UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

ACT OF 1934	3 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
For the quarterly period ende	d September 30, 2016
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 ACT OF 1934	3 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
For the Transition Period from	to
Commission File Numb	per: 814-00235
Rand Capital C (Exact Name of Registrant as s	-
New York (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	16-0961359 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
2200 Rand Building, Buffalo, NY (Address of Principal executive offices)	14203 (Zip Code)
(716) 853-08 (Registrant's telephone number	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to f 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗹 N	t the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Reg months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit	ulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, a company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer Exchange Act.	
Large accelerated filer □	Accelerated filer □
Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company \Box
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as define	ed in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes □ No ☑
As of November 2, 2016, there were 6,321,988 shares of the registrant's co	ommon stock outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION As of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015

	September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015
ASSETS	(chadarea)	2013
Investments at fair value:		
Control investments (cost of \$99,500 and \$1,141,472, respectively)	\$ 99,500	\$13,916,472
Affiliate investments (cost of \$18,239,623 and \$17,663,217, respectively)	13,688,814	14,662,219
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments (cost of \$13,936,867 and \$8,606,053, respectively)	13,789,967	8,253,709
Total investments, at fair value (cost of \$32,275,990 and \$27,410,742, respectively)	27,578,281	36,832,400
Cash	11,708,164	5,844,795
Interest receivable (net of allowance: \$122,000 at 9/30/16 and 12/31/15)	312,523	215,224
Deferred tax asset	1,087,252	_
Prepaid income taxes		65,228
Other assets	2,607,195	1,604,413
Total assets	\$43,293,415	\$44,562,060
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (NET ASSETS)		
Liabilities:		
Debentures guaranteed by the SBA (net of debt issuance costs)	\$ 7,820,923	\$ 7,800,373
Income tax payable	826,983	_
Deferred tax liability	_	2,361,186
Profit sharing and bonus payable	1,593,659	282,000
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	153,233	238,911
Deferred revenue	53,483	25,930
Total liabilities	10,448,281	10,708,400
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 5)		
Stockholders' equity (net assets):		
Common stock, \$.10 par; shares authorized 10,000,000; shares issued 6,863,034; shares outstanding of		
6,321,988 as of 9/30/16 and 6,328,538 as of 12/31/15	686,304	686,304
Capital in excess of par value	10,581,789	10,581,789
Accumulated net investment loss	(1,375,832)	(24,580)
Undistributed net realized gain on investments	27,515,011	18,262,401
Net unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments	(3,093,033)	5,795,237
Treasury stock, at cost; 541,046 shares as of 9/30/16 and 534,496 as of 12/31/15	(1,469,105)	(1,447,491)
Total stockholders' equity (net assets) (per share 9/30/16: \$5.20, 12/31/15: \$5.35)	32,845,134	33,853,660
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$43,293,415	\$44,562,060

See accompanying notes

RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For the Three Months and the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 (Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30, 2016 Three months ended September 30, 2015		Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Nine months ended September 30, 2015
Investment income:				
Interest from portfolio companies:				
Control investments	\$	\$ 18,336		\$ 60,756
Affiliate investments	113,643	100,678	273,218	312,329
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments	110,395	61,312	240,027	176,534
Total interest from portfolio companies	224,038	180,326	525,073	549,619
Interest from other investments:				
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments	11,974	3,529	33,683	18,719
Total interest from other investments	11,974	3,529	33,683	18,719
Dividend and other investment income:				
Control investments	-	460,947		1,364,306
Affiliate investments	69,010	65,810	149,807	124,239
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments	3,011		3,011	
Total dividend and other investment income	72,021	526,757	152,818	1,488,545
Fee income:		• • • • •	• • • • •	6.000
Control investments		2,000	2,000	6,000
Affiliate investments Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments	2,083	1,417	3,945	3,250
	5,770	4,250	13,004	12,417
Total fee income	7,853	7,667	18,949	21,667
Total investment income	315,886	718,279	730,523	2,078,550
Operating expenses:				
Salaries	155,437	149,555	466,312	448,665
Bonus and profit sharing	_	_	1,411,659	_
Employee benefits	38,730	27,745	164,952	87,546
Directors' fees	47,380	37,950	142,135	89,000
Professional fees	86,938	33,702	237,986	127,204
Stockholders and office operating	50,846	41,716	174,882	156,830
Insurance	8,358	8,400	25,876	25,954
Corporate development	17,794	16,982	49,319	48,363
Other operating	3,495	3,099	9,470	8,973
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Interest on SBA obligations	77,570	77,569	232,709	229,460
Total operating expenses	486,548	396,718	2,915,300	1,221,995
Net investment (loss) income before income taxes	(170,662)	321,561	(2,184,777)	856,555
Income tax (benefit) expense	(55,934)	88,298	(833,525)	262,285
Net investment (loss) income	(114,728)	233,263	(1,351,252)	594,270
Net realized gain on investments:				
Control investments	1,412,500	_	14,588,813	_
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments		_	168,140	262,925
Net realized gain before income taxes	1,412,500		14,756,953	262,925
Income tax expense	526,862	_	5,504,343	89,742
Net realized gain on investments	885,638		9,252,610	173,183
Net change in unrealized depreciation or appreciation on investments:	000,000		<i>></i> ,202,010	175,105
Control investments	(1,412,500)	_	(12,775,000)	_
Affiliate investments	(666,011)	(250,000)	(1,413,811)	(443,436)
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate investments		321,300	69,444	193,572
Change in unrealized depreciation or appreciation before income				
taxes	(2,078,511)	71,300	(14,119,367)	(249,864)
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense	(736,301)	18,066	(5,231,097)	(91,552)
Net (decrease) increase in unrealized depreciation or appreciation on				
investments	(1,342,210)	53,234	(8,888,270)	(158,312)
Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain on investments	(456,572)	53,234	364,340	14,871
Net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations	(\$ 571,300)		(\$ 986,912)	\$ 609,141
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Weighted average shares outstanding Basic and diluted net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations,	6,325,299	6,328,538	6,327,074	6,328,538
per share	(\$ 0.09)	\$ 0.05	(\$ 0.16)	\$ 0.10
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RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the Three Months and the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 (Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30, 2016	Three months ended September 30, 2015	Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Nine months ended September 30, 2015
Net assets at beginning of period	\$ 33,438,048	\$ 32,676,085	\$ 33,853,660	\$ 32,353,441
Net investment (loss) income	(114,728)	233,263	(1,351,252)	594,270
Net realized gain on investments	885,638	_	9,252,610	173,183
Net (decrease) increase in unrealized depreciation or appreciation on investments	(1,342,210)	53,234	(8,888,270)	(158,312)
Net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations	(571,300)	286,497	(986,912)	609,141
Purchase of treasury stock	(21,614)		(21,614)	
Total (decrease) increase in net assets	(592,914)	286,497	(1,008,526)	609,141
Net assets at end of period	\$ 32,845,134	\$ 32,962,582	\$ 32,845,134	\$ 32,962,582
Accumulated net investment loss	(\$ 1,375,832)	(\$ 273,212)	(\$ 1,375,832)	(\$ 273,212)

See accompanying notes

RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016		Nine months ended September 30, 2015	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations	(\$	986,912)	\$	609,141
Adjustments to reconcile net (decrease) increase in net assets to net cash provided by (used in)				
operating activities:				
Investments in portfolio companies	(5,883,012)	(6	5,769,008)
Proceeds from sale of investments	1	4,313,203		648,605
Proceeds from loan repayments		416,972		151,460
Decrease in unrealized appreciation on investments	1	4,119,367		249,864
Deferred tax (benefit) expense	(3,448,438)		30,183
Realized gain on portfolio investments	(1	4,756,953)		(262,925)
Depreciation and amortization		25,034		24,698
Original issue discount amortization		(7,497)		(11,619)
Change in interest receivable allowance		_		(6,311)
Non-cash conversion of debenture interest		(16,711)		(69,710)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Increase in interest receivable		(97,299)		(37,811)
Decrease in other assets		61,484		31,782
Decrease (increase) in prepaid income taxes		65,228		(51,230)
Increase (decrease) in income taxes payable		826,983	(2	2,065,795)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses		(85,678)		(185,993)
Increase (decrease) in profit sharing and bonus payable		1,311,659		(758,750)
Increase in deferred revenue		27,553		6,333
Total adjustments		6,871,895	(9	9,076,227)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		5,884,983		3,467,086)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Purchase of treasury shares		(21,614)		_
Net cash provided by financing activities		(21,614)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash		5,863,369	(8	3,467,086)
Cash:				,
Beginning of period		5,844,795	13	3,230,717
End of period		1,708,164	\$ 4	1,763,631

See accompanying notes

September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)

(a) Company, Geographic Location, Business <u>Description, (Industry) and Website</u>	Type of Investment	(b) Date Acquired	(c) <u>Equity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	(d)(f) Fair <u>Value</u>	Percent of Net <u>Assets</u>
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments – 42.0% of net assets: (j)						
ACV Auctions, Inc. (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Live mobile auctions for new and used cars. (Software) www.acvauctions.com	118,116 Series A preferred shares.	8/12/16	1%	\$163,000	\$163,000	0.5%
Athenex, Inc. (e)(g) (Formerly Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) Buffalo, NY. Specialty pharmaceutical and drug development. (Health Care) www.athenex.com	46,296 common shares.	9/8/14	<1%	143,285	416,664	1.3%
City Dining Cards, Inc. (Loupe) (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Customer loyalty technology company that helps businesses attract and retain customers. (Software) www.loupeapp.io	9,525.25 Series B preferred shares.	9/1/15	4%	500,000	500,000	1.5%
eHealth Global Technologies, Inc. (g) Henrietta, NY. eHealth Connect ® improves health care delivery through intelligently aggregated clinical record and images for patient referrals. (Health Care) www.ehealthtechnologies.com	\$1,500,000 senior subordinated secured term loan at 9% due September 2, 2019.	6/28/16	0%	1,500,000	1,500,000	4.6%
Empire Genomics, LLC (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Molecular diagnostics company that offers a comprehensive menu of assay services for diagnosing and guiding patient therapeutic treatments. (Health Care) www.empiregenomics.com	\$900,000 senior secured convertible term notes at 10% due April 1, 2017. \$250,000 promissory note at 12% due December 31, 2019. (i) Interest receivable \$170,277. Total Empire	6/13/14	<1%	900,000 <u>250,000</u> <u>1,150,000</u>	900,000 <u>250,000</u> <u>1,150,000</u>	3.5%
GoNoodle, Inc. (g) (Formerly HealthTeacher, Inc.) Nashville, TN. Student engagement education software providing core aligned physical activity breaks. (Software) www.gonoodle.com	\$1,000,000 secured note at 12% due January 31, 2020, (1% Payment in Kind (PIK)). Warrant for 47,324 Series C Preferred shares. Total GoNoodle	2/6/15	<1%	1,016,560 25 1,016,585	1,016,560 25 1,016,585	3.1%
Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (g) Williamsville, NY. Full service accounts receivable management and collections company. (Contact Center) www.mercantilesolutions.com	\$1,099,039 subordinated secured note at 13% (3% for the calendar year 2016) due October 30, 2017. (e) \$150,000 subordinated debenture at 8% due June 30, 2018. Warrant for 3.29% membership interests. Option for 1.5% membership interests. (i) Interest receivable \$64,537.	10/22/12	4%	1,088,191 150,000 <u>97,625</u>	1,088,191 0 <u>0</u>	3.3%
	Total Mercantile	11/10/10	40 /	1,335,816	1,088,191	6.50/
Outmatch Holdings, LLC (e)(g) (Chequed Holdings, LLC) Saratoga Springs, NY. Web based predictive employee selection and reference checking. (Software) www.outmatch.com	2,353,854 Class P1 Units. 109,788 Class C1 Units. Total Outmatch	11/18/10	4%	2,140,007 5,489 2,145,496	2,140,007 5,489 2,145,496	6.5%
PostProcess Technologies LLC (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Provides innovative solutions for the post- processing of additive manufactured parts. (Manufacturing) www.postprocess.com	\$300,000 convertible promissory note at 5% due July 28, 2018.	7/25/16	0%	300,000	300,000	0.9%

September 30, 2016 (Continued) (Unaudited)

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(a) Company, Geographic Location, Business <u>Description, (Industry) and Website</u>	Type of Investment	(b) Date Acquired	(c) <u>Equity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	(d)(f) Fair <u>Value</u>	Percent of Net <u>Assets</u>
Rheonix, Inc. (e) Ithaca, NY. Developer of fully automated microfluidic based molecular assay and diagnostic testing devices. (Health Care) www.rheonix.com	9,676 common shares. (g) 1,839,422 Series A preferred shares. (g) 50,593 common shares. (g) 589,420 Series B preferred shares. Total Rheonix	10/29/09	4%	2,099,999 - - - - - - - 2,802,731	11,000 2,165,999 59,000 <u>702,732</u> <u>2,938,731</u>	8.9%
SocialFlow, Inc. (e)(g) New York, NY. Provides instant analysis of social networks using a proprietary, predictive analytic algorithm to optimize advertising and publishing. (Software) www.socialflow.com	1,049,538 Series B preferred shares. 1,204,819 Series B-1 preferred shares. 717,772 Series C preferred shares. Total Social Flow	4/5/13	4%	500,000 750,000 500,000 1,750,000	731,431 839,648 	6.3%
Somerset Gas Transmission Company, LLC (e) Columbus, OH. Natural gas transportation. (Oil and Gas) www.somersetgas.com	26.5337 units.	7/10/02	3%	719,097	500,000	1.5%
Other Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments:						
DataView, LLC (Software) (e)	Membership Interest.	-	-	310,357	-	0.0%
UStec/Wi3 (Manufacturing) (e)	Common Stock.	-	-	100,500	<u>-</u>	0.0%
Subtotal Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments				\$13,936,867	\$13,789,967	
Affiliate Investments – 41.7% of net assets (k)						
BeetNPath, LLC (Grainful) (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Frozen entrées and packaged dry side dishes made from 100% whole grain steel cut oats under Grainful brand name. (Consumer Product) www.grainful.com	1,119,024 Series A-2 Preferred Membership Units. \$150,000 convertible promissory note at 8% due September 1, 2017. Total BeetNPath	10/20/14	9%	\$359,000 <u>150,000</u> <u>509,000</u>	\$359,000 <u>150,000</u> <u>509,000</u>	1.5%
Carolina Skiff LLC (g) Waycross, GA. Manufacturer of fresh water, ocean fishing and pleasure boats. (Manufacturing) www.carolinaskiff.com	6.0825% Class A common membership interest.	1/30/04	7%	15,000	600,000	1.8%
ClearView Social, Inc. (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Social media publishing tool for law, CPA and professional firms. (Software) www.clearviewsocial.com	312,500 Series seed plus preferred shares.	1/4/16	6%	200,000	200,000	0.6%
First Wave Products Group, LLC (e)(g) Batavia, NY. Sells First Crush automated pill crusher that crushes and grinds medical pills for nursing homes and medical institutions. (Health Care) www.firstwaveproducts.com	\$500,000 senior term notes at 10% due December 31, 2016. \$280,000 junior term notes at 10% due December 31, 2016. Warrant for 41,619 capital securities.	4/19/12	7%	661,563 316,469 22,000 1,000,032	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ \underline{0} \\ 250,000 \end{array} $	0.8%
Genicon, Inc. (g) Winter Park, FL. Designs, produces and distributes patented surgical instrumentation. (Health Care) www.geniconendo.com	1,586,902 Series B preferred shares. \$1,100,000 senior term loans at 12% due April 1, 2019. \$600,000 term loan at 14% due March 31, 2018.	4/10/15	6%	1,000,000 1,100,000 <u>600,000</u> <u>2,700,000</u>	1,000,000 1,100,000 <u>600,000</u> <u>2,700,000</u>	8.2%
GiveGab, Inc. (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Online fundraising, day of giving supporter engagement software for non-profit organizations. (Software) www.givegab.com	5,084,329 Series Seed preferred shares.	3/13/13	9%	616,221	424,314	1.3%

