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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE (UNAUDITED)

This report provides certain performance data for A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC (the "Fund") for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

#### The Fund's Investment Approach

The Fund commonly is referred to as a "fund of funds." Its investment objective is to seek capital appreciation over the long term, and it seeks to achieve this investment objective principally through the allocation of assets among a select group of alternative asset managers (the "Investment Managers") and the funds they operate. Investment Managers generally conduct their investment programs through unregistered investment vehicles, such as hedge funds, that have investors other than the Fund, and in other registered investment companies (collectively, the "Investment Funds").

The Fund invests in a portfolio of Investment Funds that primarily employ long/short equity strategies. The Fund also may invest in Investment Funds that employ other strategies, including relative value, merger arbitrage/event-driven, macro, distressed investing and emerging market strategies. As of December 31, 2023, the Fund was invested in Investment Funds that employed Equity Hedged and Multi-Strategy strategies.

#### **Performance Review**

The Fund generated a positive return for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The fund produced positive performance during the first quarter of 2023. The majority of gains were generated from exposure to technology-focused and Asia-focused managers. In January growth stocks materially outperformed against value stocks as inflation data continued to moderate and optimism around the China reopening. Long-biased biotechnology managers and select long-biased technology managers typically featured the strongest performance, while some generalist and healthcare-oriented managers incurred losses.

The Fund generated a positive performance during the second quarter of 2023. Gains were produced by managers with short exposure to Asia equities, as managers with long exposure to the region underperformed. During the quarter the regional bank crisis in the US appeared contained as volatility across in the equity markets abated. Softening inflations trends provided a solid environment for managers with the bottom-up stock picking approach.

The Fund generated a positive performance during the third quarter of 2023. Gains were produced by multi-PM and healthcare managers, as they were the largest beneficiaries from short alpha generation. Additional gains were produced by a manager with exposure to the energy sector, as crude oil prices rallied during the quarter. Overall, risk assets retreated further during the quarter as the US Federal Reserve's market tone supported the belief in "higher for longer" as it related to US funding levels.

The Fund generated a positive performance during the fourth quarter of 2023. During the last two months of the quarter, risk assets rebounded strongly. In November, much of the equity market price action to begin the period was driven by short covering on the back of a softer CPI

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print. In December, price action was primarily driven by a change in tone from the US Federal Reserve Bank, which signaled that the interest rate hiking cycle had concluded and that there were scenarios where interest rate cuts might occur in 2024. The strongest performance emerged from technology and healthcare specialists with long-biased directional exposure. Additional strong performance was produced by managers with exposure to biotechnology and small-capitalization stocks.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the 12-month period ended December 31, 2023, the Fund returned 7.19%. The HFRI Equity Hedge (Total) Index, returned 10.54%.



| Returns                  | Fund   | HFRI Equity Hedge<br>(Total) Index |
|--------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Year-to-date             | 7.19%  | 10.54%                             |
| 1-Year                   | 7.19%  | 10.54%                             |
| 3-Year (average annual)  | -2.16% | 3.52%                              |
| 5-Year (average annual)  | 3.67%  | 8.26%                              |
| 10-Year (average annual) | 2.32%  | 5.22%                              |

This graph compares a hypothetical \$50,000 investment in the Fund with a similar investment in the HFRI Equity Hedge (Total) Index. This index does not serve as a benchmark for the Fund and is shown for illustrative purposes only. The Fund does not have a designated performance benchmark. All figures for the Fund are based on its net asset value on the last business day of the first and each subsequent fiscal year, and include the reinvestment of all dividends and capital

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gains distributions, and the Fund's maximum sales load of 2%. The index does not reflect expenses, fees or sales loads, which would lower performance.

Although the HFRI Equity Hedge (Total) Index is used as a reference point for the A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC, there may be meaningful differences between the Fund and this index. The median size of the constituent funds in the HFRI Index as of this writing is less than \$100 million, and many members are not considered by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions to be institutional quality funds. Because managers self-select into this index, there may not be consistency across the character of underlying funds, and the index may include long-only funds or quantitative funds. Other differences, such as differences in the degree of market beta, will likely lead to differentiated outcomes.



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#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Members of A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC

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

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and members' capital of A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC (the "Fund"), including the schedule of portfolio investments, as of December 31, 2023 and the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, the statements of changes in members' capital for each of the two years in the period then ended, the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC at December 31, 2023, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its members' capital for each of the two years in the period then ended and its financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of investments in investment funds as of December 31, 2023, by correspondence with management of the underlying investment funds. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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We have served as the auditor of one or more of the UBS Hedge Fund Solutions LLC investment companies since 1995.

New York, NY February 28, 2024

## Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital

|   | Dece | <b>December 31, 2023</b> |  |  |  |
|---|------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| ASSETS  |      |                          |  |  |  |
| Investments in Investment Funds, at fair value (cost \$60,853,980)                        | \$   | 78,566,627               |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents   |      | 2,705,993                |  |  |  |
| Receivable from Investment Funds  |      | 10,657,853               |  |  |  |
| Interest receivable   |      | 12,335                   |  |  |  |
| Other assets  |      | 5,243                    |  |  |  |
| Total Assets  |      | 91,948,051               |  |  |  |
| LIABILITIES   |      |                          |  |  |  |
| Withdrawals payable   |      | 9,337,317                |  |  |  |
| Professional fees payable   |      | 268,152                  |  |  |  |
| Investment Management Fee payable (See Note 3)  |      | 212,384                  |  |  |  |
| Management Fee payable (See Note 3)   |      | 67,067                   |  |  |  |
| Administration fee payable (See Note 4)   |      | 47,333                   |  |  |  |
| Payable to Adviser  |      | 5,430                    |  |  |  |
| Officer's and Directors' fees payable   |      | 4,640                    |  |  |  |
| Custody fee payable   |      | 720                      |  |  |  |
| Other liabilities   |      | 34,847                   |  |  |  |
| Total Liabilities   |      | 9,977,890                |  |  |  |
| Members' Capital  | \$   | 81,970,161               |  |  |  |
| MEMBERS' CAPITAL  |      |                          |  |  |  |
| Represented by:   |      |                          |  |  |  |
| Net capital contributions   | \$   | 64,257,514               |  |  |  |
| Accumulated net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments in Investment Funds |      | 17,712,647               |  |  |  |
| Members' Capital  | \$   | 81,970,161               |  |  |  |

