# Statement 2020 of Financial Condition

with independent auditor's report

As of December 31, 2020



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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors Capital Institutional Services, Inc.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Capital Institutional Services, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2020, that is filed pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the related notes (the "financial statement"). In our opinion, the financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2020, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statement 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 statement is 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 statement, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures to respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. 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 statement. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Moss Adams LLP

Moss Adams LLP Dallas, Texas February 26, 2021

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2016

# CAPITAL INSTITIONAL SERVICES, INC. Statement of Financial Condition - December 31, 2020

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• Cash	\$ 530,166
Restricted Cash	1,327,843
<ul> <li>Investments, at fair value</li> </ul>	23,981,893
<ul> <li>Receivables from brokers and dealers</li> </ul>	55,116
<ul> <li>Deferred research costs, net</li> </ul>	1,680,696
<ul> <li>Furniture and equipment, at cost</li> </ul>	
less accumulated depreciation of \$2,001,359	657,752
<ul> <li>Right of Use Assets</li> </ul>	1,315,191
<ul> <li>Prepaid and other assets</li> </ul>	2,167,078
<ul> <li>Goodwill and other intangibles</li> </ul>	 674,761
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 32,390,496
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	

# Liabilities

<ul> <li>Accounts payable and accrued liablities</li> </ul>	\$ 2,687,203
<ul> <li>Accrued commissions and bonuses</li> </ul>	1,474,998
<ul> <li>Accrued research services</li> </ul>	10,265,977
<ul> <li>Accrued state income taxes</li> </ul>	26,916
<ul> <li>Long Term Note Payable</li> </ul>	469,444
Lease Liability	 1,315,191
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 16,239,729

#### Commitments and contingencies Shareholders' Equity

Shareholders Equity	
<ul> <li>Voting common stock, \$0.01 par vlaue,</li> </ul>	
1,000,000 shares authorized, 19,399 shares	
issued and outstanding	208
<ul> <li>Non-voting common stock, \$0.01 par vlaue,</li> </ul>	
9,000,000 shares authorized, 176, 385	
shares issued and outstanding	1,876
<ul> <li>Additional paid-in capital</li> </ul>	27,355
Treasury Stock	(807,632)
Retained earnings	 16,928,960
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	16,150,767
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 32,390,496

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Capital Institutional Services, Inc. (the "Company") is a securities broker/dealer and is a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange and other principal exchanges. The Company executes debt, equity, futures, options and currency transactions for domestic and international investment advisors, money managers and plan sponsors (the "Money Managers"). The Company transacts business out of its offices in Dallas, Texas.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

#### **Research Credit**

The Company conducts a portion of its business within the safe harbor of Section 28(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. In that regard, the Company executes brokerage transactions from the Money Managers at a negotiated commission rate. As an incentive to use the Company's facilities for the execution of such brokerage transactions, the Company has developed a system to provide thirdparty research services to Money Managers based upon the frequency of use of its facilities. Money Managers are permitted to allocate portion of their gross commission to pay for research products and other qualifying services provided by third parties.

The amount of third-party research services that the Company will furnish to the Money Managers is based on the amount of commissions that the Company has allocated to the separate performance obligation related to third-party research services. The Company allocates the transaction price to the performance obligations identified on a relative standalone selling price basis. Such amounts are measured by the Company in terms of a Research Credit. As the Company acts as an agent in these transactions, it records expenses on a net basis within commission revenue on the statement of income. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company provided Research Credit of \$19,045,072 to Money Managers. It is understood by the Money Managers and the Company that Research Credit is not redeemable in cash and, when redeemed, may only be used to obtain third-party research services through the Company or another broker-dealer. Accordingly, management does not consider Research Credit to be a financial instrument. The accumulated Research Credit of Money Managers is reduced when the Company provides third-party research at request of such Money Managers. The Company believes that the appropriate point in time to recognize commission revenue is when the Company executes a brokerage transaction, as there are no significant performance obligations to be satisfied subsequent to this point. Amounts relating to Money Managers with a positive Research Credit balance are reflected in the accompanying statement of financial condition as accrued research services. Such amounts represent the estimated third-party research services to be provided to Money Managers from whom the Company has earned commissions for execution of brokerage transactions. Amounts relating to Money Managers with a negative Research Credit balance are reflected in the accompanying statement of financial condition as deferred research costs. Such amounts represent the amount of research services paid on behalf of Money Managers for which future commissions are expected to be received.