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(a)	,	(b)	(c)		(d)(f)	Percent
Company, Geographic Location, Business <u>Description, (Industry) and Website</u>	Type of Investment	Date <u>Acquired</u>	Equity	Cost	Fair <u>Value</u>	of Net Assets
G-TEC Natural Gas Systems (e) Buffalo, NY. Manufactures and distributes systems that allow natural gas to be used as an alternative fuel to gases. (Manufacturing) www.gas-tec.com	17.845% Class A membership interest. 8% cumulative dividend.	8/31/99	18%	400,000	100,000	0.3%
Intrinsiq Materials, Inc. (e)(g) Rochester, NY. Produces printable electronics utilizing a unique process of nanomaterial based ink in a room-temperature environment. (Manufacturing) www.intrinsiqmaterials.com	4,161,747 Series A preferred shares.	9/19/13	12%	1,125,673	780,000	2.4%
Knoa Software, Inc. (e)(g) New York, NY. End user experience management and performance (EMP) solutions utilizing enterprise applications. (Software) www.knoa.com	973,533 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 1,876,922 Series B preferred shares. \$48,466 convertible promissory note at 8% due May 9, 2018.	11/20/12	7%	750,000 479,155 <u>48,466</u> 1,277,621	0 449,455 <u>48,466</u> 497,921	1.5%
KnowledgeVision Systems, Inc. (e)(g) Lincoln, MA. Online presentation and training software. (Software) www.knowledgevision.com	200,000 Series A-1 preferred shares. 214,285 Series A-2 preferred shares. 129,033 Series A-3 preferred shares. Warrant for 46,743 Series A-3 shares. Total KnowledgeVision	11/13/13	7%	250,000 300,000 165,001 35,000 750,001	0 300,000 165,001 35,000 500,001	1.5%
Mezmeriz, Inc. (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Micro-electronic mechanical systems (MEMS) developer of carbon fiber MEMS mirror modules for gesture recognition and 3D scanning. (Electronics Developer) www.mezmeriz.com	1,554,565 Series Seed preferred shares.	1/9/08	15%	742,850	351,477	1.1%
Microcision LLC (g) Philadelphia, PA. Manufacturer of precision machined medical implants, components and assemblies. (Manufacturing) www.microcision.com	\$1,500,000 subordinated promissory note at 11% due January 31, 2017. 15% Class A common membership interest. Total Microcision	9/24/09	15%	1,891,964 	1,891,964 	5.8%
New Monarch Machine Tool, Inc. (g) Cortland, NY. Manufactures and services vertical/horizontal machining centers. (Manufacturing) www.monarchmt.com	22.84 common shares.	9/24/03	15%	22,841	22,841	0.1%
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Maker of patented hollow-metal core golf balls. (Consumer Product) www.oncoregolf.com	150,000 Series AA preferred shares. \$300,000 subordinated convertible promissory notes at 6% due January 24, 2017. Total OnCore	12/31/14	7%	375,000 300,000 675,000	300,000 487,500	1.5%
SciAps, Inc. (e)(g) Woburn, MA. Instrumentation company producing portable analytical devices using XRF, LIBS and RAMAN spectroscopy to identify compounds, minerals, and elements. (Manufacturing) www.sciaps.com	187,500 Series A convertible preferred shares. 274,299 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 117,371 Series B preferred shares. \$200,000 subordinated convertible note at 10% due April 8, 2017. \$100,000 secured subordinated convertible note at 10% due December 31, 2017. Total SciAps	7/12/13	9%	1,500,000 504,710 250,000 200,000 100,000 2,554,710	1,000,000 504,710 250,000 200,000 100,000 2,054,710	6.3%

September 30, 2016 (Continued)

(Unaudited)

(a) Company, Geographic Location, Business <u>Description, (Industry) and Website</u>	Type of Investment	(b) Date <u>Acquired</u>	(c) <u>Equity</u>	Cost	(d)(f) Fair <u>Value</u>	Percent of Net <u>Assets</u>
SOMS Technologies, LLC (g) Valhalla, NY. Produces and markets the microGreen Extended Performance Oil Filter. (Consumer Products) www.microgreenfilter.com	5,959,490 Series B membership interests.	12/2/08	9%	472,632	528,348	1.6%
Statisfy, Inc. (e)(g) Boston, MA. Mobile marketing platform for engagement, advertising and surveys. (Software) www.statisfy.co	65,000 Series seed preferred shares. Warrant for 1,950,000 Series seed preferred shares. Total Statisfy	8/18/14	10%	20,968 629,032 650,000	0 <u>0</u> <u>0</u>	0.0%
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (e)(g)(m) Montvale, NJ. Customer contact center specializing in customer acquisition and retention for selected industries. (Contact Center) www.ipacesetters.com	250,000 Class B preferred units. 1,000,000 Class C preferred units. 80,000 Class D preferred units. 104,198 Class E preferred units. PIK dividend for Series C and D at 12% and 14%, respectively. Total Teleservices	5/30/14	6%	250,000 1,190,680 91,200 104,198 1,636,078	0 595,340 91,200 104,198	2.4%
Tilson Technology Management, Inc.(g) Portland, ME. Cellular, fiber optic and wireless information systems, construction, and management. (Professional Services) www.tilsontech.com	12 Series B preferred shares. 21,390.67 Series C convertible preferred shares. \$200,000 subordinated promissory note at 8% due September 28, 2021. Total Tilson	1/20/15	8%	600,000 200,000 200,000 1,000,000	600,000 200,000 200,000 1,000,000	3.0%
Subtotal Affiliate Investments				\$18,239,623	\$13,688,814	
Control Investments – 0.3% of net assets (I)						
Advantage 24/7 LLC (e)(g) Williamsville, NY. Marketing program for wine and spirits dealers. (Marketing Company) www.advantage24-7.com	53% Membership interest.	12/30/10	53%	\$99,500	\$99,500	0.3%
Subtotal Control Investments				\$99,500	\$99,500	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 84.0%				\$32,275,990	\$27,578,281	
OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES – 16.0	%				5,266,853	
NET ASSETS – 100%					\$32,845,134	

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Notes to the Consolidated Schedule of Portfolio Investments

- (a) At September 30, 2016, restricted securities represented 100% of the fair value of the investment portfolio. Restricted securities are subject to one or more restrictions on resale and are not freely marketable.
- (b) The Date Acquired column indicates the year in which the Corporation first acquired an investment in the company or a predecessor company.
- (c) Each equity percentage estimates the Corporation's ownership interest in the applicable portfolio investment. The estimated ownership is calculated based on the percent of outstanding voting securities held by the Corporation or the potential percentage of voting securities held by the Corporation upon exercise of warrants or conversion of debentures, or other available data. If applicable, the symbol "<1%" indicates that the Corporation holds an equity interest of less than one percent.
- (d) The Corporation's investments are carried at fair value in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures," which defines fair value and establishes guidelines for measuring fair value. At September 30, 2016, ASC 820 designates 100% of the Corporation's investments as "Level 3" assets. Under the valuation policy of the Corporation, unrestricted publicly held securities are valued at the average closing bid price for these securities for the last three trading days of the month. Restricted securities are subject to restrictions on resale, and are valued at fair value as determined by the management of the Corporation and submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. Fair value is considered to be the amount that the Corporation may reasonably expect to receive for portfolio securities when sold on the valuation date. Valuations as of any particular date, however, are not necessarily indicative of amounts which may ultimately be realized as a result of future sales or other dispositions of securities and these favorable or unfavorable differences could be material. Among the factors considered in determining the fair value of restricted securities are the financial condition and operating results, projected operations, and other analytical data relating to the investment. Also considered are the market prices for unrestricted securities of the same class (if applicable) and other matters which may have an impact on the value of the portfolio company (see Note 3 "Investments" to the Consolidated Financial Statements).
- (e) These investments are non-income producing. All other investments are income producing. Non-income producing investments have not generated cash payments of interest or dividends including LLC tax-related distributions within the last twelve months, or are not expected to do so going forward.
- (f) As of September 30, 2016, the total cost of investment securities was approximately \$32.3 million. Net unrealized depreciation was approximately (\$4.7) million, which was comprised of \$1.4 million of unrealized appreciation of investment securities and (\$6.1) million of unrealized depreciation of investment securities. At September 30, 2016, the aggregate gross unrealized gain for federal income tax purposes was \$1.7 million and the aggregate gross unrealized loss for federal income tax purposes was \$4.1 million based on a tax cost of \$31.7 million.
- (g) Rand Capital SBIC, Inc. investment.
- (h) Reduction in cost and value from previously reported balances reflects current principal repayment. There were no principal repayments during the three months ended September 30, 2016.
- Represents interest due (amounts over \$50,000 net of reserves) from investment included as interest receivable on the Corporation's Statement of Financial Position.
- (j) Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments are investments that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments.
- (k) Affiliate Investments are defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act"), as those Non-Control investments in companies in which between 5% and 25% of the voting securities are owned by the Corporation.
- (1) Control Investments are defined by the 1940 Act as investments in companies in which more than 25% of the voting securities are owned by the Corporation or where greater than 50% of the board representation is maintained.
- (m) Payment in kind (PIK) represents earned interest that is added to the cost basis of the investment.

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Investments in and Advances to Affiliates

Company	Type of Investment	December 31, 2015 Fair Value	Gross Additions (1)	Gross Reductions (2)	September 30, 2016 Fair Value	Amount of Interest/ Dividend/ Fee Income (3)
Control Investments:						
Advantage 24/7 LLC	53% Membership interest.	\$99,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$99,500	\$ -
Gemcor II, LLC	\$1,000,000 subordinated promissory note at 15%. 31.25 membership units. Escrow receivable due from sale of business.	416,972 13,400,000	- - -	(416,972) (13,400,00)	- - -	11,828 2,000
	Total Gemcor	13,816,972	-	(13,816,972)		13,828
	Total Control Investments	\$13,916,472	\$0	(\$13,816,972)	\$99,500	\$13,828
Affiliate Investments:						
BeetNPath, LLC	1,119,024 Series A-2 Preferred Membership Units. \$150,000 convertible promissory note at 8%.	\$359,000	\$ - 150,000	\$ - 	\$359,000 <u>150,000</u>	\$ - 3,452
	Total BeetNPath	359,000	150,000	-	509,000	3,452
Carolina Skiff LLC	6.0825% Class A common membership interest.	600,000	-	-	600,000	97,684
ClearView Social, Inc.	312,500 Series seed plus preferred shares.	-	200,000	-	200,000	-
First Wave Products Group, LLC	\$500,000 senior term notes at 10%. \$280,000 junior term notes at 10%. Warrant for 41,619 capital securities.	250,000	- - -	- - -	250,000	833
	Total First Wave	250,000	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>	250,000	833
Genicon, Inc.	1,586,902 Series B preferred shares. \$1,100,000 senior term loans at 12%. \$600,000 term loan at 14%.	1,000,000	1,100,000 600,000	- - -	1,000,000 1,100,000 600,000	2,112 75,967 <u>7,233</u>
	Total Genicon	1,000,000	1,700,000	=	<u>2,700,000</u>	85,312
GiveGab, Inc.	5,084,329 Series Seed preferred shares.	424,314	-	-	424,314	-
G-TEC Natural Gas Systems	17.845% Class A membership interest. 8% cumulative dividend.	100,000	-	-	100,000	-
Intrinsiq Materials, Inc.	4,161,747 Series A preferred shares.	-	780,000	-	780,000	-
	\$95,000 convertible promissory note at 8%. Total Intrinsiq	95,000 95,000	780,000	(95,000) (95,000)	780,000	6,689 6,689
Knoa Software, Inc.	973,533 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 1,876,922 Series B preferred shares. \$48,466 convertible promissory note at 8%.	381,503 490,752	48,466	(381,503) (41,297)	449,455	- - 1,529
	Total Knoa	872,255	48,466	(422,800)	<u>48,466</u> <u>497,921</u>	1,529
KnowledgeVision Systems, Inc.	200,000 Series A-1 preferred shares. 214,285 Series A-2 preferred shares. 129,033 Series A-3 preferred shares. Warrant for 46,743 Series A-3 shares. Total Knowledge Vision	300,000 165,001 35,000 500,001		-	300,000 165,001 35,000 500,001	- - - - - -
Mezmeriz, Inc.	1,554,565 Series seed preferred shares.	351,477	-	-	351,477	-
Microcision LLC	\$1,500,000 subordinated promissory note at 11%. 15% Class A common membership interest.	1,891,964	- <u>-</u>	- -	1,891,964	156,087
New Monarch Machine	Total Microcision	1,891,964	=	=	1,891,964	156,087
Tool, Inc.	22.84 common shares.	22,841	-	-	22,841	28,409
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc.	150,000 Series AA preferred shares. \$300,000 subordinated convertible promissory notes at 6%.	187,500 150,000	150,000	- <u>-</u>	187,500 300,000	12,649
	Total OnCore	337,500	150,000	Ξ	487,500	12,649

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Investments in and Advances to Affiliates

Company	Type of Investment	December 31, 2015 Fair Value	Gross Additions (1)	Gross Reductions (2)	September 30, 2016 Fair Value	Amount of Interest/ Dividend/ Fee Income (3)
Rheonix, Inc.	9,676 common shares. 1,839,422 Series A preferred shares. 50,593 common shares. 589,420 Series B preferred shares. Total Rheonix	11,000 2,165,999 59,000 <u>702,732</u> <u>2,938,731</u>		(11,000) (2,165,999) (59,000) (702,732) (2,938,731)		- - - -
SciAps, Inc.	187,500 Series A convertible preferred shares. 274,299 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 117,371 Series B preferred shares. \$200,000 subordinated promissory note at 10%. \$100,000 secured subordinated convertible note at 10%. Total SciAps	1,000,000 504,710 250,000 - 1,754,710	200,000 100,000 300,000	- - - - -	1,000,000 504,710 250,000 200,000 100,000 2,054,710	9,612
SOMS Technologies, LLC	5,959,490 Series B membership interests.	528,348	-	-	528,348	13,464
Statisfy, Inc.	65,000 Series seed preferred shares. Warrant for 1,950,000 Series seed preferred shares. Total Statisfy	20,968 629,032 650,000	- - - -	(20,968) (629,032) (650,000)	- - - -	- - - -
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC	250,000 Class B shares. 1,000,000 Class C shares. 80,000 Class D preferred units. 104,198 Class E preferred units.	1,190,680 91,200 104,198 1,386,078	- - - - -	(595,340) - - (595,340)	595,340 91,200 104,198 790,738	- - -
Tilson Technology Management, Inc.	12 Series B preferred shares. 21,390 Series C convertible preferred shares. \$200,000 subordinated promissory note at 8%. Total Tilson	600,000 - - 600,000	200,000 200,000 400,000	- - - -	600,000 200,000 200,000 1,000,000	11,250
	Total Affiliate Investments	\$14,662,219	\$3,728,466	(\$4,701,871)	\$13,688,814	\$426,970
	Total Control and Affiliate Investments	\$28,578,691	\$3,728,466	(\$18,518,843)	\$13,788,314	\$440,798

This schedule should be read in conjunction with the Corporation's Consolidated Financial Statements, including the Consolidated Schedule of Portfolio Investments and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

- (1) Gross additions include increases in the cost basis of investments resulting from new portfolio investment, follow on investments, capitalized interest and the accretion of discounts. Gross additions also include net increases in unrealized appreciation or net decreases in unrealized depreciation, and the movement of an existing portfolio company into this category and out of another category.
- (2) Gross reductions include decreases in the cost basis of investments resulting from principal repayments, sales, note conversions, net increases in unrealized depreciation, net decreases in unrealized appreciation, the exchange of existing securities for new securities and the movement of an existing portfolio company out of this category and into another category.
- (3) Represents the total amount of interest, fees or dividends credited to income for the portion of the period an investment was included in Control or Affiliate categories, respectively.