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| Investment Fund (a)                               | Geographic<br>Focus | Cost             |    | Fair Value | % of<br>Members'<br>Capital | _ <u> </u> | Initial<br>Acquisition Date | Redemption<br>Frequency (b) | Redemption<br>Notice<br>Period (c) | First Avail<br>Redemption |         | F<br>F | llar Amount of<br>air Value for<br>irst Available<br>Redemption |
|---|---------------------|------------------|----|------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|--------|---|
| Equity Hedged                                     |                     |                  |    |            |                             |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Alyeska Fund, L.P.                                | US/Canada           | \$<br>9,000,000  | \$ | ., . ,     | 12.51 %                     | ó          | 12/1/2022                   | Monthly                     | 90 days                            | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 10,252,576  |
| Anomaly Capital, L.P.                             | Global              | 5,000,000        |    | 4,979,607  | 6.07                        |            | 8/1/2023                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 9/30/2025                 | (d),(e) |        | 1,244,902   |
| Aventail Energy Fund, LP                          | US/Canada           | 5,500,000        |    | 5,507,061  | 6.72                        |            | 8/1/2022                    | Quarterly                   | 45 days                            | 9/30/2024                 | (d)     | \$     | 5,507,061   |
| Averill Partners L.P.                             | US/Canada           | 1,059,590        |    | 1,393,479  | 1.70                        |            | 5/1/2021                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 3/31/2024                 | (e),(f) |        | 1,393,479   |
| Biomedical Value Fund, L.P.                       | US/Canada           | 3,525,777        |    | 5,141,519  | 6.27                        |            | 3/1/2019                    | Quarterly                   | 120 days                           | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 5,141,519   |
| Crake Global US Feeder L.P.                       | Global Markets      | 3,712,164        |    | 5,972,305  | 7.29                        |            | 10/1/2019                   | Monthly                     | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 5,972,305   |
| EVR Opportunity Fund, LP                          | US/Canada           | 6,000,000        |    | 6,250,983  | 7.63                        |            | 9/1/2022                    | Custom Quarterly            | 75 days                            | 2/29/2024                 |         | \$     | 6,250,983   |
| Title Grand Transcript                            | TIQIQ 1             | 2 002 605        |    | 5 001 401  | 7.00                        |            | 6/1/2011                    | Dates                       | 60.1                               | 10/01/0000                |         | •      | 5 001 401   |
| Jericho Capital Partners L.P.                     | US/Canada           | 2,902,685        |    | 5,921,481  | 7.22                        |            | 6/1/2011                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 5,921,481   |
| Parsifal Fund, L.P.                               | Global              | 2,124,860        |    | 1,874,925  | 2.29                        |            | 5/1/2021                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 3/31/2024                 | (e),(f) | \$     | 1,874,925   |
| Point72 Capital, L.P.                             | Global              | 6,886,196        |    | 10,185,970 | 12.43                       |            | 6/1/2018                    | Quarterly                   | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                | (e)     | \$     | 2,546,493   |
| Tairen China Fund Ltd.                            | Greater China       | 3,652,600        |    | 4,190,471  | 5.11                        |            | 1/1/2018                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 12/31/2023                | (g)     | \$     | 1,118,112   |
| The Thomist Fund, L.P.                            | US/Canada           | 2,500,000        |    | 3,029,030  | 3.70                        |            | 6/1/2022                    | Monthly                     | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 3,029,030   |
| TPG Public Equity Partners-A, L.P.                | Global              | 5,011,438        |    | 7,526,739  | 9.18                        |            | 9/1/2015                    | Quarterly                   | 60 days                            | 12/31/2023                | (e)     | \$     | 1,881,684   |
| Visium Balanced Offshore Fund, Ltd.               | US/Canada           |                  |    |            | 0.00                        |            | 6/1/2011                    | N/A                         | 45.1                               | N/A                       | (h)     | •      | N/A   |
| WT China Fund Ltd.                                | China               | <br>2,277,606    |    | 4,544,564  | 5.54                        | _          | 3/1/2019                    | Monthly                     | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                |         | \$     | 4,544,564   |
| Equity Hedged Subtotal                            |                     | 59,152,916       |    | 76,770,710 | 93.66                       |            |                             | N                           | I/A                                |                           |         |        |   |
| Multi-Strategy                                    |                     |                  |    |            |                             |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Schonfeld Strategic Partners Fund LLC             | Global              | 1,701,064        |    | 1,795,917  | 2.19                        |            | 2/1/2022                    | Quarterly                   | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                | (f),(i) | ¢.     | 224,490   |
| Multi-Strategy Subtotal                           | Giovai              | <br>1,701,064    |    | 1,795,917  | 2.19                        | -          | 2/1/2022                    | Quarterry                   | 45 days                            | 12/31/2023                | (1),(1) | Φ      | 224,490   |
| Multi-Strategy Subtotal                           |                     | 1,701,004        |    | 1,773,717  | 2.17                        |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| <b>Total Investment Funds</b>                     |                     | \$<br>60,853,980 | \$ | 78,566,627 | 95.85 %                     | 6          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
|   |                     |                  |    |            | % of<br>Members'            |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Cash Equivalents                                  | Shares              | Cost             |    | Fair Value | Capital                     | _          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
|   |                     |                  |    |            |                             |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| UBS Select Treasury Institutional Fund, 5.22% (j) | 2,705,034           | \$<br>2,705,034  | \$ | 2,705,034  | 3.30 %                      | 6          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Total Cash Equivalents                            | 2,705,034           | \$<br>2,705,034  | \$ | 2,705,034  | 3.30 %                      | 6          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Total Investments and Cash Equivalents            |                     | \$<br>63,559,014 | \$ | 81,271,661 | 99.15 %                     | 6          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Other Assets less Liabilities                     |                     |                  |    | 698,500    | 0.85                        |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
| Members' Capital                                  |                     |                  | \$ | 81,970,161 | 100.00 %                    | 6          |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |
|   |                     |                  | -  |            | · <del></del> ' '           |            |                             |                             |                                    |                           |         |        |   |

- (a) Each Investment Fund noted within the Schedule of Portfolio Investments is non-income producing.
- (b) Available frequency of redemptions after the initial lock-up period, if any. Different tranches may have varying liquidity terms.
- (c) Unless otherwise noted, the redemption notice periods are shown in calendar days.
- (d) This holding is under lock-up and is not redeemable without paying a fee.
- (e) The Investment Fund is subject to an investor level gate of 25%.
- (f) The Fund has submitted a full redemption notice to the Investment Fund, and as such, is receiving its proceeds from the Investment Fund.
- (g) A portion of this holding (\$3,072,359) is under lock-up and is not redeemable without paying a fee.
- (h) All of the Fund's interests in the Investment Fund are held in side pockets or are in liquidation and have restricted liquidity. In addition to any redemption proceeds that may have already been received, the Fund will continue to receive proceeds periodically as the Investment Fund liquidates its underlying investments.
- (i) The Investment Fund is subject to an investor level gate of 12.5%.

