



# Private Equity Fund

Illustrative Financial Statements

December 31, 2024



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The following abbreviations are used for technical references:

ASC	FASB Accounting Standards Codification
ATQA	AICPA Technical Questions and Answers
AAG-INV	AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, Investment Companies



**Private Equity Fund, L.P.**



# Private Equity Fund, L.P.

ASC 946-205-45-1

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities December 31, 20XX

	Assets	
AAG-INV 7.48	Investments in securities, at fair value (cost \$63,150,000)	\$ 86,709,000
ASC 946-210-45-20	Cash and cash equivalents	4,771,000
ASC 230-10-50-8	Restricted cash	750,000
ASC 946-310-45-1	Interest and dividends receivable	18,000
ASC 946-310-45-1	Due from related parties	25,000
	Escrow proceeds receivable	115,000
ASC 505-10-45-2	Capital contributions receivable	125,000
	Other assets	<u>3,000</u>
	Total assets	<u>92,516,000</u>
ASC 946-405-45-1	Liabilities	
	Management fee payable	35,000
	Accrued expenses	222,000
	Advance capital contributions	50,000
ASC 480-10-45-1	Capital distributions payable	4,863,000
AAG-INV 7.73	Notes payable	<u>111,000</u>
	Total liabilities	<u>5,281,000</u>
ASC 946-20-50-14	Partners' capital	<u>\$ 87,235,000</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.



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ASC 946-205-45-1

## Schedule of Investments December 31, 20XX

	Principal amount or shares	Fair Value as a Percentage of partners' capital	Cost	Fair value
Investments in securities, at fair value				
ASC-946-210-50-6 Private operating companies				
United States				
Education technology				
Private Education				
Company A, Inc.				
Preferred stock	4,875,766	11.6%	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 10,087,000
Common stock	1,856,650	4.4%	2,000,000	3,845,000
Notes, X.X%, due				
8/31/20XX	\$ 2,500,000	2.7%	2,500,000	2,325,000
		18.7%	7,000,000	16,257,000
Private Education Company				
B, Corporation				
Preferred stock	10,000,000	7.2%	6,126,000	6,283,000
Warrants, expires				
1/31/20XX		0.0%	24,000	10,000
		7.2%	6,150,000	6,293,000
Total United States		25.9%	13,150,000	22,550,000
Japan				
Consumer technology				
Private Consumer				
Technology Company C,				
Inc.				
Common stock	5,000,000	7.2%	5,000,000	6,250,000
Notes, X.X%, due				
9/30/20XX	\$ 1,000,000	1.1%	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Japan		8.3%	6,000,000	7,250,000
Total private operating				
companies		34.2%	19,150,000	29,800,000
Marketable equity securities				
United States				
Consumer technology				
Public Consumer				
Technology Company A				
Common stock	44,000,000	65.2%	44,000,000	56,909,000
Total marketable equity				
securities		65.2%	44,000,000	56,909,000
Total investments in				
securities, at fair value		99.4%	\$ 63,150,000	\$ 86,709,000

See Notes to Financial Statements.



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ASC 946-205-45-1

Statement of Operations  
Year Ended December 31, 20XX

	Investment income	
	Interest	\$ 200,000
ASC 946-830-45-39	Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$8,500)	88,000
	Other income	<u>10,000</u>
	Total investment income	<u>298,000</u>
ASC 946-220-45-3	Expenses	
	Management fee, net	750,000
	Professional fees and other	107,000
	Broken deal costs	55,000
	Interest expense	<u>9,000</u>
	Total expenses	<u>921,000</u>
ASC 946-220-45-5	Net investment income (loss)	<u>(623,000)</u>
ASC 946-220-45-6	Realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions	
ASC 946-830-45-1 to 4	Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions	269,000
ASC 946-830-45-36 to 37	Net change in unrealized gains and (losses) on investments and foreign currency transactions	<u>12,488,000</u>
	Net gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions	<u>12,757,000</u>
ASC 946-220-45-7	Net income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u><u>\$ 12,134,000</u></u>

<sup>(1)</sup>ACS paragraph 946-220-45-7 defines the sum of net investment income or loss and net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments and foreign currency transactions as the net increase or decrease in net assets resulting from operations.

See Notes to Financial Statements.





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ASC 946-205-45-1,  
ASC 946-205-45-5

## Statement of Changes in Partners' Capital Year Ended December 31, 20XX

		General partner	Limited partners	Total
ASC 946-505-50-2, ASC 946-505-50-3, ASC 946-205-45-3	Partners' capital, beginning of year	\$ 4,900,000	\$ 71,381,000	\$ 76,281,000
	Capital contributions	2,000	918,000	920,000
	Capital distributions	(3,000)	(2,097,000)	(2,100,000)
	Allocation of net income (loss)			
	Pro rata allocation	2,000	12,132,000	12,134,000
AAG-INV 7.126	Carried interest to General Partner	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	-
	Net income (loss)	1,002,000	11,132,000	12,134,000
ASC 946-505-50-3	Partners' capital, end of year	\$ 5,901,000	\$ 81,334,000	\$ 87,235,000

See Notes to Financial Statements.