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Industry Classification	Percentage of Total Investments (at fair value) as of September 30, 2016
Healthcare	32.5%
Software	27.3%
Manufacturing	20.8%
Contact Center	6.8%
Consumer Product	5.5%
Professional Services	3.6%
Oil and Gas	1.8%
Electronics	1.3%
Marketing	0.4%
Total Investments	100%

(a) Company, Geographic Location, Business <u>Description, (Industry) and Website</u>	Type of Investment	(b) Date Acquired	(c) <u>Equity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	(d)(f) Fair <u>Value</u>	Percent of Net <u>Assets</u>
Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments – 24.4% of net assets: (j)						
Athenex, Inc. (e)(g) (Formerly Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) Buffalo, NY. Specialty pharmaceutical and drug development. (Health Care) www.athenex.com	46,296 common shares.	9/8/14	<1%	\$143,285	\$347,220	1.0%
City Dining Cards, Inc. (Loupe) (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Customer loyalty technology company that helps businesses attract and retain customers. (Software) www.citydiningcards.com	9,525.25 Series B preferred shares.	9/1/15	4%	500,000	500,000	1.5%
Empire Genomics, LLC (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Molecular diagnostics company that offers a comprehensive menu of assay services for diagnosing and guiding patient therapeutic treatments. (Health Care) www.empiregenomics.com	\$600,000 senior secured convertible term note at 10% due April 1, 2017. (i) Interest receivable \$92,833.	6/13/14	-	600,000	600,000	1.8%
GoNoodle, Inc. (g) (Formerly HealthTeacher, Inc.) Nashville, TN. Student engagement education software providing core aligned physical activity breaks. (Software)	\$1,000,000 secured note at 12% due January 31, 2020, (1% Payment in Kind (PIK)). Warrant for 47,324 Series C Preferred shares.	2/6/15	<1%	1,008,974	1,008,974	3.0%
www.gonoodle.com	Total GoNoodle			25 1,008,999	25 1,008,999	
Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (g) Williamsville, NY. Full service accounts receivable management and collections company.	\$1,099,039 subordinated secured note at 13% (3% for the calendar year 2015) due October 30, 2017.	10/22/12	4%	1,080,694	1,080,694	3.2%
(Contact Center) www.mercantilesolutions.com	(e) \$150,000 subordinated debenture at 8% due June 30, 2018. Warrant for 3.29% membership			150,000	0	
	interests. Option for 1.5% membership interests. (i) Interest receivable \$93,455.			97,625	0	
	Total Mercantile			1,328,319	1,080,694	
Outmatch (e)(g) (Formerly Chequed Holdings, LLC) Saratoga Springs, NY. Web based predictive employee selection and reference checking. (Software) www.outmatch.com	2,264,995 Class P1 Units. 109,788 Class C1 Units. Total Outmatch	11/18/10	4%	2,140,007 5,489 2,145,496	2,140,007 5,489 2,145,496	6.3%
SocialFlow, Inc. (e)(g) New York, NY. Provides instant analysis of social	1,049,538 Series B preferred shares. 1,204,819 Series B-1 preferred shares.	4/5/13	4%	500,000	731,431	6.1%
networks using a proprietary, predictive analytic algorithm to optimize advertising and publishing. (Software) www.socialflow.com	717,772 Series C preferred Total Social Flow			750,000 500,000 1,750,000	839,648 500,221 2,071,300	
Somerset Gas Transmission Company, LLC (e) Columbus, OH. Natural gas transportation. (Oil and Gas) www.somersetgas.com	26.5337 units.	7/10/02	3%	719,097	500,000	1.5%
Other Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments:						
DataView, LLC (Software) (e)	Membership Interest.	-	-	310,357	-	0.0%

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UStec/Wi3 (Manufacturing) (e)	Common Stock.	-	-	100,500	-	0.0%
Subtotal Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments				\$8,606,053	\$8,253,709	
Affiliate Investments – 43.3% of net assets (k)						
BeetNPath, LLC (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Frozen entrées and packaged dry side dishes made from 100% whole grain steel cut oats under Grainful brand name. (Consumer Product) www.grainful.com	1,119,024 Series A-2 Preferred Membership Units.	10/20/14	9%	\$359,000	\$359,000	1.0%
Carolina Skiff LLC (g) Waycross, GA. Manufacturer of fresh water, ocean fishing and pleasure boats. (Manufacturing) www.carolinaskiff.com	6.0825% Class A common membership interest.	1/30/04	7%	15,000	600,000	1.8%
First Wave Products Group, LLC (e)(g) Batavia, NY. Sells First Crush automated pill crusher that crushes and grinds medical pills for nursing homes and medical institutions. (Health Care) www.firstwaveproducts.com	\$500,000 senior term notes at 10% due December 31, 2016. \$280,000 junior term notes at 10% due December 31, 2016. Warrant for 41,619 capital securities. Total First Wave	4/19/12	7%	661,563 316,469 22,000 1.000,032	250,000 0 0 250,000	0.7%
Genicon, Inc. (e)(g) Winter Park, FL. Designs, produces and distributes patented surgical instrumentation. (Health Care) www.geniconendo.com	1,586,902 Series B preferred shares.	4/10/15	6%	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.0%
GiveGab, Inc. (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Online fundraising, day of giving supporter engagement software for non-profit organizations. (Software) www.givegab.com	5,084,329 Series Seed preferred shares.	3/13/13	9%	616,221	424,314	1.2%
G-TEC Natural Gas Systems (e) Buffalo, NY. Manufactures and distributes systems that allow natural gas to be used as an alternative fuel to gases. (Manufacturing) www.gas-tec.com	17.845% Class A membership interest. 8% cumulative dividend.	8/31/99	18%	400,000	100,000	0.3%
Intrinsiq Materials, Inc. (e)(g) Rochester, NY. Produces printable electronics utilizing a unique process of nanomaterial based ink in a room-temperature environment. (Manufacturing) www.intrinsiqmaterials.com	599,055 Series 2 preferred shares. \$95,000 convertible promissory note at 8% due March 31, 2016. Total Intrinsiq	9/19/13	7%	95,000 695,002	95,000 95,000	0.3%
Knoa Software, Inc. (e)(g) New York, NY. End user experience management and performance (EMP) solutions utilizing enterprise applications. (Software) www.knoa.com	973,533 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 1,876,922 Series B preferred shares.	11/20/12	7%	750,000 479,155 1,229,155	381,503 490,752 872,255	2.6%
KnowledgeVision Systems, Inc. (e)(g) Lincoln, MA. Online presentation and training software. (Software) www.knowledgevision.com	200,000 Series A-1 preferred shares. 214,285 Series A-2 preferred shares. 129,033 Series A-3 preferred shares. Warrant for 46,743 Series A-3 shares. Total KnowledgeVision	11/13/13	7%	250,000 300,000 165,001 35,000 750,001	0 300,000 165,001 35,000 500,001	1.5%

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Mezmeriz, Inc. (e)(g) Ithaca, NY. Micro-electronic mechanical systems (MEMS) developer of carbon fiber MEMS mirror modules for gesture recognition and 3D scanning. (Electronics Developer) www.mezmeriz.com	1,554,565 Series Seed preferred shares.	1/9/08	15%	742,850	351,477	1.0%
Microcision LLC (g) Philadelphia, PA. Manufacturer of precision machined medical implants, components and assemblies. (Manufacturing) www.microcision.com	\$1,500,000 subordinated promissory note at 11% due January 31, 2017. 15% Class A common membership interest. Total Microcision	9/24/09	15%	1,891,964 	1,891,964 	5.6%
New Monarch Machine Tool, Inc. (g) Cortland, NY. Manufactures and services vertical/horizontal machining centers. (Manufacturing) www.monarchmt.com	22.84 common shares.	9/24/03	15%	22,841	22,841	0.1%
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. (e)(g) Buffalo, NY. Maker of patented hollow-metal core golf balls. (Consumer Product) www.oncoregolf.com	150,000 Series AA preferred shares. \$150,000 subordinated convertible promissory note at 6% due January 24, 2017. Total OnCore	12/31/14	7%	375,000 150,000 525,000	187,500 150,000 337,500	1.0%
Rheonix, Inc. (e) Ithaca, NY. Developer of fully automated microfluidic based molecular assay and diagnostic testing devices. (Health Care) www.rheonix.com	9,676 common shares. (g) 1,839,422 Series A preferred shares. (g) 50,593 common shares. (g) 589,420 Series B preferred shares. Total Rheonix	10/29/09	5%	2,099,999 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	11,000 2,165,999 59,000 <u>702,732</u> <u>2,938,731</u>	8.7%
SciAps, Inc. (e)(g) Woburn, MA. Instrumentation company producing portable analytical devices using XRF, LIBS and RAMAN spectroscopy to identify compounds, minerals, and elements. (Manufacturing) www.sciaps.com	187,500 Series A convertible preferred shares. 274,299 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 117,371 Series B preferred shares. Total SciAps	7/12/13	9%	1,500,000 504,710 250,000 2,254,710	1,000,000 504,710 250,000 1,754,710	5.2%
SOMS Technologies, LLC (e)(g) Valhalla, NY. Produces and markets the microGreen Extended Performance Oil Filter. (Consumer Products) www.microgreenfilter.com	5,959,490 Series B membership interests.	12/2/08	9%	472,632	528,348	1.5%
Statisfy, Inc. (e)(g) Boston, MA. Mobile marketing platform for engagement, advertising and surveys. (Software) www.statisfy.co	65,000 Series seed preferred shares. Warrant for 1,950,000 Series seed preferred shares. Total Statisfy	8/18/14	10%	20,968 629,032 650,000	20,968 <u>629,032</u> <u>650,000</u>	1.9%
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (g)(n) Montvale, NJ. Customer contact center specializing in customer acquisition and retention for selected industries. (Contact Center) www.ipacesetters.com	250,000 Class B preferred units. 1,000,000 Class C preferred units. 80,000 Class D preferred units. 104,198 Class E preferred units. PIK dividend for Series C and D at 12% and 14%, respectively. Total Teleservices	5/30/14	6%	250,000 1,190,680 91,200 104,198	0 1,190,680 91,200 104,198 1,386,078	4.1%
Tilson Technology Management, Inc.(g) Portland, ME. Cellular, fiber optic and wireless information systems, construction, and management. (Professional Services) www.tilsontech.com	12 Series B preferred shares.	1/20/15	8%	600,000	600,000	1.8%
Subtotal Affiliate Investments				\$17,663,217	\$14,662,219	

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Control Investments – 41.1% of net assets (l)						
Advantage 24/7 LLC (e)(g) Williamsville, NY. Marketing program for wine and spirits dealers. (Marketing Company) www.advantage24-7.com	53% Membership interest.	12/30/10	53%	\$99,500	\$99,500	0.3%
Gemcor II, LLC (g)(h)(m) West Seneca, NY. Designs and sells automatic riveting machines used in the assembly of aircraft. (Manufacturing) www.gemcor.com	\$1,000,000 subordinated promissory note at 15% due September 1, 2017. 31.25 membership units. Total Gemcor	6/28/04	31%	416,972 <u>625,000</u> <u>1,041,972</u>	416,972 13,400,000 13,816,972	40.8%
Subtotal Control Investments				\$1,141,472	\$13,916,472	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 108.8%				\$27,410,742	\$36,832,400	
LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS – (8.8%)					(2,978,740)	
NET ASSETS – 100%					\$33,853,660	

December 31, 2015 (Continued)

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- The Corporation's investments are carried at fair value in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures," which defines fair value and establishes guidelines for measuring fair value. At December 31, 2015, ASC 820 designates 100% of the Corporation's investments as "Level 3" assets. Under the valuation policy of the Corporation, unrestricted publicly held securities are valued at the average closing bid price for these securities for the last three trading days of the month. Restricted securities are subject to restrictions on resale, and are valued at fair value as determined by the management of the Corporation and submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. Fair value is considered to be the amount that the Corporation may reasonably expect to receive for portfolio securities when sold on the valuation date. Valuations as of any particular date, however, are not necessarily indicative of amounts which may ultimately be realized as a result of future sales or other dispositions of securities and these favorable or unfavorable differences could be material. Among the factors considered in determining the fair value of restricted securities are the financial condition and operating results, projected operations, and other analytical data relating to the investment. Also considered are the market prices for unrestricted securities of the same class (if applicable) and other matters which may have an impact on the value of the portfolio company (see Note 3 "Investments" to the Consolidated Financial Statements).
- These investments are non-income producing. All other investments are income producing. Non-income producing investments have not generated cash payments of interest or dividends including LLC tax-related distributions within the last twelve months, or are not expected to do so going forward.
- As of December 31, 2015, the total cost of investment securities was approximately \$27.5 million. Net unrealized appreciation was approximately \$9.4 million, which was comprised of \$14.1 million of unrealized appreciation of investment securities and (\$4.7) million related to unrealized depreciation of investment securities. At December 31, 2015, the aggregate gross unrealized gain for federal income tax purposes was \$10.2 million and the aggregate gross unrealized loss for federal income tax purposes was (\$4.4) million. The net unrealized gain for federal income tax purposes was \$5.8 million based on a tax cost of \$31.0 million.
- Rand Capital SBIC, Inc. investment.
- (h) Reduction in cost and value from previously reported balances reflects current principal repayment.
- Represents interest due (amounts over \$50,000 net of reserves) from investment included as interest receivable on the Corporation's Statement of Financial
- Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments are investments that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments.
- Affiliate Investments are defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act"), as those Non-Control investments in companies in which between 5% and 25% of the voting securities are owned by the Corporation.
- Control Investments are defined by the 1940 Act as investments in companies in which more than 25% of the voting securities are owned by the Corporation or where greater than 50% of the board representation is maintained.
- (m) Gemcor II, LLC is an "unconsolidated significant subsidiary" as defined in SEC's Regulation S-X.
- (n) Payment in kind (PIK) represents earned interest that is added to the cost basis of the investment.