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(j) Investment in affiliate. The Fund holds shares in UBS Select Treasury Institutional Fund, which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and advised by UBS Asset Management (Americas) Inc. The rate shown is the current yield as of December 31, 2023. The audited financial statements of this entity can be found at www.sec.gov.

Complete information about the Investment Funds' underlying investments is not readily available.

The Fund's valuation procedures require evaluation of all relevant factors available at the time the Fund values its portfolio. These relevant factors include the individual Investment Funds' compliance with fair value measurements, price transparency and valuation procedures in place, and subscription and redemption activity.

## **Statement of Operations**

| Y   | Year Ended Decer | nber 31, 2023 |
|---|------------------|---------------|
| INVESTMENT INCOME   |                  |               |
| Interest  | \$               | 100,563       |
| Total Investment Income   |                  | 100,563       |
| EXPENSES  |                  |               |
| Investment Management Fee (See Note 3)  |                  | 920,764       |
| Professional fees   |                  | 568,082       |
| Management Fee (See Note 3)   |                  | 290,767       |
| Officer's and Directors' fees   |                  | 109,989       |
| Commitment Fee  |                  | 93,529        |
| Administration fee (See Note 4)   |                  | 85,238        |
| Custody fee   |                  | 7,785         |
| Other Adviser fees  |                  | 5,578         |
| Interest expense  |                  | 325           |
| Printing, insurance and other expenses  |                  | 60,010        |
| Total Expenses  |                  | 2,142,067     |
| Net Investment Loss   |                  | (2,041,504)   |
| NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN/(LOSS) FROM INVESTMENT                           | ΓS               |               |
| Net realized gain/(loss) from investments in Investment Funds                     |                  | 4,806,076     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments in Investment F | Gunds            | 3,882,206     |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) from Investments                          |                  | 8,688,282     |
| Net Increase in Members' Capital Derived from Operations                          | \$               | 6,646,778     |

# **A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC**Statements of Changes in Members' Capital

#### Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2023

|   | Adviser      | Members           | Total             |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Members' Capital at January 1, 2022                         | \$<br>97,180 | \$<br>145,866,452 | \$<br>145,963,632 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM OPERATIONS                         |              |                   |                   |
| Pro rata allocation:  |              |                   |                   |
| Net investment loss   | (753)        | (2,544,702)       | (2,545,455)       |
| Net realized gain/(loss) from investments in Investment     | 4 550        | 6 222 220         | 6 226 772         |
| Funds Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on | 4,552        | 6,332,220         | 6,336,772         |
| investments in Investment Funds                             | (12,799)     | (18,243,439)      | (18,256,238)      |
| Net Decrease in Members' Capital                            | (12,755)     | (10,210,10)       | (10,220,230)      |
| Derived from Operations                                     | (9,000)      | (14,455,921)      | (14,464,921)      |
| MEMBERS' CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS                               |              |                   |                   |
| Members' subscriptions                                      | _            | 125,000           | 125,000           |
| Members' withdrawals  | _            | (28,834,898)      | (28,834,898)      |
| Net Decrease in Members' Capital                            |              |                   |                   |
| Derived from Capital Transactions                           |              | (28,709,898)      | (28,709,898)      |
| Members' Capital at December 31, 2022                       | \$<br>88,180 | \$<br>102,700,633 | \$<br>102,788,813 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM OPERATIONS                         |              |                   |                   |
| Pro rata allocation:  |              |                   |                   |
| Net investment loss   | (771)        | (2,040,733)       | (2,041,504)       |
| Net realized gain/(loss) from investments in Investment     |              |                   |                   |
| Funds   | 4,404        | 4,801,672         | 4,806,076         |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on       | 2 000        | 2.070.210         | 2 002 206         |
| investments in Investment Funds                             | 3,888        | 3,878,318         | 3,882,206         |
| Net Increase in Members' Capital Derived from Operations    | 7,521        | 6,639,257         | 6,646,778         |
| Derived from Operations                                     | 7,321        | 0,037,237         | 0,040,778         |
| MEMBERS' CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS                               |              |                   |                   |
| Members' withdrawals  | _            | (27,465,430)      | (27,465,430)      |
| Net Decrease in Members' Capital                            |              |                   | ,                 |
| Derived from Capital Transactions                           | _            | (27,465,430)      | (27,465,430)      |
| Members' Capital at December 31, 2023                       | \$<br>95,701 | \$<br>81,874,460  | \$<br>81,970,161  |

## **Statement of Cash Flows**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2023

| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  | Φ  | 6 646 770     |
|---|----|---------------|
| Net increase in members' capital derived from operations                                      | \$ | 6,646,778     |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase in members' capital derived from operations to net cash |    |               |
| provided by operating activities:   |    | (12 000 000)  |
| Purchases of investments in Investment Funds  |    | (12,000,000)  |
| Proceeds from disposition of investments in Investment Funds                                  |    | 39,063,860    |
| Net realized (gain)/loss from investments in Investment Funds                                 |    | (4,806,076)   |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments in Investment Funds         |    | (3,882,206)   |
| Changes in assets and liabilities:  |    |               |
| (Increase)/decrease in assets:  |    | • • • • • • • |
| Advanced subscriptions in Investment Funds  |    | 2,000,000     |
| Interest receivable   |    | (12,335)      |
| Receivable from Investment Funds  |    | (2,562,300)   |
| Other assets  |    | 27,825        |
| Increase/(decrease) in liabilities:   |    |               |
| Administration fee payable  |    | (5,367)       |
| Investment Management Fee payable   |    | (49,680)      |
| Management Fee payable  |    | (15,690)      |
| Officer's and Directors' fees payable   |    | (10,638)      |
| Payable to Adviser  |    | (496)         |
| Professional fees payable   |    | (111,770)     |
| Other liabilities   |    | (18,769)      |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   |    | 24,263,136    |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES  |    |               |
| Payments on Members' withdrawals, including change in withdrawals payable                     |    | (25,909,571)  |
| Proceeds from loan  |    | 130,000       |
| Principal payment on loan   |    | (130,000)     |
| Net cash used in financing activities   |    | (25,909,571)  |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents   |    | (1,646,435)   |
| Cash and cash equivalents-beginning of year   |    | 4,352,428     |
| Cash and cash equivalents-end of year   | \$ | 2,705,993     |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:   |    |               |
| Interest expense paid   | \$ | 325           |

