

<div>Form 5500</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</div> <div>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</div> <div>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</div> <div>2017</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div>
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2017 and ending 12/31/2017	
A	This return/report is for: <div><div>☐ a multiemployer plan</div><div>☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div>☒ a single-employer plan</div><div>☐ a DFE (specify) _____</div></div>
B	This return/report is: <div><div>☐ the first return/report</div><div>☐ the final return/report</div><div>☐ an amended return/report</div><div>☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div>
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: <div><div>☒ Form 5558</div><div>☐ automatic extension</div><div>☐ the DFVC program</div><div>☐ special extension (enter description)</div></div>

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 04/03/2000
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) FORBES MEDIA LLC 499 WASHINGTON BLVD. 9TH FLOOR JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-2065766
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 212-367-2655
2d	Business code (see instructions) 519100

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/09/2018	MICHAEL YORK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 682
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).	
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1) 418
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 378
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b 1
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c 293
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d 672
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f 672
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g 662
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h 65
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2R 2S 2T

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1)** ☒ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2)** ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3)** ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

b General Schedules

- (1)** ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2)** ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3)** ☐ **A** (Insurance Information)
- (4)** ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5)** ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6)** ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2017 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2017 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

<div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2017
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A Name of plan EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FORBES MEDIA LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-2065766	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. ☒ Yes ☐ No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL
04-2647786

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

STRATEGIC ADVISORS, INC.

04-2654524

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	20575	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
37 60 64 65 71	RECORDKEEPER	3081	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
WINTERGREEN FUND	333 ROUTE 46 WEST SUITE 204 MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ 07046	0.40%
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
WEITZ PARTNERS VALUE	1125 SOUTH 103RD STREET OMAHA, NE 68124	0.40%
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
THE DELAFIELD FUND	40 W 57TH STREET 19TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10019	\$16.00

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T ROWE PRICE CAP APPRECIATION 4515 PAINTERS MILL RD OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
PRIMECAP ODYSSEY GROWTH FUND 2020 E. FINANCIAL WAY SUITE 100 GLEN DORA, CA 91741	0.08%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
PIMCO COMMODITY REAL RETURN CL D 1633 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10019	0.40%	

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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LOOMIS SAYLES BOND RETAIL SHARES 399 BOYLSTON STREET 8TH FL BOSTON, MA 02116	0.35%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation		(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
LONGLEAF PARTNERS 6410 POPLAR AVENUE SUITE 900 MEMPHIS, TN 38119	\$20.00	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2		(b) Service Codes (see instructions)
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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HENNESSY FOCUS FUND INVESTOR CLASS 7250 REDWOOD BLVD. STE 200 NOVATO, CA 94945	0.40%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
FMI INTERNATIONAL 777 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE MK WI T4M MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	0.40%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
AMANA MUTUAL FUND TRUST INCOME 1300 NORTH STATE STREET BELLINGHAM, WA 98225	0.40%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
GS HIGH YIELD INST - GOLDMAN, SACH 13-5108880	0.10%	

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(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
TRP EQUITY INCOME - T. ROWE PRICE 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

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d Address:	e Telephone:

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FORBES MEDIA LLC</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>34-2065766</u>	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(3) Other.....	1b(3)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	<u>5884724</u>	<u>3303987</u>
(2) U.S. Government securities.....	1c(2)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	<u>493660</u>	<u>0</u>
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	<u>451718</u>	<u>358185</u>
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	1c(10)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13)	<u>61895071</u>	<u>78613858</u>
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	68725173	82276030

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	50	49
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	50	49

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	68725123	82275981
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income

a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	938168	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3547455	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	1010240	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	5495863
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	24489	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	19343	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		43832
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	3230463	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		3230463
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	86	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		10348772
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		19119016

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	5544886	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		5544886
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		0
h Interest expense.....	2h		0
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	0	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)	20575	
(4) Other	2i(4)	2697	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		23272
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		5568158

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		13550858
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☐ Unqualified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☒ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Did the accountant perform a limited scope audit pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and/or 103-12(d)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: GRANT THORNTON, LLP

(2) EIN: 36-6055558

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.).....

b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a		X	
4b		X	

		Yes	No	Amount
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		5000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n		X	

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (See ERISA section 4021.)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined
 If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____. (See instructions.)

<div>SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2017</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div>
For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2017 and ending 12/31/2017		
A Name of plan EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FORBES MEDIA LLC		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-2065766
Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions		1
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 04-6568107		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year		3
Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month Day Year If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)		6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year		6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)		6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.		
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
Part III	Amendments	
9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No		
Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ☐ Yes ☐ No		
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2017 v. 170203		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 14** Enter the number of participants on whose behalf no contributions were made by an employer as an employer of the participant for:

a The current year	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	14b	
c The second preceding plan year	14c	

- 15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

- 16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	

- 17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment. ☐

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

- 18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐

- 19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)

- a** Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%
- b** Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:
☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more
- c** What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)?
☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC

Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
As of December 31, 2017

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost **	(e) Current Value
*	Fidelity 500 Index Institutional	Mutual Fund	\$	22,343,536
*	Fidelity OTC Portfolio	Mutual Fund		7,295,834
*	Fidelity Contrafund	Mutual Fund		6,282,172
*	Fidelity Government Money Market Portfolio	Mutual Fund		2,626,032
	American Funds Growth Fund of America	Mutual Fund		4,804,459
*	Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Institutional Share Class Fund	Mutual Fund		4,570,791
*	Fidelity Diversified International Fund	Mutual Fund		3,717,187
	TRP Equity Income	Mutual Fund		3,640,781
*	Brokeragelink	Self Directed Brokerage Account		2,717,613
	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	Mutual Fund		1,894,921
*	Fidelity International Index Fund	Mutual Fund		2,850,473
	Goldman Sachs High Yield Fund	Mutual Fund		1,562,556
	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund		1,449,096
*	Fidelity Extended Market Index Fund	Mutual Fund		1,407,885
*	Fidelity Balanced Fund	Mutual Fund		771,602
*	Fidelity Freedom 2005 Fund	Mutual Fund		4,614
*	Fidelity Freedom 2010 Fund	Mutual Fund		37,162
*	Fidelity Freedom 2015 Fund	Mutual Fund		129,604
*	Fidelity Freedom 2020 Fund	Mutual Fund		667,821
*	Fidelity Freedom 2025 Fund	Mutual Fund		564,619
*	Fidelity Freedom 2030 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,806,161
*	Fidelity Freedom 2035 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,835,953
*	Fidelity Freedom 2040 Fund	Mutual Fund		2,242,177
*	Fidelity Freedom 2045 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,099,381
*	Fidelity Freedom 2050 Fund	Mutual Fund		2,278,661
*	Fidelity Freedom 2055 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,726,743
*	Fidelity Freedom 2060 Fund	Mutual Fund		252,318
*	Fidelity Freedom Income Fund	Mutual Fund		67,613
	JP Morgan Small Company Instl	Mutual Fund		1,270,031
*	Participant Loans with interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 8.75%			358,185
	Total investments		\$	82,275,981

* Denotes a party-in-interest.

** Participant-directed investments, cost information is not required.

Financial Statements and Report of
Independent Certified Public Accountants

**EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF
FORBES MEDIA LLC**

Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC

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* All other schedules are omitted as they are not applicable or are not required based on the disclosure requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as amended, and applicable regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Labor.



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Plan Administrator and Participants of the
Employee Savings Incentive Thrift Plan of Forbes Media LLC

Report on the financial statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of the Employee Savings Incentive Thrift Plan of Forbes Media LLC (the “Plan”), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management’s responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on conducting the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion.

Basis for disclaimer of opinion

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the certified information described in Note 3, except for comparing such information with the related information included in the financial statements. We have been informed by the Plan administrator that the certifying entity meets the requirements of 29 CFR 2520.103-8. The Plan administrator obtained a certification from this entity as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and for the year ended December 31, 2017, stating that the certified information provided to the Plan administrator is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of opinion

Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

Supplementary information

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2017 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we do not express an opinion on the supplemental schedule.

Report on form and content in compliance with DOL rules and regulations

The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule, other than that derived from the certified information described in Note 3, have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Grant Thornton LLP

New York, New York

October 4, 2018

**EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF
FORBES MEDIA LLC**

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 81,917,796	\$ 68,273,405
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>358,185</u>	<u>451,718</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 82,275,981</u>	<u>\$ 68,725,123</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits For the year ended December 31, 2017

ADDITIONS

Investment income	
Interest and dividends	\$ 3,254,947
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>10,348,863</u>
Net investment income	<u>13,603,810</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>19,343</u>
Contributions	
Participants	3,547,455
Employer	938,168
Rollovers	<u>1,010,240</u>
Total contributions	<u>5,495,863</u>
Total additions	<u>19,119,016</u>

DEDUCTIONS

Benefits paid to participants	5,544,886
Administrative expenses	<u>23,272</u>
Total deductions	<u>5,568,158</u>
Net increase	13,550,858
Net assets available for benefits at beginning of year	<u>68,725,123</u>
Net assets available for benefits at end of year	<u>\$ 82,275,981</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

EMPLOYEE SAVINGS INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN OF FORBES MEDIA LLC

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2017 and 2016

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following brief description of the Employee Savings Incentive Thrift Plan of Forbes Media LLC (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all eligible employees of Forbes Media LLC and its subsidiaries (“Forbes” or the “Company”). The Plan permits regular salaried employees to join the Plan on the 1st day of the month following 30 days of service. Employees paid on an hourly basis or classified as temporary are eligible to join the Plan after 12 months of eligible service during which they work at least 1,000 hours. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”). The Plan administrator is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Plan administrator determines the appropriateness of the Plan’s investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Plan’s Board of Directors.

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute, on a pre-tax or Roth basis, up to 50% of eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollovers). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Company contributes on behalf of each eligible participant a discretionary amount equal to 100% of the first 3% of a participant’s base salary limited to \$130,000 of compensation for a maximum match of \$3,900 per participant per year (up to \$162.50 per pay period).

Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contributions and company contributions (if applicable), as well as plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

Vesting

Employee elective contributions are fully vested upon contribution. The Company’s discretionary matching contributions vest based on the employee’s number of years of vesting service. The vesting schedule based on years of credited service is as follows: after two years of credited service, 20%; after three years of credited service, 60%; after four years of credited service, 80%; and after five years of credited service, 100%. Employer contributions also become fully vested if a participant reaches age 65, becomes permanently disabled, or dies before retirement.

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Participants may borrow from their plan accounts up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and a participant may not have more than two loans outstanding at any time. The interest rate shall be determined at the time of the loan application and shall be 1% above the prime rate. The period of repayment for any loan shall not exceed five years, unless the loan is to be used in conjunction with the purchase of the principal residence of the participant, in which case the repayment shall not exceed 15 years. Principal and interest is paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions.

Payment of Benefits

Upon retirement, death, or disability, if earlier, or termination of employment in the case of vested benefits, the balance in the participant's account will be paid to the participant or his or her beneficiaries either in a lump sum, installments, or partial withdrawals. In addition, participants may elect in-service withdrawals of their elective deferral account balances after reaching age 59½ or for hardship purposes.

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2017 and 2016, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$32,725 and \$20,595, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay administrative expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2017, \$62,616 of forfeitures were used to reduce employer contributions.

2. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared using the accrual method of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP") as applied to employee benefit plans.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan administrator determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the trustee. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

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Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. Loans are collateralized by the balance in the participant's account and a participant may not have more than two loans outstanding at any time. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2017 or 2016. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan administrator deems the participant loan to be a distribution, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

3. CERTIFICATION BY TRUSTEE

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity"), the Plan's trustee, has certified that the following information in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate:

- Investments and notes receivable from participants, as shown in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.
- Net investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants as shown in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the year ended December 31, 2017.
- Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2017.

The Plan's independent accountants did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the

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lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Mutual Funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded. Included within mutual funds, are money market funds, which are also classified within Level 1.

Self-directed brokerage account: The self-directed brokerage account includes participant-directed investments in mutual funds, common stocks, ETFs and money market fund accounts, which are classified within Level 1.

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The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments, at fair value as of December 31, 2017:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Self directed brokerage account	\$ 2,717,613	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,717,613
Mutual funds	<u>79,200,183</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>79,200,183</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 81,917,796</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 81,917,796</u>

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments, at fair value as of December 31, 2016:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Self directed brokerage account	\$ 2,273,092	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,273,092
Mutual funds	<u>66,000,313</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>66,000,313</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 68,273,405</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 68,273,405</u>

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain plan investments are shares of mutual funds managed by Fidelity. Fidelity is the trustee, as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

6. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their employer contributions and earnings thereon.

7. INCOME TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated November 17, 2017, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Plan has not been amended since receiving the determination letter.

US GAAP requires plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is

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subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

8. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term, and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 4, 2018, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events that would require recognition or additional disclosure in the Plan's financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
As of December 31, 2017

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost **	(e) Current Value
*	Fidelity 500 Index Institutional	Mutual Fund	\$	22,343,536
*	Fidelity OTC Portfolio	Mutual Fund		7,295,834
*	Fidelity Contrafund	Mutual Fund		6,282,172
*	Fidelity Government Money Market Portfolio	Mutual Fund		2,626,032
	American Funds Growth Fund of America	Mutual Fund		4,804,459
*	Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Institutional Share Class Fund	Mutual Fund		4,570,791
*	Fidelity Diversified International Fund	Mutual Fund		3,717,187
	TRP Equity Income	Mutual Fund		3,640,781
*	Brokeragelink	Self Directed Brokerage Account		2,717,613
	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	Mutual Fund		1,894,921
*	Fidelity International Index Fund	Mutual Fund		2,850,473
	Goldman Sachs High Yield Fund	Mutual Fund		1,562,556
	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund		1,449,096
*	Fidelity Extended Market Index Fund	Mutual Fund		1,407,885
*	Fidelity Balanced Fund	Mutual Fund		771,602
*	Fidelity Freedom 2005 Fund	Mutual Fund		4,614
*	Fidelity Freedom 2010 Fund	Mutual Fund		37,162
*	Fidelity Freedom 2015 Fund	Mutual Fund		129,604
*	Fidelity Freedom 2020 Fund	Mutual Fund		667,821
*	Fidelity Freedom 2025 Fund	Mutual Fund		564,619
*	Fidelity Freedom 2030 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,806,161
*	Fidelity Freedom 2035 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,835,953
*	Fidelity Freedom 2040 Fund	Mutual Fund		2,242,177
*	Fidelity Freedom 2045 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,099,381
*	Fidelity Freedom 2050 Fund	Mutual Fund		2,278,661
*	Fidelity Freedom 2055 Fund	Mutual Fund		1,726,743
*	Fidelity Freedom 2060 Fund	Mutual Fund		252,318
*	Fidelity Freedom Income Fund	Mutual Fund		67,613
*	JP Morgan Small Company Instl	Mutual Fund		1,270,031
*	Participant Loans with interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 8.75%			358,185
	Total investments		\$	82,275,981

* Denotes a party-in-interest.

** Participant-directed investments, cost information is not required.