## Private Equity Fund, L.P.

**ASC 946-205-45-1**

### Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 20XX

ASC230-10-15-4(c)	Cash flows from operating activities	
	Net income (loss)	\$ 12,134,000
ASC 230-10-45-28	Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities	
	Net realized (gain) loss from investments and foreign currency transactions	(269,000)
	Net change in unrealized gains and (losses) on investments and foreign currency transactions	(12,488,000)
ASC 230-10-45-7	Paid in kind interest earned	(20,000)
	Purchases of investments	(851,000)
	Proceeds from sales of investments	2,772,000
	Changes in operating assets and liabilities	
	Interest and dividends receivable	20,000
	Due from related parties	1,000
	Escrow proceeds receivable	(19,000)
	Management fee payable	6,000
	Accrued expenses	(10,000)
	Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,276,000</u>
ASC 230-10-45-14 and 15,	Cash flows from financing activities	
ASC 230-10-45-26	Proceeds from contributions, net of change in capital contributions receivable and capital contributions received in advance	970,000
ASC 230-10-50-5	Payments for capital distributions, net of change in capital distributions payable	(2,150,000)
	Proceeds from notes payable	1,500,000
	Repayments of notes payable	(1,500,000)
	Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(1,180,000)</u>
ASC 230-10-45-24	Net increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	96,000
	Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of year	<u>5,425,000</u>
	Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of year	<u><u>\$ 5,521,000</u></u>
ASC 230-10-50-8	At December 31, 20XX, the amounts included in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash consist of the following:	
	Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,771,000
	Restricted cash	<u>750,000</u>
	Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	<u><u>\$ 5,521,000</u></u>
ASC 230-10-50-2	Supplemental disclosure of cash flow data	
	Cash paid during the year for interest	<u>\$ 9,000</u>
	<i>[if applicable]</i> Cash paid for income taxes	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
ASC 230-10-50-3	Supplemental disclosure of noncash financing activities	
	Distribution of securities, at fair value (cost basis of \$200,000)	<u><u>\$ 450,000</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.



## Private Equity Fund, L.P.

### Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 20XX

#### ASC 275-10-50-2 **Note 1 - Organization**

**{This note should be tailored to the Fund's specific nature of operations:}**

Private Equity Fund, L.P. (the "Fund") is a limited partnership created under the laws of the State of Delaware, which commenced operations on **{Month, Date, Year}**. The Fund was organized for the **{state Fund's investment objective}**. The Fund is managed by Private Equity Fund General Partner, LLC (the "General Partner") and Private Equity Fund Investment Manager, LLC (the "Investment Manager"). **{If applicable:}** The Investment Manager is registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The Limited Partnership Agreement (the "Agreement") provides that the Fund shall continue until the eighth anniversary of the closing date. The General Partner may also extend the term of the Fund beyond the eighth anniversary for up to two additional one-year periods.

#### **Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies**

#### ASC 235-10-50-1, ASC 235-10-50-3

The significant accounting policies followed by the Fund are:

##### **Basis of presentation**

#### ASC 946-10-50-1

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). In accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 946, Financial Services - Investment Companies ("ASC 946"), the Fund has determined that it is an investment company and has applied the guidance in accordance with ASC 946.

##### **Use of estimates**

#### ASC 275-10-50-4

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

##### **Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash**

#### ASC 230-10-50-1 ASC 825-10-50-20 and 21

Cash, including cash denominated in foreign currencies, represents demand deposits held at financial institutions. Cash equivalents include short-term, highly liquid investments of sufficient credit quality that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and have maturities of three months or less when purchased. Cash and cash equivalents are held at major financial institutions and are subject to credit risk to the extent those balances exceed federally insured limits.



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ASC 230-10-50-7 Restricted cash is subject to a legal or contractual restriction by third parties as well as a restriction as to withdrawal or use, including restrictions that require the funds to be used for a specified purpose and restrictions that limit the purpose for which the funds can be used.

#### Foreign currency translation

**{If applicable:}** The values of investments in securities that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated based on the exchange rates that are in effect on the date of valuation. Transactions denominated in foreign currencies, including purchases and sales of investments and investment income and expenses, are translated into U.S. dollar amounts on the date of those transactions. Adjustments resulting from foreign currency transactions are reflected in the statement of operations.

**{Pursuant to ASC 946-830-45-4 and -36, the practice of not separately disclosing the portion of the changes in fair values of investments and realized gains and losses thereon that result from foreign currency rate changes is permitted.}**

**{If applicable:}** The Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held.

#### Investment transactions and investment income

ASC 946-320-25-1 to-2, Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date and interest is recognized on an accrual basis.

ASC 946-320-40-1, **{If applicable:}** The Fund elected not to measure an allowance for credit losses for accrued interest receivables.  
ASC 946-320-35-5, For nonpaying debt, interest is not accrued and interest receivable  
AAG INV 2.127, is written off when deemed uncollectible. The **{specific identification} {average cost}**  
ASC 946-320-35-20, basis is used to determine realized gains and losses.  
ASC 946-830-45-34

#### ***{The following disclosures are added if applicable:}***

Gains and losses are realized on the date when investments are distributed to the partners.