**Financial Highlights** 

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The following represents the ratios to average members' capital and other supplemental information for all Members, excluding the Adviser, for the periods indicated. An individual Member's ratios and returns may vary from the below based on the timing of capital transactions.

|   | Years Ended December 31, |               |               |               |               |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|--|--|
|   | <u>2023</u>              | <u>2022</u>   | <u>2021</u>   | <u>2020</u>   | <u>2019</u>   |  |  |  |
| Ratio of net investment loss to average members' capital a, b     | (2.08%)                  | (2.07%)       | (2.49%)       | (2.88%)       | (2.68%)       |  |  |  |
| Ratio of gross expenses to average members' capital a, b          | 2.19%                    | 2.08%         | 2.49%         | 2.88%         | 2.68%         |  |  |  |
| Ratio of net expenses to average members' capital <sup>a, b</sup> | 2.19%                    | 2.07%         | 2.49%         | 2.88%         | 2.68%         |  |  |  |
| Portfolio turnover rate   | 12.95%                   | 26.79%        | 21.33%        | 15.73%        | 35.68%        |  |  |  |
| Total return <sup>c</sup>   | 7.19%                    | (10.40%)      | (2.48%)       | 17.51%        | 8.80%         |  |  |  |
| Asset coverage d  | N/A                      | N/A           | N/A           | N/A           | 15.467        |  |  |  |
| Members' capital at end of year (including the Adviser)           | \$81,970,161             | \$102,788,813 | \$145,963,632 | \$103,236,067 | \$102,717,666 |  |  |  |

- a The average members' capital used in the above ratios is calculated using pre-tender members' capital, excluding the Adviser's capital.
- b Ratios of net investment loss and gross/net expenses to average members' capital do not include the impact of expenses and incentive allocations or incentive fees incurred by the underlying Investment Funds.
- c The total return is based on the change in value during the year of a theoretical investment made at the beginning of the year. The change in value of a theoretical investment is measured by comparing the aggregate ending value, adjusted for cash flows related to capital subscriptions or withdrawals during the year.
- d Calculated by subtracting the Fund's liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities from the Fund's total assets and dividing the result by the aggregate amount of the Fund's senior securities representing indebtedness then outstanding. The Fund's senior securities during this time period were comprised only of temporary borrowings made pursuant to secured revolving lines of credit agreements (see Note 5). There were no senior securities payable outstanding at December 31, 2023, 2022, 2021, or 2020.

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#### 1. Organization

A&Q Long/Short Strategies Fund LLC (the "Fund") was organized as a limited liability company under the laws of Delaware on August 13, 2001 and commenced operations on February 1, 2003. The Fund is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company. The Fund is commonly referred to as a "fund of funds." Its investment objective is to seek capital appreciation over the long term. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective principally through the allocation of assets among a select group of alternative asset managers (the "Investment Managers") and the funds they operate. Investment Managers generally conduct their investment programs through unregistered investment vehicles, such as hedge funds, that have investors other than the Fund, and in other registered investment companies (collectively, the "Investment Funds").

Subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, the business and affairs of the Fund shall be managed under the direction of the Fund's Board of Directors (the "Board", with an individual member referred to as a "Director"). The Board shall have the right, power and authority, on behalf of the Fund and in its name, to do all things necessary and proper to carry out its duties under the Fund's Limited Liability Company Agreement, as amended and restated from time to time. Each Director shall be vested with the same powers, authority and responsibilities on behalf of the Fund as are customarily vested in each director of a Delaware corporation, and each Director who is not an "interested person" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Fund shall be vested with the same powers, authority and responsibilities on behalf of the Fund as are customarily vested in each director of a closed-end management investment company registered under the 1940 Act that is organized as a Delaware corporation who is not an "interested person" of such company. No Director shall have the authority individually to act on behalf of or to bind the Fund except within the scope of such Director's authority as delegated by the Board. The Board may delegate the management of the Fund's day-to-day operations to one or more officers of the Fund or other persons (including, without limitation, UBS Hedge Fund Solutions (as defined below)), subject to the investment objective and policies of the Fund and to the oversight of the Board.

The Board has engaged UBS Hedge Fund Solutions LLC ("UBS Hedge Fund Solutions", the "Adviser" and, when providing services under its Administration Agreement with the Fund, the "Administrator"), a Delaware limited liability company, to provide investment advice regarding the selection of Investment Funds and to be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund. The Adviser is a wholly owned subsidiary of UBS Group AG and is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

Initial and additional applications for interests by eligible investors may be accepted at such times as the Board may determine and are generally accepted monthly. The Board reserves the right to reject any application for interests in the Fund.

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#### 1. Organization (continued)

The Fund from time to time may offer to repurchase interests pursuant to written tenders to members (the "Members"). These repurchases will be made at such times and on such terms as may be determined by the Board, in its complete and exclusive discretion. The Adviser expects that generally it will recommend to the Board that the Fund offer to repurchase interests from Members on a quarterly basis. Members can only transfer or assign their membership interests or a portion thereof (i) by operation of law pursuant to the death, bankruptcy, insolvency or dissolution of a Member, or (ii) with the written approval of the Board, which may be withheld in the Board's sole and absolute discretion. Such transfers may be made even if the balance of the capital account to such transferee is equal to or less than the transferor's initial capital contribution.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") is the exclusive reference of authoritative US generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP") recognized by the FASB to be applied by non-governmental entities. The Fund's financial statements are prepared in accordance with US GAAP.