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Investments in and Advances to Affiliates

	Company	Type of Investment	December 31, 2014 Fair Value	Gross Additions (1)	Gross Reductions (2)	December 31, 2015 Fair Value	Amount of Interest/ Dividend/ Fee Income (3)
Semicor II, LLC S1,000,000 subordinated promissory note at 15% \$23,000 \$20,000	Control Investments:						
15% 15% 150	Advantage 24/7 LLC	53% Membership interest.	\$99,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$99,500	\$ -
Martinate Investments: Feet Name 1,119,024 Series A-2 Preferred Membership Units. S \$359,000 \$ \$359,000 \$ \$359,000 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	Gemcor II, LLC	at 15%. 31.25 membership units.	9,300,000		<u></u>	13,400,000	77,077 <u>1,743,934</u> 1,821,011
Peet Nath, LLC		Total Control Investments	\$10,022,300	\$4,100,000	(\$205,828)	\$13,916,472	\$1,821,011
Interest at 9.8% Section Secti			\$ -	\$359,000	\$ -	\$359,000	\$7,250
Chequed.com, Inc. 408,476 Series A preferred shares. 1,383,222 - (1,383,222) - (1,20000) - (1,50000) - (1,50000) - (1,50000) - (1,50000) - (1,500000) - (1,500000) - (1,5000000) - (1,5000000000000000000000000000000000000	Carolina Skiff LLC	interest at 9.8%. \$250,000 subordinated promissory note at 14%. 6.0825% Class A common membership interest.	125,000 600,000	Ξ	(125,000)	<u>600,000</u>	81,782 14,778 <u>116,052</u> 212,612
First Wave Products \$500,000 senior term notes at 10%. \$230,000 24,5 \$280,000 junior term notes at 10%. \$308,687 7,782 316,4699 - 84 \$42000 - 200,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,000 \$33,000 \$250,0	Chequed.com, Inc.	\$250,000 convertible promissory note at 8%.	250,000	- <u>-</u>	(1,383,222) (250,000)	Ξ	11,507 11,507
Comp. LLC \$280,000 junior term notes at 10%. 308,687 7,782 316,469 - 20,000 - 32,000	CrowdBouncer, Inc.	300,000 Series A preferred shares.	-	-	-	-	-
Cenicon, Inc. 1,586,902 Series B preferred shares. - 1,000,000 - 1,000,000		\$280,000 junior term notes at 10%.	308,687		(316,469)	250,000	24,571 8,447
GiveGab, Inc. 5,084,329 Series Seed preferred shares. 403,388 212,833 (191,907) 424,314		Total First Wave	968,679	31,353	(750,032)	<u>250,000</u>	33,018
C-TEC Natural Gas Systems	Genicon, Inc.	1,586,902 Series B preferred shares.	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	-
Systems Cumulative dividend. 100,000 - - 100,000 1	GiveGab, Inc.	5,084,329 Series Seed preferred shares.	403,388	212,833	(191,907)	424,314	-
Sy5,000 convertible promissory note at 8%. - 95,000 - 95,000 2.4		•	100,000	-	-	100,000	-
Shares. 1,876,922 Series B preferred shares. 490,752	Intrinsiq Materials, Inc.	\$95,000 convertible promissory note at 8%.	<u> </u>		<u></u>		2,436 2,436
Inc.	Knoa Software, Inc.	shares.	490,752	- = =	- - - -	490,752	- = =
Section Sect		214,285 Series A-2 preferred shares. 129,033 Series A-3 preferred shares. Warrant for 46,743 Series A-3 shares.	300,000	165,001 <u>35,000</u>	- - -	165,001 	- - - - -
11%. 1,891,964 - - 1,891,964 208,1	Mezmeriz, Inc.	\$200,000 convertible notes at 8%.				_	- - -
New Monarch Machine Tool, Inc. 22.84 common shares. 22,841 - - 22,841 30,4 OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. 150,000 Series AA preferred shares. \$150,000 subordinated convertible promissory note at 6%. - 375,000 - (187,500) - 187,500 - 3.9	Microcision LLC	11%.15% Class A common membership interest.	<u> </u>		_	<u> </u>	208,116
Inc. \$150,000 subordinated convertible promissory - 375,000 (187,500) 187,500 note at 6%. - 150,000 - 150,000 3,9		22.84 common shares.	22,841	-		22,841	30,409
		\$150,000 subordinated convertible promissory	- - -	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(187,500) 		3,945 3,945

December 31, 2015 (Continued)

Investments in and Advances to Affiliates

Company	Type of Investment	December 31, 2014 Fair Value	Gross Additions (1)	Gross Reductions (2)	December 31, 2015 Fair Value	Amount of Interest/ Dividend/ Fee Income (3)
Rheonix, Inc.	9,676 common shares. 1,839,422 Series A preferred shares. 50,593 common shares. 589,420 Series B preferred shares. \$680,475 convertible promissory notes at 8%. Total Rheonix	11,000 2,165,999 59,000 - - 2,235,999	702,732 702,732 1,405,464	(702,732) (702,732)	11,000 2,165,999 59,000 702,732 - 2,938,731	22,258 22,258
SciAps, Inc.	187,500 Series A convertible preferred shares. 274,299 Series A-1 convertible preferred shares. 117,371 Series B preferred shares. Total SciAps	1,500,000 - - - 1,500,000	504,710 250,000 754,710	(500,000) - - (500,000)	1,000,000 504,710 <u>250,000</u> <u>1,754,710</u>	4,711 <u>-</u> <u>4,711</u>
SOMS Technologies, LLC	5,959,490 Series B membership interests.	528,348	-	-	528,348	4,355
Statisfy, Inc.	65,000 Series seed preferred shares. Warrant for 1,950,000 Series seed preferred shares. Total Statisfy	- - -	20,968 629,032 650,000	- - - -	20,968 629,032 650,000	- - - -
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC	250,000 Class B shares. 1,000,000 Class C shares. 80,000 Class D preferred units. 104,198 Class E preferred units. Total Teleservices	250,000 1,070,680 80,000 	120,000 11,200 104,198 235,398	(250,000) - - - (250,000)	1,190,680 91,200 <u>104,198</u> 1,386,078	168,000 15,680
Tilson Technology Management, Inc.	12 Series B preferred shares.	-	600,000	-	600,000	14,417
	Total Affiliate Investments	\$14,617,378	\$6,420,236	(\$6,375,395)	\$14,662,219	\$738,714
	Total Control and Affiliate Investments	\$24,639,678	\$10,520,236	(\$6,581,223)	\$28,578,691	\$2,559,725

This schedule should be read in conjunction with the Corporation's Consolidated Financial Statements, including the Consolidated Schedule of Portfolio Investments and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

- (1) Gross additions include increases in the cost basis of investments resulting from new portfolio investment, follow on investments, capitalized interest and the accretion of discounts. Gross additions also include net increases in unrealized appreciation or net decreases in unrealized depreciation, and the movement of an existing portfolio company into this category and out of another category.
- (2) Gross reductions include decreases in the cost basis of investments resulting from principal repayments, sales, note conversions, net increases in unrealized depreciation, net decreases in unrealized appreciation, the exchange of existing securities for new securities and the movement of an existing portfolio company out of this category and into another category.
- (3) Represents the total amount of interest, fees or dividends credited to income for the portion of the period an investment was included in Control or Affiliate categories, respectively.

Industry Classification	Percentage of Total Investments (at fair value) as of December 31, 2015
Manufacturing	49.6%
Software	22.2%
Healthcare	13.9%
Contact Center	6.7%
Consumer Product	3.3%
Professional Services	1.6%
Oil and Gas	1.4%
Electronics	1.0%
Marketing	0.3%
Total Investments	100%

Rand Capital Corporation and Subsidiary Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 (Unaudited)

Note 1. ORGANIZATION

Rand Capital Corporation ("Rand", "we", "us" and "our") was incorporated under the laws of New York in February 1969. We completed our initial public offering in 1971 as an internally managed, closed-end, diversified, management investment company. We have elected to be treated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. For instance, we generally have to invest at least 70% of our total assets in "qualifying assets" and provide managerial assistance to the portfolio companies in which we invest. See Item 1. Business – Regulation, Regulation as a Business Development Company in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The majority of our venture capital investments are completed through our wholly-owned subsidiary, Rand Capital SBIC, Inc. ("Rand SBIC"), which operates as a small business investment company ("SBIC") and has been licensed by the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA") since 2002. Rand SBIC's predecessor was organized as a Delaware limited partnership and was converted into a New York corporation on December 31, 2008, at which time our operations as a licensed SBIC were continued. Although Rand SBIC was operated as if it were a BDC, it was registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act. In 2012, the SEC granted an Order of Exemption for Rand with respect to the operations of Rand SBIC, and then Rand SBIC filed an election to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. Rand SBIC's board of directors is comprised of the directors of Rand, a majority of whom are not "interested persons" of Rand or Rand SBIC.

We operate as an internally managed investment company whereby our officers and employees conduct the business of the Corporation under the general supervision of our Board of Directors. We have not elected to qualify to be taxed as a regulated investment company as defined under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code.

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, unless the context otherwise requires, "we", the "Corporation", "us", and "our" refer to Rand Corporation and Rand SBIC.

Our corporate office is located in Buffalo, NY and our website address is www.randcapital.com. We make available free of charge on our website our annual and periodic reports, proxy statements and other information as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Our shares are traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the ticker symbol "RAND".

Note 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation – It is our opinion that the accompanying consolidated financial statements include all adjustments of a normal recurring nature necessary for a fair presentation in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") of the consolidated financial position, results of operations, cash flows and statement of changes in net assets for the interim periods presented. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in audited annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been omitted; however, we believe that the disclosures made are adequate to make the information presented herein not misleading. Our interim results for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results for the full year.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. Information contained in this filing should also be reviewed in conjunction with our related filings with the SEC prior to the date of this report. Those filings include, but are not limited to, the following:

N-54A Election to Adopt Business Development Company status

DEF-14A 2016 Definitive Proxy Statement submitted to shareholders

Form 10-K Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015

Form 10-Q Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016

Principles of Consolidation - The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Rand and its wholly-owned subsidiary Rand SBIC. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments – The carrying amounts reported in the consolidated statement of financial position of cash, interest receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate fair value because of the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

Fair Value of SBA Debentures - In September 2016, the SBIC Funding Corporation completed a pooling of SBA debentures that have a coupon rate of 2.051%, excluding a mandatory SBA annual charge estimated to be 0.804%, resulting in a total estimated fixed rate for ten years of 2.855%. The carrying value of Rand's SBA debentures is a reasonable estimate of fair value because stated interest rates approximate current interest rates that are available for debt with similar terms.

Investment Classification – In accordance with the provisions of the 1940 Act, the Corporation classifies its investments by level of control. Under the 1940 Act, "Control Investments" are investments in companies that the Corporation is deemed to "Control" because it owns more than 25% of the voting securities of the company or has greater than 50% representation on the company's board. "Affiliate Investments" are companies in which the Corporation owns between 5% and 25% of the voting securities. "Non-Control/Non-Affiliate Investments" are those companies that are neither Control Investments nor Affiliate Investments.

Investments - Investments are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the management of the Corporation and approved by the Board of Directors. The Corporation invests in loan instruments, debt instruments, and equity instruments. There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistent valuation process. The Corporation analyzes and values each investment quarterly, and records unrealized depreciation for an investment that it believes has become impaired, including where collection of a loan or debt security or realization of the recorded value of an equity security is doubtful. Conversely, the Corporation will record unrealized appreciation if it believes that an underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, its equity securities have also appreciated in value. These estimated fair values may differ from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed and these differences could be material if the Corporation's assumptions and judgments differ from results of actual liquidation events.

Qualifying Assets - All of the Corporation's investments were made in privately held small business enterprises, that were not investment companies, were principally based in the United States, and represent qualifying assets as defined by Section 55(a) of the 1940 Act.

Revenue Recognition - Interest Income - Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis except where the investment is in default or otherwise presumed to be in doubt. In such cases, interest is recognized at the time of receipt. A reserve for possible losses on interest receivable is maintained when appropriate.

Rand SBIC's interest accrual is also regulated by the SBA's "Accounting Standards and Financial Reporting Requirements for Small Business Investment Companies." Under these rules, interest income cannot be recognized if collection is doubtful, and a 100% reserve must be established. The collection of interest is presumed to be in doubt when there is substantial doubt about a portfolio company's ability to continue as a going concern or a loan is in default for more than 120 days. Management also uses other qualitative and quantitative measures to determine the value of a portfolio investment and the collectability of any accrued interest.

After reviewing each of our portfolio companies' performance and the circumstances surrounding each investment, the Corporation ceased accruing interest income on First Wave Products Group, LLC (First Wave) and a portion of the Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (Mercantile) outstanding loans in 2015 and G-TEC Natural Gas Systems in 2004.

The Corporation holds debt securities in its investment portfolio that contain payment-in-kind ("PIK") interest provisions. PIK interest, computed at the contractual rate specified in each debt agreement, is periodically added to the principal balance of the debt and is recorded as interest income. Thus, the actual collection of this interest may be deferred until the time of debt principal repayment.

Revenue Recognition - Dividend Income - The Corporation may receive distributions from portfolio companies that are limited liability companies or corporations and these distributions are classified as dividend income on the consolidated statement of operations. Dividend income is recognized on an accrual basis when it can be reasonably estimated.

The Corporation holds preferred equity securities that contain cumulative dividend provisions. Cumulative dividends are recorded as dividend income, if declared, and any dividends in arrears are added to the balance of the preferred equity investment. The actual collection of these dividends in arrears may be deferred until such time as the preferred equity is redeemed.

Revenue Recognition - Fee Income - Consists of the revenue associated with the amortization of financing fees charged to the portfolio companies upon successful closing of Rand SBIC financings and income associated with portfolio company board attendance fees. The income associated with the amortization of financing fees was \$15,948 and \$13,667 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The board fees were \$3,000 and \$8,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Realized Gain or Loss and Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation of Investments - Amounts reported as realized gains and losses are measured by the difference between the proceeds from the sale or exchange and the cost basis of the investment without regard to unrealized gains or losses recorded in prior periods. The cost of securities that have, in management's judgment, become worthless are written off and reported as realized losses when appropriate. Unrealized appreciation or depreciation reflects the difference between the fair value of the investments and the cost basis of the investments.

Original Issue Discount – Investments may include "original issue discount" or OID income. This occurs when the Corporation purchases a warrant and a note from a portfolio company simultaneously, which requires an allocation of a portion of the purchase price to the warrant and reduces the note or debt instrument by an equal amount in the form of a note discount or OID. The note is reported net of the OID and the OID is accreted into interest income over the life of the loan. The Corporation recognized \$7,497 and \$11,619 in OID income for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. OID income is estimated to be approximately \$2,500 for the remainder of 2016 and \$8,350 for 2017.

Deferred Debenture Costs - The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued an Accounting Standard Update 2015-03 (ASU) requiring that debt issuance costs be presented as a direct deduction from the related debt liability. Therefore, the SBA debenture origination and commitment costs are presented as a direct deduction from the debt liability (see Note 6). As a result \$199,627 was reclassified from other assets to debentures guaranteed by the SBA in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position as of

December 31, 2015. As of September 30, 2016, the balance in debt issuance costs was \$179,077. These costs are amortized ratably over the terms of the SBA debentures and are expensed when the debt is repaid early. Amortization expense was \$20,550 for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015. Amortization over the next five years is estimated to be approximately \$27,000 per year.

SBA Debenture - The Corporation had \$8,000,000 in outstanding SBA debentures at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 with a weighted average interest rate of 3.54% as of September 30, 2016. The debentures are presented net of deferred debenture costs (see Note 6). The \$8,000,000 in outstanding SBA leverage matures from 2022 through 2025.

In the event of a future default of such SBA obligations, the Corporation has consented to the exercise, by the SBA, of all rights of the SBA under 13 C.F.R. 107.1810(i) "SBA remedies for automatic events of default" and has agreed to take all actions that the SBA may so require. These may include the Corporation's automatic consent to the appointment of the SBA, or its designee, as receiver under Section 311(c) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

Net Assets per Share - Net assets per share are based on the number of shares of common stock outstanding. We do not have any common stock equivalents outstanding.

Supplemental Cash Flow Information - Income taxes paid during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 was \$1,995,948 and \$2,347,317, respectively. Interest paid during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 was \$283,650 and \$269,066, respectively. The Corporation converted \$16,711 and \$69,710 of interest receivable into investments during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Accounting Estimates - 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 revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Stockholders' Equity (Net Assets) - At September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were 500,000 shares of \$10.00 par value preferred stock authorized and unissued.

On October 19, 2016, the Board of Directors extended the repurchase authorization for up to 1,000,000 shares of the Corporation's outstanding common stock on the open market through October 19, 2017 at prices that are no greater than the then current net asset value. There were 6,550 shares repurchased during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and the total treasury shares held was 541,046 shares with a total cost of \$1,469,105 at September 30, 2016. Therefore, at September 30, 2016, the Corporation had authorization to purchase up to an additional 458,954 shares of common stock.