Discounts and premiums to the face amount of debt securities are accreted and amortized using the effective interest rate method over the lives of the respective debt securities.

Discounts to the face amount of debt securities are not accreted to the extent that interest income is not expected to be realized. Investment cost is credited instead of revenue being recognized when distributions are received from investments that are returns of capital in excess of cumulative profits and losses.

The Fund has investments in its portfolio that contain payment-in-kind ("PIK") provisions. The PIK interest computed at the contractual rate specified in each applicable agreement, is accrued and added to the principal balance of the



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investment monthly in arrears and recorded as interest income. The PIK income added to the principal balance is generally collected upon repayment of the outstanding principal.

ASC 820

#### **Fair value - definition and hierarchy**

GAAP defines fair value 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 (an exit price). Fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. As a basis for considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy distinguishes between: (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs) and (2) the reporting entity's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). Valuation techniques used to measure fair value shall maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide information on an ongoing basis.

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. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include the following:

- a. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- b. Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active;
- c. Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- d. Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date.

Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the



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assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). Unobservable inputs are developed based on the best information available in the circumstances, which might include the reporting entity's own data. However, market participant assumptions cannot be ignored and, accordingly, the reporting entity's own data used to develop unobservable inputs are adjusted if information is reasonably available without undue cost and effort that indicates that market participants would use different assumptions.

The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs and the lowest priority to Level 3 inputs.

ASC 820-10-35-54B **{If applicable:}** Certain of the Fund's investment in private investment companies are measured using net asset value ("NAV") per share as a practical expedient and are therefore not categorized within the fair value hierarchy.

#### **Fair value - valuation techniques and inputs** **Investments in marketable securities**

Investments in securities are valued at their last reported sales price if they are traded on a national securities exchange or quoted by the NASDAQ National Market System on their valuation date. If no sales price is available, the investments in marketable securities are valued at the last representative bid price.

Investments that are not listed on an exchange but are traded over-the-counter ("OTC") are valued at the sale price as of the measurement date provided by pricing vendors. If there is no reliable sale price as of the measurement date, they are valued at the "bid" quotation if held long and the "ask" quotation if held short.

To the extent these securities are actively traded and valuation adjustments are not applied, they are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. Securities traded on inactive markets or valued by reference to similar instruments are generally categorized in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

820-10-50-2 (bbb) The Fund uses valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when determining fair value. The valuation techniques used by the Fund to determine fair value are consistent with the market or income approaches.

For fair value measurements categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, a reporting entity shall provide quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement.

#### **Investments in restricted securities of public companies**

Investments in restricted securities of public companies cannot be offered for sale to the public until the issuer complies with certain statutory requirements. The valuation of the securities by management takes into consideration the type and duration of the restriction, but in no event, does it exceed the listed price on



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any major securities exchange. Investments in restricted securities of public companies are generally categorized in Level 2 of the fair value. However, to the extent that significant inputs used to determine liquidity discounts are not observable, investments in restricted securities of public companies may be categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### **Investments in private operating companies**

Investments in private operating companies primarily consist of private common and preferred stock (together or individually "equity") investments and debt of privately owned portfolio companies. The transaction price, excluding transaction costs, is typically the Fund's best estimate of fair value at inception. When evidence supports a change to the carrying value from the transaction price, adjustments are made to reflect expected exit values in the investment's principal market under current market conditions. Ongoing reviews by the Fund's management are based on an assessment of trends in the performance of each underlying investment from the inception date through the most recent valuation date.

***{If applicable:}*** The market approach includes valuation techniques that use observable market data (e.g. current trading and/or acquisition multiples) of comparable companies and applying the data to key financial metrics of the investment. The comparability (as measured by size, growth profile, and geographic concentration, among other factors) of the identified set of comparable companies to the investment is considered in applying the market approach. The Fund generally uses the market approach to value investments in private operating companies.

***{If applicable:}*** The income approach measures the present value of anticipated future economic benefits (i.e. net cash flow). The net cash flow is forecasted over the expected remaining economic life and discounted to present value using an appropriate risk-adjusted discount rate.

***{If applicable:}*** In certain instances, the Fund may use multiple valuation techniques for a particular investment and estimate its fair value based on a weighted average or a selected outcome within a range of multiple valuation results. These investments in private operating companies are categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### **Special purpose vehicles**

Investments in special purpose vehicles ("SPVs") consist of investment interests in unconsolidated entities that are invested in {describe nature of investment}. The Fund typically values SPVs using techniques detailed in the Investments in private operating companies section. Investments in SPVs are generally categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### **Contingent consideration**

At times, the Fund may receive contingent consideration as part of proceeds received in the sale of an investment. The Fund consider such contingent





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consideration to be a Level 3 financial asset which the fund measures at fair value. **{Describe techniques used to value contingent consideration}.**

#### Warrants

**{Definition - Warrants are contracts that give the holder the right but not the obligation to buy an underlying security at a certain price, quantity and future time.}** Warrants that are traded on an exchange are valued at their last reported sales price as of the valuation date. The fair value of OTC warrants is valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, a valuation technique that follows the income approach. This pricing model takes into account the contract terms (including maturity) as well as multiple inputs, including time value, implied volatility, equity prices, interest rates and currency rates.