The Adviser has determined that the Fund is an investment company as outlined in the FASB Accounting Standards Update No. 2013-08, *Financial Services - Investment Companies (Topic 946) - Amendments to the Scope, Measurement and Disclosure Requirements* ("ASU 2013-08"). Therefore, the Fund follows the accounting and reporting guidance for investment companies.

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies

#### a. Portfolio Valuation

The Fund values its investments at fair value, in accordance with US GAAP, which 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 Fund uses net asset value ("NAV") as its measure of fair value of an investment in an Investment Fund when (i) the Fund's investment does not have a readily determinable fair value and (ii) the NAV of the Investment Fund is calculated in a manner consistent with the measurement principles of investment company accounting, including measurement of the underlying investments at fair value. In evaluating the level at which the fair value measurement of the Fund's investments have been classified, the Fund has assessed factors including, but not limited to, price transparency, the ability to redeem at NAV at the measurement date and the existence or absence of certain restrictions at the measurement date.

US GAAP provides guidance in determining whether there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for an asset or liability when compared with normal market activity for

**Notes to Financial Statements (continued)** 

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#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a. Portfolio Valuation (continued)

such asset or liability (or similar assets or liabilities). US GAAP also provides guidance on identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction with regards to such an asset or liability is not orderly. In its consideration, the Fund must consider inputs and valuation techniques used for each class of assets and liabilities. Judgment is used to determine the appropriate classes of assets and liabilities for which disclosures about fair value measurements are provided. Fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities require greater disaggregation than the Fund's line items in the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital.

The following is a summary of the investment strategies and any restrictions on the liquidity provisions of the investments in Investment Funds held by the Fund as of December 31, 2023. Investment Funds with no current redemption restrictions may be subject to future gates, lock-up provisions or other restrictions, in accordance with their offering documents. The Fund had no unfunded capital commitments as of December 31, 2023. The Fund used the following categories to classify its Investment Funds:

The Investment Funds in the equity hedged strategy (total fair value of \$76,770,710) generally utilize fundamental analysis to invest in publicly traded equities through both long and short positions seeking to capture perceived security mispricing. Portfolio construction is driven primarily by bottom-up fundamental research; top-down analysis may also be applied. As of December 31, 2023, the Investment Funds in the equity hedged strategy had \$34,540,140 representing 45% of the value of the investments in this category, subject to investor level gates and/or lock-ups. Included in this amount is \$13,559,027, representing 18% of the value of the investments in this category, that cannot be redeemed in full because the investments include restrictions that do not allow for redemptions in the first 24 months after acquisition. The remaining restriction period for these investments ranges from 7-21 months at December 31, 2023. Investment Funds representing less than 1% of the value of investments in this category are held in side pockets or in liquidation; therefore, the redemption notice period is no longer effective for these investments and the liquidation of assets is uncertain.

The Investment Fund in the multi-strategy strategy (total fair value of \$1,795,917) invests in both long and short, equity and debt strategies that are primarily in U.S. based securities. The management of this Investment Fund seeks arbitrage opportunities, distressed securities, corporate restructures and hedges established in equities, convertible securities, options, warrants, rights, forward contracts, futures, trade claims, credit default swaps and other derivatives, real estate and other financial instruments. As of December 31, 2023, the Investment Fund in the multi-strategy strategy had \$1,795,917, representing 100% of the value of the investment in this category, subject to investor level gates.

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#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a. Portfolio Valuation (continued)

The investments within the scope of ASC 820, for which fair value is measured using NAV as a practical expedient, should not be categorized within the fair value hierarchy. The total fair value of the investments in Investment Funds valued using NAV as a practical expedient is \$78,566,627 and is therefore excluded from the fair value hierarchy. Additional disclosures, including liquidity terms and conditions of the underlying investments, are included in the Schedule of Portfolio Investments.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1— quoted prices in active markets for identical investments
- Level 2— inputs to the valuation methodology include quotes for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument
- Level 3— inputs to the valuation methodology include significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The NAV of the Fund is determined by the Fund's administrator, under the oversight of the Adviser, as of the close of business at the end of any fiscal period in accordance with the valuation principles set forth below or as may be determined from time to time pursuant to policies established by the Board. The Fund's investments in Investment Funds are subject to the terms and conditions of the respective operating agreements and offering memorandums, as appropriate. The Adviser has adopted procedures pursuant to ASC 820 in which the Fund values its investments in Investment Funds at fair value. Fair value is generally determined utilizing NAVs supplied by, or on behalf of, the Investment Funds' Investment Managers, which are net of management and incentive fees charged by the Investment Funds. NAVs received by, or on behalf of, the Investment Funds' Investment Managers are based on the fair value of the Investment Funds' underlying investments in accordance with the policies established by the Investment Funds. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the value of the Fund's investments in the Investment Funds may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market been available. See Schedule of Portfolio Investments for further information.

The fair value relating to certain underlying investments of these Investment Funds, for which there is no ready market, has been estimated by the respective Investment Fund's Investment Manager and is based upon available information in the absence of readily ascertainable fair values and does not necessarily represent amounts that might ultimately be realized. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuation, those estimated fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed. These differences could be material.

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#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a. Portfolio Valuation (continued)

It is unknown, on an aggregate basis, whether the Investment Funds held any investments whereby the Fund's proportionate share exceeded 5% of the Fund's members' capital at December 31, 2023.

The fair value of the Fund's assets and liabilities which qualify as financial instruments approximates the carrying amounts presented in the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital.

#### b. Investment Transactions and Income Recognition

The Fund accounts for realized gains and losses from Investment Fund transactions based on the pro-rata ratio of the fair value and cost of the underlying investment at the date of redemption. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis.

#### c. Fund Expenses

The Fund bears all expenses incurred in its business, including, but not limited to, the following: all costs and expenses related to portfolio transactions and positions for the Fund's account; legal fees; accounting and auditing fees; custodial fees; costs of computing the Fund's NAV; costs of insurance; registration expenses; interest expense; due diligence, including travel and related expenses; expenses of meetings of the Board; all costs with respect to communications to Members; and other types of expenses approved by the Board. Expenses are recorded on the accrual basis.