Profit Sharing and Stock Option Plan - In 2001, the stockholders of the Corporation authorized the establishment of an Employee Stock Option Plan (the "Option Plan"), that provides for the award of stock options to purchase up to 200,000 common shares to eligible employees. In 2002, the Corporation placed the Option Plan on inactive status as it developed a new profit sharing plan for the Corporation's employees in connection with the formation of its SBIC subsidiary. As of September 30, 2016, no stock options had been awarded under the Option Plan. Because Section 57(n) of the 1940 Act prohibits maintenance of a profit sharing plan for the officers and employees of a BDC where any option, warrant or right is outstanding under an executive compensation plan, no stock options will be granted under the Option Plan while any profit sharing plan is in effect with respect to the Corporation.

In 2002, the Corporation established a Profit Sharing Plan (the "Plan") for its executive officers in accordance with Section 57(n) of the 1940 Act. Under the Plan, the Corporation will pay its executive officers aggregate profit sharing payments equal to 12% of the net realized capital gains of its SBIC subsidiary, net of all realized capital losses and unrealized depreciation of the SBIC subsidiary, for the fiscal year, computed in accordance with the Plan and the Corporation's interpretation of the Plan. Any profit sharing paid or accrued cannot exceed 20% of the Corporation's net income, as defined in the Plan. For purposes of the 20% profit sharing test, the Corporation interprets net income to be the total of the Corporation's net investment gain (loss) and its net realized gain (loss) on investments, prior to inclusion of the estimated profit sharing obligation. The profit sharing payments are split equally between the Corporation's two executive officers, each of whom is fully vested in the Plan.

The Corporation accrued \$1,411,659 under the Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. There were no amounts earned pursuant to the Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Estimated payroll taxes and benefits on the profit sharing under the Plan have been accrued at September 30, 2016. The amounts accrued do not exceed the defined limits under the Plan. During the year ended December 31, 2014, the Corporation approved and accrued \$899,500 under the Plan, of which \$717,500 was paid during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Income Taxes - The Corporation reviews the tax positions it has taken to determine if they meet a "more likely than not threshold" for the benefit of the tax position to be recognized in the consolidated financial statements. A tax position that fails to meet the more likely than not recognition threshold will result in either a reduction of a current or deferred tax asset or receivable, or the recording of a current or deferred tax liability. During the nine months ended September 30, 2016 there was an \$18,500 increase in the current tax liability offset by an \$8,500 decrease in previous reserves, resulting in a net \$10,000 change in uncertain tax positions. There were no new uncertain tax positions recorded at December 31, 2015.

It is the Corporation's policy to include interest and penalties related to income tax liabilities in income tax expense. There were no amounts recognized for interest or penalties related to tax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 or 2015.

Concentration of Credit and Market Risk – The Corporation's financial instruments potentially subject it to concentrations of credit risk. Cash is invested with banks in amounts which, at times, exceed insurable limits. Management does not anticipate non-performance by such banks.

At September 30, 2016, Rheonix, Inc. (Rheonix), Genicon, Inc. (Genicon), Outmatch (formerly Chequed Holdings, LLC) (Outmatch), Social Flow, Inc. (Social Flow) and SciAps, Inc. (Sciaps) represented 11%, 10%, 8%, 8% and 7%, respectively, of the fair value of the Corporation's investment portfolio.

Reclassification – Certain balances in prior years were reclassified to conform to presentations adopted in 2016.

Note 3. INVESTMENTS

The Corporation's investments are carried at fair value in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures", which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements.

Loan investments are defined as traditional loan financings with no equity features. Debt investments are defined as debt financings that include one or more equity features such as conversion rights, stock purchase warrants, and/or stock purchase options. A financing may also be categorized as a debt financing if it is accompanied by the direct purchase of an equity interest in the company.

The Corporation uses several approaches to determine the fair value of an investment. The main approaches are:

• Loan and debt securities are valued at cost when it is representative of the fair value of the investment or sufficient assets or liquidation proceeds are expected to exist from a sale of a portfolio company at its estimated fair value.

The loan and debt securities are typically carried at cost, however, may be valued at an amount other than the price the security would command given the rate and related inherent portfolio risk of the investment.

A loan or debt instrument may be reduced in value if it is judged to be of poor quality, collection is in doubt or insufficient liquidation proceeds exist.

• Equity securities may be valued using the "asset approach", "market approach" or "income approach." The asset approach involves estimating the liquidation value of the portfolio company's assets. To the extent the value exceeds the remaining principal amount of the debt or loan and all other debt securities of the portfolio company, the fair value of such securities is generally estimated to be their cost. However, where value is less than the remaining principal amount of the loan and all other debt securities, the Corporation may discount the value of such securities. The market approach uses observable prices and other relevant information generated by similar market transactions. It may include the use of market multiples derived from a set of comparables to assist in pricing the investment. Additionally, the Corporation adjusts valuations if a subsequent significant equity financing has occurred that includes a meaningful portion of the financing by a sophisticated, unrelated new investor. The income approach employs a cash flow and discounting methodology to value an investment.

ASC 820 classifies the inputs used to measure fair value into the following hierarchy:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities, used in the Corporation's valuation at the measurement date.
- Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other observable inputs other than quoted prices.
- Level 3: Unobservable and significant inputs to determining the fair value.

Financial assets are categorized based upon the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair value.

Any changes in estimated fair value are recorded in the statement of operations as "Net (decrease) increase in unrealized depreciation or appreciation on investments."

Under the valuation policy, the Corporation values unrestricted publicly traded companies, categorized as Level 1 investments, at the average closing bid price for the last three trading days of the reporting period. There were no such Level 1 investments as of September 30, 2016.

In the valuation process, the Corporation values restricted securities, categorized as Level 3 investments, using financial information from these portfolio companies, which may include:

- Financial information obtained from each portfolio company, including audited and unaudited statements of operations, balance sheets and operating budgets;
- · Current and projected financial, operational and technological developments of the portfolio company;
- Current and projected ability of the portfolio company to service its debt obligations;
- The current capital structure of the business and the seniority of the various classes of equity if a deemed liquidation event were to occur:

- Pending debt or capital restructuring of the portfolio company;
- Current information regarding any offers to purchase the investment, or recent fundraising transactions;
- Current ability of the portfolio company to raise additional financing if needed;
- Changes in the economic environment which may have a material impact on the operating results of the portfolio company;
- Internal occurrences that may have an impact (both positive and negative) on the operating performance of the portfolio company;
- Qualitative assessment of key management;
- · Contractual rights, obligations or restrictions associated with the investment; and
- Other factors deemed relevant by the Corporation's management to assess valuation.

This information is used to determine financial condition, performance, and valuation of the portfolio companies. The valuation may be reduced if a portfolio company's performance and potential have deteriorated significantly. If the factors that led to a reduction in valuation are overcome, the valuation may be readjusted.

Equity Securities

Equity Securities may include Preferred Stock, Common Stock, Warrants and Limited Liability Company Membership Interests.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Corporation's equity investments are earnings before interest, tax and depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) and revenue multiples, where applicable, the financial and operational performance of the business, and the senior equity preferences that may exist in a deemed liquidation event. Standard industry multiples may be used when available; however, the Corporation's portfolio companies are typically small and in early stages of development and these industry standards may be adjusted to more closely match the specific financial and operational performance of the portfolio company. Due to the nature of certain investments, fair value measurements may be based on other criteria, which may include third party appraisals. Significant changes to the unobservable inputs, such as variances in financial performance from expectations, may result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement. Significant changes in any of these unobservable inputs may result in a significantly higher or lower fair value estimate.

Another key factor used in valuing equity investments is a significant recent arms-length equity transaction with a sophisticated non-strategic unrelated new investor entered into by the portfolio company. The terms of these equity transactions may not be identical to the equity transactions between the portfolio company and the Corporation, and the impact of the difference in transaction terms on the market value of the portfolio company may be difficult or impossible to quantify.

When appropriate the Black-Scholes pricing model is used to estimate the fair value of warrants for accounting purposes. This model requires the use of highly subjective inputs including expected volatility and expected life, in addition to variables for the valuation of minority equity positions in small private and early stage companies. Significant changes in any of these unobservable inputs may result in a significantly higher or lower fair value estimate.

For recent investments, the Corporation generally relies on the cost basis, which is deemed to represent the fair value, unless other fair market value inputs are identified causing the Corporation to depart from this basis.

Loan and Debt Securities

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Corporation's loan and debt securities are the financial and operational performance of the portfolio company, similar debt with similar terms with other portfolio companies, as well as the market acceptance for the portfolio company's products or services. These inputs will likely provide an indicator as to the probability of principal recovery of the investment. The

Corporation's loan and debt investments are often junior secured or unsecured debt securities. Fair value may also be determined based on other criteria where appropriate. Significant changes to the unobservable inputs may result in a change in fair value. For recent investments, the Corporation generally relies on the cost basis, which is deemed to represent the fair value, unless other fair market value inputs are identified causing the Corporation to depart from this basis.

The following table provides a summary of the significant unobservable inputs used to determine the fair value of the Corporation's Level 3 portfolio investments as of September 30, 2016:

		Market Approach EBITDA	A) Lie	Market pproach quidation	A	Market Approach Revenue	7	Market Approach Transaction		Asset Approach Liquidation		
Investment Type Non-Control/Non-	_	Multiple	S	eniority		Multiple	_	Pricing	_	Method		Totals
Affiliate Equity	\$	1,088,191	\$	<u> </u>	\$		\$	8,735,216	\$	<u> </u>	\$ 9	,823,407
Non-Control/Non- Affiliate Debt		_		_				_		3,966,560	3	,966,560
Total Non-Control/Non-												
Affiliate	\$	1,088,191	\$	_	\$	_	\$	8,735,216	\$	3,966,560	\$13	,789,967
Affiliate Equity	\$	1,128,348	\$	22,841	\$	600,001	\$	7,097,194	\$		\$ 8	,848,384
Affiliate Debt		_						300,000		4,540,430	4	,840,430
Total Affiliate	\$	1,128,348	\$	22,841	\$	600,001	\$	7,397,194	\$	4,540,430	\$13	,688,814
Control Equity	\$		\$		\$	99,500	\$		\$		\$	99,500
Control Debt		_		_				_				_
Total Control	\$	_	\$		\$	99,500	\$	_	\$	_	\$	99,500
Total Level 3	Φ.	2 21 6 520	Φ.	22.041	Φ.	600 F01	Φ.	16 122 410	Φ.	0.507.000	Φ25	550 A01
Investments	2	2,216,539	\$	22,841	2	699,501	\$	16,132,410	\$	8,506,990	\$27	,578,281
Range		3.6X-7.5X		1X	0.	75X-2.5X	(0.0X - 1.0X	No	t Applicable		
Unobservable Input						Revenue						
	EBI	TDA Multiple	As	set Value		Multiple		Discount		Asset Value		
Weighted Average		5.4X		1X		2X		0 .89X	No	ot Applicable		

The following table provides a summary of the components of Level 1, 2 and 3 Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at September 30, 2016:

		Fair	ed Date Using		
		Quoted Prices	in		Other Significant
		Active Markets	for	Significant	Unobservable
	September 30,	Identical Asse	ets C	Observable Inputs	Inputs
Description	2016	(Level 1)		(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Loan investments	\$ 3,200,000	\$ -	- \$		\$ 3,200,000
Debt investments	6,695,181	-		_	6,695,181
Equity investments	17,683,100	<u></u>	<u> </u>		17,683,100
Total	\$27,578,281	\$ -		_	\$ 27,578,281

The following table provides a summary of the components of Level 1, 2 and 3 Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at December 31, 2015:

		Fair Value Measurements at Reported Date Using							
	December 31,	Quoted P Active M for Identic	Markets Significant						
Description	2015	(Leve	l 1)	(Le	evel 2)		(Level 3)		
Loan investments	\$ 416,972	\$		\$		\$	416,972		
Debt investments	5,076,632		_		_		5,076,632		
Equity investments	_31,338,796						31,338,796		
Total	\$36,832,400	\$	_	\$	_	\$	36,832,400		

The following table provides a summary of changes in Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) for the nine months ended September 30, 2016:

	Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) Venture Capital Investments						
Description	Loan Investments	Debt Investments	Equity Investments	Total			
Ending Balance, December 31, 2015, of Level 3 Assets	\$ 416,972	\$5,076,632	\$ 31,338,796	\$ 36,832,400			
Realized Gains included in net change in net assets from							
operations:							
Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor)			14,588,813	14,588,813			
Total Realized Gains	_	_	14,588,813	14,588,813			
Unrealized Gains and Losses included in net change in							
net assets from operations:							
Athenex, Inc. (Athenex)	_	_	69,444	69,444			
Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor)	_	_	(12,775,000)	(12,775,000)			
Intrinsiq Material, Inc. (Intrinsiq)	_	_	254,329	254,329			
Knoa Software, Inc. (Knoa)	_	_	(422,800)	(422,800)			
Statisfy, Inc. (Statisfy)	_	_	(650,000)	(650,000)			
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (Teleservices)		<u> </u>	(595,340)	(595,340)			
Total Unrealized Gains and Losses	_	_	(14,119,367)	(14,119,367)			
Purchases of Securities/Changes to Securities/Non-cash			, , , , ,				
conversions:							
ACV Auctions, Inc. (ACV Auctions)	_	_	163,000	163,000			
BeetNPath, LLC (Beetnpath)	_	150,000	_	150,000			
ClearView Social, Inc. (Clearview Social)	_	_	200,000	200,000			
eHealth Global Technologies, Inc. (eHealth)	1,500,000	_	_	1,500,000			
Empire Genomics, LLC (Empire Genomics)	_	550,000	_	550,000			
Genicon, Inc. (Genicon)	1,700,000	_	_	1,700,000			
GoNoodle, Inc. (GoNoodle)	_	7,586	_	7,586			
Intrinsiq	_	_	430,671	430,671			
Knoa Software, Inc. (Knoa)	_	48,466	_	48,466			
Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (Mercantile)	_	7,497	_	7,497			
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. (Oncore Golf)	_	150,000	_	150,000			
PostProcess Technologies, Inc. (Post Process)	_	300,000	_	300,000			
SciAps, Inc. (Sciaps)	_	300,000	_	300,000			
Tilson Technology Management, Inc. (Tilson)		200,000	200,000	400,000			
Total Purchases of Securities/Changes to Securities/Non-							
cash conversions	3,200,000	1,713,549	993,671	5,907,220			
Repayments and Sale of Securities:							
Gemcor	(416,972)		(15,213,813)	(15,630,785)			
Total Repayments and Sale of Securities	(416,972)	_	(15,213,813)	(15,630,785)			
Transfers within Level 3		(95,000)	95,000				
Ending Balance, September 30, 2016, of Level 3 Assets	\$3,200,000	\$6,695,181	\$ 17,683,100	\$ 27,578,281			
Change in unrealized appreciation on investments for the peri	od included in c	hanges in net as	sets	(\$14,119,367)			
Net realized gain on investments for the period included in ch				\$ 14,756,953			

The following table provides a summary of changes in Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) for the nine months ended September 30, 2015:

Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)			
	Venture Cap	ital Investments	
n	Debt	Equity	
ents	Investments	Investments	Total

