 2019 with the following exceptions:

Item	Exception	Date	Description
1	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Humacao (CRD# 723088) registered location.	3/7/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
2	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Humacao (CRD# 723088) registered location.	3/27/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
3	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Humacao (CRD# 723088) registered location.	3/27/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
4	Customer check forwarded 5 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Mahwah (CRD# 441240) registered location.	6/13/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
5	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Hato Rey (CRD# 557061) registered location.	3/4/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
6	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Hato Rey (CRD# 557061) registered location.	10/30/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action.
7	Customer check held for longer than one business day after taking receipt from the firm's Hato Rey (CRD# 557061) registered location. The forward date on the log missing.	11/22/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action. The reason why the 11/22/2019 check has no forward date is because the check was picked up by the client at the branch.
8	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Hato Rey (CRD# 557061) registered location.	7/3/2019	The firm identified the exception noted during the course of its routine branch office inspection and has taken corrective action. The check was received on 7/3/19 and not forwarded until 7/8/19 because it was hand delivered to the Universal office. Since all offices were closed on 7/4/19 due to the holiday and the Universal office was closed on 7/5/19, the check was delivered the next business day on 7/8/2019.
9	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Hato Rey (CRD# 557061) registered location.	9/16/2019	The check was received on 9/16/19 and not forwarded until 9/18/19 was a mobile deposited. It shows on the system that the check was attempted to be deposited the same day on 9/16/19 at 4:27PM. It seems like the processor thought that the check was deposited but then realized on 9/18/2019 that it was not so it was re-deposited again through the mobile application on 9/18/2019.
10	Customer check forwarded 2 business days after taking receipt from the firm's Paramus (CRD# 258203) registered location.	7/2/2019	Check held longer than one business day due to pending paperwork that the firm needed to receive from the registered rep.



Michael J. Karalewich, CFP®
 February 7, 2020