Warrants that are traded on an exchange in an active market are generally classified in Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. Warrants that are not traded on an exchange in an active market are generally categorized in Level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

ASC 820-10-35-59  
through 62

#### Private investment companies

Investments in private investment companies are valued, as a practical expedient, utilizing the net asset valuations provided by the underlying private investment companies, without adjustment, when the net asset valuations of the investments are calculated in a manner consistent with GAAP for investment companies. The Fund applies the practical expedient to its investments in private investment companies on an investment-by-investment basis, and consistently with the Fund's entire position in a particular investment, unless it is probable that the Fund will sell a portion of an investment at an amount different from the net asset valuation. **{If applicable:}** If it is probable that the Fund will sell an investment at an amount different from the net asset valuation or in other situations where the practical expedient is not available, the Fund considers other factors in addition to the net asset valuation, such as features of the investment including subscription and redemption rights, expected discounted cash flows, transactions in the secondary market, bids received from potential buyers, and overall market conditions, in its determination of fair value.

#### **{In addition, describe the methods used by either the Fund or pricing services to determine the value of the Fund's private operating companies:}**

When applying valuation techniques used in the determination of fair value, the Fund assumes a reasonable period of time for estimating cash flows and takes into consideration the financial condition and operating results of the portfolio company, the nature of the investment, restrictions on marketability, market conditions, foreign currency exposures, and other factors. When determining the fair value of investments, the Fund exercises significant judgment and uses the information available as of the measurement date. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations, the fair values reflected in the financial statements as of the measurement date may differ materially from: 1) values that would have been used had a principal or most advantageous market existed for such investments and 2) the values that may ultimately be realized.





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ASC 740-10-50-16 **Income taxes**  
***{The following example includes required disclosures when a Fund has not incurred a liability for unrecognized tax benefits.}***

The Fund does not record a provision for U.S. federal, U.S. state or local income taxes because the partners report their share of the Fund's income or loss on their income tax returns. ***{If applicable:}*** However, certain U.S. dividend income and interest income may be subject to a maximum 30% withholding tax for limited partners that are foreign entities or foreign individuals. ***{If applicable:}*** Further, certain non-U.S. dividend income and interest income may be subject to a tax at prevailing treaty or standard withholding rates with the applicable country or local jurisdiction. The Fund files an income tax return in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and may file income tax returns in various U.S. states ***{If applicable:}***

ASC 740-10-50-15(e) and foreign jurisdictions. Generally, the Fund is subject to income tax examinations by ***{Federal}*** ***{list applicable states}*** ***{Foreign jurisdictions}*** for the years after 20XX.

The Fund is required to determine whether its tax positions are "more likely than not" to be sustained on examination by the applicable taxing authority, based on the technical merits of the position. The Fund recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only when the position is "more likely than not" to be sustained, assuming examination by tax authorities. The tax benefit recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant taxing authorities. Tax positions not deemed to meet a "more likely than not" threshold would be recorded as a tax expense in the current year.

***{The following is an example that may apply to the Fund's assessment of possible changes in unrecognized tax benefits over the next 12 months:}***

ASC 740-10-50-15(d) The Fund has determined that it is reasonably possible that the total amount of the unrecognized tax benefits will ***{increase}*** ***{decrease}*** by approximately ***{include an estimate of the range reasonably possible change or a statement that an estimate of the range cannot be made}***.

ASC 740-10-50-15(c) ***{If applicable,}*** the Fund recognizes interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense and other expenses, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 20XX, the Fund recognized \$XX,XXX and \$XXX,XXX, respectively, related to interest and penalties. At December 31, 20XX, the Fund accrued \$XX,XXX and \$XX,XXX, respectively, for the payment of interest and penalties.

ATQA 4110.01 **Syndication costs**

Syndication costs represent costs incurred in connection with the syndication of limited partnership interests. These costs are reflected as a direct reduction of partners' capital. Approximately \$XXX,XXX was incurred for syndication costs in the initial year of the Fund.



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ASC 720-15-25-1

#### Organization costs

Organization costs are expensed as incurred.

#### Broken deal costs

Costs and expenses incurred related to investigating, sourcing, identifying, analyzing, and pursuing potential portfolio investments are expensed as incurred, with amounts included in the statement of operations. Approximately \$XXX,XXX was incurred for broken deals costs for the year ended December 31, 20XX.

#### Note 3 - Fair value measurements

ASC 820-10-50-2B,  
ASC 820-10-50-8

#### Fair value hierarchy

The Fund's assets recorded at fair value have been categorized based on a fair value hierarchy as described in the Fund's significant accounting policies in Note 2.