	Venture Capital Investments			
	Loan	Debt	Equity	
Description	Investments	Investments	Investments	Total
Ending Balance, December 31, 2014, of Level 3 Assets	\$ 622,801	\$5,384,339	\$23,692,236	\$29,699,376
<u>Unrealized Gains or Losses included in net change in net</u>				
assets from operations				
First Wave Products Group, LLC (First Wave)	_	(193,436)	_	(193,436)
Athenex, Inc. (Athenex)	_	_	92,592	92,592
SocialFlow, Inc. (Social Flow)	_	_	321,300	321,300
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (Teleservices)			(250,000)	(250,000)
Total Unrealized Gains and Losses	_	(193,436)	163,892	(29,544)
Purchases of Securities/Changes to Securities/Non-cash				
conversions:				
Chequed.com, Inc. (Chequed)	_	(250,000)	(1,383,222)	(1,633,222)
Chequed Holdings, LLC (Chequed Holdings)	_	_	2,145,496	2,145,496
City Dining Cards, Inc. (City Dining)	_	_	500,000	500,000
First Wave	_	28,132	_	28,132
Genicon, Inc. (Genicon)	_	_	1,000,000	1,000,000
GiveGab, Inc. (Give Gab)	_	_	212,833	212,833
GoNoodle, Inc. (GoNoodle)	_	1,006,458	25	1,006,483
Intrinsiq Material, Inc. (Intrinsiq)	_	95,000	_	95,000
Knowledge Vision Systems, Inc. (Knowledge Vision)	_	_	200,001	200,001
Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (Mercantile)	_	7,497	_	7,497
Mezmeriz, Inc. (Mezmeriz)	_	(200,000)	351,477	151,477
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. (Oncore Golf)	_	150,000	175,000	325,000
Rheonix, Inc. (Rheonix)	_	_	702,732	702,732
SciAps, Inc. (Sciaps)	_	_	754,710	754,710
Social Flow	_	_	500,000	500,000
Statisfy, Inc.(Statisfy)	_	_	150,000	150,000
Teleservices	_	_	104,198	104,198
Tilson Technology Management, Inc. (Tilson)	_	_	600,000	600,000
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Total Purchases of Securities/Changes to Securities/Non- cash conversions		837,087	6,013,250	6 950 227
Repayments of Securities	_	03/,00/	0,013,230	6,850,337
Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor)	(151,460)			(151,460)
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Total Repayments of Securities	(151,460)	_		(151,460)
Transfers within Level 3				
Ending Balance, September 30, 2015, of Level 3 Assets	\$ 471,341	\$6,027,990	\$29,869,378	\$36,368,709
Change in unrealized appreciation on investments for the period included in changes in net assets			(\$29,544)	
Net realized (losses) on investments for the period included in o				\$ —

NOTE 4.—OTHER ASSETS

At September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, other assets was comprised of the following:

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Escrow receivable from BinOptics Corporation	\$1,504,854	\$1,504,854
Escrow receivable from Gemcor II, LLC	1,068,750	_
Prepaid expenses	24,118	_
Equipment (net)	7,192	11,676
Operating receivables	2,281	1,159
Total other assets	\$2,607,195	\$1,604,413

During 2014, the Corporation sold its investment in BinOptics Corporation and a portion of the proceeds are held in escrow and scheduled to be released to the Corporation during 2016. During the first quarter of 2016, Gemcor II, LLC sold its assets, and a portion of the proceeds are held in escrow and will be released during 2017. Both escrow receivables are subject to potential claims.

Note 5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Corporation did not have any commitments to fund any investments as of September 30, 2016.

Note 6. SBA DEBENTURES

Pursuant to Accounting Standard Update 2015-03 (ASU), the debt origination costs directly associated with the SBA debt obligations are presented as a direct deduction for the related debt liability.

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Debentures guaranteed by the SBA	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000
Less unamortized issue costs	(179,077)	(199,627)
Debentures guaranteed by the SBA, net	\$7,820,923	\$7,800,373

Note 7. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following schedule provides the financial highlights, calculated based on weighted average shares outstanding, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and the year ended December 31, 2015:

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)		Year ended December 31, 2015	
Income from investment operations (1):				
Investment income	\$	0.12	\$	0.45
Operating expenses		0.46		0.29
Investment (loss) income before income taxes		(0.34)		0.16
Income tax (benefit) expense		(0.13)		0.02
Net investment (loss) income		(0.21)		0.14
Purchase of treasury stock		0.00		0.00
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments		0.06		0.10
(Decrease) increase in net asset value		(0.15)		0.24
Net asset value, beginning of period		5.35		5.11
Net asset value, end of period	\$	5.20	\$	5.35
Per share market price, end of period	\$	3.64	\$	3.77
Total return based on market value		(3.45%)		(7.82%)
Total return based on net asset value		(2.98%)		4.64%
Supplemental data:				
Ratio of operating expenses before income taxes to				
average net assets		8.74%		5.49%
Ratio of operating expenses including income taxes				
to average net assets		7.06%		7.89%
Ratio of net investment (loss) income to average net				
assets		(4.05%)		2.55%
Portfolio turnover		18.3%		21.4%
Net assets, end of period	\$	32,845,134		853,660
Weighted shares outstanding, end of period		6,327,074	6,	328,538

⁽¹⁾ Per share data are based on weighted average shares outstanding and the results are rounded to the nearest cent.

The Corporation's interim period results could fluctuate as a result of a number of factors; therefore results for any interim period should not be relied upon as being indicative of performance for the full year or in future periods.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this report. Historical results and percentage relationships among any amounts in the consolidated financial statements are not necessarily indicative of trends in operating results for any future periods.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements included in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and elsewhere in this report that do not relate to present or historical conditions are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of that term in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and in Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Additional oral or written forward-looking statements may be made by us from time to time, and forward-looking statements may be included in documents that are filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause our results or outcomes to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may include, without limitation, statements relating to our plans, strategies, objectives, expectations and intentions and are intended to be made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "believes," "forecasts," "intends," "possible," "expects," "estimates," "anticipates," or "plans" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Among the important factors on which such statements are based are assumptions concerning the state of the United States economy and the local markets in which our portfolio companies operate, the state of the securities markets in which the securities of the our portfolio companies could be traded, liquidity within the United States financial markets, and inflation. Forward-looking statements are also subject to the risks and uncertainties described under the caption "Risk Factors" contained in Part II, Item 1A of this report and in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

There may be other factors not identified that affect the accuracy of our forward-looking statements. Further, any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date when it is made and, except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events or circumstances. New factors emerge from time to time that may cause our business not to develop as we expect, and we cannot predict all of them.

Overview

We are an internally managed investment company that invests in and lends to small and medium-sized companies primarily in connection with loans or investments made concurrently by other investors. We have elected to be treated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). As a BDC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. We make the majority of our investments through our wholly-owned subsidiary, Rand Capital SBIC, Inc. ("Rand SBIC"), which operates as a small business investment company ("SBIC") and has been licensed by the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA") since 2002. We anticipate that most, if not all, of our investments made in the next year will be originated through our SBIC subsidiary.

Outlook

At the end of the third quarter of 2016, we had approximately \$12 million in cash on hand, which is available for future investment and operating needs. We believe the combination of cash on hand and prospective investment income provides sufficient capital for us to continue to add new investments to our portfolio, while continuing to reinvest in existing portfolio companies that continue to demonstrate growth potential. The following short and long-term trends provide us with confidence in our ability to grow Rand:

- We expect that well run U.S. businesses will require capital to continue to grow given the low cost of capital, strong business and consumer spending, and eager reception of new technologies and service concepts. We believe Rand will be able to participate in financing these businesses.
- · We have sufficient cash on hand to invest in new opportunities.
- Given our available cash on hand, we are able to invest larger amounts in companies, which, we believe, will provide an opportunity to
 accelerate our rate of growth.
- We will continue to manage risk by investing with other investors, when possible.
- We are actively involved with the governance and management of our portfolio companies, which enables us to support their operating
 and marketing efforts to facilitate their growth.
- As our portfolio of investments continues to expand, we are able to better leverage our infrastructure.

Critical Accounting Policies

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which require the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. A summary of our critical accounting policies can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 under Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Financial Condition

Overview:	9/30/16	12/31/15	(Decrease)	% (Decrease)
Total assets	\$43,293,415	\$44,562,060	(\$1,268,645)	(2.8%)
Total liabilities	10,448,281	10,708,400	(260,119)	(2.4%)
Net assets	\$32,845,134	\$33,853,660	(\$1,008,526)	(3.0%)

Net asset value per share (NAV) was \$5.20 at September 30, 2016 and \$5.35 at December 31, 2015.

Our outstanding SBA debentures at September 30, 2016 were \$8,000,000 and will mature from 2022 through 2025. Cash approximated 36% of net assets at September 30, 2016 as compared to 17% at December 31, 2015. The change is primarily due to the receipt of proceeds from the asset sale of one of our investments, Gemcor II, LLC, in March 2016.

Composition of Our Investment Portfolio

Our financial condition is dependent on the success of our portfolio holdings. We have invested substantially all of our assets in small to medium-sized companies. The following summarizes our investment portfolio at the dates indicated.

	9/30/16	12/31/15	Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Investments, at cost	\$32,275,990	\$27,410,742	\$ 4,865,248	17.7%
Unrealized (depreciation) appreciation, net	(4,697,709)	9,421,658	(14,119,367)	(149.9%)
Investments at fair value	\$27,578,281	\$36,832,400	(\$ 9,254,119)	(25.1%)

Our total investments at fair value, as estimated by management and approved by our Board of Directors, approximated 84% of net assets at September 30, 2016 versus 109% of net assets at December 31, 2015 with the change primarily due to the asset sale of one of our investments, Gemcor II, LLC.

The change in investments during the nine months ended September 30, 2016, at cost, is comprised of the following:

	Cost Increase (Decrease)
New investments:	
Genicon, Inc. (Genicon)	\$ 1,700,000
eHealth Global Technologies, Inc. (eHealth)	1,500,000
Empire Genomics, LLC (Empire Genomics)	550,000
Intrinsiq Materials, Inc. (Intrinsiq)	421,546
Tilson Technology Management, Inc. (Tilson)	400,000
PostProcess Technologies LLC (Post Process)	300,000
SciAps, Inc. (Sciaps)	300,000
ClearView Social, Inc. (Clearview Social)	200,000
ACV Auctions, Inc. (ACV Auctions)	163,000
BeetNPath, LLC (Beetnpath)	150,000
OnCore Golf Technology, Inc. (Oncore Golf)	150,000
Knoa Software, Inc. (Knoa)	48,466
Total of new investments	5,883,012
Other changes to investments:	
Intrinsiq	9,125
GoNoodle, Inc. (GoNoodle) interest conversion	7,586
Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (Mercantile) OID amortization	7,497
Total of other changes to investments	24,208
Investments repaid, sold or liquidated:	
Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor) repayment	_(1,041,972)
Total investments repaid, sold or liquidated	(1,041,972)
Net change in investments, at cost	\$ 4,865,248

Results of Operations

Investment Income

Our investment objective is to achieve long-term capital appreciation on our equity investments while investing in a mixture of loan, debenture and equity instruments, which are structured to provide a current return on a portion of the investment portfolio.

Comparison of the nine months ended September 30, 2016 to the nine months ended September 30, 2015

	Sep	tember 30, 2016	Sep	otember 30, 2015	,	ecrease) icrease	% (Decrease) Increase
Interest from portfolio companies	\$	525,073	\$	549,619	(\$	24,546)	(4.5%)
Interest from other investments		33,683		18,719		14,964	79.9%
Dividend and other investment income		152,818		1,488,545	(1	,335,727)	(89.7%)
Fee income		18,949		21,667		(2,718)	(12.5%)
Total investment income	\$	730,523	\$:	2,078,550	(\$ 1	,348,027)	(64.9%)

Interest from portfolio companies – Interest income from portfolio companies decreased during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 versus the nine months ended September 30, 2015 due to decreases in the principal balances outstanding on loan and debt investments with Gemcor, II, LLC (Gemcor) and Carolina Skiff, LLC (Carolina Skiff), respectively, and the timing of our new debt investments made during 2016 which offset these repayments.

After reviewing their performance and the circumstances surrounding our investments, we ceased accruing interest income on First Wave Products Group, LLC (First Wave) and a portion of the Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC (Mercantile) outstanding loan balances during 2015.

<u>Interest from other investments</u> - The increase in interest from other investments is primarily due to higher average cash balances during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 versus the same period in 2015.

<u>Dividend and other investment income</u> - Dividend income is comprised of distributions from limited liability companies (LLCs) and corporations in which we have invested. Our investment agreements with certain LLCs require those LLCs to distribute funds to us for payment of income taxes on our allocable share of the LLC's profits. These portfolio companies may also elect to make additional discretionary distributions. Dividend income will fluctuate based upon the profitability of these LLCs and corporations and the timing of the distributions or the impact of new investments or divestitures. Dividend and other investment income decreased in 2016 due to the asset sale of Gemcor II, LLC during March 2016. The dividend distributions for the respective periods were:

	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015
Carolina Skiff LLC (Carolina Skiff)	\$ 97,684	\$ 81,808
New Monarch Machine Tool LLC (Monarch)	27,409	27,409
SOMS Technologies, LLC (SOMS)	13,464	4,355
Tilson Technology Management, Inc. (Tilson)	11,250	10,667
Empire Genomics	3,011	_
Gemcor, II, LLC (Gemcor)		1,364,306
Total dividend and other investment income	\$ 152,818	\$ 1,488,545

<u>Fee income</u> - Fee income consists of the revenue associated with the amortization of financing fees charged to the portfolio companies upon successful closing of Rand SBIC financings and income from portfolio company board attendance fees. The financing fees are amortized ratably over the life of the instrument associated with the fees. The unamortized fees are carried on the balance sheet under the line item "Deferred revenue."

The income associated with the amortization of financing fees was \$15,948 and \$13,667 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The income from board fees was \$3,000 and \$8,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Operating Expenses

Comparison of the nine months ended September 30, 2016 to the nine months ended September 30, 2015

	September 30,	September 30,		
	2016	2015	Increase	% Increase
Total operating expenses	\$ 2,915,300	\$ 1,221,995	\$1,693,305	138.6%

Operating expenses predominately consist of interest expense on outstanding SBA borrowings, compensation expense, and general and administrative expenses including stockholder and office operating expenses and professional fees.

The increase in operating expenses during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was comprised primarily of a \$1,411,659 increase in bonus and profit sharing expense and an 87%, or \$110,782, increase in professional fees.

Our largest portfolio company, in terms of fair value, Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor) sold its assets during March 2016 and based on our ownership percentage, we received gross cash proceeds of approximately \$14.1 million. The realized gain from the sale, before income taxes, was \$14,588,813 and included \$1,068,750 that continued to be held in escrow at September 30, 2016. The escrow holdback is recorded in "Other Assets" on the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position. The escrow is scheduled to be released during 2017, subject to potential claims. Related to this asset sale, we accrued \$1,411,659 under our Profit Sharing Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, that is payable to our executive officers. There were no amounts earned pursuant to the Profit Sharing Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Professional fees were also higher during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 versus the same period in 2015 because we incurred additional expenses in connection with implementing our long-term growth strategy. These expenses included external legal, tax consulting and other advisory expenses to support refinement of our strategy, which involved assessing options relative to the complex regulatory environment in which we operate.

Realized Gains and Losses on Investments

Comparison of the nine months ended September 30, 2016 to the nine months ended September 30, 2015

	September 30,	September 30,			
	2016	2015	Increase		
Realized gain on investments before income taxes	\$14,756,953	\$ 262,925	\$14,494,028		

During the first quarter of 2016, our portfolio company Gemcor II, LLC sold its assets, and accordingly, we received gross cash proceeds of approximately \$14.1 million, excluding amounts that continue to be held in escrow, and recognized a realized gain, before income taxes, of \$14,588,813.

In addition, we recorded a realized gain of \$168,140 during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 from the earn out provision in connection with the 2014 sale of QuaDPharma, LLC to Athenex Inc.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, we recognized a net realized gain, before income taxes, of \$262,925 on the sale of 301,582 shares of Synacor, Inc. (Synacor). As of September 30, 2015, we did not own any shares of Synacor.