#### d. Income Taxes

The Fund has reclassified \$2,041,504 and \$4,806,076 from accumulated net investment loss and accumulated net realized gain from investments in Investment Funds, respectively, to net capital contributions during the year ended December 31, 2023. The reclassification was to reflect, as an adjustment to net contributions, the amount of estimated taxable income or loss that has been allocated to the Fund's Members as of December 31, 2023 and had no effect on members' capital.

The Fund files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and applicable states. The Adviser has analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on its federal and state income tax returns for all open tax years, and has concluded that no provision for federal or state income tax is required in the Fund's financial statements. The Fund's federal and state income tax returns for tax years for which the applicable statutes of limitations have not expired are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state departments of revenue. The Fund will recognize interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund did not incur any interest or penalties. The Adviser

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#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### d. Income Taxes (continued)

does not believe there are positions for which it is reasonably likely that the total amounts of unrecognized tax liability will significantly change within 12 months of the reporting date.

The cost of investments for federal income tax purposes is adjusted for items of taxable income allocated to the Fund from the Investment Funds. The allocated taxable income is reported to the Fund by the Investment Funds' tax reports. The Fund has not yet received all such tax reports for the year ended December 31, 2023; therefore, the tax basis of investments for 2023 will not be finalized by the Fund until after the fiscal year end.

Each Member is individually required to report on its own tax return its distributive share of the Fund's taxable income or loss.

#### e. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash consists of monies held at The Bank of New York Mellon. Cash equivalents consist of short-term investments that have maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase or money market funds. Such accounts, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Fund has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on such accounts. At December 31, 2023, the Fund held an investment of \$2,705,034 in the UBS Select Treasury Institutional Fund, an affiliate of the Fund, which is included within cash and cash equivalents on the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital. The UBS Select Treasury Institutional Fund invests primarily in government securities and other short-term, highly liquid instruments. The cash equivalents are recorded at NAV per share which approximates fair value and are considered to be Level 1 within the fair value hierarchy. The Fund held cash of \$959 as of December 31, 2023. There were no restrictions on cash and cash equivalents held as of December 31, 2023.

#### f. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US 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 increases and decreases in members' capital from operations during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Because of the uncertainty of valuation, such estimates may differ significantly from values that would have been used had a ready market existed, and the differences could be material.

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#### 3. Related Party Transactions

The Adviser provides investment advisory services to the Fund pursuant to an Investment Management Agreement. Pursuant to that agreement, the Fund pays the Adviser a monthly fee (the "Investment Management Fee") at the annual rate of 0.95% of the Fund's members' capital, excluding the capital account attributable to the Adviser and Administrator. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred an Investment Management Fee of \$920,764, of which \$212,384 remains payable and is included on the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital at December 31, 2023.

The Administrator provides certain administrative services to the Fund, including, among other things, providing office space and other support services. In consideration for such services, the Fund pays the Administrator a monthly fee (the "Management Fee") at an annual rate of 0.30% of the Fund's members' capital, excluding the capital account attributable to the Adviser and Administrator. The Management Fee and the Investment Management Fee are paid to the Adviser and Administrator out of the Fund's assets and debited against the Members' capital accounts, excluding the capital account attributable to the Adviser and Administrator. A portion of the Investment Management Fee and the Management Fee is paid by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions to its affiliates. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred a Management Fee of \$290,767, of which \$67,067 remains payable and is included on the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital at December 31, 2023.

UBS Financial Services Inc. ("UBS FSI"), a wholly owned subsidiary of UBS Americas, Inc., together with any other broker or dealer appointed by the Fund as distributor of its interests (the "Distributor"), acts as the distributor, without special compensation from the Fund. Currently, UBS FSI acts as the sole distributor of the Fund's interests, and bears its own costs associated with its activities as distributor. Sales loads, if any, charged on contributions are debited against the contribution amounts, to arrive at a net subscription amount. The sales load does not constitute assets of the Fund.

The net increase or decrease in members' capital derived from operations (net income or loss) is allocated to the capital accounts of all Members on a pro-rata basis, other than the Investment Management Fee and the Management Fee which are similarly allocated to all Members other than the Adviser as described above.

Each Director of the Fund receives an annual retainer of \$12,500 plus a fee for each meeting attended. The Chair of the Board and the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Board each receive an additional annual retainer in the amount of \$20,000. These additional annual retainer amounts are paid for by the Fund on a pro-rata basis along with the two other registered alternative investment funds advised by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions. All Directors are reimbursed by the Fund for all reasonable out of pocket expenses.

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#### 3. Related Party Transactions (continued)

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred a portion of the annual compensation of the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer in the amount of \$19,061 which is included in Officer's and Directors' fees in the Statement of Operations. The related payable of \$4,640 is included in Officer's and Directors' fees payable in the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital.

The Fund, along with the two other registered alternative investment funds advised by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions, and the Directors, are insured under an insurance policy which protects against claims alleging a wrongful act, error, omission, misstatement, misleading statement, and other items made in error. The annual premiums are allocated among the funds on a pro-rata basis based on each fund's assets under management. On an annual basis, the allocation methodology is reviewed and approved by the Board and the Adviser determines the amounts to be charged to each fund based upon the Board approved methodology. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred \$32,799 in insurance fees, which is included in printing, insurance and other expenses in the Statement of Operations, of which none was payable at December 31, 2023.

The Fund, along with several other funds advised by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions, is party to a Credit Agreement (See Note 5). On a quarterly basis, the credit provider charges a fee (the "Commitment Fee") on the unused portion of the total amount of the Credit Agreement. The Adviser negotiates the commitment amount with the counterparty based on the amount each fund will be expected to borrow at a given time. The Commitment Fee is allocated to each fund based on the sub-limit borrowing amount which is disclosed within the Credit Agreement. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred a Commitment Fee of \$93,529 to the counterparty, of which \$6,525 remains payable and is included in other liabilities in the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital at December 31, 2023.

The Adviser may incur expenses on behalf of the Fund for certain activities which benefit the investment funds managed by the Adviser. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund incurred other Adviser fees of \$5,578. The related payable at December 31, 2023 of \$5,430 is included in the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Members' Capital at December 31, 2023.

Other investment partnerships sponsored by UBS Group AG or its affiliates may also maintain investment interests in the Investment Funds owned by the Fund.