ASC 820-10-50-2(b),  
ASC 820-10-50-2B

The following table presents information about the Fund's assets measured at fair value as of December 31, 20XX **{including certain of the Fund's investment in private investment companies that are measured using net asset value ("NAV") per share as a practical expedient and are therefore not categorized within the fair value hierarchy.}**:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Investments measured at net asset value	Total
Investments in securities, at fair value					
Common stock	\$ 56,909,000	\$ -	\$ 11,095,000	\$ -	\$ 68,004,000
Preferred stock	-	-	16,370,000	-	16,370,000
Notes	-	-	2,325,000	-	2,325,000
Warrants	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Total securities, at fair value	<u>\$ 56,909,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 29,800,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 86,709,000</u>

ASC 820-10-50-2G

The following table presents the changes in assets classified in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy for the year ended December 31, 20XX attributable to the following:

(In thousands)	Common Stock	Preferred Stock	Total
Purchases	\$ 740	\$ 111	\$ 851
Transfers into Level 3	-	-	-
Transfers out of Level 3	(56,909)	-	(56,909)

ASC 820-10-50-2C  
(3)

The transfer out of Level 3 relates to the investment in Technology Company A common stock which became publicly traded during the year ended December 31, 20XX. **{If applicable:}** During the year ended December 31, 20XX, the Fund had no transfers of investments into or out of Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

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Transfers between Levels 2 and 3 generally relate to whether significant unobservable inputs are used for the fair value measurements.



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#### Significant unobservable inputs

The following table summarizes the valuation techniques and significant unobservable inputs used for the Fund's investments that are categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 20XX:

(In thousands)	Fair value at December 31, 20XX	Valuation technique	Unobservable inputs	Range of inputs
Investments, at fair value				
Common stock	\$ 11,095	Market approach - comparable companies	Revenue multiples - last twelve months EBITDA multiples	X%-X% X%-X%
Preferred stock	16,370	Income approach - discounted cash flows model	Discount rate Growth rate Terminal value growth rate	X%-X% X%-X% X%-X%
Warrants	10	Income approach - option pricing model	Volatility Discount rate Estimated time to exit	X%-X% X%-X% X-X

**If a portion of Level 3 investments were not valued using internally developed unobservable inputs, include language to reconcile the difference such as the following if not included in the preceding table:**

{Certain of} the Fund's Level 3 investments have been valued using unadjusted inputs that have not been internally developed by the Fund, including third-party transactions and indicative broker quotations. As a result, fair value assets of approximately \$2,325,000 have been excluded from the preceding table.

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#### Changes in valuation techniques

**{In situations where there has been a change in either or both a valuation approach and a valuation technique for measurements categorized in Levels 2 and 3 of the fair value hierarchy the reporting entity shall disclose that change and the reason(s) for making it.}** During the year ended December 31, 20XX, the Fund changed the valuation technique used to value \$XX,XXX of private operating companies from the market approach to income approach. The Fund believes the change in valuation technique and its application results in a measurement that is equally or more representative of the fair value in the circumstances because of ... **{Disclose the reasons for the change in the valuation approach or technique.}**

ASC 825-10-50-21

#### Note 4 - Concentration of credit risk

The Fund is subject to credit risk to the extent any financial institution with which it conducts business is unable to fulfill contracted obligations on its behalf. Management monitors the financial condition of those financial institutions and does not anticipate any losses from these counterparties.

ASC 815-10-50-1A,  
ASC 815-10-50-5

#### Note 5 - Warrants

The Fund may receive warrants from portfolio companies. A warrant is a derivative instrument that entitles the holder to buy stock of the portfolio company through a specified term at a specified price. Warrants are subject to equity price



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risk and its value will fluctuate with the price of the underlying security ("intrinsic value"). Upon expiration, the warrants are worthless unless the price of the common stock is greater than the exercise price. There are certain risks involved in trading warrants, including the time value of the warrant, which decreases as the warrant approaches the date of expiration. Warrants are also subject to counterparty risk, as there is risk the issuer will not settle the exercised warrant. As a result, there is the potential for the Fund to lose its entire investment in a warrant.

***{Entities should consider the need for disclosure of the volume of warrant activity in accordance with ASC Section 815-10-50.}***

#### Note 6 - Escrow proceeds receivable

During 20XX, the Fund completed the sale of its investment in ***{insert company names}***. A portion of proceeds from the sale of the portfolio company is held in escrow as recourse for indemnity claims that may arise under the sale agreement. Amounts held in escrow are held at estimated realizable value ***{if applicable}***; or fair value, and included in net realized gain (loss) on investments. As of December 31, 20XX, the carrying amount of escrow proceeds receivable is \$115,000. ***{if applicable}***: The escrow was paid to the Fund on (add in subsequent date). Or disclose amounts collected subsequent to YE but before audit issuance.

#### Note 7 - Contingent consideration

***{If applicable:}*** Contingent consideration refers to additional amounts from milestones or liquidated investments that management believes may be realized at future dates and/or as future events occur. The terms of these milestones are generally defined in the sales/liquidation agreements of the liquidated investment. The amount of the actual milestone payments ultimately received by the Fund may vary depending on whether the future milestone events are (or are not) attained.