The reserve for uncollectible negative Research Credit balances is determined using a method which approximates net realizable value.

#### **Commission Rebate**

The Company provides a commission rebate program to Plan Sponsors whereby a portion of the commissions associated with trades executed on their behalf are rebated back to the plan. Plan Sponsors may also make payments to vendors to offset certain plan expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company provided commission rebates of \$6,994,008 to plan sponsors.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The Company follows Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (ASC 606). ASC 606 requires that an entity recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods and services. The guidance requires an entity to follow a five-step model to (a) identify the contract(s) with the customer, (b) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (c) determine the transaction price, and (d) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligation, in determining the transaction price, an entity may include variable consideration only to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized would not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is resolved, and (e) recognize revenue when (or as) the Company satisfies a performance obligation

#### Commissions

The Company executes security transactions on behalf of the Customers with the majority of commissions from equity trading. Each time a Customer enters into a buy or sell transaction, the Company charges a commission. Commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on a trade date basis (the date that the Company fills the trade order by finding and contracting with a counterparty and confirms the trade with the Money Manager), with settlement date generally the second business day following the trade date. 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 have been transferred to/from the customer.

#### **Underwriting Concessions**

Underwriting concessions represent concessions from managing underwriters on syndicates generated by Customers doing business with the Company. Underwriting concessions are recognized on the trade date (the date on which the Company purchases the securities from the issuer) with the settlement date generally the second business day following the trade date. The Company believes that the trade date is the appropriate point in time to recognize revenue for securities underwriting transactions as there are no significant actions which the Company needs to take subsequent to this date and the issuer obtains the control and benefit of the capital markets offering at that point.

# **Correspondent Clearing Fees**

Correspondent clearing fees represent income received for providing institutional quality execution and clearing services to fully disclosed correspondent broker/dealers. Correspondent fees are recognized on trade date basis with settlement date generally the second business day following the trade date.

#### Correspondent Clearing Fees, continued

The Company believes that is the appropriate point in time to recognize correspondent clearing fees as there are no significant performance obligations to be satisfied subsequent to this point.

# Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amount of cash and short-term investments approximates fair value due to the short maturity of those instruments. Investments are carried at fair value which is estimated based on quoted market prices for those or similar instruments (see Note 3).

# **Furniture and Equipment**

Furniture and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

# Shareholder Equity

The Company has voting and non-voting classes of common stock. Both classes of common stock are treated equally with respect to the declaration and payment of dividends, the making of any distribution in connection with the dissolution and winding up of the Company, or in any merger or consolidation. Holders of voting common stock have voting rights at all meetings of shareholders, whereas holders of nonvoting common stock have no voting rights. Treasury stock is shown at cost consists of 1,443 voting and 11,193 non-voting.

# **Cash and Resticted Cash**

The Company defines cash and cash equivalents as highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase, other than those held for sale in the ordinary course of business. The Company adopted the provisions of FASB ASU No. 2016-18 Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash. The amendments apply to all entities that have restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents and are required to present a statement of cash flows. The amendments require that a statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents

# Receivable from broker-dealers

The Company's receivable from broker-dealers and clearing organizations include amounts receivable from unsettled trades, including amounts related to futures and options on futures contracts executed on behalf of customer, amount receivable for securities failed to deliver, accrued interest receivable and cash deposits. A portion of the Company's trades and contracts are cleared trough a clearing organization and settle daily between the clearing organization and Company. Because of this daily settlement. The amount of unsettled credit exposure is limited to the amount owed the Company for very short period of time. The company continually reviews the credit of its counterparties

# Investments

Investments as December 31, 2020 consist of money market funds, certificates of deposit, U.S. Treasury notes and mutual funds. Investments are recorded at fair value with realized and unrealized gains and losses included in investment income. Profit and loss arising from all securities transactions entered into for the account of the Company are recorded on settlement date basis.