#### 4. Administration and Custody Fees

BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc. ("BNY Mellon"), in its role as the Fund's administrator, performs certain additional administrative, accounting, record keeping, tax and investor services for the Fund. BNY Mellon receives a monthly administration fee primarily based upon (i) the average members' capital of the Fund subject to a minimum monthly administration fee,

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#### 4. Administration and Custody Fees (continued)

and (ii) the aggregate members' capital of the Fund and certain other investment funds sponsored or advised by UBS Group AG, UBS Americas, Inc. or their affiliates. Additionally, the Fund reimburses certain out of pocket expenses incurred by BNY Mellon.

The Bank of New York Mellon serves as the primary custodian of the assets of the Fund, and may maintain custody of such assets with domestic and foreign sub custodians (which may be banks, trust companies, securities depositories and clearing agencies) approved by the Directors. Assets of the Fund are not held by the Adviser or commingled with the assets of other accounts other than to the extent that securities are held in the name of a custodian in a securities depository, clearing agency or omnibus customer account of such custodian.

#### 5. Loan Payable

The Fund, along with several other funds advised by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions, has entered into a secured Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of September 1, 2022, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time with a third-party commercial bank, which will terminate on June 17, 2024 unless extended (the "Credit Agreement"). Under the Credit Agreement, the Fund may borrow from time to time on a revolving basis at any time up to \$18,000,000 for temporary investment purposes and to meet requests for tenders. Indebtedness outstanding under the Credit Agreement accrues interest at a rate per annum for each day of Daily Simple Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") or Term SOFR for a tenor of one month as determined by the borrower plus 1.50%. There is a Commitment Fee payable by the Fund, calculated at 45 basis points times the actual daily amount of the line of credit not utilized.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Fund's average interest rate paid on borrowings was 6.92% per annum and the average borrowings outstanding was \$4,694. The Fund had no borrowings outstanding at December 31, 2023. Interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$325, none of which was payable at December 31, 2023.

#### 6. Investments

As of December 31, 2023, the Fund had investments in Investment Funds, none of which were related parties.

Aggregate purchases and proceeds from sales of investments for the year ended December 31, 2023 amounted to \$12,000,000 and \$39,063,860, respectively.

The agreements related to investments in Investment Funds provide for compensation to the general partners/managers in the form of management fees of 0.45% to 2.85% (per annum) of net assets and

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#### 6. Investments (continued)

incentive fees or allocations ranging from 9.00% to 30.00% of net profits earned. Detailed information about the Investment Funds' portfolios is not available. Please see the Schedule of Portfolio Investments for further information.

#### 7. Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

In the normal course of business, the Investment Funds in which the Fund invests trade various financial instruments and enter into various investment activities with off-balance sheet risk. These include, but are not limited to, short selling activities, writing option contracts, contracts for differences and equity swaps. The Fund's risk of loss in these Investment Funds is limited to the fair value of these investments.

#### 8. Indemnification

In the ordinary course of business, the Fund may enter into contracts or agreements that contain indemnifications or warranties. Future events could occur that lead to the execution of these provisions against the Fund. Based on its history and experience, the Fund believes that the likelihood of such an event is remote.

#### 9. Subsequent Events

The Adviser has evaluated the impact of all subsequent events on the Fund through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that there were no events that required disclosure other than the following:

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, the Fund paid withdrawals payable of \$9,337,317 in full.

#### APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (UNAUDITED)

The Board of Directors of the Fund last evaluated the Investment Management Agreement (the "Management Agreement") at a Board meeting held on September 28, 2023. The Board is comprised solely of independent Directors, none of whom are "interested persons" (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act")) of the Fund. The Directors met in an executive session during which they were advised by and had the opportunity to discuss with independent legal counsel the approval of the Management Agreement. The Directors reviewed materials furnished by UBS Hedge Fund Solutions LLC (the "Adviser"), including information regarding the Adviser and its affiliates, personnel, operations and financial condition. Tables indicating comparative fee information, and comparative performance information, as well as a summary financial analysis for the Fund, also were included in the meeting materials and were reviewed and discussed. The Directors discussed with representatives of the Adviser the Fund's operations and the Adviser's ability to provide advisory and other services to the Fund.

The Directors reviewed, among other things, the nature of the advisory services provided by the Adviser to the Fund, including its investment process, and the experience of the investment advisory and other personnel that provide services to the Fund. The Directors discussed the ability of the Adviser to manage the Fund's investments in accordance with the Fund's stated investment objectives and policies, as well as the services provided by the Adviser to the Fund, including administrative and compliance services, oversight of fund accounting, marketing services, assistance in meeting legal and regulatory requirements and other services necessary for the operation of the Fund. The Directors acknowledged the Adviser's employment of skilled investment professionals, research analysts and administrative, legal and compliance staff members to seek to ensure that a high level of quality in compliance and administrative services is provided to the Fund. The Directors recognized the benefits that the Fund derives from the resources available to the Adviser and the Adviser's affiliates. Accordingly, the Directors felt that the quality of services offered by the Adviser to the Fund was appropriate and that the personnel providing such services had sufficient expertise to manage the Fund.

The Directors reviewed the performance of the Fund and compared that performance to the performance of other investment funds presented by the Adviser that had objectives and strategies similar to those of the Fund and are managed by other, third-party investment advisers (the "Comparable Funds"). The Directors recognized that certain of the Comparable Funds that are structured as private funds are not subject to certain investment restrictions under the 1940 Act that are applicable to the Fund and that can adversely affect the Fund's performance relative to that of the Comparable Funds. The information presented to the Directors showed that, while the Fund's performance for the three- and five-year periods ended June 30, 2023 was below the median performance of the Comparable Funds for the same periods, the Fund outperformed three of the Comparable Funds during the year-to-date period ended June 30, 2023. The Directors also noted that the Fund's volatility for the three- and five-year periods ended June 30, 2023 was the second lowest as compared to the Comparable Funds for the same periods.

The Directors considered the advisory fees being charged by the Adviser for its services to the Fund as compared to those charged to the Comparable Funds. The information presented to the Directors showed that, while the Fund's management fee was above the median management fee of the Comparable Funds, the Fund does not charge an incentive fee, as did three of the Comparable Funds. In comparing the advisory fees being charged to the Fund to those charged to other advisory clients of the Adviser, the Directors noted that the Fund's management fee was below the standard management fee of the Adviser's retail clients, and the Fund does not charge an incentive fee, unlike the Adviser's retail clients and non-retail clients.

