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A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF FIRM: THE SPARTAN GROUP LLC

TYPE OF REGISTRANT (check all applicable boxes):

- Broker-dealer Security-based swap dealer Major security-based swap participant
 Check here if respondent is also an OTC derivatives dealer

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use a P.O. box no.)

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(No. and Street)

PASADENA

CA

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(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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johnson@spartantsg.com

(Name)

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

(Email Address)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose reports are contained in this filing*

Brian W. Anson, CPA

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

18455 Burbank Blvd. #404

Tarzana

CA

91356

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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(Date of Registration with PCAOB)(if applicable)

(PCAOB Registration Number, if applicable)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, John Johnson, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the financial report pertaining to the firm of THE SPARTAN GROUP LLC, as of December 31, 2021, is true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, officer, director, or equivalent person, as the case may be, has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT
FOR NOTARY SEAL

Signature: 

Title:
Managing Director

Notary Public

This filing contains (check all applicable boxes):**

- (a) Statement of financial condition.
- (b) Notes to consolidated statement of financial condition.
- (c) Statement of income (loss) or, if there is other comprehensive income in the period(s) presented, a statement of comprehensive income (as defined in § 210.1-02 of Regulation S-X).
- (d) Statement of cash flows.
- (e) Statement of changes in stockholders' or partners' or sole proprietor's equity.
- (f) Statement of changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of creditors.
- (g) Notes to consolidated financial statements.
- (h) Computation of net capital under 17 CFR 240.15c3-1 or 17 CFR 240.18a-1, as applicable.
- (i) Computation of tangible net worth under 17 CFR 240.18a-2.
- (j) Computation for determination of customer reserve requirements pursuant to Exhibit A to 17 CFR 240.15c3-3.
- (k) Computation for determination of security-based swap reserve requirements pursuant to Exhibit B to 17 CFR 240.15c3-3 or Exhibit A to 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable.
- (l) Computation for Determination of PAB Requirements under Exhibit A to § 240.15c3-3.
- (m) Information relating to possession or control requirements for customers under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3.
- (n) Information relating to possession or control requirements for security-based swap customers under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3(p)(2) or 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable.
- (o) Reconciliations, including appropriate explanations, of the FOCUS Report with computation of net capital or tangible net worth under 17 CFR 240.15c3-1, 17 CFR 240.18a-1, or 17 CFR 240.18a-2, as applicable, and the reserve requirements under 17 CFR 240.15c3-3 or 17 CFR 240.18a-4, as applicable, if material differences exist, or a statement that no material differences exist.
- (p) Summary of financial data for subsidiaries not consolidated in the statement of financial condition.
- (q) Oath or affirmation in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5, 17 CFR 240.17a-12, or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
- (r) Compliance report in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
- (s) Exemption report in accordance with 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
- (t) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of the statement of financial condition.
- (u) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of the financial report or financial statements under 17 CFR 240.17a-5, 17 CFR 240.18a-7, or 17 CFR 240.17a-12, as applicable.
- (v) Independent public accountant's report based on an examination of certain statements in the compliance report under 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
- (w) Independent public accountant's report based on a review of the exemption report under 17 CFR 240.17a-5 or 17 CFR 240.18a-7, as applicable.
- (x) Supplemental reports on applying agreed-upon procedures, in accordance with 17 CFR 240.15c3-1e or 17 CFR 240.17a-12, as applicable.
- (y) Report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit, or a statement that no material inadequacies exist, under 17 CFR 240.17a-12(k).
- (z) Other: _____

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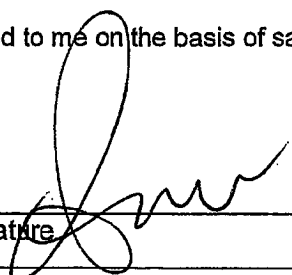
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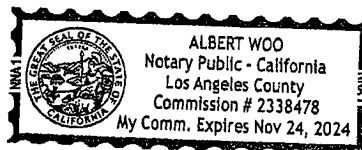
Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 14th day of FEB, 2022,

by John Johnson

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.


Signature _____

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- Securely attach this document to the signed document with a staple.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Members and Board of Members of The Spartan Group, LLC

Opinion on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of The Spartan Group, LLC as of December 31, 2021, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the financial statements). In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Spartan Group, LLC as of December 31, 2021, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of The Spartan Group, LLC's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on The Spartan Group, LLC's financial statements based on my audit. I am a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and am required to be independent with respect to The Spartan Group, 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.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that I 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. My 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. My audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.



Brian W. Anson, CPA

I have served as The Spartan Group, LLC's auditor since 2021.

Tarzana, California

February 11, 2022

The Spartan Group LLC

Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2021

Assets

Cash	\$	90,569
Accounts receivable		29,259
Prepaid expenses		75,015
Present-value of leasehold right-of-use asset		32,335
Rent deposit		<u>5,658</u>
Total assets	\$	<u>232,836</u>

Liabilities and members' equity

Liabilities

Due to Member	\$	820
Present-value of lease liability		<u>32,335</u>
Total liabilities		33,155

Members' equity

Total members' equity		<u>199,681</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$	<u>232,836</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

The Spartan Group LLC

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 1: GENERAL AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General

The Spartan Group LLC (the "Company") is a Limited Liability Company operating as a registered broker/dealer in securities under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The Company is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation. The Company raises capital for corporate clients as a placement agent on a best-efforts basis and provides advisory services for mergers and acquisitions.

Under its membership agreement with FINRA and pursuant to Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i), the Company conducts business on a fully disclosed basis and does not execute or clear securities transactions for customers. Accordingly, the Company is exempt from the requirement of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pertaining to the possession or control of customer assets and reserve requirements.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - General

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 these estimates.