#### Note 8 - Notes payable

***{If applicable:}*** On December XX, 20XX, the Fund entered into a \$XX million promissory note including a security agreement (the Note) with an unrelated third party to provide short-term liquidity. The Note is secured by certain investments of the Fund and is due on ***{insert date}***. Interest is accrued at X.X% per annum. At December 31, 20XX, the amount of the Note was \$XXX,XXX.

***{If applicable:}*** On December XX, 20XX, the Fund entered into a revolving line of credit agreement with ***{insert bank name}***, which provides a \$XX million credit facility for the Fund and expires on ***{Date, Year}***. The line of credit is collateralized by certain assets of the Fund and guaranteed by the Fund's General Partner. On ***{insert date}***, the Fund drew down \$XX million under this line of credit and repaid the \$XX million on ***{insert date}***. Interest accrues at X.X% per annum.



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During the year ended December 31, 20XX, the Fund incurred \$XXX in interest related to the promissory note (or revolving line of credit) and certain other fees as indicated on the statement of operations.

#### Note 9 - Commitments and contingencies

**{The following disclosures are examples of long-term commitments and contingences, which may occur for an investment company. The appropriate disclosures to be included should be tailored based on the facts and circumstances of the Fund:}**

ASC 450-20-50-4 **{If applicable:}** In the normal course of business, the Fund has been named as a defendant in various matters. Management of the Fund, after consultation with legal counsel, believes that the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition, results of operations or cash flows of the Fund.

ASC 460-10-50-4 **{If applicable:}** The Fund has provided general indemnifications to the General Partner, any affiliate of the General Partner, and any person acting on behalf of the General Partner or that affiliate when they act, in good faith, in the best interest of the Fund. The Fund is unable to develop an estimate of the maximum potential amount of future payments that could potentially result from any hypothetical future claim but expects the risk of having to make any payments under these general business indemnifications to be remote.

ASC 946-20-50-15 **{If applicable:}** The Fund has provided financial support to its investees in the normal course of executing its investment strategies. The following tables summarize financial support provided to the Fund's investees during the year ended December 31, 20XX. ***{Note: Examples of financial support may include loans, capital commitments and guarantees. This can also include situations in which the Fund assisted an investee in obtaining financial support.}***

ASC 946-20-50-15 The Fund provided financial support that was contractually required as follows:

Type	Amount (in thousands)	Reasons for providing support
[Describe the type of financial support]	\$ X,XXX	[Describe the primary reasons for providing financial support.]

ASC 946-20-50-15 The Fund provided financial support that was not contractually required as follows:

Type	Amount (in thousands)	Reasons for providing support
[Describe the type of financial support]	\$ X,XXX	[Describe the primary reasons for providing financial support.]



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ASC 946-20-50-16 The following table summarizes the amount of financial support the Fund will be contractually required to provide to investees but has not yet provided:

Type	Amount (in thousands)	Reasons for providing support
[Describe the type of financial support]	\$ <u>X,XXX</u>	[Describe the primary reasons for providing financial support.]

ASC 946-20-50-15 The Fund has \$X,XXX,000 of unfunded loan commitments to investees as of December 31, 2022.

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The Fund has the following unfunded loan commitments (unfunded investments) as of December 31, 20XX.

Investee	Amount (in thousands)	Commitment expiration
[Name of Investee]	\$ <u>X,XXX</u>	[Date of Expiration of Commitment]

ASC 946-205-50-25 **Note 10 - Committed capital**

At December 31, 20XX, the Fund has total commitments of \$XXX,XXX,XXX, of which \$XXX,XXX,XXX is committed by limited partners. The General Partner may call capital up to the amount of unfunded commitments to enable the Fund to make investments, pay fees and expenses, or provide reserves. No limited partner is required to fund an amount in excess of its unfunded commitment. At December 31, 20XX, the Fund's unfunded commitments amounted to \$XXX,XXX,XXX, of which \$XXX,XXX,XXX is unfunded from the limited partners. The ratio of total contributed capital to total committed capital is X.X%.

#### **Note 11 - Partners' capital**

ASC 505-10-50-3 **{The following disclosures are examples of the pertinent rights and privileges of the Fund's capital structure. These disclosures should be tailored to reflect the provisions in the Fund's legal documents:}**

#### **Capital contributions**

Capital contributions are due from the partners within XX business days of advance notice from the General Partner and are subject to certain limitations.

Capital contributions receivable are capital calls that have been received after December 31, 20XX but before the date the financial statements were issued.

Advance capital contributions represent amounts received from limited partners for contributions with an effective date after December 31, 20XX.

**{If applicable:}** During the year ended December 31, 20XX certain amounts of the General Partner's capital contributions may be deemed to have been satisfied by applying a cashless contribution to the General Partner, and



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accordingly, the actual amount of the General Partner's cash contributions may be less than its pro rata capital commitment amount.