#### Leases

The Company determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Operating leases are included in right-of-use ("ROU") assets, and lease liabilities in the Statement of financial condition.

ROU assets represent the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. As most of the leases do not provide an implicit rate, the Company generally uses the incremental borrowing rate based on the estimated rate of interest for collateralized borrowing over a similar term of the lease payments at commencement date. The operating lease ROU asset also includes any lease payments made and excludes lease incentives. The lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. Lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Company has lease agreements with lease and non-lease components, which are generally accounted for separately.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill is tested for impairment at the enterprise level on an annual basis and between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value below its carrying value. No instances of impairment were identified during the vear ended December 31, 2020.

#### Intangible Assets

Intangible assets are subject to amortization and are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated period of benefit. The Company evaluates the recoverability of intangible assets periodically by taking into account events or circumstances that may warrant revised estimates of useful lives or that indicate the asset may be impaired.

# Recent accounting pronouncements-Adoption of New Accounting Standards

Fair Value Measurement-Disclosure Framework-Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement-In August 2018, FASB updated the accounting standards related to disclosures for fair value measurement. The update eliminate the following disclosures: 1) the amount of and reasons for transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy , 2) the policy of timing transfer between levels of the fair value hierarchy, and 3) the valuation processes for Level 3 fair value measurement. The new disclosure includes changes in unrealized gains and losses for the period included in Other-Comprehensive Income for recurring Level 3 fair value measurement of instruments held at the end of reporting period and the range and weighted average used to develop significant unobservable inputs and how the weighted average was calculated. The Company adopted this standard on January 1, 2020, and the update does not have an impact on the Company's results of operations or financial condition.

# Recent accounting pronouncements-Adoption of New Accounting Standards

Financial Instruments -Credit Losses (Topic 326): Assets Measured at Amortized Cost On June 16, 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13 to provide more timely recording of credit losses on receivable and other assets measured at amortized cost. ASU 2016-13 was effective for the Company beginning in January 1, 2020. The Company's receivables are short term in nature and collection is reasonably assured. Accordingly, no transition adjustment was necessary implementation.

# Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350)

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350), which simplifies the testing for goodwill impairment by eliminating the requirement to determine the fair value of individual assets and liabilities of a reporting unit to measure goodwill impairment. Instead, goodwill impairment testing will be performed by comparing the fair value of the reporting unit with its carrying amount and recognizing impairment by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The Company adopted ASU 2017-04 effective January 1, 2020 on a prospective basis. Adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's Financial Statements.

# Note 2 - Concentration Risk

At various times throughout 2020, the Company had cash balances in excess of federally insured limits of at least \$250,000 available to depositors under the FDIC's general deposit insurance rules. Deposits held in noninterest-bearing transaction accounts are aggregated with any interest-bearing accounts for the combined total coverage of at least \$250,000.

# Note 3 - Fair Value

Fair value is defined as 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; that is, an exit price. The exit price assumes the asset or liability is exchanged in an orderly transaction; it is not a forced liquidation or distressed sale.

In determining fair value, the Company uses various methods including market, income and cost approaches. Based on these approaches, the Company often utilizes certain assumptions that market participants would use pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and or the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated, or generally unobservable inputs. The Company utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. This methodology prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques by giving the highest priority to readily available unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements) when market prices are not readily available or reliable. The three levels of the hierarchy are described below:

# Note 3 - Fair Value, contined

• Level 1—Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access. Valuation adjustments and block discounts are not applied to Level 1 instruments. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these products does not entail a significant degree of judgment.

• Level 2—Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, directly or indirectly.

• Level 3—Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers in or out of an investment's assigned level within the hierarchy.

Investments in money market funds and certificates of deposits are highly liquid instruments readily convertible to known amounts of cash with maturities of less than one year. Investments in U.S. Treasury Notes and Mutual Funds are traded on a national exchange and are stated at the last reported sales price on the day of valuation. The Company considers all such investments to be Level 1 investments. The following table summarizes the inputs used to value the Fund's assets and liabilities measured at fair value as of December 31, 2020.