Accounts receivable are stated at face amount with no allowance for doubtful accounts. An allowance for doubtful accounts is not considered necessary because probable uncollectible accounts are immaterial.

Equipment is stated at cost. Repairs and maintenance to these assets are charged to expense as incurred; major improvements enhancing the function and/or useful life are capitalized. When items are sold or retired, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gains or losses arising from such transactions are recognized. Equipment is depreciated over its estimated useful life of three (3) to five (5) years by the straight-line method. Purchases over \$5,000 are capitalized.

Three customers each accounted for more than 10% of total revenue in 2021, and together these customers represented 72.6% of such revenue.

The Spartan Group LLC

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

FASB ASC 820 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and establishes a fair value hierarchy which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or liability occurs on a principal market, or in the absence of a principal market, on the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Valuation techniques that are consistent with the market, income or cost approach, as specified by FASB ASC 820 are used to measure fair value.

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities the Company has the ability to access.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs (other than quoted prices included within Level 1) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability and rely on management's own assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. (The unobservable inputs should be developed based on the best information available under the circumstances and may include the Company's own data.)

As of December 31, 2021, the Company had no levels to measure.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Revenue

A. Significant Accounting Policy

Revenue is measured based on a consideration specified in a contract with a customer, and excludes any sales incentives and amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Company recognizes revenue when it satisfies a performance obligation by transferring control over a product or service to a customer.

Taxes and regulatory fees assessed by a government authority or agency that are both imposed on and concurrent with a specified revenue-producing transaction, that are collected by the Company from a customer, are excluded from revenue.

The Spartan Group LLC

**Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2021**

B. Nature of Services

The following is a description of activities – separated by reportable segments, per FINRA Form “Supplemental Statement of Income (SSOI)” ; from which the Company generates its revenue. For more detailed information about reportable segments, see the Company’s Form SSOI.

Fees earned: This includes fees earned from affiliated entities; investment banking fees, M&A advisory; account supervision and investment advisory fees; administrative fees, revenue from research services; rebates from exchanges/ECN and ATS; 12b-1 fees; Mutual fund fees other than concessions or 12b-1 fees; execution service fees; clearing services; fees earned from customer bank sweep into FDIC insured products or from ‘40Act companies and networking fees from ‘40 Act companies.

Note 2: INCOME TAXES

The Company operates as a Limited Liability Company treated as a partnership for tax purposes. As such, the Company is subject to a limited liability company gross receipts tax imposed by the State of California, with a minimum franchise tax. In 2021, the Company paid \$6,800 in such taxes.

In 2021, the Company paid to the California Franchise Tax Board \$281,151 pursuant to Assembly Bill No. 150.

The Company is required to file income tax returns in both federal and state tax jurisdictions. The Company's tax returns are subject to examination by taxing authorities in the jurisdictions in which it operates in accordance with the normal statutes of limitations in the applicable jurisdiction. For federal purposes, the statute of limitations is three years. Accordingly, the company is no longer subject to examination of federal returns filed more than three years prior to the date of these financial statements. The statute of limitations for state purposes is generally three years, but may exceed this limitation depending upon the jurisdiction involved. Returns that were filed within the applicable statute remain subject to examination.

Note 3: OCCUPANCY AND LEASE OBLIGATION

The Company leases office space in Pasadena, California subject to a lease that expires at the end of May 2022. Rent expense in 2021 was \$94,084.

The Spartan Group LLC

**Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2021**

The Company has adopted ASC Topic 842. The Right of Use asset is for the office lease at 16 North Marengo Avenue, Suite 307, Pasadena, California 91101. The present value as of December 31, 2021 of \$32,335 was calculated using a 5.0% annual discount rate for lease payments, such present value reduced monthly in 28 equal amounts.

Under its existing real-estate lease, the Company is obligated to pay the following minimum rents:

Minimum rent due under existing lease:

2022	\$	<u>38,279</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>38,279</u></u>

Note 4: FIXED ASSETS

The table below summarizes the Company's investment in fixed assets as of December 31, 2021.

Fixed Assets at December 31, 2021

Fixed assets at original cost		
Equipment and furniture	\$	60,198
Leasehold improvements		<u>43,480</u>
Total fixed assets at original cost		103,678
Less: Accumulated depreciation		<u>(103,678)</u>
Net fixed assets	\$	<u><u>-</u></u>

The Company depreciated for book purposes equipment and furniture over five years and leasehold improvements over four years (in 2020, existing leasehold improvements were fully depreciated and in 2021 existing equipment and furniture were fully depreciated). In 2021, depreciation expense totaled \$6,020.

The Spartan Group LLC

**Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2021**

Note 5: PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM

On May 4, 2020, the Company received proceeds from a loan in the aggregate amount of \$93,070, pursuant to the Paycheck Protection Program (the "PPP Loan") under the recently enacted Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") administered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (the "SBA"). The PPP Loan was unsecured and had an interest rate of 1.00% per annum and was subject to the terms and conditions applicable to loans administered by the SBA under the CARES Act. On January 22, 2021 the Company received a letter from its bank stating that the Small Business Administration had paid the CARES Act PPP loan balance in full.

Note 6: NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission 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. Rule 15c3-1 also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. Net capital and aggregate indebtedness change day to day, but on December 31, 2021 the Company had net capital of \$89,749 which was \$84,749 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000; and the Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness (excluding the net present value of lease liability) to net capital was 0.009 to 1, which is less than the 15 to 1 maximum allowed.

Note 7: SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The Company has evaluated events subsequent to the balance sheet date for items requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements. The evaluation was performed through the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Company has determined that there were no events which took place that would have a material impact on its financial statements. Management has reviewed subsequent events through February 11, 2022.