The Directors also considered the profitability of the Adviser both before payment to brokers and after payment to brokers and concluded that the profits realized by the Adviser and its affiliates under the Fund's Management Agreement and from other relationships between the Fund and the Adviser were within a range the Directors considered reasonable and appropriate. The Directors also discussed the fact that the Fund was not large enough at that time to support a request for breakpoints due to economies of scale.

The Directors determined that the fees under the Management Agreement do not constitute fees that are so disproportionately large as to bear no reasonable relationship to the services rendered and that could not have been the product of arm's length bargaining. After considering all factors that it considered relevant, the Board approved the renewal of the Management Agreement.

#### DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS (UNAUDITED)

Information pertaining to the Directors and Officers of the Fund is set forth below. The Statement of Additional Information (SAI) includes additional information about the Directors and is available on the following website: <a href="https://www.ubs.com/us/en/asset-management/individual-investors-and-financial-advisors/products/hedge-funds.html">https://www.ubs.com/us/en/asset-management/individual-investors-and-financial-advisors/products/hedge-funds.html</a>. The SAI also may be obtained by contacting UBS Hedge Fund Solutions, LLC ("UBS HFS") at (888) 793-8637.

| Name, Age, Address and Position(s) with Fund   | Term of Office<br>and Length of<br>Time Served <sup>1</sup> | Principal Occupation(s) <u>During Past 5 Years</u>   | Number of<br>Portfolios in<br>Fund<br>Complex<br>Overseen<br>by Director <sup>2</sup> | Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held by Director Outside Fund Complex During Past 5 Years   |
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|  | IN  | DEPENDENT DIRECTORS  |   |   |
| Virginia G. Breen (59)<br>c/o UBS HFS<br>600 Washington Boulevard<br>Stamford, Connecticut 06901<br>Chair and Director | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Aug. 7, 2008        | Private investor and board member of certain entities (as listed herein).  | 41  | Director of: Paylocity Holding Corp.; the Neuberger Berman Private Equity Registered Funds (21 funds); certain funds in the Calamos Fund Complex (31 portfolios). Former Director of JLL Income Property Trust, Inc. (from December 2004 to June 2023) and Tech and Energy Transition Corporation (March 2021 to March 2023). |
| Heather R. Higgins (64)<br>c/o UBS HFS<br>600 Washington Boulevard<br>Stamford, Connecticut 06901<br>Director          | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Jan. 1, 2022        | President and Director of The Randolph Foundation (charitable foundation) (since 1991); member of the Board of Overseers of the Hoover Institution (from 2001 to 2007 and since 2009); and board member of several non-profit organizations. | 41  | None  |
| Stephen H. Penman (77)<br>c/o UBS HFS<br>600 Washington Boulevard<br>Stamford, Connecticut 06901<br>Director           | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Jul. 1, 2004        | Professor of Financial Accounting<br>of the Graduate School of<br>Business, Columbia University.   | 3   | Member, Board of<br>Advisors, Boston Harbor<br>Investment Management,<br>LLC.   |
|  | OFFICE  | R(S) WHO ARE NOT DIRECTORS   |   |   |
| Nicole Tortarolo (45) UBS HFS 787 Seventh Avenue New York, NY 10019 Principal Executive Officer                        | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Mar. 1, 2023        | Deputy Head of UBS Hedge Fund<br>Solutions LLC since March 2023.<br>Previously, Chief Business Officer<br>(June 2021 to March 2023) and<br>Head of Investment Structuring<br>(March 2011 to June 2021) of UBS<br>Hedge Fund Solutions LLC.   | N/A   | N/A   |
| Matthew Richards (38) UBS HFS 600 Washington Boulevard Stamford, Connecticut 06901 Principal Accounting Officer        | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Jan. 1, 2022        | Head of Financial Reporting & Structuring (since November 2020), prior to which he was a Financial and Regulatory Reporting Specialist (2015-2020).  | N/A   | N/A   |

| Name, Age, Address and Position(s) with Fund   | Term of Office<br>and Length of<br><u>Time Served</u> <sup>1</sup> | Principal Occupation(s) <u>During Past 5 Years</u>   | Number of<br>Portfolios in<br>Fund<br>Complex<br>Overseen<br>by Director <sup>2</sup> | Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held by Director Outside Fund Complex <u>During Past 5 Years</u> |
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| Aily S. Andrews (35)<br>UBS HFS<br>787 Seventh Avenue<br>New York, NY 10019<br>Chief Compliance Officer                      | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>May 31, 2022               | Executive Director and Chief Compliance Officer of UBS Hedge Fund Solutions LLC since May 31, 2022, prior to which she was Deputy Chief Compliance Officer (since May 2020). Ms. Andrews was a Director and Business Risk Officer of UBS's Evidence Lab Innovations from April 2019 to May 2020 (including Head Business Risk Officer from February to May 2020), and was a Vice President and Business Risk Officer of Capital One's Client Solutions business from October 2017 to March 2019 (including Head Business Risk Officer from July 2018 to March 2019). | N/A   | N/A  |
| Keith A. Weller (62) UBS Asset Management (Americas) Inc. One North Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606 Chief Legal Officer | Term —<br>Indefinite<br>Length—since<br>Jul. 25, 2019              | Executive Director and Deputy General Counsel (since February 2019, prior to which he was Senior Associate General Counsel) of UBS Business Solutions US LLC (since January 2017) and UBS Asset Management (Americas) Inc. (since 2005). Mr. Weller also serves as a Vice President and Secretary of the registered investment funds advised by UBS Asset Management (Americas) Inc.   | N/A   | N/A  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Fund commenced operations on February 1, 2003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Of the 41 funds/portfolios in the complex, 38 are advised by an affiliate of UBS HFS and three comprise the registered alternative investment funds advised by UBS HFS.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

#### PROXY VOTING

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available: (i) without charge, upon request, by calling (888) 793-8637; and (ii) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's (the "SEC") website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>.

The Fund is required to file, on Form N-PX, its complete proxy voting record for the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, no later than August 31. The Fund's Form N-PX filings are available: (i) without charge, upon request, by calling (888) 793-8637; and (ii) on the SEC's website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>.

#### AVAILABILITY OF QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO SCHEDULES

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to its reports on Form N-PORT. The Fund's Form N-PORT reports are available, without charge, on the SEC's website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>.