Change in Unrealized Depreciation or Appreciation of Investments

Comparison of the nine months ended September 30, 2016 to the nine months ended September 30, 2015

	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015	Decrease
Change in unrealized depreciation or appreciation before			
income taxes	(\$14,119,367)	(\$ 249,864)	(\$13,869,503)

The decrease in unrealized depreciation or appreciation before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was comprised of the following:

	September 30, 2016
Reclassify Gemcor II, LLC (Gemcor) to a realized gain	(\$12,775,000)
Statisfy, Inc. (Statisfy)	(650,000)
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (Teleservices)	(595,340)
Knoa Software, Inc. (Knoa)	(422,800)
Athenex, Inc. (Athenex)	69,444
Intrinsiq Materials, Inc. (Intrinsiq)	254,329
Total change in net unrealized depreciation of investments before	
income taxes during the nine months ended September 30, 2016	(\$14,119,367)

During the first quarter of 2016, our portfolio company, Gemcor II, LLC sold its assets and we received gross cash proceeds of approximately \$14.1 million. The realized gain from the sale, before income taxes, was \$14,588,813 and included \$1,068,750 that was held in escrow at September 30, 2016. The escrow holdback is recorded in "Other Assets" on the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position. The escrow is scheduled to be released during 2017, subject to potential claims.

The valuation of our investment in Statisfy was decreased after we reviewed the portfolio company and its financial condition and determined that a valuation adjustment was necessary.

Our investment in Teleservices was revalued after we reviewed their operations and their current and past financial performance. This review indicated that a further deterioration of their business had occurred. If the factors that led to this reduction in valuation are overcome, the value may be restored. The portfolio company remains in operation and is developing new business strategies.

The valuation of our investment in Knoa was decreased during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 to value our equity investment at a value consistent with the anticipated pricing for Knoa's future equity financing.

In accordance with our valuation policy, we increased the value of our investment in Athenex based on a significant equity financing by a new non-strategic outside entity. This new financing used a higher valuation for Athenex than had been used for its prior financing rounds.

Intrinsiq's value was increased based on a financial analysis of the portfolio company, completed by management, indicating continued improved performance and the completion of an equity refinancing in the third quarter of 2016.

The decrease in unrealized appreciation before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was comprised of the following:

	September 30, 2015
Athenex, Inc. (Athenex) (formerly Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.)	\$ 92,592
First Wave Products Group, LLC (First Wave)	(193,436)
SocialFlow, Inc. (SocialFlow)	321,300
Synacor, Inc. (Synacor) reclass to a realized gain	(220,320)
Teleservices Solutions Holdings, LLC (Teleservices)	(250,000)
Total change in net unrealized appreciation of investments before income taxes during the nine months ended September 30, 2015	(\$ 249,864)

In accordance with our valuation policy, we increased the value of our holdings in Athenex and Social Flow based on significant equity financings for each made during 2015 by new non-strategic outside investors at a higher valuation for each than their prior financing round valuation.

The First Wave investment was revalued after our management reviewed the portfolio company and its financial condition and determined that a valuation adjustment was necessary.

We sold our remaining shares of Synacor during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

The Teleservices investment was revalued during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 after our management reviewed the portfolio company and determined that the business had deteriorated since the time of the original funding.

All of these value adjustments resulted from a review by our management using the guidance set forth by ASC 820 and our established valuation policy.

Net (Decrease) Increase in Net Assets from Operations

We account for our operations under GAAP for investment companies. The principal measure of our financial performance is "net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations" on our consolidated statements of operations. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the net (decrease) increase in net assets from operations was (\$986,912) and \$609,141, respectively.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal objective is to achieve growth in net asset value per share through capital appreciation. Therefore, a significant portion of our investment portfolio is structured to maximize the potential for capital appreciation, and certain portfolio investments may be structured to provide little or no current yield in the form of dividends or interest payments.

As of September 30, 2016, our total liquidity consisted of approximately \$11.7 million in cash on hand.

Management expects that the cash on hand at September 30, 2016, coupled with the scheduled interest payments from our portfolio investments, will be sufficient to meet our liquidity needs through the next twelve months. As a result of the reduction of investment income related to the Gemcor asset sale, we expect to continue to look for new investment opportunities that provide interest and dividend payments so as to provide cash flow to cover operating costs. Future exits from portfolio companies may increase the amount of liquidity available for new investments, operating activities and future SBA debenture obligations.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our investment activities contain elements of risk. Our investment portfolio consists of equity and debt securities in private companies and is subject to valuation risk. Because there is typically no public market for the equity and debt securities in which we invest, the valuation of the equity interests in the portfolio is stated at "fair value" as determined in good faith by our management and approved by our Board of Directors. This is in accordance with our investment valuation policy (see the discussion of valuation policy contained in "Note 3.-Investments" in the consolidated financial statements contained in Item 1 of this report, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.) In the absence of readily ascertainable market values, the estimated value of the portfolio may differ significantly from the values that would be placed on the portfolio if a ready market for the investments existed. Any changes in valuation are recorded on the consolidated statement of operations as "Net (decrease) increase in unrealized appreciation on investments."

At times, a portion of our portfolio may include marketable securities traded in the over-the-counter market. In addition, there may be a portion of the portfolio for which no regular trading market exists. In order to realize the full value of a security, the market must trade in an orderly fashion or a willing purchaser must be available when a sale is to be made. Should an economic or other event occur that would not allow markets to trade in an orderly fashion, we may not be able to realize the fair value of our marketable investments or other investments in a timely manner.

As of September 30, 2016, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements or hedging or similar derivative financial instrument investments.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Corporation maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that this information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2016. Based on the evaluation of these disclosure controls and procedures, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Corporation's controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2016.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting. There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the Corporation's most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

None.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

See Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors," of the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

					Maximum number of
				Total number of shares	shares that may yet
				purchased as part of	be purchased under
	Total number of	Averag	ge price paid	publicly	the share repurchase
Period	shares purchased (1)	per	share (2)	announced plan (3)	program
7/1/2016 - 7/31/2016		•			465,504
8/1/2016 - 8/31/2016	6,550	\$	3.30	6,550	458,954
9/1/2016 - 9/30/2016	_		_	_	458,954

- (1) The total number of shares purchased was 6,550 during the third quarter of 2016. All transactions were made in the open market.
- (2) The average price paid per share is calculated on a settlement basis and includes commission.
- (3) On October 19, 2016, the Board of Directors extended the repurchase authorization of up to 1,000,000 shares of the Corporation's common stock on the open market at prices no greater than the then current net asset value through October 19, 2017.

Item 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this report or are incorporated herein by reference to a prior filing, in accordance with Rule 12b-32 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

- (3)(i) Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit (a) (1) and (a) (2) of Form N-2 filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on April 22, 1997. (File No. 333-25617).
- (3)(ii) By-laws of the Corporation, filed herewith.
- (4) Specimen certificate of common stock certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit (d) (1) of Form N-2 filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on April 22, 1997. (File No. 333-25617).
- (31.1) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, filed herewith.
- (31.2) Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, filed herewith.
- (32.1) Section 1350 Certifications Rand Capital Corporation furnished herewith

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 2, 2016

RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Allen F. Grum

Allen F. Grum, President

By: /s/ Daniel P. Penberthy

Daniel P. Penberthy, Treasurer

BY-LAWS OF RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION

ARTICLE I SHAREHOLDERS

<u>SECTION 1. ANNUAL MEETING.</u> The annual meeting of the shareholders for the purpose of electing directors and of transacting such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting shall be held on the date selected by the Board of Directors in each calendar year.

<u>SECTION 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS.</u> Special meetings of the shareholders may be called by the Chairman of the Board, the President or a majority of the entire Board of Directors then in office. The only business that may be conducted at a special meeting, other than procedural matters and matters relating to the conduct of the special meeting, shall be the matter or matters described in the notice of such special meeting.

SECTION 3. NOTICE OF MEETINGS – WAIVER. Not less than ten (10) or more than fifty (50) days' notice of any regular or special meeting of the shareholders shall be given by the Secretary either personally or by mail (written or electronic) to each shareholder entitled to vote. Waiver by a shareholder of notice of a shareholders' meeting (i) in writing and signed by such shareholder or (ii) by electronic transmission, whether before or after the time of the meeting, shall be equivalent to giving of such notice. Attendance by a shareholder without objection to the notice, whether in person or by proxy, at a shareholders' meeting, shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting.

<u>SECTION 4. PLACE OF MEETING.</u> Meetings of the shareholders of the Corporation shall be held at the principal place of business of the Corporation or at such other place within or without New York State, as shall be determined by the Chairman of the Board or of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5. DETERMINATION OF SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES. In order to determine the holders of record of the Corporation's stock who are entitled to notice of meetings, to vote at a meeting or adjournment thereof, to receive payment of any dividend, or to make a determination of the shareholders of record for any other purpose, the Board of Directors will fix a date as the record date for such determination of shareholders. Such date shall be no more than fifty (50) days prior to the date of action which requires such determination, nor, in the case of a shareholders' meeting, shall it be less than ten (10) days in advance of such meeting. If no record date is fixed for such determination of the shareholders, the date on which notice of the meeting is mailed or on which the resolution of the Board of Directors declaring a dividend is adopted, as the case may be, shall be the record date for such determination of the shareholders. When a determination of shareholders entitled to vote at any meeting has been made as provided in this Section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment of such meeting.

<u>SECTION 6. PROXIES.</u> A shareholder may vote either in person or by proxy executed in writing by the shareholder, or his duly authorized attorney in-fact. No proxy shall be valid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

<u>SECTION 7. QUORUM.</u> The presence in person or by proxy of holders of the majority of outstanding stock entitled to vote shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. In case a quorum shall not be present at any duly called meeting, the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, not exceeding thirty (30) days at any one time, until a quorum shall be present and the business of the meeting accomplished, and of such adjourned meeting, no notice need be given.

SECTION 8. ADJOURNED MEETINGS. Any meeting of shareholders may be adjourned to a designated time and place, not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, by the presiding officer of the meeting or by a vote of a majority in interest of the shareholders present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, even though less than a quorum is so present, for any reason or no reason from time to time. No notice of such an adjournment need be given, other than by announcement at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, and any business may be transacted that might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

SECTION 9. NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDER NOMINEES. Subject to the rights of holders of any class or series of shares having a preference over the common shares as to dividends or upon liquidation, only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures set forth in these By-Laws shall be eligible for election as directors of the Corporation. Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (ii) by any shareholder of the Corporation (A) who is a shareholder of record on the date of the giving of notice provided for in this Section 9 and on the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to vote at such meeting and (B) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 9.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a shareholder, such shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the Corporation.

To be timely, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation (i) with respect to an annual meeting of shareholders, not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of shareholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs; and (ii) with respect to a special meeting of shareholders called for the purpose of electing directors, not later

than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which the Corporation's notice of the date of the meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the special meeting was made, whichever first occurs. In no event shall the public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of a meeting commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as described above.

To be in proper written form, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth (i) the name and record address (as they appear on the books of the Corporation) of the shareholder who intends to make such nomination, and the name and address of any beneficial owner on whose behalf the proposal is made; (ii) the name, age, business and residence addresses and principal occupation of each person to be nominated and the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation that are owned beneficially or of record by each person to be nominated; (iii) as to the shareholder giving the notice, (A) the class, series and number of all shares of the Corporation that are owned of record or beneficially by such shareholder or any such beneficial owner; (B) the name of each nominee holder of shares owned beneficially but not of record by such shareholder and the class, series and number of shares of the Corporation held by each such nominee holder; (C) whether and the extent to which any derivative instrument, swap, option, warrant, short interest, hedge or profit interest has been entered into by or on behalf of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates with respect to the shares of the Corporation; (D) whether any other transaction, agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares) has been made by or on behalf of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to, or to manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, such shareholder or any of its affiliates or associates or to increase or decrease the voting power or pecuniary or economic interest of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates with respect to the shares of the Corporation; (E) any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship pursuant to which such shareholder or any such beneficial owner has a right to vote any shares of the Corporation; and (F) a representation that such shareholder will notify the Corporation in writing of the information required in clauses (A) through (E), in each case as in effect as of the record date for the meeting, promptly following the later of the record date or the date that notice of the record date is first publicly disclosed; (iv) a description of all arrangements and understandings between such shareholder or any such beneficial owner and each proposed nominee and any other person or persons (including their names) pursuant to which the nomination(s) are to be made by such shareholder (together with information for any such other persons covering the matters set forth in clause (iii)); (v) such other information relating to all persons described in this paragraph that is required to be disclosed in solicitations for proxies for election of directors pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission or other applicable law; (vi) whether such shareholder believes any proposed nominee is, or is not, an "interested person" of the Corporation, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"), and the rules promulgated thereunder; (vii) the written consent of each proposed nominee to be named as a nominee and to serve as a director of the Corporation if elected, together with an undertaking, signed by each proposed nominee, to furnish to the Corporation a completed, signed questionnaire and any other information the Corporation may request upon the advice of counsel for the purpose of

determining such proposed nominee's eligibility and suitability to serve as a director or required disclosure with respect to his serving as a director; (viii) a description of any business, monetary or other material relationship between the shareholder or any such beneficial owner, or any of their affiliates or associates, and the proposed nominee, or any of his affiliates or associates, during the past three years and of any voting commitments with respect to the Corporation to which the nominee is or will be subject, including, without limitation, all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K if the shareholder or any such beneficial owner, or any of their affiliates or associates were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the proposed nominee, or any of his affiliates or associates were a director or executive officer of such registrant; (ix) a nominee questionnaire, representation and agreement in the form provided by the Secretary upon request; and (x) a representation that such shareholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice. The Corporation may also require any proposed nominee to furnish such other information as it may reasonably require (i) to determine the eligibility of such proposed nominee to serve as a director of the Corporation, including with respect to qualifications established by any committee of the Board of Directors; (ii) to determine whether such nominee qualifies as an "independent director" or "audit committee financial expert" under applicable law, securities exchange rule or regulation, or any publicly-disclosed corporate governance guideline or committee charter of the Corporation; and (iii) that could be material to a reasonable stockholder's understanding of the independence and qualifications, or lack thereof, of such nominee.

No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the Corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 9. If the presiding officer of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the presiding officer shall declare to the meeting that the nomination was defective and such defective nomination shall be disregarded.

SECTION 10. NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDER BUSINESS. No business (other than nominations for the election of directors, if made in compliance with the preceding Section 9) may be transacted at an annual meeting of shareholders, other than business that is (i) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), (ii) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (iii) a proper matter for shareholder action and otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any shareholder of the Corporation (A) who is a shareholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 10 and on the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (B) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 10. This Section 10 is expressly intended to apply to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of shareholders other than any proposal made pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act or any other rule of the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time in effect that sets forth the criteria for inclusion of a shareholder's proposal in an issuer's proxy materials.

In addition to any other applicable requirement, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder, such shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the Corporation.

To be timely, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of shareholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs. In no event shall the public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of a meeting commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as described above.

To be in proper written form, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth as to each matter such shareholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting (i) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting, and, if such business includes a proposal to amend either the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, the text of the proposed amendment; (ii) the name and record address (as they appear on the books of the Corporation) of the shareholder proposing such business and the name and address of any beneficial owner on whose behalf the proposal is made; (iii) (A) the class, series and number of all shares of the Corporation that are owned of record or beneficially by such shareholder or any such beneficial owner; (B) the name of each nominee holder of shares owned beneficially but not of record by such shareholder and the class, series and number of shares of the Corporation held by each such nominee holder; (C) whether and the extent to which any derivative instrument, swap, option, warrant, short interest, hedge or profit interest has been entered into by or on behalf of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates with respect to the shares of the Corporation; (D) whether any other transaction, agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares) has been made by or on behalf of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to, or to manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any of their respective affiliates or associates or to increase or decrease the voting power or pecuniary or economic interest of such shareholder or any of their respective affiliates or associates with respect to the shares of the Corporation; (E) any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding, or relationship pursuant to which such shareholder or any such beneficial owner has a right to vote any shares of the Corporation; and (F) a representation that such shareholder will notify the Corporation in writing of the information required in clauses (A) through (E), in each case as in effect as of the record date for the meeting, promptly following the later of the record date or the date notice of the record date is first publicly disclosed; (iv) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such shareholder or any such beneficial owner and any other person or persons (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such shareholder and of any material interest of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner or any other persons in such business (together with information for any such other persons covering the matters set forth in clause (iii)); (v) such other information relating to the proposal that is required to be disclosed in solicitations pursuant to the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission or other applicable law; and (vi) a representation that such shareholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting.