#### **Allocation of partnership profits and losses**

Net investment income (loss), net realized gain (loss) loss from investments and foreign currency transactions, and net change in unrealized gain and losses on investments and foreign currency transactions are allocated to the partners' pro rata in proportion to their respective capital contributions; however, the limited partners' allocation of profits and losses is divided between the limited partners and the General Partner in the following manner:

First, 100% to all partners' pro rata according to their respective contributions until each partner has received distributions equal to such partner's aggregate capital contributions.

Second, 100% to the partners' pro rata according to their respective contributions until each partner has received distributions equal in value to a rate of return of 8% (the "Preferred Return") on the amount of such partner's aggregate capital contributions to date (as defined by the Agreement).

Third, 100% to the General Partner have received cumulative aggregate distributions in an amount equal to 20% of the sum of the Preferred Return and the amount of proceeds distributed under this paragraph.

Fourth, 80% to all partners, pro rata according to their respective contributions and 20% to the General Partner and the Limited Partners, in proportion to their respective partnership percentage.

ASC 946-20-50-5      The allocation of profits and losses in steps three and four above represents carried interest to the General Partner.

#### **Capital distributions**

**{If applicable:}** The Fund is required to make an annual mandatory distribution to each partner within 90 days after December 31, 20XX to satisfy the individual partner tax liabilities generated by the Fund during the year. The General Partner, in its own discretion, may make additional distributions subject to certain restrictions.

Distributions are made to the partners' pro rata in proportion to their respective capital contributions; however, the limited partners' shares of any distributions are divided between the limited partners and the General Partner in the same manner as the allocation of partnership profits and losses.

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#### **Carried interest**

At December 31, 20XX, the capital accounts have been allocated to adjust the General Partner deemed carried interest as if the Fund had realized all assets and settled all liabilities at the fair value reported in the financial statements, and allocated all gains and losses and distributed the net assets to the partners





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consistent with the provisions of the Agreement. The carried interest to the General Partner will remain provisional until final liquidation of the Fund.

For the year ended December 31, 20XX, the General Partner carried interest allocation, which includes realized and unrealized gains on investments was \$XXX,XXX. Cumulatively through ended December 31, 20XX, the General Partner carried interest allocation, which includes realized and unrealized gains on investments was \$XXX,XXX.

***{If applicable:}*** At the discretion of the Investment Manager and General Partner, certain limited partners have special incentive allocation arrangements.

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#### Clawback

***{If applicable:}*** On termination of the Fund, if there has been any distribution of carried interest to the General Partner and if the distributions received by the limited partners have been insufficient to provide the required return of capital and preferred return, the General Partner will be obligated to return previously received carried interest payments (the "clawback") to the limited partners.

The clawback is limited to the after-tax amount of carried interest previously distributed to the General Partner.

***{If applicable:}*** The capital accounts reflect a clawback of \$XXX,XXX to be returned to the Fund as if the Fund were to liquidate as of December 31, 20XX. The clawback will remain provisional until final liquidation of the Fund.

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#### Note 12 - Management fee

***{Please review the Fund's Agreement for the specific terms. The disclosure below is only an example:}***

The Fund pays an annual management fee, calculated and payable on a quarterly basis, to the Investment Manager. The management fee is based on an annual rate of 2% of the aggregate capital commitments of the limited partners. After reaching the investment period termination date on ***{Month, Date, Year}***, the management fee will be based on the amount of invested capital.

From time to time, the Investment Manager, General Partner or any affiliate of the Fund may enter into specific transactions on behalf of the Fund and receive a fee for their services, and {XX%} of that fee is applied to reduce future management fees payable by the Fund to the Investment Manager. For the year ended December 31, 20XX, the Investment Manager earned \$XXX,XXX as a result of these transactions, of which XX% has been applied as a reduction of management fee expense.





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For the year ended December 31, 20XX, the management fee, net, charged to the Fund consisted of the following:

Management fee, gross	\$ 950,000
Offsets	<u>(200,000)</u>
Management fee, net	<u>\$ 750,000</u>

Management fee payable of \$XXX,XXX is expected to be paid in {Month, Year} and represents the management fee due to the Investment Manager.

**{If applicable:}** At the discretion of the Investment Manager and General Partner, certain limited partners have special management fee arrangements.

#### Note 13 - Administrative services

XYZ Fund Services Ltd. (the "Administrator") serves as the Fund's administrator and performs certain administrative and accounting services on behalf of the Fund. **{If applicable:}** At December 31, 20XX, cash balances in the amount of approximately \$X,XXX,000 are held by an affiliate of the Administrator.

#### Note 14 - Related party transactions

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The Fund considers the General Partner and the Investment Manager, their principal owners, members of management and members of their immediate families, as well as entities under common control, to be related parties to the Fund. Amounts due from and due to related parties are generally settled in the normal course of business without formal payment terms.

**{If applicable:}** Certain limited partners are related parties of the General Partner. The aggregate value of limited partners' capital owned by related parties at December 31, 20XX is approximately \$XXX,XXX.

**{If applicable:}** Certain members of the General Partner serve as members of the Board of Directors of certain investments aggregating approximately XX% of total capital in which the Fund holds investment positions.