Assets	Total	Level 1	Le	vel 2	Le	vel 3
Investments						
Money Market	\$18,696,415	\$18,696,415	\$	-	\$	-
Funds						
Certificates of	2,943,586	2,943,586				
Deposits						
U.S. Treasury	2,000,913	2,000,913				
Notes						
Mutual Funds	340,979	340,979				
Total Investments	\$23,981,893	\$23,981,893	\$	-	\$	-

At December 31, 2020, the company did not hold any financial liabilites measured at fair value

# Note 4 - Furniture and Equipment

The following is a summary of furniture and equipment as of December 31, 2020:

	Estimated Useful Life	_	
Furniture, fixtures and leashold			
improvements	7 Years	\$	1,246,121
Computer Equipment	5 Years		940,670
Computer Software	5 Years		472,320
			2,659,111
Less-accumulated depreciation			(2,001,359)
Total		\$	657,752

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$223,009 for the year ended December 31, 2020 and is included in occupancy and equipment expense in the accompanying statement of income.

#### Note 5 - Customer Protection - Reserves and Custody Securities

The Company does not hold funds or securities for customers and, accordingly, is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to Paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of such rule. Rule 15c3-3 provides for the maintenance by broker dealers of basic reserves with respect to customers' cash and securities and enumerates standards relating to the physical possession of customer securities.

Cash of \$1,327,843 has been segregated in a special bank account for the exclusive benefit of customers related to commission rebates under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and is classified as restricted cash on the statement of financial condition.

The Company carries no customer regulated commodities futures accounts; therefore, the computation of segregated funds pursuant to Section 4d(2) of the Commodity Exchange Act is not applicable.

#### Note 6 - Income Taxes

The Company has elected S corporation status under the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and is not subject to federal income taxes. Profits or losses of the Company are included in the federal income tax returns of its shareholders. The provisions for income tax and accrued income taxes payable included in the accompanying financial statements represent estimated state and local income taxes.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and in various state and local jurisdictions. The Company applies FASB ASC 740-10 relating to accounting for uncertain tax positions. ASC 740-10 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement process for accounting for uncertain tax positions and also provides guidance on various related matters such as de-recognition interest, penalties and disclosures required. The Company does not have any uncertain tax positions. Generally, the Company is subject to examination by U.S. federal (or state and local) income tax authorities for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

#### Note 7 - Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commissions' Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1). The Company has elected to compute minimum net capital under the Alternative Net Capital method under Rule 15c3-1(a)(1)(ii), which requires maintenance of minimum net capital of the greater of 2% of aggregate debit items or \$250,000. At December 31, 2020, the Company had net capital as defined by Rule 15c3-1 of \$10,525,808 which was \$10,275,808 in excess of the required minimum net capital.

Capital distributions to shareholders can be made under a capital distribution policy approved by the Company's Board of Directors. Periodic distributions approved by the Board of Directors are made to enable shareholders to pay federal income taxes on the Company's profits, among other purposes.

#### Note 8 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Company leases office and equipment under operating leases with expiration date through July, 2024. Certain leases provide for renewal options.

For Year Ending December 31	 Amount
2021	\$ 531,815
2022	521,571
2023	321,985
2024	14,118
Lease Total	1,389,489
Less imputed interest	 (74,298)
Total	\$ 1,315,191

The weighted average remaining lease term is 2.65 years and the weighted average discount rates 0.35%

Total operating lease expense for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$548,340 and is included in occupancy and equipment expense in the accompanying statement of income

# Note 9 - Employee Benefits

The Company adopted an employee savings plan (the "Plan") effective January 1, 1991, with employer participation in accordance with the provisions of Section 401(k) of the IRC. The vast majority of the Company's employees are eligible to become participants in the Plan after three months of service. The Plan allows participants to make pretax contributions up to 60% of their salary and commissions, not to exceed amounts allowable under the IRC, with the Company making discretionary matching contributions. All amounts contributed to the Plan are deposited in a trust fund which is administered by an independent financial institution. The Company's controbutions to the Plan were \$268,323 for the year ended December 31, 2020.