No business shall be conducted at the annual meeting of shareholders except business brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 10, provided, however, that, once business has been properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with such procedures, nothing in this Section 10 shall be deemed to preclude discussion by any shareholder of any such business. If the presiding officer of a meeting determines that business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the presiding officer shall declare to the meeting that the business was not properly brought before the meeting and such business shall not be transacted

SECTION 11. MEETING PROCEDURES. At each meeting of shareholders, the order of business and all other matters of procedure shall be determined by the presiding officer for the meeting. The presiding officer shall have all the powers and authority vested in a presiding officer by law or practice without restriction, including, without limitation, the authority, in order to conduct an orderly meeting, to announce the date and time of the opening and closing of the polls, to impose reasonable limits on the amount of time at the meeting taken up in remarks by any one shareholder and to declare any business not properly brought before the meeting to be out of order and such business shall not be transacted. The Board of Directors may adopt by resolution such rules and regulations for the conduct of the meeting of shareholders as it shall deem appropriate.

ARTICLE II SHARES AND THEIR TRANSFER

<u>SECTION 1. CERTIFICATED OR UNCERTIFICATED SHARES.</u> The shares of the Corporation may be represented by certificates or they may be uncertificated shares. Unless otherwise provided by the articles of incorporation, the board of directors may provide by resolution that some or all of any or all classes and series of the Corporation's shares shall be uncertificated shares, provided that any such resolution shall not apply to shares represented by a certificate until the certificate is surrendered to the Corporation.

SECTION 2. CERTIFICATED SHARES—SIGNATURES. If shares of the Corporation are represented by certificates, the certificates shall be signed by the chairman or vice-chairman of the board or the president or a vice-president and the secretary or an assistant secretary or the treasurer or an assistant treasurer of the Corporation, and may be sealed with the seal of the Corporation or a facsimile thereof. The signatures of the officers upon a certificate may be facsimiles if: (1) the certificate is countersigned by a transfer agent or registered by a registrar other than the Corporation itself or its employee, or (2) the shares are listed on a registered national securities exchange. In case any officer who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to hold his or her office before the certificate is issued, it may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if he or she held the office at the date of issue.

<u>SECTION 3. CERTIFICATED SHARES—REQUIRED STATEMENTS.</u> Each certificate representing shares shall state upon its face: (1) the Corporation is formed under the laws of New York; (2) the name of the person or persons to whom the shares are issued; (3) the number and class of shares, and the designation of the series, if any, which the certificate represents.

SECTION 4. MORE THAN ONE CLASS OF SHARES. If the Corporation is authorized to issue more than one class of shares, then each certificate representing shares issued by the Corporation shall set forth upon the face or back of the certificate, or shall state that the Corporation will furnish to any shareholder upon request and without charge, a full statement of the designation, relative rights, preferences and limitations of each class authorized to be issued and, if the Corporation is authorized to issue preferred shares in series, the designation, relative rights, preferences and limitations of each such series so far as the same have been fixed and the authority of the board to designate and fix the relative rights, preferences and limitations of other series.

<u>SECTION 5. UNCERTIFICATED SHARES—REQUIRED NOTICES.</u> Within a reasonable time after the issuance or transfer of uncertificated shares by the Corporation, the Corporation shall send to the registered owner thereof a written notice containing the information required to be set forth or stated on certificates under Section 3 and Section 4 of this Article. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the rights and obligations of holders of uncertificated shares and the rights and obligations of the holders of certificates representing shares of the same class and series shall be identical.

SECTION 6. LOST, STOLEN OR DESTROYED STOCK CERTIFICATES. No certificate for shares of stock of the Corporation shall be issued in place of any certificate alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, except upon timely production of such evidence of the loss, theft or destruction and upon such indemnification of the Corporation and its agent to such extent and in such manner as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe.

ARTICLE III DIRECTORS

<u>SECTION 1. NUMBER.</u> The number of directors constituting the entire board shall be such number, not less than three, as shall, from time to time, be designated by resolution of the Board of Directors subject to the limitations prescribed by law. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

SECTION 2. CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Board of Directors shall elect a Chairman who shall also serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

<u>SECTION 3. ELECTION.</u> Members of the initial Board of Directors shall hold office until the first annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At the first annual meeting of shareholders, and at each annual meeting thereafter, the shareholders shall elect directors to hold office until the next succeeding annual meeting. Each director shall hold office for the term for which he is elected and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors by reason of death, resignation, removal, or disqualification of a director or increase in the number of directors or for any other reason, may be filled by a majority of the directors remaining, and such director shall serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders or until his successor is elected and qualified. A director need not be a shareholder.

<u>SECTION 4. ANNUAL MEETING.</u> Immediately after the annual meeting of the shareholders at the place such meeting of the shareholders has been held, the Board of Directors shall meeting each year for the purpose of organization, election of officers, and consideration or any other business that may be properly brought before the meeting. No notice of any kind to either old or new members of the Board of Directors for this annual meeting shall be necessary. If a quorum of the directors be not present on the day appointed for the annual meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned to some convenient day.

<u>SECTION 5. REGULAR MEETINGS.</u> Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such time as may from time to time be fixed by resolution of the Board, and no notice need be given of regular meetings.

<u>SECTION 6. SPECIAL MEETINGS.</u> Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at any time upon the call of the Chairman or five (5) members of the Board of Directors and shall be held upon notice by letter, telegram, cable or radiogram, delivered for transmission not later than during the third day immediately preceding the day for the meeting, or by word or mouth, telephone or radiophone received not later than one day before such meeting. Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors may be waived in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to the notice, whether before or after the time of the meeting.

SECTION 7. QUORUM. A majority of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

<u>SECTION 8. COMPENSATION.</u> Directors, as such, shall not receive any stated salary for their services, but by resolution of the Board of Directors a fixed sum and expenses of attendance, if any, may be allowed for attendance at each meeting of the Board. Members of the Executive Committee and other committees may be allowed like compensation for attending the committee meetings.

SECTION 9. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Board of Directors may, by a vote of a majority of the Board, designate an Executive Committee, to consist of three (3) or more of the directors, one of whom shall be the Chairman of the Board and another of whom shall be the President, if he be a director. No member of the Executive Committee shall continue to be a member of it after he ceases to be a director of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall have the power at any time to increase or decrease the number of members of the Executive Committee, to fill vacancies on it, to remove any member of it, and to change its functions or terminate its existence. During the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors,

subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by resolution of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall have and may exercise all the authority of the Board of Directors, including power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers that may require it, but shall not have the authority to amend the by-laws of the Corporation or to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors or in any committee or to fix the compensation of the directors for serving on the Board or on any other committee. All actions of the Executive Committee shall be reported at the meeting of the Board of Directors succeeding such action. A majority of the Executive Committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of any of its business.

<u>SECTION 10. OTHER COMMITTEES.</u> The Board of Directors may in its discretion appoint other committees which shall have such powers and perform such duties as from time to time may be prescribed by the board. A majority of the members of any such committee may determine its action and fix the time and place of its meetings unless the board shall otherwise provide. The board shall have the power at any time to change the membership of any such committee, to fill vacancies, and to discharge any such committee.

<u>SECTION 11. REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS.</u> Any director may be removed with cause at any time by a vote of the shareholders holding the majority of the shares of the Corporation and at any meeting called for that purpose. Shareholders may not remove any director without cause.

SECTION 12. ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if all members of the board or the committee consent in writing to the adoption of a resolution authorizing the action. The resolution and the written consents thereto by the members of the board or committee may be executed simultaneously or in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The resolution and the written consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board or committee.

<u>SECTION 13. PRESENCE AT MEETING BY TELEPHONE.</u> Members of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof may participate in a meeting of such board or committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation in a meeting by such means shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

<u>SECTION 1. ELECTION.</u> The Board of Directors shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. Such officers shall serve at the pleasure of the Directors and shall receive compensation to be determined by the board.

<u>SECTION 2. PRESIDENT.</u> The President shall be the chief administrative and operating officers of the Corporation. He shall be responsible for the investment policies and decisions of the Corporation. He shall hire and supervise activities of and assign duties to all officers and employees of the Corporation, other than the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Chairman of the Board. He shall report directly to the Board of Directors acting as a body and to the Executive Committee acting as a body.

SECTION 3. VICE PRESIDENT. Each Vice President shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee may prescribe or as the President may delegate to him. At the request of the President, any Vice President may, in the case of the President's absence or inability to act, temporarily act in his place. In the case of the death of the President, or in the case of his absence or inability to act without having designated a Vice President to act temporarily in his place, the Vice President or Vice Presidents to perform the duties of the President shall be designated by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

<u>SECTION 4. SECRETARY.</u> The Secretary shall keep the records and minutes of the Corporation, have charge of the certificate book and in general shall perform all duties customarily performed by the Secretary of a corporation.

SECTION 5. TREASURER. The Treasurer shall be the financial officer; shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for, all funds and deposits of all such funds in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors; and, in general, shall perform all the duties incident to the office of the Treasurer and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or by the President. The Treasurer shall render to the President and the Board of Directors whenever the same shall be required, an account of all his transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V SPECIAL CORPORATE ACTS

<u>SECTION 1. EXECUTION OF NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS.</u> All checks, drafts, notes, bonds, bills of exchange and orders for the payment of money shall be signed by such officer or officers or agent or agents as shall be thereunto authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. EXECUTION OF DEEDS, CONTRACTS, ETC. Subject always to the specific directions of the Board of Directors, all deeds and mortgages made by the Corporation and all other written contracts and agreements to which the corporation shall be a party shall be executed in its name by the Chairman, President or one of the Vice Presidents and when requested the Secretary shall attest to such signatures and affix the corporate seal to the instruments.

<u>SECTION 3. ENDORSEMENT OF STOCK CERTIFICATE.</u> Subject always to the specific directions of the Board of Directors, any share or shares of stock issued by any corporation and owned by the Corporation may, for sale or transfer, be endorsed in the name of the Corporation by the Chairman, President or one of the Vice Presidents and his signature shall be attested to by the Secretary who shall affix the corporate seal.

SECTION 4. VOTING OF SHARES OWNED BY THE CORPORATION. Subject always to the specific directions of the Board of Directors any share or shares of stock issued by any other corporation and owned or controlled by the Corporation may be voted at any shareholders' meeting of the other corporation by the Chairman, President of the Corporation or by any Vice President. Whenever, in the judgment of the Chairman or in his absence, the President, it is desirable for the Corporation to execute a proxy to give a shareholders' consent in respect of any share or shares of stock issued by any other corporation and owned or controlled by the Corporation, the proxy or consent shall be executed in the name of the Corporation by the Chairman or the President without necessity of any authorization by the Board of Directors. Any person or persons designated in the manner above stated as the proxy or proxies of the Corporation shall have full right, power and authority to vote the share or shares of stock issued by the other corporation.

ARTICLE VI INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

SECTION 1. RIGHT OF INDEMNIFICATION. Except to the extend expressly prohibited by law, the Corporation shall indemnify any person, made or threatened to be made, a party in any civil or criminal action or proceeding, including an action or proceeding by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor or by or in the right of any other corporation of any type or kind, domestic or foreign, or any partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, which any director or officer of the Corporation served in any capacity at the request of the Corporation, by reason of the fact that he, his testator or intestate is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or serves or served such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, in any capacity, against judgments, fines, penalties, amounts paid in settlement and reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with such action or proceeding, or any appeal therein, provided that no such indemnification shall be required with respect to any settlement unless the Corporation shall have given its prior approval thereto. Such indemnification shall include the right to be paid advances of any expenses incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, consistent with the provisions of applicable law. In addition to the foregoing, the Corporation is authorized to extend rights to indemnification and advancement of expenses to such persons by i) resolution of the shareholders; ii) resolution of the directors or iii) an agreement, to the extent not expressly prohibited by law.

SECTION 2. AVAILABILITY AND INTERPRETATION. To the extent permitted under applicable law, the rights of indemnification and to the advancement of expenses provided in this Article VI (a) shall be available with respect to events occurring prior to the adoption of this Article VI, (b) shall continue to exist after any rescission or restrictive amendment of this Article VI with respect to events occurring prior to such rescission or amendment, (c) shall be interpreted on the basis of applicable law in effect at the time of the occurrence of the event or events giving rise to the action or proceeding or, at the sole discretion of the director or officer or, if applicable, the testator or intestate of such director or officer seeking such rights, on the basis of applicable law in effect at the time such rights are claimed and (d) shall be in the nature of contract rights that may be enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction as if the Corporation and the director or officer for whom such rights are sought were parties to a separate written agreement.

SECTION 3. OTHER RIGHTS. The rights of indemnification and to the advancement of expenses provided in this Article VI shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which any director or officer of the Corporation or other person may now or hereafter be otherwise entitled whether contained in the certification of incorporation, these by-laws, a resolution of the shareholders, a resolution of the Board of Directors or an agreement providing for such indemnification, the creation of such other rights being hereby expressly authorized. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the rights of indemnification and to the advancement of expenses provided in this Article VI shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights, pursuant to statute or otherwise, of any director or officer of the Corporation or other person in any action or proceeding to have assessed or allowed in his or her favor, against the Corporation or otherwise, his or her costs and expenses incurred therein or in connection therewith or any part thereof.

<u>SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.</u> If this Article VI or any part hereof shall be held unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it enforceable, and the remainder of this Article VI shall remain fully enforceable.

ARTICLE VII SEAL

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The seal of the Corporation shall be in the form of a circle and shall bear the words "Corporate Seal, New York" and the name of the Corporation and the year of incorporation.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

These by-laws of the Corporation may be amended, added to or repealed at any meeting of the shareholders by the vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Corporation entitled to vote at the meeting, provided that notice of the proposed change shall have been given in the noted of the meeting. The by-laws may also be amended, added to or repealed at any meeting of the Board of Directors by the vote of a majority of the board, provided that notice of the proposed change shall have been given in the notice of meeting. However, any by-laws hereafter duly adopted at a meeting of the shareholders shall control the action of the Directors except as therein otherwise provided.

ARTICLE IX INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT

<u>SECTION 1. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT CONTROLS.</u> If and to the extent that any provision of the New York Business Corporation Law or any provision of the articles of incorporation of the Corporation or these By-Laws conflicts with any provision of the Investment Company Act, the applicable provision of the Investment Company Act shall prevail.

As amended through 7/28/16

EXHIBIT 31.1

CERTIFICATION Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended

- I, Allen F. Grum, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Rand Capital Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles:
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this quarterly report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: November 2, 2016

/s/ Allen F. Grum

Allen F. Grum, President
(Chief Executive Officer of Rand Capital Corporation)

EXHIBIT 31.2

CERTIFICATION Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended

- I, Daniel P. Penberthy, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Rand Capital Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this quarterly report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: November 2, 2016

/s/ Daniel P. Penberthy

Daniel P. Penberthy, Treasurer (Chief Financial Officer of Rand Capital Corporation)

EXHIBIT 32.1

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 Of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, each of the undersigned officers of Rand Capital Corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirement of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 2, 2016	
	/s/ Allen F. Grum
	Allen F. Grum, President
	(Chief Executive Officer)
Dated: November 2, 2016	
	/s/ Daniel P. Penberthy
	Daniel P. Penberthy, Treasurer
	(Chief Financial Officer)