**{If applicable:}** The Fund has amounts due from related parties for advances in the normal course of business. As of December 31, 20XX, \$XX,XXX is receivable from related parties. Amounts are noninterest-bearing and are due on demand.

**{If applicable:}** Additionally, the Fund may invest alongside or co-invest with other entities affiliated with the Manager and/or with the same General Partner as the Fund. **{If applicable:}** At December 31, 20XX, the Fund held an investment with a fair value of \$XXX,XXX that was coinvested with affiliated funds. **{If applicable:}** At December 31, 20XX, the Fund had no investments that were coinvested with affiliated funds.



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#### Note 15 - Risk factors

***{The following disclosures are examples of risk factors that may occur for an investment company. The appropriate disclosure to be included should be tailored based on the facts and circumstances of the Fund:}***

Management of the Fund seeks investment opportunities that offer the possibility of attaining substantial capital appreciation. Certain events particular to each industry in which the Fund invests, and general economic and political conditions, may have a significant negative effect on the investee's operations and profitability. In addition, the Fund is subject to changing regulatory and tax environments. These events are beyond the Fund's control and the likelihood that they may occur cannot be predicted. Furthermore, most of the Fund's investments are made in private operating companies whose shares do not trade on established exchanges. While it is expected that these companies may pursue initial public offerings, trade sales or other liquidation events, there are generally no public markets for these investments at the current time. The Fund's ability to liquidate its private operating companies and realize value is subject to significant limitations and uncertainties, including currency fluctuations. The Fund's ability to liquidate its publicly traded investments is subject to limitations, including discounts that may be required to be taken on quoted prices due to the number of shares being sold.



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#### Note 16 - Financial highlights

ASC 946-205-45-2 Financial highlights for the year ended December 31, 20XX are as follows:

ASC 946-205-50-23	Internal rate of return, since inception	
	Beginning of year	14.8 %
	End of year	15.0 %
ASC 946-205-50-10 and 12 through 14	Ratios to average limited partners' capital	
	Expenses before carried interest to General Partner	0.9 %
	Carried interest to General Partner	4.2
	Expenses, including carried interest to General Partner	5.1 %
	Net investment income (loss)	(0.8) %

ASC 946-205-50-4 Financial highlights are calculated for the limited partner class taken as a whole.  
 ASC 946-205-50-15 **{If applicable}** An individual limited partner's return and ratios may vary based on different management fee and carried interest arrangements.

ASC 946-205-50-24 The internal rate of return ("IRR") of the limited partner class since inception of the Fund is net of carried interest to the General Partner and computed based on the actual dates of capital contributions and distributions and the ending aggregate limited partners' capital balance (residual value).

ASC 946-205-50-13 The net investment income (loss) ratio does not reflect the effect of carried interest to the General Partner.

ASC 946-205-50-10 **{For periods greater than or less than one year:}** The ratios,  
 ASC 946-205-50-13 excluding nonrecurring expenses and carried interest to the General Partner, have been annualized.

**{In the meeting highlights from the AICPA Investment Companies Expert Panel ("EP") for January 18-19 2022 issued the following guidance.}** *The EP agreed that Internal Rate of Return Information presented should be useful and meaningful to investors and not misleading, and the best practice is to include disclosures that state how IRR is calculated and whether it is annualized or not.*

ASC 855-10-50-1 and 2 **Note 16 - Subsequent events**

These financial statements were approved by management and available for issuance on **{Month, Date, Year}**. Subsequent events have been evaluated through this date.



**Appendix A**  
**Investment in Private Investment Companies**

**Schedule of Investments**  
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**(Information disclosed in footnotes to Schedule of Investments)**

Description	Cost	Fair value	Percentage of net assets	Unfunded commitment
Investment in private investment companies, at fair value				
United States				
XYZ Fund L.P.	\$ 183,466,000	\$ 195,642,000	26.30 % (1)	\$ 400,000
QRS Fund L.P.	31,628,000	36,570,000	4.92 (3)	100,000
UVW Fund L.P.	41,624,000	43,700,000	5.63 (2)	300,000
Total investment in private investment companies, at fair value	<u>\$ 256,718,000</u>	<u>\$ 275,912,000</u>	<u>36.85 %</u>	<u>\$ 800,000</u>

ASC 946-210-50-9 At December 31, 20XX, the Fund's proportionate share of ownership of the following issuers represented more than 5% of the Fund's net assets:

	Percent of net assets	Proportionate fair value
(1) Private Education Company A, Inc. (a)	10.11%	\$75,203,000

(a) This amount represents the aggregate value of various securities less than 5% of the Fund's net assets.

ASC 946-210-50-9 (2) **[The following is an alternative presentation of the Fund's proportionate interest in underlying investments that exceed 5% of the Fund's [partners' capital] [net assets] at December 31, 20XX].** UVW Funds L.P. holds an investment in XYZ common stock with a fair value of \$XX,XXX,000. XYZ is a U.S. company in the media industry. The Fund's proportionate share of this investment is valued at \$XX,XXX,000 as of December 31, 20XX.

ASC 946-210-50-10 (3) Information about the investee fund's portfolio is not available.



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