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The Spartan Group LLC

Report Pursuant to Rule 17a-5 (d)

Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2022

UNITED STATES
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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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(Area Code - Telephone Number)

(Email Address)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose reports are contained in this filing*

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

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(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, Peter Morgan, 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, 2022, 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.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]
Title: Managing Director

See Attached

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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State of California }

County of MARIN }

On 02/23/2023 before me, INN HILER NOTARY PUBLIC,
(Here insert name and title of the officer)

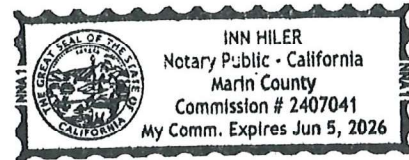
personally appeared Peter Morgan
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

[Signature]

Notary Public Signature (Notary Public Seal)



ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION OF THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT
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(Title or description of attached document)

(Title or description of attached document continued)

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CAPACITY CLAIMED BY THE SIGNER

- Individual (s)
- Corporate Officer
- _____ (Title)
- Partner(s)
- Attorney-in-Fact
- Trustee(s)
- Other _____

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BRIAN W. ANSON

Certified Public Accountant

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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, 2022, 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, 2022, 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 2014.

Tarzana, California

February 8, 2023

The Spartan Group LLC

Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2022

Assets

Cash	\$	28,025
Accounts receivable		27,581
Prepaid expenses		77,682
Present-value of leasehold right-of-use asset		225,687
Rent deposit		<u>5,658</u>
Total assets	\$	<u>364,633</u>

Liabilities and members' equity

Liabilities

Due to Member	\$	820
Present-value of lease liability		<u>225,687</u>
Total liabilities		226,507

Members' equity

Total members' equity		<u>138,126</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$	<u>364,633</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

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.

Two customers each accounted for more than 10% of total revenue in 2022, and together these customers represented 96.0% of such revenue.

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

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, 2022, the Company had no levels to measure.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Revenue

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.

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

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: investment banking fees and M&A advisory.

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 2022, the Company paid \$6,800 in such taxes.

In 2022, the Company paid to the California Franchise Tax Board \$155,032 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. In February of 2022, the Company renegotiated an existing lease that was set to expire in May of 2022 to extend it to expire at the end of September 2025. Rent expense in 2022 was \$90,548.

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, 2022 of \$225,687 was calculated using a 5.0% annual discount rate for lease payments, such present value reduced monthly in 33 equal amounts.

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**Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2022**

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

Minimum rent due under existing lease:

2023	\$	80,863
2024		100,193
2025		<u>77,082</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>258,138</u></u>

Note 4: 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, 2022 the Company had net capital of \$27,205 which was \$22,205 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 0.03 to 1, which is less than the 15 to 1 maximum allowed.

Note 5: 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 8, 2023.