In 2004, the Company implemented a Deferred Compensation Plan (the "DCP") for eligible management employees to defer a portion of their compensation. The DCP is funded through employee contributions, employer contributions, and the Company's matching contributions up to a specific limit. Investments are made at the participants' discretion. All assets associated with the DCP are classified as investments with the related liability to deferred compensation. Employer contributions to the DCP and investment gains on assets in the DCP are included in compensation expense

At December 31, 2020, the Company had no obligation to provide other post-retirement benefits to current or former employees.

#### Note 10 - Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

The Company clears all of its securities transactions through a clearing broker on a fully disclosed basis. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Company and the clearing broker, the clearing broker has the right to charge the Company for losses that result from a counterparty's failure to fulfill its contractual obligations.

As the right to charge the Company has no maximum amount and applies to all trades executed through the clearing broker, the Company believes there is no maximum amount

#### Note 10 - Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk.continued

assignable to this right. As of December 31, 2020, the Company has recorded no liabilities with regard to the right.

In addition, the Company has the right to pursue collection or performance from the counterparties who do not perform under their contractual obligations. The Company monitors the credit standing of the clearing broker and all counterparties with which it conducts business.

# Note 11 - Business Combination

On January 2, 2019, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement ("Asset Purchase Agreement') with Invest Systems to acquire certain assets and rights of Financial Technology Securities LLC, ("FinTech") including business relationships with bank trust clients who become affiliated with the Company. The cash proceeds were paid to Innovest Systems on January 2, 2019, in amount of \$1,300,000 the closing date under the terms of the purchase agreement. The agreement also contains certain performance milestones payable over next two years with an estimated fair value of \$240,000 on date of acquisition. At December 31, 2020 amounts payable related to performance milestone at were \$200,000. The business combination resulted in the Company recognizing \$674,761 of Goodwill.

# Note 12 - Long Term Note Payable

Loan from Shareholder with a maturity date of January 3, 2022. The loan, in the original amount of \$1,300,000 provided funding for the Acquisition of FinTech described in Note 11. The loan is payable in 36 monthly principal payments of \$36,111.The loan bears interest at the Fidelity Investment Money Market-Money Market Portfolio-Class 1(Ticker Symbol FMPXX) seven day yield rate plus 2% per annum, calculated on monthly basis. The interest rate was 2.04% at December 31, 2020. The balance of the note was \$469,444 at December 31, 2020.

The aggregate maturities of long-term debt as of December 31, 2020, are as follows:

2021	\$ 433,333
2022	36,111
Total	\$ 469,444

# Note 13 - Risk and Uncertainties

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company has implemented certain safety precautions to reduce the risk of the potential spread of the novel coronavirus. The Company has implemented arrangements to reduce the number of office staff employees working in office, as well as instituting personal distancing policies and monitoring of essential staff to minimize the risk of infection. The Company is continuing to evaluate the ever-changing circumstances surrounding this pandemic as it relates to its ability to continue to maintain a workforce, and operate its business effectively and efficiently.

# Note 14 - Paycheck Protection Program Loan

On April 17, 2020, the Company entered into a promissory note in the principal amount of \$1,266,800 (the "PPP Loan") in favor of Bank of Oklahoma (the "Lender") pursuant to the Paycheck Protection

# Note 14 - Paycheck Protection Program Loan, continued

Program (the "PPP") of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act"), administered by the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA"). The PPP Loan matures on April 10, 2022 and bears interest at a rate of 1.0% per annum. The PPP Loan is unsecured and is a non-recourse obligation. PPP loan recipients can apply for and be granted forgiveness for all or a portion of the loan granted under the PPP, with such forgiveness to be determined, subject to limitations, based on the use of the loan proceeds for payment of payroll costs, rent, utilities, and interest on debt. The terms of any forgiveness may also be subject to further requirements in any regulations and guidelines the SBA may adopt.

The Company applied for forgiveness on October 16, 2020 and was notified on November 18, 2020 that SBA had approved the full amount of the loan for forgiveness. On December 1, 2020, the Lender notified the Company that the PPP Loan was paid in full. The Company has recorded a gain on extinguishment of debt in amount of \$1,266,800 for the year ended December 31, 2020.